



# McPherson American Legion

Harry B Dorst Post 24



## December 2024 Newsletter

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### Commander's Corner Dan Hervey Post Commander

**Officer Elections:** We will be electing officers at our Post Meeting December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. The Nominating Committee has selected candidates, but floor nominations will be allowed at the meeting before voting. Please attend and show your support.

**Memberships:** All 2024 memberships expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> so make sure you have paid your 2025 dues.

**Veterans Story Night and Family Night:** None scheduled for December due to the many holiday activities.

**Carl Kasey:** Our Post lost a great member and WWII veteran when Carl passed away on November 22<sup>nd</sup> just 6 days short of his 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday. For many years Carl was a member of the Family Night Team, the Military Honors Team and served numerous Commanders as their Post Chaplin. He also served the community as a teacher, Kiwanis member, church volunteer and custodian at the Save 'n Share store just to name a few. We all will miss Carl's faithful attendance and his "special" invocations at our events.

**Thanks for all you do!** (Post Meetings 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 6 PM)

### Front Entry Committee

There has been a committee working on updating the front entry at the legion. We are also looking at updating the front office and exploring the possibility of moving some of the museum displays into that front office once the central office is updated. A contract with an architect to help us with the planning was signed in November. Watch for more details in the next few months.

### New Years Day Breakfast – Jan 1

Wednesday January 1st we will continue having our breakfast starting at 9AM with Bloody Mary's and Screwdrivers available. This has been a favorite to welcome in the new year.

### Veterans Social and Story Night

**We need sponsors for 2025.** Get your tax deductible contribution of \$100 and send to Box 209, McPherson KS 67460 with check made payable to the American Legion. We need at least 4 sponsors per month to pay for food and drinks for the Veterans. You will be recognized the night of the event plus your name will go on the Sign out front for a month. This is starting our 7th year.

### Newsletter E-mail & Pickup at Legion

This will be the last month that we mail out the newsletter. You will be able to get them by email or pick up a copy at the legion. We will also post them on our web site so you will be able to read them online. If you are not getting them by email and want it that way, please send your email to [al24ks@sbcglobal.net](mailto:al24ks@sbcglobal.net) and we will add you to our list. Please let us know if you are a Legion, Sons, Auxiliary, Rider, or Social member when you sign up for the email newsletter.

### Queen of Hearts

We will be starting a new game of Queen of Hearts. There will be a running pot. When the Queen of Hearts is pulled from the board you will split the pot. Chances are sold each Thursday from 4 to 7 and the winner gets a chance to draw from the board. If it is not the Queen of Hearts, the winner gets 10% of the weekly amount and remainder carries over to the next Thursday.

### Auxiliary Notes, Tresa Rauh, President

Next Meeting December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 PM (No meeting Jan/Feb)

Please bring a snack to the December meeting if you want to.

December 9-14 will be the distribution for Toys for Kids. No Meeting in January and February. Wishing everyone a Great & Safe Holiday.

Contact Tresa at 620-419-6191 if you have any questions.

### Sons of American Legion Mike Price, SAL Commander

Next Meeting December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 7 PM)

Please make sure you pay your 2025 dues by the end of December.

### Legion Rider Rumbles Ken Gawanda, Director

Next Meeting December 22<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 1 PM)

Another great year has passed. Hoping everyone had a great Thanksgiving. Christmas is almost here so here's to safe travels and good family time. If you or someone you know owns a motorcycle, then join our great organization that has fun and helps veterans and their families - we'd love to talk to you about the Legion Riders.

Hope to see you at our next meeting. Happy Holiday's!!

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1 – Sunday	2 – Monday	3 – Tuesday	4 – Wednesday	5 – Thursday	6 – Friday	7 – Saturday
BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games	6:30 PM Auxiliary Meeting	5:00 PM Veteran Social Night	6:30 PM Cornhole	4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour 7:00 PM Queen of Hearts Draw	Friday Food 5:30 PM Soups 7:00 PM Private Party	8:00 AM – 10:00AM VFW Breakfast 9:00 AM Legion Maintenance 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Mini Main Street
8 BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games <b>7:20PM Chiefs vs LA Chargers</b>	9 <i>Toys Distribution</i> 6:30 PM Cornhole	10 <i>Toys Distribution</i> 6:30 PM Adult Trivia	11 <i>Toys Distribution</i>	12 <i>Toys Distribution</i> 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour 7:00 PM Queen of Hearts Draw <b>Mac Wrestling Club Chili Feed</b>	13 <i>Toys Distribution</i> Friday Food by Gary 5:30pm Chicken Fried Steak <b>* RESERVATIONS REQUIRED</b>	14 7:00 PM Karaoke
15 BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games <b>12:00 PM Chiefs vs Cleveland Browns</b>	16 6:00 PM Post Meeting 7:00 PM SAL Meeting	17 <b>No Veteran Story Night this Month</b>  <i>Social Night \$0.50 Off Well Drinks</i>	18 6:30 PM Cornhole	19 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour 7:00 PM Queen of Hearts Draw <b>No Family Night this Month</b>	20 Friday Food 5:30pm Casseroles	21 8:00 AM – 10:00AM VFW Breakfast  <b>12:00 PM Chiefs vs Houston Texans</b>
22 1:00 PM Legion Rider Meeting (Bring Snacks) BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games	23 <i>\$0.50 Off Well Drinks</i>	24 Christmas Eve <b>Legion Closes at 6PM</b> <b>No Adult Trivia This Evening</b>	25 Christmas Day <b>** Legion Closed</b> 11:30 AM-1:30 PM. Community Dinner at Community Building	26 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour 7:00 PM Queen of Hearts Draw	27 Friday Food 5:30pm Fried Chicken	28
29 BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games	30 <i>\$0.50 Off Well Drinks</i>	31 New Year's Eve <b>Open</b>  <b>Band to be Announced</b>	January 1 9:00 AM New Year's Breakfast	<b>Note: There are several events that we will not be having during December due to other activities around town &amp; with families.</b> <b>* Reservations are Required for Dec 13 Chicken Fried Steak Make Reservations at the bar or call Jim LaDuke</b> <b>** Chiefs vs Pittsburgh Steelers – Week 17: Dec 25 (Legion Closed)</b> <b>Chiefs vs Broncos – Week 18: TBD at time of printing</b>		

Adult Trivia will be held on Tuesday 12/10 6:30pm

Karaoke will be held on 12/14 at 8pm

We will not have a December family night

Banquet Hall available for Wedding Receptions, Parties, and Special Occasions. Call 241-0343 to reserve. All Bingo Sessions and Family Night events are open to the Public. Other events are for Members and Guests unless otherwise specified.

2025 membership dues can now be paid.



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Sponsor space is still available. If you wish to have an area here, call Jim LaDuke @ 241-8600 for availability.



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