

BRUNSWICK POST 9 NEWSLETTER

"An American Legion Post of Excellence"

May 2022 Edition

Post Calendar

Note: all meetings are at the Post, unless otherwise noted.

MAY

- 02 Bingo Meeting @ 6:30p
- 07 Honor Flight Leaves
- 09 Executive Meetings, Post and ALA @ 6:30p. All member are invited to attend
- 12 Glynn Academy JROTC Awards
- 16 Veterans Council of the Golden Isles Meeting @ 6:30p
- 23 Monday, JROTC Presentation at 8:20a at the courtyard at Brunswick High School
- 23 Monday, Boys State Certificate Presentation at the General Awards night at 6:30p at Brunswick High School.
- 23 General Meeting Post 9 Family. Elections
- 25 Distribute Flag to the Cemeteries for Memorial Day.
- 30 Memorial Day Ceremony plans further in the newsletter.

The past 10 months have surprise. Get one thing done its head out of the water. let's see we went to have our system in the kitchen and fire and behold the hood system extinguishers were too old to years old was a good run! system was being replaced. things up to code during the

bingo they didn't get to serve the famous french fries. Then came Sunday night,

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COMMANDER NEWS



I guess this Legion year is about to wrap up in a couple of months. July 1st we get to start a whole new year and of course come the task of collecting dues for the year. Just a heads up.

been surprise after and something else pops Since our last newsletter, hood fire suppression extinguishers recertified and the fire be recertified. I guess 26 Two days later the We had to bring some process. Saturday at Then came Sunday night



what a heck of a storm that night there was lightning popping everywhere. Got a call Monday

morning from the ALA President that the Post did not have power, asked her to check around back and she found the meter head on the ground, with a spare. Georgia Power attempted to get our power back on but the meter base was too damaged. Well that was more than likely the original meter base. Reported to our insurance company the problem and started the process. In this situation we were told but our resident retired electrician that getting an estimate was almost impossible. Well he was right! We managed to get Coffey Elect to come in and start the repair. I thought to myself this should be a simple repair, just replace the meter base. I was wrong (again). Yes they had to replace the meter base, but also the Georgia Power line from the pole, add 4 disconnects etc... because the system was so old that it had to be upgraded to the current electrical code. Now being that we have 3 phase electrical just added to the work. We passed the electrical inspection, got our hood system recertified and new fire extinguishers. Didn't tell you about the replacement of the fluorescent



tubes in the light fixtures in the ALA room to LED's. The pleasure of owning your building. Kudos to Chris Gerin was Johnny-on-the-spot with getting us a generator and keeping it fueled for the week to keep the freezers up.

On a positive note, the First Friday in Brunswick was a success, we managed to get 3 transfers to the post and some took applications. This month is going to be a breeze.....hopefully.

For God, Country, and Family,

Steven Hinson Sr. Commander

POST FAMILY IN SERVICE

<u>Please let the editor know of any changes/additions/Deletions</u>

- **Gray Barker**, Virginia Tech, Army ROTC. Recently accepted a Commission into the US Army. (SAL) Member of the Gold Star Family. (Cousin of Steven Hinson and Terry Barker)
- Andrew Faulk, US Navy Corpsman stationed in Camp Pendleton, CA. (Son of Billie Jo and Chris Hickey and Grandson of Jo and Bill Mason)
- Kassandra Faulk, US Navy corpsman in the US Navy stationed at Pensacola, FL; (Wife of Drew Faulk, daughter-in-law of Billie Jo and Chris Hickey)
- Tanner D. Herring, TSGT, USAF, Ramstein, Germany. Air Traffic Controller.
- Spencer Williams, US Navy: Stationed in Hawaii (Grandson of Bennie and Karol Williams)
- Simon Marsh, US Army: Stationed in Norfolk, Va. (Cousin of John Cormican)



Please keep them in your prayers for protection and a safe return

WEEKLY POST-CLEAN-UP



Every Monday at 9 am members of the post come together to clean the post building. It usually takes about an hour or so. If you are willing to come and help, please let the Post Commander know or just show up. csaleg9@gmail.com The more that helps the less time it takes.

2022 - 2023 POST OFFICER ELECTIONS

These individuals will be sworn in during our June Meeting. Congratulations to all that were nominated.

- Commander: Steven Hinson

- Sr. Vice Commander: Skip Putnam

- Jr Vice Commanders: Bennie Williams, John Orr, Janice Westberry, and John Cormican

A Free Notary Service is now available for all veterans. Auxiliary Member Robin Putnam will be available to the Bingo, Executive and General Meetings to assist you. Contact her at robkputnam@gmail.com or 912-269-0026 to set up a meeting.



POST 9 PRAYER LIST

Bold indicates new addition to Prayer List

- Ukraine Citizens
- Bennie and Karol Williams Health
- Yank Hunsinger Baptist Village Health
- Terry and Gail Barker Health
- Joseph A. Bourque Health
- James K Miller Health

- Bill Mason Health
- John Mistisshen Health
- Unspoken for Health, Travel, and Finances
- The protection of our Law Enforcement and First Responders

Special Prayers to all of our Military Serving at home and abroad

*Please send any updates and additions/deletions to csaleg9@gmail.com or notify Tony Parker the Post chaplain"



THE LEGION CAP

The only official part of the American Legion Uniform is the Legion Cap. There are a couple of styles and they come in Men's and Women's. They can be found in the American Legion, Flag, and Emblem Store.

A new initiative for members to purchase a cap is that if you attend 3 meetings within a 6 month period, then Post 9 will reimburse you 50% of the purchase. That could be up to a \$35.00 savings with the submission of your receipt. This does not include District Caps.

Now, if you have been a member of the legion and your cap has become old and not presentable, we will make the same 50% deal with you. Contact the Sgt-At-Arms to see if you qualify for a replacement.



Thoughts from the Chaplain

The National Day of Prayer

The National Day of Prayer is an annual day of observance held on the first Thursday of May, designated by the United States Congress when people are asked: "to turn to God in prayer and meditation". The president is required by law to sign a proclamation each year,

encouraging all Americans to pray on this day.

History of Prayer in America

Days of Prayer have a long history in America. Colonists declared Days of Prayer during droughts, Indian attacks, and threats from other nations. Edward Winslow's record of the Pilgrims' experiences, reprinted in Alexander Young's Chronicles of the Pilgrims (Boston, 1841), stated: "Drought and the like considerations moved not only every good man privately to enter into the examination with his own estate between God and his conscience, and so to humiliation before Him, but also to humble ourselves together before the Lord by Fasting and Prayer."

The modern law formalizing its annual observance was enacted in 1952, although earlier days of fasting and prayer had been established by the Second Continental Congress from 1775 until 1783, and by President John Adams in 1798 and 1799. Thomas Jefferson established a day of prayer and thanksgiving, but this occurred while he served as governor of Virginia.

Proclaiming a Day of Prayer

In April of 1970, President Richard Nixon had the nation observe a Day of Prayer for Apollo 13 astronauts. On May 5, 1988, President Reagan made the National Day of Prayer the first Thursday in May, saying: "Americans in every generation have turned to their Maker in prayer...We have acknowledged...our dependence on Almighty God." President George W. Bush declared Days of Prayer after the Islamic terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and after Hurricane Katrina.

As America faces challenges in the economy, from terrorism and natural disasters, one can gain inspiring faith from leaders of the past. —William J. Federer

The oldest you can be to enlist for active duty in each branch is:

Coast Guard: 31.

Marines: 28.

Navy: 39.

Army: 35.

Air Force: 39.

Space Force: 39.



MAY

NATIONAL MILITARY APPRECIATION MONTH A MONTH TO RECOGNIZE AND SHOW APPRECIATION TO THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

MAY 1, 2022- LOYALTY DAY A DAY SET ASIDE FOR AMERICAN CITIZENS TO REAFFIRM THEIR LOYALTY TO THE UNITED STATES AND TO RECOGNIZE THE HERITAGE OF AMERICAN FREEDOM. LEARN MORE...

MAY 1, 2022 - SILVER STAR SERVICE BANNER DAY A DAY SET ASIDE TO HONOR OUR WOUNDED, ILL, AND DYING MILITARY PERSONNEL BY PARTICIPATING IN FLYING A SILVER STAR-BANNER. LEARN MORE...

MAY 5, 2022 - NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IS AN ANNUAL OBSERVANCE HELD ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF MAY, INVITING PEOPLE OF ALL FAITHS TO PRAY FOR THE NATION. LEARN MORE...

HOW CAN YOU PRAY FOR THE MILITARY COMMUNITY? LEARN MORE ...

MAY 6, 2022 - MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION DAY A DAY SET ASIDE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND SACRIFICES OF THE SPOUSES OF THE U.S. ARMED FORCES. LEARN MORE...

LINK - PRACTICAL INSIGHTS IN CARING FOR A MILITARY HOMEFRONT FAMILY

MAY 8, 2022 - VE (VICTORY IN EUROPE) DAY (CELEBRATED MAY 7 IN COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES)

A DAY WHICH MARKS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE ALLIES' VICTORY IN EUROPE DURING WORLD WAR II ON MAY 8, 1945. LEARN MORE...

MAY 8, 2022 - MOTHER'S DAY LINK - ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPPORT DEPLOYED MILITARY PERSONNEL ON MOTHER'S DAY

LINK - COLORING PAGE FOR MILITARY CHILDREN

MAY 13, 2022 - CHILDREN OF FALLEN PATRIOTS DAY A DAY TO HONOR THE FAMILIES OUR FALLEN HEROES HAVE LEFT BEHIND — ESPECIALLY THEIR CHILDREN. IT'S A REMINDER TO THE COMMUNITY THAT WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO SUPPORT THE FAMILIES OF OUR FALLEN PATRIOTS. LEARN MORE...

MAY 21, 2022 - ARMED FORCES DAY A DAY SET ASIDE TO PAY TRIBUTE TO MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE IN THE UNITED STATES' ARMED FORCES.

LEARN MORE...

MAY 30, 2022 - MEMORIAL DAY (DECORATION DAY) A DAY SET ASIDE TO COMMEMORATE ALL WHO HAVE DIED IN MILITARY SERVICE FOR THE UNITED STATES. TYPICALLY RECOGNIZED BY PARADES, VISITING MEMORIALS, AND CEMETERIES. LEARN MORE...

LINK - COLORING PAGE FOR MILITARY CHILDREN

Post 9 Officers for 2021 - 2022

ELECTED

Commander:

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Senior-Vice Commander

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2nd_Junior-Vice Commander:

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John Orr (912) 580-2611 <u>Mcsojorr@gmail.com</u>

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Janice Westberry (912) 258-2014 janicewestberry@gmail.com

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Finance Officer:

Skip Putnam (912) 269-2190 rputnam@bellsout.net

Post Chaplain:

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Sergeant-At-Arms:

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

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POST PHYSICAL AND MAILING ADDRESS

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Note: The post phone is forwarded to a post officer to assure that you get a live person.



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 9



CHARTERED SEPTEMBER 28, 1925

NEWSLETTER

May 2022

Upcoming Dates:

Bingo Meeting 5/2
Executive Meeting 5/9
General Meeting 5/23
Memorial Day Ceremony 5/30

It is that time of year when we start giving nominations for the new officers. Due to nobody wanting to be on the nominating committee, we took votes from the floor at the last general meeting. We will have one more round of nominations from the floor at the next general meeting. If you would like for your voice to be heard, please join us at May's general meeting.

A new year will start July 1st. If you have not paid your dues for this year, please try and get those ASAP. Mrs. Dot Campbell, thank you for paying your dues early. Mrs. Dot is on the ball; already has her 2023 dues paid. WAY TO GO MRS. DOT!!!

Kudos to the Legions commander Steven Hinson and his right hand man Skip Putnam, and the Auxiliaries very own Chris Geren. A very BIG thank you to you guys. For you that may not know, the legion building had gotten struck by lightning April 17th. The guys worked all week long to get us back up and running. Not just that, Skip had to run all new wiring in the kitchen for it to get up to code. With the building being so old, the kitchen was out of date on a lot of things. I personally want to thank the Legion for allowing the Auxiliary to use the kitchen and helping the Auxiliary keep things going.

If you can please make it to May's General meeting. Also, before I forget; the next district meeting will be May 21st, in Alma. I will not be able to go to this district meeting, I will be out of town.

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OFFICERS 2020-2022

PRESIDENT

Teresa Autry (912) 506-5881 tla9400@gmail.com

1st VICE- President

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TREASURER

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CHAPLAIN/SGT-AT-ARMS

Chris Geren ((912) 230-8665 gerenchris087@gmail.com

SECRETARY

KITCHEN HELP

We need help in the kitchen. Kitchen work does not mean you have to cook. We are running the kitchen with just two workers. We may have to close Bingo or the Kitchen on some game nights if we do not get some help. With this being our only source of income we do not want to do this. If you will please donate your time for at least 1 Saturday it would be greatly appreciated. Please come to the bingo meetings on the 1st Monday of every month, if you can work on a Saturday night. If you could join us at the Bingo meetings, which are the 1st Monday's of each month. Thanks.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The next General Meeting will be on April 25, 2022. Supper will be served at 5:45p - 6:15p, Cost \$3.00. The amount of food is based on the prior month's attendance, which will be 22. If you did not attend March's General Meeting and want to be included in the dinner let us know. The General Meetings will begin sharply at 6:30p

Membership

Dear Members.

Remember the Auxiliary membership is from July 1 till June 20 each year. We have nominations and elections coming up soon and you want to be able to vote so please pay soon. Send your payment to:

American Legion Auxiliary 139 Altama Connector # 319 Brunswick, GA 31525.

Thank you, Teresa Autry

PRAYER CORNER

Health

Reba Reyner
Dot Campbell
Legion & Auxiliary memebers
Ruth Miller and Husband
Jo Mason's family
Karol and Bennie Williams

General

America
All Military and their families
All our Law Enforcement & First Responders

Loving Memory

Members we have lost:
Brenda Trent, Aug 20, 2021 Martha Cormican, Nov 11, 2021

Jo Mason, Feb 11, 2022

DEPARTMENT ALA NEWS

For Department News go to www.aladeptga.com.

NATIONAL ALA NEWS

Interested in an ALA Scholarship for your children or even yourself visit https://www.alaforveterans.org/scholarships



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION SQUADRON 9

NEWSLETTER

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OUR MEMBERSHIP IS AT 100% - Congratulations Squadron 9

We (the Legion) need help working Bingo on Saturday nights, the operation of our Bingo keeps our Membership dues low. If you just have 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour from 5p - 6:30p to help park the car that would be very helpful

The next S A L meeting will be on May 10, 2022, at 6:30 PM. There will be a special Flag Retirement service at 5:30 PM. I hope to see everyone there.

BINGO MEETING May 2nd, 2022 AT 6:30 pm

