

Department Commander - John Buckwalter



I wish each Legionnaire and Legion family member a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. No matter how you celebrate the Holidays, I hope you have a joyful conclusion to two thousand twenty-four. As we celebrate, reach out to a fellow veteran who may be in need or alone during the holidays. I want to thank the many Posts who have scheduled gatherings, meals, buddy checks, and other activities to involve all veterans, especially those who might otherwise be forgotten, from Thanksgiving through the New Year.

It is hard to believe that the Legion year is almost half over. We front-loaded the year. With the National Commander’s visit, National Vice Commander’s visit, National Fall meetings, and Department Fall Conference out of the way, we can concentrate on our greatest challenge: Membership. Today, we are 1000 members fewer than we were one year ago. We must build our membership. There is so much to do, so much that the Legion, and only the Legion, can do for veterans. We must find new members to help us do it.

The next quarter will continue to be busy for the Department. I look forward to the Department Oratorical contest and the District and Zone competitions leading up to it. The Spring DEC meeting will be held on March 1, 2025, followed by the National Washington meetings, and Spring meetings in Indianapolis. Recruitment for Missouri Boys State and Missouri Cadet Patrol should be in full swing, is your Post ready?

I want to ask each Post and each District to look now for emerging leaders. It is time to identify and mentor the next generation of Legion leadership. Do not wait until June and find that you have no one ready to take the place of those currently serving as officers and committee chairs. Not every Legionnaire has the time, or inclination to be a leader, but there are many who just need to be asked, who just need a serving or past commander to give them a little time, and a little push. Take time in January and February to identify your Post’s future leaders, and help prepare them for 2025 or 2026 or beyond. We must continue to build the Department of Missouri.

In closing, I want to thank each and every Legionnaire for all you have done this year. May each of you have a blessed holiday, and a safe and prosperous New Year.



2024-2025 Department Commander’s Project

Missouri Cadet Patrol Academy

The principal responsibility of our law enforcement authority is to insure all the rights and freedoms of ALL members of our society and the purpose of The Missouri Cadet Patrol Academy is to provide firsthand experience of Law Enforcement in promoting and safeguarding American Freedom and Rights. During the academy the activities are classroom instructions, first aid, demonstrations of police skills such as personal defense and weapons firing.

For a student between the ages of 16 and 18 they must have a c average or higher (2.0+GPA), be of good moral character, present a neat appearance and be sponsored by a Legion Post. To help with the cost, please consider donating to the Cadet Patrol Academy.

Methods for Donating

Please make your donations to The Cadet Patrol Academy by sending a check to The American Legion Department of Missouri, Attention Cadet Patrol Academy, PO Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65102. Your donations will help support The Cadet Patrol Academy.



2025 Membership Year 100% Goal Post		
POST	Post Name	Commander
551	Norborne Memorial	John Moentmann
33	Elmer Ellis	Allen Reed
106	Donald Holden	Charles Bunch
319	Vogt - Keene - Mintert	Richard Simon
520	LaMonte	Melvin Ficken
545	St Elizabeth Memorial	Joshua Grass
514	Frank Diaz Memorial	Joseph Carretero
349	Dudley-Patton-Harvey	Patrick McGuire, Jr.
273	Howard County	Eric E. Fizer
491	George T. Murphy	Douglas Schouten
256	Maitland – Graham	Richard T. Warner
191	Marshall	Mike Zeka
240	Richland	Charles P. Graviss Jr.
214	Phillipsburg	Lloyd Oberbeck
Congratulations		

Merry Christmas



&

Happy New Years

From your Department

Office Staff



George Scarborough – National Executive Committee

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year – Wishing all in the Legionnaire Family the very best in closing 2024 and praying for a rewarding New Year! Jesus IS the Reason for the Season !!!

National Commander Visit

- National Commander James A. LaCoursiere visited our great state September 19-22 in Zone 2 and really enjoyed himself. His message at all Posts visited was his strong commitment to continuing raising awareness for The American Legion's "Be the One" mission to prevent veteran suicide.

National Vice Commander Visit

- National Vice Commander James C. Kellogg from the Department of Minnesota visited Zone 4 September 26-29. Of course, the high light of his visit was the 80th Annual Cotton Carnival Parade.

Endorsed Candidate for 2026-27 National Commander

- John W. "Jay" Bowen endorsed candidate for National Commander, from the Department of Colorado visited our Fall Conference October 18-20. Jay was our guest speaker and left us with inspiring words for the future of our great American Legion.

General Items of Note

- No new news on the Department of Colorado and Washington. The Department of Colorado per (Resolution 24) and Washington per (Resolution 25) charters remain suspended while reorganization and investigations continue. The hope is for their respective charters to be reinstated this 2024-25 year. The American Legion programs in these departments continue to function and are doing well.

National Convention Locations

- Approved National Convention Locations are:
 1. New Orleans, Louisiana August 23-29, 2024
 2. Tampa Bay, Florida August 22-28, 2025
 3. Louisville, Kentucky August 28-Sept 3, 2026
 4. Kansas City, Missouri August 27-Sept 2, 2027
 5. Columbus, Ohio August 25-31, 2028
 6. Indianapolis, Indiana August 24-30, 2029
 7. Salt Lake City, Utah August 25-31, 2030

For Those Inquiring Minds ----- Who & What is the National Executive Committee?

- The National Commander, five National Vice Commanders, one National Executive Committeeman, and one alternate elected by each department comprise the National Executive Committee (NEC).
- Past National Commanders are considered life members; they can participate in the debate on issues but have no voting rights.
- The NEC holds the Legion's administrative power, responsible for drafting an annual budget, approving contracts, and signing off on Legion spending.
- NEC members are delegates with full voting power during the Legion's Fall and Spring meetings in Indianapolis and during the National Convention. In short, the NEC serves as the organization's board of directors.

Lastly

- Thank you all for casting your vote and making your voice heard in our National Election. Now again it is time to close ranks and move our great nation forward. Our American Legion is a nonpolitical, nonpartisan organization but advocates for all U.S. citizens to register and vote in all elections. The American Legion does not show preference for or against any candidate, or political party.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your National Executive Committee representative! God bless you, your families, and this great nation of ours.

What is our American Legion about:

CHANGING LIVES & SAVING LIVES !

BE THE ONE

Historian Tidbit

I hope the Historians in our Department are well on their way in recording the activities of their respective Posts and Districts.

We will be having a History Book Contest at our next Convention. For the Department level awards for Yearbook and Narrative, we will be using the standards found in the 2023 Officer's Guide. For the National Contest we will use the standards found in the 2025 Historian's Guide. If you want a copy of Historian's Guide, send an e-mail to jerome@jeromegoalsby.net and one will be sent to you. We will also have Open Class, District and Riders History Contests as well.

Photos when possible from events will be posted to the photo section of the Department's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/missourilegion/photos>.

The Department is looking for someone to serve as Historian. If interested please contact Department HQ to find out what is involved in doing the job.

May you all have a blessed Christmas, and may the New Year bring you all you hope for.



**Senior Vice Commander
Jerome Goolsby**

Thanks for all your hard work on the Membership Campaign to this date. We are in the Top 10 nationally as of this writing and I think we can stay there if we keep up our efforts.

Once again I would ask that the District Commanders send information on possible new members (Post 1000 and unpaid members) to all the Posts in their districts or make sure they've gotten that data by December 10. If you have, the Posts now need to take action on getting those individuals into your Post. Having a strong membership base keeps your Post viable and strengthens the Legion's voice when advocating for veterans at both the state legislature and the Congress.

Please consider during the holiday season finding out who among your members in your Post are either in nursing homes, in tough financial straits or on Active Duty and consider covering their dues as a Christmas gift. When we were on active duty, we took care of each other. This is a way to continue that. Buddy Checks may also let you know who may need a helping hand as well.

Remember the National Commander has out his membership award program which can be found at <https://www.legion.org/commander/pin>.

Right now it appears we have our first big challenge on our way reaching our Goal with the December 11 target. Let's show each other we're up to the task and keep hitting the markers on the way to reaching that Goal.

Reminders !!!!

December 2024

- 1 **Be The One Day**
- 7 Pearl Harbor Day
- 11 75% Membership Target Date
- 20 Space Force's 5th Birthday
- 22 County Oratorical Contest completed
- 24-Jan 2 Department Headquarters Closed
- 31 Membership Cutoff for Lincoln Pilgrimage

January 2025

- 1 New Years Day Office Closed
- 1 **Be The One Day**
- 18 80% Membership Target Date
- 20 Inauguration Day
- 20 Dr. Martin Luther King Holiday – Office Closed
- 20 District Oratorical Contest completed
- 28 Coast Guard's 109th Birthday

February 2025 (Americanism Month)

- 1 **Be The One Day**
- 2 Four Chaplains Sunday
- 6 **Law & Order/Fire Fighter Nomination due**
- 6 **Distinguished Legionnaire Nomination due**
- 6 **Distinguished Service Nomination due**
- 10 Zone Oratorical Contest completed
- 11-12 Lincoln Pilgrimage -Springfield, IL
- 14 Valentines Day & Ash Wednesday
- 17 President's Day –Headquarters Closed
- 22-26 National Washington Conference
- 23 **State Oratorical Contest – Southern Boone County High School, Ashland, MO 1:00 p.m.**



Scouting

By now you should have access to info for The American Legion Eagle

Scout of the Year Program for 2025. Information on applying for the award has been sent to the 15 largest newspapers in our Department and to every District. **The deadline for getting applications in to Department HQ is MARCH 1, 2025.** Make sure Scouts that want to apply understand they have to have their application in by that date. Also remind them they need to take the same level of care for filling out the application that they did for their Eagle Scout application.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me, I will be glad to help you out.

The Committee would love to have at least one applicant from each of our BSA Councils in Missouri. We appreciate the hard work you've been putting in to not only to support Scouting in our Department but to make this program work. Please remember our Department gives out a \$750 scholarship to the winner of our contest but the winner at National gets a \$10,000 scholarship.

There is still a need for Religious Emblem Coordinators at District and Unit levels in our Councils. If you have Legionnaires who are looking for a way to help out Scouting, this is a very important job that needs support. Training is available for this vital position; please contact your local Boy Scout Council.

For those of you looking to expand your Americanism Programs, most Scouting Councils have a need for Merit Badge Counselors especially for the citizenship merit badges and for trades, professions and hobbies. A listing of merit badges is at <http://usscouts.org/usscouts/meritbadges.asp>. Training is available online at <https://www.scouting.org/training/adult/> or through your local Boy Scout Council.

The BSA Committee thanks you again for your continued support of Scouting.



**PREVENTING SUICIDE
AMONG SERVICE MEMBERS,
VETERANS & THEIR FAMILIES**

The Missouri Governor's Challenge to Prevent Suicide among Service Members, Veterans, & their Families would like to showcase the work your Posts are doing to help prevent suicide. If you host an awareness event, conducted training, or took part in Be The One, email a photo and a brief write up to: info@mogovchallenge.com or info@mogovchallenge.com. If you have questions call Jon Sabala 573-751-2368.

Jon Sabala
Veterans Services Director
Missouri Department of Mental Health



**Detachment Commander
Tim Cudd**



**Legion Riders
Bob Norris – ALR Director**



Greetings from the Detachment of Missouri!

First, let me say Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to everyone this season. Regardless of how you celebrate the season, I wish you and your family peace and happiness this upcoming year.

As we move into the end of 2024, I want to remind everyone that the 2025 member renewals are due and that 2024 membership cards expire on 12/31/24. If you have already got your renewals in for your Squadron, thank you! If you still have some work to do to get them finished up I would ask you to spend some time to get your renewals done and submitted. While I realize that this is a busy time of year it's important to remember that our renewal numbers are critical and enable the National Commander when testifying to Congress to show how committed we are to the American Legion and it's mission. These numbers have a direct bearing on funding from Congress to allow us to take care of our Veterans. Renewals can be submitted electronically or by mail as before. If you or someone in your Squadron are having trouble getting them submitted or need the link to set up your mylegion.org account here are some links that you can go to and find help. As always please feel free to reach out to myself with any questions as well.

Mylegion Training Video: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/8339635>

Quick Renew:

<https://mylegion.org/PersonifyEbusiness/Membership/SAL-Renew>

For those that were able to participate in Veterans Day activities this year, thank you! As you know, the 2027 National Convention is scheduled to be held in Kansas City. The Detachment of Missouri is already working to help wherever possible with the Convention as well. If you have ideas or suggestions let us know. Our members in the Kansas City area have a list of activities put together and will be working with the National Convention Committee to see when and where we might be of assistance.

Again, I wish you only Peace and Happiness this season and appreciate all you do for the good of the American Legion.

Tim Cudd, Commander
Sons Of The American Legion
Detachment of Missouri

Hello again to the American Legion family of Missouri. Since the convention in July and the Fall Conference, a lot has been happening with the rider program. There have been changes to the ALR executive board, an honor escort to a Korean war veteran and an exciting event coming to Missouri.

First to the changes. Ed Withar stepped down from his position as Judge Advocate. Ed was also the state Ride Captain. Ed was elected to the National Board of Directors for the Marine Corps League Foundation. We wish Ed the best. David Bentley stepped down as Chaplain. He needed to do this for personal reasons. We wish David the best. The new Judge Advocate will be George Hamrick from Chapter 13, Joplin. The new Chaplain is Charlie Lindquist, Chapter 5, Jefferson City. The new Ride Captain is Charles Colbert, Chapter 114, Sikeston. These gentlemen will hold these positions until the elections of ALR officers in July 2025.

At the beginning of October, the ALR was contacted by Allee Holman-Howe Funeral Home in Camdenton, MO. The family of Army Corporal Gerald Wilson requested a motorcycle escort for the remains of Cpl. Wilson who was lost in battle in 1950 and finally identified to be returned to his family and buried with full military honors in Macks Creek, MO. A call went out and ALR members set out to do this. Not only did the ALR step up, but several veteran motorcycle groups participated. Over 60 riders escorted Cpl. Wilson home and to his final resting place with family.

Almost every overpass had first responders and people showing respect. Small towns had people lining the route. It was a sight to see in the dark evening hours of what people did to show respect for the ultimate sacrifice.

Awards were given out for small, medium, and large chapters of the year. They were Chapters 94-Troy, 202-Columbia, and 5-Jefferson City, respectively. Also,

the Director's Challenge winners were, Group - Chapter 313, Individual - Brian Sapp.

Now for an exciting event coming to Missouri. The American Legion Rider of Honor

ROMP will be held at Zack Wheat American Legion Post 624 in Sunrise Beach, MO. The dates of the ROMP will be May 30th thru June 1st, 2025. This event brings ALR members from all over the country to honor the outstanding riders from different states. It gives a chance to meet riders from different states and exchange information. I believe this is the first time it is to be held in Missouri.

I hope everyone had a safe holiday season and I am looking forward to a great year in 2025.

**Ride for the cause.
Not the applause.**





Chaplain's Corner – Department Chaplain Rachel Merlos

My fellow Legionnaires,

When I was asked to write an article, honestly I didn't know what I wanted to write about. Topics that came to mind:

being grateful, enjoying the holidays, taking time to enjoy family, making sure that you get plenty of good holiday food or depression/anxiety (the hard emotions). What pops is keep it real & tell you what I have been doing.

I have been so busy caretaking, volunteering with the Legion, attending meetings, going to doctor appointments, housework, going to church, etc. The one thing that I realize that I haven't done was activities that I loved to do: going to the zoo, arboretum, taking pictures, etc.

I said that to remind you that we all have a busy schedule, and it seems to be getting busier every month. Take a moment to write down what activities that make you happy and/or that bring you peace. It can be as simple as locking yourself in the bathroom for 10 mins or eating that delicious snack in the car. Once you write this list down, keep it safe and try really hard to get back to those activities.

The winter/holiday season isn't a wonderful time for everyone. Many of us have family or friends that we can't get to see or the quiet of winter makes the bad memories so prominent in our thoughts. This is when having that list comes in handy. It will give you a way of getting back to you.

I mentioned my favorite scripture in the beginning. It is Matthew 17:20: He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

A mustard seeds are about 1 to 2 millimeters ($\frac{1}{32}$ to $\frac{3}{32}$ in) in diameter. That is so tiny. The fascinating fact is that this tree can reach heights of 20 feet, and it can be just as wide.

When you are feeling overwhelmed or depressed, you just need to have a small spark of faith that things will get better. There are so many people that are here for you if you find yourself struggling this season. If you find yourself in a place where you need help to get back from emotionally or mentally, remember to call 988. This hotline is there for you. You can always reach out to me, your Post or District Chaplains as well.

I hope this winter/holiday season is filled with peace and blessings. Remember, take time for yourself physically, mentally, and emotionally. You are allowed to say NO to invites. On the other side, you do not have to accomplish everything by yourself. Delegate duties, cooking, shopping, etc.

May the rest of 2024 be a great one.

Rachel Merlos
Chaplain
Department of Missouri
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Education and Scholarship – AJ Noonan -Chairman



Applications for the 2024 Scholarship Program are due on 20 April 2025 to the Missouri Department Headquarters. Over \$14,000 in Scholarships are awarded Annually by the Department. Scholarships range from \$500 to \$1000. 2024 Scholarships applications and eligibility requirements can be found on the Department Website www.missourilegion.org under the Scholarship tab. The Education and Scholarship Committee meets on 02 May 2025 at the Department Headquarters to review, evaluate and select the awardees from applications received by the deadline. Late applications will not be considered.

I would ask Post Commanders / Adjutants to disseminate this information during your Monthly General Membership Meeting and spread the word within your community. In addition, I would like to highlight the following 2024 Scholarship available to our Veterans:

2024 Commander's Scholarship: (2- \$1000)

Two \$1000.00 Scholarships will be awarded annually to eligible Veterans who are currently or planning to attend a Vocational Technical College, College or University in the State of Missouri. The Education and Scholarship Committee of The American Legion, Department of Missouri will determine the recipients of the Scholarship. The application form is on the Department Website www.missourilegion.org/scholarships.

Basis for eligibility:

1. Applicant must have served in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Space Force, or Coast Guard for a minimum of 90 days and received an Honorable Discharge. Photocopy of DD-214, Discharge or Separation papers must be included with application.
2. Applicant must be enrolled or accepted, as a full-time student, in an accredited vocational technical college, college or university in the state of Missouri. A letter verifying enrollment or acceptance from the institution must be attached to the application.
3. Applicant must be a resident of the state of Missouri.
4. The Scholarship must be used the following semester after it is awarded. The Scholarship award will be paid at the beginning of the student's first semester at their college of choice. Registrar's certification of enrollment is required before payment will be made. A check will be issued to joint payees, the recipient and the Scholarship and Awards Officer or equivalent official at the school.

Direct questions concerning the scholarship to Mr. A.J. Noonan. Phone (573) 872-9068 or email: ajnoonan2004@yahoo.com. The completed application and supporting documentation deadline is 20 April 2025.

On behalf of the Education and Scholarship Committee: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

A.J. Noonan, Chairman
Education and Scholarship Committee





American Legion Baseball Tom Rhoads -Chairman

Hello, Missouri American Legion Baseball enthusiasts. I am Tom Rhoads, your Missouri American Legion Baseball State Chairman.

The American Legion, founded in 1919, is the largest veteran’s organization in the U.S. It is dedicated to mentoring youth, sponsoring community programs, advocating patriotism, promoting national security, and supporting service members and veterans.

American Legion Baseball began in 1925, inspired by John Griffith, the Big 10 college commissioner. He addressed a Legion annual convention saying, “There is nothing in our national life which stresses certain qualities like athletics does. Qualities such as intelligent courage, fighting instinct and team cooperation.” Griffith went on to say, “American Legion posts, as a matter of citizenship training, could easily carry on such athletic activities throughout the United States.”

After Griffith’s address, a resolution was passed, and American Legion Baseball was born. The program was a hit! By 1926, more than 52,000 players were participating. And since this inception, it is estimated that more than 10 million young people have played Legion Baseball. Legends and war heroes such as Yogi Berr, Ted Williams, Bob Feller, and Albert Pujols have comprised some of the 87 Hall of Famers who have played “Legion Ball.”

Players in this national program are taught good citizenship and a code of sportsmanship that includes keeping the rules, keeping faith with teammates, keeping their tempers, keeping a stout heart in defeat, their pride under in victory, and a sound soul, clean mind, and healthy body.

In Missouri, we have (4) four leagues: AAA (varsity), AA (junior varsity), A (freshmen), and D-2 (small towns). All four of these leagues have post seasons which include State Tournaments. Fund raising events to support this program are the on-line 50/50, a golf tournament and a Cardinal baseball game at Busch Stadium. State development programs include Coaches Clinics, Prep Baseball Scouting Showcases, and this year we will have special Centennial showcase games. We also have a team in the Metro-Collegiate league, we are developing pre-high school teams and looking into adding a high school girls fastpitch softball league

One hundred years of American Legion Baseball is truly a milestone worth celebrating. I’d like every Missouri department, district, and post to publicize this great program in 2025 and if your post does not have a team to please consider adding this to your program.



The Department of Illinois will host the 91st Annual Lincoln Pilgrimage and the 16th Annual Lincoln Pilgrimage Membership Challenge

February 11-12, 2025, in Springfield, IL



The Department of Missouri will award
Five (5) Post Commanders a two (2) day trip to the 91st
Anniversary Lincoln Day Pilgrimage to President
Lincoln’s Tomb, held in Springfield, Illinois on February
11 & 12, 2025.

The Award will include: If possible, shared transportation from The Department Headquarters in Jefferson City and/or a location to be decided later, Room accommodations the night of the 11th, Breakfast and Luncheon on the 12th with National Commander James A. LaCoursiere, National President Trish Ward and National SAL Commander Joseph Navarrete..... **Plus, the following Lincoln Pilgrimage Membership Challenge items: a lightweight embroidered jacket, a paid tour thru the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, and a Lincoln pin.**

This Award is for the Post Commander with the highest percentage of their membership goal into Department by December 31, 2024(**All membership Postmarks by December 31, 2024 will be included**). Winners will be notified NLT January 8, 2025, confirmation of attendance will be needed no later than January 13, 2025.

The Categories are as follows:

Category I: 15 – 50 Members

Category II: 51 – 100 Members

Category III: 101 – 200 Members

Category IV: 201 - 500 Members

Category V: 501 + Members

Good luck to all Post Commanders and hope to see you
in Springfield!!!



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AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT FUNDRAISER



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else within 30 days

- 1 Chance \$20**
- 2 chances \$25**
- 3 chances \$35**

The proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward the Department of Missouri expenses for responsibilities at the 2027 National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

The drawing will take place at the 2025 Department Convention. You do not need to be present to win.

<p>Official Rules</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Each form must be filled out and returned with cost of chances. Each ticket must be returned to ALA 600 Ellis Blvd, Jefferson City, MO 65101 It is the responsibility of the purchaser to notify the department of any address change. 	<p>Return this portion with check made payable to ALA Department of Missouri</p> <p>Name _____ Unit _____ District _____ <small>Please print</small></p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip _____</p> <p>Phone # _____</p> <p>Number of Chances _____ Total amount included \$ _____</p>
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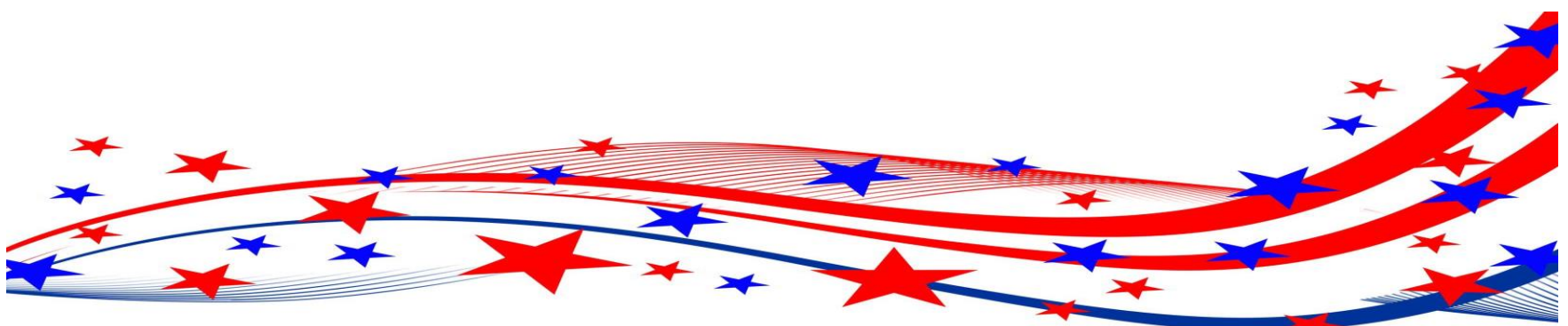
Spring Department Executive Committee Meeting

When : March 1, 2025

Where: Harry B Pryor Post 152

123 E Ashland, MO 65010

Time : 11:00 a.m.





TAPS

Post 0005 - Roscoe Enloe - Jefferson City

Hancock, William,
Reed, George, R
Blomberg, Richard, H
Hart, William, S
Lueckenotte, Marvin, L
Stork, Franklin, R
Fennel, Montie, E

Post 0006 - Bazan - Bailey - Macon

King, Marvin, L

Post 0007 - Rucker- McAlister - Brunswick

Utterback, Denzil, T

Post 0013 - Robert S. Thurman - Joplin

Apel, Gene, T
Brown, Harold, R

Post 0021 - Tirey J. Ford - Independence

Willenbring, Paul,
Spire, Patrick, C

Post 0023 - Wayne T. Boles - West Plains

Parrott, David, L

Post 0025 - Vern R. Glick - Chillicothe

French, James, D
Frizzell, Jewell, L

Post 0034 - Wilbur C. Odam - Unionville

Partin, Donald, L

Post 0039 - Coleman-Frazier -Cole - Park Hills

Jones, Kinch, T

Post 0041 - Texas County - Houston

Wildhaber, Jerry, J
Bland, Leevoy,

Post 0047 - Greenfield - Greenfield

Holland, Harold, L
Dedmon, William, A

Post 0049 - Ralph Greer - Rock Port

Smith, Jack,

Post 0052 - Toma-Tuttle - Boonville

Sapp, James, E
Dodson, Frank,

Post 0055 - Emmette J. Shields - Hannibal

Burditt, Robert, S
Whiston, Steve,

Post 0059 - Kenady - Hanks - Dexter

Kitchen, Gary, D

Post 0063 - Louis K Juden - Cape Girardeau

Stanley, Gary,

Post 0069 - Goad - Ballinger - Springfield

Atwell, Herbert, C

Post 0078 - Charles E. Bollman -Frank Markovich -Slater

Aulgur, Larry,

Post 0097 - John Callahan - Plattsburg

Russell, Michael, J

Post 0100 - James Edward Gray - Maryville

Coffelt, Leroy,

Post 0111 - St. Louis County Memorial - Shrewsbury

Genovese, Peter, M

Post 0112 - Troy Herd - Ava

Long, William, B
Letsinger, Daniel, H

Post 0117 - Tweedie - Murray -Braymer

Miller, Robert, L
Herring, Henry,
Horseman, Van Jay,
Mallory, Stanley, F

Post 0131 - Matthews -Crawford - Warrensburg

Teter, Charles,
Mitchell, James, R

Post 0133 - Moonier Reddick - Perryville

Bergman, Frank, W
Fuytinck, Richard, H

Weinkein, Michael, J

Janet, Vallie, L

Emmendorfer, Linus, F

Post 0134 - Borgman - Osthoff - Wellington

Walton, Joseph, M

Post 0137 - Fred A. Boswell - Mt. Vernon

McClure, William, F

Jones, Billy, E

Post 0150 - Buchholtz - Kiefer - Ste Genevieve

Bahr, Richard, G

Jokerst, Jonas, W

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