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Commander's Corner

Dan Hervey, Post Commander

Foyer Remodeling: Only a couple more items to complete and phase one of our foyer remodeling will be finished. Thanks to our front entry committee, the Executive Board, Hedlund Electric, PLI Contractors and sub-contractors for a job well done. If you have a desire to make a contribution to these projects please send a check payable to the American Legion and mailed to P.O. Box 209; McPherson, KS 67460.

New Website for Post 24: Check out our new website. It has many things available which weren't listed before including the newsletter, explanations about each Legion Family unit, history, monthly sponsors and weekly updates. Check it out! alpost24.com

Memorials and Celebration of Life: We are pleased that family members are naming American Legion Post 24 as a memorial when a loved one passes and we have an excellent facility to hold a Celebration of Life. Discuss your wishes now so family members will know your desires.

Military Honors: Plan ahead with your family! Every Honorably Discharged Veteran is entitled to Military Honors when they pass. Unfortunately there are two things that sometimes stand in the way. One, they haven't told their family members that it is their wish to have Military Honors and second, the funeral home needs immediate access to the veteran's discharge papers to secure the casket flag and the Honor Guard Teams (usually a DD-214).

Legion Family Memberships: NOW is the time to renew your 2026 memberships. Legion \$50, Auxiliary \$40, SAL \$35 and Social \$50.

New Look of the Newsletter: Wow! Did you notice the new look to the Post Newsletter last month and again this month. **Mark Hunter, editor** is the one to THANK for that. Actually, we keep Mark extremely busy keeping up with all our IT and electronics as well.

Nomination Committee: Commander Dan has appointed Roy Wash, Jim LaDuke and Danny Schafer to the Nomination Committee. If you have a desire to serve in a leadership role at the Post let these individuals know. If they ask you to be a candidate, please say yes. Floor nominations will be allowed at the November and December meetings with elections held at the December 15th Post meeting. Leadership, membership and participation is what keeps any organization going.

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



Legion Rider Rumbles

Ken Gawanda, Director

Next Meeting Oct 26th at 1:00 PM (4th Sun, 1:00 PM)

If you own a bike and want to be a part of something great, contact one of our Legion Riders and ask about joining. We're always looking for more people to ride with. Remember the Toy Run is on Nov 30!

Special Member Events in October

Oct 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31 Friday Dinners 5:30pm - \$12 each Friday**Oct 8 & 22 - Legion Corn hole:** 6:00 PM Register, 6:30 PM Play**Oct 9 & 23 - Queen of Hearts Draw:** 2nd & 4th Thursdays-5:45pm.

Another fund raiser opportunity for the legion. Next drawing will be Thursday Sept 11th and the lucky winner gets half the jackpot if they pick the Queen of Hearts off the board or \$50 if the Queen is not drawn. You buy chances to select a card off a board that started with all the cards. Chances are \$5 each or 5/\$20. Odds increase each week so come to the Legion that evening.

Oct 14 & 28 - Adult Trivia: Starts at 6:30pm in the Banquet Hall
Team Competitions - 2nd & 4th Tuesday (\$2/person)**Oct 15 - Bring Your Own Vinyl (BYOV) - 6 to 8pm:** 3rd Wed each month (Note Change in Week). We play a variety of your music that you bring for the enjoyment of all from 6-8pm.
Get your vinyl cleaned for \$1 per vinyl.**Oct 16 - Family Night Dinner for Sheep Dog Impact Assistance:**
5-6:30pm, \$6 Fee, Hamburger/Hot Dog/Fries/Drink/Dessert (Pick 4, 2 meat limit)**Oct 21 - Veteran's Story Night:** 5:30pm Meal, 6:30pm Stories
Note story time - No Fee, Always looking for Speakers & Sponsors**Oct 25 - Karaoke Night:** Starts at 7pm in the Lounge**Special Legion Band Nights: Oct 18 - Deluge, Nov 1 - Artifact**

Auxiliary Notes

Tresa Rauh, President

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

Next meeting will be on Monday, October 6. Bring your membership dues, and a friend. We have a lot to plan with Veteran's Day, Nov 11; Toy Run, Nov 30; Toy Distribution, Dec 15-20; and other events. Please keep an eye on the calendar. We are also looking for volunteers for Bingo on Sundays. Contact Tresa at 620-419-6191 if you have questions or would like to help.



Sons of American Legion

Mike Price, SAL Commander

Next Meeting Oct 20th at 7 PM (3rd Monday, 7 PM)

2026 membership reminders have been mailed out. Thanks to everyone who helped with getting the membership reminders ready to mail out. Sorry if we didn't let you know when did them if you have helped out before.

All SAL Members are welcome to attend our Oct 20th meeting at 7PM.

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Pay Your 2026 memberships dues at the Legion: This ensures you are associated with our post. All Bingo Sessions & Family Night events are open to the Public: Other events are for Members & Guests unless otherwise specified. Banquet Hall available for Receptions, Parties, & Special Events: Call 241-0343 to reserve			1 – Wednesday 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO	2 – Thursday 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO	3 – Friday Friday Food \$12 5:30 PM Chicken & Noodles Chili Ham & Beans	4 – Saturday 11:30AM – 1:30 PM Burning Down Main Chili Cook Off in Plaza 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM VFW Breakfast 9:00 AM Legion Maintenance
5 – Sunday BINGO: 1:00 PM Sales Start 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular Games	6 – Monday Chief's Game 7:15 PM Jaguars 6:30 PM Auxiliary Meeting	7 – Tuesday 5:00 PM Veteran Social Night	8 6:00 PM Cornhole Registration 6:30 PM Cornhole Play begins	9 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO 5:45 PM Queen of Hearts Draw	10 Friday Food \$12 5:30pm Casseroles Cancer Crawl Event Legion is one location 4:00 PM – 8:30 PM	11
12 – Chief's Game 7:20 PM Lions BINGO: 1:00 PM Sales Start 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular	13	14 6:30 PM Adult Trivia	15 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM BYOV: Bring Your Own Vinyl	16 Family Night 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM Sheep Dog Impact Assistance	17 Friday Food \$12 5:30pm Mexican	18 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM VFW Breakfast 8:00 PM – 11:00 PM Band: Deluge <i>Free Will Nonation</i>
19 – Chief's Game 12:00 PM Raiders BINGO: 1:00 PM Sales Start 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular	20 6:00 PM Post Meeting 7:00 PM SAL Meeting	21 Veteran Story Night: 5:30 PM Dinner 6:30 PM Veteran Presentations:	22 6:00 PM Cornhole Registration 6:30 PM Cornhole Play begins	23 – 5:30-7PM Main St Trick or Treat 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO 5:45 PM Queen of Hearts Draw	24 Friday Food \$12 5:30pm Chinese	25 7:00 PM Karaoke
26 1:00 PM Legion Riders Meeting BINGO: 1:00 PM Sales Start 2:00 PM Early Bird 2:45 PM Regular	27 – Chief's Game 7:15 PM Commanders	28 6:30 PM Adult Trivia	29 5:30 PM Welcome Meeting for New Members	30 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Happy Hour BOGO	31 - Halloween Friday Food \$12 5:30pm Fried Chicken	Nov 1 8:00 PM – Midnight Band: Artifact \$10 Cover Charge

Join us at the Legion: Activities, Meals, Gatherings & Meetings Scheduled each week

- Bingo every Sunday in September
- Veteran Social Night 1st Tuesday, Story Night 3rd Tuesday - 6:30pm talks, 5:30pm meal
- Adult Trivia Team Competitions - 2nd & 4th Tuesday 6:30pm (\$2/person)
- Cornhole - 2nd & 4th Wednesday 6:00pm Registration, 6:30pm Play Begins (\$10/person)
- Bring Your Own Vinyl (BYOV) - 3rd Wednesday 6-8pm (No Cover Charge) {Note New Week}
- Buy1/Get1 Happy Hour (members only) Every Thurs, Queen of Hearts Draw (members only) 2nd/4th Thurs
- Family Night Meal 3rd Thurs benefiting Sheep Dog Impact Assistance this month (\$6 meal)
- Different Friday Foods Every Week - \$12 most weeks this month - Reservations Requested
- 50 cents off Wells (members only) every Monday through Wednesday 5-7PM

The American Legion is more than just a veteran's organization; it's a community of individuals dedicated to service, patriotism, and the well-being of those who have served the nation, their families, and their communities.

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Legion Wine Tasting Held on Sept 13th

There was a wonderful selection of wines complemented by Hors d'oeuvres paired with each wine. Thanks to all of those that attended this event and special thanks to the committee and volunteers that made this such a fun event. Keep an eye out for the next Wine Tasting in the Spring.

26th Annual Steak Night Held Sept 20th

Thanks to all that attended and the volunteers who made it a very successful night. We cooked 84 Ribeyes and they were delicious. Get this event on your calendar for next year.

Pfizer Steak Veterans Night Nov 8th

Our next steak night is November 8th for Veterans plus one paid for by Pfizer. This is the third year they have done this. If you are a veteran, get your name on the list for this free meal.

Corn Hole at Legion Oct 8th & 22nd

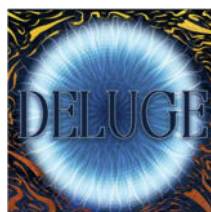
We are still trying to get Corn Hole restarted at the Legion. In meeting with some of the players, Monday was not a good night, so we are going to try it on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday. We are still looking to establish a small committee and if interested, contact Jim LaDuke. We have a sponsor that will contribute \$200 per time for prizes from now to end of year. Registration starts at 6:00 PM and play starts at 6:30 PM. The participant price to pay is \$10. That goes into the prize fund. All are invited.

Welcoming New Members to the Organization – 5th Wednesday

The Fifth Wednesday of this month, we will be inviting new members to the Legion for a drink from our commander and the person who signed their membership form. We want to make sure they are welcome and know what the legion offers. We have a goal of 100 new members by year end. Help us sign up members. We will have snacks available.

Local Band on Oct 18th

Deluge will be playing Alt & Classic Cover Rock on Oct 18th from 8-11 PM. Free Will Donation!



Halloween Dance Sat Nov 1st

Come in for a fun night with our local 70s-2000s Pop/Rock Band, Artifact on Nov 1st, 8PM – Midnight. \$10 Cover Charge



Walk of Honor Pavers



Many men and women are honored along the Walk of Pavers just North of the Legion at the entrance to the parking lot.

There is still room to pay gratitude to more of our patriots.

Pavers are available in two sizes: 4" X 8" will cost \$60 and 8" X 8" will cost \$120. Laser imprinting will allow from one to three lines with 15-18 character for the smaller and 6 lines for the larger.

Laser implanted military branch symbols may also be included for an extra \$10, however it will reduce the number of characters available in each line.

An identical miniature paver 1 ½" X 3" is also available with the veterans information inscribed for an additional \$20.



Chiefs Games at the Legion

We encourage you to come down to the Legion to watch the Chiefs Games. There will be a few games on holidays which may not be available, but we will open the lounge for most Sunday games. Games this month:

Oct 6 – Monday, 7:15 PM Jaguars
Oct 12 – Sunday, 7:20 PM Lions
Oct 19 – Sunday, 12:00 PM Raiders
Oct 27 – Monday, 7:15 PM Commanders
Nov 2 – Sunday, 3:25 PM Bills

Plan Ahead for King Midas on Nov 29th

King Midas will be playing at the American Legion on Nov 29th.

Note the New Look: The newsletter now has a slightly new look to reflect updates to the American Legion Brand Standards. www.alpost24.com has new pages and features!

Special thanks to this month's Veteran Story Night Sponsors

Liz & Trevor Wilson

Les & Janelle Hunt

Gilbert Solas

Bernard & Glennice Musselwhite

Gregg & Mary Ann Hanna

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

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



Live Music at the American Legion

Sat Oct 18 – 8–11:00 PM

Deluge – Alt Rock
& Classic Rock Covers
Free Will Donation

Sat Nov 1 – 8 PM–Midnight

Artifact – Pop/Rock
from 70^s, 80^s, 90^s, & 2000^s
\$10 Cover Charge



Bingo Every Sunday

2:00 PM Early Bird, 2:45 PM Regular Games

These games are open to the Public



Oct 14 & 28 – Adult Trivia

Starts at 6:30pm in the Banquet Hall, \$2/person

This is a member only event but guests are welcome.



Oct 15 – Bring Your Own Vinyl

You decide which vintage hits to share.

6:00-8:00pm, No Cover Charge

This is a member only event but guests are welcome.



Oct 16 – Public Family Night Meal

Supporting Sheep Dog Impact Assistance

5-6:30pm Hamburger/Hot Dog /Fries/Drink/Dessert

\$6 Meal - Pick 4: Hamburger, Hotdog, Fries, Drink, Dessert (2 meats max)



Oct 21 – Veteran's Story Night

5:30pm Meal, 6:30pm Stories

No Fee, Always looking for Speakers and Sponsors

This is a member only event but guests are welcome.



Oct 25 – Karaoke Night

Starts at 7pm in the Lounge, No Cover Charge

This is a member only event but guests are welcome.



Oct 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 – Friday Meals

This is a member only event but guests are welcome

Different meals each Friday (Most \$12) - Reservations are required



Join the Legion & receive our monthly newsletter.

Almost everyone is eligible to join the Legion as a Veteran, Aux/SAL Member, or Guest member. Inquire at American Legion Post 24, Mon-Sat, 4-8pm.

OCTOBER KARAOKE NIGHT

OCT 25th 2025 / 7:00 PM

No Cover Charge



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