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May - June 2018

Newsletter

OLDEST AND BEST

99 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, STATE AND COMMUNITY

COMMANDER'S CORNER

May and June are traditionally busy months for Post 7. This year is no exception. Please plan to stop by and enjoy YOUR post for camaraderie, events and great food. Some key activities include:

Baseball - Our Admirals team has new managers, new uniforms and a renewed spirit to start the season on May 30th. One of the new managers is Mike Barilla, the son of our famous Betty B. A complete schedule will be posted on the website and in the lounge. A Father's Day Tournament will take place at Frostburg University in western Maryland. Come out and support the team when it plays games at the Annapolis High School.

Girls State - Post 7 and the Ladies Auxiliary will sponsor two young ladies to attend Girl's State at Salisbury University during late June. It's a week-long event about leadership, and I'm sure Paige Wells (Indian Creek Upper School) and Daphna Anderson (Broadneck High School) will really benefit from the program.

Facility Upgrades - In addition to painting the lounge and cleaning up the outside, we're planning to replace our furnace and make the kitchen more efficient.

Skeet Club - This year we're initiating a Skeet Shooting Club under the auspices of member, John Church. The range is in Glenn Dale with weekly shoots and events during the summer. Post 7 will pay for the ammunition used by members. The schedule will be posted on the Website.

Flag Retirement Ceremony - Boy Scout Troop 768 of Millersville will join our ceremony on Thursday June 14th. Please plan to join this important annual event.

Entertainment - In May, Gary and the Groove return on Saturday, May 19th, and Peter Franks plays in the lounge on Tuesday, May 29th. In June, Jay Muntun and Family will play in the lounge on Tuesday, June 26th and The Groove is back for a return engagement on Saturday, June 30th.

Charlotte Hall - It is our hope that you will be able to lend your support for our efforts and the veterans who reside at this facility.

We're looking for a manager to get our Horseshoe League up and running. Post 7 has the facility and equipment necessary to make this project a reality. This is a resource that all members of the Legion family, and their guests, should be able to utilize.

In this Veteran's Voice you will find an article on a Maryland son Augustus Walley. Trooper Walley was nominated for the Congressional Medal of Honor on two occasions. We hope you enjoy his story.

The month of May is a special month in that we honor and remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Please keep in your thoughts and prayers those service men and women who are currently on the front lines and in some very remote and hostile places in this world.

For God and Country
Jason O'Neil



Charlotte Hall



Post 7 will be taking a trip to the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home located in St. Mary's County on May 23rd to support our veterans and in some cases surviving spouses. This facility consists of almost 500 personnel who are currently housed there and are both male and female.



We've enclosed a web link to this facility that we feel you'll find very informative about this institution and the care they render to our veterans <http://www.charhall.org/index.cfm>.

Back to our mission, one of the areas that these folks enjoy is Bingo. So we will be heading there on the above date to handle the Bingo activities for our veterans and have a good time in the process.

An area that we would like for you to consider is that of a donation. The donations we're looking for are items we take for granted as part of our daily activities.

With that stated, we need:

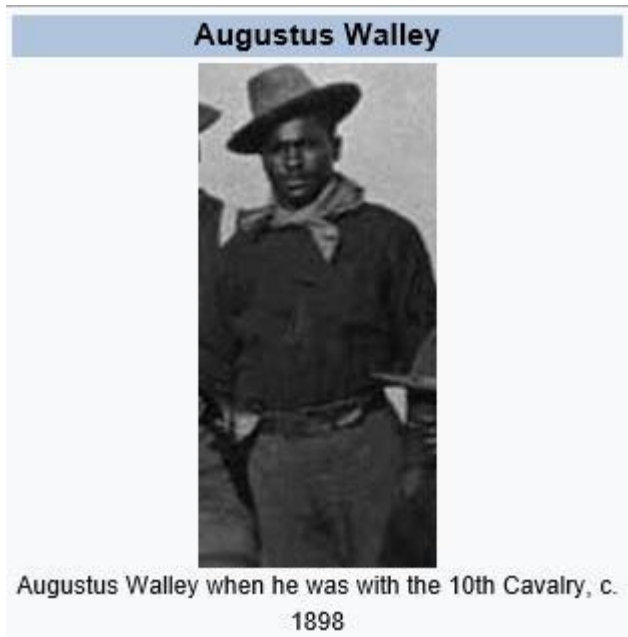
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| Combs | Mouth Wash | Slippers | Deodorant |
| Hair Brushes | Hand soap | Shampoo | Body Wash |
| Tooth Paste | Razors/Blades | Shaving cream | Socks |
| Tooth Brushes | Knit caps | XL Underwear | Reading glasses |

We will setup boxes in the Lounge area on April 16th thru May 20th to handle your donations and it is our hope that you will be as generous as possible in this undertaking. If you prefer to make a cash donation, please make your check payable to American Legion Post 7 and refer to Charlotte Hall in the body of your check. We will see that this gets to the Vets.

At the end of the day, you will be making someone's day much better and having the good feeling when the day is done that you had an impact in doing so. As we enter the month of May, and remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice let's not forget those remaining who answered the call of duty. Let them know we care and that they have an extended family at Post 7.

REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS

Augustus Walley: Buffalo Soldier, veteran of Indian Wars, Spanish American War, World War I, and Medal of Honor recipient. February 14th, 2018 by MOTHAX , as furnished by the American Legion National Headquarters.



As one of the fabled Buffalo Soldiers, members of all-black regiments formed in the years following the Civil War, the Maryland-born Walley was part of a segregated Army. Though they fought in the same battles as their white counterparts, their options were limited, their status unequal, and their advancement hard-fought. They were fighting for civil rights before people like Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X were born, and they laid the groundwork for much of what their children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren would later achieve.

His heroism was astonishing:

Walley earned his Medal of Honor during an August 1881 engagement with Apaches in the Cuchillo Negro Mountains (known today as the Sierra Cuchillo); in what is now Southwestern New Mexico. Sent after a band of Apaches had attacked a nearby ranch, Walley was among a troop called upon to provide cover for a group of

trapped soldiers. Although many were able to escape, one was too badly injured and remained behind.

“Walley grasped the situation,” reads a plaque hanging inside the armory, “and in the greatest tradition of the cavalry mounted his horse and galloped to the fallen soldier, rescuing him and withdrawing under enemy fire to the rest of his unit.”

And he wasn’t even close to done:

Discharged from the 9th Cavalry in November 1883, he re-enlisted the next day in the 10th Cavalry, another Buffalo Soldier regiment. While fighting in Cuba during the 1898 Spanish-American War, he helped rescue a squadron commander, Maj. James Bell, under similar circumstances. Nominated for a second Medal of Honor, he was awarded instead a “certificate for gallantry in the preservation of human life” from his regimental commander.

Not only did he fight there, he also fought in the Philippine–American War.

Later, at the age of 61 (after retiring as a First Sergeant), Walley even volunteered for World War I, but being that old, they sent him to Camp Beauregard, La., to train draftees for the “War to End all Wars.”

A memorial at Pearl Harbor references a poem that first lady Eleanor Roosevelt kept in her wallet during World War II.

Dear Lord,

“Lest I continue my complacent way, help me to remember somehow out there a man died for me today. As long as there is war, I then must ask and answer Am I worth dying for?”

MEMBERSHIP

An active and increasing membership is a key ingredient to sustain an organization through good times and when things aren't doing as well. Our Post is growing and we want to increase our membership so that we can always be moving forward. We feel that we are in a unique position due to our location and the demographics of the surrounding area. Bringing in new members means new ideas that could help foster our growth.

Therefore, we would like for our membership to review the following requirements for becoming a Legionnaire, member of the Son of the American Legion (SAL), or a member of the Auxiliary. The following are the requirements for each classification and we would hope that you would review these in an effort to sponsor family members and friends. We are always happy to welcome new members!!

Legion – Eligibility Requirements

If you have served federal active duty in the United States Armed Forces during any of the war eras listed below, and have been honorably discharged or are still serving – you are eligible for membership in The American Legion!

*August 2, 1990 to today	(Persian Gulf/ War on Terrorism)
December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990	(Operation Just Cause – Panama)
August 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984	(Lebanon/Grenada)
February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975	(Vietnam)
June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955	(Korea)
December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946	(World War II)
April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918	(World War I)

*Because eligibility dates remain open, all members of the U.S. Armed Forces are eligible to join The American Legion at this time, until the

date of the end of hostilities as determined by the government of the United States.

U.S. Merchant Marine are eligible only from December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946 (WWII).

SAL – Eligibility Requirements

All male descendants, adopted sons and stepsons of members of The American Legion, and such male descendants of veterans who died in Service during World I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf War and the War on Terrorism, during the delimiting periods set forth in Article IV, Section 1, of the National Constitution of The American Legion, or who died subsequent to their honorable discharge from such service, shall be eligible for Membership in the Sons of The American Legion.

Auxiliary – Membership Eligibility Requirements for American Legion

Membership in the American Legion Auxiliary shall be limited to the grandmothers, mothers, sisters, wives, and direct and adopted female descendants of members of The American Legion, and to the grandmothers, mothers, sisters, wives, and direct and adopted female descendants of all men and women who were in the Armed Forces of the United States during any of the above periods and died in the line of duty during such service, or who, having received an Honorable Discharge, died after service:



REMEMBER POST 7 NEEDS YOU!!!



Mark YOUR CALENDAR
May - June UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, May 5th – Cinco de Mayo 11 AM – 8 PM

Sunday, May 13th – Mother's Day Breakfast
8:30 – 11 AM

Saturday, May 19th – Gary & The Groove

Monday, May 28th - Memorial Day Cookout 1-4 PM
(hot dogs, hamburgers, salads etc. will be provided by the Post)

Tuesday, May 29th – Peter Franks plays in the Lounge

Thursday, June 14th – Flag Day Retirement Ceremony 5:30 PM

Sunday, June 17th Father's Day Cookout 1-4 PM
(hot dogs, hamburgers, salads etc. will be provided by the Post.

Tuesday, June 26th – Jay Munton & Family plays in the Lounge

Saturday, June 30th – Gary & The Groove

Post Officers

Legion

Commander: Jason O'Neil
1st Vice Cmdr: Wil Wagner
2nd Vice Cmdr: Andy Raddie
3rd Vice Cmdr: Dan Adams
Adjutant: Ben Miles
Service Officer: Jim Rooney
Finance Officer: Larry Morrison
Historian: Sue Flanagan
Judge Advocate: Pat Guibao
Chaplain: Tom McAndrews
Sergeant-at-Arms.: Mike Blackwell
Exec Comte 3rd yr: Tom Goloski
Exec Comte 2nd yr: Frank Gay
Exec Comte 1st yr: Paul Bartone

SAL

Commander Mile Holmes
1st Vice Cmdr: Ollie Holmes
2nd Vice Cmdr: Rusty Sears
Adjutant: John Ogle
Historian: Steven Holmes
Financial Officer: Ray Boyer
Sergeant-at-Arms: Jim McDonough
Chaplin: Paul Bartone

Auxiliary

President: Kim Holmes
1st Vice Cmdr: Mary Holmes
2nd Vice Cmdr: Eileen Gay
Secretary: Beth Pena
Treasurer: Betty Barilla
Historian: Jocelyn Bartone
Chaplain: Beverly Mah
Sergeant-at-Arms: Sue Morris
Executive Committee:

- Nancy McDonough
- Kim Holmes
- Shirley Hebb
- Beverly Mah

Post 7 Bulletin Board

Post Hours

Open Daily at 11:00 AM
Kitchen Hours Mon – Sat 11:00 AM –
8:00 PM
Kitchen Hours Sun 11:00 AM – 4 PM

Membership Meeting Times

1st Monday SAL 7:30 PM
1st Tuesday Legion 7:30 PM
3rd Wednesday Auxiliary 7:00 PM

These are YOUR membership meetings!
Please plan to attend and participate in
the governing of your respective Legion
organization.

Bingo

Thursday Night 7 – 10 PM
Sunday 1- 4 PM
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Hall Rentals

For Celebrations of Life Gatherings

Post 7 is an ideal place for family, friends
and guests of the Post to meet for a
celebration of a life gathering. The Post
can provide services for weddings,
retirements, birthday parties and all
other events with specific attention to
your personal needs.

For details contact (410-224-5754)

Moving

Please notify the Post if you move or
change email providers. It is very
important to us that we keep track of our
membership. Please feel free to send an
email to the address listed in the
masthead of this newsletter or mail your
changes to American Legion Post 7, 1905
Crownsville Road, Annapolis, MD 21401.

Help Wanted

Our Bingo team is looking for someone to
help and assist with Bingo on Thursday
and Sunday. The personnel you'll be
working with are the best around, plus
you will get the chance to meet some new
folks and enjoy yourself in the process!!

Please contact Wil Wagner for questions.
Call (410) 320-7762).

Membership Information

We have some housekeeping needs to be
addressed and that is dues. We need for all
Post, SAL and Auxiliary members to
submit their dues for the current year.

Legionnaire's dues are \$40.00 and can be
paid either online or by cash or check.

SAL dues are \$25.00 and if you are a dual
member or under 21, the SAL dues are
\$10.00.

Auxiliary dues are \$25.00 and Juniors
(under 18) are \$10.00.

Any Legion member who did not pay their
dues before December 31, 2017 is in arrears
and WILL be required to sign-in as a guest
when visiting the Post. Please take a
moment and send your dues in ASAP to get
this out of the way.

Please note from time to time there may
be an issue in processing your dues
payment or some other matter. The
personnel handling these tasks are all
unpaid volunteers with outside
responsibilities. If there is any issue
please email us or call the Post and we
will give it our utmost attention



Saturday, May 5th 11 AM – 8 PM

Post 7 invites you to join us for a celebration kicking off the summer season.

There will be TACOS, Margaritas and Cerveza!!

Please come and have a GREAT Time!!!

National Poppy Day May 25th 2018

Did you know?

“That in the spring of 1919, amidst complete devastation, the Poppies bloomed in abundance on the battlefields of France where so many of our men had fallen in battle, and that a replica of this Poppy has become the Memorial Flower the American Legion Auxiliary?”

The American Legion was the first national organization to adopt the Poppy as its Memorial Flower and having taken this action at the National Convention in Cleveland, September 27-29, 1920?The American Legion Auxiliary adopted the Poppy as its Memorial Flower at its organizing convention held in Kansas City, in October 1921.”

The Auxiliary and Legion families at Post 7 support the national effort to remember the sacrifices made by our former and current service members. Please wear the Poppy in remembrance of their sacrifice.

Please participate if you can, and be generous with your donations to help offset the cost of the Poppies.



Flag Day Retirement Ceremony

On Thursday, June 14th the Post will be holding a Flag Retirement Ceremony starting at 5:30 PM. Post members that have American flags that are no longer serviceable are encouraged to bring these to the Post for the retirement process.

Bingo

Well it's Spring and time to get outdoors and head to Post 7 for Bingo every Thursday from 7 – 10 PM and Sunday from 1 – 4 PM. Cost of admission is just \$3.00!! of that \$1.00 goes to the 50/50 Prize, \$1.00 goes to the Super Duper Prize, and the rest gets you multiple chances to win a Special Games Packet and Bingo Dabbers. Our kitchen will be open on Thursday till 8 PM and Sunday till 4PM to handle your HUNGRIES. Complimentary water and coffee are provided.



Open to the public



Sons of the American
Legion Squadron 7

SHARE YOUR SERVICE PHOTOS

SAL Commander's Comments,

I would like to thank all of the American Legion family that has helped support our squadron this year.

We were able to have a few events this year and I'm proud of the support our Post has shown. We had a chuck wagon style beef cook off and one of our teams won the grand prize. Breakfasts were a hit once again and the Bull and Oyster roast was a grand SOLD OUT event. Mother's Day, May 13th, is our last breakfast of the season. So Mom this is your chance to be waited on!!

It takes a great team to pull these things together. Thanks again to all that made it fun to do these events. Congrats to Ray and Cindy Riggins and our Louie Reimer for winning the cook off. There were 6 teams of very serious BBQ chefs and now Squadron 7 has very serious bragging rights throughout the southern Maryland district.

Thank you for your support and God bless America. To all the Mom's of Post 7 "Breakfast is served."

Michael Holmes



Mother's Day Breakfast



Courtesy of the SAL

Sunday, May 13, 2018

8:30 – 11 AM



SHOW US WHAT YOU or YOUR FAMILY MEMBER LOOKED LIKE WHEN IN UNIFORM INCLUDING FIRST RESPONDERS

Please share your Military, Police, Firefighter and First Responders Photo's in Uniform with the name, service, date and any information about the photo you want to share. Envelopes are provided in the Bar Area in the PHOTO BOX by the pool table. Your photo will be scanned and added to American Legion Post 7 photo album that will be viewed on our Digital Photo Frame located in the Bar Area. **ALL PHOTOS WILL BE RETURNED TO THE OWNER.**

Currently we have a number of photos some of which are more than 100 years old and are of veterans who served in Mexico and in France during WWI. It is our hope that you will allow the Post to share your family's treasured memories.

If your photos are already digitized (i.e. already scanned) email them to Post 7 Historian at sooze001@comcast.net.



American Legion Auxiliary Unit 7

President's Corner

It's been another exciting and very productive period for our Auxiliary, and I want to thank all our dedicated members who came out to assist with these important programs. We supported the SAL Bull & Oyster Roast, and held a couple of successful fundraisers including "Basket of Cheer" raffle and a Cake Wheel. Thanks to all those who donated cakes! Proceeds will be used to support our various community service projects, including the American Legion Girls State program to be held at Salisbury College in June. Our support will allow one deserving young girl from Anne Arundel County to attend this fantastic developmental experience. American Legion Auxiliary Girls State is "a unique and exciting government-in-action learning program in which American Legion Auxiliary members guide young women to become knowledgeable stewards of freedom, democracy and patriotic citizens." More information is available at:

www.alaforveterans.org/ala-girls-state

Unit 7 is also supporting the upcoming Post 7 visit to the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, with the goal of bringing some cheer and practical assistance to our veterans living there. Participation is open, so please stop by the Post and sign up to attend! Bus transportation will be provided by the Post. Also thanks to all who donated clothing items in support of our drive to support the MCVET program of Baltimore. We made three deliveries of clothing in the last month. Awesome! This worthy program provides Maryland veterans, especially homeless ones, with comprehensive services to help them re-join their communities as healthy and productive citizens.

We have lots of exciting events coming up, as you can see throughout this newsletter. Please plan to join us for some fun and camaraderie! And our next Auxiliary meeting is Tuesday May 15, at 7:00 pm. Remember, this meeting is for YOU our MEMBERS, so please come!

Sincerely,

Kimberly Holmes, President



Cinco de Mayo
Tacos, Margaritas & mucho Cerveza!!

Saturday, May 5th



May 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Pizza Nite Legion Meeting 7:30 PM Open Menu	2 Wing Nite Open Menu	3 Bingo 7-10 PM Open Menu	4 Fried Chicken & Fried Flounder Open Menu	5 Cinco de Mayo 11 Am – 8 PM
6 Bingo 1-4 PM Open Menu	7 Sliders SAL Meeting 7:30 PM Open Menu	8 Pizza Nite Open Menu	9 Wing Nite Open Menu	10 Bingo 7-10PM Open Menu	11 Salisbury Steak Open Menu	12 Open Menu
13 Mother's Day Breakfast 8:30 – 11 AM Bingo 1-4 PM	14 Sliders Open Menu	15 Pizza Nite Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM Open Menu	16 Wing Nite Open Menu	17 Bingo 7-10 PM Open Menu	18 Shrimp Night Open Menu	19 Gary & The Groove Open Menu
20 Bingo 1-4 PM Open Menu	21 Sliders Open Menu	22 Pizza Nite Open Menu	23 Wing Nite Open Menu	24 Bingo 7-10 PM Open Menu	25 Fried Chicken Liver & Onions Open Menu	26 Open Menu
27 Bingo 1-4 PM Open Menu	28 Memorial Day Cookout 1 – 4 PM	29 Pizza Nite & Peter Franks Open Menu	30 Wing Nite Open Menu	31 Bingo 7-10 PM Open Menu	May 25th National Poppy Day	



To all the Moms of Post 7 “we wish you the very best on your day”.

June 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Seafood Platter Open Menu	2 Open Menu
3 Bingo 1-4 PM Open Menu	4 Sliders SAL Meeting 7:30 PM Open Menu	5 Pizza Nite Legion Meeting 7:30 PM Open Menu	6 Wing Nite Open Menu	7 Bingo 7-10 PM Open menu	8 Spaghetti & Meatballs Open Menu	9 Open Menu
10 Bingo 1-4 PM Open Menu	11 Sliders Open Menu	12 Pizza Nite Open Menu	13 Wing Nite Open Menu	14 Bingo 7-10 PM Open Menu Flag Day Retirement Ceremony	15 Fried Chicken Liver & Onions Open Menu	16 Open Menu
17 Bingo 1-4 PM Father's Day Cookout 1-4 PM	18 Sliders Open Menu	19 Pizza Nite Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM Open Menu	20 Wing Nite Open Menu	21 Bingo 7-10 PM Open menu	22 Hot Turkey or Hot Roast Beef Platter Open Menu	23 Open Menu
24 Bingo 1-4 PM Open Menu	25 Sliders Open Menu	26 Pizza Nite Jay Munton & Family Open Menu	27 Wing Nite Open Menu	28 Bingo 7-10 PM Open menu	29 Chicken Cordon Blue Open Menu	30 Gary & The Groove Open Menu



Dad – It's your turn to be KING for a day!!!



Email users.



[Vietnam Vascular Registry Helps Veteran Reunite with Doctors Who Saved Him –](#)

[Women Veterans Health Care](#)

[Center for Women Veterans \(CWV\) Research](#)

[Changes to TRICARE Retiree Dental Program - Health.mil article](#)

[First Blood Test to Detect Brain Injury - Health.mil article](#)

[Navigating the Military Financial Lifecycle - Consumer Federal Protection Bureau](#)

[Gulf War Veterans - Research Volunteers Needed](#)

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[Tyler Stallings, MCVETS' 6 Year Old Volunteer \(please excuse brief commercial\)](#)

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Memorial Day
May 28, 2018

