

## July 2025 Newsletter

Harry B Dorst Post 24 McPherson, Kansas

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# Commander's Corner Dan Hervey Post Commander

**Flag Retirement:** Postponed until we can reschedule. We were rained out on June 14th and the high wind forced us to cancel again on June 21. If you have any flags needing retiring you may drop them off at the Post or use the Flag Drop Box on the south parking lot.

**Family Night:** Congratulations to Roy Wash on the June 19<sup>th</sup> 25th Anniversary of Family Night helping non-profit organizations. Roy founded the program in



2000 when he was Post Commander and it has pumped more than \$200,000 back into the community. Thanks to everyone who helped with the celebration which benefited HONOR FLIGHT.

Join us this month for Family Night on July 17.

**New Time for Veterans Stories:** Our meal on Veteran Story Night will still begin at 5:30 pm, Story Telling begins at 6:30 pm. We were rained out in June but we are looking forward to July 15th.

**Memberships:** Veteran members should be receiving their 2026 membership renewal letter in the mail this month. Please renew quickly to save us the expense of sending you reminders.

**Volunteers:** We can never thank our volunteers enough for what they do. By the same token we can find a place for you if you are interested in helping with Bingo, maintenance, Family Night or just baking a dessert for Family Night.

**Lounge and Bingo:** These are our main source of income. Summer is a slow time for our activities, however our bills continue. Please invite someone to visit and support your Post as often as you can.

**Front Entry Committee:** We are about ready to start working on the front entry. You will see some construction but we will still be open!

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



## Auxiliary Notes Tresa Rauh, President

Next Meeting Aug 4th at 6:30 PM (1st Monday, 6:30 PM)

Please remember, the Auxiliary will not be meeting on July 7. Be safe. Contact Tresa at 620-419-6191 if you have any questions.



### Legion Rider Rumbles Ken Gawanda, Director

Next Meeting July 27nd at 1:00 PM (4th Sun, 1:00 PM)

## **Special Events in July**

**July 9 - Bring your own vinyl:** We are starting a new event on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, so July 9th, we will play a variety of your music for the enjoyment of all from 6 to 8pm. A Legion member has been to an event in a neighboring town, and it was fantastic. If you want to get your vinyl clean, one of our members will clean them for \$1 per vinyl. Let's have some fun sharing vinyl and memories.

July 12 – Karaoke Night: Starts at 7pm in the Lounge Presented by M&T Entertainment

**July 15 – Veteran's Story Night:** 5:30pm Meal, 6:30pm Stories Note story time – No Fee, Always looking for Speakers & Sponsors

July 16 - Woman Awareness Training: The American Legion and State Farm will be sponsoring a training program for Women's Safety. This is put on by our Sheriff and Post Member Jerry Montagne. Social hour will be 5 to 6. The program will be from 6 to 9 broken down into 3 sessions. First is Prevention, second is Weapons and the third is self-defense. If interested let the legion know as we have a sign up sheet so we know how many are attending.

July 17 – Family Night Dinner for Gymnastics: 5-6:30pm \$6 Fee, Hamburger/Hot Dog/Fries/Drink/Dessert (Pick 4, 2 meat limit)

July 19 – Beer Tasting Night with a Jazz Band: 6-9:00pm Sample a variety of beers and finish with a full glass of your favorite. Hors d'oeuvres included so join us for fellowship, beers, and music.

Queen of Hearts Drawing: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays. You buy chances to select a card off a board that started with all the cards. Chances are \$5 each or 5/\$20. Lucky winner gets to select a card and if it is the Queen of Hearts, they win the jackpot. This is a fund raiser for the legion. Pot is now \$2661 so a winner gets \$1331, \$50 if the Queen of Hearts is not drawn. We start selling chances at 5:30 pm that day.



# Sons of American Legion Mike Price, SAL Commander

Next Meeting July 21th at 7 PM (3rd Monday, 7 PM)

We had a great turn out for the Jimmy Stadler concert in June. Many SAL Members and guests enjoyed the music and free drinks.



All SAL Members are welcome to attend our next meeting on July 21st at 7 PM.

McPherson American Legion Harry B. Dorst Post 24
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## July 2025 Calendar

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2025 membership dues must now be paid. Banquet Hall is available for Receptions, Parties, & Special Occasions. Call 241-0343 to reserve.		1 – Tuesday 5:00 PM Veteran Social Night	2 – Wednesday	3 – Thursday 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour Bogo	4 – Friday Legion Closed	5 – Saturday 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM VFW Breakfast 9:00 AM Legion Maintenance
6 – Sunday BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games	7 – Monday	8 6:30 PM Adult Trivia	9 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM BYOV: Bring Your Own Vinyl	10 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO 6:30 PM Queen of Hearts Draw	11 Friday Food 5:30pm Meat Loaf	<b>12</b> 7:00 PM Karaoke
BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games	14	Veteran Story Night: 5:30 PM Dinner 6:30 PM Veteran Presentations:	Woman Awareness Training 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM Social Hour 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM Sessions	17 Family Night 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM Gymnastics 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour Bogo	18 Friday Food 5:30pm Mexican	8:00 AM – 10:00 AM VFW Breakfast 6:00 PM Beer Tasting Hors d'oeuvres and a Jazz Band
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27 1:00 PM Legion Riders Meeting BINGO: 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games	28	29	30	31 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO	All Bingo Sessions and Family Night events are open to the Public. Other events are for Members and Guests unless otherwise specified.	

Join us at the Legion: Karaoke, Trivia, Cornhole, Social Gatherings & Meetings Scheduled each month

- Bingo every Sunday this month
- Veteran Social Night 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, Story Night 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday (New Time: 6:30pm talks with meal at 5:30pm)
- Adult Trivia Team Competitions 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday (\$2/person)
- Buy 1/Get 1 Member Happy Hour Every Thur. with Queen of Hearts Draw 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thur. this month
- Family Night Meal on 3rd Thurs benefiting McPherson Gymnastics July 17
- Different Friday Foods Every Week (Closed Friday, July 4)
- 50 cents off Wells every Monday through Wednesday 5-7PM



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**Note the New Look:** This month's newsletter has a slightly new look to reflect updates to the American Legion Brand Standards. Look for more changes and an updated website this Fall.

# **Special thanks to this month's Veteran Story Night Sponsors**

Dennis & Judy Friesen
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Consider Sponsoring a Story Night for \$100. At Least 4 Sponsors are needed each month.



**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

## **OFFICERS**



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