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MARCH 2026

2025-2026
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICAN LEGION/ 107 Years: The American Legion was founded March 15-17, 1919, by members of the American Expeditionary Forces still stationed in Europe awaiting passage home from WWI. Their experiences in what was called the “war to end all wars” would shape an enduring legacy for what has become the nation’s largest organization of veterans. Many of the Legion’s founders had voluntarily drilled in civilian military camps before the US entered the war. Trained in the “Preparedness Movement,” several future Legion founders were commissioned as officers in the war and discovered firsthand the nation’s deficiencies in defense, citizenship, and education. Soon after the war’s end, they also realized how poorly prepared the US was to assist a wave of disabled and unemployed veterans who faced uncertain futures in their communities, states and the nation. The Legion’s emergence and rise to prominence was based on a mission to strengthen the nation through programs, services and advocacy that helped millions throughout the organization’s first century. The Legion built its identity with a vision to make the nation prouder, stronger, smarter, and more respectful of those who have sacrificed some, or all, in defense of the Nation.

Submitted by *Gunny*

March 29th marks the 53rd anniversary of US combat troops returning home from the Vietnam War. This date is now known as **National Vietnam War Veterans Day**. In 2017 President *Trump* signed this date into law. It is a day to thank and honor all veterans who served in the war. The legislation, *The Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 (P.L. 115-15)*, annually recognizes March 29th as **National Vietnam War Veterans Day**. It also amended *Title 4, US Code* to “encourage the display of” the US Flag on this date.

Submitted by *Vic, George, and Gunny*





Legionnaire Membership Report from 1st Vice Commander

2026 - Renewals.

So far, we have signed up 25 new members and renewed 631. We are currently at 87.0% renewal. All 2025 membership cards expired on December 31, 2025. On January 1, members who had not renewed were considered delinquent and on February 1 unpaid memberships were suspended. On June 30 all unpaid memberships are dropped from the roster if not renewed by this date. Although not an official grace period, you have until June 30 to renew. Renewing online would be the quickest and give us instantaneous verification of your renewal

Please welcome our new Legionnaires:

John Boyce, USMC; David Grauel USA; Richard Nahas, USAF; Thomas Potendyk, USMC; Samuel Smith, USA
Also, please welcome our newest transfer **Carolita Myers, USA.**

Now you can renew for up to 3 years online. Go to mylegion.org, click the renew tab and put in your member number and you will 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 additional 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. You can also update your profile information: address and, phone number. I will also send out your new membership 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 in the enclosed return envelope to Post 10 at 9950 Cockrell Road, Manassas, VA 20110 Attn: Post 10 Membership.
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. 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 Post officers with the need to know. If you have an email account, you can receive the newsletter electronically.

Please feel free to email me with any questions/concerns about your membership.

For God and Country,

Ed Filipowski, 1st Vice Commander all10membership@yahoo.com

**MEETING TIMES CHANGES: 3rd Saturday. Executive Meeting starts at 0900;
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP Meeting begins at 1100.**

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

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.*



SGT-at-ARMS REPORT

We want to thank everyone that attended and participated in the Sunday February 1st, Four Chaplains Ceremony at the Post 10 Hall. Special mention to the following: *Dave 'Pops' Fisk, Heidi BruMar, Greg Hall, Steven Botello. Keven Bryne, Pam Drake, Brandon Garner, and, Rick Goodman* who conducted the ceremony. Thank you.

Legionnaire *Mike Mooney* (USAF) transferred to Post 10 Everlasting. Ceremony was held at Quantico National Cemetery on February 3, 2026, at 1400 hrs. *Dave "Pops" Fisk*, (Air Force flag carrier), *Kevin Bryne*, (Pipes). Thanks also go out to Squadron 10 Sons and Auxiliary Unit 10.

V/r

Dave 'Pops' Fisk, Sergeant-at-Arms

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**Under the new
2022 PACT Act**

eligibility is added for Veterans who served in
Republic of Vietnam
01/09/1962-05/07/1975

EXPOSED TO AGENT ORANGE OR HERBICIDES?

Learn more at VA.gov
1-800-MyVA411 (800-696-2411)

VA U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

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**SUICIDES
PER
DAY**

22 IS TOO MANY!

**Veterans
Crisis Line**

DIAL 988 then **PRESS 1**



**THE AMERICAN LEGION
IS NOT A
BAR**

**IT IS A VETERANS
SERVICE ORGANIZATION**

The Department of Veterans Affairs announced that the backlog of VA disability compensation and pension benefit claims is consistently below 100,000 for the first time since May 2020, during the first **Trump** Administration. Hitting this milestone means the department has now cut the backlog of Veterans waiting for VA benefits by 63% since Jan. 20, 2025, after it increased 24% under the **Biden** Administration. A VA claim for compensation or pension is considered backlogged once it has been pending in the claims inventory for more than 125 days. In 2013, 70% of claims were older than 125 days — the most ever — compared to just 17% today. Reducing the claims backlog is an urgent priority for **Secretary Collins**, as it was well above 100,000 from 2021 to 2024 and stood at 264,717 on Jan. 20, 2025. During **President Trump's** first administration, VA reached the lowest disability claims backlog Dec. 21, 2019, at 64,783 claims. “Under **President Trump**, VA is providing Veterans, families, caregivers and survivors all of the benefits they have earned as quickly and conveniently as possible,” said **VA Secretary Doug Collins**. “VA’s claims processing productivity is the highest it has ever been, and we look forward to continuing to provide record levels of service to Veterans and VA beneficiaries.” This milestone is one of many landmark VA achievements during the second **Trump** Administration, including:

- Opening 33 new VA health care facilities, expanding health care access for Veterans around the country.
- Processing more than 3 million disability compensation and pension claims in FY2025, an all-time high that shattered the previous record set in FY2024.
- Offering Veterans more than 2.2 million appointments outside of normal operating hours, which give Veterans more timely and convenient options for care.
- Permanently housing 51,936 homeless Veterans across the country in FY2025, the highest total in seven years.

VA encourages all Veterans to visit choose.va.gov to learn more and apply for the care and benefits they have earned.

[Source: VA NEWS]

Submitted by **Joe Licari**



At Post 10 we believe in safety, dignity, and respect for ALL. Your words matter. Your behaviors matter. The safety and well being of our members, guests, and employees matters. There is NO place at the Post for unacceptable behavior such as: Aggression; Use of inappropriate language; Use of racist language and/or behavior; Bullying; Verbal abuse; Threats; Assaults; Property damage. Anyone exhibiting violent and aggressive behavior will be told to leave at once. Failure to obey the ABC manager on duty will result in suspension from the Social Quarters— *immediately*. We ask for your cooperation. Thank you. Gunny

VA NEWS: The Department of Veterans Affairs is recruiting more than 300 vocational rehabilitation counselors and specialists for its Veteran Readiness and Employment program. Positions are open across the nation, and VA is accepting applications through March 17. Those interested in applying should visit [“Find VRS/VRC Positions”](#) under *Featured Positions*. Those with backgrounds in vocational rehabilitation, counseling, social work, or related fields are encouraged to apply.

The VR&E program is one of VA’s most impactful benefits. It provides individualized counseling, employment services, education support, and rehabilitation assistance to Veterans with service-connected disabilities. As part of the program, Veterans work with counselors and specialists to overcome barriers to employment and achieve long-term career success. VR&E counselors and specialists are essential to the success of the Veteran’s transition. They provide comprehensive vocational guidance tailored to each Veteran’s unique circumstances. They manage complex caseloads, coordinate with employers, educational institutions, and community partners, and advance VA’s broader workforce and economic empowerment goals for Veterans. “VA exists to help Veterans achieve the American Dream, and VR&E is one of our most powerful tools for making that happen,” said VA Secretary **Doug Collins**. “This hiring push will make it easier than ever before for Veterans to get help from the department to navigate career transitions, pursue education or training, and build a sustainable future.”

[Source: VA News]

Submitted by **George Moschatos**

How to handle unexpected calls that claim your money is at risk: Your phone rings and what the caller says next sends you into a panic. They claim there’s fraud on your credit card, someone hacked your bank account, you owe a tax debt, or your benefits will end today. Your adrenaline is pumping, and your mind races a hundred miles an hour. They sense this—and they say they can help. Should you trust them? No. Pump the brakes. The caller might know things about you—like your full name or address—or your accounts. But that doesn’t mean they’re trustworthy. Scammers buy or steal this information to make their lies seem believable.

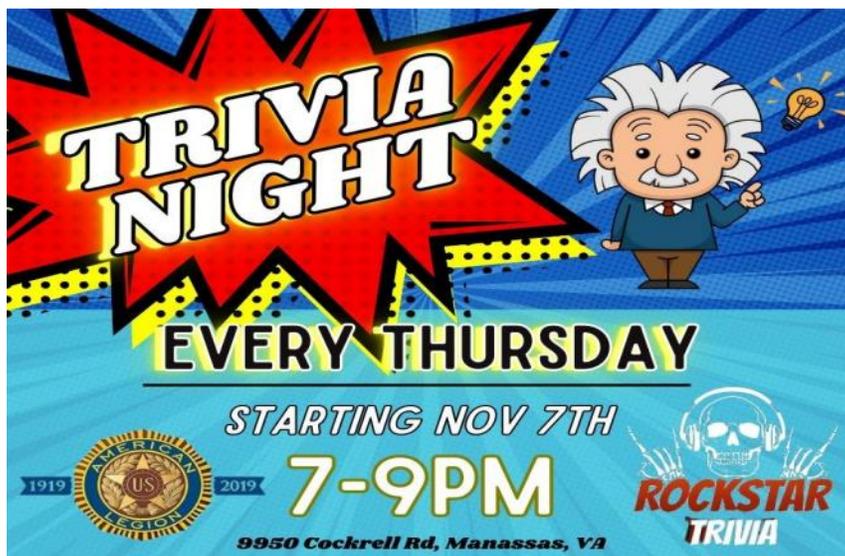
So, what should you do if you get a call like this?

1. **Get some basic details, then hang up.** What company or bank are they calling from? What’s the problem? Then hang up. Yes, hang up.
2. **Verify the story by contacting the company or bank yourself.** Do you have an account with the company or bank the caller says they represent? Contact the company directly to find out what’s going on:
 - **Do** use the official app or website to get in touch with the fraud department
 - **Do** call the phone number on a recent statement or the back of your card
 - **Do not** rely on top search results to find a company’s contact information—scammers often buy paid search ads so their fake numbers appear at the top of the listings

Always talk to a trusted friend or family member. No legitimate fraud department will tell you to keep the call a secret. And no matter who says they’re calling, never share your personal or account information, don’t grant anyone remote access to your phone or computer, and keep account verification codes to yourself. If you think it’s a scam, report it to the FTC at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](#). Your report helps stop the scammers.

[Source: FTC]

Submitted by **Renee Valenti**





Three Servicemen Statue at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial



"Celer, Silens, Mortalis"
"Arrugha!"



The Vietnam Women's Memorial to honor the women who risked their lives to serve their country. Depicting three women caring for a fallen soldier.



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

Post 10 Veterans Advocate

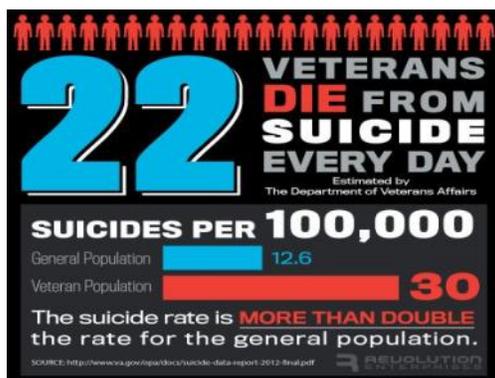
I hope all of our Post 10 Veterans have a nice Saint Patrick's Day on March 17, 2026 and enjoy the Saint Patrick's Day Parade with their families! Thank you for your selflessness and dedication to our country and thank you to the families of veterans for their support and strength. As your Post 10 Veterans 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 2026.



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*



March 3, 1931: “The Star-Spangled Banner” became our national anthem.

September 1814, during the War of 1812, *Francis Scott Key* watched the British bombard Fort McHenry through the night. At dawn, he saw the American flag still flying, proof the fort hadn't fallen. That sight inspired a poem called “**Defence of Fort M’Henry.**” Soon it was paired with a well-known tune and spread quickly across the country.

Why America chose it in 1931: For over a century, the U.S. used different patriotic songs depending on the venue. By the early 1900s, “**The Star-Spangled Banner**” became the strongest “unofficial” anthem, especially at military events and public ceremonies. After years of public pressure Congress made it official and *President Hoover* signed it into law on March 3, 1931.

What almost became the anthem instead: Several favorites were often suggested as alternatives:

- “America the Beautiful” – gorgeous lyrics, easier to sing
- “Hail, Columbia” – long used at official ceremonies
- “My Country, ’Tis of Thee” – widely known, but shares its melody with Britain’s “God Save the King”

Our anthem isn't just a song—it's a real eyewitness moment: *a flag still flying when it mattered most.*

March 4, 1789: The U.S. government was scheduled to commence, but it didn't start with a bang. The new government created by the Constitution was scheduled to begin operating when the first federal Congress was set to meet on March 4, 1789. March 4th was the official start date chosen for the First Congress to convene in the new system, replacing the old national framework under the Articles of Confederation.

What actually happened that day: Congress was supposed to meet at Federal Hall (NYC), but not enough members were present to reach a quorum, so they couldn't conduct business. Travel was slow, roads were rough and representatives arrived over time. The government's “engine” was there, but it couldn't fully run yet.

- The House finally reached a quorum on April 1, 1789.
- The Senate reached a quorum on April 6, 1789.

Where it happened: The new Congress met in New York City at Federal Hall (America's temporary capital at the time). Once Congress could officially operate, it could finally:

- Organize itself and elect leadership
- Count the Electoral College votes (April 6)
- And move toward the inauguration of *George Washington* (April 30)

March 4, 1789, is when the Constitution's new federal government was supposed to begin, but the first morning had empty seats, and it took weeks for enough members to arrive to truly get it moving.

Submitted by *Annette Lewis*

The VA announced a major new step to protect Veterans' Second Amendment rights. Effective immediately, VA will not report Veterans to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Instant Criminal Background Check System as “prohibited persons” only because they need help from a fiduciary in managing their VA benefits. This corrects a three-decade-old wrong that deprived many thousands of Veterans in VA's Fiduciary Program of their constitutional right to own a firearm without a legal basis.

After a thorough review, VA recognized that many Veterans had been deprived of their Second Amendment rights without hearings or adequate determinations that they posed a sufficient risk of danger to themselves or others. In consultation with the DOJ, VA has determined this practice violates both the Gun Control Act and Veterans' Second Amendment rights. According to federal law, a decision by a judicial or quasi-judicial body is needed before someone can be reported to NICS. A determination by the VA that a fiduciary is needed to help manage a Veteran's VA benefits falls far short of this legal standard.

In addition to immediately stopping the reporting of VA Fiduciary Program participants to NICS, the department is working with the FBI to remove all past VA reporting from NICS, so no Veterans are unfairly deprived of their Second Amendment rights based solely on participation in VA's Fiduciary Program. “Many Americans struggle with managing their finances, and Veterans' Second Amendment rights shouldn't be stripped just because they need help in this area. But for too long, Veterans who needed the services of a VA fiduciary were deprived of their right to bear arms,” said VA *Secretary Doug Collins*. “Under the leadership of *President Trump*, we're correcting this injustice and ensuring Veterans get the same due-process and constitutional rights as all Americans.” “It is both unlawful and unacceptable for Veterans who serve our country to have their constitutional rights threatened,” said *Attorney General Pamela Bondi*. “It has been my pleasure to partner with *Secretary Collins* on this project, and I am directing the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms to review its regulations and propose changes that will prevent current and future violations of our Veterans' Second Amendment rights.”

[Source: VA NEWS]

Submitted by *Vic Librizzi*



On **July 4, 2026**, the US will celebrate its **Semiquincentennial**, marking 250 years since the signing of the **Declaration of Independence**. National and local organizations have launched a year-long series of festivities that will continue through the end of 2026.

Independence Eve Ball Drop (July 3, 2026): The Times Square Ball will drop again on July 3, 2026—the first time ever outside of New Year's Eve—to anchor the nationwide countdown to the Fourth of July.

Salute to America 250: A White House-led task force is coordinating national programs, including a massive military parade, fireworks, and cultural showcases on the National Mall on July 4, 2026.

Philadelphia from June 19 through July 4 go to july4thphilly.com for events.

Washington, DC go to these three sites for the latest americanhistory.si.edu archives.gov and dc250.us/dc250/events/celebrations.

Boston bso.org/boston-pops-fireworks-spectacular

New York on the morning of July 4th NY about 30 tall ships from around the world led by the USCG barque **Eagle** will sail from the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge past the Statue of Liberty up the Hudson River to the George Washington Bridge. Details at sail4th.org

New Currency: The U.S. Mint is releasing special collectible coins, including dimes, quarters, and half-dollars with 1776–2026 dates and unique "Liberty Over Tyranny" designs.

Stay tuned for events as the year progresses.

Submitted by *Annette Lewis*

Neither the wisest constitution nor the wisest laws will secure the liberty and happiness of a people whose manners are universally corrupt. *Samuel Adams*

Auxiliary Unit 10 Report

No report received.

Peggy Pignone, ALA Unit 10 President



Auxiliary Membership Report



We currently have 193 mail-in renewals, 63 online, and 16 new members for a total of 272 members for 2026. We are at 86% of our 2026 membership goal.

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

MARCH LUNCH SPECIALS

Monday thru Friday, 11 AM x 2 PM

March 2026

Check with Post for current information.

MON 02 CLOSED
TUE 03 CLOSED
WED 04 Hot or Cold It. Sub.
THU 05 Country Ham Biscuits.
FRI 06 Coconut or Butterfly Shrimp.
MON 09 Meatloaf Santa Fe.
TUE 10 Cowboy Chicken Sandwich.
WED 11 Taco Salad.
THU 12 Fried Bologna & Cheese.
FRI 13 Mushroom Swiss Burger.
MON 16 Chicken Parm.
TUE 17 Corned Beef & Cabbage.
WED 18 Post 10 Reuben.
THU 19 Meatball & Cheese Sub.
FRI 20 Crabcake Sandwich.
MON 23 Prime Rib French Dip.
TUE 24 Tex-Mex Lasagna.
WED 25 Grilled Ham Cheeseburger.
THU 26 Fish'n Chips.
FRI 27 NY Strip Steak.
MON 30 Country Fried Steak.
TUE 31 Smoked Sausage w/Peppers & Onions.

**Sides will be listed on the board
in the Social Quarters.**

Menu & Prices Subject to Change.

SATURDAY DINNER SPECIALS

5:30 x 7:30 PM

7 MAR– Steak or Cornish Hen.

21 MAR—Prime Rib.

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



**Saturday, 14 MAR, is the St. Pat's Parade.
We will serve lunch at the Post after the
parade. Join us for lunch and fun!**

March Entertainment

FRI & SAT, 6 & 7 MAR—Juke Box Night

FRI, 13 MAR—*Joe Clay*, Karaoke

SAT, 14 MAR—*Bob Cook*, Bluegrass,
7:30x1030 PM

SAT, 27 MAR—TBA

If you have suggestions for entertainment see
Bonnie.

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. Thank you for your cooperation.

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*



Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 10

The Son's held our annual Chili Cookoff on February 17th. We had a great turnout with 11 chilies entered and over 50 people tasting and voting on the best chili. We also raffled off 4 boxes of bacon which is always a big hit with the crowd, who doesn't like bacon? The voting was very close with 4-5 votes separating 1st to 5th places. It was a great day to watch the race, eat some really good chili and hang out with good people. Here are the results

1st- *Larry Lamay*; 2nd-*Tommy Colburn*; 3rd- our defending Champ, *Colton Frye*

On February 22nd the Legion opened early so we could watch the gold medal hockey game between Canada and USA. Again a great turnout. Thanks to everyone who showed up to root our American team on to victory!!! What a game and what better place to watch an American team win the Gold medal then the American Legion!!!

Lastly April is busy as we have the BBQ contest on April 11 and 12th and the Son's golf tournament on April 17th.

Thanks, *Tom Ramirez*

2nd Vice Commander



Larry Lamay, Tom Ramirez



Tom Ramirez, Tommy Colburn



Colton Frye, Tom Ramirez

Submitted photos

Mike Dixon, Squadron 10 Commander

Chaplain's Report:



The new year of 2026 is upon us and this really cold Winter blast is almost over!! Spring will officially be upon us as of Friday, March 20, 2026. I will be glad for the snow & ice to go and the Cherry Blossoms to come out.

Easter this year falls on Sunday, April 5, 2026 and as many of you may know Ramadan goes from Tuesday, February 17 – Thursday, March 19. **[Editor's note: Passover begins at sunset on Wednesday, 1 APR 2026]**

Each of you can worship as you see fit. And this is one of the wonderful things as an American you can do. We have as Americans going on 250 years here in our country the ability and the fortune of freedom to be able to enjoy and worship as we wish. This is our right and I encourage you to exercise that right each and every day that you can.

Also remember this year on Saturday, July 4, 2026 we, as a country, will be celebrating 250 years as the United States of America. You can really expect that for this year we will be have a really terrific and huge celebration.

Please be prepared to do so as you and your family will know doubt want to do. If you need suggestions or wish to discuss any other aspect of what to do and/or how you feel please feel free to contact me at any time. If ever you may need help please feel free to contact me at my direct number of 1-703-853-1869.

God Bless you one and all. Please take care of yourselves and your families.

You may reach me at any time at: 1-703-853-1869 or Email: steven.botello@gmail.com

Respectfully, *Steven M. Botello*, Chaplain, Post 10

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



**It takes courage
to talk about suicide.**

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American Legion Post 10
MARCH 2026**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Bingo in Hall 9:15 AM-Noon	3	4 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	5 Queen of Hearts 8 PM	6 R.E.D. Seafood Night 5:30-7:45 PM JUKE BOX NIGHT	7 Steak or Cornish Hen Dinner JUKE BOX NIGHT
8 Daylight Savings Time Begins YM 1 x 5 PM	9 Bingo in Hall 9:15 AM-Noon	10	11 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	12 Queen of Hearts 8 PM	13 R.E.D. Seafood Night 5:30-7:45 PM Joe Clay Karaoke 8 x 11 PM	14 St. Pat's Parade LUNCH at Post after Bob Cook, Blue- grass 7:30 x 10:30 PM
15	16 Bingo in Hall 9:15 AM-Noon	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18 Ash Wednesday Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	19 Queen of Hearts 8 PM	20 R.E.D. Seafood Night 5:30-7:45 First Day of Spring	21 EX Mtg 9 AM GEN Mtg 11 AM ACL BD Prime Rib Dinner 5-7:30 pm
22 YM 1 x 5 PM	23 Bingo in Hall 9:15 AM-Noon	24	25 Bar Bingo 5:30 PM	26 Queen of Hearts 8 PM	27 R.E.D. Seafood Night 5:30-7:45 PM	28
29 Palm Sunday National Vietnam War Veterans Day	30 Bingo in Hall 9:15 AM-Noon	31				

See Menu page for lunch and dinner specials.

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

Our website is: www.post10manassas.org



American Legion Riders Chapter 10



Braving the Cold: February Polar Bear Ride took us to Buffalo Wild Wings in Woodbridge VA. Riders *Andy* and *Meredith, Leon and Kim, Karl, Steve, Dave “Pops”, Carl “Dooks”, Tim “Handlebars”,* and *Dave*, braved the early afternoon cold weather to get some lunch and see the sun come out to warm thigs up a bit for the ride home. Total the ride was about 50 miles.

Rider *Leon*, while on a trip to NC, stopped at a Veterans Memorial in Carthage to see the names of the service Member from Moore County that have been KIA starting at WWI to present day.

Rider’s *Rick, Carl* and *Pops* attended the Legacy Kick-Off Meeting to get the info needed to the Riders to register and get ready for the Legacy Run, which is being held in Colonial Beach VA this year in June. You may see some fund raising activities like a state wide 50/50 and a gun raffle at the post, please support the Virginia Legacy Run by buying these raffle items.

A Rider competed in the SAL Chili Cook-Off held at the Post, even though he didn’t win, it was a great time with 11 chili’s competing.

Riders helped with maintenance and house cleaning along with the SAL to clean up the shared office space and to start the demolition/reconstruction of the Post 10 Parade float. Thanks guys for the hard work.

March’s Polar Bear ride will be St. Patrick’s Day Parade in the City of Manassas.

☐ **ATTENTION: Meeting Schedule:** Please take note of a permanent change to our monthly meeting schedule. To ensure more of our members can attend, we are moving our meetings from Tuesday nights to Thursday nights.

Maintenance & Readiness: Now is the time to start preparing for Spring riding. While looking over your bike remember to look for missing or loose nuts and bolts, leaks, worn or broken parts and take care of the ASAP, fix them now not on the side of the road.

Ride Safe and Ride Proud,

Director, *David Albrecht*—ALR Chapter 10

The Chapter 10 Officers for God and Country



Submitted photos



TO THE VIETNAM VETERAN

TO THOSE WHO RETURNED WITH NO ONE TO GREET THEM.
TO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TOLD PTSD WOULD GO AWAY
IN TIME.

TO THOSE WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN TOLD THANK YOU OR
WELCOME HOME.

TO THOSE WHO RETURNED BUT ARE STILL HAUNTED BY
THE NIGHTMARES OF WAR.

TO THOSE WHO STILL REACT TO A BACKFIRE AND
BREAK A SWEAT AT THE SOUND OF A CHOPPER.

TO THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM AGENT ORANGE EXPOSURE
AND ARE STILL FIGHTING THE LAST BATTLE.

TO THOSE WHO FOUGHT BATTLES IN THE JUNGLES OF
VIETNAM AND HERE AT HOME.

TO THOSE WHO HAVE MORE FRIENDS ON THE
VIETNAM MEMORIAL WALL THAN ALIVE TODAY.



THANK YOU!





Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 10, JIMMY BRYANT
Memorial Golf Tournament, APRIL 17, 2026, Sponsor Registration Form:

Sponsor Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Contact Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

___ **"EVENT SPONSOR"** (\$2,500.00) includes a sign in your, "COMPANY NAME" on a designated hole, recognition during the Tournament Awards Ceremony, Four (4) Individual Players (a team) entered in the Tournament, and your Company Name displayed as the Event Sponsor larger at the top of our banner at the Tournament and the Awards Ceremony.

___ **"ELITE SPONSOR"** (\$1,000.00) includes a sign in your, "COMPANY NAME" on a designated hole, recognition during the Tournament Awards Ceremony, Four (4) Individual Players (a team) entered in the Tournament, and your Company Name displayed on a banner in larger font as an elite sponsor at the Tournament and the Awards Ceremony.

___ **"GOLD LEVEL"** (\$600.00) includes a sign in your, "COMPANY NAME" on a designated hole, recognition during the Tournament Awards Ceremony, Four (4) Individual Players (a team) entered in the Tournament, and your Company Name displayed on a banner at the Tournament and the Awards Ceremony.

___ **"SILVER LEVEL"** (\$250.00) includes a sign in your, "COMPANY NAME" on a designated hole, recognition during the Tournament Awards Ceremony, One (1) Individual Player entered in the Tournament, and your Company Name displayed on a banner at the Tournament and the Awards Ceremony.

___ **"BRONZE LEVEL"** (\$100.00) includes a sign in your, "COMPANY NAME" on a designated hole, recognition during the Tournament Awards Ceremony, and your Company Name displayed on a banner at the Tournament and the Awards Ceremony.

___ **"CASH DONATION"** Please make check payable to, "The American Legion, Post 10, SAL".

The proceeds from the Sons of the American Legion events support its mission of providing needed services to Veterans and their families as well as funding numerous local and regional charities. In recent years, S.A.L. Post 10 Manassas has submitted numerous donations to include USO, Habitat for Humanity, Fisher House Foundation, NJROTC, Virginia Special Olympics, Comfort Our Troops Foundation, Make-A-Wish, American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, Children's Miracle Network, Boy Scouts of America, Food for Others, Final Salute Inc., American Legion Charities including Boys State & Youth Baseball, and many others supporting local people in need. SAL campaigns place emphasis on preserving American traditions and values, improving the quality of life for our nation's children, and teaching the fundamentals of good citizenship.



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, SQUADRON 10
JIMMY BRYANT MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY GOLF COURSE, NOKESVILLE, VA
APRIL 17, 2026

Four Person Teams/ Captains Choice - All are welcome to attend. The first 144 golfers registered will be accepted. 0830 Shotgun Start!! NO RAIN DATE!!!

COST:

\$110 Per Golfer - Includes round of golf, door prize, and 50/50 drawing.

\$440 Per Team (4 golfers) - Includes round of golf, door prize, & 50/50 drawing for each golfer.

Sponsors - Please see Sponsor Registration Form.

TOURNAMENT PRIZES:

- Top Three Teams and Our Infamous "Horses Ass Trophy"
- Closest to the Pin (Par Three's) Including "The Hamm Hole"
- Longest Drive(s) - Women (Red Tee) / Men (White Tee)

Golfers over sixty years of age may use Gold Tees, if desired. **NO MULLIGANS!!!**

Please mail completed form with golfer names, phone numbers and email addresses along with check payable to:

American Legion Post 10
Attn: Tom Ramirez or Mike Dixon
9950 Cockrell Road, Manassas, VA 20110

Please mail no later than APRIL 10, 2026

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tom Ramirez at bdaddy8@comcast.net or Mike Dixon at mdixon7744@gmail.com.

- Pre-registration along with payment is preferred due to the tournament size.
- All tournament prizes will be distributed after the tournament at the Awards Ceremony at Post 10.
- Food and refreshments will be provided as well as a 50/50 drawing.
- All tournament proceeds benefit the Sons of the American Legion Post 10 charities.

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The Golf Tournament will be played rain or shine unless the golf course facility closes due to inclement weather, in which case a rain check will be issued to all registered and paid players.



Post 10 Commander's Report



Hello Legion Family,

We've finally hit March. I hope everyone *will* have a great time at the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, 14 March. I apologize about the parade float, but hopefully we will get it repaired soon. Safety is our top priority. After the parade stop at the Post for lunch.

Next month we have our BBQ Showdown and the Sons Golf Tournament. Come on out and have some fun with us. I also want to give a big shout out to the Unity Reed JROTC program—they took first place in the Department Drill competition. Congratulations!

We will also be reopening on Mondays and Tuesdays starting on March 9th. We still need to find a way to cut costs, but the experimentation with shutting down those two days didn't pan out. We will figure out what to do and what is needed to keep our doors open. Don't worry.

Remember, the General Membership meetings are now held at 1100 hours on the third Saturday of the month instead of 1000, and the Executive Meeting is at 0900 hours the same day. I'd love to see a good crowd in attendance. Also, anyone is welcome to attend the Executive Meeting if you are curious, it is almost always an open-door meeting.

As always, let me close by saying that in every family, communication is the thread that weaves trust, understanding, and connection together. This is especially true within our community of veterans, where challenges are deeply personal and often invisible to the outside world.

Communication provides a lifeline between isolation and healing. A simple conversation, a sincere question about someone's well-being, or just being present and truly listening—these small gestures can offer profound comfort to those who might otherwise suffer in silence. They remind us that no one faces their struggles alone.

Let this serve as a reminder to embrace the power of communication—to Be the One who listens, who reaches out, who shows compassion. Every act of connection helps build a stronger, more resilient support network. Together, we can help ensure no veteran feels left behind.

For God and Country,

Stanley C. Moore, Your American Legion Post 10 Commander
all10commander@yahoo.com



**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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