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Post 1976 Officers

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MEETINGS:

Executive Board: 1st Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m. General Membership: 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m. House Committee: 1st Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m.

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President: Tom Uglietta; TomUg@verizon.net

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MEETINGS: 1st Thursday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

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MEETINGS: 3rd Thursday of the month, 7 p.m.

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MEETINGS: 2nd Monday of the month, 7 p.m., except June,

July (no meeting)

Club Manager: Diane Ramsey

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Commander's Corner

Dear Fellow Legionnaires, Auxiliary, SAL, and Riders:

We are keeping everyone in our thoughts and prayers. Covid-19 continues to cause havoc among us, and our post is complying with the Virginia governor's orders.

The post is running one daily shift from 11:00 am-7:00 pm. We are open later for meetings.

The next General Membership meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 9, at 7:00 pm. It is highly encouraged that our members join us at these meetings as this is a great forum to address issues, bring up ideas, and discuss legion business. The Executive Board and House Committee need your support.

As far as I know we will be having our Memorial Day ceremony at the Annandale Methodist Church at 9:00 am and our presentation at the Annandale Cannon at 11:00. It will be great to see everyone there if possible. Wear your mask.

For God and Country,

Gretchen Trujillo, Commander

1st Vice's Report

This position is currently vacant. Please contact the Post for more information.

2nd Vice's Report

With the recent easing of some of the Covid-19 restrictions, we are going to start, slowly and safely, hosting events. The first one will be Tuesday Night Trivia. The next one will be March 16th, starting at 7 p.m. It will still be 2-person teams, 2 \$25 gift cards can be won.

If you do not feel comfortable with venturing out, you will still have a chance to satisfy your Trivia

bug. I am currently working on a way, through Zoom, to host an online version of Trivia (no prizes, unfortunately). I will need to familiarize myself with Zoom to ensure I send the invites out correctly.

Future events will be held as these Covid restrictions ease up. Stay tuned for more information.

Lance Kent, 2nd Vice Commander

3rd Vice's Report

Hey y'all, first and foremost I want to again say thank you to everyone for doing your part through this @#@\$. I want to ask everyone if YOU feel sick please don't come into the post; if you have tested positive for the virus don't come to the post until you have done your 10 day quarantine. And please be honest about it there is no need for putting anyone else in danger because you want to gamble or have a beer—those can wait!!! Also, the manager on duty controls the volume on the juke box, TV, and the Bluetooth. Most folks like to be able to carry on a conversation without having to yell at each other. If you are playing music through Bluetooth ask the manager when they are happy with the volume and at that point is where it STAYS unless you are asked to turn it down (it is not to be turned UP). Thanks to all our ASSKICKIN' staff. Y'all are the BEST and we really appreciate all of y'all!!!!!!!!

Eugene Kimbrell (aka Cornbread)

3rd Vice Commander

Finance Officer's Report

For calendar year 2020 we had a net loss of \$268.96—this loss is the result of Covid-19 impact (closures and limited social quarter activities).

As of Jan. 31, 2021: Net Income for the year 2021 is +\$10,944.41; current assets are \$282,380.09, and mortgage balance is \$26,612.95.

Frank Buckley, Finance Officer

Chaplain's Report

Spring is coming. Spring brings many things including warmer weather, more daylight, and more time outdoors. Spring also brings us the Easter season.

The overwhelming message of Passover, Holy Week, and Easter is of God's deep love for humanity. Easter reminds us of God's neverending love for us. God's love calls us into freedom to work for justice, peace, and love in the world. That doesn't mean we are safe from all harm, viral or otherwise, but it does mean that this love surrounds us and upholds us, no matter what happens.

For the Spring and the Easter season find ways to make that love visible in the world. That might mean planting a garden; bringing groceries to someone who is in quarantine; donating to those in need; making calls and sending emails to check on friends, family, neighbors, and fellow veterans; or finding ways to center yourself in love.

Easter brings happiness, Easter brings God's endless blessings, Easter brings love and the freshness of Spring.

Prayers for your health and blessings to you and your family.

Paul McComb, Chaplain

Service Officer's Report

No report this quarter.

Dorothy Hennessey Vigano, Service Officer dorothyvigano@yahoo.com (703) 898-6627

Historian's Report

No report this quarter.

Jeremy Powell, Historian

Adjutant's Report

No report this quarter.

Christine Langin, Adjutant

Club Manager's Report

American Legion Post 1976 Coronavirus Rules

If you feel sick, stay at home.

Your temperature will be taken when you walk in the door. If your temperature is 100.4 or higher, you will not be admitted.

You must wear your mask when you come in the door and when going to the restroom, machines, or the service area. If you do not have a mask, you will not be served until we give you one.

Anyone with blatant symptoms will be asked to leave and it is strongly recommended that you be tested. Once you have a negative test, you will be allowed back in, with written results. If you choose not to get tested, you must stay out for 14 days.

If you test positive, you will not be permitted to enter the post for 10 days and if you choose not to get another test, it will be 14 days.

If your family, children, grandchildren, or anyone who you reside with tests positive, it is strongly recommended that you be tested or you will not be permitted into the post for 14 days.

I will keep the bartenders informed by e-mail with coronavirus updates. Also, I will let the bartenders know when someone is allowed back in.

Bartenders will write down any incidents with the date.

A copy of this will be put on the front door, next to the sign-in book at the bar, and on the front table.

Diane Ramsey, Club Manager

American Legion Auxiliary Report

No report this quarter.

Pam McCarthy, Auxiliary President

Sons of the American Legion Report

Well, we got through a few snowstorms so far this Winter. Hopefully Spring is around the corner. We are all still working our way through this Covid-19 situation. We continue to pray for a quick recovery for all those directly affected. The Legion remains open on a limited basis, and the Sons continue with their monthly meeting both in person and on Zoom. We are continuing this year's membership drive. To date we have 90 members renewed. Our goal is 117 members for our squadron. If you haven't renewed yet contact me or leave your renewal request in an envelope at the Legion with the bartender.

The Sons are having their annual St. Patrick's Day dinner on March 17, 4-7 p.m. or until food runs out. Be on the lookout for the sign-up sheet.

Don't forget, our monthly meetings are on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. You can join in person or via Zoom. Details for each meeting will go out in an email before the meeting.

I hope to see everyone soon, and please stay safe!

Tom Uglietta, SAL President

American Legion Riders

SPRINGTIME!!!! Such a great word to hear. Especially if you ride. If your bike has been stored all winter be sure and do your safety checks. The group is looking at trying to do something for Memorial Day. It might not be as big as Thunder Bash but we will do something. So once again we will need volunteers; we will put out more info as soon as we nail it down. We are also going to Bedford Va. June 5 and 6. We blocked 10 rooms at the Days Inn; there are some left but they are filling up. So if you would like to go the number is 540-586-8286; rooms are listed under Richard Kimbrell however Ms. Jenni Smith also knows me

as Cornbread. Again, you don't have to ride a bike you can cage if you want to everyone is welcome to go with us. It is possible that we will be making a trip to the VA hospital in Martinsburg, West VA. This year we will also get that info out as soon as we know for sure. I know we will be helping the Auxiliary with another food drive for the hospital when they receive word of the need. If we do get to ride out, that trip will be with socks and underwear. In either case donations will be taken. I think that's all for now. But just as soon as I send this, I will remember something. RIDE SAFE ALL.

Eugene Kimbrell (aka Cornbread), ALR Director

Riders stop at the Rockwood American Legion (during their trip to the Flight 93 memorial in PA):







Riders dropped off food donations at Dr. Larmour's ("Doc") chiropractic office in Fairfax:







ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER



CORNED BEEF, CABBAGE & POTATOES, IRISH SODA BREAD, AND A PIECE OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY CAKE

WEDNESDAY MARCH 17, 2021 4PM-? \$12.00

SIGN-UP IS PREFERRED; PLEASE CALL THE BARTENDER 703-941-9608



~ March 2021 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	House Committee Meeting 6:30 Executive Board Meeting 7 pm	3	SAL Meeting 7 pm	5	6
7	Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm	General Membership Meeting 7 pm	10	11	12	13
14 Daylight Saving	15	16 Trivia Night 7 p.m.	17 St. Patrick's Dinner 4 p.m.	ALR Meeting 7:00 pm	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 Luau 6 p.m.
28	29	30	31			

~ April 2021 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				SAL Meeting 7 pm	2 Good Friday	3
4 Easter	5	House Committee Meeting 6:30 Executive Board Meeting 7 pm	7	8	9	10
11	Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm	General Membership Meeting 7 pm	14	ALR Meeting 7:00 pm	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

~ May 2021 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	House Committee Meeting 6:30 Executive Board Meeting 7 pm	5 Cinco de Mayo	SAL Meeting 7 pm	7	8
9 Mother's Day	Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm	General Membership Meeting 7 pm	12	13	14	15 Armed Forces Day
16	17	18	19	ALR Meeting 7:00 pm	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 Memorial Day	-				