



Post News



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Commanders Comments:

The past few months have brought a few challenges to the Post, but we have weathered the storm and are pushing forward. Our first joint meeting was a success. We will have a joint meeting every quarter. Next Joint meeting is going to be Wednesday October 30th at 7:15pm after the weekly drawing. If there is anything you wish to submit for the agenda, please let me know two (2) weeks prior.

We don't have the final numbers from the Charity Golf Outing, but we should have raised over \$22,500.00 for our Charities. Thanks to Shirley Browne, Jim Frederick and the committee for their tireless efforts. We are very lucky to have them.

The bathroom on the patio is scheduled to be completed by August 16th, the day before the Hog Roast. So far it is on schedule, or it will be functional for that weekend. We were fortunate to have Jesse from Lowes donate all the materials for it to the tune of approximately \$1100.00 their cost. Thanks to Mark/Wendy Reed for the donation of the commode and the urinal. Thank you to Shirley and Steve Browne for the donation of a new washer and dryer. Thanks to Keith Schneider, Mark True, Jay Bird, and Don Hudson for their efforts to get this accomplished.

Don't forget the Open Car show, September 14th, 2013 in our field, sponsored by the Indy GTO club. It will be a blast. Andy Carson our new 2nd Vice, is bringing parents and their kids to cook and run food that day from his children's middle school. It should be quite a day.

We have found the problem upstairs. Condensation from the air conditioning units have popped lights and speakers from the ceiling. This is being fixed August 17th, by Tom Kimble. Insulation will have to be blown in after this is completed.

We are also investigating new air exchangers for the bar area for smoke. We had a company come out to look at it and make suggestions. Jim Wilson and myself will look at installations here in the city, of this equipment to make sure they work before anything else is done, or voted on. We are also working on the replacement for the West Door before winter, and the wind break.

The American Legion Riders now has their charter is growing strong. More to follow from their spoke person.

Final thought: We are a family, and everyone should be treated with respect. If you don't know, don't gossip, just say nothing. We have too much of it and it's usually incorrect or hurtful to people. We need to respect each other, and trust that we are doing the right thing for the post. Let's keep it family, and not a he said/she said. Thanks for your support and all the volunteers that help us do what needs to be done.

H.J. Rock+Effron

ATTENTION: LADIES AUXILIARY

We have Auxiliary shirts for sale! We had shirts that were donated to us. We then had our Auxiliary name silk screened on them. We thought it would be nice to have shirts that match when we are doing our volunteer work. They are black, three-quarter sleeved, cotton/spandex and the lettering is gold. They are very nice and we are selling them for \$15. The proceeds are going to the HVAF Fund to help our Veterans at Manchester House. There are limited numbers of medium, large and x-large available, so get yours soon. You can contact Joan Hause, Dee Lunt or Judy Holmes to get your shirt.

Hi Everyone!

We have had a great summer so far.

The Legion has asked us to get our own Gaming License for our Euchre and Queen of Hearts. So now we are working on preparing for those things.

We would like to welcome Justin and Meghan Morseth and their children Cora and Sanders to our Legion family.

We had our cookout for the HVAF everyone had a great time. Good food and entertainment. Thanks everyone for helping make it a success.

Our next meeting is the 14th of October. We are asking for a lot of you to attend our next meeting (October 14th) there are lots of topics up for conversation so please try to attend. I am looking forward to our having continued success and now more!

Lots of love

SAL NEWS – Craig Olivares/Commander

It's been a great 2 months since our last newsletter. The SAL had a great Steak Dinner on July 12th during the Annual Golf Tournament. Many thanks go out to those who volunteered during the busy weekend. As our American Legion Commander Rock said during our Joint Meeting on July 31st, we are all family and we should all work together for the common goal of making Post 155 the best it can be.

Our SAL Membership meeting are on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00pm. SAL member are invited to attend this short meeting and feel free to share ideas for future activities.

In addition to thanking the SAL Board of Officers for their dedication to our causes, I would like to single out a couple of volunteers who put in many hours throughout the month. Jay Copeland and Joan Hause (she makes our Jello-shots) and to the many people who buy our dinners and participate in our fund raising activities.

The next SAL Steak dinner is on September 7th and October 5th from 6:00-8:00pm. Entertainment will follow immediately after dinner.

Another Successful Charity Golf Tournament

The 22nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament was held on July 13th at Mohawk Hills. I'm happy to report it was a resounding success. In 2012, our total contributions, exclusive of the designated donation to the Woodland Children's Fund. Was \$9,500. This year we were able to contribute \$13,500, (a 36% increase). While the final accounting is being detailed, the amounts donated to our three charities were:

The Indiana Veterans Home	\$9,500 (\$2,500 more than last year)
Post 155 Scholarship Fund	\$2,000 (\$500 more than last year)
HVAF	\$1,500 (\$500 more than last year)

(These contribution levels generally match last year's percentages)

Virtually every area of fundraising increased this year. In particular, the silent and live auctions showed approximately a 60% increase, due to the addition of a complimentary cocktail hour which was a result of the outstanding planning and solicitation by Club Manager Gail Young, and the generous sponsorship by John Benson and Tina Brown.

I'd like to thank anyone and everyone who contributed to this year's success, including players, hole sponsors, prize donors, auction contributors, and cash contributors. In particular, I'd like to thank the golf committee for the hard work and dedication it takes to meet the demands of the tournament. The committee didn't wear out but, rather, got stronger and more diligent over the course of the six months. I'd also like to thank the volunteers. They are silent enablers, without whom the tournament couldn't take place.

Finally, I'd like to thank Mohawk Hills for their continuing support and the staff of Post 155 for once again providing a welcoming and fun atmosphere for everyone's enjoyment.

A GRAND TOTAL of \$23,500 to four charities. That's a very nice number !!! Congratulations to all of you for making it happen.

On behalf of the Golf Committee

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

It's official!!! We have our Charter. Our Charter was presented to us on July 13 at the American Legion State Conference. We have 30 Charter Members and 33 total membership at the present time. Zionsville Post 79 was very supportive in riding with us in the July 4th parade. We recently rode with them on a ride for Combat Wounded Warriors. We visited the War Memorials in Westfield, Tipton and Kokomo. If you have never visited those sites, they are something to see. At the Westfield War Memorial, we were joined by Allen Downs, a supporter of the Memorial. He continued with us on the ride through Tipton and Kokomo. He is a member of the Westfield American Legion but since they do not have an ALR Chapter, at the end of the ride he decided to join the Carmel Riders Chapter. Future rides are in the planning stages and will be posted on our bulletin board on the back wall at the Post. You can also visit us on our Facebook page (American Legion Riders Club . Post 155) to see upcoming events and pictures. If you have an interest in becoming a Legion Rider you can contact me, leave your information at the Post or contact us by email at alr@americanlegionpost155.org. We also have a mailbox at the Post. It is located with the other organizations mailboxes on the self behind the popcorn machine. Membership forms are available on our bulletin board.

Dues are \$15 and our meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM.

Mike Pettijohn
Director



HVAF

(Hoosier Veterans Assistance Foundation)

Well, our Car Wash fundraiser for HVAF's Residential Employment Substance Abuse Treatment (REST) program was a partial wash out+this time. Even though the threat of rain was there we had some loyal supports. There were only 5 or 6 cars washed before the rain came in again. I must say, my car was shining and it is not an easy wash! We served the veterans lunch and some great comradery and then they were on their way. We will just try it again next year.

We are having a cookout on August 17th for the residents of Manchester House. We will be having chicken, Italian sausage, salads, baked beans, fruit and desserts. We also plan to have a surprise guest to entertain. I'm sure everyone will have a great time.

As we move closer to the holidays, plans are being made for our HVAF Holiday Breakfast. This year we plan to give each veteran a backpack filled with useful goodies. We are currently on the hunt for **good prices and donations** on backpacks, towels, bar soap, shampoo, deodorant, gloves, scarves and anything else we can come up with to fill these bags. If you have contacts or ideas we would love to hear about them.

You have all been generous but the donation barrels have been a little bare lately so please remember our veterans when the BOGO sales are on. We are not taking donations of clothing at this time, however, they are accepting new boxer shorts or brief donations. When you speak to these veterans and see and know how grateful they are for our help it makes you realize how thankful we should all be for the service they have given us.

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(If anyone knows someone or an organization that would be willing to donate items or give us a discount please give me a call or send me an email. We are always keeping our eyes and ears open for freebies or discounts on items we need. We have a large membership at our Post. I'm sure someone knows someone that could help us out. Call me if you have a contact

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Contact Melanie Lentz for an order form
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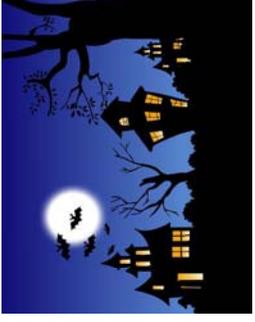
September 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2  Post will close at 6:00pm	3	4  Legion	5  Legion Meeting	6	7  Steak Dinner 6-8 Entertainment
8 	9	10	11  S.A.L.	12	13 	14  GTO Car Show
15	16	17	18  Auxiliary	19	20	21  3:00. ?
22	23	24	25  Legion	26	27	28  3:00. ?
29	30  S.A.L. Meeting					



October 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2  S.A.L.	3  Legion Meeting	4	5  Steak Dinner 6-8 Entertainment
6	7	8	9  Auxiliary	10	11  EUCHRE	12  TEXAS Hold'em ?
13 	14  Auxiliary Meeting	15	16  Legion	17	18	19  TEXAS Hold'em ?
20	21	22	23  S.A.L.	24	25	26  TEXAS Hold'em ?
27	28  S.A.L. Meeting	29	30  Auxiliary	31  Happy Halloween!		

