



American Legion Post 735 Newsletter

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Commander's Message

Commander Puckett reports:

Another Memorial Day has come and gone with a very busy weekend. Now it is time to prepare for the upcoming Membership Year in Post 735. Also, June 14th is Flag Day. Due to the increasing manufacture of nylon all weather flags, we will once again not hold our Flag Disposal Service at the Post Home. Any flags we collected over the year have been taken to Forest Lawn Cemetery for proper disposal on Flag Day. The service will be held at 10:00 AM at the cemetery. All are welcome to attend. I look forward to seeing you at our Membership Meeting on the 12th. Enjoy the summer and stay tuned to the activities planned for the future at the Post Home and there about. Thank you and don't forget to fly "Old Glory" on the 14th. Say a prayer for our troops serving at Home and throughout the Globe!

Sick Call & Relief

Chaplain Ken Herkey reports:

Say a prayer for our troops!

1st. Vice Commander PC

Ed Tyczka reports:

Our Post membership stands at 482 paid up members. The new membership year will start at the end of June. May was a very busy month at the Post, thanks to all who helped at the GI party. I also want to thank the following members that worked on cleaning the walk-in cooler: Dennis Kessler, Jerry Johnson, Ralph and Zack Pratt, Nunzio, Dave Dascomb, Matt Williams, Charlie McSwain, Al Szaras, John Guzdiak, Keith Wight and Mike Janak, it was a lot of work. The parade season is upon us with Memorial Day. The motorcycle run was a huge success thanks to Ron and Gail Kelly and Post members who helped out. There will be music on the third Saturday of June, July and August with GD Rose performing from 8:00PM to 11:00PM come out and support the Post and have a good time doing it. Please remember the Post Chicken BQ on Sunday June 10th from 1:00PM to 4:00PM proceeds will benefit our building fund. Have a safe Summer and say a prayer for the Troops.

2nd Vice-Commander

Katie McCarthy reports:

Hello! BBQ Thursdays are back, hope you can come out and enjoy a good meal with your fellow Legion family members. There will be a few Euchre tournaments and some music evenings during the summer. Signs are posted throughout the building, stop in and sign up. Our Chicken BBQ to support the post is June 10th, hope to see everyone there! Enjoy your summer!

Auxiliary President

Mary Ann Kessler reports:

Thank you to all the ladies that volunteered this past month at area locations distributing Poppies. Monies collected will go to our local Veterans. Awesome job!

Our June 6th meeting night we are looking for new ideas and suggestions for the upcoming year for Veteran actives, donations and community service. Our Unit will be collecting donations of peanut butter and jelly for the West Seneca food pantry summer school vacation. Please bring your donation to the June meeting. Marching Unit season is under way! Saturday June 23 is the West Seneca Community days parade and Wednesday, July 4th is the Cheektowaga town parade and Saturday July 7th is the Strykersville parade. See **Marching Unit Captain Sue Solly** for more details (716-361-6984). Sunday August 26, volunteers are needed for the VA in Batavia BBQ luncheon. It's a fun and rewarding event to serve our Veterans, from 11:00 am – 2:30 pm.

Please contact **Chaplain Laura Little** 716-949-9815 if you know of a member who has taken ill.

Please get your dues to **1st Vice Toni Kruger**. If you have not paid for this year 2017-2018, you no longer have Auxiliary or Post privileges.

NO Auxiliary meeting in July.

Our August 1st meeting night is our Unit Summer Social at 7:00 pm. Auxiliary members can bring a guest to the social if they qualify to join our Unit.

God Bless Our Active and Returning Troops.

Happy Father's Day to all of our Legion 735 Dads!

S.A.L.

Commander Mike McCarthy reports:

We have 205 paid members.27 Delinquent.

Mother's day brunch was very well attended. Thanks to Bob, Al and the team for your hard work.

Golf tournament is July 23rd sign-up sheet at the bar. Limited to the first 72 golfers. \$55 per golfer for Golf, Cart, Lunch, Dinner, Drinks and lots of laughs.

Music will be once a month for the summer.

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September 17th, 2018 is our next meeting at 7:35 pm.

Enjoy your summer, if we need a vote on anything it will be done by email or a quick meeting in the bar room. Get your email to McCarthy or Kessler.

Board of Directors

Dennis Kessler Reports:

The board of directors would like to thank the following:

Eddie T., Jim S, Mike K, and Mike S for removing all the tables and chairs for floor cleaning and waxing of the main hall. J Johnson for stripping and waxing the floors they look great. Removing, and restocking beer cases, and kegs after cleaning out the walking cooler. K.White, Z Pratt, R Pratt, M Williams, A Szaras, D Dadcomb, N Esposito, E Tyczka, J Grochowski, C McSwain.

The G I party was also a great success: A Zakowcz, T Drzyzga, D Bucheker, R Pratt, Collen Mays, Brain McCarty, M McCarty, Toni Kruger, Ron Puckett, D Bifulco, D Meyers, M Williams, M McMahan, C McSwain, K White, and Bob Little. We got so much work done in those 2 days thank you for all your donated time to complete all of this work.

Summer is finally here please stay safe and Remember our troops both home and away serving our country.

Legion Riders

Ron Kelly Reports:

On May 26th, The Legion Riders hosted the 12th Annual Veterans Motorcycle Run to Support Veterans in Need. Without the support of the entire Legion family, we would not have had another successful event with well over 100 motorcycles taking part in the event, as the weather again was in our favor. Thank you to the members of the Legion, Sons of the Legion, and Ladies Auxiliary who donated their time and effort not only on the day of the run but also took part in planning this event! A great time was had by all for a great purpose. Watch your email for the time and date of the wrap up meeting, and for any rides scheduled this summer. Say a prayer for all our Troops!

Important JUNE 2018 Dates:

- 5th** - Color Guard Meeting
- 6th** - Auxiliary Meeting
- 12th** - General Meeting
- 19th** - Board of Directors Meeting