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Commander Newsletter Input – November 2024

Happy Month!! November is a month of giving thanks and I wanted to start by thanking those few but mighty volunteers who always stand up, hook up, and go when asked for help or support! From those who are the doers on the E-Board, to our great bartenders and maintenance staff, to our color guard and house committee, to those who come out for dinners and music, to those few who attend meetings, or just come and support our events and bar with your presence...thank you for your support of our Post!! These few but mighty supporters reside in every entity, the Legion, Auxiliary, Sons, and Riders, so take time this month to thank them for their service to our Post Veterans and families and to those in our community!! They truly are a blessing to us all!! This is also Military Family Month and dedicates November to military families around the world. The observance recognizes the commitment and dedication these families make to their service members. Their sacrifices make it possible for our military to remain organized and strong. While their servicemen and women are actively serving, deployed or training, their families provide a vital foundation at home that allows confidence in the field. Spouses and children are often separated from their service members for long periods of time and over great distances. For anyone who has deployed, you know that communications can be patchy and under stressful conditions. And families frequently move uprooting children and jobs. As an example, our oldest went to four high schools as we changed duty stations every year. But military families adapt and overcome in any crisis or situation. During November, the Nation honors the military families who make the U.S. Armed Forces strong!! So, take time this month to thank a Veteran, Active Duty, Reserve, or National Guard service member or family member for their service by giving back...Read upcoming legislation and learn how it impacts our military, Veterans, and their families and then get out and vote, volunteer or donate services to our Post or other military organizations, or just find the Veterans who are all around us and tell them Thank You!! God Bless You All!!

John Seward

Commander American Legion Post 624



Auxiliary Newsletter Input November 2024

Happy Pumpkin Spice Season-my favorite time of year!! Keep a sweater in the car, turn off the air conditioning, and open the windows – I Love It!!! Thank you all for coming through to help in October! Our Silent Auction and Oktoberfest themed food was a huge success thanks to Christy Fischer-our Kitchen/Fund Raiser Guru!! She can wrangle the help like no other and puts on amazing events! Thanks to Michelle Koenigsman and her crew for organizing our group for Trunk or Treat! The community comes together and makes a wonderful night for the kids. And we are off to November:

2 November: Our Fall Bazaar and Bake Sale, 9am-3pm. Please consider using your culinary skills to send in some baked goods-our bake sale did very well last year!

4 November: 9am. Please join us in the kitchen as we make it sparkle.

4 & 18 November: Game Day. 1:30pm.

5 November: Meeting night at 7pm. Come for Taco Tuesday from 4:30-5:45pm. Taco Tuesday is becoming a big hit with the entire Legion!

11 November: Veterans Day Breakfast and Bake Sale. 8-10:30am with Ceremony to follow at 11am. Serving the Veterans and First Responders is such a privilege. Surprise Speaker so come out and celebrate with us!!

15 November: The Post Christmas Dinner attendance sign-up will be available at the Patriots Bar.

20 November: Newcomers Luncheon. 10am-2pm. Many hands make this a wonderful fundraiser for us.

22 November: Thanksgiving Dinner, 5-6:30pm. Please sign up at the Patriots Bar to bring food. We still need turkeys!!

27-28 November: Kitchen Closed.

3 December: Meeting night at 7pm. This is our Christmas Party so bring a gift valued around \$25 and bring a “pupu” (finger food in Hawaiian) to share. We say “Heavy Pupus” if they have meat!!

Thank you, Ladies and one Gentleman, for all you do in support of our Veterans and our community!!

Lisa Seward

Post 624 Auxiliary President



SAL Members,

Just a few reminders for this month.

November 2nd Start of Turkey Shoot 12pm
November 5th Meeting 630pm
November 12th Dinner Tenderloin 5-630pm

Have a safe Holiday Season

SAL Commander
Paul Henderson



Hey All,

Fall is here!!! The riders have been busy with several festivals lately with our gun raffle. If you haven't gotten a chance to enter, please see one of the riders. Drawing will be on Veterans Day. We also have new hi-vis shirts available for sale.

Clara Clarke and JoAnne Rice have been doing a fantastic job in the kitchen for our rider's dinner so keep watch on the calendar for one of those dates.

Lastly, Christmas is just around the corner and we will be looking for volunteers to assist in placing wreaths. Let me know if you would like to help out.

Thank you all and have a great holiday season.


Tiffany Fox

ALR Director

DECEMBER 2024

Guests are always welcome

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Game Day 130pm 3pm Shuffle Board 3pm	3 E-Board Meeting 6PM General Meeting 7PM Auxiliary Meeting 7PM	4 SAL Meeting 630pm No Wed Dinner	5	6 AUX Dinner TBD 5pm-630pm Fender Benders 4-7pm	7 Turkey Shoot 11 am Kitchen open 11 am-2pm Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
8 Chiefs Game 720pm Kickoff Bring a Covered Dish	9 Mission Stables 8am Kitchen/Calendar Meeting 11am Shuffle Board 3pm	10	11 X-MAS DINNER 5pm-630 ALR Meeting 630pm	12	13 Aux Dinner TBD 5pm-630pm	14 Turkey Shoot 11 am Kitchen open 11 am-2pm Army / Navy Game 2pm bring a covered dish (Tailgate Potluck) Wreaths across America
15 Chiefs Game 12pm Kickoff Bring a Covered Dish	16 Game day 130pm - 3pm Shuffle Board 3pm	17	18 Santa at Laurie Care Center 130pm	19	20 Aux Dinner TBD 5-630pm Starla & Scotty 5-8pm	21 Turkey Shoot 11 am Kitchen open 11 am-2pm Chiefs Game 12pm Please no outside food - Kitchen open
22	23 Shuffle Board 3pm	24 Christmas Eve Post closing at 6pm	25 Post closed 	26	27 Aux Dinner TBD 5-630pm	28 Turkey Shoot 11 am Kitchen open 11 am-2pm
29	30	31 New Years Eve Part 5-8pm Fender Bender 5-8pm	1 New Years Black Eyed Peas & Ham, Cornbread	2	3 AUX Dinner TBD 5-630pm	4 Turkey Shoot 11 am Kitchen open 11 am-2pm
5 Chiefs Game TBD	6	Notes December Menu for Friday Dinners to be determined 12/14 Wreaths Across America Ceremony 10 AM @ VFW Post 5923 in Camdenton followed by Wreaths laying at Blair Memorial Cemetery				

American Legion Post 624 - GET INVOLVED TODAY!

Activity/Event	Date(s)	Who We Need	What <u>YOU</u> will be doing	Special Skills Needed	Point(s) of Contact
Mission Stables Monday	Monthly on the Monday following the Legion General Meeting 9 AM	All Legion Units TAL, ALA, SAL, ALR	This is a monthly team workday for our entire Legion. Officers and committee members from all units are available. The <u>calendar meeting</u> happens on this day as well as Buddy Checks, House Committee and Bar Committee.	Schedule your special event and committee meetings on Mission Stables Mondays to take advantage of access to unit officers and Legion members.	Legion Officers, Committee Chairs
New! Wreaths Across America	14 December 0900-1200	All Legion Units TAL, ALA, SAL, ALR	Laying wreaths on veteran graves at Dale Blair Memorial Cemetery in Camdenon	Warm clothing and shoes.	Karen Wendell (904) 364-8863 TAL Historian
Local Veteran Visits They are <u>NOT</u> forgotten	Monthly Check calendar for day and time. Meet at the Laurie Care Center	All Legion Units TAL, ALA, SAL, ALR	Making in-person visits to our Veterans in the Laurie Care Center. 2-hour visit each month.	Time and Compassion.	Jamie Slinkard (573) 578-6481
Buddy Checks Be The ONE A veteran is 50 percent more likely to take his or her life than a person who has never served in the military. This must stop.	Mission Stables Mondays Check calendar for day and time.	All Legion Units TAL, ALA, SAL, ALR	Checking on fellow Legionaires with a phone call in-person at the post. A contact information list and a discussion topic card will be provided. A simple call can make a difference.	Communication Skills, Listening, Answering Questions. (Bring your charged phone).	Rich Fischer (573) 505-3055
Honor Guard	Every time we get the call.	TAL	Honoring fallen veterans at funerals and celebration of life ceremonies. Performing patriotic ceremonies at the post and other venues.	A calling to honor our fallen Veterans and the military manual of arms (Don't worry, it will come back to you)	Keith Moss (816) 809-6789 Brian Smith (816) 392-8788 Elyse Smith (816) 392-1828
Post 624 House & Grounds Committee	Every Monday 9 AM Just show up. No pre-arrangement needed.	All Legion Units TAL, ALA, SAL, ALR	Maintaining our awesome American Legion post as a member of the House & Grounds Committee. Fixing, maintaining, upgrading, constructing, improving.	All skill levels in Carpentry, Electrical, Electronics, Plumbing, HVAC, Painting, Landscaping, Organizing, Cleaning	Rich Fischer (573) 505-3055



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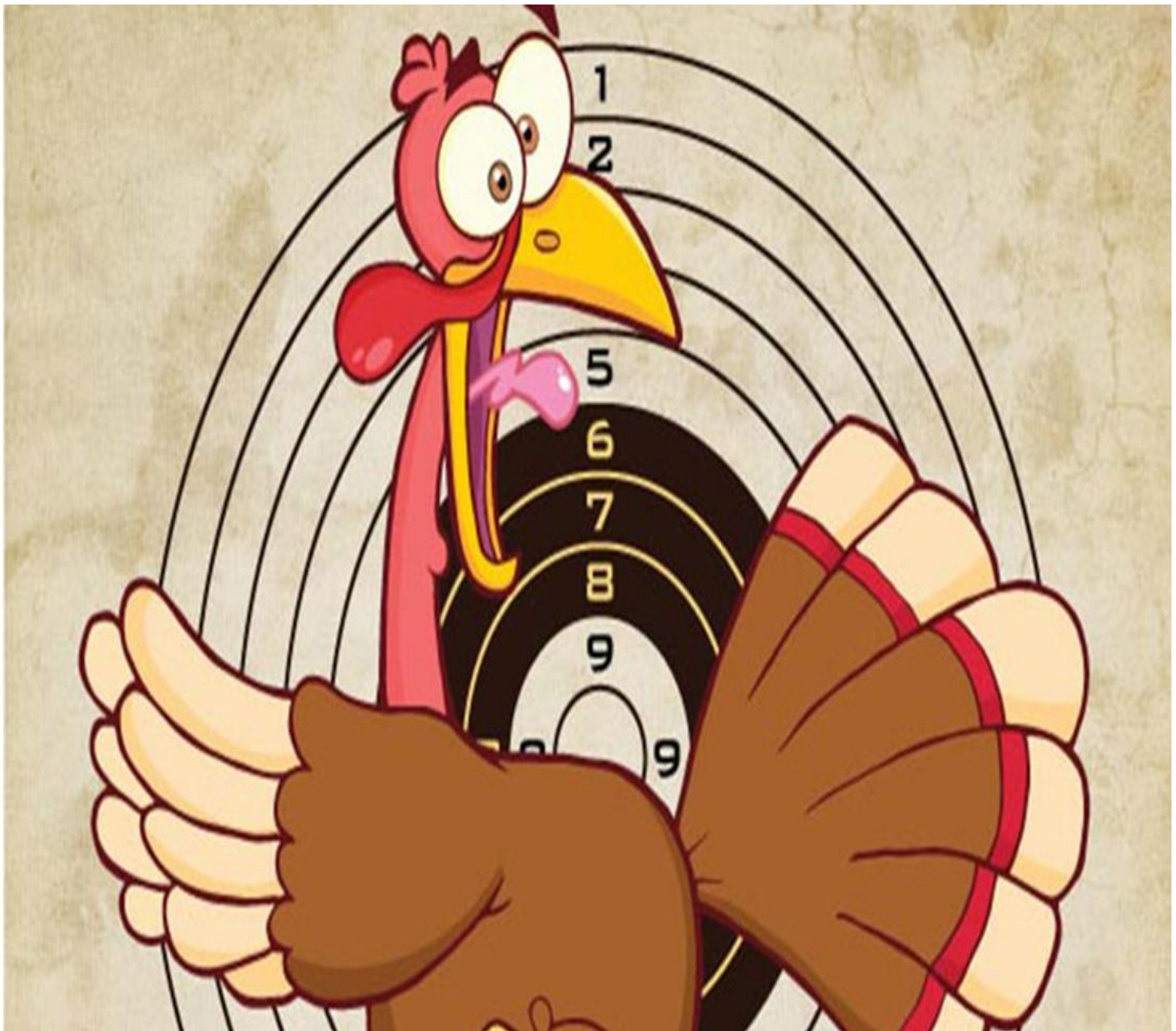
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NO VETERAN LEFT BEHIND



**TURKEY SHOOT STARTS AGAIN
NOVEMBER 2ND 2024
SIGN UP AT 11AM
SHOOT STARTS AT 12PM**





Fall Bazaar & Bake Sale

Saturday, November 2nd, 2024

The American Legion Auxiliary, Post 624, Sunrise Beach, MO

invite you to attend or participate in our

Fall Bazaar & Bake Sale

Saturday, November 2nd, 9:00am-3:00pm at the American Legion

Questions: Contact Christy Fischer, 913 708-1760, christy.r.fischer@outlook.com

Breakfast & Lunch available with all proceeds benefiting the efforts of the Auxiliary to support our Veterans & Community

Details to Participate in the Fall Bazaar:

- Set up inside Saturday, November 2nd, 7:00am-9:00am
- Break down/clean up Saturday, November 2nd, 3:00pm-5:00pm
- \$25.00 per 8' table
- Complete form & mail to: American Legion Aux Post 624, 28724 White Oak Road, Gravois Mills, MO 65037
- Make checks payable to: American Legion Aux Post 624
- As a participant, we ask that you please donate one item for a door prize please
- Event will be promoted via social media, newspaper, radio & more

Name: _____ Number of Tables: _____ Total \$: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Booth Title/Description: _____

Release: Waiver of Liability: In consideration of your accepting this application, I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, my executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the American Legion Post 624 and their agents, sponsors, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in this event.

Signature: _____

2024 Thanksgiving Dinner

November 22 from 5-630pm

The Meal is free of charge but food donations are welcomed

Sign up List for Food Donation will be posted at the Patriots Bar on October 15th

We are looking forward sharing this meal with You

Wreath Across America

December 14th 2024

Ceremony at VFW Post 5923 in Camdenon

at 10 am

Followed by laying of the Wreaths

at Dale Memorial Cemetery

at 11 am

Announcement:

We have started a new event at the Post. On the 1st Monday immediately following the week of our monthly membership meeting, we are hosting “Mission Stables”. Much like the motor stables you remember as a Soldier, it is a time for everyone to show up and help your Post. Instead of several different days of the month with work events, this is your one day a month to come out and help the Post and its mission. The House Committee will be working in the morning starting at 9am with the monthly Kitchen/Calendar Meeting at 11am. Following this meeting, we will be conducting Buddy Checks on our Post membership from 1-2pm. Every member and every entity at the Post can support these missions...anything you can do will be value added!

Please come out and help. Thank You