



## Robert Vincent McMaugh Memorial American Legion Post 10 9950 Cockrell Road Manassas, Virginia 20110 703-369-4900 www.manassaspost10.org



**JUNE 2022** 

### 2021-2022 Legion Officers

Commander:
Dave Quimby

1st Vice Commander:

**Stan Moore** 

2nd Vice Commander:

**Linda Myers** 

<u>Adjutant</u>:

**Mary Antio** 

Finance Officer:

**Larry Logsdon** 

Chaplain:

Frances 'Greg' Hall

Sergeant-at-Arms:

**Carl Carey** 

1 Year Committeeman:

**Gunny Lewis** 

2 Year Committeeman:

**Bill Barron** 

3 Year Committeeman:

**Bobby Fewell** 

Past Commander:

Mark Stein

Judge Advocate:

Rick Raskin

Service Officer:

Ginger Harvey

Editor

Gunny

### **Commander's Column**

If you do nothing else while reading this month's Commander's Comments, <u>SMILE</u>. It's good for the soul. As many of you heard at May's General Membership meeting there is a lot going on. Your help is always needed to get us through some of the projects and events we have. Two big ones that come to mind are: scrubbing clean

and repainting the curbs (fire lanes) in front of the building. Let *Gunny* know if you want to get on the work detail list. Also, we need to start now planning for and coordinating Post 10's execution of our annual support for **Wreaths Across America** (WAA). Let me know if you want to help with this project.

The preamble to the American Legion's Constitution concludes with the following words: '...to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.' Step up. Help one another. Help the Post. Exercise civility with all those you encounter. We all gain. I try to follow what has been referred to as the 7 rules of life. Read and Heed: 1. let it go. 2. ignore them. 3. give it time. 4. don't compare. 5. stay calm. 6. it's not on you. 7. smile.

I look forward to seeing you at our Post. And be careful out there.

Dave Quimby, Commander

Here are your Post Officers for 2022—2023:

Commander: Dave Quimby

1st Vice: *Stan Moore* 2nd Vice: *Linda Myers* 

Adjutant: *Mary Antio* Finance Officer: *Larry Logsdon* 

Sgt-at-Arms: Carl Carey Chaplain: Greg Hall

Ouartermaster: Gunny Lewis

1 Year Committeeperson: Bill Barron 2 Year Committeeperson: Bobby Fewell

3 Year Committeeperson: Paul Locigno

Congratulations to all—please support them in running your Post.

### **PTSD AWARENESS MONTH**















HAPPY 247th BIRTHDAY, ARMY! The US Army was founded on 14 June 1775, when the Continental Congress authorized enlistment of riflemen to serve the United Colonies for one year. The 14 June date is when Congress adopted "the American continental army" after reaching a consensus position in The Committee of the Whole. This procedure and the desire for secrecy account for the sparseness of the official entries for the day. Congress undertook to raise 10 companies of riflemen, approved an enlistment for them, and appointed a committee to draft rules and regulations for the government of the army. There was a time when there were never more than 48,000 Continental soldiers. Today, the Army boasts over one million

soldiers on duty which includes the Reserves and National Guard members.

Submitted by *Gunny* 

Korean War: The Korean war began on June 25, 1950, when some 75,000 soldiers from the North Korean People's Army came across the 38th parallel, the boundary between the Soviet-backed Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the north and the pro-Western Republic of Korea to the south. This invasion was the first military action of the Cold War. By July, American troops had entered the war on South Korea's behalf. It was a war against the forces of international communism. After some early back-and-forth across the 38th parallel, the fighting stalled and casualties mounted. American officials worked to fashion some sort of armistice with the North Koreans. The alternative, they feared, would be a wider war with Russia and China—or even, as some warned, World War III. Finally, in July 1953, the Korean War came to an end. In all, some 5 million soldiers and civilians lost their lives in what many in the U.S. refer to as "the Forgotten War" for the lack of attention it received compared to more well-known conflicts like World War I and II. The Korean peninsula is still divided today.

Submitted by Vic Librizzi



### Have you wondered about the history of Flag Day?

When the American Revolution broke out in 1775, the colonists weren't fighting united under a single flag. Instead, most regiments participating in the War for Independence fought under their own flags. In June of 1775, the Second Continental Congress met in Philadelphia to create the Continental Army, a unified colonial fighting force. This led to the creation of the first "American" flag, the Continental Colors. This flag, which was comprised of 13 red and white alternating stripes and a Union Jack in the corner, was too much like that of the British flag. *George Washington* soon realized that flying a flag that was even remotely close to the British flag was not a great confidence-builder for the revolutionary effort, so he turned his efforts towards creating a new symbol of freedom.

On June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress took a break from writing the Articles of Confederation and passed a resolution stating that "the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white," and that "the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.

In 1916, *President Wilson* marked the anniversary of that decree by officially establishing June 14 as Flag Day.

As you celebrate the anniversary of the Stars and Stripes, here are some fast facts about "Old Glory."

- Bernard Cigrand, a Wisconsin teacher, originated the idea for an annual flag day in 1885, to be celebrated across the country every June 14. He led his school in the first formal observance of the holiday. Cigrand, who later changed careers and practiced dentistry in Illinois, continued to promote his concept and advocate respect for the flag throughout his life.
- It is widely believed that *Betsy Ross*, who assisted the Revolutionary War effort by repairing uniforms and sewing tents, made and helped design the first American flag. However, there is no historical evidence that she contributed to Old Glory's creation. It was not until her grandson *William Canby* held an 1870 press conference to recount the story that the American public learned of her possible role. *And that in a nutshell is the history of Flag Day*.

Submitted by Vic Librizzi



**Sara Woods**, Daughters of the American Revolution #10, Prince William Resolves and Post 10 Legionnaire, presents a check for \$500.00 to **Larry Logsdon**, Finance Officer Post 10, for next year's 'Fallen Heroes Banners' at the May General Membership Meeting.

Thank you Sara and DAR #10.



### **SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING**

The jeep recently experienced an act of vandalism, we have roped off the area. The jeep is not to be entered by adults or children. LOOK but DO NOT TOUCH!

In addition, the deck, floor, is <u>NOT</u> a spittoon. Use the proper receptacle to spit into! It's a shame we have to inform you of this.

Thank you, Gunny



### **Wreath Sponsorship Form**

Sponsored wreaths are placed on grave markers at state and national veterans' cemeteries, as well as at local, community cemeteries each December. Wreaths may also be sponsored online at <a href="www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org">www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org</a>. If you wish to make your sponsorship with a credit card, please visit our website for a secure online transaction.

Name:		
Address:		
City:		
State:	Zip:	
Phone:	4	
Email:		

Please make checks payable to:
Wreaths Across America
PO Box 249
Columbia Falls, ME 04623

Call 877-385-9504 with any questions.

Thank you for your sponsorship and joining us in our mission to Remember, Honor and Teach!

Sponsorship Type	Price	Quantity	Total
Individual = 1 Wreath	\$15.00		
Mailed "In Honor" card = If you wish to send a physical honor card telling someone of your sponsorship, please see "In Honor" section below. The \$2 fee is required for this mailing.	\$2.00		
Family = 4 Wreaths	\$60.00		<del>Vacantal in the same of the s</del>
Small Business = 10 Wreaths	\$150.00		
Corporate = 100 Wreaths	\$1,500.00		
		Grand Total	

### \*GRAVE SPECIFIC REQUESTS ARE NOT ACCEPTED ON THIS FORM\*

In Honor of:	In Memory of:		
Below, please provide email or mailing address of "In Honor of" recipient so we can notify them of your sponsorship in their honor. If you have a specific message please write it on the back of this	This name will be listed on our online memory wall. Below, please provide name, rank, branch of service and state resided.		
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Please note, ALL sponsored wreaths are shipped directly to the location and NO wreaths are sent to the individuals purchasing sponsorships.

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### American Legion Riders Post 10



The following are the elected officers for the 2022—2023 term:

Director: *Paul Giovanni*Finance: *Pam Drake*Sgt-at-Arms: *Bob Drake*Chaplain: *Bob Potter*Asst. Director: *Dave Albrecht*Membership: *Carl Carey*Secretary: *Elizabeth Taverniti*Historian: *Leon Kowalewski* 

Congratulations to all!

Keep the shiny side up!

Rick Goodman, Director, ALR Post 10

### Padre's Corner

Greetings to all. If anyone needs prayers or visits, you may contact the Chaplain through Post 10. My phone numbers are 703-980-3581 - Cell or 571-379-8992 - Home. The summer months brings us vacation times with our loved ones. Let's be safe in traveling to and from our destinations. For those of us who own boats, please be extra safe on the water.



We must love and respect each other.

May God Bless Everyone.

Francis Gregory Hall, Chaplain

### Color Guard

Post Everlasting Ceremony: Thank you Cadets of the Osbourne Park High School NJROTC Drill Team for your participation and the formal folding of the United States Flag, well done! Also, thank you, *Mark Meier* (Bugle), *Jeffrey Maslona* and *Christopher Cloemens* (Bagpipes). Thank you *Linda Myers* for a well planned program.

Carl Carey, Sgt-at-Arms

NOTICES: When playing the 'game' machines you must turn in your cash receipts within 48 hours of printing them. After that they become null and void.

The Post has 48 hours to pay on winning tickets.

Playing of machines during Social Quarters' hours ONLY!

Please cooperate.

### **Legionnaire Membership Report**

Dear Members. We are currently standing at 97% of our 2022 membership goal. Great job everyone. We still have until the end of June to hit our 100% goal. Reminder to all members not paid by April

1st your membership has expired and all American Legion privileges are suspended.

Early Birds: We will be starting to accept membership payments for 2023 on July 1, 2022. Get your membership paid early to be in the running for the Early Bird prize drawing on Veterans Day, November 11th.

Welcome to the following new & transfer members: *Maurice Brown*, USA, Panama; *Greg Cordero*, USA, Panama; *Robert Freeman*, USMC, GWOT, Transfer from 141; *Larry Shelton*, USN, Vietnam, Transfer from 364. There are several ways to renew your American Legion membership:

- 1. Online at www.mylegion.org. You can use a credit card online <u>and</u> set-up automatic yearly renewal with your credit card. You can also update your profile information: address and phone number. You need your permanent membership ID number to start an account at mylegion.org. If you have a hand written card, you probably have a temporary number. <u>Email me for your permanent number.</u>
- 2. By mail. If you've received your renewal request from National Headquarters, mail it to Post 10 at 9950 Cockrell Road, Manassas, VA 20110 attn: Post 10 Membership. If you haven't received a form from National Headquarters, send a check, and a note with your name, ID number, address, email and phone number.
- 3. In person. Stop by Post 10 and ask the bartender for a membership envelope, fill out the envelope, include your membership number and dues.
- 4. Legion dues are \$35.00 and your new 2022 membership card will be mailed to you. Please provide your address, email and phone number. It's important to be able to contact you. Your information is stored in a protected database, accessible to only the post officers with the need to know. If you have an email account, and can receive the newsletter electronically, it will save the Post money. Please feel free to email me.

For those members who renew on line: You are able to print out a card immediately with your receipt. That is all the proof you need to show that you are a member in good standing for the new membership year. The card is valid for all purposes. I will send out a card with my name on it once I am notified by National that payment has been made.

For God and Country, Stan Moore, 1st Vice Commander al10membership@gmail.com

### **New Ways of Viewing Pictures of Post Events**

The bulletin board in the foyer will soon be replaced. For the project, photographs from the Post's main photographers, *Rick Goodman, Diana Lake, M. "Gunny" Lewis*, and a few other contributors have been gathered.

There are three ways of viewing the Post 10 event pictures:

The pictures will be displayed on the new bulletin board.

The pictures are currently displayed on the TV above the Legion Bulletin Board in the Social Quarters.

 $View\ online\ at\ \underline{https://www.flickr.com/photos/alpost10manassas/}$ 

### "Still Serving" Display

The current "Still Serving" Bulletin Board will be displayed on the Social Quarters TV and in the online Flickr albums. This display needs updating. Please email *Linda Myers* (<a href="mayers11@verizon.net">myers11@verizon.net</a>) if you know the person in one of these pictures is still serving. If you would like to add a person to the "Still Serving" album, send *Linda* a photograph (in uniform) with name and information.

"Still serving" includes any veteran (prior active duty – American Legion eligible) now serving in the guard or reserves, law enforcement, or firefighters. For this category of veteran, please include an active duty picture as well as a current service picture.

Submitted by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice *Linda Myers* 

### On the Radar

June 2022

06 Jun <u>D-Day (1944)</u>

11 Jun Belmont Stakes

12 Jun Women's Veterans Day

14 Jun <u>US Army Birthday</u> & <u>Flag Day</u>

19 Jun Father's Day

20 Jun American Eagle Day

21 Jun Solstice

25 Jun Start of Korean War (1950)

27 Jun PTSD Awareness Day

July 2022

04 Jul <u>Independence Day</u>

27 Jul Korean War Armistice Signed (1953)

28 Jul End of WWI Treaty of Versailles Signed (1919)

28 Jul National Buffalo Soldiers Day

29 Jul Army Chaplain Corps formed (1775)

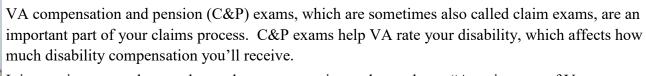


### FATHER'S DAY, Sunday, 19 JUN 2022

Father's Day in the US is on the third Sunday of June. It celebrates the contribution that fathers and father figures make for their children's lives.

Sonora Smart Dodd was an influential figure in the establishment of Father's Day. Her father raised six children by himself after the death of their mother. This was uncommon at that time, as many widowers placed their children in the care of others or married quickly. Sonora was inspired by the work of Anna Jarvis, who had pushed for Mother's Day celebrations. Sonora felt her dad deserved recognition for what he had done. The first time Father's Day was held in June was in 1910. Father's Day was officially recognized as a holiday in 1972 by President Nixon.

### **Post 10 Service Officer Column**



It is very important that you know that you must sign and complete a "Appointment of Veterans Service Organization as Claimant's Representative (also called "power of attorney" form). This

authorizes The American Legion to assist Veterans and beneficiaries. Additionally, please send your full and complete contact information.

I am available to assist Veterans and their families in completing and filing benefit claims. Contact *Ginger Harvey* at: ginger.c.harvey@gmail.com for VA claims assistance.

Post 10 Service Officer, Ginger Harvey

"The nation which forgets its defenders will be itself forgotten." – *Calvin Coolidge* "Cowards die many times before their deaths; the valiant never taste death but once."

- William Shakespeare, "Julius Caesar".



<u>Brick Memorial</u>: Thanks to Randy and Liz Higgins for the work on the Memorial and categorizing the names. It is never too late to purchase a brick for any occasion. Forms in Social Quarters.





### MARINE EMBASSY GUARD ASSOCIATION (MEGA)

Rick Goodman, Director Riders Post 10, was contacted by Russ State, former USMC Marine Security Guard (MSG), who was Cpl. Robert McMaugh (stationed at Post 1, US Embassy Beirut, Lebanon) replacement days after McMaugh was killed (18 APR 1983) during a terrorist attack on the Embassy. Russ is seeking posthumously life membership into MEGA for Cpl. McMaugh. Mr. State sent a patch to us with the words "IN MEMORY OF CPL. R.V. McMAUGH USMC KIA BEIRUT 4-18-1983". We will be receiving Cpl. McMaugh's membership certificate which will be displayed in our foyer Memorial Case which memorializes Cpl. McMaugh who is our Post 10 namesake. Please take the time to view the case as you enter the Post. We thank Russ State for his dedication and for including Post 10 in this endeavor. Semper Fidelis!

Honoring DS Fallen: Robert V. McMaugh - United States Department of State



*Rick Goodman*, Director Riders, presenting patch to *Dave Quimby*, Commander, at the May 2022 General Membership Meeting.

Article and photo by Gunny



Corporal McMaugh, USMC, was manning Post 1 when the embassy was attacked on April 18, 1983. He lost his life along with 16 other Americans and dozens of Lebanese citizens when terrorists slammed a van with 2,000 pounds of explosives into the embassy.

The Marine Embassy Guard Association is comprised of United States Marines who have formerly served or are currently serving as Marine Security Guards since the inception of the program in 1948 and its deployment in January 1949 to U.S. Diplomatic Missions WORLDWIDE.

Have you received a suspicious call from an organization claiming to represent or have affiliation with the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA)? Did the caller guarantee a lucrative payout for your disability compensation or pension claim for a "small fee"?

If so, you may be a target of a scammer. Recently, VA has seen an increase of fraudsters and non-accredited representatives who are targeting the pension benefits of elderly Veterans and their dependents and survivors.

VA is committed to defeating fraudsters, who target elderly Veterans, by educating them, their families, and all partners about the types of fraudulent tactics being used against them, including Pension Poaching. Pension Poaching is the financial exploitation by an advisor who profits by artificially qualifying a claimant for VA pension benefits. The scheme often involves financial maneuvers such as advising claimants to hide their assets in trusts or annuity products sometimes resulting in lost investments and lucrative fees paid to the advisor. Pension Poaching is rapidly evolving as a preferred method used by criminals to defraud elderly Veterans, survivors, and their families who are eligible for VA benefits.

To avoid being a victim to these tactics, here are some helpful tips to remember when protecting yourself from fraud:

- Be suspicious if someone offers to shift your assets around to qualify for VA pension. You may be required to repay benefits to the government.
- NEVER share eBenefits, VA.GOV, or other VA login credentials with anyone.
- DO NOT deposit VA benefits directly into a third-party bank account unless the person is court appointed or a VA accredited fiduciary.

Remember, VA does not charge for processing a claim or request a processing fee. Use VA accredited organizations to help file your claim.

VA does not threaten or take adverse actions such as jail or lawsuits on claimants. If in doubt, call VA directly at 1-800-827-1000. To report suspected activity, please contact the VA Office of Inspector General (OIG) by calling 1-800-488-8244. You may also file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission by visiting www.consumercomplaints.ftc.gov

[Source: VA] Submitted by *Paul Locigno* 







### From Auxiliary Unit 10

We are pleased to announce the Auxiliary Officers for 2022—2023

President: **Peggy Pignone** 

Vice President: Jayne Ramirez

Secretary: Rebecca Knoch

Sgt-at-Arms: Kim Kowalewski

Treasurer: *April Williams* Chaplain: *Pam Drake* 

Historian: Jennifer Kershner

Reminder that our next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 7th at 7 pm in the Hall.

Peggy Pignone, Auxiliary Unit 10 President

### **Auxiliary Membership Report**

We currently have 200 mail-in renewals, 46 online renewals, and 26 new members for a total of 272. We achieved our goal and are now at 104%.



Welcome to our newest members: Jennifer Barnes, Vi Freeman, and Olive Singleton.

There are several ways to renew:

- 1) You may leave your payment of \$35 in a membership envelope, complete the information required on the label, and give it to the bartender on duty at Post 10; or
- 2) Mail your payment of \$35 to the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 10, 9950 Cockrell Road, Manassas, VA 20110 and include your current address, telephone number and email address; or
- 3) Renew online at <a href="www.ALAforVeterans.org">www.ALAforVeterans.org</a>. Members will receive an emailed receipt as well as a signed, hard copy membership card mailed directly from ALA National Headquarters within three weeks. Cards have the authorized signature of an ALA National officer (instead of a unit officer).
- 4) Call ALA National Headquarters at (317) 569-4570 and pay by phone. Members will receive an emailed receipt as well as a signed, hard copy membership card mailed directly from ALA National Headquarters within three weeks (same procedure as number 3).

Thank You! *Diana L. Lake* ALA Unit 10 Membership Chair



The following are the elected officers of the Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 10,

for the 2022—2023 term:

Commander: *Dan Frye* Finance Officer: *Glenn Brixius* 

1st Vice: Scott Vale
2nd Vice: Tom Ramirez
Adjutant: Kevin Byrne
Historian: Bobby Olinger

Chaplain: Open

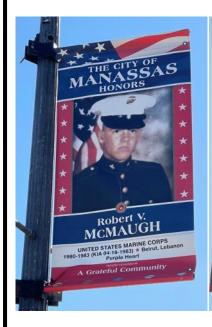
Dan Frye, Commander, Squadron 10

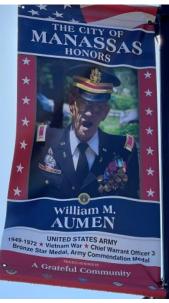


"To Those Who Died, Honor and Eternal Rest; To Those Still In Bondage, Remembrance and Hope; To Those Who Returned, Gratitude and Peace.



### BANNERS ALONG CENTER ST. IN OLD TOWN, MANASSAS







Robert V. McMaugh USMC KIA 1983 Beirut, Lebanon

*William M. Aumen*USA 1949-1972
Vietnam War

William M. Carruthers USAF 1949—1985 Vietnam War

Colin J. Wolfe
USMC KIA 2006
Iraq



Thanks to Legionnaire *Jerry Martin*, USMC ret., for initiating, undertaking, and following through with this mission.

In addition, thanks to the City of Manassas, Mayor *Michelle Davis-Younger* and Council, and all involved in placing the banners on the utility poles in Old Town Manassas. Hopefully this will be an annual event to honor our fallen Heroes each year during Memorial Day week.

Photos by *Rick Goodman*Article by *Gunny* 



### What's Cooking in the kitchen? Monday—Friday 11am-2pm MAY LUNCH SPECIALS



WED	1 Jun	Italian Sub w/Onion Rings.	FRI	17 Jun	Steak, Veggie, Sm. Salad.
THU	2 Jun	Haddock Sub w/Onion Rings.	MON	20 Jun	Half Rack Pork Ribs, Baked
FRI	3 Jun	Steak, Baked Potato, Veggie.			Potato, Slaw.
MON	6 Jun	Meatloaf, Mashed pot., Veggie.	TUE	21 Jun	Boom Boom Shrimp, Slaw, FF.
TUE	7 Jun	Country Fried Steak, Mashed Pot.,	WED	22 Jun	Prime Rib Sandwich, FF; Soup.
		Veggie.	THU	23 Jun	Oyster PoBoy, Slaw, FF.
WED	8 Jun	Hot Ham Cheese Sub., Onion	FRI	24 Jun	Steak, Baked Potato, Veggie.
		Rings; Soup.	MON	27 Jun	Taco Salad.
THU	9 Jun	Spicy Jalapeno Tomato Onion	TUE	28 Jun	Steak & Cheese Quesadilla
		Grilled Cheeses, FF.			w/Chips & Salsa.
FRI	10 Jun	Steak, Baked Potato, Small Salad.	WED	29 Jun	Sausage w/Peppers & Onions,
MON	13 Jun	Spaghetti, Sm. Salad.			Onion Rings; Soup.
TUE	14 Jun	Shrimp Tacos, Rice, Black Beans.	THU	30 Jun	Crab Cake Sandwich, FF, Slaw.
WED	15 Jun	Taco Salad; Soup.			
THU	16 Jun	Cheddar Jalapeno Burger w/Onion			

### Menu & Prices Subject to Change

REMINDER: Third Saturday evening of each month is Prime Rib Dinner.
Other Saturday evenings Steak Dinners.

### BREAKFAST BUFFET SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

FRIDAY, 3 JUN 2022, NO dining in Hall—all dinners served in Social Quarters

### **Dinner Menu**

Rings.

Friday is Seafood Night
3rd Saturday of each month
Prime Rib Dinner.
Time: 5:00 x 7:30 PM
Steak Dinner returns on the other
Saturday evenings.
5:00 x 7:30 PM.

Entertainment (Friday & Saturday evenings)

FRI & SAT, 3 – 4 JUN: Joe Clay Karaoke

FRI, 10 JUN: *DJ Doug* SAT, 11 JUN: Juke Box

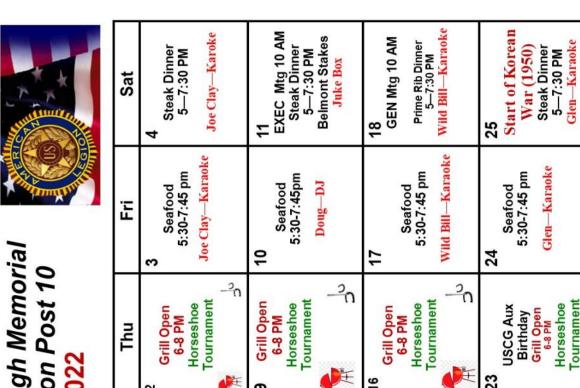
FRI & SAT, 17-18 JUN: Wild Bill Karaoke FRI & SAT, 24-25 JUN: Glen Karaoke

**NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION:** Please remember to submit your <u>articles to me in word document</u> format by COB [1700 hours] on the 25th day of each month. Photos should be 'jpeg' and separate from the body of the article. Please check and double check your spelling and grammar.

Articles should be submitted to gysgt\_mc@yahoo.com Thank you, *Gunny* 



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