

# AMERICAN LEGION

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## OCT - 2023 NEWSLETTER



### POST OFFICERS

COMMANDER..... GRANT WHITELY  
SENIOR VICE CMDR..... BRUCE EARLY  
1ST. JUNIOR VICE CMDR..... MICHAEL DWYER  
2ND. JUNIOR VICE CMDR..... ROBERT CARUSO  
3RD JUNIOR VICE CMDR..... JAMES BRENDLE  
JUDGE ADVOCATE..... HENRY WALTERS  
ADJUTANT..... TERESA BRISKER  
FINANCE OFFICER..... DAVID MYER  
SERVICE OFFICER..... TBA  
SGT-AT-ARMS..... SCOTT PERRY  
CHAPLAIN..... WILLIAM CRAIN  
I.T. OFFICER..... TBA

#### Executive Committee Officers

PAUL ANDERSON, SR. PST CDR OSCAR SIMS  
CAROL WHITLOCK RAYMOND JOHNSON  
HENRY KING

AL MEMBERS MEETING.....2<sup>ND</sup> TUESDAY - 7:00 PM  
AL EXECUTIVE MEETING..1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY - 7:00 PM  
AL HOUSE COMMITTEE.....1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY - 6:00 PM  
AL AUXILIARY MEETING...2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY - 2:00 PM  
SAL MEMBERS MEETING...2<sup>ND</sup> THURSDAY-6:30 PM  
AL RIDERS MEETING.....3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY - 2:00 PM  
AL AUX JRS MEETING.....3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY - 2:00 PM



### AUXILIARY OFFICERS

PRESIDENT..... MIRIAM STEIN  
1ST. VICE PRES..... TC BENZEL  
2ND. VICE PRES..... ANDREA BATCHELDER  
SECRETARY.....STEPHANIE BISHOP  
TREASURER..... JULIE HUFFMAN  
SGT-AT-ARMS..... FRANCES BOWMAN  
& IRENE HACKLEY  
CHAPLAIN..... JONI DWYER  
HISTORIAN.....SUSAN BAURS  
PARLIAMENTARIAN.....JESSICA SPARKS



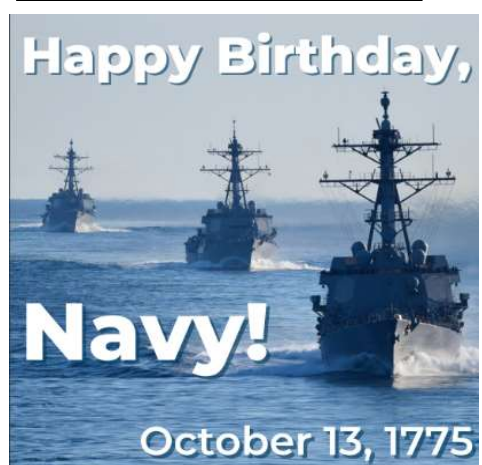
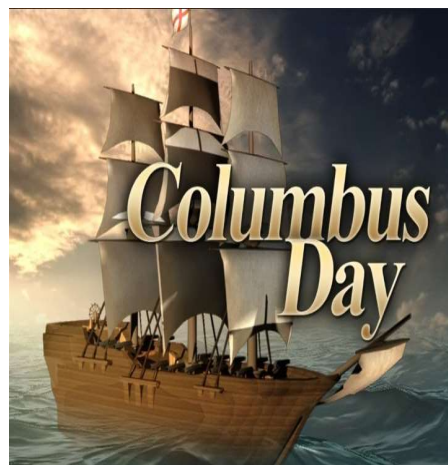
### SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS

COMMANDER..... BRIAN KNUTSON  
1st VICE CMDR..... DONALD HUFFMAN  
2nd VICE CMDR..... DAVID A HIGGINBOTHAN  
ADJUTANT..... MICHAEL LAMIE  
FINANCE OFFICER.....JEFF AWAIT  
JUDGE ADVOCATE.....ROBERT BRIZIUS  
SGT-AT-ARMS..... ROBERT CARLTON  
HISTORIAN..... TRISTAN HALSTEAD  
CHAPLAIN.....TBA

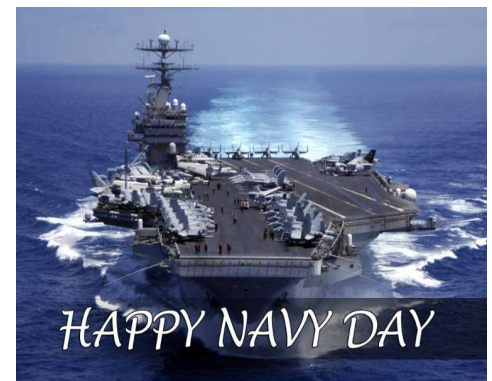


### LEGION RIDER OFFICERS

DIRECTOR.....DONALD HUFFMAN  
ASSIST. DIRECTOR.....TERRENCE ALEXANDER  
SECRETARY.....ALLEAN HARRINGTON  
TREASURER.....JULIE HUFFMAN  
ROAD CAPT..... LEE GARCIA  
ACTIVITIES .....MIRIAM STEIN  
SAFETY OFFICER ..... LEE GALLOWAY  
HISTORIAN.....JUDY EASTMEAD  
CHAPLAIN.....TBD  
SGT-AT-ARMS.....DAVID HIGGINBOTHAM  
JUDGE ADVOCATE.....JESSICA SPARKS  
WEBMASTER.....JOHN HARRINGTON



**BE THE ONE**



**RENEW YOUR LEGION MEMBERSHIP TODAY!**



# Commander's Message



**Membership** – Renewal 2024 is at a remarkable 226 members making our percentage at 63.6%. Please get your dues to the Post or pay online. Either way, the Post gets the credit and you the satisfaction of supporting your Post during this annual membership run.

**American Legion News – How to protect yourself from cybercrimes** - Cybercrimes, especially against seniors, continues to be a major problem in the United States. According to the FBI's 2022 Elder Fraud Report, cybercrimes cost Americans over 60 more than \$3 billion last year, an 84% increase from 2021.

While anyone can be a victim of cybercrimes, seniors are frequent targets because they tend to have more money than their younger counterparts. But there are several things you can do to protect yourself from online fraud, hacking and scams. Here are a few tips. (Go to [American Legion News \(gapost178.org\)](http://gapost178.org) under American Legion news to read the whole article.

**Halloween** – Go to [71ACY0420 Halloween Safety.pdf \(gapost178.org\)](http://71ACY0420_Halloween_Safety.pdf) and check out the tips for a safe Halloween for your children. Every October, children look forward to Halloween night – the time when they get to dress up as their favorite characters, knock on neighbors’ doors and ask the age-old question: “Trick or Treat?”

**Turkey Shoot** – The season starts on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 2PM. Please follow the posted safety rules and regulations.

**The Navy Birthday Oct 13th: Not To Be Confused With Navy Day** - The U.S. Navy birthday should not be confused with Navy Day, which was created in 1922 to recognize the service of all Navy members. Believe it or not, Navy Day pre-dates official recognition of the Navy Birthday. Navy Day is observed on Oct. 27. That date was chosen, so the story goes, in honor of President Teddy Roosevelt whose birthday is also on the 27th.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THE POST** - (Don't stay inside, become a volunteer) If you are interested in volunteering, then contact the Post Commander Grant Whiteley at 706-793-1724 or Auxiliary President Miriam Stein Unit 178 at 706-399-7539. If you want to volunteer to help us in the Kitchen, please call our own Jr. Vice Commander Mike Dwyer at 706-360-1764.

**NOTE** - Don't forget our weekly Friday Night steak dinners (6 – 8 PM). I am so grateful to all my officers, our management, the Ladies Auxiliary, SAL and the Riders for all the time and energy they have dedicated into helping the post, the veterans and the community. If possible, all officers need to attend both the executive board meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month and along with the members, the membership meeting on the Second Tuesday of each month. Thank You!

**"WE THE PEOPLE"**

Grant B. Whiteley  
Commander  
American Legion Post 178



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The Auxiliary would like to thank all the volunteers for the help in the kitchen for the work around the post. If you would like to join the volunteers' please let us know. We are taking membership dues the amount is now \$40.00. The steak night will be October 13<sup>th</sup>. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. We also have a raffle going on in the lounge. You can purchase tickets from the bartender and also see the raffle item in the lounge near the TV.

*God and Country,  
Miriam Stein, Unit President*



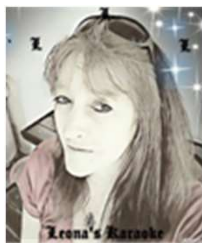
We'll be having a fish fry on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Our monthly meeting will be on the 12<sup>th</sup>. We will be cooking for the Friday Night Steak night October 27<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to everyone for the support on Steak night! In addition, a Big thanks to everyone who has Help me make these steak nights a big success. Thanks to all active duty and all veterans for your service. Take care and God Bless you all!

*Strength for Service to God & country,  
Brian Kunston, SAL Commander*



We will be having our monthly lunch ride on Oct 7<sup>th</sup> with KSU 10:30am. Our general membership meeting is Oct 15 at 2pm. Our steak night is Oct 20<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm. The turkey shoots start back in October. Please come out and either participate or donate on Oct 22 starting at 2pm. We also continue to collect school supplies and non-perishable food items for Fort Gordon Battle Buddy program. Please drop off your donations in the box located in the hall (flyer attached to box for more information). Also be thinking about Fisher House ride Nov 4 and donations to support them. We have also started Wreaths Across America campaign to collect sponsors. If interested in donating, sponsor sheets will be at the Legion or see any rider for more information. Ride Safe!

*For God and Country,  
Donald "Fix It" Huffman, Director*



On Oct 6<sup>th</sup> we will be having a Balloon Release in Honor of our own Mike Anderson @6pm. Each year the Lounge Staff organizes the Breast Cancer Awareness Walk. Please donate and support this cause. We will be walking on 21 Oct and meet at the post at 07:30 AM or at the Commons by the fountain on the wall. We are doing Schnitzel Dinner in Honor of Ms. Gudy Alexander on 21 Oct @ 1PM. Oct 27<sup>th</sup>, is our adult Halloween Party in the Lounge starting around 8 PM. Prizes will be awarded. Look for our Flyers in the Post for special events.

*Lounge Manager, Frances Bowman*

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## POST 178 CALENDAR of EVENTS

### OCTOBER 2023

| <i>OCT</i> | <u>DAY</u> | <u>EVENT</u>   |
|------------|------------|--|
| 1          | Sunday     | 40/8 V-719 MTG 12 NOON   |
| 3          | Tuesday    | HOUSE COMMITTEE Mtg @ 6 pm. E-BOARD Mtg @ 7 pm.  |
| 5          | Thursday   | NATL PRESIDENT VISIT VA DINNER 6PM @178  |
| 6          | Friday     | AL STEAK NIGHT 6 – 8 PM. Karaoke 8pm-12am w/Billy & Gerda  |
| 7          | Saturday   | AL TURKEY SHOOT 2 – 4 PM<br>SAL FISH FRY @ 12 NOON   |
| 8          | Sunday     | AUXILIARY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP Mtg @ 2PM.  |
| 10         | Tuesday    | LEGION GENERAL MEMBERSHIP Mtg @ 7 pm.  |
| 11         | Wednesday  | RIDERS EXEC MTG @ 6:30 PM  |
| 12         | Thursday   | SAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP Mtg at 6:30 pm.   |
| 13         | Friday     | AUXILIARY STEAK NIGHT 6 – 8 PM<br>NAVY BIRTHDAY  |
| 14         | Saturday   | AUXILIARY TURKEY SHOOT @ 2 – 4 PM  |
| 15         | Sunday     | ALR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP Mtg. @ 2 pm   |
| 20         | Friday     | ALR STEAK NIGHT @ 6 - 8 PM; KARAOKE 8pm-12am w/  |
| 21         | Saturday   | MIRACLE WALK DOWNTOWN FROM THE POST @7:30 AM<br>MS. GUDY DAY SCHNITZEL DINNER 1 PM<br>RIDERS TURKEY SHOOT @ 2 – 4 PM                                   |
| 22         | Sunday     | CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY @ 2-4 PM  |
| 27         | Friday     | SAL Steak Night 6 - 8 PM, KARAOKE @ 8 – 12 w/DJ Long Legged Leona<br>ADULTS HALLOWEEN PARTY @ 8PM<br>DEPARTMENT FALL CONFERENCE @ DULUTH OCT 27 – 29TH |
| 29         | Sunday     | FISHER HOUSE RIDE FT. GORDON   |