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MAY 2025

2024-2025

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Post 10 Veteran Advocate

Ginger Harvey

Newsletter Editor

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Commander's Column:

Hello Legion Family, April has passed, and we are now into May. Summer will soon be upon us, and with it, warm weather and hopefully fun times. Our Riders will be out enjoying the road along with many other riders, so please keep an eye out for them. April was a great month for us. The BBQ was a big success. Better than we could have hoped for and will result in a nice donation for our chosen charities—a big thank you to all who helped SAL Commander **Dan Frye** and me with this event. We are already planning the next BBQ. This month, we are having the Post Everlasting Ceremony. It is a moving ceremony honoring members who are no longer with us. Please take the time to attend and help honor our members, along with the families that may be present. Also, don't forget the Memorial Day Ceremony on the 26th, followed by our annual Memorial Day picnic. More information on both events is further down in the newsletter.

This month, we will also be voting on next year's board and the changes proposed to our By-Laws at the General Membership meeting on the 17th of this month. This is a very important meeting, so please make your best attempt to attend. It has also been brought to my attention that many members do not realize that Executive Board meetings are open to all to attend and observe. All Legionnaires are welcome to attend board meetings to see how things are done. They are not secret or private except where personnel issues are concerned. I hope to see some of you there. As always, let me close by saying that we are a family and we need to have each other's backs. We are still losing too many veterans, and if you have the opportunity to help, please help. Small gestures can make a significant difference, often more than we realize. A simple act of kindness, like offering a listening ear or a helping hand, can provide comfort and support to someone in need. These moments of connection remind us that we are not alone and reinforce the strength of our community bonds. Remember, BE THE ONE! Let us strive to be there for one another, offering support in any way we can. Whether it's a kind word, a small favor, or simply being present, every action counts. Together, we can make a difference and ensure that no one feels left behind.

For God and Country,
Stanley C. Moore, Your American Legion Post 10 Commander





Legionnaire Membership Report from 1st Vice Commander

2025 Membership Recap. 696 Legionnaires have renewed their membership. As of now, 89 2024 members have not renewed. National has moved these members to an expired status. However, they are still accepting 2025 renewals. If you have not renewed, please do so and you will be reinstated. Please welcome our new Legionnaires: **Mell Cunningham, USAF; Marshall Dantzler, USA; Ted Lawson, USMC; Kimberly McCue, USAF; Jessica Servey, USAF; Ethel Sigler, USA; and Derek Tennant, USA**

No transfers to report this month.

Thanks to **Mike Parra** for the following. Click on the link below or paste it into your browser. Download the new Legion+ membership app. This will allow you to download a digital copy of your membership card to your phone. It also has some other new features.

<https://www.legion.org/information-center/news/membership/2024/october/download-the-new-legion-membership-app>

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

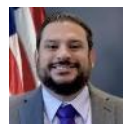
REMINDER: During ceremonies the Social Quarters is CLOSED. Post SQ Rules clearly states "During Post 10 ceremonies the Social Quarters will be closed. Occupants must either attend the Post 10 ceremony or **vacate Post 10 property**." Take the time and attend the ceremony, you may find it informative,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

Gunny

From the desk of the 2nd Vice Commander

No report received.

Mike Parra, 2nd Vice



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**



Poor is a Nation that has no Heroes.
Shameful is a Nation that has Heroes but forgets them.



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



The POPPY and MEMORIAL DAY

In the battlefields of Europe, the common red field poppy was one of the first plants to reappear. Its seeds scattered in the wind and sat dormant in the ground, only germinating when the ground was disturbed—as it was by the very brutal fighting of World War 1. **John McCrae**, a Canadian soldier and physician, witnessed the war first hand and was inspired to write the now-famous poem “In Flanders Fields” in 1915. He saw the poppies scattered throughout the battlefield surrounding his artillery position in Belgium.

In November 1918, days before the official end of the war, an American professor named **Moina Michael** wrote her own poem, “We Shall Keep the Faith,” which was inspired by **McCrae’s** “In Flanders Fields.” She mentioned wearing the “poppy red” to honor the dead, and with that, the tradition of adorning one’s clothing with a single red poppy in remembrance of those killed in the Great War. **Moina** became known as “The Poppy Lady.”

The wearing of the poppy was traditionally done on Memorial Day in the U.S., but the symbolism has evolved to encompass all Veterans living and deceased, so poppies may be worn on Veterans Day as well. Not long after the custom began, it was adopted by other Allied nations, including Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and the UK. In these countries, the poppy is worn on Remembrance Day (Nov. 11th).

Today, poppies are not only a symbol of loss of life, but also of recovery and new life, especially in support of the Veterans who survived the war but suffered from physical and psychological injuries long after it ended.



“In Flanders Fields”

by John McCrae, May 1915

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow*

“We Shall Keep the Faith”

by Moina Michael, November 1918

*Oh! you who sleep in Flanders Fields,
Sleep sweet – to rise anew!
We caught the torch you threw
And holding high, we keep the Faith
With All who died.*

*We cherish, too, the poppy red
That grows on fields where valor led;
It seems to signal to the skies
That blood of heroes never dies,
But lends a lustre to the red
Of the flower that blooms above the dead
In Flanders Fields.*

*And now the Torch and Poppy Red
We wear in honor of our dead.
Fear not that ye have died for naught;
We’ll teach the lesson that ye wrought
In Flanders Fields.*

Submitted by **Vic Librizzi**

Memorial Day (originally known as Decoration Day) is one of the most important days of the year, not only for active duty service members and Veterans but for ALL citizens of the United States. Since the Revolutionary War over 1.5 million service members have given their lives in defense of our country—to protect our freedom and liberty. Memorial Day should be more than a day for a cook-out or a day off from work. Memorial Day is a day for honoring and mourning the U.S. military personnel who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. Take a moment to reflect.


Gunny



22

SUICIDES
PER
DAY

22 IS TOO MANY!



20%
**OF SUICIDE
DEATHS
ANNUALLY IN
THE U.S. ARE
MILITARY
VETERANS.**

A word cloud centered around the word "civility". The words are arranged in a circular pattern, with "civility" being the largest and most central. Other prominent words include "respect", "politeness", "professionalism", "conduct", "order", "consideration", "manners", "attitude", "good", "education", "attentiveness", "thoughtfulness", "courtesy", "service", "correctitude", "generosity", "propriety", "friendliness", "orderliness", "compliance", and "training".

COLOR GUARD REPORT

Greater Manassas Baseball & Softball League. Opening Day Ceremony Flag Presentation.
Color Guard: **David Quimby, Carl Carey**

Jimmy Bryant Memorial Golf Tournament Ceremony
Color Guard: **Dave Quinby, David Fisk, Carl Carey**
Assisted: Bagpipes - **Kevin Byrne, Garrett McKenzie**



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 & Captain of the Color Guard

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Happy Mother's Day, Mom. Sunday, 11 MAY 2025

A mother is a protector, disciplinarian and friend. A mother is a selfless, loving human who must sacrifice many of their wants and needs for the wants and needs of their children. A mother works hard to make sure their child is equipped with the knowledge, skills and abilities to make it as a competent human being. Being a mother is perhaps the hardest, most rewarding job a woman will ever experience. By *Susan Diranian*

Submitted by *Annette Lewis*

A vibrant poster for "TRIVIA NIGHT EVERY THURSDAY". The title "TRIVIA NIGHT" is in large, bold, white letters with a black outline, set against a red starburst background. Below it, "EVERY THURSDAY" is in bold black letters. Further down, "STARTING NOV 7TH" is in a stylized font, followed by "7-9PM" in large, bold, yellow letters. At the bottom, the address "9950 Cockrell Rd, Manassas, VA" is written. On the left is the American Legion logo (1919-2019). On the right is a cartoon illustration of Albert Einstein with a lightbulb above his head, and the "ROCKSTAR TRIVIA" logo featuring a skull with headphones.

MEMORIAL DAY BBQ: Monday, 26 MAY 2025, starting AFTER the memorial ceremony which is at 1145. Post will supply hot dogs, burgers, buns, and condiments. Adults who bring sides and desserts will be charged \$5.00/person, **if you bring nothing it will be \$10.00/person.** This is **NOT all you can eat**—have consideration for others in attendance. Liquid refreshments will be available for sale. REMEMBER the reason for the holiday and take time to remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice so YOU can enjoy your freedom.

Gunny



**"And I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free.
And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me." —Lee Greenwood**

"This is the day we pay homage to all those who didn't come home. This is not Veterans Day, it's not a celebration, it is a day of solemn contemplation over the cost of freedom." —Tamra Bolton

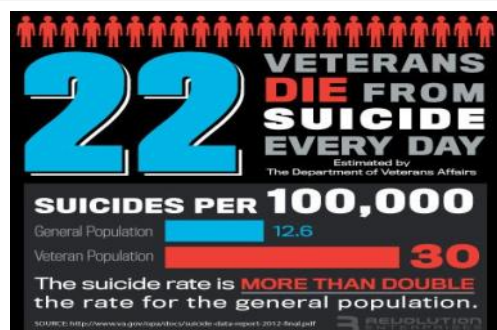


Post 10 Veterans Advocate

I hope everyone will have a nice Mother's Day with their families during this month of May! Spring is officially here!

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 and will continue to do so in 2025! 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 me: 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*



MEMORIAL DAY, Monday, 26 MAY 2025

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MEMORIAL DAY AND VETERANS DAY?

On both Memorial Day and Veterans Day, it's customary to spend time remembering and honoring the countless veterans who have served the United States throughout the country's history. However, there is a distinction between the two holidays:

Memorial Day commemorates the men and women who **died** while in the military service of their country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle. In other words, the purpose of Memorial Day is to memorialize the veterans who made the **ultimate sacrifice** for their country. We spend time remembering those who lost their lives and could not come home, reflecting on their service and why we have the luxury and freedom that we enjoy today. We might consider how we can support and safeguard their grieving families and loved ones who are left behind.

Veterans Day is the day set aside to thank and honor ALL who served—in wartime or peacetime—regardless of whether they died or survived. Veterans Day is always observed officially on November 11, regardless of the day of the week on which it falls.

For those who have lost loved ones in the military, hearing “*Happy Memorial Day*” can be unsettling. Many veterans have expressed their displeasure with the phrase, deeming it inappropriate for the occasion. While Veterans Day is a time to honor all those who have served in the military, Memorial Day is meant to pay tribute to those military personnel who *died while serving*.

The holiday began three years after the Civil War ended and was known as Decoration Day, a time to decorate the graves of fallen soldiers with flowers. The designated date was 30 May, the Uniform Monday Holiday Act (28 JUN 1968) took effect, moving Memorial Day to the last Monday in May.

In 2015, Marine Corps veteran **Jennie Haskamp** wrote a piece for The Washington Post in which she shared her frustration with the sentiment of “Happy Memorial Day” and the holiday's transformation into “grilled meat, super-duper discounts, a day off work, beer, potato salad and porches draped in bunting.” She said it should be more than that. Others have argued that using Memorial Day as an opportunity to celebrate with loved ones and embrace the joy that life has to offer is a fitting way to honor those who died in service of our country.

Those who seek to remind people of the more somber meaning of Memorial Day have advocated for Congress to change the date of the holiday back to 30 May, instead of making it part of a three-day weekend of leisure. These efforts have not been successful, Congress established “**The National Moment of Remembrance**” in 2000, asking Americans to pause for a minute of silence and reflection in honor of those who died in military service at **3 p.m. local time on Memorial Day**.

In **Haskamp's** Washington Post piece, she noted that a friend reminded her how many people use Memorial Day to “pause and remember the men and women who paid the price of our freedom, and then go on about enjoying those freedoms.” But she believes not enough people commemorate the occasion in this way. “Not enough people pause. Not enough people remember,” she wrote, “I hope you enjoy your weekend — but I hope you pause to remember, too.”

Submitted by **Gunny**

**"Some people live an entire lifetime and wonder if they have ever made a difference in the world.
A Veteran does not have that problem." —Ronald Reagan**

BBQ SHOWDOWN 2025, 6 APR 2025



Judges



Auxiliary



Troop 884



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Chaplain's Report:

Dear Post 10 Members,

Today we near the end of April and going into Maysoon the spring season will take us into our new Virginia summer time.

We have a variety of different and family friendly holidays coming right around the corner such as Father's Day and Mother's Day. We will also have Memorial Day and the opening of the Summer season for us all here in Virginia. Then 4th of July.

This is a great time to be alive, to get out with family and friends. You can enjoy the beautiful world of life that we have at our finger tips each and every day. The Post has many activities, the City of Manassas, Prince William County and the State of Virginia also does too just for you.

Please take this time with your family and friends to enjoy your lives and the beauty that has been created that you and your family can have at your fingertips.

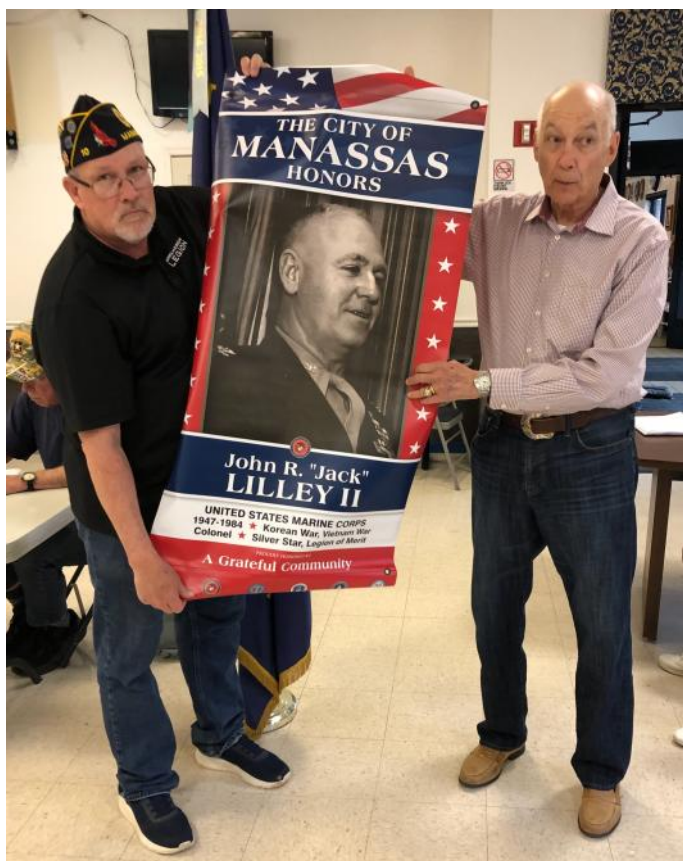
Our Creator has given you this opportunity for the value and enjoyment of life. Use it as much as time will allow you.

Thank you all for your prays. God bless all of you.

Please take care of yourselves and you families. Of course you may reach me at anytime at: 1-703-853-1869 or

Email: steven.botello@gmail.com

Respectfully, **Steven Botello** Chaplain P10 Manassas, VA



Commander **Stan Moore** (left) accepts the latest banner memorializing the late Col **Jack LILLEY** from Legionnaire **Jerry Martin** (right). The banner will be flown among other Veteran banners in Old Town Manassas from various utility poles beginning prior to Memorial Day and lasting approximately three weeks. Legionnaire **Martin** instituted the program a few years ago and has continued to spearhead it not only for Post 10 but for VFW Post 7589 and the Freedom Museum. The banners honor those Veterans who have transferred to Post Everlasting. A fitting tribute to them.

Gunny photo



AUXILIARY UNIT 10



Thank you to everyone who attended the Children's Easter Party! It was fun to watch the kids have such a great time! A big thank you to all the volunteers who worked so hard to make the event a success!!

Reminder- the next Auxiliary meeting will be held on May 6th at 7pm. All are welcome to attend!!

Peggy Pignone, ALA Unit 10 President



Submitted photos



Auxiliary Membership Report



We currently have 198 mail-in renewals, 64 online, and 36 new members for a total of 298 members for 2025. We are at 95% of our 2025 membership goal.

Welcome to our newest members: **Judy Golladay** and **Penny Sperry**

We were saddened to learn of the passing of auxiliary member **Michelle Frazier** in March 2025. We extend our heartfelt condolences to her family and friends during this difficult time.

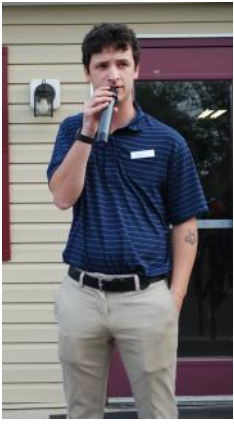
Haven't Renewed Yet? There's still time to renew your membership. Here Are Your Options:

- 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

Jimmy Bryant Golf Tournament, Fri, 25 APR 2025—Hosted by Squadron 10



Gunny photos

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

THU 01 May Burnt Turkey Ends melt, BBQ Sauce, FF or ORs.
FRI 02 May Fried Clam or Shrimp Basket, Slaw, FFs, Hush Puppies.
MON 05 May Meatloaf, Pot, Veggies, R&B.
TUE 06 May Baked Rigatoni. It. Sausage, Salad, Garlic Bread.
WED 07 May Taco Salad, Salsa, Sour Cream.
THU 08 May Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla, Salsa, Sour Cream.
FRI 09 May NY Strip, Baked Pot., Salad, R&B.
MON 12 May Bourbon Beef Tend., Pot., Veg, R&B.
TUE 13 May BBQ Country Style Ribs, Pot., Veg.
WED 14 May Cowboy Chicken Sand. w/Bacon & Cheese, FFs or ORs.
THU 15 May Sausage w/Peppers & Onions, FFs or ORs.
FRI 16 May Crabcake Sand., Slaw, FFs or ORs.
MON 19 May Country Fried Steak, Pot., R&B.
TUE 20 May Burger w/Bufalo Sauce, Bleu Cheeses & Jalapenos.
WED 21 May Soup & Grilled Sand., Chips or Fries
THU 22 May Fried Clamburger, Slaw, FFs or ORs.
FRI 23 May Hot or Cold It. Sub., FFs or ORs.
MON 26 May MEMORIAL DAY BBQ
TUE 27 May Shepards Pie w/Gravy, R&B.
WED 28 May Mushroom Swiss Burger, FFs or ORs.
THU 29 May Country Fried Chicken, Gravy, Veg., Pot., R&B.
FRI 30 May Bronco Burger w/A-1, Cheeses & Jalapenos, FFs or Ors.

Sides if not listed above will be listed on the board.

ENJOY YOUR LUNCH.

Queen of Hearts Thursday's Eats

Check with Post for specials

SATURDAY DINNER SPECIALS

5:30 x 7:30 PM

3 MAY—Steak or Chicken Norfolk w/Crab.
10 MAY—Steak or Seafood Creole & Andouille Sausage.
17 MAY— Prime Rib Au Jus.
24 MAY—Steak or Crab Stuffed Tilapia.
31 MAY—Steak or Cashew Curry Chicken o/Rice.

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

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



MAY Entertainment
(Friday & Saturday evenings)

May 2 & 3—Joeyoke (Joe Clay)
8 PM x 11 PM

May 9th, Fri—Brook Yoder Acoustic
(7:30 PM x 11 PM)

May 17th, Sat—Bob Cook Bluegrass
(7:30 PM x 11 PM)

May 31st, Sat—Something Shiney
(Comedy/Music Duo) 8 PM x 11 PM

Above subject to change

Menu and Prices Subject to Change
Call Post on 703-369-4900 for Current Info.

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 MAY 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Fallen Firefighters Day YM 1 x 5 PM	May is Asian-Pacific Heritage Month & Jewish American Heritage Month	TACO TUESDAYS		1 Queen of Hearts Horseshoes 6 x 8 PM	2 R.E.D. Seafood 5:30-7:45 PM Joeyoke Joe Clay	3 Riders Rodeo Joeyoke Joe Clay
4 Fallen Firefighters Day YM 1 x 5 PM	5 Bingo 9:15-12 PM	6 Auxiliary Unit 10 Meeting 7 PM 	7 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	8 V-E Day (1945) Queen of Hearts Horseshoes 6 x 8 PM	9 R.E.D. Seafood 5:30-7:45 PM Brook Yoder Acoustic 7:30 x 11 PM	10 Executive Board Meeting 10 AM
11 MOTHER'S DAY	12 Bingo 9:15-12 PM	13 S.A.L. Squadron 10 Meeting 7 PM 	14 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	15 Police Officers Memorial Day Queen of Hearts Horseshoes 6 x 8 PM	16 R.E.D. Seafood 5:30-7:45 PM	17 Armed Forces Day Gen. Mem. Mig. 10 AM Bob Cook Bluegrass 7:30 x 11 PM
18 Post Everlasting 1PM YM 1 x 5 PM	19 Bingo 9:15-12 PM	20 Riders Chapter 10 Meeting 7 PM 	21 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	22 Queen of Hearts Horseshoes 6 x 8 PM	23 R.E.D. Seafood 5:30-7:45 PM	24
25	26 MEMORIAL DAY Flags at Half Staff until Noon BBQ NO Bingo	27	28 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	29 Queen of Hearts Horseshoes 6 x 8 PM	30 R.E.D. Seafood 5:30-7:45 PM	31 Something Shiny Comedy/Music Duo 8 x 11 PM

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

Virginia Post 10 opening up its doors to the community for its first BBQ Showdown, with the main goal to raise fundraiser for the Veterans & Children Foundation.

A Virginia American Legion post is taking a unique approach to raise money for one of the Legion's most critical funds. And it's bringing its community in to assist the effort. This weekend, Robert V. McMaugh Memorial Post 10 in Manassas will stage its inaugural BBQ Showdown. Proceeds from the event will benefit The American Legion Veterans & Children Foundation (VCF), as well as two local charities.

The idea for the event came from Post 10 Commander **Stanley Moore** after attending the Legion's national convention and learning about the 1919 Society, which celebrates those who have made a substantial impact in the lives of military families and veterans through financial gifts to the VCF.

"I've been fascinated by the 1919 Society and the Veterans & Children Foundation and all that goes into it," **Moore** said. "We wanted to do a barbecue competition, and I figured this would be the perfect way to get money and donate it to the foundation from the post. And get the community involved."

Moore said the actual idea of using a barbecue competition came from Sons of The American Legion Squadron Commander **Dan Frye**. "When I was looking for something to raise money with for the VCF, **Dan Frye** mentioned the barbecue," **Moore** said. "That's where I got the idea, from him. And he has been extremely helpful and instrumental in getting it off the ground."

The competition will feature both professional pitmasters and amateur grillers showcasing their skills in a variety of categories: ribs, chicken and brisket, as well as a People's Choice pulled pork winner being chosen by those in attendance.

Judges for other three categories include Department of Virginia Commander **Eugene Malinowski**, Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Virginia Commander **Kevin Chaplin** and **Ian Lovejoy**, a member of the Virginia House of Delegates.

There also will be live music from local bands, as well as games and activities for children and adults, including horseshoes, inflatables and carnival-style games. "The community is where we make our biggest impact, especially as a post," said **Moore** in explaining why the event is open to the public. "When you get the community involved, it makes it easier to get them to support our veterans. This brings awareness. We're an organization that's there to help. It makes people see us in a different light."

Moore also said it was important to make the event a Legion Family effort. Auxiliary Unit 10 has chosen local nonprofit Serve Our Willing Warriors as its charity for the event, while SAL Squadron 10 will donate its share of the proceeds to Final Salute. "That way we give them a little bit of ownership (of the event)," **Moore** said. "We are a family. The more we can do together, the more we can get done."

Moore said the goal is to continue the event every year, with the purpose being raising money mainly for the VCF. It's the component of the fund that provides money for the Legion's Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) grant program that stands out to **Moore**. TFA provides cash grants to minor children of current active-duty or American Legion members to help meet the cost of shelter, food, utilities and health expenses.

"Really, kids are our future, and that's what I've been concentrating on this year: events and programs like Junior ROTC, Boys State," he said. "If we don't have a good foundation for the kids to grow up in and become leaders in their own right, it doesn't look good for us."

"Give them that base. Give them the knowledge that we're here for them and we're behind them. It will make them better people and better citizens in the future."

Source: American Legion Community News

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.
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Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 10

No article received.

Dan Frye, SAL Commander



American Legion Riders Chapter 10



On April 18th, the Post 10 Riders demonstrated their ongoing commitment to Veterans by supporting the Missing In America Project. This initiative is dedicated to locating, identifying, and interring the unclaimed remains of American veterans with the honor and respect they deserve. The Riders, known for their dedication to service and community, participated to ensure that no veteran is forgotten and that every service member receives a dignified final resting place.

Upcoming events:

The Chapter 10 Riders will hold a motorcycle rodeo at Post 10 on May 3rd. This rodeo is open to all riders in the region and will showcase riders skills in various events.

In June we will be supporting the Virginia ALR Legacy Ride in Natural Bridge, VA. This Legacy Ride will bring Riders from around the state to enjoy the beauty of Central and Southwest Virginia and will raise awareness and funds for the veterans causes.

Finally, its officer election season. If you are a Rider and would like to serve as a Chapter officer please sign up on the sheets posted to the board in the Social Quarters.

Safety Message for All Riders

As riding season ramps up, we remind all motorcyclists to prioritize safety before hitting the road:

- Perform your yearly maintenance: Change your oil and filter, check your brakes, and inspect your battery and coolant levels to ensure your bike is in top condition.
- Confirm your tires are in good shape: Look for proper tread depth, check for cracks or signs of wear, and make sure tire pressure is at the recommended level. Remember, tires older than 5-7 years or showing any cracking should be replaced immediately.
- Ensure your state inspection sticker is valid: Riding with an expired inspection sticker can result in fines and, more importantly, may mean your bike isn't as safe as it should be.

Inspect your protective riding gear: Make sure your helmet, gloves, jacket, and other gear are in good repair. Replace any equipment that shows signs of wear, UV damage, or compromised protection. Quality gear is your first line of defense in the event of an accident.

Stay safe, ride smart, and honor the spirit of service that defines the American Legion Riders.



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Director, *David Albrecht*—ALR Chapter 10

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

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Gunny, Post 10 Quartermaster

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