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Commander's Column

Welcome to November Legion Family. We are finally getting into the Holiday Season. I hope everyone enjoyed our Halloween Party and the Trunk or Treat we had to close out October! There is much going on over the next two months. First, we have the Veterans Parade (11/2). It is always a great event, and I invite everyone back to the Post afterwards to listen to the bagpipers. Next, is the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Harris Pavilion (11/9). *Greg Neiss* has done a phenomenal job of putting it together as he did last year. Remember to thank him and congratulate him on a job well done. Also, a shout out to my Marine Corps family to be at the Post for our 249th Birthday (11/10, 8 PM). *Gunny* always presents an outstanding ceremony. Later in November the Sons will be hosting Thanksgiving Dinner. If you don't have plans for dinner or need and want a place to enjoy the day, then come join your Legion Family for dinner and comradery. December has the Manassas Christmas Parade, Hanukkah, Christmas and many other holidays. Remember that we at the Legion are apolitical and nonsecular; we welcome all.

In other news we are now serving coffee called 'Be the One Coffee'. It is a collaboration between the American Legion and a Veteran owned coffee company that supports the Be the One Foundation to prevent Veteran Suicide. It is very good coffee, and it supports Veterans.

With colder weather approaching remember to check in on your neighbors. Especially our elderly family members to see if they need assistance or just to say 'Hi.' We are here to support each other, and a kind word, a hello or a helping hand goes very far. We have a lot of things and ideas rolling around and hopefully many of them will come to fruition but remember we all need to help. Volunteering and hard work is what makes our Post great and together great things are possible. If you want to volunteer let me or any other officer know. You may also leave a note with a bartender with your contact information. Thank you..

Finally let's continue to reach out to help our Brothers and Sisters who are struggling with wounds both seen and unseen. Veteran suicide is a problem that we must continue to fight and face head on. Be the One encourages us to reach out and Be the One - offer an ear to listen, or a shoulder to cry on. Sometimes all that is needed to change the course of someone's life is someone who is willing to be there. My door will always be open, and my phone will always be on to help or listen whenever needed.

For God and Country,
Stanley C. Moore, Your American Legion Post 10 Commander
 A110commander@yahoo.com





Legionnaire Membership Report from 1st Vice Commander

On October 5, we participated in the Manassas Fall Jubilee. We had a positive response thanks to **Carl Carey** and the Riders. Their ballcaps drew a lot of people to our booth. Also, we signed up our first Untied States Space Force member that day.

Thanks to **Rick Goodman** for introducing us to Vet Tix. We have two pending applications and a possible third. The 2025 renewal period continues. A total of 437 Legionnaires have renewed their membership, and we are at 59% of our goal. Please remember that dues have increased to \$50 for 2025 renewals and we request members that initially sent \$35 to send a check for the additional \$15. My thanks to all.

Welcome to our **new** Legionnaires: **Thomas D. Burns**, USN; **John M. Condia**, USA; **William B. Hughes**, USA; **Calvin Jasso**, USMC; **James P. Jordan**, USA; **Aykeishe Latouche**, USSF; **Joseph C. Licari**, USA; **Larry J. Limbacher Jr.**, USN; **Frank W. Pascoe**, USA; and **Timothy T. Walker**, USN.

Also, please welcome our new **transfers**: **Kilburn K. Fulton II**, USN; **Kilburn K. Fulton III**, USN; **Carol D. Fulton**, USN; **Michael D. Guttman**, USA; and **John P. O'Connor**, USN.

You can now renew for up to 3 years online. Go to mylegion.org, click the renew tab and put in your member number and you should be able to extend your membership at the current membership price for 3 years. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

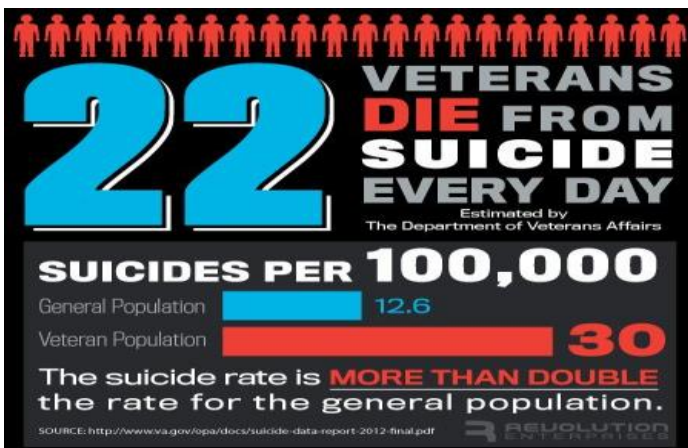
There are several ways to renew your American Legion membership:

1. Online at www.mylegion.org. You can use a credit card online and 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. Email me for your permanent number. Online renewals can also print out a new membership card on-line. This will show that you are paid up and I will also send out a new 2024 card once I am notified by National of your renewal.
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. Current Legion dues are \$50.00. 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 only to Post officers with a need to know. If you have an email address and can receive the newsletter electronically it will save the Post money. Please feel free to email me with any questions/concerns about your membership.

For God and Country,
Ed Filipowski, 1st Vice Commander
al10membership@gmail.com

Tuesday, November 5th is Election Day—VOTE!

Your VOTE is YOUR voice—If you don't vote you have no say in the outcome.



I'M PROUD TO BE A VETERAN!

TO UNDERSTAND A MILITARY VETERAN YOU MUST KNOW - - -

We left home as teenagers or in our early twenties for an unknown adventure.

We loved our country enough to defend it and protect it with our own lives.

We said goodbye to friends and family and everything we knew.

We learned the basics and then we scattered in the wind to the far corners of the Earth.

We found new friends and new family.

We became brothers and sisters regardless of color, race or creed.

We had plenty of good times, and plenty of bad times.

We didn't get enough sleep.

We smoked and drank too much.

We picked up both good and bad habits.

We worked hard and played harder.

We didn't earn a great wage.

We experienced the happiness of mail call and the sadness of missing important events.

We didn't know when, or even if, we were ever going to see home again.

We grew up fast, and yet somehow, we never grew up at all.

We fought for our freedom, as well as the freedom of others.

Some of us saw actual combat, and some of us didn't.

Some of us saw the world, and some of us didn't.

Some of us dealt with physical warfare, most of us dealt with psychological warfare.

We have seen and experienced and dealt with things that we can't fully describe or explain, as not all of our sacrifices were physical.

We participated in time honored ceremonies and rituals with each other, strengthening our bonds and camaraderie.

We counted on each other to get our job done and sometimes to survive it at all.

We have dealt with victory and tragedy.

We have celebrated and mourned.

We lost a few along the way.

When our adventure was over, some of us went back home, some of us started somewhere new and some of us never came home at all.

We have told amazing and hilarious stories of our exploits and adventures.

We share an unspoken bond with each other, that most people don't experience, and few will understand.

We speak highly of our own branch of service, and poke fun at the other branches.

We know however, that, if needed, we will be there for our brothers and sisters and stand together as one, in a heartbeat.

Being a Veteran is something that had to be earned, and it can never be taken away.

It has no monetary value, but at the same time it is a priceless gift.

People see a Veteran and they thank them for their service.

When we see each other, we give that little upwards head nod, or a slight smile, knowing that we have shared and experienced things that most people have not.

So, from myself to the rest of the veterans out there, I commend and thank you for all that you have done and sacrificed for our country.

Try to remember the good times and make peace with the bad times.

Share your stories.

But most importantly, stand tall and proud, for you have earned the right to be called a VETERAN.

I'M PROUD TO BE A VETERAN!

Submitted by *Vic Librizzi*

Please share with all your Veterans and friends.



Chaplain's Column

As we soon will begin the Christmas and holiday season we still have many important events and holidays in front of us all.

On November 11th, 2024 we have Veterans Day where we as Americans and as Legion members will celebrate and thank the women and men, past and present, who have defended and still defend our Country and our freedoms all over the world.

We have Thanksgiving Day on November 28, 2024 where we as a new nation and on a new land, celebrate the beginnings of this nation and of course thanking the Lord for allowing a small group of Pilgrims to come to a new land, called America, to begin lives of new freedom with hardships and lots of struggles to survive this new and harsh land.

Then we have Christmas and New Years. A time for renewal and new life as we once again look to the future as we, as a people from all walks of life, learning to be better than we ever were before.

We have new opportunities every single day. Please use them with love in your heart for each other and as we go forward into 2025.

May you be blessed. I thank you all.

Respectfully, **Steve Botello**, Chaplain, Post 10,

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Navy Birthday Celebration at American Legion Post 10

On 13 October 2024 Post 10 hosted a special ceremony to commemorate the 249th birthday of the U.S. Navy. The event was officiated by Legionnaire **Bill Barron**.

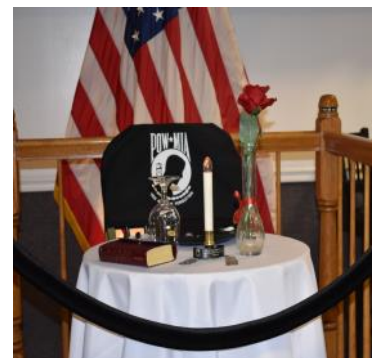
To add a personal touch to the celebration, **Steve Kowalewski**, the oldest Navy Veteran present, and **Ted Pike**, the youngest, had the honor of cutting the birthday cake. This symbolic gesture highlighted the rich history and legacy of tradition within the sea service. The ceremony featured speeches and camaraderie among Veterans and their families. It served as a reminder of the crucial role the Navy has played in protecting our nation's freedom and security.



Article & photos by **Rick Goodman**



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





Happy 249th Birthday U.S. MARINE CORPS

On November 10, 1775, the Second Continental Congress meeting in Philadelphia passed a resolution stating that "two Battalions of Marines be raised" for service as landing forces with the fleet. This resolution established the Continental Marines and marked the birthdate of the United States Marine Corps. Serving on land and at sea, these first Marines distinguished themselves in a number of important operations. Following the Revolutionary War Marines saw action in the quasi-war with France, landed in Santo Domingo, and took part in many operations against the Barbary pirates along the "*Shores of Tripoli*".

Following the War of 1812 the Marines protected American interests around the world and at home. During the Mexican War (1846-1848), a battalion of Marines joined General Scott's army at Pueblo and fought all the way to the "*Halls of Montezuma*," Mexico City. Marines also served ashore and afloat in the Civil War (1861-1865), a battalion fought at Bull Run. Following the Spanish-American War (1898), in which Marines performed with valor in Cuba, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Philippines, the Corps entered an era of expansion and professional development. Marines saw active service in the Philippine Insurrection (1899-1902), the Boxer Rebellion in China (1900) and in numerous other places. In WWI the Marine Corps distinguished itself on the battlefields of France as the 4th Marine Brigade earned the title of "*Devil Dogs*" ("Teufelshunde") for heroic action during 1918 at Belleau Wood, Soissons, St. Michiel, Blanc Mont, and in the final Meuse-Argonne offensive. Marine aviation dates from 1912 played a part in the war effort. During the 20 years before WWII, the Corps began to develop the doctrine needed for amphibious warfare. The success of this effort was proven first on Guadalcanal, then on Bougainville, Tarawa, New Britain, Kwajalein, Eniwetok, Saipan, Guam, Tinian, Peleliu, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa. The war cost the Marines nearly 87,000 dead and wounded, and 82 Marines were awarded the Medal of Honor.

Landing at Inchon, Korea. September 1950, Marines proved that the doctrine of amphibious assault was still viable and necessary. More than 25,000 Marines were killed or wounded during the Korean War.

The landing of the 9th Marine Expeditionary Brigade at Da Nang in 1965 marked the beginning of large-scale Marine involvement in Vietnam. The Vietnam War exacted a high cost as well with over 13,000 Marines killed and more than 88,000 wounded. In the spring of 1975, Marines evacuated embassy staffs, American citizens, and refugees in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, and Saigon, Republic of Vietnam. In May, Marines played an integral role in the rescue of the crew of the SS *Mayaguez* captured off the coast of Cambodia.

The Corps played a key role in the development of the Rapid Deployment Force, a multi-service organization created to insure a flexible, timely military response around the world when needed. The 1980s brought an increasing number of terrorist attacks on U.S. embassies around the world. August 1982, Marines landed at Beirut, Lebanon, as part of the multi-national peace-keeping force. On 23 Oct 1983, the Marine barracks in Beirut was bombed, causing the highest peacetime losses to the Corps in its history. August 1990, the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait saw the largest movement of Marine Corps forces since WWII. Marines deployed to the Persian Gulf, Operation Desert Shield. Operation Desert Storm was launched 16 Jan 1991. On 24 Feb the 1st and 2d MARDIV breached the Iraqi defense lines and stormed into occupied Kuwait. Soon after the September 2001 terrorist attacks on US soil Marine units deployed to the Arabian Sea and set up a forward operating base in southern Afghanistan as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. The Marine Corps continued to play a key role in the Global War on Terrorism. The I Marine Expeditionary Force, including Task Force Tarawa and the UK's 1st Armored Division, were the first conventional ground units to enter Iraq in late March as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Today's Marine Corps stands ready to continue in their proud tradition combining a long and proud heritage of faithful service to the nation, with the resolve to face tomorrow's challenges will continue to keep the Marine Corps the "*best of the best*."

Happy Birthday Marines — Semper Fidelis

Ceremony at Post, Sunday, 10 NOV, at 2000 hours (8 PM).

Submitted by *Gunny*

COLOR GUARD REPORT

Celebration of Life Ceremony, 19 OCT 2024: *Col Jack Lilley, USMC*
Honor Guard: **Manassas Young Marines**
Bagpipes: *Kevin Byrne*
Bugle: *Top Meier*



As you all know, much of what gets done at a Post like ours is done by volunteers. You have heard before; the Post is always in need of help in one form or another. If we wish to continue our strong relationship with the communities around us, we need your help in many ways to ensure our bond with the community remains strong. A great way to help is by helping with Color Guard activities. The Post provides most of the uniform accoutrements you would need. Many events are indoors and are not frequent. We must maintain our support for veterans and your Color Guard is always on point to do just that. Step-up and honor Veterans. We welcome all Post 10 Members who would like to join us. To uphold America's traditions to honor All Veterans. Thank you
Carl Carey, Your Post 10 SGT AT ARMS (571-421-7374 Careypmp@gmail.com)

**“It doesn't take a hero to order men into battle. It takes a hero to be one of those men who goes into battle.”
– H. Norman Schwarzkopf**

Post 10 Welcomes Veterans to Wednesday Bar Bingo!

Post 10 is excited to announce a special initiative inviting non-member Veterans to join us for our lively Wednesday Bar Bingo nights, facilitated through Vettix. This effort aims to introduce our community to a broader range of Veterans, and showcase the camaraderie and enjoyment we share at Post 10.

We believe that the excitement of Bar Bingo, combined with the welcoming atmosphere of our members, can be an excellent way to connect with potential new members. Vettix guests will be seated at a designated table, making it easier for them to get to know us and for us to extend a warm welcome.

We encourage all our members to greet Vettix guests with open arms. If you spot them at their designated table, please take a moment to introduce yourself, share a friendly conversation, and make them feel at home.

Let's make Wednesday's Bar Bingo a memorable experience for everyone, and show why Post 10 is a great place for all Veterans to belong.

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

If you are a Veteran and are interested in learning more about this recruiting effort or with Vettix in general, please see **Rick Goodman** or visit <https://www.vettix.org/ref/1230374> for more information.



Submitted by **Rick Goodman**



Submitted photo

Legionnaire **Marie Komyathy**, Korean War Veteran, was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation by Commander **Stanley Moore** for her many years of dedication to the Post and its programs.

A truly great
VOLUNTEER
is hard to find
difficult to part with
and impossible
to forget

Time often gets away from us, so we wanted to use this opportunity to remind all of you regarding three "programs" that are coming upon us fast. The first one is already here--the annual **The Toys For Tots** managed by the USMC Reserves. There are several boxes distributed around the Post along with posters. This is **YOUR** opportunity to help some families in need by purchasing toys and placing them in one of the boxes. Do not wrap them. Secondly the **National Wreaths Across America** program is fast approaching. Post 10's Sgt At Arms will be reaching out asking The Post, Riders, SONS and Auxiliary to "purchase" wreaths in sufficient quantity to ensure every grave in the Manassas Cemetery gets a wreath. This year, the ceremony at the cemetery will be held at 1 PM unlike recent ceremonies which began at noon. This change is to ensure our start time is in sync with other WAA ceremonies. Lastly is the **Sweats For VA Vets** program managed by AL Post 1799 **Dave Quimby** will be providing information to the Post 10 Board, Auxiliary, Riders and SONS in the coming days.

Submitted by **Dave Quimby**



Remember Everyone Deployed Fridays (R.E.D.)

R.E.D. was created to show solidarity and support for our deployed service members and veterans. The primary mission is to keep the deployed at the forefront of our hearts and minds until they return home by wearing red on Fridays. The deployed and their families are not nameless, faceless, or forgotten. They are our heroes, and for them, we go R.E.D. on Fridays. Wearing a specific color of shirt or other apparel may seem a trivial act, but it represents something very significant. It translates to mean that as you prepare for the day, you recognize that others are playing an active role to allow you to go about your day with relative peace of mind that you are safe.

Submitted by **George Moschatos**

Northern Virginia Veterans Parade: Saturday, 2 NOV 2024, starting at 1100 am in Old Town Manassas. This year the parade will honor our First Responders. For additional information go to www.vetpar.org The **Manassas Veterans Parade** was started by Post 10 Legionnaires circa 2008 to honor all Veterans due to the fact that there was no such parade in Manassas honoring Veterans since the 1860s. The parade has grown to a regional event and was renamed the

Northern Virginia Veterans Parade.

Submitted by **Gunny**



Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 10

October was kind of quiet for the Son's after our very successful golf tournament. We did have the Vic Higgs Happy Hour on October 5th. That was also very successful as we had over 90 people come out and celebrate **Vic Higgs**. The band, Something Country, was enjoyed by all and **Donna** and **Bruce** and the entire kitchen staff made sure we got our bellies full. Thanks to you all. Next up is the Veterans Day Parade on November 2nd. This is always a great day at the Parade but also back at the Post. We have people come in from out of town to participate and to just enjoy a great day of celebrating our Veterans!!! The Pipers look forward to their visit to the Post, knowing that the turnout and the enthusiasm we demonstrate is well worth it. Please mark this day on your calendar, you don't want to miss this.

The Son's are also heading up a Thanksgiving Day Dinner. We need volunteers!! Contact **Dan Frye** if you can help emtdrf@gmail.com. Last year was a success and we would like to make this year's even better.

Lastly to round out the year we will get lists of Veterans in local care centers and hopefully put a smile on their faces by buying them Christmas gifts. We hope to increase the number of places we go, and we have some new leads already. This is also a volunteer event so if you want to help out please let any Son know or contact **Tom Ramirez** at bdaddy8@comcast.net. We usually start getting the list in November and shop the 1st or 2nd week in December delivering on a Saturday before Christmas. It's a really feel-good day to see the looks on the faces of Veterans who don't get a lot of company. We remind them that they are not forgotten!! For November and December, we have events that are the main reasons Son's exist. To remember the sacrifices our Veterans have made to allow us the freedoms we have today.

Thank You

Tom Ramirez, SAL 2nd Vice Commander

Dan Frye, SAL Commander

**“Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction.
We didn’t pass it to our children in the bloodstream.
It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same.”**
– **President Ronald Reagan**

“We few, we Band of Brothers. For he who sheds his blood with me shall be my brother.”
– **William Shakespeare, “Henry V”**

From the desk of the 2nd Vice Commander

We are please again to be invited to the Veterans Mass held at All Saints Catholic Church on Friday, 8 NOV 2024, at 8:30 AM. This is followed by a student assembly honoring Veterans and active duty military members held in the All Saints Catholic School PAC, a reception follows. Thank you **Principal Conroy** and program director **Janis DeVore**.

2nd Vice **Mike Parra**

**It is the soldier, not the reporter,
who has given us freedom of the press.
It is the soldier, not the poet,
who has given us freedom of speech.
It is the soldier, not the campus organizer,
who has given us freedom to demonstrate.
It is the soldier,
who salutes the flag,
and whose coffin is draped by the flag,
who allows the protester to burn the flag.**

Father D. Edward O'Brien, USMC

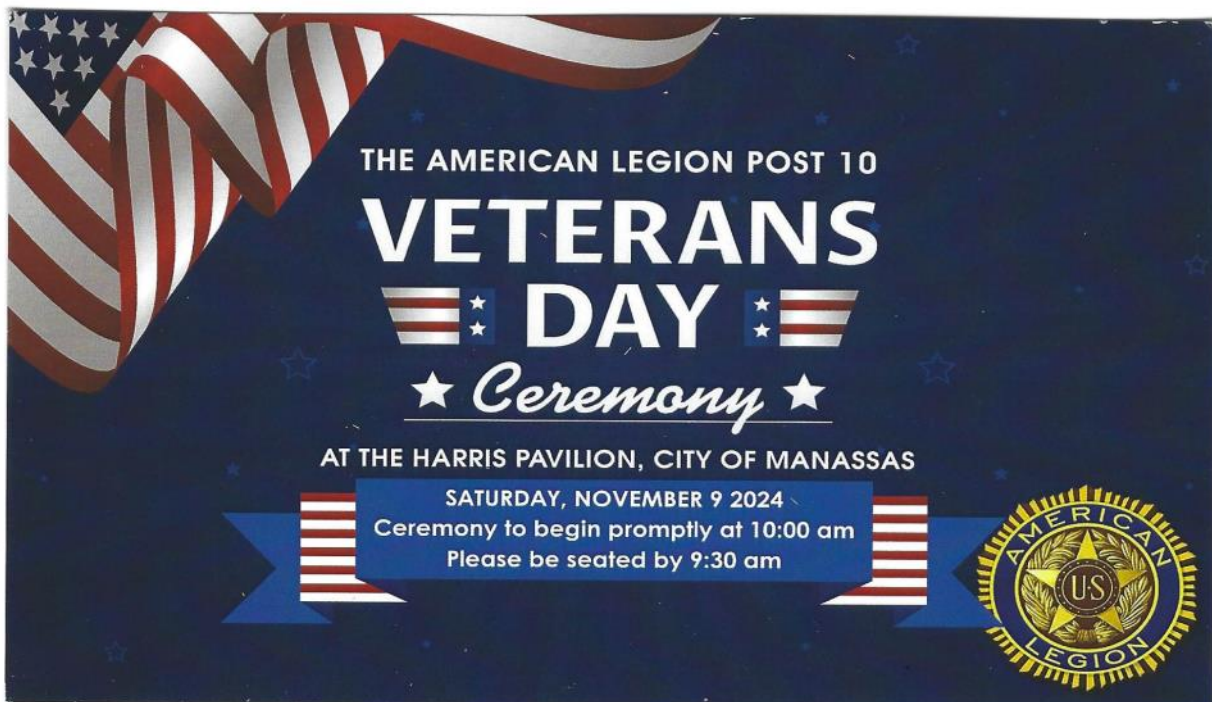


Veterans Day is NOT the Same as Memorial Day.

A lot of Americans get this confused. Memorial Day is a time to remember those who gave their lives for our country, particularly in battle or from wounds they suffered in battle. Veterans Day honors all of those who have served the country in war or peace, dead or alive, although it's largely intended to thank living veterans for their sacrifices.

Originally called Armistice Day, commemorating the end of World War I. WWI officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919. However, the fighting ended about seven months before that when the Allies and Germany put into effect an armistice on the **eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month**. For that reason, Nov. 11, 1918, was considered the end of "the war to end all wars" and dubbed Armistice Day. In 1926, Congress officially recognized it as the end of the war, and in 1938, it became an official holiday, primarily a day set aside to honor Veterans of World War I. Then World War II and the Korean War happened, so on June 1, 1954, at the urging of Veterans service organizations, Congress amended the commemoration yet again by changing the word "Armistice" to "Veterans" so the day would honor American Veterans of all wars. Congress signed the Uniform Holiday Bill in 1968 to ensure that a few federal holidays, Veterans Day included, would be celebrated on a Monday. Officials hoped it would spur travel and other family activities over a long weekend, which would stimulate the economy. The bill set Veterans Day commemorations for the fourth Monday of every October. On Oct. 25, 1971, the first Veterans Day under this new bill was held. There was a lot of confusion about the change, and many states were unhappy, choosing to continue to recognize the day as they previously had in November. Within a few years, it became apparent that most US citizens wanted to celebrate Veterans Day on Nov 11th, since it was a matter of historic and patriotic significance. On Sept. 20, 1975, President **Gerald Ford** signed another law (Public Law 94-97), which returned the annual observance to its original date starting in 1978.

Submitted by **Gunny**



Plan to attend the 2nd annual Veterans ceremony honoring all Veterans to be held at the Harris Pavilion in Old Town Manassas on Saturday, November 9th, beginning sharply at 10 AM. We ask that you be seated between 9:30 and 10 AM. This year the guest speaker will be **LtGen D. O'Donohue**, USMC (ret). We will have representatives from AL Post 10, VFW Post 7589, and other Veterans groups. Cadets from UR HS AFJROTC will carry in the 50 state flags, Manassas Young Marines will post the National Colors, OPHS band and the Northern Virginia Firefighters Emerald Society Pipe Band will play various patriotic songs. Thanks to former Marine and Post 10 Legionnaire **Greg Neiss** for initiating this ceremony. **BE THERE!**



American Legion Riders Post 10



- **Virginia American Legion Riders College Attendance:** On October 12, 2024, *Rick Goodman*, *Leon Kowalewski*, and *Dave Albrecht* participated. This event is part of AL's ongoing commitment to leadership development within its ranks. The college aims to educate members about the organization's values and enhance their leadership skills within the community. The college provides a platform for networking and sharing best practices among members, fostering a stronger sense of camaraderie and purpose among the AL Riders.
- **2024 Colonial Beach Bike Week Participation:** *Paul Goforth*, *Carl Carey*, *Greg Neiss*, and *Bob Ficken* attended. This event celebrates motorcycle culture with various activities, rides, and community engagement. The gathering not only highlights the passion for riding motorcycles but also fosters camaraderie among motorcycle enthusiasts. The event is known for its vibrant atmosphere and offers a platform for participants to connect over shared interests.
- **Chapter 10 ALR represented at 2024 Daytona Biketoberfest:** *Leon Kowalewski* represented the Riders at Biketoberfest in Daytona Beach, FL. This annual festival attracts thousands of motorcycle fans and features a variety of events including bike shows, live music, and scenic rides along the coast. Biketoberfest serves as an opportunity for riders to enjoy the beautiful Florida weather while participating in a celebration of motorcycle culture.

Upcoming Riders events

VETPAR Veterans Day Parade, 11-2-24. Manassas, VA.

MCPS *Carey Smith* 2024 Memorial Thank You Card Pickup, 11-8-24. If you would like to participate please contact *Rick Goodman* at rick.goodman@gmail.com

Post 10 Veterans Day Ceremony, 11-9-24. Manassas, VA (Harris Pavilion)

Article by *Rick Goodman*

Dave Albrecht, Director ALR 10



Photos submitted by *Rick Goodman*



OVER 120,000
VETERANS HAVE
DIED BY SUICIDE
SINCE 2001.



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!** Thank you for your cooperation.



WREATHS *across* AMERICA

Wreath Sponsorship Order Form

Sponsored wreaths are placed on grave markers at state and national veterans' cemeteries, as well as at local and community cemeteries each December for National Wreaths Across America Day.

Your donation will ensure the placement of a veteran's wreath for one or more veterans laid to rest at the participating location of your choice.

All sponsored veteran wreaths are shipped directly to the location selected by the sponsor on this form. Wreaths are not shipped to individual wreath sponsors.

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 for joining us in our mission to Remember, Honor, and Teach!

SPONSORSHIP TYPE	PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Individual = 1 Wreath	\$17.00		
Family = 4 Wreaths	\$68.00		
Small Business = 10 Wreaths	\$170.00		
Corporate = 100 Wreaths	\$1,700.00		

For quicker processing and the convenience of paying with a credit card, debit card, Google Pay, or PayPal, veteran wreaths may be sponsored online by scanning the QR Code above or by visiting: www.wreathscrossamerica.org/VA0626P

You should be the only one to enter your credit card information at checkout on the Wreaths Across America website. For your security, do not share this information with anyone else who offers to place an order for you. To verify the validity of the QR Code, always check that wreathscrossamerica.org is part of the web address when sponsoring wreaths online.

If you prefer to pay with a check, please complete this form and mail it along with your check to Wreaths Across America at the address listed in the box above.

CHECK #	CHECK DATE	SPONSOR NAME FOR DISPLAY <i>If different than name on check.</i>
GROUP ID(s)	VA0626P	EMAIL ADDRESS
LOCATION ID(s)	VAMCMV	PHONE #
DOLLAR AMOUNTS(s)		MAILING ADDRESS

To split your donation between multiple groups and/or locations, please list the IDs and dollar amounts for each.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Please note in memory/honor of requests do not place a wreath on a specific loved one's grave.

IN MEMORY OF REQUEST	The "In Memory Of" Name will be listed on the Wreaths Across America online Remember Wall, along with your personal message.
NAME FOR MEMORY WALL POST	
SPONSOR EMAIL ADDRESS	
MESSAGE (optional)	

IN HONOR OF REQUEST	An email will be sent to your chosen recipient from Wreaths Across America letting them know of your donation of sponsored veteran wreaths in their honor.
RECIPIENT NAME	
RECIPIENT EMAIL ADDRESS	
MESSAGE (optional)	

Thank you for supporting our mission to REMEMBER, HONOR, and TEACH!

Point of Contact is *Carl Carey*, Sgt-at-Arms

How to Avoid TSA PreCheck Scams: No one likes waiting in airport security lines. To speed things up, some people opt to get TSA PreCheck. Scammers know this and send emails that look like they're from TSA PreCheck — but they're not. The emails want you to click a link that takes you to a scam website that only looks like the official site — but it's not. If you pay to "enroll" or "renew" your TSA PreCheck, you may not even realize you've paid a scammer until you get to the airport for your next trip. But there are ways to spot these scams.

If you're applying for TSA PreCheck for the first time, you don't pay the application fee online. To get PreCheck, you complete the application and pay in person at a [TSA enrollment center](#). Again: you don't pay online. Only a scammer will ask you to pay online to enroll.

If you already have TSA PreCheck, you can renew and pay in person or take care of both online. The real TSA even sends renewal reminder emails out. But to avoid a scam, start your renewal at tsa.gov/precheck instead of clicking a link. A scammer's link will take you to a scam site that looks real, but if you pay and give your information, the scammer will steal it.

To avoid scammers impersonating TSA PreCheck: **Don't click links in unexpected emails or text messages**, no matter how real they look. **Don't be rushed.** If someone insists that you to pay right away, chances are that's a scammer.

Start at tsa.gov/precheck. Typing in that URL yourself is the best way to avoid the scam. And remember that all TSA PreCheck sites are .gov sites, not a .com.

Tell the FTC at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov/ReportFraud) if you think you spotted this scam. And learn [how to recognize phishing scams](#) to keep scammers from stealing your money or identity.

(Source: FTC)

Submitted by: *George Moschatos*



Former Marine **Bryan Chason** donated several US and POW/MIA flags to the Post which his late father (pictured) **Roger Dale Chason** wished the flags to be given specifically to Post 10. **'Dale'** passed away on 18 JUN 2024, in Fayetteville, NC. He was a devoted member of Rolling Thunder NC Chapter 1, the Salvation Army, Sons of the Savior Motorcycle Ministry, VFW 670 Auxiliary, Wreaths Across America (Sandhills Committee), and the Cumberland County Veterans Council. To honor **Dale's** memory his family has abided by his wish. This gesture reflects **Dale's** unwavering commitment to serving the Veteran and military community. We at Post 10 thank **Dale** and the **Chason** family. (*Dave 'Pop' Fisk* made this possible.)

From: *John Hofer*

To: "all10commander@yahoo.com"

Subject: POW/MIA Recognition Day

Commander, I applaud your Post for honoring our POW's and MIA's. I read in the VFW magazine a letter from **Gunny Lewis** correcting the VFW about the correct day the honors should be held.

I recently visited Manassas with my son CDR (sel) **Max Hofer** while touring the Civil War battlefield and we had dinner and a couple beers in Manassas. He recently was assigned to Bethesda for training. I served at 19 as an Army Combat Medic in Vietnam and later transferred to the Navy Reserves while in Dental school. I was assigned with the Marines and Seabees in USNR and retired as Chief of Dental Service at Madison WI VA Hospital.

When I was at the VA in Chillicothe OH they always had a POW/MIA Day on the correct Day and it was always well attended, sadly it is hardly recognized at VA Hospitals today. I always prioritized POW's as Chief of Dental with the VA as we can never do enough for them. Please Thank all your Post Members and **Gunny Lewis** for not forgetting them.

Regards,

John "Doc" Hofer CDR (ret) USN

B 5/46 198th Bde, Americal Division 70-71



On the Radar

November 2024

- 02 Nov Veterans Parade, Old Town Manassas
- 03 Nov Daylight Savings Ends
- 05 Nov **ELECTION DAY—VOTE!**
- 08 Nov Thank You Card Pickup at schools, Riders, 8 AM: Veterans Mass, Assembly & Reception, ASCS 8:30 AM
- 09 Nov Veterans Ceremony, Harris Pavilion 10 AM: Veterans Dinner courtesy of Auxiliary Unit 10 4 x 8 PM
- 10 Nov USMC Birthday (1775)
- 11 Nov Veterans Day
- 21 Nov Grenada Campaign Ended (1983)
- 28 Nov Thanksgiving—Post Closed

December 2024

- 07 Dec Pearl Harbor Day (1941) (flag half-staff until sunset)
- 08 Dec War Declared on Japan (1941)
- 11 Dec Germany & Italy Declared War on US (1941)
- 15 Dec Iraq War Ended (2011)
- 20 Dec Panama Campaign Began (2019)
- 20 Dec Space Force Est. (2019)
- 25 Dec Christmas & Hanukkah Begins
- 26 Dec Kwanzaa
- 31 Dec Official End of WWII (1946)
- 31 Dec Kosovo Campaign Ended (2013)



Post 10 Veterans Advocate



As we approach Veteran's Day on November 11, 2024, we honor and salute all of our veterans. Thank you for your selflessness and dedication to our country and thank you to the families of veterans for their support and strength. I wish everyone a blessed and safe Thanksgiving! As your Post 10 Veterans Advocate, I will continue to guide and assist veterans in filing service-connected disability claims with the VA. It is a pleasure to be able to assist you with any questions that you may have.

The Appointment of Claimant's Representative VA form authorizes The American Legion to assist Veterans and beneficiaries. Additionally, please send your full and complete contact information. You cannot have more than one POA!

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. Please include all of your contact information so that I can better assist you.

Post 10 Veterans Advocate, ***Ginger Harvey***

REMINDER: During ceremonies the Social Quarters is CLOSED. Post SQ Rules clearly states "During Post 10 ceremonies the Social Quarters will be closed. Occupants must either attend the Post 10 ceremony or vacate Post 10 property." Take the time and attend the ceremony, you may find it informative, educational, and interesting.

AUXILIARY UNIT 10



Thank you to all who helped make CASH BASH 2024 a fun and successful event!! Because of all of you, we were able to raise a lot of money to help support veterans. A HUGE thank you to all the Auxiliary volunteers who spent countless hours preparing raffle baskets, collecting donations from local businesses, restaurants and wineries as well as setting up for the event. We are an *amazing team*!! Not enough can be said about the fantastic SAL volunteers who spent hours selling HOGS and helping with setting up tables for the event!!

A very special thank you to *Donna Navarro* for all the time and effort with the food!! Everything was delicious as always!!

Wild Bill- CASH BASH would not be nearly as much fun without you being the MC!! You are truly amazing!!

Mark your calendars: next CASH BASH will be held on October 11, 2025!!

Upcoming events: Veterans Parade—11/2, All welcome to walk or ride in float. Aux. meeting— 11/05, 7pm:

Veteran's Dinner— 11/09, from 4-6pm Veterans are free, all others are \$18.

Peggy Pignone, President



Article and photos
submitted by
Peggy Pignone

Auxiliary Membership Report



We currently have 74 mail-in renewals, 22 online, 13 new members for a total of 109 members for 2025.

Welcome to our newest member: *Kimberly Crews, Robert Gamble, Charlaine Holwick, and Jennifer Mallow.*

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 www.ALAforVeterans.org with your member ID on your card. You must log in to pay your dues. If you do not have a username or password, simply click 'Create Account' to get started. Members will receive an emailed receipt as well as a signed, 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, membership card mailed directly from ALA National Headquarters within three weeks (same procedure as number 3).

Thank you,

Johnnetta Jetten, ALA Membership Chair

NOVEMBER LUNCH SPECIALS
Monday thru Friday, 11 AM x 2 PM

FRI 01 Nov NY Strip, Potato, Veg, R&B.
MON 04 Nov 'Timmy's' Hamburger Plate.
TUE 05 Nov BBQ Pork Spareribs.
WED 06 Nov Soup & Grilled Sandwich.
THU 07 Nov Chicken Tortellini, Garlic Bread.
FRI 08 Nov Crab Cake Sandwich, Slaw, FFs.
MON 11 Nov Chicken Parm.
TUE 12 Nov Stuffed Porkchop.
WED 13 Nov Chicken Quesadilla Tortilla, Chips,
Salsa.
THU 14 Nov Shrimp or Oyster 'PoBoy'.
FRI 15 Nov Hot or Cold Italian Sub.
MON 18 Nov Meatloaf, Potatoes, Veg., R&B.
TUE 19 Nov Stuffed Turkey Roll & Gravy.
WED 20 Nov Mushroom Swiss Burger.
THU 21 Nov Smoked Sausage w/Peppers &
Onions.
FRI 22 Nov Fish & Chips, Slaw.
MON 25 Nov Country Fried Steak.
TUE 26 Nov Taco Salad.
WED 27 Nov Cowboy Chicken Sandwich.
THU 28 Nov Seafood Creole o/Rice.
FRI 29 Nov Bronco Burger w/A1, Jalapeno
Peppers & Cheese

Sides for each meal will be listed on the board.

Menu and Prices Subject to Change.

Call Post on 703-369-4900 for Current Info.

SATURDAY DINNER SPECIALS

5:30 x 7:30 PM

Nov 2—Steak or Cornish Hen, Wild Rice,
Acorn Squash
Nov 9—Prime Rib
Nov 16—Steak or Chicken Norfolk
Nov 23—Steak or Veal Marsala
Nov 30—Steak or Swordfish or K-Bobs o/rice

Friday is Seafood Night—5:30 x 7:30 PM PM

Help us out and pick up your trash. There are many trash containers throughout the Social Quarters & Hall. Thanks.



Queen of Hearts Thursday's Eats

Check with Post
for specials each Thursday evening.

If you have a suggestion for a lunch or dinner item leave a note with full details plus your contact information with **Donna** or **Bonnie**. Thanks.

November Entertainment
(Friday & Saturday evenings 8 x 11 P.M.)

Nov 1 & 2—Joe Clay
Nov 8 & 9—Wild Bill
Nov 15—Juke Box
Nov 16—**Bob Cook Bluegrass Band**
Nov 22 & 23—Wild Bill
Nov 29 & 30—Juke Box

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

Articles should be submitted to gysgt_mc@yahoo.com

Thank you, **Gunny**



Robert V. McMaugh Memorial
American Legion Post 10
NOVEMBER 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Events & Times subject to change.					1 R.E.D. Seafood Night 5:30-7:45 PM	2 No. Virginia VETERANS PARADE 11 AM Old Town Manassas
3 DST Ends— clock BACK ONE Hour Young Marines Mtg 1 x 5 PM	4 Bingo in Hall 9:15 AM-Noon	5 ELECTION DAY Did U Vote? Auxiliary Unit 10 Meeting 7 PM	6 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	7	8 R.E.D. Riders Card P/U 8AM Vet Mass, Assembly & Reception, ASCS 8:30AM Seafood Night 5:30-7:45 PM	9 VETERANS Ceremony at Harris Pavilion—be seated by 9:30 AM Veterans Dinner by Auxiliary, 4-6 PM
10 USMC est. (1775) Ceremony at 8 PM	11 VETERANS DAY 11th hour, 11th Day, 11th Month Bingo in Hall 9:15 AM-Noon WWI Armistice (1918)	12 S.A.L. Squadron 10 Meeting 7 PM 	13 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	14	15 R.E.D. Seafood Night 5:30-7:45 PM	16 Exec Mtg 9 AM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG. 10 AM
17 Young Marines Mtg 1 x 5 PM	18 Bingo in Hall 9:15 AM– Noon	19 Riders' Mtg 7 PM	20 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	21 Grenada Campaign Ended (1983)	22 R.E.D. Seafood Night 5:30-7:45 PM	23
24	25 Bingo in Hall 9:15 AM– Noon	26	27 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	28 THANKSGIVING POST CLOSED SAL Hosting Dinner Noon-8 PM	29 R.E.D. Seafood Night 5:30-7:45 PM	30

See Menu page for lunch and dinner specials.

Calendar subject to change—call Post on 703-369-4900 for current information.

Our new website is: www.post10manassas.org

Post 10 Thanksgiving Dinner

****READ THE RULES****



Thursday November 28th 12 PM to 8 PM

*Designed for those who have little or no family in the area. NO post member should spend holidays alone.

*Come eat, spend time with family and watch football.

*This is for any member of the post family (Aux, SAL, Legion) and a maximum of 3 guests. NO to-go boxes, no collecting food and leaving. This is intended for having dinner together and spending time with your post family.

*Traditional Thanksgiving style menu

*Food is **Free but donations are accepted**, drinks are to be purchased from the legion

*No bringing a large party, this is to benefit those without close family

***Sign up with the bartender if you are interested**

****If you have questions or have a specific concern about your party size text or email below!

- Dan Frye Salpost10@outlook.com 571-437-4022

** Please bring desserts*



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