



# The Legionnaire

## Tidewater Post 327

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### POST OFFICERS

Commander: Tony Moore  
1<sup>st</sup> VCDR: Byron Pianalto  
2<sup>nd</sup> VCDR: Eugene Kleinfelter  
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Adjutant: Gene Niedholdt  
Finance: David Seate  
Service Officer: Eric Isaksen  
Chaplain: J. J. Willis  
Sgt-at-Arms: Bob DeChamplain  
Historian: TBD

#### Exec Board

Ken Nobles  
Tim Gonyea  
Brian Bell

### LEGION RIDERS

Director: Keith DeLucenay  
Ass't Dir: Paul Murch  
Adjutant: Shane Kelly  
Treasurer: David Seate  
Safety Officer: Paul Murch  
Chaplain: Paul Murch  
Sgt-at-Arms: James Kern  
Road Captains:

#### Exec Board

Josh Goughneur  
Al R. Gnome

### SAL SQUADRON

CDR: Fred Vaccarella  
1<sup>st</sup> VCDR: Dave Samson  
2<sup>nd</sup> VCDR Mike Schmidt  
Adjutant: James Doty, Jr.  
Treasurer: Jeff Evans  
Chaplain: Rocky English  
Sgt-at-Arms: Mike Atkinson  
Historian: Dan Schmidt

#### Exec Board

Steve Gower  
Cliff Carney  
Kenneth O'Bryan

### AUXILIARY

President: Nancy Bell  
Vice President: Jean Lewis  
Secretary: Lee Forest  
Treasurer: Bonnie Kleinfelter  
Chaplain: Marcia Brothers  
Sgt-at-Arms: Pat Hatke  
Historian: Sharon Bukowski

#### Exec Board

Stacey Hempfer  
Norma Ryan  
Linda Byrd

**COMMANDER:** Your next Post Meeting will be October 10<sup>th</sup> at @ 7:30 pm. Our Post now has **Post Coins** for sale. Each coin is only \$10.00. They are high quality coins and are quite Pretty! See the bartender to purchase yours.

Thanksgiving is coming up and will be on top of us before you know it. Please consider donating a turkey or ham to the Post for this very special dinner. Since thanksgiving is on Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>, please try to have donated items at the Post between Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. This will allow better planning on our part. Again, thanks in advance for your help.

The Post has established a program for volunteers to go out and work in our community. They meet at the Post the second Thursday of each month. If you know of someone who needs help getting to a store, doctors appt, unable to care for basic needs at their home, come to the

meeting. There are so many opportunities for the Post **TO REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE**, but we need **YOUR HELP**.

The budget was accepted by the board and presented to the body at the last Post meeting and will be voted on during the October meeting. For God and Country, Tony Moore.

**Upcoming Events:** Department Conference at Virginia Beach Conference Center Oct 20 - 22.

**FIRST VICE COMMANDER:** Currently we are at just over 540 members that have renewed for 2018. You may renew your 2018 membership online at **www.legion.org/renew** website and pay with credit card; you can also check your personal information and make

any corrections if necessary. Renewal online at the above website address is for Post members only. For God and Country, Byron Pianalto

**SECOND VICE COMMANDER:** Thanks to all who assisted with our Labor Day picnic. We couldn't do it without the volunteers and donations. Our next event will be New Year's Eve celebrations. Tentative date will be Sunday Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. Hope to see you there. For God Country, Duff Kleinfelter

**SERVICE OFFICER:** Last month we submitted 60 claims, we talked to 204 people, we logged 330 hours, we logged 882 miles. On August 17<sup>th</sup>, I attended a function at the American Revolutionary Museum Yorktown. They have a special exhibit through the rest of this year highlighting the contributions of veterans. We continue to assist many veterans, thanks to the dedication of our volunteer service officer staff. For God and Country, Eric Isaksen.

**CHAPLAIN:** Greetings fellow legionnaires. As we go into the month of October, let us not forget those Legionnaires, Veterans and just friends who are devastated by the storms that have struck them. We are blessed to not have the worst of them hit us, but there are those that need our help. If you find it in your heart, help them in whatever way you can – not necessarily a donation of cash, but anything you can think of. For God and Country, J. J. Willis

**LEGION RIDERS:** We escorted Bob's remains to Quantico and made several U-TURNS in his honor. We rode in several poker runs and attended the ALR State Rally in Lynchburg. We escorted warriors and their families to the Combat Wounded Coalition's "Jump for a Purpose" event in Honor of Bob Perkins. We have also added a couple of new members. For God and Country, Paul Murch ALR Assistant Director.

**ATHLETIC OFFICER:** Greetings to all. The bowling league {Sunday} is in need of a few bowlers. If you are interested, contact Byron P. in the office. Our co-ed softball team currently has 4 wins, 1 loss and 1 tie. The schedule is posted on the hallway cork board. Bring your lawn chair and root your team on. Our pool teams have advanced to the playoffs. Check with Salina on their progress. More info next month, till then... For God @ Country, Jeff Evans Post 327 A.O.

**SQUADRON COMMANDER:** Hello American Legion Family Members: October and November are busy months for the Sons and the Legion Family. October 6<sup>th</sup> – VA Hampton Patients will be over from the Medical Center for the Fish Fry and Bingo Night at our Post. Please try to attend this event and show your support for these Veterans who are coping with spinal trauma, PTSD, TBI and/or addiction problems. October 9<sup>th</sup> – SAL Meeting  
October 12<sup>th</sup> – Outreach Group Meeting  
October 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> - the Legion Fall Conference in Virginia Beach  
October 20<sup>th</sup> – Sons Dinner Night  
October 28<sup>th</sup> – We are planning to serve a meal at the Fisher House in Portsmouth  
November 3<sup>rd</sup> – Son's Luncheon for WHI at Galilee Episcopal Church  
November 4<sup>th</sup> – Closing Ceremony and Posting of Colors at Galilee Episcopal Church  
November 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> – Sons OCW Fundraiser in Avon NC sponsored by Avon Fishing Pier and PBR.  
November 13<sup>th</sup> – SAL Meeting  
By His Wounds Ministry is hosting a three day retreat for Welcome Home Initiative at the Galilee Episcopal Church, 3928 Pacific Ave next to the Cavalier Hotel. The Sons will provide a Luncheon November 3<sup>rd</sup> for the attendees and we will be present at the 10:30 AM closing ceremony and posting of colors. Please come out and support our Combat Veterans and spouses who are affected by PTSD and other related. WHI has been featured on the 700 Club. Go to: [www.byhiswoundsministries.org](http://www.byhiswoundsministries.org) for more information.  
**Remember Sons we are giving away a free membership and a \$50.00 Cash card if your name is drawn next June.** All you have to do is to come to a SAL meeting or any other SAL sanctioned event. For example, our dinner night, a Conference, an Outreach event. Each time you attend or participate your name is dropped into the "hat". The more you attend and the more you participate the better your odds are to win a free year membership and a \$50 cash card.  
1st Vice Cmdr Dave Samson says to keep up the good work. Between renewals and new members, we are at 31% through September. Our goal for this year is 145 and we are at 45.  
Thank everyone for supporting our Lasagna dinner night. As usual we sold out!  
**Thank you, Mrs. Jane Evans, for preparing this fine dinner.** Thank all the volunteers that helped.

Next Month we are bringing back our stewed Boneless Pork Loins. Two to a plate and they are going to be at least a ½ inch thick if not thicker. The dinner will be served with Smashed Potatoes (no box stuff), vegetable, roll and dessert. This will be October 20<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm for only an \$8.00 Donation to our Son's charity fund. Congratulations are in order for our very own Mr. Steve Gower who has been announced as the Leading Candidate for **SAL National Vice Commander for 2018-2019** year. Steve has also been appointed to a three year term on the SAL National VA & R Commission. The Sons have been and are accepting donations at the Post for National Emergency Fund (NEF) and for The Endowment Fund's TFA. TFA is Temporary Financial Assistance to aid children. So far, we have raised in less than 30 days \$680.00. Please remember those that are still suffering from the devastation that was done to them by the two most recent hurricane disasters. For God and Country, Fred Vaccarella

**ALA PRESIDENT:** Hello Ladies, Fall is here ya'll, yeah, I love this time of year. Our beloved Vets from Hampton VA will be here on Fri Oct 6<sup>th</sup> @ 5 PM for our fish fry dinner & bingo, etc. We

always need desserts (some sugar free) they love their sweets. Please help us out with that. We will also be serving on the bar side.

All of our projects are still ongoing. Crochet projects for the babies and hats & scarves for the homeless Vets. If anyone comes across yarn at decent prices we could really use some.

Our Fall Conference at Virginia Beach is Oct 20 – 23 and our District meeting is Oct 28<sup>th</sup> at Unit 5. If you are interested in either let me know. Please don't forget membership renewals, 2018 are due by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. For God and Country, Nancy Bell.

**ONCE A MONTH SERVICE PROJECTS:** Can you spend one day a month to reach out to our community and assist or better the lives of Veterans, Active Duty or Senior citizens?

The Post recently sponsored a Hero Dog who is currently in-service animal training to eventually be paired with a veteran. If you shop on amazon, please go to **smile.amazon.com** and select Hero Dog-5% of qualifying purchases will be donated to the Hero Dogs for Heroes program.

# October 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>1</b></p> <p>1:00 PM Legion Bowling Breakfast - By Patti</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>2</b></p> <p>6:30 PM Girl Scout Meeting 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>3</b></p> <p>7:30 PM ALA Regular Mtg 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>4</b></p> <p>7:00 PM 40/8 Promenade @ Post 327</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>5</b></p> <p>7:30 PM Darts 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>6</b></p> <p>6:00 PM ALA Dinner - Vets Fish Fry 8:30 PM CO-ED Softball</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>7</b></p> <p>7:30 PM Karaoke - Eugene</p>
<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>8</b></p> <p>9:00 AM -11:00 AM Breakfast - Girl Scouts 1:00 PM Legion Bowling</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>9</b></p> <p>7:00 PM Son's Executive Mtg 7:30 PM Son's Regular Mtg 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>10</b></p> <p>7:00 PM Post 327 Executive Mtg 7:30 PM Post 327 Reg Mtg 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>11</b></p> <p>6:30 PM ALA Social &amp; Crafts</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>12</b></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;">7:00 PM Outside Volunteer Mtg</div> <p>7:30 PM Darts 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>13</b></p> <p>6:00 PM Girl Scout Dinner - Spaghetti &amp; Meatballs 8:30 PM CO-ED Softball</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>14</b></p> <p>7:30 PM Karaoke - Laddie Harrell</p>
<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>15</b></p> <p>9:00 AM -11:00 AM Breakfast - 40/8 1:00 PM Legion Bowling</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>16</b></p> <p>6:30 PM Girl Scout Meeting 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>17</b></p> <p>10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>18</b></p> <p>6:30 PM VVA Chapter 48 Reg Board Mtg</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>19</b></p> <p>6:30 PM Legion Riders Mtg 7:30 PM Darts 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>20</b></p> <p>6:00 PM SAL Dinner - Stewed Boneless Pork Loin 6:30 PM CO-ED Softball</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 5px;">Dept. Conference Va Beach</div>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>21</b></p> <p>7:30 PM Karaoke - Eugene</p>
<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>22</b></p> <p>9:00 AM -11:00 AM Breakfast - ALA 1:00 PM Legion Bowling</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 10px;">Dept. Conference</div>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>23</b></p> <p>6:30 PM Bingo at VA Hospital 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>24</b></p> <p>10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>25</b></p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>26</b></p> <p>7:30 PM Darts 10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>27</b></p> <p>Dinner by Patti - Cincinnati Chili 4 Way</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>28</b></p> <p>7:30 PM Karaoke - Laddie Harrell</p>
<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>29</b></p> <p>1:00 PM Legion Bowling No Breakfast</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>30</b></p> <p>10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p style="color: #800000; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;"><b>31</b></p> <p>10 AM-4:30 PM Service Officer at Post</p>	<p><b>REMINDER: ALL BOTTLES BEHIND THE BAR AND IN YOUR LOCKERS MUST BE UPDATED EVERY NINETY (90) DAYS.</b></p>			