



American Legion Post 738

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Commander's Corner

We start this month with sad news: The passing of long time American Legion member, past finance officer, adjutant, and ALR member Larry Lins. Larry was an Army and Vietnam Veteran and a member of the singing group "We Gotta Get Out Of This Place." We will miss you and always remember you. Our deepest condolences to his wife Penny, daughter Erin, son Jim, and their families. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

The month of May is always busy getting ready for the Memorial Day activities including the Poppy Drive, ceremony at city hall, parade, ceremony at the cemetery, and the ceremony back at the Post. Please plan on attending to honor those who gave their all in order to protect us.

The Post has several events in the planning stages so please read the newsletters for details.

The cost of postage is going up again in June. If you have an email address please let us know so we can reduce our newsletter mailing costs. Enjoy the good weather!

Jim Babitsky - Commander

>>>>> Upcoming Events <<<<<



Karaoke with Cindi -

May 20th

Rummage Sale -

May 18th - 20th

Poppy Drive -

May 27th - 28th

Memorial Day Parade -

May 29th

1st Vice Commander

Hi everyone. We're finishing the membership year in June and we did well this year. We retained everyone and we also added some new members. The new year starts July 1st. Hopefully, they get the renewal notices out by mid-June. Dues will remain the same this year. Thanks for your past support and renewals.

John Flynn – 1st Vice

2nd Vice Commander

The Post will be hosting karaoke with Cindi (she is a member of the Auxiliary) on May 20th. The fun begins 7:00 P.M. and goes to 10:00 P.M. Even if you don't sing, come up and have something to eat and perhaps a cocktail with some friends and members. Looking forward to seeing you on the 20th.

The Post will be hosting their annual poppy drive May 27th and 28th from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. at Giant Eagle Fairview. Please, Please if you can donate an hour of your time (you pick day and hour you can work) please contact the Post at 440-356-2110. I understand some of you can no longer cut grass, fix the roof, or paint the walls. The Poppy Drive requires you to sit on your butt for an hour and collect money for your Post. Keep in mind while the poppy drive is going on, the few able-bodied members will be back at the post cutting grass and spit shining the facility for the open house on Monday.

Monday, May 29th is Memorial Day. Post 738 will be conducting Fairview Park's Memorial Day program. That consists of the parade and ceremony at the cemetery following the parade. It would sure be nice if some of our members showed up at the post.

Our next newsletter will have some of our summer activities that are in the works.

Stop in and see us some Tuesday evening. We miss you.

Cliff Krasnosky – 2nd Vice



Chaplain

By now, I am sure the word has spread that our Heavenly Father has called our brother Larry Lins home. Word was received on Thursday April 13th that Larry had passed away peacefully, sometime after midnight after a short stay in Hospice.

As his loving wife Penny said, Larry was a warrior and he fought a valiant fight to the end. I know we all wish, we could have said our goodbyes to him. I have had the honor and privilege of knowing Larry for the past 11-years, and I will be forever grateful for his friendship and camaraderie. As your Post Chaplain, I would ask that we keep Larry's wife Penny, his daughter Erin, his son Jim, and all Larry's family in our prayers. I am glad our brother Larry is no longer suffering and I pray that our Heavenly Father welcomes his humble servant Larry, into his loving arms in heaven.

The Post 738 Honor Guard, the Legion Riders, the Auxiliary, and the Patriot Guard Riders attended Larry's wake. As your Post Chaplain, I was honored and privileged to give the Post 738 Eulogy to his family, friends, and guests. After the eulogy, the Post Honor Guard, Legion Riders, and Legion members each rendered a final salute.

Larry, thank you for your service to our country, to our community, and to your fellow man. Rest in Peace. Your brothers and sisters have the watch. In closing, I ask that we pray for the men and women who honorably continue to serve our country, and to pray for our veterans who are in crisis.

Gary Schuld - Chaplain



American Legion Riders

Hello Legion Family and A.L.R

As I write this for our newsletter, we are one day closer to summer and our riding season. Again, now is the time to inspect your bikes, if nothing else make it for safety and remember **T- CLOCS**.

T is for Tires

C is for Controls & Cables

L is for Lights and Electrics

O is for Oil and Fuel

C is for Chassis

S is for Side Stand

July 12th it is our Bike Night at the Post and all are welcome. We would like to give an open invitation to anyone that wants to attend.

For our riders, May 13th is the Blessing of the Bikes at Rock-n-Roll Harley Davidson and May 20th is the Blessing of the Bikes at Stinger Harley Davidson in Medina. We will send an email out to see what day works best for everyone and ride to the event as a group.

And to our fellow rider, Larry Lins, you will be missed. R.I. P.

As always, look twice and save a life, and keep your knees in the breeze!

Jim Mankowski - Director

