



McPherson American Legion

Harry B Dorst Post 24

March 2025 Newsletter



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Commander's Corner Dan Hervey Post Commander

Fat Tuesday: Tuesday, March 4th, we will have a meal of fish chips and slaw. The Price is \$15 dollars. Please let Jim LaDuke know if you plan to attend. This is Veteran Social night, and the Veterans will still need to pay for the meal, but you will get 2 drinks paid by the sponsors. The fish is COD prepared by Steve Root and his helpers.

Walk of Honor: We will be sending in an order at the end of March. If you are interested in having a paver, please contact Jim LaDuke. We have two sizes: 4 by 8 and 8 by 8. Help us get the North side filled up.

Karaoke at the American Legion: We are pleased to announce Mark and Tabitha Sander, also known as M & T Entertainment, will be hosting Karaoke at the legion. They come with lots of experience as Mark was involved with a show in Branson, Missouri. In March the dates are the 8th and 22nd, both starting at 7 pm. Let's fill the lounge and have some fun. We are excited they have agreed to help the Legion. Mark previously lived in McPherson and has returned.

American Legion Birthday Dinner: We will be having a Legion birthday meal on March 15th @ 6pm. All members are welcome. We hope to see you there!

5th District Convention in McPherson, March 29th: The American Legion 5th District will be holding their annual meeting at our post on March 29th. Meetings will be held for the Post, Auxiliary, and S.A.L on Saturday with gatherings beginning at 8:00 AM. Advanced registration through Jim LaDuke, al24ks@sbcglobal.net, is required.

National Vietnam Veterans Memorial Day March 29: Join us after the district meeting as we remember our fellow veterans.

Matching Grant: A few months ago, we applied for a grant to replace our aging wheelchair lift. After 24 years we cannot get parts for this one any longer. The McPherson Community Foundation has awarded us a matching grant up to \$8,000. If you would like to help with the estimated \$7,500, we need to provide, please send a tax-deductible check to the American Legion; P.O. Box 209; McPherson, KS 67460 or drop it by Jim LaDuke State Farm Agency.

Memberships: Please renew your membership immediately if you do not have a 2025 card so you don't miss getting the newsletter, etc.

Veterans Story Night: One of our most popular programs! We are now recording stories. If you're willing to share your military story or tell it again so it gets recorded, text Dennis Friesen at 620-242-7702.

Thanks for all you do! (Post Meetings 3rd Monday, 6 PM)

Food Bank Donation Area

Place items for the Food Bank on the table with a sign near the office door. Mike McVicker delivers food to the Food Bank on Fridays.

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If you want notifications and newsletters by email, please send your name and email to Al24ks@sbcglobal.net and we will add you to the list. Please let us know if you are a Legion, Sons, Auxiliary, Rider, or Social member when you sign up for the email newsletter.

Auxiliary Notes, Tresa Rauh, President

Next Meeting March 3rd at 6:30 PM (1st Monday, 6:30 PM)

We will have our American Legion Birthday Dinner at 6:00 PM on March 15th - All are Welcome. We are celebrating with Carol Ek for 60 years of continued service. We are still working on our membership - Please Help! Stay safe.

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

Sons of American Legion Mike Price, SAL Commander

Next Meeting March 17th at 7 PM (3rd Monday, 7 PM)

Thanks for paying your dues. Still have some that haven't. Your membership lets you use the legion for different things. If anyone would like to help with Bingo, please let us know. One Sunday a month for 4 or 5 hours.

Legion Rider Rumbles Ken Gawanda, Director

Next Meeting March 23th at 1 PM (4th Sunday, 1 PM)

Looking for new members to join the Legion Riders! Even if you were a past rider member and are thinking about if you want to come back, we would love to talk with you. Reach out to a member to get more information about what we do. You're welcome to sit in on one of our meetings. Member or not, riding season will soon be here. Check over your bikes and gear!

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<p>Help us plan your week: Cornhole, Karaoke, & Meetings Scheduled each month</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bingo every Sunday Veteran Social Night 1st Tuesday, Story Night 3rd Tuesday; Adult Trivia 2nd & 4th Tuesday Buy One/Get One Member Happy Hour with Queen of Hearts Draw Every Thursday Family Night Meal on 3rd Thurs benefiting Christian Church Rock Solid Kids on March 20 Different Friday Foods Every Week 50 cents off Wells every Monday through Wednesday 5-7PM 						<p>1 - Saturday 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM VFW Breakfast 9:00 AM Legion Maintenance</p>
<p>2 – Sunday BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games</p>	<p>3 – Monday 6:30 PM Auxiliary Meeting</p>	<p>4 - Tuesday 5:00 PM Veteran Social Night <i>Fat Tuesday Fish Fry</i></p>	<p>5 – Wednesday 6:30 PM Cornhole</p>	<p>6 – Thursday 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO 6:30 PM Queen of Hearts Draw</p>	<p>7 - Friday Friday Food 5:30pm Casseroles</p>	<p>8 7:00 PM Karaoke</p>
<p>9 BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games</p>	<p>10 6:30 PM Cornhole</p>	<p>11 6:30 PM Adult Trivia</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO 6:30 PM Queen of Hearts Draw</p>	<p>14 Friday Food 5:30pm Meat Loaf</p>	<p>15 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM VFW Breakfast 6:00 PM American Legion Birthday Dinner</p>
<p>16 BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games</p>	<p>17 6:00 PM Post Meeting 7:00 PM SAL Meeting</p>	<p>18 Veteran Story Night: 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM Veteran Presentations</p>	<p>19 6:30 PM Cornhole</p>	<p>20 Family Night 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM Family Night ~ Christian Church Rock Solid Kids</p>	<p>21 Friday Food 5:30pm Salmon</p>	<p>22 7:00 PM Karaoke</p>
<p>23 1:00 PM Legion Riders Meeting BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games</p>	<p>24 6:30 PM Cornhole</p>	<p>25 6:30 PM Adult Trivia</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO 6:30 PM Queen of Hearts Draw</p>	<p>28 Friday Food 5:30pm Fried Chicken 5:00-9:00 PM Legion Meet & Greet</p>	<p>29 American Legion Fifth District Convention Hosted by Post 24 6:00 -9:00 PM Vietnam Veterans Appreciation</p>
<p>30 BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>Banquet Hall is available for Receptions, Parties, & Special Occasions. Call 241-0343 to reserve.</p> <p>All Bingo Sessions and Family Night events are open to the Public.</p> <p>Other events are for Members and Guests unless otherwise specified.</p> <p>2025 membership dues must now be paid.</p>				



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Use Your Legion: We try to provide numerous activities at the Post such as Bingo, Karaoke, Trivia, Family Night, Corn Hole, Veterans Story Night, Happy Hour and Friday Night Food. We need your participation to keep the Post operating. Thank you to those that have scheduled weddings, birthday parties, Celebration of Life and named the Post in Memorials. Book the Legion Hall for your events! Contact us at 620-241-0343

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