

AMERICAN LEGION

CARTER BURDELL HAGLER-POST 178 (Dept.. of GA) [Code: 811322]

3219 RICHMOND HILL ROAD
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA 30906
Phone: (706) 793-1724
Conf: (425)-650-1385

APR-2025 NEWSLETTER



POST OFFICERS

COMMANDER..... GRANT WHITELEY
SENIOR VICE CMDR..... BRUCE EARLY
1ST. JUNIOR VICE CMDR..... MATTHEW FUNSCH
2ND. JUNIOR VICE CMDR..... ROBERT CARUSO
3RD JUNIOR VICE CMDR..... JAMES BRENDLE
JUDGE ADVOCATE..... HENRY WALTERS
ADJUTANT..... TERESA BRISKER
FINANCE OFFICER..... DAVID MYER
SERVICE OFFICER..... TBA
SGT-AT-ARMS..... CLARISSA M WETHERBEE
CHAPLAIN..... JOHN ELLIS
I.T. OFFICER..... TBA

Executive Committee Officers

PAUL ANDERSON, SR. PST CDR OSCAR SIMS
CAROL WHITLOCK RAYMOND JOHNSON
HENRY KING

AL MEMBERS MEETING.....2ND TUESDAY - 7:00 PM
AL EXECUTIVE MEETING..1ST TUESDAY - 7:00 PM
AL HOUSE COMMITTEE....1ST TUESDAY - 6:00 PM
AL AUXILIARY MEETING...2ND SUNDAY - 2:00 PM
SAL MEMBERS MEETING...2ND THURSDAY-6:30 PM
AL RIDERS MEETING.....3RD SUNDAY - 2:00 PM
AL AUX JRS MEETING.....3RD SATURDAY – 2:00 PM



AUXILIARY OFFICERS

PRESIDENT.....TERIANN BENZEL
1ST. VICE PRES..... MIRIAM STEIN
2ND. VICE PRES..... CARRIE LeBLANC
SECRETARY.....CLARISSA WETHERBEE
TREASURER..... JULIE HUFFMAN
SGT-AT-ARMS..... FRANCES BOWMAN
& IRENE HACKLEY
CHAPLAIN..... DENISE WIDENER
HISTORIAN.....TINA JOHNSON
PARLIAMENTARIAN.....JESSICA SPARKS



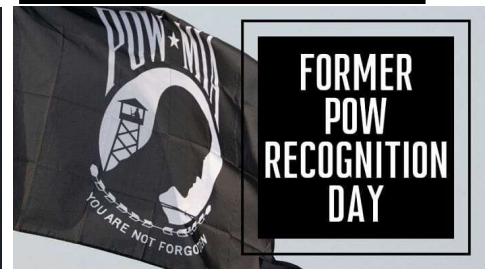
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS

COMMANDER..... BRIAN KNUTSON
1st VICE CMDR..... DONALD HUFFMAN
2nd VICE CMDR..... DAVID A HIGGINBOTHAN
ADJUTANT.....MICHAEL LAMIE
FINANCE OFFICER.....JEFF AWAIT
JUDGE ADVOCATE.....ROBERT BRIZIUS
SGT-AT-ARMS..... ROBERT CARLTON
HISTORIAN..... TRISTAN HALSTEAD
CHAPLAIN.....STEVEN "BUCKY" ROGERS



LEGION RIDER OFFICERS

DIRECTOR.....DONALD HUFFMAN
ASSIST. DIRECTOR.....DAVID A HIGGINBOTHAN
SECRETARY.....MARY VERRET
TREASURER.....JULIE HUFFMAN
ROAD CAPT..... LEE GARCIA
ACTIVITIESMIRIAM STEIN
SAFETY OFFICER LEE GALLOWAY
HISTORIAN.....DAVID VERRET
CHAPLAIN..... BRUCE A. EARLY
SGT-AT-ARMS..... CLARISSA WETHERBEE
JUDGE ADVOCATE.....JESSICA SPARKS
WEBMASTER.....KRIS NICHOLAS



RENEW YOUR LEGION MEMBERSHIP TODAY!



Commander's Message



Membership – New Cards – The 2025 cards are being processed. At the present time we have 356 members paid to date which brings our membership percentage to 94.6%. Remember the Post Dues is now at **\$45.00** per member, per year. Any dues received short will be held until full payment has been received. The renewal notices have signified the change in the Post dues. Please submit your dues either through the Post or on-line. **Renew your membership today; and be part of the American Legion Family that cares!**

Newsletter Organizations Input – 1st Place - Auxiliary Unit 178 at 5:46 PM, 3/24/2025; 2nd Place SAL at 8:15 AM, 3/25/2025; Riders Input at 3:30 PM, 3/25/2025; and Lounge Input -?

POST Equipment and Inventory – The Auxiliary and Riders have donated a big screen TV for the hall to accommodate meetings and classes. Please bear in mind that this TV is for use for other activities upon the request and will be approved by the Commander and/or appropriate Vice Commander. The Post wants to thank both the Auxiliary and Riders for their generous donation of the TV. In addition, the AL and SAL have purchased a new freezer to replace the old one.

DHS Announces Arrest of 68 Tren De Aragua Gang Members - On day one of his Administration, President Trump designated Tren De Aragua a terrorist organization. This has allowed a whole of government approach to dismantle this criminal terrorist gang. In less than 100 days, the Trump Administration has arrested 394 members of the Tren De Aragua—a vicious gang known for human trafficking, kidnapping, drug trafficking and other heinous acts terrorizing American communities. Members of this vicious terrorist gang are responsible for the brutal assault and murder of nursing student Laken Riley and 12-year-old Jocelyn Nungaray.

POST LOUNGE RENOVATION – Renovations have been completed, and the Post is back to full operation. Please feel free to join the post in all of its activities. The Post still had other projects pending but only on the participation of its members and guest.

POST NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS - *Nominations will be held on both April 8th & May 13th, 2025, at the (General Membership Meeting (19:00 Hours) and the Elections will take place on Saturday May 17th, 2025, from 12N – 6:45 PM. You must Present a Current 2025 Post 178 Membership Card for Verification and Validation to vote.*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THE POST - If you are interested in volunteering, then contact the Post Commander Grant Whiteley at 706-793-1724. I am always grateful to all my officers, our management, the Ladies Auxiliary, the SAL and the Riders for all the time and energy they have dedicated into helping the post, the veterans and the community. If possible, all officers need to attend both the executive board meeting on the 1st Tuesday of the month and along with the members, the membership meeting on the Second Tuesday of each month. **We need a volunteer for Service Officer. Please step up to the plate and support us. Thank You! GBW!**

"WE THE PEOPLE"



RENEW YOUR LEGION MEMBERSHIP TODAY!



Everybody get ready to hop into April. The Auxiliary is proud to host Lila Fleming Day on April 5th at 1:00 PM. Please RSVP to Miriam Stein. Our monthly steak night is on the 11th of April. Our meeting is on the 13th of April at 2:00 PM. Come and celebrate the Military child on the 15th, of April at 1:00 PM. Children's Easter party and egg hunt is on the 20th of April from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM. Make sure that you have signed up your child(ren) on or before the 14th of April. Please join us for the 11th District wide Carnival at Post 178 on April 26th from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Flyers can be picked up at the post or go on-line to gapost178.org and under Post Information, Current Events.

*God and Country,
Teriann (TC) Leblanc, Unit 178 President*



We will have our monthly meeting on the 10th. We will be cooking on the 25th. Remember to bring your children to the post for Easter!! Come out and enjoy the post and have dinner on Friday's or a beverage any day!! Want to continue to Thank all who help make the post a success!!

*Take Care, and May God Bless
Brian "Yank" Kunston, SAL Commander*



Our lunch ride on April 5th has been cancelled and instead we will be participating in Department of Georgia's 2nd In-State Legacy Ride. We will meet at Post 178 with KSU at 10am. We will be going to GA War (Blue Goose) and then on to Lincolnton. Registration must be done online prior to April 5 as no money can be accepted at GA War. Our Friday steak night is April 18 from 6-8pm. Next general membership meeting is Apr 20 at 5pm due to Children's Easter Party. On April 27 we will be meeting at Post 178 with KSU at 7am to ride to Douglasville to participate in VA Veteran Transition from Homelessness Benefit Ride. Registration will be done in Douglasville. We also continue to collect non-perishable food items for Fort Eisenhower Battle Buddy program. Please drop off your donations in the box located in the hall (flyer attached to box for more information). As a reminder, if you haven't paid your dues for 2025 please do so. Ride Safe!

*For God and Country,
Donald "Fix It" Huffman, Director*



I like to thank my lounge team for all their hard work. Please keep Tina in your prayers for the loss of her brother. Easter is right around the corner get the kids signed up for our Easter party! We appreciate each and everyone of you who continue to support the American Legion Post #178

*"Freedom is nothing but a chance to be better."
Lounge Manager, Frances Bowman*

The American Legion
 Carter Burdell Hagler Post #178
 3219 Richmond Hill Road
 Augusta, Georgia 30906-4713

Non-Profit Org.
 U.S. Postage
 PAID
 Augusta, GA
 Permit No. 86

POST 178 CALENDAR of EVENTS
APRIL 2025

1	Tuesday	HOUSE COMMITTEE MTG @ 6PM& E-BOARD MTG @ 7PM
4	Friday	AL STEAK NIGHT 6 – 8PM; KARAOKE 8 – 11 PM
5	Saturday	LILA FLEMING DAY 10 – 3 PM
	Tuesday	POST 178 GEN MBRSHIP MTG 7PM; 1 st NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS
10	Thursday	SAL GEN MBR MTG 6:30 PM
11	Friday	<i>AUXILIARY STEAK NIGHT 6 – 8 PM; KARAOKE 8 – 11 PM</i>
13	Sunday	AUXILIARY GEN MBRSHIP MTG - 2PM
15	Tuesday	<i>MILITARY CHILD TABLE 1PM</i>
16	Wednesday	<i>RIDERS EXEC MTG 6:30 PM</i>
18	Friday	RIDER’S STEAK NIGHT 6 - 8 PM; KARAOKE 8-11 PM
20	Sunday	CHILDREN’S EASTER EGG HUNT 2 – 4 PM RIDERS GEN MBRSHIP MTG 5 PM
25	Friday	SAL STEAK NIGHT 6 – 8PM; KARAOKE 8 – 11 PM
26	Saturday	11 TH DISTRICT’S CARNIVAL AT AMERICAN LEGION POST 178, 11AM - 3PM 11 TH DISTRICT’S FAMILY BALL AT AMERICAN LEGION POST 63 6PM - ?