

American Legion Post 74 Charlottesville & Albemarle, Inc. P.O. Box 6566 Charlottesville, VA 22906-6566 Electronic Service Requested

September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 EXEC mtg 6:30pm	2	3 RSVP Dinner due	4
5	6	7	8 Gen. membership 7pm, dinner 6pm	9	10	11 Patriot Day 11am
12	13 Rosh Hashanah	14 Auxiliary mtg 7pm, snack 6:30pm	15 POW/MIA Day	16 Marine Corps League, C-130 OPS Briefing, All invited to attend		18 US Airforce Birthday
19 BINGO 12 pm	20	7pm, meal 6pm	22 Day of Caring, Project Linus 9-3	23	24	25
26 BINGO 12 pm	27	28	29	30		



Pray for our men and women in uniform

Eternal God, Our Heavenly Father, please protect our sons, daughters, husbands and mothers who have answered our country's call, that they might return safely home. We also remember those who gave their all, remembering with gratitude their courage and devotion to duty. Look upon your bereaved servants with your mercy. As this day brings them memories of loved ones lost, may it also bring your consolation and the assurance that they are alive now and forever in your living presence.

Now, Father, allow us to continue to serve You as one nation under God, and please, God, bless America during these difficult times. Amen.

God Bless America! Mike James Chaplin

If you know of someone, or you yourself are ill or in the hospital, feel free to contact

Chaplain Mike James at 309-825-2851. Veterans Crisis Line: 1-800-273-8255 and press 1, Chat, or Text 838255



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Website: http://www.legionpost74.com E-mail: legionpost74@legionpost74.com <u>Commander's Report:</u>

Commander Bill Napier

Welcome Legion Family. We are back to regular scheduled activities as much as possible. We will be hosting a 9-11, *A Day to Remember*, 20th Anniversary Memorial, On 11 September 2021 at the Post Home. The event will be held outside, starting at 11am, with *Striking the Four Fives* promptly at 12 noon. Keynote speaker is Joel Jenkins, Chaplain (Col.) USA (Ret.). We hope his message brings an understanding to some of our American History. Also, a *Freedom Flag* and 9-11 Memorial Poster (14) Exhibit will be available for viewing inside, after the Memorial is completed.

Our food committee is already planning for September's meal. Thank you, Legion Rider members, Roberta and Bob Humphrey, Connie Critzer, Dawn and Lowell Badgley, Ana Hickory and Randy Wood.

Bus tours are in the planning phase, with coordination from The Center in Charlottesville, for veterans to visit the **D-Day Memorial** in Bedford, VA, on Thurs., 28 Oct, and **The U.S. Army National Museum** at Ft Belvoir, VA, on Thurs., 2 Dec. If interested, please contact Connie Critzer at email at <u>CLC6KK@gmail.com</u>.

Bingo is scheduled to reopen on 19 September 2021, at our Post Home. Start time 1:30pm, doors open at 12 noon.

Let us call-a-buddy and check on their Health	DINNER MENU \$12.00 RSVP: 3 September 2021		
and Welfare. For God and Country	Ham, Baked Sweet Potato with fixings, California Veggie Medley, Salad Bar, Rolls with butter and Old fashion Rice Pudding for dessert. (Fruit cups for GF allergies) Ice tea, Lemonade, Water, Sign-in roster, ticket required to receive meal First time New Members eat free! RSVP please 434-977-1050 Presented by Post 74 Ceremonial Unit and Legion Riders		

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Post 74 Officers

Commander: Bill Napier

Email: btb866251@gmail.com <u>First Vice:</u> Vacant <u>Second Vice:</u> Randy Wood

Third Vice: Roberta Humphrey

Chaplain: Mike James

Finance: David Drayer

Adjutant: Phil Grimm

Historian: Al Underwood

Judge Advocate: Pat Kelly

Sgt. At Arms: Mary Sue Garrison

Athletic Officer: Solomon McCauley

Service Officer: Gary Hegemier

Rental Agent: vacant

<u>At Large Officers:</u> Lowell Badgley George Shadman Bellamy Brown Boyd Knott W. Bruce Eades

> Legionnaire of the Year: Gary Hegemier



On August 6, Iwo Jima Marine Bert Mulligan celebrated his 101st Birthday receiving a leather jacket, with USMC emblem, from Commandant Maurie Roesch of the Bradley T. Arms Detachment (who meets at our Post 74 home) of the Marine Corps League. He was joined by Detachment's original Commandant Carlton Crenshaw and Past Post 74 Commander Bruce Eades.

ADay to Remember

The unprovoked attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, upon America by foreign terrorists have thrust the United States and other countries into a war it never envisioned, militarily or diplomatically.

This new great unknown and uncertainty has woven itself into all the threads of society.

The challenges facing all the civilized people of the world as they relate to the war on terrorism will not end until these fanatics are brought to justice.

America is fully committed through operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom to ensure our freedoms remain unfettered and sovereign for all generations, now and forever.

World opinion needs to remain focused upon the eradication of these inhuman acts perpetrated around the globe.

One way to accomplish this is to NEVER FORGET that those innocent victims did not die in vain.

America can fight back by reminding the world that the deaths of these people will always be remembered, and that they will be forever loved.

A noble and appropriate way to accomplish this is through the annual celebration of their lives.

This commemoration should be conducted each year throughout the land and be known as **Sept. 11, "Patriot Day."**



To help those less fortunate and to help with membership, donations are being accepted in increments of \$35. We have achieved the current goal of 50%. We need to continue renewals and enrolling new members. Our membership teams will be making the first contact of the year those who have yet to renew.

MEMBERSHIP THROUGH Aug 2021

Renewals	PUFLs	New Members	Transfers	Total Membership	Goal for the Year	Percent of Goal Met
219	147	3		369	678	54.42%

For those who have not renewed for 2021, please consider remitting your dues now of \$35.

Your membership is the life blood of American Legion Post 74



The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 74 Unit President Ruthann Brown rsk8mom@aol.com

Meetings are held at the Post Home, 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 630PM.

Meet and Greet at 6PM

If you are unable to attend please email your input for consideration. Our Freedom Flag and 9-11 Memorial Poster Exhibit will be displayed in the main ceremonial hall on 11 September thru the end of the month. Thank you for your support. Membership cards, for those who have renewed will be sent out later this month. Please mail membership renewal to PO Box 364, Crozet, VA 22936.



S.A.L. (Sons of American Legion) Squadron 74 Commander Lowell Badgley

Membership cards for 21-22 are in. Dues are \$15.00 per member. Several members have submitted renewal early, you can be one also. The next meeting will be held 21 September, dinner at 6pm, meeting at 7pm. If possible, submit an email address in order to receive the newsletter faster upon publication. Thank you







American Legion Riders Chapter 74 Website: www.al74riders.comEmail: info@al74riders.com Director: Bob Humphrey , wrench58@embarqmail.com

Hello Post ALR members. I sure hope everyone remains healthy and safe. Please be mindful when riding, regarding your hydration status, especially with excessive heat we are experiencing. In addition, with school openings be mindful of buses loading/unloading, anxious parents and kids crossing without looking. Always ride safe, use common sense, be courteous and have fun. Never drive beyond your comfort level. Plans for our Post 74 ALR to host the Annual Post 74 picnic at Darden Towe Park, on 3 Oct

2021, 2-4pm. For God and Country, RIDE ON MY FRIEND, RIDE ON!!

Blue Star Families of Central Virginia Martha Horsfall, horsfalljm@comcast.net Mailing Address: Blue Star Families Of Central VA, PO BOX 5182 Charlottesville, VA 22905-5182

Website: www.bsfcv.avenue.org

We are grateful for our next meeting/packing of CARE packages is Thur, Sept 16 at 6:30 pm **AT AMERICAN LEGION POST 74!** It's been many months since we were able to gather in person, we are grateful to all of you at the Post for allowing us back. If you know of anyone deployed at this time, please let us know so we can send them a little love from Central Virginia.

Here are a few things you could drop off at the Post to be included in the pack-out: **PROTEIN ITEMS** such as power bars, mixed nuts, individual peanut butter containers, tuna fish pouches, beef jerky, and Slim –Jim's as well as drink additives for a 16 oz. bottle

Thank you again for all you do to help us continue fulfilling our mission.



Disabled American Veterans Chapter 33 Meets 2nd Wed. of the month 5:30pm DAV Commander: Steve Durad Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary Meets 2nd Sun. of the month at 2:00pm DAVA Commander: Amanda Schaad



Post family's members are needed to assist with our BINGO program which the post is planning to resume in September. Bingo income is critical in the maintenance of our post home and to support veterans, children and youth programs, and our community. Those interested in volunteering please call adjutant Phil Grimm at 434-960-4402. Thank you for your membership.



