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### Commander Newsletter Input – August 2025

Happy Month and welcome to the new leadership of your American Legion!! On 2 August 1776, most of the 55 members of the Continental Congress signed the Declaration of Independence from England which launched our new Nation into the Revolutionary War for our freedom from tyranny and taxation without representation. These men pledged "their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor" for the future United States that we enjoy today. So, we as an organization embark on a new journey with new leadership in every entity. Please support them with your patience and understanding as they learn their new positions and how best to support our post, its membership, and our community! They stood up, hooked up, and said "Let's Go" for our post and we are extremely grateful to them for their willingness to serve!! I also want to thank the previous leadership team for all of their hard work and long hours making our post thrive over the past year!! We continued the upgrades to our building that were started three years ago and continue to move our presence and impact forward in our community and in support of our Veterans and their families. Thank you to every Legionnaire, Auxiliary, Son and Rider for your support and for your "Can Do" attitude! We are successful because of you!! Finally, because I was an Army Paratrooper and served in the famous 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division, I must mention National Airborne Day coming up in August! 16 August 1940 marked the first official Army parachute jump, validating the innovative concept of inserting United States ground forces behind battle line by parachute. Airborne combat continues to be driven by the bravery and daring spirit of "Sky Soldiers." Often called into action with little notice, these forces have earned an enduring reputation for dedication, excellence, and honor. So, as we move through August and you see that Veteran around the Post who limps or maybe doesn't stand as erect as he or she once did, they may have been an Airborne Trooper! Thank them and every other Veteran you see, from every military service and military job description for their service to the Nation! I thank you all!! God Bless You and God Bless the United States of America!!

John E. Seward  
Commander, Post 624





Happy Summer!! So much is happening and so much coming up for the Auxiliary. Lots of ways to find your way to contribute toward our efforts. Here's what's going on. We hosted and served lunch to the group that attended the district 8 meeting. Every year they donate \$200 to the Auxiliary for our efforts. It was a nice lunch and good meeting. We raised approximately \$1200 on our Garage Sale. We had five people buy a table for \$125 and we made nearly \$100 in the kitchen from donations. Our Indoor Picnic was a lot of fun. Thank you to Rich and Rudy for working the grill outside. Thank you, Farris Fruit Market of Laurie, for donating the watermelons. Thank you to all the Auxiliary Rock Stars that brought in angel/pound food cakes. Fun! Fun!

The Auxiliary hosted the Installation Dinner this year. Doing this is a huge catering cost savings to the Legion, it's our way of giving back and we enjoy it. Thank you to all the other Members that stepped up and helped with the dinner. It was definitely a team effort and made it nice for everyone. Congratulations to the new Auxiliary Team!! We are ready to hit the ground running by conducting our Auxiliary Budget and Calendar meeting on July 29<sup>th</sup>.

We are super excited to share that we are having the Astro Katz Band with our Shrimp Boil in July and Ron Moshier and a Hog Roast in August. Check out the calendar, flyers and Facebook for more details. We are hosting both bands in our Legion Lake View Back Bar which will include dinner and dancing. Both are sure to be an awesome time!! You don't want to miss out!!

Bike Fest activities begin Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. There are lots of ways to volunteer during this big event for our Legion. Bring a dessert, help in the kitchen, help serve, help manage a fundraiser, etc. If you would like to help, please see Christy Fischer. She will let you know what is needed and how you can help in whatever way you can. Oktoberfest including our Mouse Races is scheduled on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Our Oktoberfest themed lunch will be available throughout the day beginning at 11am with the Mouse Races beginning at 1pm. Did someone say Chicken Dance?? We will also be having a Chicken Dance competition. More to come as we get closer.

The American Red Cross will be at our Legion on Tuesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 2pm-6pm. This is obviously a wonderful way to give back to others. Please do your part if you can. Also, during that time Jamie will be hosting a New Member Sign Up table. This will be our opportunity to share our Legion mission and potentially recruit new members. Thank you, Jamie!!

We will be participating in Trunk or Treat again this year on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. More to come on how you can help as we get closer.

Drum Roll Please!!!!!! Congratulations!!!! The Kitchen ended the year by giving the Auxiliary General Fund \$36,000!!!!!! That's \$14,000 above budget!!! WAY TO GO!!!! This was totally a total team effort!!!! I'm so proud of what we have accomplished. If you contributed towards these efforts – Thank you, thank you, Thank you!!!! Great job!!! We should all be very proud!!!!

We are really excited to begin discussions of where and how we are going to share our success with our Veterans and Community. If you have any ideas of how we should support the efforts of those in need, please get with Lisa or Christy.

As always if you would like to help in the Kitchen the sign-up calendar is posted on our Kitchen bulletin board. If helping in the Kitchen isn't your thing, we are always in need of baked goods of any kind. Just put your name on the item, take it to the Kitchen and put it in the refrigerator. Be sure to check out our monthly calendars for our dinner and entertainment lineup. There's a lot of fun things coming up!!

Our Meeting Room renovation is underway. Table clothes-done, Coasters-done. The E-Board approved to unleash Christy to move forward with ideas shared with Lisa and Betty including the purchase of new office shelves. Christy will continue to share ideas as she moves along and welcomes any ideas and help. Get with her if decorating is your thing. We want to continue to create a space that represents the Auxiliary including patriotism, unity, strength, confidence, teamwork, compassion and so much more. If you have any ideas for our room renovation, please contact Christy Fischer.

Thank you for being a member of the Auxiliary and supporting our Veterans and Community. Each of us has something to contribute and make a positive difference. Thank you for doing your part...



## SAL August Newsletter Input

The sons of the American Legion will have our monthly meeting on the 6th our meal on the 13 will be grilled tenderloin sandwiches and fries. We wish to thank everyone for the continued support for Show me the money on Thursday night and Queen of Hearts on Friday nights

Paul Henderson



Chapter 624 ALR Riders,

First, I would like to Thank Tiffany for all she has done as the Riders Chapter 624 Director. We had a couple of very successful large events (Bike Fest and the ALR ROMP) and a super year.

I am looking forward to the next year as your Director. I believe my role is to help make your vision of the Legion Riders happen. To accomplish that, I would encourage every rider to attend our next Riders meeting August 13, so we can all get on the same page and create goals that we as a group believe in.

Now to the nitty gritty. We have a big event coming up in September. The Bike Fest. We will once again have a Veterans Ride Friday September 12. We have a full day of activities in the planning stages and several of us have been working with our brothers and sisters in the other organizations to plan a great event. But we still need you to make the week a success. We only have 1 more meeting to finalize plans and I look forward to us all working together to make this happen. We have a flyer available for details and it is also posted on the Bike Fest Webpage of Events. Please pass on the information so we can continue to make the Veteran's Memorial Ride a special event for all.

Reminder – 2026 Membership starts in August. Please bring your dues \$15.00 to the meeting or drop them in the Riders folder (please include your name) at the post so we can get you your new cards as soon as possible. Have a Great Summer and Be Safe out there.

Mike Koenigsman  
Chapter 624 ALR Director



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NO VETERAN LEFT BEHIND





## August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Entertainment Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> will be in our Legion Lake View Back Bar Area. Enjoy dinner and dance the night away!!</b>					1 <b>Chicken Fettucine Alfredo or Baked Rigatoni</b> 5-6:30pm Fender Benders 4:30-7:30pm Queen of Hearts 4:30-6:30pm	2
3	4 <b>Mission Stables</b> any time after 9am <b>Calendar Meeting</b> 11am <b>Game Day</b> 1:30pm <b>Shuffleboard</b> 3pm	5 <b>Bike Fest Meeting</b> 5:30 <b>Legion &amp; Aux E-Board Meeting</b> 6pm <b>General Meeting</b> 7pm	6 <b>Legion Wing Night</b> 5-6:30pm <b>Son's Meeting</b> 6:30pm	7 <b>Jane's Show Me the Money Dinner</b> 4:30-6pm <b>Show Me the Money</b> 6pm	8 <b>Aux Hog Roast Serving Dinner</b> 3-7pm <b>Astro Katz</b> 5-8:00pm <b>Queen of Hearts</b> 4:30-6:30pm 	9
10	11 <b>Shuffleboard</b> 3pm	12	13 <b>Son's Dinner</b> 5-6:30pm <b>Riders Meeting</b> 6:30pm	14 <b>Aux Show Me the Money Dinner</b> 4:30-6pm <b>Show Me the Money</b> 6pm	15 <b>Aux Spaghetti &amp; Meatballs &amp; Meatball Subs</b> 5-6:30pm <b>Queen of Hearts</b> 4:30-6:30pm	16
17 <b>Print Newsletter</b>	18 <b>Fold Newsletter</b> 9am <b>Game Day</b> 1:30pm <b>Shuffleboard</b> 3pm	19	20 <b>TBD Dinner</b> 5-6:30pm	21 <b>Laurie Care Center Veterans Visits</b> 1:30pm <b>Aux Show Me the Money Dinner</b> 4:30-6pm <b>Show Me the Money</b> 6pm	22 <b>Fried Shrimp</b> 5-6:30pm <b>Ron Moshier</b> 5-8:00pm <b>Queen of Hearts</b> 4:30-6:30pm	23
24	25 <b>Shuffleboard</b> 3pm	26	27 <b>Aux Hamburger Night</b> 5-6:30pm <b>New Member Orientation</b> 5:30pm	28 <b>Aux Show Me the Money Dinner</b> 4:30-6pm <b>Show Me the Money</b> 6pm	29 <b>TBD Dinner</b> 5-6:30pm <b>Queen of Hearts</b> 4:30-6:30pm	30
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## September 2025

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	1 <b>Happy Labor Day</b> Let's honor the contributions of American Workers  <b>Shuffleboard 3pm</b>	2 <b>Bike Fest Meeting 5:30</b> <b>Legion &amp; Aux E-Board Meeting 6pm</b> <b>General Meeting 7pm</b>	3 <b>Legion Wing Night 5-6:30pm</b> <b>Son's Meeting 6:30pm</b>	4 <b>Jane's Show Me the Money Dinner 4:30-6pm</b> <b>Show Me the Money 6pm</b>	5 <b>Aux Spaghetti &amp; Meatballs &amp; Meatball Subs 5-6:30pm</b> <b>Queen of Hearts 4:30-6:30</b>	6
7	8 <b>Mission Stables any time after 9am</b> <b>Calendar Meeting 11am</b> <b>Game Day 1:30pm</b> <b>Shuffleboard 3pm</b>	9	10  <b>Bar Open at 11am for Bikefest</b> <b>Son's Dinner 5-6:30pm</b> <b>Riders Meeting 6:30pm</b>	11  <b>Bar Open at 11am for Bikefest</b> <b>Aux Show Me the Money Dinner 4:30-6pm</b> <b>Show Me the Money 6pm</b>	12  <b>Food &amp; Drink Available All Day Beginning at 9am</b> <div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"><b>See Bike Fest Flyers for Details</b></div>	13 <b>Bar Opens at 11am for Bikefest</b>
14	15 <b>Shuffleboard 3pm</b>	16	17 <b>TBD Dinner 5-6:30pm</b>	18 <b>Laurie Care Center Veterans Visits 1:30pm</b> <b>Aux Show Me the Money Dinner 4:30-6pm</b> <b>Show Me the Money 6pm</b>	19 <b>Aux Dinner 5-6:30pm</b> <b>Queen of Hearts 4:30-6:30</b>	20
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28	29	30				



## AMERICAN LEGION POST 624 4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

Rollings Hills Country Club  
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573-378-5109  
Friday, August 22, 2025

### AMERICAN LEGION GOLF TOURNAMENT HOLE SPONSOR

Yes, I would like to sponsor a hole in the American  
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# *American Legion Post 624*

## Four-Person Scramble

**Friday, August 22, 2025**

Hosted By

**Rolling Hills Country Club**

13986 Country Club Road

Versailles, MO 65084 573-378-5109

**Entries must be received by August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Proceeds will go to: American Legion Programs**

**Shotgun start at 9:00 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 2025 event will start an hour earlier this year. Hopefully this will help avoid the hottest part of the day.

### American Legion Post 624 Tournament

Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Hog Roast

Fundraiser

**American Legion  
Sunrise Beach**

**Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**



**Hog Roast  
3pm-7pm**

**Includes Pulled  
Pork, Three Sides,  
Bread & Dessert for  
\$20**

**Prepared by Randy from  
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**The Astro Katz  
Band  
5pm-8pm**

A well-renowned quartet Rockabilly Band from The Lake of the Ozarks. Bringing back the hits from the 1950's and early 1960's, this band recreates the magic of rock n' roll's earliest era of music. Get ready to blast off in a musical time machine with the Astro Katz! Let's go daddio!

*Update: Ron Moshier coming  
Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>*

**Guests Welcome!  
Enjoy dinner and dance the night away!!**



# American Legion Sunrise Beach

## Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>

Dinner & Dancing in our Legion Lake View Back Bar Area

**We're setting up the bandstand, moving the tables back & putting on our dancing shoes!!**



## Ron Moshier

***"Let's Be Happy!"***

***Entertainer of the Year***

**Dinner & Dance  
Fundraiser**

## **Breaded Fried Shrimp Dinner: 5pm-7pm**

**Includes Shrimp, Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley, Salad & Dessert for \$20**

## **Ron Moshier & Dancing: 5pm-8pm**

Ron's lifelong passion for music began when he was 8 years old. After years of accordion lessons and starting his first band when he was 13, his desire to perform grew along with his repertoire & song catalog. He began touring at 25, opening for amazing artists like *Tammy Wynette, Chubby Checker, Eddie Rabbit, Pam Tillis, TG Shepard, Lacy J Dalton, Gene Watson* and many other talented entertainers! He grew up in Big Lake, MN surrounded by loving family & friends and now calls Texas home for more than 30 years. His love and passion continues to this day making audiences of all ages get up & dance like no body's watching. Making people happy, makes Ron happy and that's what you'll see at every performance. That's where the saying Hoiya! Hoiya! came from. Simply put it means "Let's Be Happy!"

**Zack Wheat American Legion Post 624  
Lake Thunder Riders**

**9th Annual  
Veteran's  
Memorial Ride**

**Friday September 12**

**Support our Great American Veterans!  
All Riders Welcome!**

- 9:00 - Staging - Breakfast - Post 624 Auxiliary**
- 10:30 - KSU - Local LEO Escorted Ride**
- 11:30 - Lunch - Post 624 Auxiliary**
- 12:00 - Arrive - American Legion Post 624**
- 12:00 - Live Band - The Fender Benders**
- 1:30 - Raffle Drawing**
- 5:00 - Dinner - Post 624 Auxiliary**

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