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#### <u>Commanders Corner</u> From the desk of the Commander Hardin Post 113

The Bugler

Dear Legionnaires & Family members:

We hope everyone had a great month of March. Spring time is right around the corner. With that will be warmer weather and more events. Elections will be during the May general membership meeting. One must bring their current Legion 2024 membership card to vote. To be eligible for office, the legion needs a copy of a DD214, or other form of service. The officer signup sheet is on the information board next to the kitchen door. If interested in filling a position, I recommend speaking with those in that position of interest. Also read the job duties, which are in the Bylaws.

Please continue to do your buddy checks.

Inflation is hurting us all and some more than others. Sometimes a friends voice can make a difference in ones quality of life and give them an outlet for a short period. We always need bingo and Honor Guard volunteers. If interested, please contact the post at 270-737-9949. Once a quarter would make a difference. The Legion runs on volunteers and to be great, we need volunteers. Please continue to follow us on Facebook, www.hardinpost113.com, and read the bugler for information.

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY Clarence Robinson Commander Hardin Post 113

> (Left) Hardin Post 113 Commander Robinson.

(Right) Past commander Brian Knoch at the Vietnam Veterans' Honors Dinner.



Raymond M. Duvall

Floyd Harold Strader

William Morrison

Herbert Louis Robinson

Reynold Moore

Warren J. Thieme

Luis Edward Ouslan







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#### **American Legion Auxiliary Hardin Unit 113**

A Community of Volunteers Serving Veterans, Military, and their Families

Yippee, Spring is here!

Everyone seemed to have enjoyed themselves in celebrating the Legion's 105<sup>th</sup> Birthday with The Honkytonk Wranglers. What a band; they packed the house!

There were ample desserts supplied by Auxiliary for the Vietnam Veterans Honor Dinner. Two of our Juniors lead us with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also, the Juniors have asked to do a presentation at our next General Membership meeting on April <sup>11th</sup>. There will be a potluck starting at 6pm and the meeting will start at 7pm.

The next "monthly" breakfast will be April 13<sup>th</sup> and the next member birthday night with Garyoke is on schedule for April 19th. Auxiliary's next sponsored blood drive is May 1<sup>st</sup> from 2-6pm. There is a new quilt raffle going on now with the drawing to be held on July 13<sup>th</sup> and proceeds to benefit the scholarship fund.

Linda Cook has taken over the role of Children & Youth. She is planning a Military Child Event at Post 113 on April 27<sup>th</sup>. So, please get with her to volunteer with whatever she might need to make that event successful.

On May 4<sup>th</sup> Auxiliary will be sponsoring a Derby Party/Potluck in the lounge. Please wear your hat for a contest and bring a dish for sharing with the other members. Also for this event, the Horse's Butt hangings are being planned as was done last year. Be sure to get your name on a Butt (\$5 one side or both sides \$8).

Elections are in May. We need YOU to step up & run for one of the officer positions. Please see Polly Smith, Jan Fulkerson or Julia Sheets to get your name on the ballot for the May elections. Also, there's a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Lounge so hoping to see YOUR name on it.

Check the Events page for future happenings; such as the April 21<sup>st</sup> NASCAR potluck party & for another member appreciation DJ dance.

Remember to pray and support our troops and members in need. Please volunteer when you can. Linda Brewer, Vice President



#### **Sons of American Legion Squadron 113**

Greetings American Legion Family,

It is hard to believe that a quarter of 2024 is almost behind us. Time sure does fly when our post family is doing some good for the neighborhood! I want to thank our squadron and our post family for their support during my term as commander. I will be seeking reelection this year as squadron commander. If any is interested in running for office and wants details of the roles, along with responsibilities of the office, contact the current administration for information. Elections will be held in May. I'm truly amazed with the support of our Legion family when it comes to hosting and sponsoring events. Please continue to support these events.

Continue to do BUDDY CHECKS! Remember you can "BE THE ONE" who can influence some positivity into someone's life who might be going through a difficult time. Please reach out to our fellow SAL squadron members to renew their membership and recruit new members.

Don't forget about our State spring conference that will be held in Florence, KY at the Hilton Hotel April 12-14th. I hope everyone has a great month, look forward to seeing you at the post.

Very Respectfully,

#### Brandon K. Curry

SAL Squadron 113 Commander You're the one, I'm the one, "BE THE ONE"



#### Veterans Crisis Line 988 Then Press 1

(Left) SAL Member Bob Smith Celebrated his and Polly's 60th wedding anniversary at the American Legion with family and friends.

Congratulations Bob and Polly.

(Right) Greg and Cindy Trent watch as Bob and Polly Smith enter their surprise party.

## MERICA PEGIONS

#### American Legion Riders From the Saddle Bags of Hardin Post 113 ALR Director

KICKSTANDS UP April 2024 ALR Newsletter

Hello Riders and Legion family,

We are just starting to hit prime riding season and looking forward to getting out on the road with you all. The Red River Gorge/Nada Tunnel ride is coming up toward the end of the month. Details are on our Facebook page if you plan to go to reserve a room. Weather permitting, I'm sure we'll see some pop-up retiree rides and hopefully get in another ride on a Saturday/Sunday to enjoy the spring scenery across the Bluegrass. Our website is updated with the upcoming rides and events as well as the State Legacy Ride registration link.

Don't miss out on the activities going on at the post either! Porch parties, trivia, Garyoke, bingo, breakfast morning and car show evenings the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday, and special events like the upcoming carnival for Military Child month, it's an exciting time to visit and be part of our American Legion families.

Best wishes and keep the shiny side up,

Erin Fulkerson

Director, ALR 113

link to Hardin Post 113 Am Legion Riders https://www.alrky113.org/

**Thank you Andy**, <u>Congratulations & enjoy your retirement</u>. Thank you, for the donations to American Legion Hardin Post 113 over the years. Andy donated \$150.00 to the post whenever a customer bought a vehicle from him and they mentioned that they saw his ad in the American Legion Hardin Post 113 newsletter.

#### David Earls Cell 502-974 4199

Being an Army Veteran & ARMY spouse I know what it means to Serve!

That is why I work Hard for you in the Hardin County area.

Ft. Knox is surrounded by Meade, Breckinridge, Grayson, Hart, Larue, Nelson, Bullitt and Jefferson counties.

I am available to assist you with your real estate needs in each of these area. 02-01-2024



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#### WHATS HAPPENING AT YOUR POST?

Line Dance Lessons

Mondays start at 6pm. Cost \$5

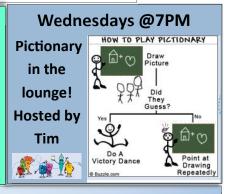
Levels of dance from beginner to intermediate. Fun filled evening and Every other Wednesday

Couples Dance Lessons \$6 each

Open to the Public

Tuesdays @ 7PM
Trivia in the Lounge,
bring your brains!!!





APA
Tuesday Pool League 6PM



ZUMBA CLASSES WEDNESDAYS / FRIDAYS 9AM



GARYOKE IN THE LOUNGE!

Starts @ 7PM see calendar for dates







#### **Bingo Friday**

Doors open at 5:00PM. Early Bird starts at 6:30. Bingo starts at 7:00PM.

#### **Bingo Sunday**

Doors open at 12:00PM. Early Bird starts at 1:30. Bingo starts at 2:00PM.



#### Legion Family Devotion APRIL ISSUE

Hello to everyone hope you are doing well. Remember to check on the elderly and visit people if you can. If you know anyone that needs prayers let me know.

#### Please pray for those in need in our Legion Family:

Glen Adwell, Don Adams, Bob Craig, John Crow, Peter Edmunds, Chris Fisher, Lenny Hart, Jerilynn Kabel, Rick Lee, Stephen Sheets, Bob Shumate, and George Townsend.

Please contact Stephen Sheets by either cell / text 270 268-1797 or email

(stevsts@windstream.net)

#### Friday Night Entertainment Lounge 7-9PM

5<sup>th</sup> 2 OF A KIND SINGING A VARIETY OF SONGS

12<sup>th</sup> SHAYNE VAUGHAN SINGING A VARIETY OF SONGS

19<sup>th</sup> GARYOKE SINGERS SINGING VARIETY OF SONGS

**26<sup>th</sup> DEVAN BISHOP PLAYING GUITAR** 

Birthday Night
Come Out &
Celebrate
GARYOKE 6-11PM



Friday MARCH 19<sup>th</sup>

1 Free Drink

1 Cup Cake

Hardin Post 113 Celebrates American legions' 105th Birthday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024



#### EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING BETWEEN 9-9:30PM

#### **UP COMING EVENTS FOR MAY 2024**

#### 7-9pm Live Entertainment Every Friday in Members Lounge

- 4-8pm Car Show every Second Saturday of Month until Oct.12, 2024
- 1<sup>st</sup> RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 2-6PM (POC POLLY SMITH)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:15PM AUX EXEC BD. MTG.
  - 7PM AL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (ELECTION NIGHT FOR POST OFFICERS)
- 4<sup>th</sup> ALA DERBY PARTY/POTLUCK IN MEMBERS LOUNGE
- 11<sup>th</sup> 8-11AM AUX BREAKFAST / 10-11AM HARDIN UNIT 113 Jr. MTG.
- 12<sup>th</sup> MOTHERS DAY
- 17<sup>th</sup> 6-11PM MEMBER BIRTHDAY NIGHT—GARYOKE
- 18<sup>th</sup> 5:30-8PM SAL JIMMY BUFFETT NIGHT Cheeseburger in Paradise / Followed with Garyoke
- 25<sup>th</sup> 7-11PM **DANCE CHEYENNE BAND**
- 27<sup>th</sup> MEMORIAL DAY (CEREMONY AT NATURE PARK)
- 28<sup>th</sup> 6PM EXEC BOARD MEETING

#### **UP COMING EVENTS FOR JUNE 2024**

#### 7-9pm Live Entertainment Every Friday in Members Lounge

- 4-8pm Car Show every Second Saturday of Month until Oct.12, 2024
- 1<sup>st</sup> 7 4PM **COMMANDERS COURSE** INSTRUCTOR JOE GARRETT
- 6:15PM AUX EXEC BD. MTG. / 7PM AL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (Installation of Exec Board)
- $8^{th}$  8-11AM AUX BREAKFAST / 10-11AM HARDIN UNIT 113 Jr. MTG.
  - 7-11PM DANCE 2 OF A KIND
- 14<sup>th</sup> FLAG DAY
- 15<sup>th</sup> 7-11PM DANCE LITTLE DAVID AND BAD COUNTRY (POC GARY BREWER)
- 20-22<sup>nd</sup> DEPARTMENT CONVENTION LOUISVILLE, KY CROWN PLAZA
- 20-24<sup>th</sup> ALR ROMP SOUTH CAROLINA
- 25<sup>th</sup> 6PM EXEC BOARD MEETING
- 29<sup>th</sup> 7-11PM DANCE RED SHADOW

#### **UP COMING EVENTS FOR JULY 2024**

- 7-9pm Live Entertainment Every Friday in Members Lounge
- 4-8pm Car Show every Second Saturday of Month until Oct.12, 2024
- 4<sup>th</sup> JULY INDEPENDENCE DAY
  - 6:15PM AUX EXEC BD. MTG. / 7PM AL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
- 13<sup>th</sup> 8-11AM AUX BREAKFAST / 10-11AM HARDIN UNIT 113 Jr. MTG.

#### American Legion Hardin Post 113 P.O. Box 147

#### CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

**April 2024** 





## April 2024 Legion Families now on Facebook: American Legion Hardin Post 113 / American Legion Riders Post 113 / Hardin Unit 113 American Legion Auxiliary

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 1:30 PM Bingo	1	2 1800 NAPA LN 1900 Trivia	3 9AM Zumba 1700 APA LN 1900 Pictionary	4 1800 Aux Exec Bd Mtg 1900 AL General Membership Mtg.	<u>5</u> 9AM Zumba 1700 Bingo <b>1900 2 of a Kind</b>	6 VA Optum Care 6-20 April CnP Exam Scheduled by VA
7 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 1:30 PM Bingo	8 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA Porch Party	9 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 1800 NAPA LN 1900 Trivia	10 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 9AM Zumba 1700 APA LN	11 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 1900 Aux MBR Mtg 1900 SAL MBR Mtg	12 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 1700 Bingo 1900 Shayne Vaughan SPRING CONFERENCE	13 VA Optum Care 8-11 Aux Brkfst. 10-11 Unit 113 Jr Mtg 7-11pm Cross Roads SPRING CONFERENCE
14 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 1:30 PM Bingo 1 PM VVA #1051	15 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA Porch Party 1800 Line Dancing	16 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 1800 NAPA LN 1900 Trivia	17 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 9AM Zumba 1700 APA LN	18 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 6:30 German Food Night	19 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA 1700 Bingo 1800 APRIL Bday Garyoke	20 VA Optum Care Scheduled by VA
21 1:30 PM Bingo NASCAR POTLUCK PARTY (POC TONY)	22 Porch Party 1800 Line Dancing	23 1900 ALR Exec Mtg 1800 NAPA LN 1900 Trivia	24 9AM Zumba 1700 APA LN 1900 Pictionary	25 ALR MBR MTG. 17:30—1900 hrs.	26 9AM Zumba 1700 Bingo 1900 Devan Bishop	27 Military Kids Day (POC LINDA COOK)
28 1:30 PM Bingo	29 Porch Party 1800 Line Dancing	30 1800 Exec Bd Mtg 1800 NAPA LN 1900 Trivia	1 MAY 10-4pm Blood Drive 1800 APA LN 1900 Pictionary	2 1800 Aux Exec Bd Mtg 1900 AL General Membership Mtg.	3 9AM Zumba 1700 Bingo 1900 2 of a Kind	4 MAY Aux Derby Party

POST HOURS: Monday- 4 pm-11pm, Tues-Thurs. 4 pm-11pm, Fri. 4pm-12am & Sat 2 pm-12am, Sun. 1pm-7pm. Monthly Breakfast 2nd Sat 8am KITCHEN HOURS: Posted to Website All schedules are subject to change.

Phone: 270-737-9949 Fax: 270-765-6347

# INASCAR.

April 21, 2024 NASCAR TALLDEGA 500 race day at American Legion Hardin Post 113



\*\*\*\*Potluck Dinner and Door Prizes\*\*\*\*

It becomes one of the best buffets in town! Camaraderie and good times!

The American Legion - is your home town place to go for good times

#### HOSTED BY TONY SATTERFIELD

Thank you David & Colton, G2 Gamming, for your donations to support this event.

Membership Recruiting American Legion Hardin Post 113 with Adjutant Drew Chitty



(Above) Drew giving out recruiting awards to Hardin Post 113 members.

(Left) Two, 50 year members, receiving awards from Post Adjutant Drew Chitty.

#### American Legion Hardin Post 113 Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans' Honor Dinner March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

We had a great event with representatives form American Legion Department of Ky., Fort Knox, DAV, VA, VFW, KY State Government and Elizabethtown Mayor Gregory. Post Commander Robinson conducted the event with chaplain Sheets giving prayer. 2 ALA Juniors lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Guest speaker, was American Legion Dept of KY. Area B Commander, Joe Garrett. He gave a presentation about Vietnam and his own experience that he encountered while serving in Vietnam. He also provided a slide show on the big screen. We had a great meal prepared by staff and volunteers. ALA and other organizations supplied the desserts. It was a total post volunteer event with post management that made this event successful.

North Hardin JROTC presented a POW ceremony (which was awesome). We wish to thank everyone that participated in this event. Welcome Home Veterans and Thank You for Your Service To Our United States of America.



Vietnam Veterans and guest attending this years AL Hardin Post 113's welcome Home Vietnam Veterans' Honors Dinner

American Legion Hardin Post 113 in Elizabethtown honored the service of many Thursday with its annual Vietnam Veteran Honors Dinner. Vietnam Veterans share their experiences with other veterans that served in Vietnam. They enjoyed a good meal and guest speaker Joe Garrett's, presentation. North Hardin JROTC done an excellent job with their POW ceremony.



American legion volunteers serving dinner for the veterans. Jimmy Bunch and Gava Denton before eating dinner.

Photos by Conner Wilkerson / News-Enterprise



Donna and Keith Fox enjoying a meal together at the Vietnam Veterans Honors Dinner Thursday night hosted by American Legion Hardin Post 113.

Photo by Conner Wilkerson / News-Enterprise

Rapheal Sr., Rapheal Jr., and Brenda Thompson enjoy a meal prepared by volunteers of American Legion Hardin Post 113. Rapheal Jr. looks over the provided Vietnam Map.

Photo by Conner Wilkerson / News-Enterprise

Angie Saunders: March 9, 2024

Todays Hardin Unit 113 Juniors met after breakfast with the Easter Bunny. Abby led the Pledge. Two of the senior Juniors /young SAL members volunteered at the craft tables during breakfast with the Easter Bunny. Thank you to JC and Sienna for your commitment with Legion Family events.

Patches were awarded at today's meeting! Abby earned two patches, Vivian earned 5 patches and Lilia earned 5 patches. Brady earned his first patch in the new Purple Patch category. He wasn't feeling well, and wasn't able to join us today. The Juniors received vests to display their patches on. Today's craft was a washcloth Easter Bunny.



ALA Juniors Leading Pledge of Allegiance at Vietnam Veterans' Honors Dinner 3/28/2024

## Consider being a volunteer with our American Legion Hardin Post 113 Honor Guard.

Perform funeral honors and ceremonies honoring Veterans and their families! All members of the legion families are eligible!

Contact: Honor Guard Director, Mark Kennedy 270 370-2589



L to R Roger Weiss Mark Kennedy Don Adams James Borg Homer Wine Front Row Julia Sheets

The mission of The American Legion's *Be the One* initiative is to reduce the rate of Veteran suicide.

It aims to lessen the stigma associated with mental health treatment and empower everyone to take appropriate action when a veteran or servicemember may be at risk. The number of veterans who die by suicide every day is estimated at between **17 and 22**. The American Legion has elevated *Be the One* to be its top priority, empowering veterans, servicemembers, their family members, and civilians to act appropriately when a veteran may be at risk. Additionally, this initiative intends to bring more awareness to the problem while providing resources to those who may be able to help save the life of a veteran.

#### 1. What are the warning signs?

A veteran or servicemember in crisis might talk about wanting to die, express guilt or shame, or mention being a burden to others.

#### 2. What should I say?

Ask them what's going on. Let them know they aren't alone. Ask the direct question: Are you having thoughts of suicide? Encourage them to keep sharing. Offer to connect them to someone who can help.

#### What should I not say?

DO NOT tell them you know how they feel. DO NOT condemn or minimize their thoughts or feelings. DO NOT tell them to be thankful for what they have.

#### 3. What else should I know?

In these cases, remember your mission is not to act as a mental health professional. Your mission is to connect them to professionals. It is best to listen carefully, take any comments about suicide seriously, and look for cues in their words and behavior. Reassure them that it is OK to ask for help and offer to connect them with resources. DO NOT ignore warning signs. DO NOT keep it a secret.

#### 4. FOR IMMEDIATE HELP

Veterans Crisis Line 988 Then Press 1 Online: veteranscrisisline.net Text: 838255 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Call: 800-662-4357 Online: samhsa.gov/find-help National Alliance on Mental Illness Call: 800-950-6264

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