

#### AMERICAN LEGION POST 162

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#### **Legionnaires**

Commander: Chris Warner

First Vice Commander: Robert Hicks Second Vice Commander: Blake Bass Third Vice Commander: Lori Hicks

Finance: Sean Counihan Chaplain: Joe Wojtyna Adjutant: Eric Bach Historian: VACANT

Sergeant At Arms: VACANT Service Officer: VACANT Trustees: VACANT

#### **Auxiliary**

President: Jessie Haynes

**First Vice President:** Sandy Haynes **Second Vice President:** Jenna Lamouroux

Secretary: Vickie Pickering Treasurer: Kelly Owens Historian: Lori Mills Chaplain: Jamie Edwards

#### Sons of the American Legion (SAL)

Commander: Bryan Steele

First Vice Commander: Robert Hicks Second Vice Commander: Eddie Mills

Chaplain: VACANT
Adjutant: Chris Warner
Finance: VACANT
Historian: Stan William

Sergeant At Arms: John Yaksima







#### We are Family

The American Legion stands as a beacon of inclusivity and camaraderie, offering a welcoming embrace to veterans and their families from all walks of life. Serving as more than just a gathering place, it fosters a sense of belonging and understanding within the veteran community, transcending differences, and uniting individuals under a shared bond of service.

The American Legion is a private organization. All activities and information referred to in this newsletter are available to Members and Qualified Guests.

The Newsletter is for informational purposes with proprietary information intended for members.



#### **Commander's Comments**



And JUST like that, the weather is great again! I can't believe we're at the end of April, already!

Things around the Legion are progressing... The kitchen is coming along and we're hoping it will be ready for inspection in the next few weeks. As always, we have a number of events coming up that we hope you will all come out for: 1) Trivia on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm, 2) **Flag posting on Saturday morning May 24<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day at 9am**, 3) Karaoke with Lee McGuffey that evening (24<sup>th</sup>) at 7pm, and the **Memorial Day BBQ Picnic on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, starting at 1pm**. The Memorial Day BBQ is open to the public. We will also be conducting a **Flag Day Ceremony on Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, with the assistance of local Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts**.

We are in the process of selecting and sponsoring **9** outstanding young men and women to attend Boys State and Girls State. The Post has also sponsored 2 academic scholarships, through the South Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, to assist 2 local young men and/or women to attend college.

It was brought to my attention last week that we have some Legionnaires that have been CONTINUOUS members for an extraordinary amount of time! They are:

B. McKenzie – 69 years!! John Butler – 68 years!!

Paul Goodin – 65 years!! Charles Gates – 57 years!

Anthony Alizio – 54 years! Rodney Goughnour – 54 years!

David Mohaupt – 53 years! Keith Jones – 52 years!

James Kimble – 51 years! Charles Geyer, Jr – 50 years!

David Douglas - 50 years!

This exemplifies AMAZING dedication to the American Legion! We salute you all!!!

**Commander Chris** 







#### **SICKNESS & DISTRESS**

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Sharon Hoxie - recovering at home from a broken leg
Jay Yaksima - recovering at home from a broken leg
Sharon Looney - recovering at home from an illness
Kimberly Pollard - recovering at home from shoulder replacement
Rose Grimmet - recovering at home from an illness
Randy Hacker - recovering at home from an illness
Susie Wroth - recovering at home from a broken leg in Myrtle Beach, SC

If you know of a member who is ill, has had a death in the family, or is in need of extra prayers, please let us know. You can contact Post 162 at **703-690-1107** or reach out to Post 162 Chaplain Joe Wojtyna at **joewojtyna@gmail.com**.



We are blessed to have no members reported this month

### **Memorial Brick Program**



Support our memorial and leave a legacy by purchasing a personalized brick in honor of your loved ones. Each brick is just \$60 and will be placed in our memorial. See the bartender to get the order form or ask for more details.

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Call Today For Availability!



Table and Chairs

Large Fenced Backyard

Playground

Fire Pit

Picnic Tables

**Horse Shoe Pits** 

## **Join Our Online Community!**



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## May Events

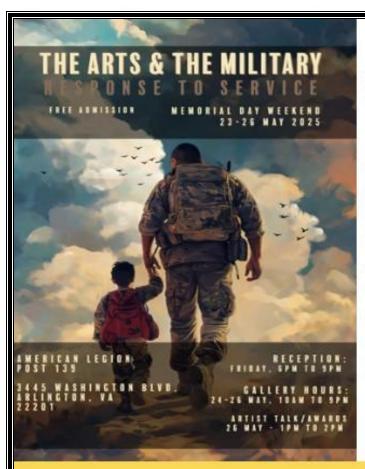








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### Veterans turn Service into Art

Arlington, VA — American Legion Post 139 will host its first annual Veterans Art Exhibit Memorial Day weekend, May 23—26, 2025, at the newly renovated Post, located at 3445 Washington Blvd, Arlington, VA 22201. This free public event invites the community to experience powerful, deeply personal works of art created by local veteran artisans.

The exhibit will feature a wide range of media, including hand-drawn illustrations, oil paintings, handcrafted pottery, sculpture, and handmade paper crafted from repurposed military uniforms.

Public Gallery Hours: Saturday, Sunday, and Monday - May 24-26, 10:00 AM -9:00 PM

# <u>Coming in June</u>



