



American Legion Post 327
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July — August — September

2022/2023 POST OFFICERS

- Commander - Richard Sobek
- 1st Vice - Chuck Shoemaker
- 2nd Vice - Ron Toomay
- Adjutant - Tom Seberger
- Treasurer - Billy Hodge
- Service Officer - Daryl Roller

Clubroom

- Manager - Jeanne Barnhart
- Bartenders - Lisa
- Doug
- Kathy
- Tamara
- Shanna
- Shelby
- Sandy
- Tammy

CLUBROOM NEWS

Club room:

Normal clubroom hours **Open 1 PM** Monday to Sat, **Open 2PM** on Sun, unless an early game or race.

Texas Hold'em Mondays & Thursdays in the clubroom starting at 7pm & Saturdays at 3PM. Come out and enjoy.

Darts League We now have a dart league on Wednesdays.

New Games are in the game room and are becoming busy. Come out and see.

Come by the post to see what's happening.

ADJUTANT

The bad news is that we still have members unpaid or unaccounted for. We have tried to contact them with little luck. The 2023-2024 year is over.

The really bad news is that starting July 1, our dues are now \$50.00. If you renewed before July 1, your cards are here and we are waiting for National to allow processing. We would ask that for 2026 you renew before 12/31/25 in order for us to not have problems on our end. Also, as indicated, late pays are showing that you are back to 1st year membership. We do not have control.

I am at the Post on Wednesdays from 1 pm until 3 pm. Call or come in.

SERVICE OFFICER

Where's your DD214?

Over my many year as your Service Officer, one of the biggest stumbling blocks helping a Veteran or next of kin has been the absence of their DD214, Your Report of Military Service. Vets move, divorce, lose their homes, or discard it to forget time in service. Many Vets don't realize the form is until needed. While you may think you only need it for VA medical and funeral burial benefits, throughout your life you have produced it for education, home buying, discounts for insurance even meals. If your dependents want to support your service through membership Auxiliary of SAL, just like you, they need a copy. Getting a copy takes more time than it should. You can get a copy at <https://www.archives.gov/files/research/order/stadard-form-180.pdf> . You may also ceck with the Register of deeds of the County your returned to after service. Just as a precaution, ask you spouse or next of kin "Do you know where my DD214 is?" If they are unsure, find it and show it to them today.

Daryl Roller, Service Officer 322-6493

TRANSFERS TO THE POST
EVERLASTING

Elmer Papp



COMMANDERS CORNER

2024 is in swing. We have three quarters left to go. It is so nice that we are here as Legion members, Auxiliary members and Sons of the American Legion members. The three groups that make up our family. We have much to be thankful for as we all work to continue to maintain and keep this Post sound.



We have been told by National Officers in the past, that we would be done in 5 to 10 years. It is the members that keep us alive. Please help us stay that way. Please take time to check us out if you haven't already and enjoy the Post and what we do.

We are on **Constant Contact** and use it to send out the **Vet Tawk** and a weekly calendar. **If we do not have your email we cannot get it to you. Let us know what it is.**

We will try to continue as a great family of Veterans through all 3 groups here. We are Veterans dedicated to the cause of remembrance, but will continue to wonder why it still is so hard to receive the dues for membership. As said before, this **SMALL** amount helps pay our bills. If you knew how many new headstones we see each day at Leavenworth and the other cemetery's every week, you might get an idea of what we are losing. I don't have a strong way of begging, but brothers and sisters in order for us to survive we need those that really care to step up and do the deed.

If you know someone that is a Veteran that would like to join us let us know. The Sons of the American Legion are looking for members. The Ladies Auxiliary, the great ladies who help us immensely, would love to have you. **LET US KNOW.**

If you know of a Veteran in need of a hug, give it. We are losing **TOO** many to suicides at this time. Let us know and we will **BE THE ONE**, as Daryl Roller has pointed out, to help them through their sad times.

Richard "Bear" Sobek
 Commander

Information for All

In order for our Post to continue executing our mission, that of supporting our Veteran and Children and Youth programs, we must maintain a vibrant membership. Thanks to those members who maintain their membership to enable fulfillment of the mission. If you have not, please make plans to do so and join your fellow Veterans as we continue our service to the community

Chuck Shoemaker, 1st Vice Commander / Membership Chairman

We are working hard to keep finances in order. Your dues help us to keep everything going for all. We hope for a good year and your help accomplishes that.

Billy Hodge, Finance Officer

I would like to give you all a picture of our Post.

Yearly Members—261
Department Life—23
Paid up for life—25
Transfers in—3
Total active—271

Membership years
Most—63
Average—21
Median—19

Conflicts
WW2—5
Korea—31
Vietnam—199
Panama—10
Lebanon/Granada—16
Persian Gulf—29
War on Terror—13
Unknown—5

Not renewed—28
Unknown addresses—5

Tom Seberger, Adjutant / IT rep

**"I am active in the Legion because it's a way for me to continue to serve veterans, my community, my country."
Marri Krupco, Past Department of Kansas Commander**

Please Remember, a Veteran Post is only as good as those that belong, care, and help.

JULY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 	4 	5 LEGACY	6
7	8 E-BOARD & SAL 7PM	9	10 	11 	12 DIXIE CADILLAC	13
14	15	16	17 	18 	19 Hammertoe and the Fun Guys	20
21	22 POST & AUX MEETINGS 7PM	23	24 	25 	26 Trainwrek	27 Car Show
28	29	30	31 			

AUGUST 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 	2 Legacy	3 Post Golf Tournament
4	5 E-BOARD & SAL 7PM	6	7 	8 	9 Dixie Cadillacs	10
11	12	13	14 	15 	16 Recliners	17
18	15 POST & AUX MEETINGS 7PM	20	21 	22 	23 Trainwrek	24
25	26	27	28 	29 	30 Rick Mowan	31

SEPTEMBER 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 E-BOARD & SAL 7PM	3	4	5	6 Legacy	7
8 Family Picnic	9	10	11 	12 	13 Dixie Cadillac	14
15	16 POST & AUX MEETINGS 7PM	17	18 	19 	20 Recliners	21
22	23	24	25 	26 	27 Trainwrek	28
29	30					

LADIES AUXILIARY

President - Mary Ann Moore
 1st Vice - Rose Huff
 2nd Vice - Sandy Paida
 Treasurer - Carol Plough
 Secretary - Nancy Thomas
 Chaplain - Patty DeWitte
 Sgt at Arms - Vivian Costanza

Auxiliary News

Sons of the Legion

Commander — Dale Dewitte
 1st Vice — Steve Rudkin
 2nd Vice — Craig Congrove
 Adjutant — Troy Shields
 Sgt at Arms — Mike Stump
 Finance Officer — Dennis Dressler
 Chaplain — Mitch Rudkin

Ribs
 August 2 — \$20.00 per slab

Dues
 \$30.00

If you have dual membership, National has not sent out cards those cards. Please be patient. Regular cards are in.

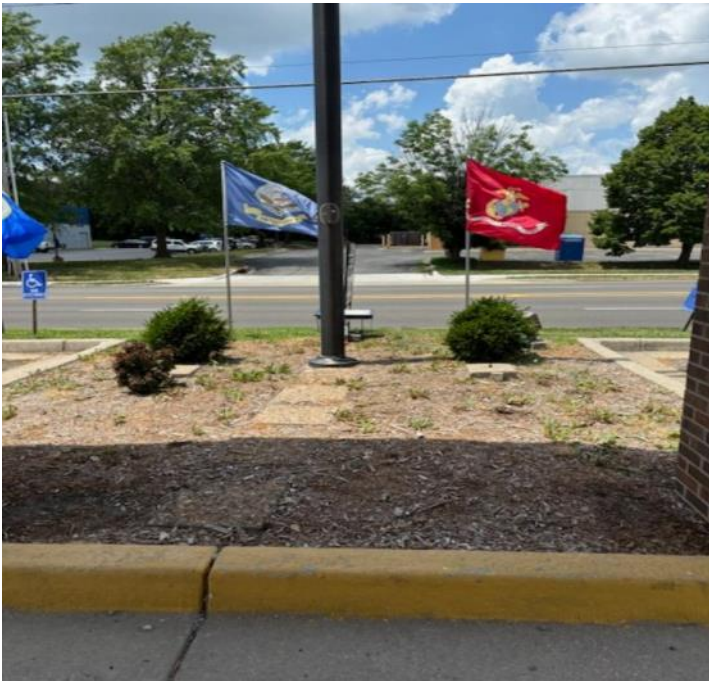
2024



The Chism Family, Sandy, Samantha, and Micheal on my wrist for their work on Toys for Tots presented by the Marine corps League Detachment 1025 by the Judge Advocate.



Two of the GREATEST fund raising ladies in any Post



The choice of location for the Brick Program. Let us know which you would like to see. Up front at the flags or down back next to the outdoor patio.