

## NOVEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

### **Notes from Commander Vince Rost:**

I've said it several times and I'll say it again. We are very lucky to have a home like we have at Post 5. The American Legion has given us a reason to come together for a purpose. However, sometimes we take that for granted. During a time when our membership is waning, we have people who enjoy our facility without becoming members. Some qualified veterans have even outwardly admitted that they have joined the "Sons" or the "Auxiliary" to keep from having to pay \$45 to be a "Legion" member. This isn't in the spirit of the reason we come together. In a world where purposeful values are rare, we have the chance to pass down a great tradition of service to our future generations. Let's not waste that chance by circumventing our membership process.

You can expect that we will be tightening up the access to our post in order to help enforce the value of our membership. In the mean time, let's do the right thing and police those in our social circles to do the same

My email is [vince.rost@yahoo.com](mailto:vince.rost@yahoo.com) and phone is **757-754-1112**.

"United We Stand" ~ Vince Rost

### **Notes from Adjutant Don Cryderman:**

The NEW membership drive is doing great things!! Let's not forget to invite more new people to our Post, **Reminder** – for NEW members/Legionnaires you get 2 years of membership for the price of one year, they pay the current 2018 dues, WE pay their 2019 dues. Our current 2018 membership is 930.

If you need assistance joining someone up or helping someone transfer, feel free to contact me @ [post5@mchsi.com](mailto:post5@mchsi.com) or my cell#: **417-425-2390**.

**REMINDER** Baseball Banquet is October 28<sup>th</sup>, tickets are on sale, contact Gary Kempker or check at the Post 5 bar for information and tickets. There are some tickets left! The Post is hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10 am to 2 pm (see flyer for information).

The Junior Class of the Social Studies Department at Helias HS has taken on a project with the Library of Congress to interview **"honorably discharged veterans"** for a Veterans History Project.

(<https://www.loc.gov/vets/>.) They will begin on November 11<sup>th</sup> taking signups. For more information and if you're interested in "telling your story" and being a part of this project, you can contact Helias HS @ 573-635-6923, or mailing address is: 1305 Swifts Hwy, JCMO 65101. The POC is Tom Emmel.

Visit our website ([www.post5.com](http://www.post5.com)), for the newsletter, calendar of events, news releases and various other functions by our Post Family clubs. Also visit our State website: ([www.missourilegion.org](http://www.missourilegion.org)).

**New members:** Guy Schnitzler, Kevin Ellenson, Lary Patrick, Bill Plate, John Linthicum, Derek Estes, John Hunt, Jason Howe, Robert Hardin, John Wegmann Jr, Anthony Wansing, Delbert Wilde and Matt Jorgenson. Let's reach out to these folks and welcome them into our Post.

**TAPS: Brooks Nicklas and Keith White.**

### **Notes from Auxiliary President Christie Schepers:**

Thanks to those members who have sent in their renewals and welcome to our new members. Thanks also to those who attended Fall Conference at the Capital Plaza Hotel October 21 & 22.

Noteworthy events coming up: November 4<sup>th</sup> is a busy day with Poppy donations in the morning and VA Hospital Bingo in the afternoon; Veteran's Day Celebration starts Friday, November 10 at 8:30 am at St. Peter's Church. Then on to the Capitol Rotunda at 11:00 for further ceremony. We will decorate the Post home for the holidays on Monday, November 27 starting at 1:00 pm. December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Post is hosting a blood drive with the Red Cross from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. We have been challenged by other Post families to see which group can have the most donations. This is open to everyone so bring your family and/or friends.

Please plan to attend the November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. It will be the last meeting before Christmas and we will have lots of information to cover for December activities. Thank you members for everything you

do for our Veterans and community, especially this time of year. You are the very best! I am always available by phone at 573-821-7807. You can also check out our Facebook page, American Legion Auxiliary Post 5, for upcoming events.

May you have a blessed (and fun) Thanksgiving from my family to yours!

Christie Schepers

**Notes from Legion Riders Director Jim Rosenberg:**

The cool weather is here, except for the other day when it got in the 90's on the Ride for the Ribbon. We are still riding and always doing it for a good cause. Remember riders, as Past Director Pat McCormick used to tell us, check your tires. Cool weather will diminish the air pressure and that can lead to a loss of control while riding.

The Riders are busy as usual making plans for the winter events and Veterans Day. All those dates are sneaking up on us. Membership numbers are right at 150 members, still the Largest Chapter in the state. We are also planning on some fundraisers coming up soon. Let's not forget the Bugle Boy Escort November 2nd, check with Brian Sapp for more information, and the last Central Missouri Honor Flight of this year, is November 7<sup>th</sup>. Corn Hole tournament and Sweetheart Dinner and Dance are in the works. Get ready for those. Any riders that want to help with the planning of those events please get hold of Sherry Faughn. Remember your dues of \$15 are due. If you haven't paid, we would appreciate you getting that in.

Happy Halloween, watch out for those youngsters.

Jim Rosenberg, Chapter 5

**Notes from Son of American Legion**

November is our renewal month; our dues are still \$20. Please mail them to me at Danny Boeckman, 2013 Brady Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65101, make checks out to: SAL (Sons of American Legions).

Thanks to all who attended and worked our Mouse race last month, it was a good time and successful event.

Thanks, Danny Boeckman - SAL Adjutant

**Notes from the Home Association:**

Our last BBQ of the season is November 4<sup>th</sup>, at Schulte's Parking Lot. The BBQ's once again have been successful this year. They are a success because of the great volunteers that supported them (you all know who you are, to many name to mention). THANK YOU!!!!!! We will be serving Thanksgiving Dinner from 11:00 to 2:00 pm and the club will be open from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. We will be having our regular Friday Night Dinner and Dance the Friday after Thanksgiving. WE have a winner! Congratulation to Christie Schepers, she was the big winner of the Search for Club 5 game. Club 5 is held on every Monday night. The next pot will start at \$9,080.00. We need to say thank you to all the workers and bartenders that make this night a success.

**We still have openings for your Holiday Parties in December: call 636-2311 for more information and available dates.**

Have a Happy Thanksgiving and safe travel as you go to spend time with family and friends.

Sharon