

JANUARY 2025



**NOTES FROM
COMMANDER HAL DULLE**

Submitted by Rick Derks, Adjutant

Hope everyone had a prosperous and enjoyable Christmas season. And wishing our Legion family a healthy and rewarding 2025.

From my observation, the Legion Christmas Party was full of fun and great food. Unfortunately, I got in the food line a little late and didn't get a deviled egg so next year, I guess, I will have to bring my own. Many Thanks to the Auxiliary for decorating the Post to put us in a festive mood. Also, the chicken and roast beef were top notch thanks to Ted and the kitchen crew. A special thank you to Ken Gullede, our Vice Commander, for the great activities and door prizes. I believe everyone took something home. Since everyone had such a great time, we are thinking about having another pot luck event down the road.

January will be a good month for post activities. As some of you know, Helen Barnett, visited a regular meeting several months ago to talk about the Quilts of Valor Foundation. The mission of the Foundation is to cover veterans and service members with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. Many of our members filled out applications at the meeting and consequently, the Foundation has been working to make the Quilts of Valor for us. We are making arrangements to present them to the members of our Executive Committee when we meet in January. They will also be at the regular monthly meeting to present Quilts to the remaining members who filled out applications.

If you have not signed up for a Quilt and would like one, I'm sure Helen will have applications with her so please attend the January meeting and get COVERED!

See you at the Post.

Hal Dulle, Post 5 Commander

2nd Vice Commander Ken Gullede,

And our Historian has requested that anyone that have pictures taken during Post events, or any veteran activity to please send to his email.

gullede.ken@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

New Year's Eve – Club Room Open 1 PM until...

District Meeting/Oratorical Contest. January 12, 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM. @ Post 5.

Show Me the Cash - January 16, 2024 - @ Post 5

Post Clean Up – January 19th, 9:00 AM, Post 5

**NOTES FROM AUXILIARY UNIT 5
PRESIDENT ESTHER ROSNER**



This is the season of thanks and counting our blessings. Many thanks

to the American

Legion Family for supporting the RACS Wish Tree, all tags were taken, gifts were wrapped and Connie Pack delivered them to insure a wonderful Christmas for a

deserving family. Thank you to our point ladies Connie Pack & Debbie Alderson and the many 'Auxiliary Elves' who wrapped the gifts.

We have many Auxiliary volunteers who consistently share their time and talents to make sure the Post is festive for Christmas, special events, (recently the Army-Navy game) and our Christmas party, many hands make light work – thank you for the help in making the post shine!

Our thanks to the American Legion Family and community for supporting Wreaths Across America at Hawthorn Memorial Gardens on December 14th. With your help we were able to place 900+ wreaths for Veterans interred at Hawthorn. Please note, WAA

is running a \$17 two for one wreath promotion through January 17th and we'd appreciate your help in covering all 1250 veteran graves in 2025. The link is:

<https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/179667/Overview>

Our Christmas 'bag brigade' provided 115 Veterans in area retirement centers gifts for the holiday. Thank you to point person Debbie Alderson for coordinating and thank you for the many donations received to make this possible.

If you haven't sent in your auxiliary dues, please do so before 12/31. We encourage you to attend our next meeting at 6:30 p.m. on January 21st in the Annex.

I can be reached at 573-230-1086 if I can answer any questions or be of assistance.

Merry Christmas!

Esther Rosner, Unit 5 President.



**NOTES FROM
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
COMMANDER, CHRIS ALTHEUSER**

It is time to renew your membership for the upcoming 2025 year. Also, I would like to remind all SAL members that our meetings are the first Tuesday of each month. Meets start @7. Hope to see you soon at the Post.
Chris Altheuser, Commander Squadron 5



NOTES FROM POST 5 ADJUTANT RICK DERKS

Important note... if you haven't renewed your membership for 2025 you are PAST DUE. So far, we have 8168 members who have renewed, which is 76% of our goal. Our new member promotion is still going, **pay first year and second year is paid by Post 5.** 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

**Notes from the Business Management Committee,
Committee Chair Jim Mead**

The Business Management Committee (BMC) met on 12/08/2024. Remember Friday Night Meal times will be from 5:30 to 7:00 and the Dance will start at 7:30.

ATTENTION PORK TENDERLIN LOVERS: Post 5 will be serving Pork Tenderloin dinners and sandwiches on the second Tuesday in January, February and March. Taco Tuesday's will resume in April.

Thank you to Unit 5 for the donation to the kitchen. The funds went towards the purchase of new chaffing dishes.

Show Me the Cash is on January 16th at 6:30 come out and have some fun.

If you would be interested in playing shuffleboard, corn hole or having a pitch tournament on a Saturday, give your info to Kelly.

We are interested in hiring an assistant cook for our kitchen. Please contact Kelly Perez or one of the members of the BMC if you or someone you know is interested.

Sound absorbing boards have been installed in the Club Room and have reduced the sound level in the room.

If you know a commercial painter that would like to donate their time in the spring to reseal the outside mural, please let us know.

There is Post Clean-up scheduled for January 19th at 9 AM. If you have a little free time please help us maintain your facility.

We have Rules for Conduct at the Post. Please follow them for everyone's benefit. Outside alcoholic beverages cannot be brought into Post 5 for consumption.

I will continue to say that you don't deserve to be treated disrespectfully by other members or our staff and our staff members do not deserve to be treated this way either. Please be respectful of others.

If you would like to schedule an event at Post 5, please contact our Club Manager, Kelly Perez.

Jim Mead (573) 636-2311

Follow all events on Facebook – www.post5.com - call 573-636-2311 - email post5ha@mchsi.com



**NOTES FROM LEGION RIDERS
DIRECTOR DAVID NEIGHBORS**

Well, I hope everyone survived the holidays. Thank you, Debbie, for everything you did pulling off another wonderful Rider Christmas party. All the great dishes that everyone brought, (not enough deviled eggs), were amazing. I think I can still hear Ken raving on about Krystals caramel corn puffs. And we cannot forget about Ted back there slaving away in the kitchen.
I want to remind everyone to bring a bottle of booze for the cooler. Raffle tickets are behind the bar, so get out and sell, sell, SELL!!! That is one of our biggest fund raisers every year. Which brings us to our newest event where we will be giving away the cooler, and that is the Comedy Night. The tickets are behind the bar as well. We need to get those sold so we can have a successful night.

By the time this reaches everyone, we will have had our annual ride the temp, ride. The day that I am writing this it is only 29 degrees, so I am putting my request in for warmer weather. Hopefully, everyone turned in chapter challenge books to Vince. These numbers will be used for the chapter challenge patches. If everyone can write down their mileage on their bikes for the new year. I would like to see what everyone has for the end of the year. This is separate from the chapter challenge. This will be just total miles for the year. I would just like to see if as a group we can log over half a million miles.
Your director

David Neighbors



TAPS

**No Announcements that
I am aware of, however...**

Please keep all our Legion Family in your prayers

Please welcome our new & transferred members!



**Noah McHugh, US Navy
Robert McFarland, US Army
Kevin M Pigford, US Army
Alan A Mengwasser, US Army**

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

WE ARE THE AMERICAN LEGION!

Important note... Renew now for 2025 membership year. We have 865 renewed, which is 72%. Renew your membership to stay connected, make a difference, and ensure continued support for veterans and their families. Reminder the green key card expires the first of the year. Renew now to get your new key card.

January 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Club open 1-10pm Wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	2 Club open 1-10pm ALR 6pm	3 Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Silver Wings	4 Club open 1-8pm
5 Club open 1-8pm	6 Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing 7pm	7 Club open 1-10pm SAL 7pm	8 Club open 1-10pm Wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	9 Club open 1-10pm 40/8	10 Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Second Wind	11 Club open 1-8pm
12 **Club open 2-8pm	13 Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing 7pm	14 Club open 1-10pm Executive meeting Pork Tenderloin dinner 5-7pm	15 Club open 1-10pm Wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	16 Club open 1-10pm Show me the CASH 6:30pm	17 Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Double Trouble	18 Club open 1-8pm
19 Club open 1-8pm Gary B & the Kools 2-5pm	20 Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing 7pm	21 Club open 1-10pm Post & Auxiliary meetings 6:30pm	22 Club open 1-10pm Wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	23 Club open 1-10pm	24 Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Second Wind	25 Club open 1-8pm
26 Club open 1-8pm	27 Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing 7pm	28 Club open 1-10pm Trio playing 5-7pm	29 Club open 1-10pm Wing night 5-7pm	30 Club open 1-10pm	31 Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Gary B & the Kools	

January Events

It's BACK!! January through March

Jan 14th: Pork Tenderloin Dinner!

Served 5- 7pm

\$15 adults - \$6 Kids 10 and under

\$12 sandwich

Jan 16th Show Me the CASH

6:30pm bring your ones!

Jan 19th Gary B & the Kools

Playing 2-5pm

Jan 28th Trio

Playing 5-7pm

Every Friday Night

Seafood & Fried Chicken Dinner 5:30- 7:00pm

Band plays at 7:30pm - \$10 cover

Every Wednesday Night

Wings served 5- 7pm

Karaoke: Jan 1st, 8th, 15th, & 22nd

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