

February 2026



NOTES FROM COMMANDER HAL DULLE

I hope this newsletter finds all of you healthy and happy.

- As we move further into 2026, it is encouraging to look back on how far our Post has come since 1919. Thanks to the resilience of our members, volunteering and enjoying the fellowship our Post has to offer, a wide array of programs and activities that mean so much to our Legion Family.
- We are proud to continue offering the activities that help make our Post a gathering place for veterans, families, and patriots. Friday night dinners and dances, Taco Tuesday, Wing Night, and special events for our members remain important traditions, and we will continue to offer carryout options when available. Your continued participation and support make these events possible and successful.
- The past months have not always been easy, but your dedication helped ensure that our Post remained strong and ready to serve. Because of that support, we can look ahead with confidence and optimism. Plans are underway for continued improvements and special events throughout the year, and more information will be shared as details are finalized.
- Finally, I want to personally thank the many Post members who continue to support our mission. From our Executive Committee and Business Management Committee (BMC) to the countless individuals who quietly and consistently step up, you ensure that our Post remains a welcoming place for veterans and patriots to create a force for good in our community. Your dedication does not go unnoticed, and I am truly grateful.
- Please remember to submit your membership renewals. Maintaining strong membership numbers is essential in our continued effort to safeguard veterans' rights and ensure access to VA health care. Elected officials pay close attention to these numbers, and a united, active membership strengthens our voice in these important discussions. I appreciate you! Remember, "It's About Veterans!"

Post Commander, Hal Dulle

ISO GWOT Veterans

- This Is Your Post Too, you served in a different war, in a different time — but you earned the same respect. If you deployed after 9/11, wore the uniform, and came home wondering "Where do I fit now?" —the American Legion is still your place. This isn't about old wars or old stories. It's about camaraderie, service, and watching each other's backs — just like you did then. No pressure. No speeches. No gatekeeping. Just veterans who understand the grind, the humor, the loss, and the pride. Come by for a fried chicken and seafood dinner. Stay for the people. This is your post!



NOTES FROM AUXILIARY UNIT 5 PRESIDENT ESTHER ROSNER

On January 4th we were pleased to partner with the Capital Peacemakers Quilt of Valor group #92717 to honor Post 5

members: U.S. Army Veterans Jim Mead, 1973-1995; Mitch Rogge 1992 -1995 and Veteran Bob Wendell who served in the U.S. Navy 1974 – 1979 and U.S. Army 1988 – 2014 with Quilts of Valor.

- Post 5 welcomed Christine Sapp District 8 Oratorical Chairman and District 8 Commander Paul Backues as we hosted the Southwest District 8 Oratorical Contest on Sunday, January 11th. Calvary Lutheran Junior Anna Fanning was the winner of the contest having also won at the Unit level. She will move on to the Zone competition in Hannibal.

- Following the Oratorical Competition, the Unit 5 Auxiliary provided lunch with cold cuts, relish trays and dessert after which the District 8 meeting was held with Auxiliaries from Unit 105 Iberia, Unit 624 Sunrise Beach, and Unit 317 Freeburg joining Unit 5 to share their Unit accomplishments and plans for 2026.

- Thank you to Roslie Brizendine who will continue as the Post 5 Auxiliary working with the Thomas Jefferson Sea Cadets as they volunteer at Friday night dinners and at Post activities.

- If you'd like to volunteer with the Auxiliary, we have MANY upcoming activities where time and talent are welcomed:

- Cookie Team – Team #1 (2/6, 3/13, 4/17, 5/22, 6/26, and so on) needs cookie bakers and a team leader. If you're able to bake or lead the team, please call me.

- Chili Cook-off: Saturday February 7 th 11:00 – 2:00 The Auxiliary will have a table with horse themed decorations, our name: "Too Hot to Trot" come enjoy some delicious Chili. Please contact a member to purchase a \$10 ticket. Your support is appreciated.

- Country Store and BBQ: February 21st ' 10:30 – 2:00 we will host our annual fund raiser, volunteers are needed that day OR if you are a baker, crafter, or are downsizing – baked goods, craft items and gently used home décor items are welcome. Please call Dorothy Goodin if you need items picked up 573-353-7651.

- U.S.S. Jefferson City Submarine Ball: Saturday, February 28th the Auxiliary will decorate, tickets are available – details on our FB page.

- As a reminder, the 2026 \$48 Auxiliary dues renewal should be mailed to ALA 1423 Tanner Bridge Road. We encourage you to attend our February 17th Business meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Annex.

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

Unit 5 Auxiliary President, Esther Rosner



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

SAL - 2026 Membership - If you have not renewed your membership for 2026, Please do so ASAP they are \$30- The dues we receive from membership help support Veterans in our area. Also Please check your membership cards: If it states 2026 at the top, you are current, check your door key, if it has a Red 2026 sticker on it, you are current.

- If you have any questions regarding memberships please contact Sr. Vice Commander/Membership Chairman Steve Collins, 573-645-1378, scollins956@gmail.com.
- I invite all SAL members to join us at our monthly meetings, and they are the first Tuesday of each month. Meeting starts 7. Hope to see you soon at the post!

Chris Altheuser, Commander, squadron 5

TAPS



None, well done!

Please keep all our Legion Family in your prayers.



Membership forms can be found at the bar or at the Commanders Officer.

Business Management Committee (BMC)

- Our January meeting was a productive start to the year, focusing on the essential updates and maintenance needed to keep our Post thriving. We are proud to announce that Cecil has been formally appointed as our new Security Officer. Alongside his appointment, we are currently upgrading our security systems to ensure a safe environment for all members.
- We are also thrilled to welcome **Brittany Tucker** as our new Club Manager! Brittany brings a level of energy and enthusiasm that is sure to make 2026 a standout year, and we can't wait for you to meet her. You'll notice some physical changes around the Post, too. The club room kitchen is already sporting a new air fryer and pizza oven, and new barstools are on the way! We look forward to seeing you all at the Post soon!

Business Management Committee Chair, Tim Bock

Notes from Adjutant

- Membership renewals for 2026 are ongoing If you have not renewed them, please submit your dues soon. Encourage eligible Veterans or active-duty personnel to join our Post—the largest and most active in Missouri. Please attend monthly meetings and contribute ideas for Post operations.
- ISO a new Post Adjutant that is a paid position, so if you are interested, please contact any of the post officers. **See you at the Post!**

Adjutant, Charlotte Dudenhoeffer

Happy Valentines Day!



**NOTES FROM LEGION RIDERS
DIRECTOR DAVID NEIGHBORS**

Thanks to everyone that showed up for the polar bear/ ride the temp ride. We had an amazing turnout. I think we had 17 riders in attendance, and only one in a cage. We had a great time riding to California and getting grub at The Flame Diner. They did an amazing job of accommodating all of us. The food was great and the camaraderie was even better.

- Well, that just set us up for a great year. Lots of rides and things to look forward to over the next 12 months. February 21st is the Spring ALR meeting in Ashland. Its starts at 0900, So we will try to get there by 0830. If the weather is cooperating, we can ride the bikes, which we have done several years in the past. This is a great meeting to attend to hear what is coming up in the state and at several posts.
- We do have our second annual comedy night coming up March 21st. There are tickets available to sell. Luke has come up with some great ideas for the night, and this should be another great event. There will be a limited number of tables for this event that will be reserved seating. The remainder are general admission. So, if you think that you may want a table, don't wait.
- "Is there more?" you ask. Why, of course there is more. The annual Legacy Ride is always in June and this is going to be a little different. They are going to model after the ROMP, that was held at the lake last year. It will begin at Post 624 in Sunrise Beach, every morning and end there. This means you don't have to get up and pack your bike every day. This is a super great way to meet other riders from around the state and make new friendships and rekindle others.
- Is there more of course there is but you will just need to come to the rider meetings to hear about all the great things that are happening.

Your Director, David Neighbors

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Annual Post Family Chill Cook Off is Saturday, February 7th, 10:00AM - 2:00PM, information and tickets are at the bar.
- Superbowl Potluck Party Sunday, February 8th, starting at 4:00PM Kickoff is at 5:30PM.
- Please plan to come to the Post for Donuts and Coffee at 8:30 on February 19th.
- All of the Post will be closed at 4:00 PM on March 21st for the ALR Comedy night, so get your tickets now to join.
- The Post Hall will be closed for resurfacing 23-26 February
- Follow all events on Facebook at American Legion Post 5 – www.post5.com - Email post5ha@mchsi.com.

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