



Post Script

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May-June 2019



From the Desk of the Commander

I am incredibly proud of American Legion **Post 176's** members and staff. Bob Loach and Mike Farabough and his committee did an outstanding job planning an excellent 100th Anniversary event.

Almost 100 people enjoyed Faye's, Erica's, and their team's best service ever. CSM Jimmy Spencer gave a great speech. Bob Suputo's music was super. Blake, our pho-

tographer, was everywhere. Thank you!!

For God, Country and Family,

Dennis Madtes
Post 176
Post Commander



Site Picture

The 2019 renewal project is coming to a close. We are already over 100% and have been awarded the Team 100 streamer from National. Nonetheless, we have over 180 expired members from 2018 and 47 from 2017 who need to renew. Renew today and your membership will extend to December 31, 2019.

The easiest way to renew your membership and keep it current is by renewing online. All you need is your membership number and your last name. Go to www.legion.org and click on the "Renew" button. This is the best and safest way to renew. If you prefer, send us a check for \$40 and write "Renew" in the memo portion of the check.

For God and Country
Bob Eidsvoog
1st Vice Commander

What's Happening?

Post 176 publishes a weekly email newsletter that will keep you up to date on Post 176 happenings. If you are not getting the e-newsletter, it means we don't have your email address.

To get on our emailing list. Go to <http://post176.org/> and click on the subscribe box and fill out the form. In the "Organization" box, put in Legionnaire, Sons, Auxiliary, or Friend. Then click on the "SUBSCRIBE" button.

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Important Dates

8 May	VE Day
12 May	Mothers Day
18 May	Armed Forces Day
27 May	Memorial Day
6 Jun	D-Day
14 Jun	Flag Day
16 Jun	Fathers Day
27 Jun	Korean War Began

Post 176
*Hometown Country
Music Festival*



Country Music Featuring Stealin' the Deal

Friday, May 10, 2019

6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

\$25.00

Community
Welcome

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C o u n t r y B u f f e t



6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

American Legion Post 176
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Event Manager: 3rd Vice Commander



Red Cross Blood Drive



in Honor of Comrade Joe Finch

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

1:30PM to 7:30PM

Go to www.redcrossblood.org

To talk to a live person, call 1-800-RED-CROSS (option 3). Tell the representative you want to donate at the American Legion in Springfield (sponsor code above) on **April 9, 2019**

If you can't make an appointment, come anyway. There are always open spots.

Post Contact: Theron Patrick (BloodDrive@post176.org). Scheduled **Blood 2019** drives:

Aug 13

Oct 8

Dec 10

Post Service Officer

I call to all veterans attention the rights they and their dependents are guaranteed by statute. The Post Service Officer will advise and assist veterans and other bona fide claimants in preparing their basic VA claim forms and supporting documents. This service is available to veterans

and family members whether or not they are Legionnaires.

Additionally, the Legion National Headquarters has a program to provide temporary financial assistance to dependents of eligible veterans who meet their established criteria. The VA&R team also provides sup-

port to the DC VA Medical Center by providing comfort items (t-shirts, white socks, etc.) for hospitalized veterans, and distributing donations other Post. The VA&R Committee volunteered over 145 hours last year and distributed goods and services to over 200 needy veterans



Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony

Friday, May 24, 2019 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

The Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce

Veterans Committee

American Legion Post 176

Honor our nation's fallen

Outdoors and Open to the public

Fathers Day Dinner at Post 176



Friday June 14, 2018

5:30 PM-7:30 PM

Elegant Dining
Warriors Café

2019 Virginia State Convention



July 12-14, 2019

Double Tree by Hilton Hotel

Richmond– Midlothian

1021 Kroger Center Blvd

Richmond, VA 23235

Register by June 15, 2019

Information and Registration

<http://valegion.org/>

SEE POST 176 E-NEWS for Additional Information



Sons of The American Legion

On March 10, 2019, the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) 17th District held its first meeting in many years at Post 180. It was a pleasure to preside over the meeting as District Commander. Detachment Commander, Jeff Lee, and, Detachment Vice Commander, Victor Graulau attended.

Please contact me at SALCommander@post176.org, if you are interested in becoming an officer. We would love to have you participate! Elections are in May and installation in June. Seventeenth District SAL is also looking for officers. Contact me, if you are interested in serving at the District level.

As of March 6, 2019, we have 99 members. Our goal is to reach 118 members. If you have not renewed your membership, please do so. If you know someone who is eligible to join SAL, let us know. We'd be happy to help. Marty Pfeifer was presented the 2018 Volunteer of the Year at the March meeting. Marty has been the backbone of the squadron, always assisting with events and meetings. He also stays busy with his officer and Post-related responsibilities. As always, thanks, Marty!

The current SAL officers are listed below. Thanks to all of them for their hard work. We volunteer so we can serve you, our legion family, and our community. A shout-out to Kevin Gaddis, Mary Steele, and "Boston Bob" for their help over the year.

For God and Country

Tyler Vanice, Post 176 Squadron Commander

Tyler Vanice	Commander
Marty Pfeifer	1 st Vice Commander
Michael Wolfe	2 nd Vice Commander
Stuart Bailey	Adjutant

Charles Seward	Finance Officer
William Wolfe	Chaplain
Charles Seward	Sergeant-at-Arms
Kevin Campbell	Historian



Legion Auxiliary 176

Girls State takes place from 16 to 22 June 16-22, 2019 on the Longwood University Campus, in Farmville, VA. ALA District 17 will be transporting the girls to and from Longwood University. The registration fee and transportation fee are paid by ALA Unit 176.

Unit 176 selected girls from Edison High School, Robert E. Lee, and West Springfield High Schools. One girl, from South County High School, was chosen from one of our Legion families. Seven delegates were selected. The 17th District Girls State Registrar will contact each girl regarding registration. Selectees are required to attend an orientation, on May 5, 2019, at Post 177, 7:30 PM. The Post Auxiliary staff is listed below.

OFFICE	NAME	OFFICE	NAME
President	Maudie Price	Chaplain	Rebecca Campbell
Vice President	Mildred Layne	Sergeant-At-Arms/Asst	Mary Siwik/Hazel Babler
Secretary	Floy Lipscomb	Membership	Mary Steele
Treasurer	Coleen Austin	Historian	Rita Newbegin

No Auxiliary meetings in July and August 2019

Fort Belvoir Military Retiree Council Meetings

THU, April 18, 9:00-11:00 PM

THU, August 15, 9:00-11:00 PM

THU, December 12, 9:00-11:00 PM

THU, June 20, 9:00-11:00 PM

THU, October 17, 9:00-11:00 PM



All Military Retirees Welcome

Post Officers & Event Managers 2019-2020

Commander Dennis Madtes Commander@post176.org	First Vice Commander Bob Eidsvoog FirstVice@post176.org	Second Vice Commander Marty Pfeifer SecondVice@post176.org	Third Vice Commander Paul Kaepfel ThirdVice@post176.org
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Web Master Jim Fisher webmaster@post176.org	Cribbage Paul McFarland cribbage@post176.org 703-491-1928	Karaoke Joe Clay KARAOKE@POST176.ORG	House Committee Chairman Robert Sylvia Housecommittee@post176.org

Finance

Usually, this time of year is usually our leanest, in terms of generating revenue. This year, contrary to the norm, a surge in Sunday Café business, extra business from Lorton members, whose post burned down, and better than expected gaming revenue, have made our total revenue higher than expected. Also, thanks to a very active and successful Membership Committee (Pat Peterson and Dennis Madtes), our membership total exceeds our goals and continues to grow. Of course, this too increases our participation and revenue.

American Legion Baseball

Coach Vaxmonsky has fielded an excellent team, again this year. Several key baseball players, from last year's District 17 champions, have returned. Some of the new players achieved distinction on their high school teams. We have high hopes for our Post team and encourage you to support our team by attending some of the games.

Jon Taylor
 Finance Officer

Post 176 Car Show

June 1, 2019
 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM
 Vehicle registration opens at 8:00 AM

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 6520 Amherst Ave.
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FREE REGISTRATION and ADMISSION
 See E-NEWS for more information

American Legion Post 176

42ND ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY ROD RUN

CRUISIN' COMPANY CAR SHOW

SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

OPEN TO ALL MAKES AND models: antiques, classics, street rods, muscle cars, customs & exotics

\$20 Registration Fee
\$3 Spectators

POC: Cookie Downs 703-608-2488
 Rain Date: May 19, 2019

Hours of Operation

Warrior Café

Breakfast & Lunch
Monday - Saturday
7:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Sunday
8:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Friday Night Dinner
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Tier-1 Lounge

Monday-Thursday
11:30 AM - 10:00 PM

Friday - Saturday
11:30 AM - 1:00 AM

Sunday
12:00 PM - 9:00 PM



Post 176



YOUTH & CHILDREN'S

Boy Scouts	Troop 1347	Troop1347.org
Boys State	Marty Pfeifer	boysstate@post176.org
Girls State	Floy Lipscom	Auxiliary
Baseball	Jon Taylor	financeofficer@post176.org
Sea Scouts Ship 1176	Joel Davis	jdavid515@aolcom
Youth Cadet Law Enforcement		
Oratorical	First Vice	vapost176@cox.net
Civil Air Patrol	William Eliason	dc045.natcapwing.org

Put Your Love of Dogs



Warrior Canine Connection is seeking puppy parents/puppy sitters to help raise, care for, and support service dogs that will go on to serve service members and veterans.

Volunteers must be 18 years or older to be eligible for this important role.

For more information

puppyparent@warriorcanineconnectin.org



Post

Vet Yoga

7:00 PM every Monday

Come for one hour of great exercise for improving your mental and physical well being.

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US Department of Veterans Affairs

Hot Line



Virginia Department of Veterans Services (DVS)

Connects Virginia's veterans and their families to federal and state benefits, support, quality care, and recognition they have earned.

Springfield Benefit Office Service Area

Pentagon, Henderson Hall-Fort Myers, Fort Belvoir, Arlington County, Alexandria-Fairfax Counties, Springfield-Franconia, Lorton, Loudoun, Fredericksburg and surrounding areas.

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Veterans seen: 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Address: 6564 Loisdale Ct.; Suite 301 Springfield, VA 22150; 703-417-9090

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Story ideas, suggestions, or comments to improve the Post Script

POST 176 EVENTS SCHEDULE

May 2019: Auxiliary Month

1	7:00 PM	Bridge
2	7:00 PM	Cribbage
7	6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Legion Riders Meeting General Membership & Auxiliary Meetings
9	7:00 PM	Cribbage
10	6:00 PM	Hometown Country Music Festival/Country Buffet
11	8:00 AM	Ranger and Special Forces Breakfast
12	10 AM - 4 PM	Crusin' Company Car Show/Mothers Day Buffet
14	7:00 PM	Sons of The American Legion Meeting
15	7:00 PM	Bridge
16	7:00 PM	Cribbage
18	1300 HRS	Chapter 353 Military Order of the Purple Heart
21	7:00 PM	EXCOM Meeting
23	10 AM - 2 PM	Post 176 Job Zone Fair
23	7:00 PM	Cribbage
24	11:30 AM	Chamber of Commerce/Post 176 Wreath Laying Ceremony
24 - 26	ALL DAY	Rolling Thunder
30	7:00 PM	Cribbage
25	10:00 AM	Post 176 Event Planning Meeting

June 2019: Lend a Hand for Veterans Month

1	10 AM - 2 PM	Post 176 Car Show
4	6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Legion Riders Meeting General Membership & Auxiliary Meetings
5	7:00 PM	Bridge
6	7:00 PM	Cribbage
8	8:00 AM	Ranger and Special Forces Breakfast
11	1:30 - 7:30 PM	Blood Drive
11	7:30 PM	SAL Meeting
13	7:00 PM	Cribbage
14	5:30 - 7:30 PM	Fathers Day dinner at Post 176
15	1:00 PM	Chapter 353 Military Order of the Purple Heart
19	7:00 PM	Bridge
20	7:00 PM	Cribbage
27	7:00 PM	Cribbage

July 2019: Independence Month

2	6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Legion Riders Meeting General Membership Meeting
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Tier-1 Lounge

KARAOKE

Joe Clay

8:30 PM until Closing

Saturday, May 11, 2019

Saturday, May 25, 2019

Saturday, June 8, 2019

Saturday, June 25, 2019

Cinco de Mayo

Sunday, May 5, 2019

11:00 AM



Event Manager: House Committee

Banquet Hall Buffet



Mothers Day

May 12, 2019

8:00AM-2:00PM

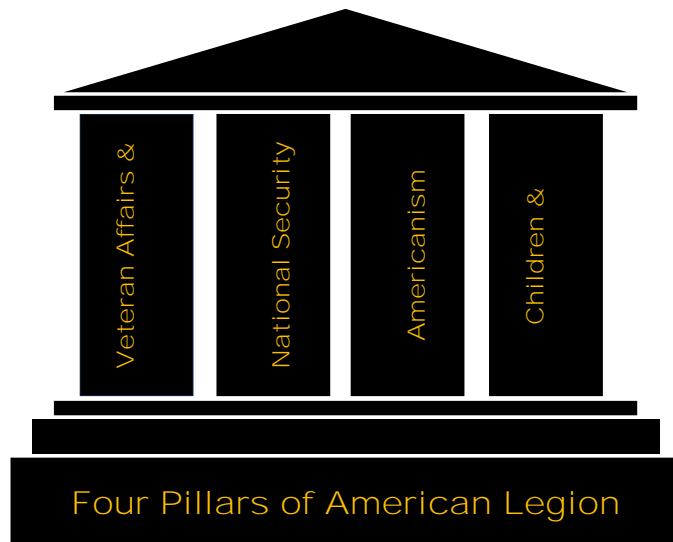


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