

#### Legion Family,

Thank you all who came out to the Purple Heart Ceremony on National Purple Heart Day Aug 7<sup>th</sup>! It was a huge success with all entities present and accounted for! Master Sergeant Sean Tobias Ambriz shared some of his wartime challenges, leading to receiving his Purple Heart. Check out his book "Ghosts of the Valley" Gut-wrenching story to say the least. There to accept The Proclamation was the presiding County Commissioner Ike Skelton and 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner James Gohagen. Their approval of the proclamation shows their respect and admiration for Purple Heart recipients and Veterans in general.

We also started some asphalt repairs to the parking lot on Aug 21<sup>st</sup>. Sealing is currently scheduled for Sept 18<sup>th</sup> and striping mid to late October. Scheduling on a big project like this is a bit flexible, so we will update on Facebook when info is available.

This upcoming month is very busy for all. On meeting night (Sept 5<sup>th</sup>) we have a guest speaker from Suits for Soldiers speaking at 630-7, on the 6<sup>th</sup> will be simultaneous SAL and ALR Meetings. On the 10<sup>th</sup> we have the district meeting, all Legionnaires are welcome and encouraged to attend! Memorial Ride will be on Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, from breakfast at Camdenton VFW Post 5923 to lunch and entertainment at AL Post 624. Got friends coming for bike week? Please invite any riders you know, membership encouraged but not required, no entry fee! Hope to see you there! If you can't join the ride, show your flags on the route!

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> (22 - the Daily Veteran Suicide Rate) we will kick off our monthly Buddy Check from 12-2. All are encouraged to assist in calling our members to check up on them. This is NOT a sales call; we are not asking for dues. We want to see if they are doing ok, see if they need any help from our Legion's new group Veteran's Helping Veteran's, see if they are getting the newsletter, update phone/email/physical addresses, and to invite them to the next few post events see if they need a ride. What can we do for them? Bottom line, to let them know YOU care about them, not their dues. This is a community, a fellowship, a kinship. Help me help you help them!

Thank you, Legion Family, for your continued trust and support,

**Austin Teel** 

**Commander Post 624** 



#### **Auxiliary Newsletter Input**

Fall is coming...my favorite time of year!!

If you are interested in the kitchen and what we do there, please attend a kitchen orientation on 26 August at 9:00am. Everyone is welcome-new and old!!

More kitchen news: After her many years of service to the Auxiliary and our Post, Susan Huff has stepped down to pursue other things. Please join me in thanking her for her outstanding support of our Legion and Auxiliary!! Let us all welcome Jessica Simpson as she takes over as head of our kitchen! We look forward to working with her and are excited to move forward in this new direction! On that note, we could really use extra help in September as the Riders have events that prevent them from cooking on their normal Wednesday and Friday meals. Therefore, the Auxiliary is picking up their days to ensure every meal is covered. This offers a great opportunity to get your feet wet in the kitchen and join a great group of ladies making a difference for Veterans and their families.

Thanks to Christy Fischer for raising money for the Auxiliary! She raised \$520 from Redd's BBQ and \$175 from a cake auction in August. The August cake was an amazing carrot cake graciously donated by Kay's Kakes. Thanks so much for your generosity!!

Heads up!!! Our first silent auction will be 7 October during the Mouse Races. Please start collecting those new and slightly used items to donate. The back table in the Auxiliary room is open for donation item drop off.

I am always amazed at the outstanding dedication of our wonderful ladies Auxiliary!! Thanks for your continued support of our Post, our Veterans, and our community!

Lisa Seward

**American Legion** 

**Auxiliary President** 



#### Home of the Lake Thunder Riders

2023 BIKEFEST is fast approaching. Many things to keep in mind...

\*As you are aware there will be an obvious increase in the number of motorcycles and general traffic at our Lake. Please stay vigilant of your surroundings.

\*We encourage as many guests as possible to welcome the Motorcycle riders to OUR post at NOON after the Veterans Memorial Ride on Friday, September 15. Come support YOUR American Legion Riders and their friends from near and far.

\*OUR own John Seward and his buddies of FENDER BENDERS will be performing Friday, September 15 from 1230-330p.

\*Donation lunch is being prepared by and served by OUR own Auxiliary members.

\*Come take a peek and place YOUR bids on items for the silent auction.

Many man hours and many volunteers make this event a HUGE success.

A whole lot of THANKYOU's go out to Post 624 members, various business sponsors, Fire, Law and EMS for supporting and participating in a wonderful event!

**Bill Meenan** 

**Retired Army MSG** 



Welcome all SAL and the new ones.

It's going to be a great year as we are off to a great start. Got some more kitchen help and great meals coming. Sept will be steak night and great cooks. The Sons are growing fast. We need more of you. If you Like to join call or see me or any member at the post. We have a great squadron and getting bigger and better. Getting new ideals and having a lot of fun. Our meeting is the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. You can come out for Wing-night at 5pm, have a great meal and then come to the meeting.

Dues being only \$25 a year. If your mother or dad or grandparents have served you are in. It's a great way to honor them. Hope to see you around the post and have a safe and wonderful month.

Commander

Tom Hohnecker

Zack Wheat American Legion Post 624

Lake Thunder Riders

# Veteran's Memorial Ride

Friday September 15th



FREE and open for ALL RIDERS!

Support our Great American Veterans!

10:00 - Staging & Breakfast - Camdenton VFW Post 5923 (Denseline Accepted)

11:30 - KSU - Local LEO Escorted Ride

12:00 - Arrive - American Legion Post 624

12:00 - Post 624 Auxiliary Lunch (Constinu Accepted)

1:30 - Silent Auction

12:30 - 3:30

Live Music

Fender Benders

Bikefest Passport Stop

852 American Legion Dr. Sunrise Beach, MO



#### **Announcement**

#### VETERANS HELPING WIDOWS AND OTHER VETERANS

Thank you for letting us help, just remember if you need us just let us know. We have several veterans who want to make your lives better, remove/fix some of your household problems. Please contact Jim Morton 573 374 3013 or Ron Spry 402 699 6852.

Please do not forget that we are also helping "Share the Harvest" Food Kitchen. we have two barrels in the Post main Bar area to collect donations. As you enter the building you can deposit your contribution in the Food Barrel. Easy deal, cans or box food items are appreciated. Remember to help those who need help. Thank you for your support.

#### The American Legion Zack Wheat Post 624

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#### September 2023

Guests are always Welcome



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
27	28 Shuffelboard 3pm	29	30	31	1 Auxiliary Spagetti Dinner or Fried Fish Music by Fender Benders 4:30-7:30pm	2	
3	4 Shuffelboard 3pm	Eboard Meeting 615pm Gen Meeting 7pm Aux Meeting 7pm Speaker for Suits for Soldiers	Wing Night 5-630pm SAL Meeting 630pm ALR Meeting 630pm Music by Jay the DJ 6-9pm	7 Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm	AUX Dinner Baked Chicken or Fried Fish 5-630pm Music by Mitch Shields 6-9pm Table Bingo 1pm Lakeview Bar	9	
District 8 Meeting Post 202 Columbia 1pm	Shuffelboard 3pm Patriot Day Check Bar for drink Special	Kitchen Meeting 2pm Calendar Meeting 3 pm Dart-league start- up 6-8pm	OK Shuffelboard 5pm SAL Dinner Grilled Pork steak 5-630pm No ALR Meeting Start of LOZ Bikefest	14 Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm LOZ Bikefest	ALR Lunch 12pm,silent auction Leg Prime Rib Dinner 5-630pm Music:The Lockharts 630- 930pm Deadline Newsletter	LOZ Bikefest	
Printing Newsletter End of LOZ Bikefest Chiefs Football 12 pm	Folding Newsletter 9am Shuffelboard 3pm	19 Dart-League 6-8p	20 OK Shuffelboard 5pm Auxiliary Mexican Night 5- 630pm No Youngsters Meeting	21 Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm	Buddy Check 12- 2pm Auxiliary Dinner Open faced roast beef or Fried Fish w sides 5- 630pm	23	
24 Chiefs Football 3:25pm	25 Shuffelboard 3pm	26 Dart-League 6-8p	27 OK Shuffelboard 5pm AUX Hamburger Night 5-630pm	28 Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm	Auxiliary Dinner Shrimp Night 5-6- 30 Music by Smart Aces 6-9p	Suits for Soldiers Elks Lodge Osage Beach 9- 2pm	
1	2 Shuffelboard 3pm	Notes: LOZ Bikefest starting 9/13 - 9/17; Memorial Drive 9/15 -Lunch 12pm Lakewiew Bar w Music by The Fender Benders 1230-330pm; Silent Auction Every 2nd Friday Tabletop Bingo at 1 pm in the LakeView Bar No Bunco this month 9/15 Blues&Bike BBQ AR 9/20-9/24 We are a Non-Smoking Facility					

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8 Chiefs Football 3:25pm	9 Shuffelboard 3pm	Kitchen Meeting 2pm Calendar Meeting 3 pm Dart-League 6- 8pm	OK Shuffelboard 5pm SAL Dinner Tenderloin Sandwich w sides 5-630pm ALR Meeting 630pm	12 Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm	AUX Open Faced Roast Beef or Fried Fish&sides 5-630pm	Newsletter Deadline 1st Turkey Shoot sign up 11am, start 12pm Kitchen open 12- 2
Military Appreciation Day-Drink special	16 Shuffelboard 3pm	17 Dart-League 6-8pm	OK Shuffelboard 5pm ALR Mexican Night 5-630pm Youngsters Meeting 630pm	19 Show Me 6pm Kitchen open 430-6pm	20 Legionairs Dinner Salisbury Steak or Fried Fish w sides 5-630pm	Turkey Shoot 11am Kitchen open 12-2pm Army/AF Footbal Game
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29 Chiefs Football 3:25pm	30 Shuffelboard 3pm	31 Trunk or Treat at Laurie Church Dart-League 6-8pm	1	2	3	4
5	6 Shuffelboard 3pm	Every 3rd Fridy Bu	Tabletop Bingo at 1 unco at 1pm in the Smoking Facility	pm in the LakeVie Lake View Bar	w Bar	







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# MOUSE RACEs & AUX Silent Auction SAT Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 1 PM

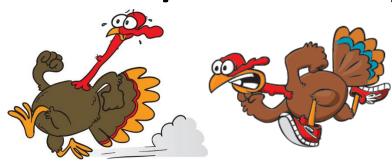


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