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AUGUST 2020

SUN 26	MON 27	TUE 28	WED 29	THU 30	FRI 31	SAT Aug 1
● 1pm Ham Radio Exam Test	Korean War Armistice ● 11am Flag Presentation a	● 6pm (Cancelled)CERT Me	● 7pm KSTAL 80M Net (003	● 9:30am KN4YQL 40M and	● 6pm Honor Guard Training	
2	3	● 6pm Executive Meeting	● 7pm KSTAL 80M Net (003	● 9:30am KN4YQL 40M and	Purple Heart/Badge of Milita	● 11am K9TAL - Echolink N ● 12pm K9TAL - 20M Net (1
9	10	● 7pm Post 289 Ham Radio	● 7pm KSTAL 80M Net (003 ● 11pm N7ALR - Echolink N	● 9:30am KN4YQL 40M and	● 6pm Honor Guard Training	15
16	17	● 5:30pm Post Membership	● 7pm KSTAL 80M Net (003	● 9:30am KN4YQL 40M and	21	22
23	24	Last day for newsletter articl ● 6pm CERT Meeting	● 7pm KSTAL 80M Net (003	● 9:30am KN4YQL 40M and	● 6pm Honor Guard Training	29
30	31	Sep 1 ● 6pm Executive Meeting	VJ Day ● 7pm KSTAL 80M Net (003	● 9:30am KN4YQL 40M and	4	5

RETURN OF MONTHLY MEETING!

You are reading that right! The Executive Committee has made the decision to hold the August Monthly Meeting on the same scheduled date, 3rd Tuesday of the month 18 August at 1800. There is a change in location as Daymar College is still closed during the evening hours. **The meeting will be held at Sykes Funeral Home on the corner of 424 Franklin St, Clarksville.** There is plenty of parking across the street, and around back. Please enter through the back door. Signs will be posted outside.

We understand that many may want to remain at home, we respect every members' effort to remain safe and keep others safe. The use of masks will be recommended unless the Mayor extends the mask requirement. The health and welfare of our comrades is first priority.

That's not all. We will have a virtual venue set up so that members who want to connect from home they will be able to do so. That information will be sent out in advance of the meeting so watch for another eMail or on Facebook.

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

Post members, we are looking for a few who would like to help volunteer coordinating National POW/MIA Recognition Day to be held on 18 September 2020



For years, The American Legion supported a National POW/MIA Recognition Day, which is now recognized annually on the third Friday of September. This commemoration is set aside to honor the commitment and sacrifices made by this nation's prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action, as well as their families. The focus is to ensure that America remembers its responsibility to stand behind those who serve it and to make sure that we do all that is possible to account for those who have not returned.

VISION & MISSION STATEMENT

The electronic vote by the National Executive Committee on Res. # 5: "Vision & Mission Statement" has been concluded and been adopted. There were 59 "Yes" votes, and 1 "No" vote. In the future you will see posters of the vision, mission, values and motto for disseminated.

The vision, mission, and values statement will help define which topics The American Legion should issue statements about (along with the guidance from our adopted resolutions).

A HOME OF OUR OWN

With Daymar not a current option for a meeting place we continue to look for a place to gather. Sykes Funeral Home has offered a space which we will use for the August meeting but we will continue to search for a larger venue. If you know of a location that may be available please contact the Second Vice Commander, Ernest Schmidt.

The Second Vice is the Chairman for the Post Home Committee whose goal is to house our Legion Family. We have the Post, and an Axillary Unit as well as a Scouting Troop and Pack. There are a lot of hopes for the future home. If you have ideas, want to be on the committee, know of benefactors, grant opportunities or fundraising ideas reach out to Ernest.

JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR (JOTA)



Jamboree-on-the-Air, or JOTA, is the largest Scouting event in the world. It is held annually the third full weekend in October. JOTA uses amateur radio to link Scouts and hams around the world, around the nation, and in your own community. This jamboree requires no travel, other than to a nearby amateur radio operators ham shack. Many times, you can find the hams will come to you by setting up a station at your Scout camporee, at the park down the block, or perhaps at a ham shack already set up at your council's camp.

Larry Johnson will lead the 3rd Annual JOTA hosted by Post 289 on 17 October 2020 along with other HAM Radio Operators. Members interested should reach out to Larry.

WE HONOR VETERANS' PROGRAM

Chaplain Scott Manns is a volunteer for Avalon Hospice, Clarksville as part of their We Honor Veterans Program.

This is a Vet to Vet Program where Veterans can reach out and just talk to other Veterans and find strength and encouragement through camaraderie and fellowship.

If you have any additional questions, or would like to volunteer please contact Chaplain Manns.

WHV Offers:

- A focused admissions process, including specific Veteran admission information
- A care team who identifies and meets the unique needs of Veterans and their families, insurance coverage of care, and available Veteran benefits
- An individualized plan of care that is Veteran and family-centered and includes the Veteran's military experiences
- Service Recognition with special ceremonies
- Veteran-to-Veteran volunteer programs
- Effort to replace lost medals and awards
- Emotional support and bereavement counseling



HONOR GUARD

Honor Guard members continue to provide funeral and 21 Gun Salute Services.

On Monday 27 July at 10:30AM, a team of members presented honors at Resthaven Memorial Gardens along with Mr Sykes were H. Abdullah, Douglas Kirby, Bob Sisson, Robert Lamon, Charles Wagoner, David Zeveney, Charles Cook, John Beck, Danny Clark, Larry Johnson, Tony Saluzzo, and Billie Zeveney. The Funeral was for Dick Bennett Stovall SFC(Ret) Army.

On Tuesday, 4 August 2020, at 12:00 at Sykes Funeral Home along with Mr Sykes were Douglas Kirby, Robert Lamon, Charles Wagoner, Charles Cook, John Beck, Danny Clark, Larry Johnson, Tony Saluzzo, Bob Grigsby and Scott Manns Sr. The Funeral was for William Andrew Irvine, MGT Ret.

POST EVERLASTING

On the agenda for the meeting there will be a Draping of The American Legion Charter. The draping of the charter is in recognition of post members who have been called onto The Post Everlasting. We will pay our respect to our Comrades and say farewell to:

SFC Paul Lively, ARMY (Retired) (September 8, 1952 ~ March 3, 2020)

Chaplain John Stevenson, a Charter member of Post 289 (June 25, 1935 ~ March 4, 2020)

SGM Stephen Talbott, ARMY (Retired) (April 16, 1944 ~ March 23, 2020)

SGT Orgal Everett Holland, ARMY (Retired) (December 29, 1922 ~ March 28, 2020)

CPT James "Jim" Grater, AIR FORCE (Retired) (September 20, 1944 ~ April 17, 2020)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Second Vice is working on a project to help clean-up and then maintain an overgrown graveyard on Needmore Road. Looking for volunteers to help plan, coordinate and execute this project.

A MONTHLY HAM RADIO NET

Post 289 will host an amateur radio check-in net each month on the 2nd Tuesday. The next net is scheduled for 11 August at 1800. We will be using the 2M band AA4TA repeater at 146.925.

All licensed amateur radio operators are welcome to join. It is not necessary to be a member of the American Legion but we do need members that are licensed for our own TALARC affiliated club.

Radio should be set up with CTCSS tone 110.9Hz and a minus transmit offset of .6Mhz.

(Note: Maintenance work is being done at the repeater site but it should be back up by 11 August.)

VETERANS CRISIS HOTLINE



PHONE: 800-273-8255 and Press 1, Chat online or send a **text message to 838255** to receive confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. **Website:** <https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/>

POST FUNDRAISER'S

How do we raise funds for our programs such as JROTC, Scouting, Americanism? Without a post home we have to be creative minus scheduling community drives. Currently Post 289 has the following

Kroger Community Rewards Warehouse 41 Booth H & R Block referral program

Kroger Community Rewards Program: Simply go online at <http://www.kroger.com> . Once logged in to your Kroger account they can search for American Legion CSM Gary W Crisp Post 289 Inc. either by name or PK112 and then click Enroll. New users will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and a rewards card.

Booth 289 at Warehouse 41: We rolled out booth 289 at Warehouse 41 on 1 October 2019. The booth is successful because of generous donations of gently used household items and though the purchase of items at the booth. The booth is comprised of gently used items and crafted goods which are tagged as recommended donation amounts based on fair market comparisons. All proceeds (minus cost) are redistributed to the Post and Auxiliary to fulfil program needs which support the post, veterans and the community.

A FEW OTHER TIDBITS

There is a vacancy for a "Youth Programs Manager – Youth Activities – Youth Cadet Law & Scouting", Grade 15, in the Americanism Division at National Headquarters, downtown location (Indianapolis, IN). Departmental Internal Bid form with attached resume and cover letter for this position are now being accepted. Please contact Gina Evans at (317) 630-122 or at gevans@legion.org no later than Monday, August 10, 2020, at the close of business if you are interested in applying for this position.

September 11 Patriot Day

Sixth District Membership Rally is 12 September

Buddy Checks will be in October!

Have you dreamed about a job with the FBI? Here is a link to how Veterans can transition into the FBI.

<https://www.military.com/veteran-jobs/how-join-fbi-after-leaving-military.html?ESRC=careers.nl&spMailingID=5806063&spUserID=Mjk30TMynDI2MDUS1&spJobID=1080291762&spRep ortId=MTA4MDI5MTC2MgS2>

NEW MEMBER ACCEPTANCE

It has been a while since our last meeting and with that a new membership vote. For the August meeting the following members will be voted on, they are either new Legionnaires or transferred in since the last meeting. IAW ARTICLE IV – Membership (Section 3) All new applications for membership shall be acted upon at the next Post meeting and shall at such meeting, be accepted, rejected or referred for further investigation and consideration. If a majority of the members cast their vote against the acceptance of said application; then such application shall be recorded as rejected.

BILLIE MCLESKEY	STEPHEN SNYDER	ROY SOMERS
ROBERT DAVIS	LARRY DEAN	LESLIE BARNETT
JASON BAUER	DENVER BREWER	ROBERT TRIPP
WILLIAM CODY	GWENDEL CONNER	TURNER ARMSTRONG
TIMMIE JONES	EDWARD HYER	L HILL
CHARLES TINNIN JR	SHARKEY STUART	BOB ROSA
STEPHEN STERBACK	JAMES SKIRVIN	TIMOTHY SCHROEDER
MATTHEW ROSS	BRIAN RANDOLPH	YINETTE LIZARDO
WILLIAM IRBY	OMAR TAYLOR	FELIX HASKETT
CECIL BLACKWELL	HOWARD HAYNES	DENNIS DUERKSEN
DERRICK MAFFETT	WILLIAM REYNOLDS	JAMES MEADE

AMERICANISM PROJECT

The Post and Scouts are starting a project to install a new flag pole at Billy Dunlop Park. A meeting was held with the City of Clarksville Parks and Recreation Deputy Director to see what can be done. Assistance is need to coordinate, and execute the project jointly.

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Chaplain	Scott Manns Sr.	931-272-5688	SMANNS@USA.COM



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DONATION DRIVE FOR VETERANS

Unit 289 Auxiliary will have an ongoing drive for items to donate to Veteran Homes and Veteran Treatment and Rehabilitation Centers. A current resident, a Marine Veteran in the YORK VAMC Campus (RRTP) Murfreesboro, TN, reached out and asked for donations of some comforts and to include hygiene products. These items would be used by Veteran patients while in patient, and in some cases patients who are released do not have a home to go to so items can be taken and used which would be a blessing.

Allowable Misc. & Food Items Alcohol Free (Sealed/Unopened) This is ONLY a list of examples, think of comforts you may have wanted when away from home, traveling or without the ability to purchase for yourself. *Mixed Nuts / Canned Nuts, Beef Jerky, Ramen Noodles, Coffee (Grounds for Coffee Pot), Snack Crackers, Hard Candy, Blanket / Throw, Travel Pillow(s), Bandanna(s), (for Nose & Mouth Covering), White Socks, Shower Shoes, Mug, Coffee Tumbler, Paper, Pencils, Envelopes, Stamps, Band-Aids, Sewing Kit, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Mouth Wash, Lotions, Shampoos, Conditioners, Soaps, Facial Cleansers*

Items can be brought to the meetings, Honor Guard Practice or coordination of pick up can be made by contacting Billie Zeveney 931-338-7610 or davenbill@yahoo.com

YARD SALE 3 OCTOBER 2020

The Unit Auxiliary is working on having a yard sale on 3 October 2020. Unused items that you would like to donate will be accepted and appreciated. All proceeds from the yard sale will go into our 2021 programs. If you would like to volunteer or donate please contact Sue Johnson. More details in the September Newsletters as it draws nearer and the state of health and the community dictate.

AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP

Requirements: (1) grandmothers, mothers, sisters, spouses, and direct and adopted female descendants of members of The American Legion; and (2) grandmothers, mothers, sisters, spouses, and direct and adopted female descendants of all men and women who served in either of the following periods: April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918 and any time after December 7, 1941 who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of their entry therein served on active duty in the Armed Forces of any of the governments associated with the United States during either eligibility periods and died in the line of duty or after honorable discharge; (3) grandmothers, mothers, sisters, spouses, and direct and adopted female descendants of all men and women who were in the Armed Forces of the United States during either of the following periods: April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918; and any time after December 7, 1941 who served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States during either eligibility periods and died in the line of duty or after honorable discharge; and (4) to those women who of their own right are eligible for membership in The American Legion.*

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