



TIGER HOTLINE



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American Legion Post 423, 6215 N State Road 327, Orland, IN 46776

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Commander's Adlibs

The holidays are finally over. We had a super New Year's Eve Bash at the Post. Most of us old dogs left before the ball fell, but the younger set stayed late and barked at the moon. For many years I did this, but as I aged, I got smarter. 😊

February 14 is also Ash Wednesday. This is a good day to take some time to reflect on the past and the future.

The Riders are sponsoring a Valentines' Day Dance on February 17th at 6:30 PM. Attendees are asked to bring a dish to share.

National Headquarters and the Indiana Department had an emergency conference earlier this month in Indianapolis. Several things were discussed, but the most important topic from my perspective was a decision to increase National and Department dues by \$5.00 each (\$10.00 total) in 2025. I have discussed this increase with our Executive Committee, and they have agreed, to increase our dues to \$50.00, so National and Department can take what they need.

Enough of that, I got a hair brained idea the other day. Is it worthwhile to consider painting the building? Not sure how long it has been since it had a fresh coat paint, but it sure looks faded in places. We'll do some research, consult the rest of team and get back to you.

All is well here at the Post. Hope you have a super spring, stay well.

Claude Hale, Commander

Past Commander-Past Presidents Club

The group held their Annual Dinner at the Wall Lake Tavern on December 10th. President Andy Mase reported the SAL held their annual pie auction at the Post and netted \$400. The SAL then matched that amount (\$400+\$400=\$800), and then the Legion matched that amount. Therefore, \$1,600 has been deposited in the Scholarship Fund account.

2024 Scholarship applications are available at the Post. The deadline for submitting application is no later than April 1st, 2024.

The next meeting of the group will be March 13, 2024, until then, see you at the Post.

Happy & safe New Year to All,

Andy Mase, President
Bev Mozena, Secretary

Upcoming Events



Indiana Gaming License: #000397

Wed: 6:00 PM – Doors open 4:00 PM

Fri: 6:30 PM – Doors open 4:00 PM

Sat: 5:30 PM – Doors open 3:30 PM

Weekly, unless otherwise noted below.

January

SAL, Auxiliary & Post Membership Meetings: Thu, Jan 11, 6:30 PM
ALR Meeting: Sun, Jan 14, 11:00 AM
Martin Luther King Day: Mon, Jan 15
Euchre & Poker: Thu, Jan 18, 6:30 PM

February

SAL, Auxiliary & Post Membership Meetings: Thu, Feb 8, 6:30 PM
ALR Meeting: Sun, Feb 11, 11:00 AM
Super Bowl Party: Sun, Feb 11, 4:00 PM
Valentine's Day & Ash Wednesday: Wed, Feb 14
Valentine's Day Dance: Sat, Feb 17, 6:30 PM
Euchre & Poker: Thu, Feb 15, 6:30

Taps Everlasting

Walter Potts, Legion, 11/29/2023

Wallace From, Legion, 01/06/24

Hazel Henderson, Auxiliary, 01/24/24



Auxiliary News



Happy new year everyone!!!! 2024 is upon us!!! Hope you all have a healthy and blessed new year!

Our Thanksgiving Dinner was a great success. We had over \$800 in donations. Mike Booher thanked the Auxiliary for all the dessert donations. We had several pies that were never cut.

The Childrens Christmas party was great. We had 15 children attend. They decorated cookies, made ornaments, ate hot dogs, and sat on Santa's lap. Fun, fun, fun!!!!

The monthly raffle is going well. We gave away a \$100 gift card at the December drawing.

We need volunteers to help with dinners the Auxiliary hosts the first Sunday of each month. If you're interested and willing to donate some of your time to help, please contact Rhonda.

The bartenders are looking for new curtains for the dining room. If you have any ideas or curtains you don't need anymore, please contact one of the bartenders.

Anita recently announced a member has come forward to sell mugs for a Mug Membership Program. Lots of discussion occurred, but nothing has been decided. Watch for more information in the next newsletter.

The blanket drive sponsored by the Auxiliary is still going on. With a few months until Spring, this is still a good time to donate a blanket or two to help those in need.

To avoid trying to throw together the 2024 Christmas Party at the last minute, Rhonda suggested we set the date now for this annual event. Therefore, this year's Christmas Party will be on Saturday, December 8th.

The next Auxiliary meetings will be on January 11th and February 8th. Please join us.

Gwen Long-Lucas

Sons of the American Legion News



I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and was able to spend some time with their family.

The SAL will be hosting the Super Bowl Party again this year. Mike will fix the meat and we ask that you bring a dish to share. The date is February 11th starting around 4:00 PM. Come out and enjoy the game and have some fun.

If you have not paid your 2024 dues, please do so ASAP. Bartenders check membership cards and if you aren't current, they can't serve you. Dues are only \$25, a small price to pay to honor the person that gave you your eligibility to join.

Doc Pfeiffer, Adjutant



American Legion Riders News

Another successful ALR year is in the books! Thank you to all past officers and members for their participation in our activities and fundraising efforts last year. Because of you, we were able to make substantial donations to several Veterans organizations that we are very excited about. We chose three different organizations.

First, there was a \$1,000.00 donation to The Honor Flight Program. Next \$1,000 to Clothes for Joes and finally, \$1,000 to an organization called Summit Equestrian. They help veterans with PTSD therapy through riding horses. This program was established by people from the Angola area. Unfortunately, the founders recently died in a private plane crash, and they have reorganized and are continuing the good work. They were very appreciative of our donation.

We will be hosting the Valentine's get together this year on February 17th at 6:30. Please bring a passing dish and look forward to a good time with your sweetheart!

We just installed our new officers. Thank you to those who stepped up to hold an office! We are raring to go for a great 2024!

Ryan R. Welch, ALR Director
260-316-1497



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 Trey Neibert
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How We Strengthen America

\$12.5 million	750,000	4.4 million	3,600
Approximate amount raised by American Legion Riders through their Annual Legion Legacy Run between 2006 and 2021 to provide scholarships to children of military personnel who died in action or became 50% or greater service-connected disabled since 9/11	Minimum number of VA disability claim cases in process at any one time, all the time, with free representation from accredited American Legion service officers.	Approximate number of volunteer community service hours recorded each year by American Legion posts.	Minimum number of American Legion posts that conduct Buddy Check calls to assist and comfort veterans in their communities in 2020-2021.

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