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Newsletter

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POST OFFICERS 2023-2024

LEGION OFFICERS

Commander - Melissa Fowle
lst Vice - Brian Fowle
2nd Vice - Michael Brenner
Adjutant - Bob Steggemann
Finance Officer - Harlan Purves
Sgt-At-Arms - Open
Chaplain - Julie Durka
Service Officer - John Kessler
Judge Advocate - Doug Whitney
Past Cmdr - Bob Steggemann
Trustee 1 - Ralph Avey
Trustee 2 - Open
Trustee 3 - Open
Post Manager - Chuck Colby

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President - Sherri Matthews
1st Vice - Kim Focht
2nd Vice - Dorothy Prater
Secretary - Caitlyn Brinkman
Treasurer - Jennifer Bashore
Chaplain - Marlene Shook
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Sunshine - Joyce Lewis
Sgt-At-Arms - Cathy Jadwin
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Becky Copfer
Lesley Janssen

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Commander - Dale Epperson Ist Vice - Dan Belding 2nd Vice - Open Adjutant - Ed Brinkman Sgt-At-Arms - Dave Flint Chaplain - Tim Yetter Advisor - Bob Steggemann Historian - Allen Willis

LEGION RIDERS

Director - Ned Barnes 1st Vice - Mary Barnes Adjutant/Sec- John Vanscoy Treasurer - Doug Whitney Sgt-At-Arms - Larry Seaton Road Captain - Tim Dumbauld

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Melissa Fowle Commander

Spring is right around the corner and our Post has some exciting events coming up. Make sure you check out the calendar to see what you could attend.

Our first year with the VIP (Volunteer Importance Program) has come to a close. We have had 38 volunteers step up, get their cards signed, and will be celebrated at the VIP party with food, music, and prizes! I want to thank everyone who has come to meetings, planned events, and have truly supported our Post with their time, talents, service, and heart. As we go into our second year, I'd like to encourage our Legion Family members to come to a few meetings, help out with some of our events, and make a difference in the lives of those who directly benefit from our programs.

Spring is the time of year that young people are looking for scholarship opportunities. In addition to our annual scholarships, this year our Post will have a contestant for the oratorical program to send to District competition! We are looking forward to hearing how he does. Most high school students are not aware that they can participate in this contest starting in the ninth grade up to twelfth grade and that they could go from Post to District to Department, and even up to National.

In summary, thank you to all that support our Post. We are blessed to have so many people who care about our Post and our members.

For God and Country, Commander Melissa

FROM THE FIRST VICE COMMANDER



Brian Fowle
1st Vice Commander

As Legionnaires, our biggest responsibility is to look out for each other and our fellow veterans. The American Legion National Executive Committee passed a Resolution calling for "Buddy Checks" to be conducted Legion-wide during the weeks of The American Legion's birthday, March 15, and Veterans Day. Veterans today are facing problems of finding new purpose after being deployed, and coping with post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injury and other stressors. This critical time in a veteran's life is when they are most vulnerable to suicide or other self-harm. The Buddy Check helps to preserve and protect the lives of our veterans. The "Buddy Check' is also a critical component of the "Be the One" Program addressing Veteran suicide.

We need a team of Legionnaires to make these "Buddy check" phone calls to our membership. We will be making phone calls on or near the American Legions Birthday, starting the week of 15 March. If you would like to assist by making a minimum of 5 "Buddy Check" phone calls please call and leave your contact information at the Post or email alpost586@gmail.com. This would be a great way to be a part of our Volunteer Importance Program for 2024!

For God and Country, 1st Vice Cmdr Brian Fowle

THE AMERICAN LEGION: HONORING SERVICE AND SACRIFICE



Mike Brenner 2nd Vice Commander

Since its inception in 1919, the American Legion has been a steadfast advocate for veterans and their families, embodying the values of service, patriotism, and community.

Legacy of Support: Established by World War I veterans, the Legion provides crucial support through programs like employment assistance and educational opportunities.

Promoting Patriotism: Through youth programs and flag education, the Legion instills pride in American values and traditions, fostering a sense of citizenship.

Advocacy: The Legion fights for veterans' rights, advocating for legislative reforms and improved healthcare services to ensure veterans receive the care and recognition they deserve.

Beacon of Hope: In times of crisis, the Legion offers support through disaster relief and mental health initiatives, demonstrating its unwavering commitment to serving others.

As the American Legion enters its second century, its dedication to honoring the legacy of America's veterans remains resolute, ensuring their sacrifices are never forgotten and their service continues to inspire generations to come.

2nd Vice Commander Mike Brenner



THE AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary has been busy with Quarter Auctions the third Tuesday of every month, with different charities benefitting from it. We can always use help with items donated, in the kitchen, and with the actual auction itself. Even your participation at any Post event would be appreciated. We're also busy with our Sunday Breakfast (2nd Sunday of every month) and our Friday night dinners (3rd Friday of the month). We really need more members to come and volunteer. The Post is having the annual Reverse Drawing Dinner on 16 March. The Auxiliary is having our 2nd Purse Bingo on 13 April. The tickets for both of these events are on sale at the bar. Get them soon, they are going fast.

Even though we are at our 100% goal for membership, we have several members that need to pay their membership dues for 2024. Please pay them ASAP to keep your membership active.



JOIN THE AMERICAN LEGION TODAY!



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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Membership: The deadline to be current with your American Legion, Sons of the American Legion, Auxiliary and Riders memberships for 2023 has passed, which means if you haven't renewed, your membership status has expired. An ACTIVE membership is the life blood for an American Legion Post and critical for the success of all of the programs that this organization supports. We couldn't give out any of the scholarships for students, donations to Hospice or Gifts for Yanks, or any other worthy charities. We couldn't support Color Guard teams for parades, sporting events or Honor Guard Rifle teams for our veterans who have passed on. ALL of the dinners and fun occasions are great for building camaraderie within our membership, but the overarching reason is to support the American Legion programs and charities. All of us are responsible for recruiting new members into The American Legion Frank E. Robinson Post 586 in order to build an active and vibrant Veteran Service Organization. If you haven't already done so, please consider renewing your Membership for 2024.

NEW PILOT PROGRAM, 3YRS MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS!
Eliminate the yearly hassle of remembering to renew your American Legion membership by taking advantage of the new multi year (3 year) membership available to current and potential members.
Legionnaires can lock-in a three-year membership by visiting legion.org/renew. You can take advantage of the Multi-year membership (2025, 2026 and 2027) even if you have already renewed your membership for 2024 to lock in today's rate for the annual dues.





THE TAILGATE BAND IS BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

When: Saturday April 13, 2024 Time: 7:00pm - 10:00pm

Playing your favorite country, southern rock and rock & roll hits!

Toby Keith, Hank Williams Jr., Travis Tritt, Lynyrd Skynyrd, John Mellencamp, Alan Jackson and many more!





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WEEKLY HAPPENINGS AT THE POST

- Euchre every Thursday at 7:00 PM \$5
- Weekly \$5 Drawing Mondays at 8pm
- Weekly \$1 Drawing Thursdays at 8pm
- Breakfast Sunday Mornings 8:30-11am \$9

Check the calendar for all meals and enertainment



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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: 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM Frank E. Robinson American Legion Post 586

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