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The Legionnaire

AMERICAN LEGION POST 117

FROM THE DESK OF THE POST COMMANDER

I would like to thank everyone for their support in the Post Election. I am very excited to continue as your Commander. I promise to continue driving the Post in the direction that is consistent with The American Legion's Constitution and By-Laws.

As I have stated many times, the position of Commander is by no means an easy one, and it's more than just wearing a Commander's hat. It is every Commander's duty to ensure a Post follows the National and State Constitution and By-Laws, as well as to ensure the Son's of the American Legion and the American Legion Riders are following their National and State Constitution and By-Laws as well Post policies. That is not to suggest that anything needs to be micromanaged, but simply monitored for compliance. They, and the Auxiliary, have been doing a very good job in support of our Veterans.

We have worked diligently to establish relations with both the National Commander, and the Department Commander. We have excellent rapport with the Western Section Vice Commander, The District Commander, and the Department Executive Committee. Locally, we have garnered mutual respect with the Butler County District Attorney, Sheriff's Department, as well as the City of Butler Police, and Fire Department; the Mayor, and the City Engineer. I assure you the community understands that American Legion Post 117 is becoming more involved with the community via the American Legion's Four Pillars, especially Americanism and Children and Youth programs.

The American Flags you see lining the city's main street – Post 117 does that. The Military Tribute banner program honoring our Veterans – Post 117 does that. It is a very time-consuming job, and thankfully, we have a great committee who have made both successful. If you are interested in a Military Tribute banner, it is not too late. The application form is available from the bartender, or the office.

Your Post has undergone a complete renovation and you should be proud to bring a guest into the Post. The last segment is a complete refinishing of the floors, and resealing our two parking lots.

Finally, I would like to invite any member to attend the Officer Installation Dinner on July 26, 2025. Dinner cost is \$15.00 each for members and their guest, please sign up in the canteen. As an appreciation to our members, the House Committee is hosting a Post Picnic on Sept 13, 2025. This will be free to all Post 117 members, Legionnaires, SAL, and the Auxiliary members and their immediate family, please sign up in the canteen.

With warmest regards,

David E. McLaughlin
Post Commander

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July 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 4 th of July Post Closing at 6pm	5
6	7 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	8	9  LEGION EXECUTIVE MEETING ONLY 5PM	10	11	12
13	14 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	15  SAL MEETING 7PM	16  RIDERS MEETING 6:30PM	17	18 KARAOKE 8PM	19
20	21 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	22	23 HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 6PM	24	25 KARAOKE 8PM	26 OFFICER INSTALLATION DINNER & CEREMONY ALL ARE WELCOME
27	28 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	29	30	31		

Department Convention Harrisburg



August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	5	6  AUXILIARY MEETING 6:30PM	7	8 KARAOKE 8PM	9
10	11 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	12  SAL MEETING 7PM	13  LEGION MEETING 7PM	14	15 KARAOKE 8PM	16
17	18 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	19	20  RIDERS MEETING 6:30PM HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 6PM	21	22 KARAOKE 8PM	23
24	25 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	26	27	28	29 KARAOKE 8PM	30
Tampa, Florida						
31						

AMERICAN
LEGION
26th District


**Renew your
2026 membership**



Before October 1, 2025

**For a chance to win a Paid Up
For Life Membership (PUFL)**

September 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 LABOR DAY NO TRIVIA	2	3  AUXILIARY MEETING 6:30PM	4	5 BINGO 7PM KARAOKE 9PM	6
7	8 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	9  SAL MEETING 7PM	10  LEGION MEETING 7PM	11	12 BINGO 7PM KARAOKE 9PM	13 POST 117 LEGION FAMILY PICNIC AT POST 778 FREEDOM PAVILION
14	15 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	16	17  RIDERS MEETING 6:30PM	18	19 BINGO 7PM KARAOKE 9PM	20
21	22 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	23	24 HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 6PM	25	26 BINGO 7PM KARAOKE 9PM	27
28	29 DJ TRIVIA 7PM	30				

POST 117 Members

PICNIC

Please sign up at the canteen
Sign up is for Food and Drink purposes

Members & Family ONLY



September 13th
12-5pm, Post 778 Freedom Pavilion
The Pulse Band 1-4pm
BEER • HOT SAUSAGE • BURGERS / HOT DOGS
WATER • POP • SIDES

150 Legion Memorial Lane, Butler PA

FROM THE DESK OF THE POST ADJUTANT

The 2026 Membership Year is upon us, we are ready to process your renewals as soon as you pay for 2026. Your dues are now \$40.00 as voted on by the membership at the meeting on February 12, 2025. We have an incentive for all members that renew by October 1, 2025. You will be entered into a drawing for a Paid Up For Life Membership (PUFL), this includes New members, Multi year members, Paid Transfers and Renewals. This incentive is offered by the 26th District. We will also be hosting an early Bird Dinner on January 31, 2026 for all members that renew their membership by November 11th. You will receive an early bird stamp on your membership card, this will get you a FREE Dinner at the Early Bird Event. If we are the 1st Post to hit 100% we will get the District trophy back from Bessemer Post 638, It will take all of us working together to achieve this goal! I know we can do it.

We are the second largest Post in the District and County, I would like to ask each member to recruit 1 new Veteran member into our Post this year. If each member signed up one new Veteran member we would double our membership and become the largest Post in the District and County. We can work together and accomplish this goal! For each person that recruits a new Veteran member and puts their name on the new members application they will receive a FREE Drink once I receive the application and verify the Veteran is eligible for membership.

Installation of Officers will be held on July 26, 2025, this event is open to all members of our Post. Please come and show your support to the Officers who will be taking the Oath of Office for 2025-2026. You have Elected them, please come and support them. Dinner cost will be \$15.00 for members and guests, there is a sign up sheet at the canteen or you can call the Post to sign up 724-283-9014. Please see the attached flyer. I hope that you will plan to attend to witness this event.

Post Picnic will be on September 13th from 12-5pm at Post 778 Freedom Pavillion, we will have The Pulse Band playing from 1-4pm. There will be Food, Beer, Pop, Water all Free for our Members and immediate family, you will need to sign up at the canteen. This is a day to come out and enjoy at the pavilion with your friends and fellow members.

Dean Noechel

Post Adjutant

House Committee News

The Floors in the Post are getting waxed and cleaned, this was one of the last projects that needed to be completed with the renovation. The kitchen is doing well again we were able to hire 2 new cooks to join our team. They are doing a good job and catching on really good. As you know we had to temporarily cut our kitchen hours and we appreciate your support as we worked through getting more staff hired and trained. We are open and fully functioning with 4 cooks and a prep cook. This should make our Kitchen a more efficient operation. The Canteen is operating well, the canteen staff work well together and really try their best to provide you the members with the best service that they can. So the next time you are in make sure to let them know if there is anything that they can do to make your experience better or let them know how great they are doing. If you have complaints or a suggestion for the House Committee please come to our meeting on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6pm. We welcome any member to our meeting to bring fresh ideas to make our Post the best that it can be. Again thank you for your support and dedication to Post 117.

Please notice our updated Kitchen Hours: Monday-Saturday 11am – 9pm and Sunday 12pm – 7pm.

Dean Noechel

House Chairman



JOIN US FOR

AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY OF POST 117 INSTALLATION DINNER & CEREMONY

JULY 26, 2025

DINNER COST \$15.00

5-6PM SOCIAL HOUR

6PM DINNER

7PM INSTALLATION

All Members Welcome

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