

BRUNSWICK POST 9 NEWSLETTER

"An American Legion Post of Excellence"

September 2022 Edition

COMMANDER NEWS

I guess you could say Fall is in the air, Halloween stuff at the stores, plus Thanksgiving and Christmas displays are just around the corner. This year is going fast.

September 15th is National POW/MIA Day. Let's take the time to remember those who didn't come home. My Uncle, Major Jack Barker, was one of those. His helicopter was shot down in Laos on March 20, 1971, and on August 30th, 2005, his remains were identified. His repatriation was in April 2006 at Arlington National Cemetery, with his



crew. It was 30 years for our family to have closure. Keep that day in your prayers



Things are progressing with the repairs at the post, bingo, and membership. I have been working on the chairs at the post recovering and painting them. I got a wild hair and decided to make a chair for each branch of the service. These will be used at the Wreaths Across America. I did not forget our hard-working hairy ones, the fur one is for the K9 Working Dogs.

one thing that is not progressing is attendance at the meeting and events. The Post Meetings has on average 12 members that attend. We really need you to come to the meetings. We have a program every month. We offer a meal beforehand. So, please participate. If you need help with things let us know,

For God, Country, and Family,
Steven Hinson Sr. Commander



Items Needed

- Door Prizes for Bingo. Give aways from restaurants etc.
- Single serving food items for the food pantry. Please no dry beans.
- Food items for the spaghetti Dinners, Tomato Sauce, etc.
 Tomato Paste, and Noodles.
- Candy for the October 31st
 Trick or Trunk in Downtown
 Brunswick,

These items can be dropped off at the post.

FROM THE ADJUTANT: Membership: So far we have had 106 members renew for 2023. (Yes, remember, the Legion FISCAL year starts July 1st, so that's when they started membership for 2023.) Thanks to all of you who have already sent in your checks to the Post! I am behind in sending out your cards, but I promise they will be on the way soon. So we have 113 people who renewed or joined LAST year, so that means there are still 113 of you out there that have NOT yet renewed for 2023. Department wants us to be at 90% in our membership by September, and 100% by December, so PLEASE help me out by getting your dues paid as soon as possible. Then I won't have to nag you!!:) I will talk more about goals next time.

In the meantime, PLEASE come to our General Meetings! This month we only had TEN people in attendance. We have a LOT of events coming up, and when you come to the meeting, you can give input on what we need to do to keep our POST STRONG!





Today, I wanted to also take a look at what we see going on around us and throughout the world. Out west, we are seeing several bad Forest Fires, with catastrophic results. Our East Coast has been hit with extremely heavy rains, storms, and flooding. Europe too has experienced extreme rainfalls and flooding. We see in Africa where political unrest has brought rioting that is taking horrendous tolls on

losses of life and property, plus the same around the world. It looks like COVID-19 is trying to get a foothold again, as well. Closer to home, the violence of all kinds is at epidemic proportions, including the use of firearms and anything that may be handy. In our own lives, some of us have experienced the loss of a loved one, loss of employment, home, or other resources. But please take heart, there are answers and help. So many of those answers can be found in the Bible and through Prayer. But also, you still may wonder: WHY is this happening?? WHAT did we do to deserve all this?? WHEN will we see some relief from it??

Click on the link below to download the PDF, I hope you will find some answers to those questions that will help you. As with all the messages or articles I have put on here, I recognize those words may not be the answer you are looking for, or possibly even need at this time. But, it may be just what someone else may need at the very moment they read it. If it helps even one

person, the small effort in getting it to them will be worth it. With that, I wish you the Blessings and Mercies of God and may we always be "For God and Country"!

https://www.walegion.org/files/20210719 - Why Do Bad Things Happen.pdf

Post Chaplain

Tony Parker

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POST 9 PRAYER LIST

Bold indicates new addition to Prayer List

- Past Commander Tommy
 Tasciotti in the passing of his wife Cheryl Johnson
 Tasciotti
- James Atwood WWII (97)
- Mrs. Jo Braley Wife of Legionnaire Gerald Braley, recuperating from trauma from a car wreck.
- Paul Cormican Health
- Al Dorcus WWII (94)

- David Gallager Jr Health
- Yank Hunsinger Baptist Village -Health
- Terry and Gail Barker Health
- Ernie Jones Health
- James K Miller Health
- Bill Mason Health
- Albert McInnis WWII (94)
- John Mistisshen Health
- Gordon Poppell WWII (96)

- Frank Vandelinde WWII (98)
- William Waidelich WWII (96)
- Stephen Williams Health
- David Ashley- 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"



WEEKLY POST-CLEAN-UP

Every Monday at 5 pm (new time) members of the post come together to clean the post building except on the 4th Monday we will start at 9a. It usually takes about an hour or so. If you are willing to come and help, please let the Post Commander, csaleg9@gmail.com, know or just come. The more that helps means the less time it takes.

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.

Memorial Garden

If you would like to add a stone to the memorial please contact the Auxiliary President Ms. Teresa Autry, (912) 506-5881 tla9400@gmail.com, with the name and birth year and death year.

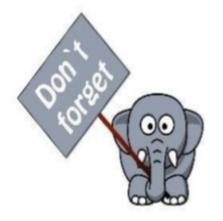
THE LEGION CAP



The only official part of the American Legion Uniform is the Legion Cap. There are a couple of styles that come in Men's and Women's sizes. 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 three meetings within six months, 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 offer 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.



Membership Dues For Year 22 - 23 are now Due.

- Legion \$35.00 Send to: American Legion;
 4470 Hwy 17 N; Brunswick, GA 31525
- Auxiliary Seniors \$35.00, Juniors \$10.00 Send to: American Legion Auxiliary; 139
 Altama Connector #319; Brunswick, GA 31525
- Sons \$18.00 Send to: Sons of American Legion; 4470 Hwy 17 N; Brunswick, GA 31525

Post 9 Officers for 2022-2023

Commander

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Bennie L. Williams (912) 223-7386 bennieleg9@gmail.com

3rd Junior-Vice Commander

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

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VACANT

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Asst Bingo Chairman

J. Steven Hinson, Sr

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J. Steven Hinson, Sr Skip, and Robin Putnam <u>csaleg9@gmail.com</u>

OFFICER / CHAIRMAN NEEDED

(1) Sgt-At-Arms; (2) Judge Advocate; (3) Building Chairman; (4) Historian; (5) Honor Guard Chairman; (6) Youth/JROTC/Eagle Scout Coordinator; (7) Buddy Check Coordinator; (8) Fundraising (aka benefits) Committee Chairman.

These positions are needed to be filled asap. As you can see from the post officer list of the job each person has been tasked to do because of the lack of volunteers. Please help.

POST PHYSICAL AND MAILING ADDRESS

4470 Highway 17N Brunswick, GA 31525 912-265-2233



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY **UNIT 9**

CHARTERED SEPTEMBER 28, 1925



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We are all so happy to see Marcie and Ernie Jones at the meeting. For those of you that did not know, they had been sick with COVID, it was so good to see them both walk in last night.

We have a lot coming up in September. We have a blood drive that will be held at the Legion on 9/20. The time for giving blood will be 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM. There is a signup sheet at the front desk for workers; with 2-hour time spots. If you would like to sign up and help, please text me or sign up next time you are at the legion. We will be sending out more information on future blood drives as we have partnered up with the Red Cross.

Our district meeting was on 8/20, in Jesup, GA. The department would like Unit 9 to have 53 new members. That seems like a lot, we will do the best we can.

We also have a lot planned for the upcoming months. We are needing a vehicle for our Halloween Trunk or Treat, this year Mrs. Marcie Jones will not be able to be there. As the holidays approach we will be working on the Christmas Party here at the Post and the Christmas gift bags that we hand out to the nursing homes. If you would like to be a part of these activities keep your eyes on your emails or contact me. Looking

forward to seeing everyone at this month's meeting. I feel really good about this year for Unit 9.

Auxiliary President Teresa Autry

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Message from ALA GA Unit 9 Vice President:

At the general meeting held on Monday, August 22, 2022, President, Teresa Autry, discussed many items and upcoming projects. Among those discussed was membership. According to department, Unit 9 had 45 paid members (41 seniors and 4 juniors) for 2021/2022. Our goal was 60 paid members. We reached 75% of this goal. As of August 23, 2022, we have 14 paid members for 2022/2023. Let's work on getting those dues submitted. Our dues are \$35 for seniors and \$10 for juniors. As a senior member, you have another option rather than the yearly

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

Regina Blauvelt (912) 269-6078 reginablauvelt@kw.com

dues you can be a paid-up-for-life member. This is a one-time payment based on your age. Contact me or Teresa Autry for more information.

Membership information contact:

Yvonne Dixon Teresa Autry yjohns67@gmail.com tla9400@gmail.com 912-270-4139 (912)5036-5881

KITCHEN HELP

Thank you all for the help that you have given in the kitchen. The help that has been coming in has not gone unnoticed. If anyone is willing to work 1 Saturday a month, please contact Chris Geren. Thanks, from all the Kitchen workers (Auxiliary, Legion, and SAL) for your help.

PRAYER CORNER

Health

Lorna, Andy, & Linda Marcie & Ernie Jones Karol and Bennie Williams

<u>General</u>

All our Law Enforcement & First Responders All Military and their families Legion & Auxiliary members

Loving Memory

Brenda Trent, Aug 20, 2021 Dot Campbell May 13, 2022 Members we have lost: Martha Cormican, Nov 19, 2021 Cheryl Tasciotti, July 31, 2022

Jo Mason, Feb 11, 2022



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION SQUADRON 9

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We are doing well with our Membership but we have a long way to go. Please send in your membership dues soon. Those who have paid will get their card soon, they are here. We have 26 of 47 members paid which are 55.319%.

We had another Flag Retirement on the 9th of August so come and get your new card. We Retired 715 Flags last month.

Squadron Officers for 2022-2023

Commander	John Cormican Email: johncormicano@gmail.com
Adjutant	J. Steven Hinson Email: csaleg9@gmail.com
Finance	Otis (Skip) Putnam Email: rputnam@bellsouth.net

September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
				1 Spag Dinner 4:30-7:30	2 First Friday (William/Hinson Japan Formally Surrendered (1945)	3 American Revolution Ended (1783) Bingo
4	5 Bingo Mtg 6:30p Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10 Bingo
11 Patriot Day	12 Exec Mtg 6:30p	13 SAL Mtg & Flag Ret 5:30p	14	15	16 POW/MIA Recognition Day	17 Bingo
18 Air Force Birthday	19	20 Blood Drive At Post 12-7	21	22	23	24 Bingo
25 Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day	26 Gen Mtg Eat 5:45p-6:15p Price \$3.00 Marine Forces Reserve Birthday	27	28	29	30	October 1 Bingo





