



AMERICAN LEGION NEWSLETTER

AMERICAN LEGION POST 586, TIPP CITY, OHIO

MAY - JUNE 2026



COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Melissa Fowle
Commander

I want to take a moment to sincerely thank each and every one of you for the incredible support you continue to show our Post. The success of everything we do comes down to the people who step up, lend a hand, and take pride in what the American Legion stands for—and that is on full display here.

A special thank you goes out to everyone who helped make our recent 5K run such a great event. From the volunteers who organized, set up, and worked behind the scenes, to those who came out and participated in the run—you made it something truly special. Events like this don't happen without teamwork, and we are fortunate to have so many dedicated members and supporters.

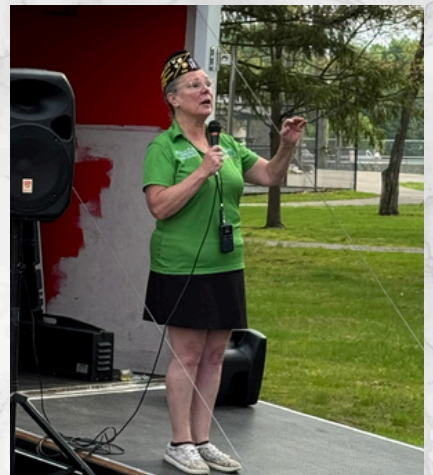
LEGION OFFICERS

- Commander - Melissa Fowle
- 1st Vice - Brian Fowle
- 2nd Vice - Michael Brenner
- Adjutant - Dan Elmore
- Finance Officer - Chuck Frazier
- Sgt-At-Arms - Chuck Colby
- Chaplain - Jessica Slankard
- Service Officer - Bob Steggemann
- Judge Advocate - Harlan Purves
- Historian - Jeff Tipton
- Past Cmdr - Bob Steggemann
- Trustee - John Kessler
- Trustee - Frank March
- Trustee - Vacant
- Post Manager - Chuck Colby

I'd also like to recognize all of the volunteers who keep our Post running week in and week out. Whether you're cooking meals, helping with events, supporting our programs, or simply showing up and contributing where needed—you are the backbone of this organization, and your efforts do not go unnoticed.

As we look ahead, Memorial Day is fast approaching. We will be honoring our fallen heroes with a parade and a program at Maple Hill Cemetery. I encourage everyone to attend and take part in this important tradition as we come together to remember and reflect.

If you have time and are looking for a way to get involved, we are always in need of volunteers. And if you know a veteran in the community who is not yet a member, please invite them to come check us out. The strength of our Post comes from our people, and there is always room for more.



A RUN THAT MADE A DIFFERENCE



Brian Fowle
1st Vice
Commander

I'd like to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who helped make our recent 5K run such a tremendous success. From the runners and walkers who came out in support, to the volunteers who worked behind the scenes, and the generous sponsors who made it all possible—this was truly a team effort.

Because of your support, we were able to raise nearly \$15,000 for Save A Warrior, an organization that is doing life-changing work for our nation's veterans. Thanks to this incredible outcome, three more veterans will now have the opportunity to go through their program and receive the support they need. That is something we can all be proud of.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 2 - Purse Bingo 3pm
- May 3 - Third District Convention 12pm
- May 9 - Music Bingo 7pm
- May 10 - Mothers Day Breakfast
- May 16 - Karaoke 7pm
- May 19 - Quarter Auction
- May 25 - Memorial Day Parade 10am
- May 30 - SAL Steak Dinner & Comedy Show
- June 13 - Trivia/Music Bingo 7pm
- June 16 - Quarter Auction 7pm
- June 20 - Karaoke 7pm

Events like this are a reminder of what we can accomplish when we come together with a shared purpose. I couldn't be more grateful for the way our Legion family—and our community—showed up.

As we look ahead, there are many activities and opportunities to get involved here at the Post. I encourage everyone to stay engaged, participate when you can, and continue to support the mission and each other.

Thank you again for being part of something truly meaningful.



Scan to see the weekly calendar and get updates on our website!

BE THE ONE 5K RUN - FUELED BY PATRIOTISM

The Be the One 5K Run/Walk and Resource Fair in Tipp City was an incredible success, bringing together our community in support of a mission that truly matters—raising awareness and support for veteran suicide prevention.

From the moment the race began, the energy was undeniable. Runners and walkers of all ages took to the course with a shared purpose, and the photos from the event tell the story best—smiles at the starting line, determination along the route, and a strong sense of community all the way through the finish.



Even more impactful, thanks to the generosity of our participants, sponsors, and supporters, the event raised over \$15,000 for Save A Warrior. This incredible contribution will help provide life-changing support for veterans in need, reinforcing exactly why events like this matter so much.

Leading the way this year was William Brock, who captured first place overall with an outstanding time of 18:04. He was followed by Carter Shurts in second place and Mark Cowley in third, representing an impressive range of ages and experience at the top of the leaderboard.



Race Winner William Brock with Brian Fowle

We also recognize the top finishers in each age group:
Males

- 14 & Under: E. Hackworth, M. Koessel, G. Pogoy
- 15-19: Carter Shurts
- 20-29: William Brock, Cameron Royse, Kaleb Mendiola
- 30-39: Timothy Jones, Gino Pogoy, Kevin Freistuhler
- 40-49: Michael Sierra, Brian Miller, Ron Lynch
- 50-59: Curt Keels, Chris Royse, Kelly Spurlock
- 60 and Over: Mark Cowley, Matthew Peters, Michael Hefner

Females

- 14 & Under: E. Benham, E. Koessel, M. Pogoy
- 15-19: Grace Herzog
- 20-29: Gwynn McGrath, Olivia Shirley, Sophia Reser
- 30-39: Morgan Everett, Crystal Weaver, Ohni Jones
- 40-49: Misty Manuel, Jennifer Delaplaine, Amy Shawver
- 50-59: Lisa Craig, Leslie Mosley, Wendy Ares
- 60 and Over: Kathryn Ruthrauff, Rebecca Keller, Kathy Wallace

Every finisher, regardless of time, played an important role in making this event meaningful. From first across the line to the final participant, each step taken helped bring awareness to an issue that impacts far too many of our nation's veterans.

This event would not have been possible without the tremendous support of our volunteers, sponsors, and community members who came together to make it all happen. Their time, effort, and dedication created an experience that went far beyond a race—it became a powerful show of unity and purpose.

The Be the One 5K was more than just a run—it was a reminder that together, we can make a real difference.



AMERICAN LEGION | Buckeye Boys State

Each summer, Ohio's future leaders get a firsthand look at how government really works through Buckeye Boys State—one of the American Legion's premier youth programs. This immersive experience places students in a hands-on simulation of city, county, and state government, where they run for office, debate issues, and build leadership skills that last a lifetime.



The next session of Buckeye Boys State will take place June 14-21, 2026, on the campus of Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. Students will arrive on Sunday afternoon for registration and spend the week fully engaged in the program, living on campus and participating in every aspect of the simulated government experience. Leading up to the program, delegates are encouraged to attend orientation sessions held across the state to prepare for the week ahead and learn what to expect.



For more information about Buckeye Boys State, including how to apply or sponsor a student, visit Ohio Buckeye Boys State or contact your local American Legion Post. Buckeye Boys State continues to stand as a cornerstone of the American Legion's commitment to developing the next generation of leaders—giving young men the tools, confidence, and experience to make a difference in their communities and beyond.

3rd DISTRICT CONVENTION - 3 MAY 2026

The American Legion Department of Ohio 3rd District Convention will be held on Sunday, May 3, beginning at 12:00 PM, and will take place right here at Post 586 in Tipp City. This important annual meeting brings together Posts from across the district to conduct official business and continue the work of strengthening our organization.

One of the key items on the agenda will be the official nominations for District officers, helping shape the leadership team for the upcoming year. It's an important step in ensuring the continued success and direction of the 3rd District.

We would also like to recognize our own 1st Vice Commander, Brian Fowle, who will be concluding his term as District Commander. Brian has done an outstanding job leading the District, and we thank him for his dedication, leadership, and service. Following his term, he will continue to serve the District as a Trustee.

We encourage members to attend and be part of this important event as we support our District and its leadership.



BE THE ONE

5k Run Sponsors

- Frank E. Robinson Post 586
- Legion Post 586 Auxiliary
- David and Carol Cobb
- Torrence Medical Fund
- Brian Williamson
- VFW Unit 6657 - Pleasant Hill
- Legion Post 184 - Piqua
- Paul and Tracy Amidon
- Workman Wacker Foundation
- Dan and Margie Christie
- Montgomery County Veteran Service
- Thrivent - Matt Buehrer
- Englewood Truck Towing & Recovery
- Tipp City Eagles
- Edward Jones - Neal Nehring
- Chuck Frazier
- Erwin Chrysler
- Legion Post 707 - Englewood
- State Farm - Zack Jacobs
- DM Concrete
- Accelerated Screen Printing
- Downtown Tipp City Partnership
- Legion Post 120 - Urbana
- Legion Post 5 - Troy
- Post 586 Dart League
- Cruise Planners - Mike Brenner
- Royal Crest Insurance
- Mara Demers
- Tipp City Chamber of Commerce
- Brian and Melissa Fowle

ODSS AND ENDS FROM THE 2ND VICE



Mike Brenner
2nd Vice
Commander

I especially want to recognize 1st Vice Commander Brian Fowle for the tremendous amount of work he put into making this event a success. His leadership, effort, and attention to detail were a huge part of what made the day so impactful, and he should be commended for it.

You may also notice that this newsletter looks a little different. I'm currently in the process of revamping the format to make it more visually appealing, easier to read, and packed with more photos and highlights from our events. I hope you enjoy the new look and feel—it's all about making it something you actually want to read. If you have ideas for the newsletter, please reach out to me.



Looking ahead, I'll also be working on expanding our social media presence. One of the projects in the works is a short 30-second commercial that we can use on Facebook and other platforms as a recruiting tool to bring more local veterans from Tipp City and the surrounding area into our Post. We have something special here, and I want to make sure more veterans know about it.

In the meantime, I encourage everyone to help spread the word. If you know a veteran who isn't currently a member, invite them to stop by and see what we're all about. And if you have a little time to give, consider volunteering—even once or twice a month makes a big difference.

If you're interested in getting involved, feel free to reach out to me at mike@alpost586.org, and I'll be happy to point you in the right direction.





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NOTARY PUBLIC

REGULAR POST HOURS

- Monday: 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM
- Tuesday: 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM
- Wednesday: 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM
- Thursday: 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM
- Friday: 3:00 PM - 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 3:00 PM - 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 11:30 AM - 7:00 PM



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5k Runners

Ares, Mark
 Ares, Wendy
 Benham, E.
 Brinkman, Ed
 Brinkman, A.
 Brock, William
 Buehrer, B.
 Buehrer, Kayla
 Buehrer, Kyle
 Chaney, Dylan
 Condra, Lisa
 Cowley, Mark
 Craig, Lisa
 Custer, Lindsey
 Delaplaine, Jennifer
 Doll, Corine
 Everett, Morgan
 Fowle, Brantley
 Fowle, Erika
 Freistuhler, Kevin
 Gagnon, Frances
 Geise, Angela
 Gorrell, Abby
 Gorrell, Keith
 Hackworth, E.
 Harbison, Kimberly
 Heath, P.
 Hefner, Michael
 Henry, Ronda
 Herzog, Grace
 Hoover, Patricia

Johnson, Cathy
 Jones, Michele
 Jones, Phillip
 Jones, Ohni
 Jones, Timothy
 Julian, Greg
 Keels, Curt
 Keels, Melanie
 Keller, Rebecca

Mosley, Bo
 Mosley, Leslie
 Mullenix, Sherri
 Newman, Connie
 Peters, Matthew
 Pogoy, Gino
 Pogoy, G.
 Pogoy, M.
 Royse, Cameron
 Royse, Chris
 Reser, Sophia
 Ruthrauff, Kathryn
 Shambarger, Kelly
 Shawver, Amy
 Shirley, Olivia
 Shirley, Staci
 Sierra, Michael
 Sierra, Andrea
 Sierra, A.
 Spurlock, Kelly
 Spurlock, Steven
 Suchland, Joan
 Thompson, Abriel
 Titus, Jessica
 Wallace, Kathy
 Watson, Julian
 Weaver, Crystal
 Weaver, Tasha
 Wyatt, Angela
 Younk, Kelly
 Younk, William



Ketron, Kenneth
 Koessel, M.
 Koessel, E.
 Lane, Emily
 Lynch, Ron
 Manuel, Misty
 McGrath, Brynn
 McGrath, Gwynn
 McGrath, Tom
 Mendiola, Kaleb
 Miller, Brian

MEMORIAL DAY FESTIVITIES



Memorial Day is a time to honor the men and women who gave their lives in service to our country. We invite the community to join us in Tipp City as we continue this important tradition. The day will begin with a parade at 10:00 AM, as members of the American Legion and fellow veterans march to Maple Hill Cemetery for a memorial service featuring Post members, community leaders, and representatives from several veterans organizations.

Following the ceremony, everyone is invited back to the Post for lunch and vegetable soup and a chance to spend time together in fellowship. We hope you'll join us as we come together to remember and honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice.



We're proud to share that our Post is currently on track to meet our membership goals for both the Legion and the Auxiliary this year. This is a direct reflection of the strong support and commitment from our members, and we appreciate everyone who has already renewed and continues to stay involved.

If you have not yet renewed your membership for 2026, we encourage you to do so at your earliest convenience. Your membership plays a vital role in supporting the programs, events, and services we provide to veterans and our community.

If you have any questions or need assistance with renewing, please don't hesitate to reach out. I'm happy to help in any way I can. Thank you for being part of what makes our Post strong!

Scholarships

The American Legion Post 586 is proud to once again invest in the future of our community by offering eight \$500 scholarships to deserving students pursuing higher education. These scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors as well as current college or technical school students who are continuing their education.

Eligibility includes being a Legionnaire member of Post 586 in good standing, or a direct descendant of a current or deceased member in good standing. Applicants must plan to be enrolled full-time in a two-year or four-year college program or a technical school. Scholarship recipients will be selected based on a combination of academic achievement, leadership, community involvement, and financial need.

We encourage anyone who qualifies—or knows a student who does—to take advantage of this opportunity. Completed applications must be submitted by June 1, 2026, and will be available beginning May 1, 2026.

Please visit the website for more information and to download an application.

www.alpost586.org

Mothers Day Breakfast

Join us as the American Legion Auxiliary hosts a special Mother's Day Breakfast on Sunday, May 10, 2026, a perfect opportunity to celebrate and honor all the amazing moms in our lives.

All mothers in attendance will receive a special gift as a token of our appreciation, so bring your family and come enjoy a wonderful morning at the Post—we look forward to celebrating with you!

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2026-2027 OFFICER NOMINATIONS/ELECTION

At our recent regular membership meeting, nominations for the 2026-2027 American Legion officers were formally presented and accepted. The following members were nominated and agreed to serve: Commander Brian Fowle, First Vice Commander Michael Brenner, Second Vice Commander Melissa Fowle, Finance Officer Chuck Frazier, Adjutant Dan Elmore, Service Officer Bob Steggemann, Chaplain Julie Durka, Historian Jeff Tipton, Sergeant at Arms Chuck Colby, and Judge Advocate Harlan Purves.

Following the nominations, a motion was made to accept the slate of officers and proceed with election by acclamation. The motion passed, officially setting the leadership team for the 2026 to 2027 term. We appreciate each of these members for stepping forward to serve our Post and support our mission.

The official installation of officers will take place during our regular meeting on May 26. All members are encouraged to attend and show their support as we recognize our incoming leadership. Congratulations to the 2026-2027 officers of the Frank E. Robinson American Legion Post 586 in Tipp City.



THE AMERICAN LEGION
VETERANS STRENGTHENING AMERICA

THE FOUR PILLARS

 <p>VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION</p> <p>Improving the lives of our veterans and their families through service, advocacy, and support.</p> 	 <p>NATIONAL SECURITY</p> <p>Supporting a strong national defense and honoring those who serve by promoting patriotism and responsible citizenship.</p> 	 <p>AMERICANISM</p> <p>Upholding the values of our democracy and fostering love of country, respect for our flag, and loyalty to our nation.</p> 	 <p>CHILDREN & YOUTH</p> <p>Investing in the future by supporting programs that help our children and youth grow into strong, responsible, and caring citizens.</p> 
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FOR GOD AND COUNTRY
FRANK E. ROBINSON POST 586 ★ TIPP CITY, OHIO

Preamble To The Constitution of the American Legion

For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;

To maintain law and order;

To foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism;

To preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the Great Wars;

To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation;

To combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses;

To make right the master of might;

To promote peace and good will on earth;

To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;

To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY



Memorial Day: More Than a Day Off

As Memorial Day approaches, it's important to remember what the day truly represents. While many enjoy time with family and friends, Memorial Day is a solemn tribute to the men and women who gave their lives in service to our nation.



At Frank E. Robinson American Legion Post 586, this day holds special meaning. Through traditions like placing flags on graves and participating in local ceremonies, we honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

We encourage everyone to take part in these observances and pause, even briefly, to reflect. Freedom is not free, and Memorial Day reminds us of the cost.

Let us never forget.



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Mondays - 8pm \$5 Drawing
 Wednesdays - Happy Hour All Day
 Thursdays - \$1 Drawing

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Thursdays - 7pm Euchre



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8:30-11am Special Mothers Day Breakfast \$9	7pm SAL Mtg	7pm Buckeye Boys State Orientation		6pm Tenderloin Sandwiches 7pm Riders Meeting	15	16
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8:30-11am Breakfast \$9	6pm Fried Bologna 7pm Auxiliary Meeting	7pm Quarter Auction Benfitting Legion Riders			22	23
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8:30-11am Breakfast \$9						

JUNE 2026

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