

MAY 2025



### NOTES FROM COMMANDER HAL DULLE

As we were near the end of the Missouri legislative session, I asked Paul Kirchhoff, Executive Director of the Missouri Veterans Commission, to provide a review of the 2025 session.

"We are approaching the final days of session and the annual state budget season, and the Missouri Veterans Commission (MVC) has been the beneficiary of the hard work by the Missouri Association of Veteran Organizations (MAVO) and individual Veteran advocates like you. Your work advocating for additional Veteran benefits and the funding of existing ones has resulted in our ability to continue all our programs without interruption. This was not always a certainty. However, in his state of the state address, Governor Kehoe specified that we would not close any Veterans homes due to a lack of state funding and he followed through with this commitment in his budget proposal. To date, the only significant changes to the Governor's budget for MVC is that they changed our General Revenue (GR) funding from ongoing to annual. That means we will need to advocate for the funding again next year and the year after that. The good news on this front is that we continue to see more Veterans in the legislature along with more widespread support for Veterans and Veteran issues.

All our Veteran Homes are open and accepting applications from Veterans. The wait list varies by home, but none are excessive by any means. If you, or a Veteran you know, needs long term care it only takes a phone call to the home's Admission Coordinator to start the process for admission. If you are considering a future need, all are welcome to visit any of the homes. We are confident you will see the great care our Veterans receive, and a home-like environment not seen in many other private facilities.

Our five cemeteries throughout the state are hidden gems. I would encourage everyone to visit one to see the beauty and truly hallowed grounds available for Veterans, their spouse and any dependent children. These are FREE with opening and closing of the grave, a concrete grave liner if a vault is not purchased by the family, upright granite headstone or columbarium niche cover, military honors for the veteran and perpetual care. While you can still apply at any time at the cemetery, we also offer an online URL at: [https://my.mo.gov/gsp?id=vcp\\_preapplication](https://my.mo.gov/gsp?id=vcp_preapplication)

The most important action for any Veteran and their family is to apply for the VA benefits you earned through your service. This is not a handout; you have already paid for it through your service. Talk to a Veteran Service Officer (VSO) to start the process. It doesn't matter if they are from a Veteran organization or our MVC VSOs. Go to one you are comfortable with and start the process. If not for yourself, do it for your family.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Kentucky Derby Watch Party...** May 3<sup>rd</sup> 4pm at Post 5  
**Mother's Day Brunch** ... May 12<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM – 12 AM at the Post – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

**Post 5 Bar-B-Que...** May 17, 11:00 AM until sold out @ Schultes parking lot.

**Show Me the Cash...** May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30 PM. @ Post 5.

**Ladies Night w Faith Ann Meyer...** May 29, 6-8 pm (continued)

A sincere thank you to everyone who continues to advocate for Veterans. Your continued service is making a difference. Let's keep up the fight and make sure Veterans continue to receive what has been promised and what has been earned." Paul Kirchhoff

Hal Dulle, Commander Post 5

### NOTES FROM AUXILIARY UNITY 5 PRESIDENT ESTHER ROSNER



Several members attended the Quarterly District Auxiliary meeting in Freeburg and look forward to the next meeting to be held at the Sunrise Beach post, 11:00 a.m., June 8<sup>th</sup>.

The Auxiliary will assist with a Western District Court Naturalization ceremony at 9:00 a.m. on May 8<sup>th</sup> at the Miller Performing Arts Center. Volunteers are welcome as we provide flags, pledge of allegiance cards, cookies and beverages to the many new citizens.

Our thanks to Leader Helen Barnett and Auxiliarist Rosemarie Nichols with the 'Capital Piecemakers' Quilts of Valor group #92717 who have been making quilts to present to Post 5 veterans. They were pleased to present Commander Hal Dulle and Chaplain Bert Miriello with quilts during the April Post business meeting. This group has changed their meeting time and place: the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday monthly at *Specialty Quilts* on Industrial Boulevard. If you can assist with quilting, ironing, or cutting fabric please reach out to Helen Barnett [hbarnett.46@gmail.com](mailto:hbarnett.46@gmail.com). Assistance of support or monetary donations are welcome as we continue to honor our Post veterans.

If you'd like to learn more or submit a Quilt of Valor application, please visit the website: [https://www.qovf.org/nominations-awards/nominate\\_qov\\_tbw\\_info/](https://www.qovf.org/nominations-awards/nominate_qov_tbw_info/)

Bring out your best hat and Derby attire as the Post hosts a Kentucky Derby event at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will have the Post decorated (volunteers are welcome to assist at 1:00 p.m.) Please bring snacks or appetizers to share during this fun event.

The Auxiliary will host the Missouri Girls State Briefing at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, volunteers are needed to set up at 3:00 p.m. and serve refreshments.

We still have a few members with outstanding annual Auxiliary dues (\$48), please send your payment to ALA 1423 Tanner Bridge Road JC MO 65109. Thank you!

Esther Rosner, Unit 5 President 573-230-1086



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

Any Sons member who hasn't received his 2025 SAL dues renewal notice or hasn't paid \$25 for the 2025 year Please stop by Post 5 or contact me at 573-690-2529 to get paid up. The new door cards are white. The SAL election is coming up. We will have nominations at the May meeting. I invite all Sons members to join us at our monthly meetings which are on the first Tuesday of each month. Meetings start @7 pm Hope to see you soon at the Post.

Chris Altheuser, Commander, Squadron 5

**NOMINATIONS FOR 2025-2026**

**The Post 5 Nominating Committee, Chairman Larry Alderson announced the following slate of officer nominees for the 2025-2026 member year:**

Commander, Hal Dulle; 1st Vice, Steve Spayde; 2nd Vice, Ken Gullede; Adjutant, Rick Derks; Finance Officer, Shams Chughtai; Historian, Open; Sgt-at-Arms, Cecil Goodin; Service Officer, Tom Lauer; Chaplain, Bert Miriello; Judge Advocate, Gary Kempker; Executive Board (Vote for 3), Charlie Goodin, Charlotte Dudenhoffer, Jerry Koestner. Business Management Committee nominees are (vote for 2) Gary Kempker, Tim Bock. **The election will be held at the May Post Meeting, at that time nominations can be made from the floor.**



**Alfred Lueckenhoff (April 2025)  
Mike Egbert (March 2025)  
Argus Russell (March 2025)  
Lowell Allee (January 2025)**

**Please keep all our Legion Family in your prayers.**

**Please welcome our new members!**



**Jeff Taggart, USMC  
Timothy Gaudet, USAF  
Johnny Houston, USN  
Scott McHenry, USN  
Gavin Satterfield, USAF  
Drew Hammacher, USAF  
Robert Jones, USA**

**Notes from the Business Management Committee,**

The Business Management Committee (BMC) met on 04/07/2024. **Come and join us for Mother's Day Brunch on May 11th. Don't forget the Post 5 BBQ on May 17th in Schulte's parking lot.** Come out and purchase some great BBQ to support the Post. We have Taco Tuesday from 5 to 7 pm, except the 3rd Tuesday of each month and Wing Night from 5 to 7pm with Karaoke every week. If you would like to schedule an event at Post 5, please contact our Club Manager, Kelly Perez. (573) 636-2311

Follow all events on Facebook – [www.post5.com](http://www.post5.com) - call 573-636-2311 - email [post5ha@mchsi.com](mailto:post5ha@mchsi.com)

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**Notes from Adjutant Rick Derks  
Important note... if you haven't renewed  
your membership for 2025 you are**

**delinquent.** So far, we have 1,041 members who have renewed, which is 86% of our goal. If you have not yet renewed your 2025 membership, I encourage you to send in your dues as soon as possible. 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. As a member you are encouraged to attend our monthly meetings to provide your input into how our Post operates. **Our next meeting is May 20th.**

See you at the Post! Rick Derks, Adjutant



**NOTES FROM LEGION RIDERS  
DIRECTOR DAVID NEIGHBORS**

Well, the warm weather is upon us, and April showers are making all the flowers bloom. It is a beautiful time to live in the Ozarks. We had our first Hump Day ride, to Olean and heard from Denny that everyone had a great time. Thank you, Denny, for leading the ride. I would like to see these occur once a month around the 15th on Wednesdays to stay with the hump day theme. So, that being said, the next one should fall around May 14th. If you have an idea for a dinner stop or want to lead a ride just let me know. I have had some people mention some good ideas of places to go. We are hoping to get a bike blessing and ride in this month, and I would like to do something for a Memorial ride for our fallen riders. We have been asked again to join in at the capital on Memorial Day for the ceremonies. Also, the LEGACY RIDE is fast approaching and if you plan on attending, I was informed that the hotels around Hannibal will be filling up fast because of the Mark Twain days that same weekend.

No more excuses, we only have about 25 odometer readings turned into Vince, so get that milage turned into him. May 31st our riding miles have to be turned into the state so help us keep our status of the largest most active chapter by getting miles ridden to Vince as well. Remember to wear your vest when you ride and talk to people while you are out there. Let them know of all the great things the American Legion is doing.

Your Director, David Neighbors

# MOTHER'S DAY

# Brunch

Join us from  
Sunday, May 11th  
9am-noon

\$13 biscuits & gravy, eggs with  
onion, pepper, mushroom and  
cheese toppings, sausage, fried  
potatoes, fruit salad, coffee cake,  
OJ & coffee



# MAY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1</b> Club open 1-10pm ALR 6pm	<b>2</b> Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried Chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Silver Wings	<b>3</b> Club open 1-8pm Kentucky Derby Watch Party 4pm!
<b>4</b> Club open 1-8pm Nascar All day Hour Hour!	<b>5</b> Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing 7pm	<b>6</b> Club open 1-10pm SAL 7pm Taco Tuesday 5-7pm	<b>7</b> Club open 1-10pm Wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	<b>8</b> Club open 1-10pm 40/8	<b>9</b> Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried Chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Second Wind	<b>10</b> Club open 1-8pm \$2 off Buckets
<b>11</b> Club open 1-8pm Nascar Mother's day Breakfast 9am-noon	<b>12</b> Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing 7pm	<b>13</b> Club open 1-10pm Executive Meeting Taco Tuesday & Trio 5-7pm	<b>14</b> Club open 1-10pm Wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	<b>15</b> Club open 1-10pm Veteran's coffee & donuts 8:30-10:30am	<b>16</b> Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried Chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Double Trouble	<b>17</b> Club open 1-8pm Legion BBQ Schulte's Parking Lot 11 am
<b>18</b> Club open 1-8pm Nascar Gary B & The Kools 2-5pm	<b>19</b> Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing 7pm	<b>20</b> Club open 1-10pm Post & Auxiliary Meetings 6:30pm	<b>21</b> Club open 1-10pm Wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	<b>22</b> Club open 1-10pm Show me the cash 6:30pm	<b>23</b> Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried Chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Country Plus	<b>24</b> Club open 1-8pm \$2 off Buckets
<b>25</b> Club open 1-8pm Nascar All day Hour Hour!	<b>26</b> Club open 1-10pm Club 5 drawing 7pm	<b>27</b> Club open 1-10pm Taco Tuesday 5-7pm	<b>28</b> Club open 1-10pm Wing night 5-7pm Karaoke 7-10pm	<b>29</b> Club open 1-10pm Ladies Night with Faith Ann Meyer 6-8pm	<b>30</b> Club open 1-12am Seafood & Fried Chicken dinner 5:30-7pm Gary B & the Kools	<b>31</b> Club open 1-8pm \$2 off Buckets



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Kentucky Derby Watch Party

May 3rd 4pm

Games, Potluck snacks, Prizes

### Mother's Day Brunch

May 11th 9am- noon

Biscuits & gravy, sausage, eggs with cheese, onions, peppers and mushroom toppings, fried potatoes, fruit salad and coffee cake  
\$13 adults \$6 kids

### Post BBQ

May 17th Schulte's Parking lot 11am

Slab of Ribs \$24

Pork Steak or Rib Dinner \$14

Half Chicken \$13

Brat \$12

Served with Legion Slaw and Beans

### Gary B & the Kools

May 18th 2-5pm

### Taco Tuesday

5-7pm Except the 3rd Tuesday for the Post meeting  
Trio Plays May 13th

### Every Wednesday

Wing Night 5-7pm

Karaoke Every week in May!

### Every Friday

Seafood & Fried Chicken Dinner 5:30- 7pm  
Band at 7:30pm \$10 cover



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