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November 2023 NEWSLETTER

Notes from Commander Hal Dulle:

Veteran's Day is fast approaching and there will be several recognitions and remembrances on November 11th. Post Five will host the Jefferson City Veteran's Council observance at 11:00 AM and the public is invited to attend this most worthy event. Our guest speaker is State Representative Jim Schulte, who retired as a Command Sergeant Major in the Missouri National Guard.

To me, everyday should be Veteran's Day. One day, and I should also mention Memorial Day, does not do justice to what our veterans have done for this great country. Seems like other groups now have month long observances, and some more than one, to draw attention to their particular cause. Recognizing the impact our veterans have had on our nation is overwhelming. Freedom to live our lives as we see fit and openly express our opinions in a public forum has been assured since the founding of our great nation. Those who have served and sacrificed to protect this freedom are called VETERANS. One day recognition, really.

A common comment heard when I wear our service cap in public is "Thank you for your service". It is a prideful moment for me but leaves me somewhat empty. What I would like to hear is "Thank you for your service, we'll take it from here". Are those who follow us of this mindset. I think it is questionable. For example, and closer to home, our post has over 1200 paid members, yet. at our monthly meetings we have around 20 that take the time to attend. And is not just our post but all veteran and civic organizations that are suffering. Our society is made up of givers and takers and my observance is that the givers are losing the battle. I hope I'm wrong, but if not then we are on a slippery slope to losing the freedoms we have fought and sacrificed to protect. The war continues, are you willing to continue the fight to protect our freedom. I hope you are! Get vocal and get involved!

"Remember Our Veterans, New and Old" Hal Dulle, Commander Post 5

Notes from Adjutant Rick Derks:

We are still working our 2023 membership renewal. So far, we have 1,203 members that have paid their dues for 2023. However, we still have over 25 members that have more than 15 years of continuous membership that have not renewed for 2023. Our 2024 renewal is in full swing with 650 members having timely renewals. If you have not yet renewed your membership, I encourage you to send in your dues as soon as possible. If you know a member that has not renewed, please encourage them to renew. If you know a veteran or someone still on active duty that is not a member, please encourage them to join and become a member of the Largest and Most Active Post in Missouri.

See you at the Post! Rick Derks, Adjutant

<u>Upcoming Events:</u> Veteran's Day November 11th at 11:00 AM. Building Community Bridges is hosting a free dinner for Veterans on November 11th at the Post. Post 5 BBQ at Schulte's on November 4thst. Come on out and enjoy some of the best BBQ around. November 19th, Show me the Cash 6:00 PM. Thanksgiving Day Meal 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

If you are interested in receiving the newsletter via email, send me a message to opt you in. The choices are **email only** or **email and paper copy. Send an email to Post5@mchsi.com.**

<u>New Members:</u> Douglas Bell, John Picray, Larry Wohlgemuth, John Buecter and Steven Ruch. Please welcome them to the American Legion Post 5 Family.

TAPS: We did not lose any members in October.

Note From Your Service Officer Howard Nelson: With the passage of the PACT Act, health conditions were added to the VA's list of conditions whose presumptive cause is exposure to certain substances in specified areas of deployment. Please go to www.va.gov to see if you may have been exposed to these substances and have a qualifying health condition. You can also call 800-698-2411. If you believe you qualify, file a claim with the VA. It is important to complete and submit an (Intent to File A Claim) VA



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Form 21-0966 while you are gathering evidence to submit with your claim. Submitting this form locks in your start date for your claim.

I am available to assist you with filing a claim for benefits. I will be at Post 5 every 3rd Thursday from 5:00 to 7:00 PM and I look forward to helping you. You may also call me at 573-694-0303. If I don't answer leave a message, I will return your call. What is ever said will be in strict confidence. I look forward to talking with you. IF YOU SERVED, YOU DESERVE IT Howard Nelson, Service Officer Notes from Auxiliary President Debbie Cheshire:

November 4th is the ALA Poppy Drive. We have 5 locations in Jefferson City. If you would like to volunteer, contact Esther Rosner at 573-230-1086. On November 10th, St. Peter's Church will hold their Veteran's Day Ceremony beginning at 9:30. November 11th is the Veteran's Day Ceremony and lunch at Post 5. The ceremony begins at 11:00 followed by lunch. Auxiliary members are asked to bring a dessert.

In Memoriam – Audrey Goodin and Frances "Kay" Hamilton passed away in October. They were both active members of the ALA and will be missed. Prayers for their families.

Thanks, Debbie Cheshire, Auxiliary President Unit 5

Notes from Sons of the American Legion Commander Chris Althusser:

I want to thank everyone for helping make the Son's annual Mouse Race a huge success. I also want to thank everyone who helped work it. I want to remind SAL members that our meetings are the first Tuesday of each month. Meetings start at 7:00 PM. Hope to see you soon at the Post. Chris Altheuser, Commander, Squadron 5

Notes from Legion Riders Director Steve Spayde:

Riders - WOW!! Already November and the leaves have turned color and have been falling as we speed into the typical "Down Time" of the ALR. November is a time for reflection and a time for giving thanks. We reflect on the sacrifices all Veterans made Serving this Great Country on Veterans Day and come Thanksgiving Day we give thanks to all we have, family, friends, food, jobs, etc. I think these two days are symbiotic with each other and that we cannot do one without the other. I think that it is because of Veterans who have sacrificed for us and have allowed us our Freedoms is the reason a lot of thanks is given.

October 2019 was a busy month for us all, although attendance to functions were down, Riders were still out and about riding and we still managed to make them happen. The 2023 Toys for Tots toy run was a great success, as well as our own Teddy Bear run the following weekend. Steve Spayde, Director, American Legion Riders, Chapter 5

Notes from the Business Management Committee, Committee Chair Jim Mead

The Business Management Committee (BMC) had our monthly meeting on 10/9/2023. The Committee voted to send the Electronic Sign issue to the Executive Committee and Post Membership for approval. The Executive Committee approved forwarding the funding decision to the Post Meeting on October 17th, where it was approved pending installation approval by the City of Jefferson. Tip Boards have been reintroduced to the Club Room and are available from the bartender.

On November 4th there will be AED and CPR Training available at Post 5 from 9:00 to 12:00. There are limited spaces available. The cost is \$50.00. There is a maximum of 12 participants.

Building Community Bridges is hosting a free dinner for Veterans at Post 5 on Veteran's Day.

On November 16th at 6:00 PM, the Post will host Show Me the Cash, a game that is a cross between Bingo and a card game. Come on out and join us for some evening fun.

There is a Thanksgiving Meal at the Post from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. There will be no Friday Evening Meal on November 24th.

We still want to encourage the use of the Suggestion Box on the wall outside of the Commander's Office. If you leave a suggestion and want an in-person explanation or a return call/email, please provide your number or address. The BMC will also review this feedback at every meeting. There is a survey that



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is included in this newsletter please, complete it and drop it off or mail it in with your input.

Please remember that if you have a complaint about an employee or patron, we will not act on second hand or unverified information so please have the courtesy to put your name to your complaint so we can address it directly.

You don't deserve to be treated disrespectfully by other members or our staff and our staff do not deserve to be treated this way either. Please be respectful of others. Jim Mead (573) 230-2324

Follow all the events and meals on the insert or the calendar in the newsletter and our Facebook site. If you have any questions, contact Club Manager Kelly Perez 573-636-2311 or post5ha@mchsi.com.







	Novemb		er 2023	Thurs	<u>.</u>	Sat
			L Club open 1-10pm wing night 5-7pm	2 Club open 1-10pm ALR meeting 6pm Happy Hour 5:30-7:30	3 Club open 1-12:30am Seafood & Fried Chicken Dinner The Copper Creek Band	4 Club open 1-10pm Post BBQ Schultes parking lot 11am
6 Club open 1-8pm All day Happy Hour Chiefs in Germany 9:30am	6 Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing @ 7pm Happy Hour 5:30-7:30	7 Club open 1-10pm SAL meeting 7pm Happy hour 5:30-7:30	8 Club open 1-10pm wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	9 Club open 1-10pm 40/8 meeting Happy Hour 5:30-7:30	10 Club open 1-12:30am Seafood & Fried Chicken Dinner Tom Whittle	11 Veterans Day ceremony 11am lunch @ noon Building Community Bridges Veterans Dinner 6pm
12 Club open 1-8pm All day Happy Hour	13 Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing @ 7pm Happy Hour 5:30-7:30	14 Club open 1-10pm Exec meeting Pork Tenderloin 5-7pm	15 Club open 1-10pm wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	16 Club open 1-10pm Show Me Cash 6pm Happy Hour 5:30-7:30	17 Club open 1-12:30am Seafood & Fried Chicken Dinner Double Trouble	18 Club open 1-10pm \$2 off buckets
Club open 1-8pm Gary B & the Kools 2-5pm	20 Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing @ 7pm Happy Hour 5:30-7:30	21 Club open 1-10pm Post/Aux meetings 6:30pm Happy Hour 5:30-7:30	22 Club open 1-10pm wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	23 Club open for Thanksgiving Dinner 11am-2pm	24 Club open 1-12:30am "No Dinner or Band"	25 Club open 1-10pm \$2 off buckets
26 Club open 1-8pm All day Happy Hour Chiefs 3:30pm	27 Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing ® 7pm Happy Hour 5:30-7:30	28 Club open 1-10pm Country Ham & Fried Chicken Dinner 5-7pm	29 Club open 1-10pm wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	30 Club open 1-10pm Happy Hour 5:30-7:30		

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Post BBQ: Nov 4th

Slab of ribs \$24 - Pork Steak or Rib dinner \$14 half Chicken dinner \$13 - Brat dinner \$12 Served with Legion slaw and beans

Tenderloin Dinner: Nov 14th

Served from 5- 7pm adults- \$15 & kids 10 and under- \$6 \$12 sandwhich

<u>Veterans Day :Nov 11th</u>

ceremony at 11 with lunch right after Building Community Bridges providing dinner at 6pm for Veterans

Gary B & the Kools:Nov 19th playing 2pm-5pm

Thanksgiving Dinner: Nov 23rd

\$17 per person & \$9 for kids 10 and under served 11am-2pm while supplies lasts Turkey and ham, green bean casserole, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, Legion slaw and rolls with pumpkin pie

NO dinner or dance Friday 24th

Country Ham & Fried Chicken Dinner: Nov 28th

Served from 5- 7pm adults- \$15 & kids 10 and under- \$6

<u>Karaoke</u>

November 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th





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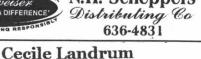
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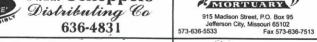
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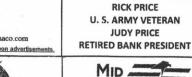
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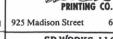
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