

AMERICAN LEGION

JULY 2021

WEST HILLS POST 924

MEMBERSHIP



Recommend a fellow Veteran to join the American Legion.

If you have served honorably for just one day during any eligible war eras or are on active duty today then you can become a Legionnaire with the Pennsylvania American Legion.

If you have served federal active duty in the United States Armed Forces since December 7, 1941, and have been honorably discharged or are still serving - you are eligible for membership in The American Legion!

*Because eligibility dates remain open, all active duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces are eligible to join The American Legion at this time, until the date of the end of hostilities as determined by the government of the United States.

**U.S. Merchant Marine eligible only from December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946 (WWII)

[We need members to help with Honor Guard for special events and Veteran Funerals.](#)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

WILLIAM HUNTER
MICHAEL HOLTGRAVER
DON CLEAVER
WILLIAM PONS
ANA TRUNZO
CRIS SMITH
MICHAEL CHICORA
FRANCIS SEIBEL

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<https://westhillspost924.com/>

Purchase a Post license plate for only \$10.00



OFFICERS

Commander:

Bart Stack

Sr Vice:

Jack Cairns

Jr Vice:

Frank Lubawy

Finance :

Richard Bombich

Adjutant:

Ken Ochman

Chaplain:

Ron Panko

Sgt of Arms:

Paul Ewing

Service Officer:

Jack Cairns

Historian:

Harlan McCartney

Judge Advocate:

Bucky Rapp

FROM THE COMMANDER

As we begin the slow return to “old normal” from the pandemic, I sincerely hope that you and your families are well and ready to return to the pre-pandemic life as the various restrictions are being lifted. Sadly we have lost nine post members since our last newsletter several due to Covid related issues. Our Sr. Vice Commander Robert “Bob” McClure and Jr. Vice Commander Bill Henderson also passed away leaving a large void in our cadre of post officers.

The American Legion activities at the Post, District, Department and National levels are swiftly being reorganized and moving forward. While the pandemic has had unfortunate consequences for some posts, Post 924 has continued to remain active and viable, serving our veterans and the community. While some activities and programs have been “virtual” we still managed to actively participate in Eagle Scout Courts of Honor, Veterans memorial dedications, funeral services for departed members, Memorial Day events, Flag Day ceremony and 4th of July ceremonies at Moon Park. We have also been invited to participate in a September 11th Patriots Day flag raising and patriotic concert sponsored by Moon Township Parks and Recreation. Last year West Hills Post 924 was one of only two posts in the 36th District to achieve 100%+ membership renewal status. We can only continue to provide our services to veterans and the community by your continued support. Like any fraternal society, church group or veterans service organization we are dependent on membership for growth and the ability to maintain a high level of service to The American Legion and our supporters. Recruiting new members to join our post is important for our continued existence. There are many men and women that are eligible for American Legion membership in our local communities. These individuals may not be aware of exactly what The American Legion is or what we do for veterans the various youth educational and scholarship programs. I'd like to hear any suggestions or thoughts on member recruiting that you may have.

I highly recommend that you check out our post website at www.westhillspost924.com and our Facebook page to keep up with the latest post activities and photos of our member's inaction.

As Always, **Thank You** for your continued support of **Your** West Hills Post 924.

Stay Safe
God Bless America
Bart Stack
Post Commander



Deceased Members

Sam Roberts - Air Force 2/12/2021
Bill Henderson - Navy 1/29/2021
Bob McClure - Army 12/12/2020
William M. Kocher - Navy 10/29/2020
Lawrence F Santerini - Air Force
9/24/2020
Robert E. Kubicko - Air Force 3/15/2020
Gerald Carl Hagadorn - Army 12/9/2019
William "Bill" Rapp IV - Marines 9/21/19
Michael S. Ilov – Army 8/25/2019

Refer a family member or friend to join!

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

All male descendants adopted sons, and stepsons of members of The American Legion, and such male descendants of veterans who died in service during the period of April 6, 1917, through November 11, 1918, or any time from December 7, 1941, to date, who served honorably, as set forth in Article IV, Section 1, of the National Constitution of The American Legion, or who died subsequent to their honorable discharge from such service, shall be eligible for membership in the Sons of The American Legion.

Any questions or want to sign up, contact Drew Gleason Drew13777@gmail.com

LEGION RIDERS

Members must hold membership in and be in good standing with The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion. Members must be legally registered motorcycle owners or be the legally registered owner's spouse within the state of registration. All operators must be properly licensed and insured per state laws. All members must obey motor-vehicle laws in the state in which they are operating a motorcycle or riding as a passenger. **Questions or want to join, contact Frank Lubawy I.Tex62@yahoo.com**

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If you haven't yet—give us your email address so we can keep you up to date with Post events. Make sure we have your birthdate so we can wish you a happy birthday! Email me: jrcairns68@gmail.com