



American Legion Post 738

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Commander's Corner

Thanks to all who helped with the Poppy Drive and Memorial Day. The weather on Memorial Day was not the best in the morning but the sun did come out later on. Thanks to all who marched in the parade and those that lined the street to watch. Congrats to the 3 scholarship winners: Tim Whalen, Nicholas Zarlinga, and Makenzie Hayes. We wish them much success as they start their college education.

Check the newsletter for upcoming events and enjoy the good weather.

Jim Babitsky - Commander

>>>> Upcoming Events <<<<



Karaoke with Cindi
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- June 15th
- July 20th

1st Vice Commander

Hello Post Family. We're at the end of our membership year and we're still holding our own. We still have about 80 Post members. Our Auxiliary, the Sons of the American Legion, and the Legion Riders are also doing well.

Just a few things to cover. Firstly, remember that our membership year starts on July. If you receive a notice from national HQ, it should say 2025 on the top. You'll also notice that the renewal is up by \$5, to \$40 this year. We've kept it at \$35 for many years, but both National and Ohio have raised their fees by \$5. So, when we send in your renewal now, we're at a breakeven point.

That leads to the second point. We really must have your emails. At a breakeven point, we have no extra cash to provide some member services. In particular, the newsletter. If we must mail it out, it's now 68 cents. We're averaging about \$20-30 a month to cover postage. An email is free. So please send us a valid email to use. We want everyone to be up to speed on Post activities and the newsletter helps us do that. We also include it in our Post roster. I'm trying to finalize that too, so please send us your info. If you've moved or changed phone numbers in the last year, please let us know. Thanks in advance.

We'll have a booth at the Fairview Summer Fest event in July. Stop by and say hello. Better yet, bring along a potential new member. They don't have to be a veteran to belong to our Post Family.

Again, our membership year starts over on July 1st. So, please renew after you get your 2025 notice. Thanks so much.

John Flynn – 1st Vice



2nd Vice Commander

Summer is here. Enjoy it. I'm sure it will go fast. The much-requested Outside Country dinner dance has been cancelled due to a lack of interest. I am trying to plan another event to replace it.

June 15th is the next Karaoke with Cindi. Doors open 6:30. The festivities start at 7:00. Food will be available and the bar will be open.

July 20th will be the next Karaoke with Cindi. Details are the same as for June.

Enjoy your summer.

Cliff Krasnosky – 2nd Vice



Chaplain

This month our brother and Sgt. at Arms Ray Nichols Jr. suffered a severe medical issue. After his admission and short stay at the VA Hospital for treatment, Ray is now back home. Ray's recovery is slow and will be under the watchful eye of his physicians.

As Chaplain, I will always ask for prayers for our Post Family members who are suffering from medical issues.

Let us pray for the safety of our military men and women who continue to serve honorably our country. We ask our Heavenly Father to keep them out of harm's way, and to bring them home safe to their families.

In closing, I ask our Heavenly Father for peace, to bless us and keep us all safe, happy, and healthy.

Gary Schuld - Chaplain



Auxiliary

Let me start by giving kudos to all of the people who donated and worked the Ladies Auxiliary rummage sale and helped to make it a great success. Words could never express my appreciation. A special thank you to Theresa for her helping to get the kitchen area so nice and clean. I wish you could bottle her energy and sell it. I would buy a case.

It will be time to start paying our dues soon. Please get your membership dues paid as soon as possible so we can get our credit from the department and the state.

Please remember to keep those who cannot be actively with us in your prayers and for those who are ill to get well.

God be with all of you.

Cindi Johnson –President



Sons of the American Legion

Please plan to attend our next meeting which will be on Wednesday, June 19th at 7:00 P.M. Officer nominations will be held this month with elections held in June.

Our meetings continue to have low attendance. I would encourage all members to attend our meetings and to participate in the Legion Family. There are many events coming up this year that I'm sure you would enjoy. We would enjoy seeing you and having you join us.

If you know anyone who is a male descendant of a Veteran, please consider asking him to join us. All are welcome.

Dennis Lowry - Commander

Legion Riders

Riders, thanks again to our Road Captain Dan who led us safely to Post 610 for an enjoyable Bike Night on May 29th. Lucky Dennis even won a Quickie Board.

On Saturday, June 1st, we rode to Johnny's Dockside for breakfast. Lake Avenue is always a nice ride. Joining us was Dave Morley's son, also named Dave. Hopefully, he will affiliate with the SAL and be eligible to join us.

I'll provide another update later this week. If the weather forecast is good, maybe we can ride to Grafton this Saturday morning.

Ride smart.

Dave Brown - Director

