



Legion Family,

In the June meeting we elected several new officers, please help me congratulate and welcome them to their new positions: Karl Wendel as 2nd Vice, Chris Meenan as Adjutant, Terry Zlateff as House Cmte Chair, Becca Deuel as Sargent at Arms, Karen Wendel as Historian. Also, Mike Koenigsman will be shifting from PR to Judge Advocate. For the next few weeks, they will be shadowing and learning their new jobs. Jul 22nd is the installation dinner where they will be sworn into their positions, can't beat the price with a \$2 sign up at the Patriot Bar. Sign up early and show your support for your ALL your new leadership, Legion, Auxiliary, Son's and Riders. I look forward to working with you all!

With that said, we have several open offices – Public Relations, Bar Committee and Honor Guard Captain. These are important positions that cannot go empty for long. We can take this Legion to the next level, but we need these positions filled, and work together to do it. Let me know if you are interested, or... I'll just have to pick one of you at random 😊. I would also like to thank all those that have remained in your positions, with the turnover we will need the experienced advice!

For our revitalization efforts, the meeting room is being painted and Patriots Bar stage will be built soon. Please excuse the mess while making our post the honorable, respectful home it is intended to be.

In mid-June, Jennifer and I were watching Band of Brothers (we were busy for Memorial Day) and she asked me if we ever do anything special for the Purple Heart recipients, (I know, she's awesome isn't she?!). I asked our new Second Vice, Karl, to explore doing something special for our Purple Heart recipients. Karl did some research and found that while Camdenton and several other cities nearby are Purple Heart cities, Camden County was not a Purple Heart County. He drew up a proclamation and within 3 days Karl had us at the courthouse talking to the County Commission, easiest sell ever, of course they approved it! Post 624 will provide signage on all major highways into the county. To celebrate this, there will be a ceremony at the courthouse Aug 7th honoring the

Purple Heart recipients and Camden county. Come show your support for these Hero's among us! More information to follow. I hope all the Purple Heart recipients in the county, or out, will join us and be recognized. You earned it.

Our post is starting a "new" program to help widows and vets. This is not new, this is what the American Legion was founded to do. We care for the widows and children of those of us that are gone, and we help each other. Although we cannot do anything that requires licensing such as electrical or plumbing, we can do minor repairs and many other things. I would like to thank Ron Spry for stepping up to coordinate this endeavor. Please contact him at (402) 699-6852 or Jim Morton at (573)374-3013 if you have any skills or time you would like to share, or if you are needing assistance. This is not a guarantee of assistance, we will assess whether we have the talent and volunteers to assist, and do our best.

Missouri American Legion's State Convention will be July 13th to 16th in Springfield. I am looking forward to representing the finest Post in Missouri! I hope to return with information and ideas that can help us.

Thank you, Legion Family, for all your trust and support for another year,

Austin Teel

Commander Post 624



The time has come for my last auxiliary article, it has been a fast 2 years. I will be forever grateful, thankful and humbled by all the support and kindness you have given me during my term as your president. The executive board and committees have worked diligently to make the best decision for the auxiliary. Also, a thank you to the legion commander and legion family who was always there to support me. I am sure that all of you will give Lisa Seward, our new president the same support and guidance that was given to me. Once again Thank You.

Following are the executive board's name and position for the 2023/2024 year.

President- Lisa Seward

1st Vice- Betty Hovey

2nd Vice- Jessica Simpson

Secretary- Cathy Blamy

Treasurer- Deborah Schnoebelen

Chaplain- Shirley Dull

Historian- Karen Abbiatti

Sargent- At Arms- Josephine Rice-Wilson

Assistant Sargent- At Arms- Jane Boyce

Member at Large- Sheila Spry

Member at Large- Donna Engelbert

Member at Large- Michelle Koenigsman

Please remember the installation dinner for the 2023/2024 officers will be July 22nd at 6:00 PM.

There is a \$2.00 charge per person. Please sign up at the front bar. Also, a quick reminder that August 1st begins our new year. Auxiliary memberships will be

\$40.00.

The auxiliary garage sale fundraiser was a great success. Thank you all for helping make it possible.

Thought for the month:

Every minute someone leaves this world behind. We are all in “the line” without knowing it. We never know how many are before us. We cannot move to the back of the line. We cannot step out of line. We cannot avoid the line.

So, while we wait in line...

Make moments count

Make priorities

Make the time

Make your gifts known

Make a nobody feel like a somebody

Make your voice heard

Make the small things big

Make someone smile

Make change

Make love

Make up

Make peace

Make sure to tell your people they are loved

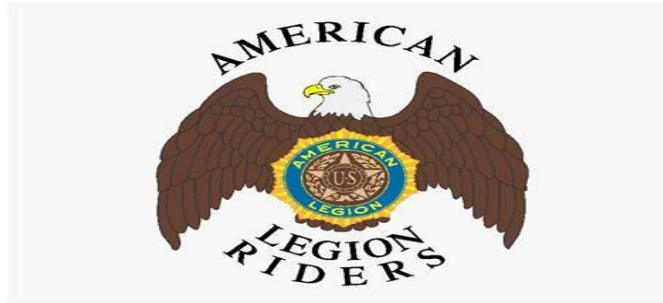
Make sure to have no regrets

Make sure you are ready

Respectfully

Betty Hovey

President



**Home of the
Lake Thunder Riders**

2023/2024 Officers election result:

Director: Bill Meenan

Assistant Director: John Seward

Secretary: Chris Meenan

Treasurer: Clara Clarke

Road Captain: Brian Fox

Sgt at Arms: Jack Littlepage

Safety: Ron Rice

Chaplain: Ted Cone

When I say I'm an American,

Several emotions sweep through me.

American is my way of life,

and the fourth of July reminds me of strife.

For a free nation and free speech,

My country, for you I will never breach....

*With the open road in front of me, my troubles fly behind. Brothers and sisters
ride safe and keep the rubber side down.*



Sons of the American Legion

Report for July 2023

During June the SAL held a dinner on Wednesday June 14th, Flag Day, which consisted of: tenderloin sandwich, chips, Cole slaw and a dessert. A total of 57 dinners were prepared and served by Paul Henderson, Matt Laughlin, Joe Brunk, David Young, Karen Mellody(Ladies Auxiliary) and Jim Mellody. Thanks to all that aided in a successful night.

SAL also held their monthly meeting on Wednesday June 7th. Unfortunately, only 5 members of the SAL were in attendance out of a possible 60 members. On the agenda of the meeting was the nomination of officers for 2023/2024. As the meeting began I, Jim Mellody, current Commander informed those present that I will not seek to be reelected as Commander. This decision was not an easy to make and made with a sad heart. Thanks to the SAL organization for the past 11 years. Once my feelings were made known the nomination and election of new officers was postponed until the next SAL meeting on Wednesday July 12th at 6:30 PM, after the SAL prepared meal. To all current members, if there is a desire to continue the SAL at Post 624 you need to attend the July meeting. The future of this important organization is in your hands.

The lack of interest is very hard to take and understand. A very few members show any concern for the purpose and honor involved in membership. To a man the few that are commented do so in memory of their Fathers or Grandfathers that did serve in the military. I ask you to take a soul searching look at why you are a member of the SAL. To honor the memory of your loved ones that did serve and give back or some other reason?

My last day as Commander will be July 31st. Watch for news of SAL either on the Post Facebook page or flyers posted. If no one is elected commander I will still be available until the future has been decided. A sincere and emotional thank you to all my Brothers and Sisters of Post 624.

Jim Mellody, Commander SAL

The American Legion Zack Wheat Post 624

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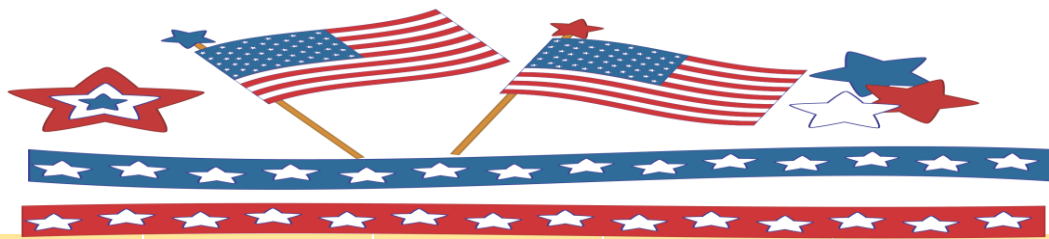
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July 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3 Shuffelboard 3pm	4th of July	5 Wing Night 5-630pm SAL Meeting 630pm OK Shuffelboard 5pm	6 Kitchen Meeting 2pm Calendar Meeting 3pm Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm	7 Auxiliary Spagetti Dinner or Fried Fish 5-6:30pm Music by Fender Benders 4:30-7:30pm	8 Combat Veterans Meeting 12pm
9	10 Shuffelboard 3pm	11 Eboard Meeting 615pm Gen Meeting 7pm Aux Meeting 7pm	12 OK Shuffelboard 5pm SAL Dinner Tenderloin, Chips & Slaw ALR Meeting 630pm	13 Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm	14 AUX Open Faced Roast Beef, mashed Taters& candied carrots or Fried Fish&sides 5-630pm	15 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>
16 Print Newsletter	17 Folding Newsletter 9am Shuffelboard 3pm	18	19 OK Shuffelboard 5pm ALR Mexican Night 5-630pm Music Ron Mosier 6-9p Youngsters Meeting 630pm	20 Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm	21 Legionairs Dinner Baked Chicken, mashed taters, green beans or fried Fish w sides Music Mitchshield 6-	22 Installation Dinner Meeting 6pm Dinner 7pm
23	24 Shuffelboard 3pm	25	26 OK Shuffelboard 5pm AUX Hamburger Night 5-630pm	27 Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm	28 Riders Dinner BBQ Porksteak Tatar Salad & Corn on the Cob or Fried Fish w sides 5-630pm	29
30	31 Shuffelboard 3pm	Notes The Post will be closed on Independence day. Have a safe Holiday Every 2nd Friday Tabletop Bingo at 1 pm in the LakeView Bar Every 3rd Fridy Bunco at 1pm in the Lake View Bar Installation Dinner \$2 Sign up at Patriots Bar				

August 2023



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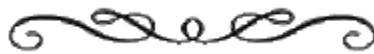


Joe Garrett

October 26, 1946 – May 28, 2023

US Army

Vietnam War



Jerry L. West

April 03, 1944 – May 11, 2023

US Army

Vietnam War

AMERICAN LEGION POST 624 4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

Rollings Hills Country Club
13986 Country Club Road
Versailles, MO 65084
573-378-5109
Friday, August 25, 2023

AMERICAN LEGION GOLF TOURNAMENT HOLE SPONSOR

Yes, I would like to sponsor a hole in the American Legion Post 624 four person scramble on August 25, 2023 at a cost of \$50.00. Shotgun start at 10:00 AM. Proceeds from this tournament will go to The American Legion Post 624 Programs.

Business or Organization Name: _____

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Mail To: Ron Naber, PO Box 493
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American Legion Post 624

Four-Person Scramble

Friday, August 25, 2023

Hosted By

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13986 Country Club Road

Versailles, MO 65084 573-378-5109

Entries must be received by August 19th, 2023
Proceeds will go to: American Legion Programs

Shotgun start at 10:00 am

Entry Fee: \$240.00 per four-person team (\$60 per person)

Entry fee includes: 18 holes of golf with cart, prize money, mulligans, par 3 insurance and attendance prizes. Also includes post-tournament meal at the golf course. Prize money will be awarded by flights. Prizes will also be awarded for longest putt on designated holes. The 2023 event will start earlier than the past, with a 10:00 am Shotgun, hopefully this will help avoid the hottest part of the day.

Team Captain: _____

Phone: _____

Team Member: _____

Team Member: _____

Team Member: _____

Make Entry Fee Checks payable to: The American Legion Post 624.

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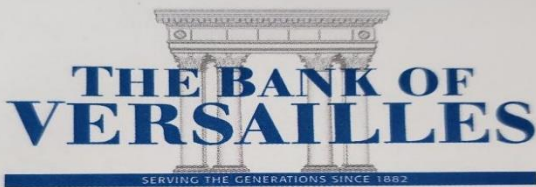
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