



American Legion Post 74 Charlottesville & Albemarle, Inc.



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Commander's Report:

Welcome American Legion Family! Thank you goes out to the Food committee for preparing and serving an outstanding dinner for our June meeting; Connie Critzer, Dawn and Lowell Badgley, Roberta and Bob Humphrey. **Josh Jones**, a veteran himself, was our guest speaker for the evening. He presented and answered questions about his nonprofit project "**Vehicles for Vets**". Thank you for developing a program to benefit other veterans.

We recognize the outstanding job, as part of "**Guitars for Vets**" that **Curt Bean** is providing in teaching veterans how to play a guitar. Since July 2021 he has trained six individuals. The group meets downstairs at the post home, every Monday, from 12pm to 4pm.



The **Fish Fry** went as well as expected considering it's the first time we have held this event. We have another one planned for some time in September.

In June we met at Mechanicsville Post for **The Fighting 13th District** summer convention. Much information was shared for the preparation of the Department Convention to be held at Dulles Hilton Inn, 14-17 July. Also discussed was **Legion Family Leadership College**, being held 29-31 July at Doubletree in Richmond. They have a new format and syllabus that incorporates all the "Legion Family". **The Legion Dollhouse**, to benefit **Veterans Assistance and Rehabilitation**, will be raffled during this event.

We have been asked to participate in the **Scottsville 4th of July Parade on Monday**. If interested in joining us, contact Lowell Badgley at 434-409-4326.

We will be hosting a reopening of **BINGO on Sunday, 10 July 2022**. Doors will open at **12 noon, games start at 1:30 PM**. For more information contact Solomon McCauley at 434-760-0855 or Beverly Bunch at 302-750-5348.

Sol is also looking for volunteers to help as needed to make the program a success like it once was.

We are still passing the idea around to host a karaoke or Corn Hole Toss competition as we strive to build rapport within the community, what the American Legion represents, and the resources/assistance we have available to veterans and their families.

In closing, please continue to make "**Buddy Checks**" not only to members of The American Legion, but your own family and friends.

For God and Country
Commander Bill Napier

Got ideas? Improvements?

We now have a **Suggestion Box** located upstairs, on the table, inside the double doors.

The wooden box has a lock on it and the contents will only be emptied and reviewed by the Commander or Adjutant.



DINNER MENU \$12.00 RSVP: 8 Jul 2022

Chicken, Baked Potatoes, Green Beans, rolls,
Salad w/ Fixins' small cakes w/ toppings,
Tea/lemonade/water to drink.

Sign-in roster, ticket required to receive meal.
First time members eat free!
**Please RSVP, 434-977-1050. Presented by SAL
74 Celebrating 25 YEARS!!**

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Judge Advocate: Pat Kelly

Sgt. At Arms: Bob Humphrey

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434-906-5339

At Large Officers:

Lowell Badgley
George Shadman
Ray Satterfield Jr

Legionnaire of the Year:

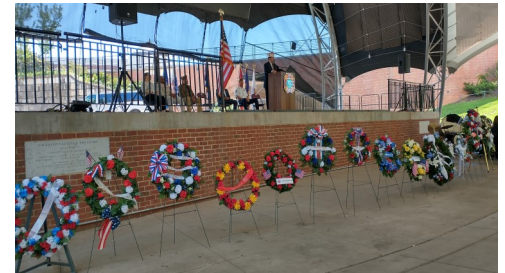
MEMBERSHIP THROUGH 26 Jun 2022

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE
LEGION**



Wayne Snyder and Mary Garrison supporting The American Legion Post 74 in Scottsville at The Tavern on the James.

Memorial Day at TING Pavilion



In attendance, assisting VFW Post 1827, were Phil Grimm, Mary Garrison, Robin Riddle, Maurie Roesch and Ruthann Brown



Department Judge Advocate, A.B. Brown escorting National Commander, Paul Dillard at the National D-Day Memorial in Bedford Virginia. This was part of the start of The Legion Riders Legacy Run.

Here for You During Times of Emotional Distress

Feeling distressed is a normal response to negative events, especially events that feel personal. Veterans and those who care about them are encouraged to learn more about available mental health and healing resources.

Every VA facility has mental health specialists. [Find one near you.](#)

Community-based Vet Centers are available to you.

Call [1-877-927-8387](tel:1-877-927-8387) or find one [near you.](#)

Maketheconnection.net offers stories of hope and healing for Veterans experiencing challenging life events.

Call the Veterans Crisis Line 24/7 at [1-800-273-8255](tel:1-800-273-8255) and press 1, text to 838255 or [chat.](#)

Have a question for VA? 1-800-MyVA411 ([800-698-2411](tel:800-698-2411)) is available 24/7.

We need 60 renewals/new to reach current goal of 100% by 1 Ju1. Phone calls were made during May month to all members who have not paid the 2022 membership dues. **To help those less fortunate and to help with membership, donations are being accepted in increments of \$35.**

Renewals	PUFLs	New Members	Transfers	Total Membership	Goal for the Year	Percent of Goal Met
457	145	11	5	618	678	91.15%

NEW MEMBERS

67 members currently have not renewed for 2022. We need 60 members to reach 100%

For those who have not renewed for 2022, 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
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Meetings held at the Post Home, 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 7pm.
 Memorial Day week we handed out rulers, military service coloring books, flags and bookmarks raising \$938 in donations. We are having a luncheon 12 July for the candidates and their families. We need to put **into action** ways to fundraise. One consideration is "Trunk" sale in the parking lot, with help from the Legion. All organizations involved will profit. We are at **98% (82/84)** for membership. Please mail membership renewal to PO Box 364, Crozet, VA 22936.



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

General Meeting, 3rd Tuesday of the month, dinner at 6pm, meeting at 5pm
 Membership cards for 21-22 are in. Starting 1 June dues for the 22-23 year are increased to \$20.00 per member.



American Legion Riders Chapter 74

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Director: Bob Humphrey , wrench58@embarqmail.com

Hello and sure hope this note finds everyone safe and healthy. Just a reminder to not only "Ride your Ride" but to be aware of you hydration status especially with the high temperatures we all have been experiencing. Remember, do not wait until you feel thirsty to rehydrate. Also, some medications may accelerate your dehydration status. A motion was made and voted on unanimously that there will not be ALR meetings conducted for the months of July and August. If you have any questions please contact me at my listed phone number. Stay safe, enjoy you summer and family and see you in September.

For God and Country
 Thank you

Bob Humphrey ALR Post 74, Director



Blue Star Families of Central Virginia

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Blue Star Families of Central Virginia is going strong. Thank you to everyone at the Post for helping make this possible. If you know of anyone who will be deployed at that time, please let us know so we can include them on the list for CARE Packages. There is no cost involved. The next Pac-Out will be in August.



Disabled American Veterans Chapter 33

Meets 2nd Wed. of the month 5:30pm
 DAV Commander: Lee Everton

Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary

Meets 2nd Sun. of the month at 2:00pm
 DAVA Commander Steve Durand







The **Auxiliary is building a dollhouse** to be raffled off at Legion Department Convention, **July 2022**. Proceeds go to **Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (VA&R) program**. "**The Legion Home**" on 1 **LEGIONWAY** will be on display at the General Membership meeting/dinner in June. Additional donated furniture/ accessories will be provided to the winner if requested. Contact Robin or Ruthann for tickets **\$3/ 1 ticket, \$5/ 2 tickets**.



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July 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
National Month: Juvenile Arthritis, Ice Cream, Hotdog, Grilling, Lost Pet		4- Scottsville Parade , Carter Mountain Orchard- Fun Food & Fireworks 12-31 Wintergreen music festival		1- Living Free, Bingo & Burgers Fund-raiser, Riverside Grill North, 7 to 9pm	1 8 & Burgers Fund-raiser, Riverside Grill North, 7 to 9pm	2 12pm Madison Post 157 Music & Fireworks
3		5 Bike Night C-ville	6 Exec mtg	7 World Chocolate Day	8 Motorcycle Day	9 40&8 lunch Car Collector Day
10 DAVA 2pm BINGO Start 1:30, doors open 12pm	11 Sundae Day	12 Auxiliary mtg 7pm Full Buck moon in the sky	13 Dinner 6pm Gen mem. 7pm DAV 5:30pm	14 Shark Day Bastille Day	15	16 National Cherry Day
17	18	19 SAL mtg 5pm	20 First Man on the moon 1969	Department of Virginia Convention 14-17 July		
24 National Parents Day	25 	26 Aunt & Uncle Day	27 National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day	28 	29 	30 Cheese-cake Day
31				National Buffalo Soldier Day	Army Chaplain Corps Anniversary	



Independence Day - to celebrate veterans . However, July has another special day for veterans; **National Hire A Veteran Day**. This day is just as important for some, at least where the (post-retirement or separation) future of America’s military population is concerned. While adjusting to civilian life they emerged into finding a job or new career.

Since 2017, July 25th is observed as **National Hire A Veteran Day**. Originally founded by **Marine Corps veteran Dan Caporale**, who also founded **Hire Our Heroes**. Hire A Veteran Day is meant as a call to action for those who hire and those who apply.

2017 was also the year that the **Honoring Investments in Recruiting and Employing American Military Veterans Act of 2017 (HIRE Vets Act)** was passed.

This resulted in the HIRE Vets Medallion Program, created “to recognize employers that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to hiring and retaining veterans.” July serves as a good time to remind employers about this program as applications for this **employer award are accepted starting at the end of January each year**.

Hundreds of military people transition from military life to the civilian world every day and many who retire or separate from the military seek new careers. Competing for a civilian job can be daunting at first, but efforts like National Hire A Veteran Day can help through simple awareness-raising, resource-sharing, and positive reinforcement.

Hire A Veteran Day encourages employers to seek out qualified **veterans to hire and promote**. **Veterans bring much to the bargaining table at job application time; education, teamwork, an emphasis on good communication, and pride in the work done**. National Hire a Veteran Day will next be observed on Monday, July 25, 2022.

Hope you have a Safe and Happy July 4th! God Bless 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, or dial “988” press 1.