



AMERICAN LEGION

Post 21 Commander

The National Commander American Legion Commander Dan K. Wiley, his wife, and staffs' dinner at our post was very well received. Thank those who worked very hard to entertain and feed attendees of the post and department. See Pics Below. Our members community and Legion involvement depend on all of us.

(www.vetsclub21.org) and email (vetsclub21@gmail.com).

As our active E-Board staff works hard to support our post and community we have fallen short a 2nd vice Cmdr. Who has responsibility for Post activities. Consider your willingness to be member of our Post leadership.

2nd Vice Commander

Adjutant Juan Palacios I trust that the good Lord has kept you and your family safe. Thank you, Lord.

As of 6-20-2026, our Post membership status is: 46 NEW members, 49 PUFL (Paid Up For Life), 292 RENEWALS and 10 Transfers. A total of 397 members. The Post Goal is 443. Currently the Post is at 89.62%. We need 46 members (new or renewals) to be 100% Post. The Post is attracting new and transfers members to the Post. We must be doing something good. You BET, WE ROCK!!!!

1st Vice



American Legion Historian:

The American Legion Riders supported the Brews and BBQ event at the fairgrounds with many Legion riders. Richard Bert led our riders to the fairgrounds and donated to the ALR for our support. It was reported over 5,000 attended. ALR Terry Naig manned a booth with Honored Coach's motorcycle and raffle. It was a great time with food, beer, bikes, live music, real wrestling ring events, climbing walls and booths.



Sheridan Days was reported as a great time by everyone.



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If you want information on how to be a PUFL member, there are two different methods. The first one is to pay a one-time payment or the other is a time payment plan for one year. You need to contact National Membership to obtain the amount you need to pay. This will eliminate all renewal notices.

Also, check your continuous years on your membership card to see if it is correct. If not, please contact me so I can get it corrected. If you have paid your 2026 dues and have not received your membership card, please let me know. onesgtusmc@hotmail.com I will forward it to you as soon as possible.

I will end here with God Bless you and your family.

Semper Fi,
Juan M. Palacios

Auxiliary

I hope this note finds you all in good health. Auxiliary is busy planning our annual events. We had 4 students that were chosen for \$1000 scholarships this year. Our monthly veteran's lunch is still going strong. July 9th is the next one and we will be serving meatloaf, potatoes, gravy, veggies and desserts. Lunch will be served from 11am until 12:30pm.

Debra Godwin Unit 21 President

Chaplain's Corner:

Post recorded volunteer hour for May 2026

Legion Members.	267.5 hrs.
Aux. Members.	39.5 hrs.
SAL Members	4 hrs.
Legion Riders.	113.5 hrs.
Other Volunteers	54 hrs.
GRAND TOTAL.	478.5 hrs.



July 1, we have been invited to be a class discussion and hands on static motorcycles and safety. I have 7 volunteers from the ALR to attend Dayton summer school in their courtyard. This should be fun and important.

Finance Officer Cheryl Saville-Miller:

It seems as if we are always in a state of flux in the office. Doug Kuhn, our newest employee is no longer employed with us but the good news is that our Sgt-at-Arms, Lori Paddock Read has applied and been hired as our second part time officer manager. Lori's first day was Friday, June 19, 2026. Welcome Lori!

On another note, we now have sent all of our files to Eide Bailly, our forensic accountants to finish our audit for years 2024 and 2025. It has been a long process and I want to thank Debra who during any free time she had helped me scan documents to finally get this all out to the auditors.

Our next finance committee meeting will be July 22, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. Current members are myself, Steve Randles, Paul Krutsch and Scott Fitkin.

House Committee Report

The General Membership voted on a motion to replace the water lines in the RV park. As reported so far this year, we have spent over \$13,000 on 3 water leaks involving the RV park which includes the rose garden we chose Gormley's Plumbing to perform the work. We are also obtaining bids from arborists to assess and evaluate the trees in the RV park. I hope to report on their recommendations at our July meeting. We do have a vacancy in our dry storage area if anyone is interested in renting a space to store their RV. See me if interested or give me a call at 503-434-2984.



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Post 21 Sons of The American Legion



As Post 21 moves forward in support of our Sons of the American Legion squadron, and no input from the squadron leader I felt it valuable to post the following from the Sons National Commander. Cmdr. Gale Sears

Bill Clancy; National Commander Sons of The American Legion
The continued success of the Sons of The American Legion (SAL) reflects the unwavering commitment of members to honor and serve the veterans who have given us both the privilege and the responsibility to carry forward their legacy.

Throughout this past year, I have had the opportunity to witness firsthand the dedication of our squadrons and detachments. Your service to veterans, your communities, and to one another demonstrates the true meaning of what it is to be a member of the SAL.

Our success is no accident - it is the result of your leadership, and commitment to the ideals of The American Legion Family.

As we move forward to the coming membership year, I encourage each of you to remain focused on strengthening our program. Continue to recruit new members, retain those we have, and expand your impact through volunteer service within your local communities.

Post Club Manager

I hope this newsletter finds you well! If you have not noticed the license plates are going back up in our post and it looks great. A special shout out to our commander Gale Sears for finally making it happen with help from Leroy Brown. Thank you both for all you do.

We are celebrating America's 250th birthday July 4th from 11 to 6pm. Activities are, BBQ, dunk tank, pie eating contest, watermelon eating contest, egg toss, and human ring toss. At 10:30 am on July 4th we will be judging your favorite side dishes and desserts. So please have your desserts and side dishes at the post no later than 10:15 on

Post Service Officer Paul Kruttsch

Your Post is staying busy helping vets who find themselves in temporary need of assistance. We recently were able to help a vet who was caught short and in need of gas for his car. He had an appointment in Salem and no gas in the tank. One tank of gas later he was able to keep his appointment.

We are in the middle of working with the VA to help a veteran get a new wheelchair ramp and hope to have that wrapped up soon. And we are assisting a veteran on his yard maintenance so that he can avoid eviction. We are here and ready to assist any vets needing help. Even if we can't handle their request, we have numerous resources that we can turn to for their help. Thanks for being part of our efforts by supporting Post 21.

Post 21 Auxiliary and Riders presented \$12,000 In Scolorships





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the 4th. I am still looking for a few good men and women to help set up, cook, run games, and clean up. If you are interested in helping make this a successful post 21 family event, please contact myself, Cheryl, or Felicia. Thank you to those that have volunteered to help already. Like they say many hands make light work. Please welcome our 2 new cooks, Brandon and Jordan. Let's make them feel welcomed. I will be increasing alcohol prices to help with the rising costs. We have switched our main food vendor to help cut costs. Please be patient and understanding through these changes.

Debra Godwin Club Manager

Legion Riders; Wayne Jarshaw

Riding Season Updates

We are in the heart of riding season, and the Legion Riders have already participated in some fantastic events this year! We appreciate everyone who has represented our organization and helped make these rides such a success.

May-June: Run for the Wall, a ride to Washington D.C. and back to Oregon

May 30: Youth Baseball opener See Pic below

June 6: Flag Day in King City

June 20: Sheridan Days

June 20: Bert's Brews & BBQ

The Riders have even more exciting events planned in the coming months, so please make plans to join us on our upcoming rides. Your participation helps strengthen our fellowship, supports our mission, and makes every event more enjoyable for everyone involved.

June 27: OALR Jack Bailey Memorial Teddy Bear Run in Lincoln City went very well.

July 11: Grand Ronde Veterans' Pow Wow

August 15- Lemonade Stand Day in McMinnville



Dan K. Wiley, his wife, and staffs' Visit



Evergreen Air Museum tour thanks to Terry Naig





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Lemonade stands in McMinnville are most famous as an annual youth entrepreneurship event hosted by the McMinnville Area Chamber of Commerce. The next city-wide Lemonade Day is officially scheduled for **August 15, 2026**, where dozens of local kids will set up shop across town. local.lemonadeday.org

June 14 Post 21

Our Post sponsored **take a soldier fishing** again this June. Providing hot dogs, hamburgers, cheese, and buns, along with Dan Browns famous beans and the wonderful donation from Burt's BBQ of some notable potato salad.



Gerald Evers and Gonzo were there, donating their time, boat fuel, fishing poles, and whatever it took to Take a Soldier Fishing.



Our Cooks left to right: Manny Cortes, Jim Sieber, and Dan Brown

Cmdr. Sears receiving The Cmdrs. ID Plate



Ntl Cmdr. Receiving Or \$300.00 donation

On May 29. The American Legion Riders from Post 21, McMinnville, OR, were asked to help the Yamhill County Sheriff Mounted Posse train their horses.

I have an affection for animals, and it was a treat for all of us. After the horses got used to the motorcycles, each motorcycle rider gave a horse a carrot. What a pleasure! Submitted by; Bob Berweger





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To top it off, Roth's Fresh Market donated 2 sheet cakes
On June 6, several American Legion Riders helped open the
new Parks and Recreation Youth Baseball season.

Pictured left to right: Gale Sears, Bob Berweger, Terry Naig,
(top)Chris Sieber, Debra Jushae Sieber, Bob (Doc) Wilson,
Tammy De Kar, Wayne Jershaw, Mike Paull, and Robert De
Kar. Post 21 Riders should be very proud of contributing
\$2,000.00 to Parks and Recreation, supporting our community



submitted by: Mr. Bob Berweger

**VETERANS STAND DOWN
COMING SOON, SEPT 2026
TO YAMHILL COUNTY**

HOSTED BY: The American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 21

ITEMS NEEDED:

**Tarps, 2 Person Tents, Personal Hygiene,
Towels, Back Packs, New & Slightly
Used Clothing, Shoes**

DONATION DROP OFF LOCATION:

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			1 SAL Mtg 6:30 pm	2	3 Friday Night Dinner KP – Legion	4 July 4 th Celebration 11 am – 6 pm See Club Mgr. Help needed
5 Bingo?	6	7	8	9 Veterans Lunch 11-12:30	10 Friday Night Dinner KP - Auxiliary	11 Vets Pow Wow Post KSU 0900 Charlie Egale celebration of Life 1-3 Pm
12 Bingo?	13 E-Board Mtg 6 pm	14 Auxiliary Mtg 6 pm	15 General Member Mtg 6 pm Activities meeting 5pm Finance mtg 530 pm	16	17 Friday Night Dinner KP - SAL	18
19 Bingo	20	21	22 AL Riders Mtg 7pm	23	24 Friday Night Dinner KP- Riders ALR	25
26 Bingo 12-4 pm	27	28	29	30	31	