

The Bugler

American Legion Hardin Post 113





Commanders Corner

From the desk of the Commander Hardin Post 113

Dear Legionnaires and Family Members,

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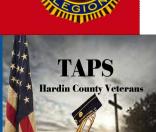
We Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and fun shopping on Black Friday. Christmas will be here before you know it. Don't forget to take a little time to think of all the men and women protecting our country who can't be with their families over the holidays. December is a busy month. Hopefully you'll be reading this before our general membership meeting. Breakfast with Santa should be a big hit again this year. Pictures will be taken at no charge to the families, Spread the word and come out to enjoy the breakfast/activities. Our New Year's Eve tickets are selling fast. Come in to purchase yours, it will be a great night, don't miss it. Be sure to check our Facebook page to keep up with events and any changes to hours. Have a wonderful Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Years.

Hardin Post 113 is the biggest Legion in Kentucky, and we do great things to help our local communities. When you go out, share what we do with others. Invite Veterans, active duty and/or their family members to visit the post and show them what we have to offer. There are many Veterans and families in the local areas who would probably love to be amongst a familiar group of like-minded people. You could be the person who makes a difference in someone's life.

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

Clarence "Robbie" Robinson

Commander Hardin Post #113



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American Legion Auxiliary Hardin Unit 113



From the desk of the President A Community of Volunteers Serving Veterans, Military, and their Families

Happy Holidays! As we are winding down 2023, it brings us to one of our busiest months for the Legion family. For the auxiliary, it begins with Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 9th from 8:00-11:00. We will have our raffle drawing then. You may be a winner! There will be activities for the kids, free pictures of your child with Santa, and of course, a delicious breakfast. Why, you might even see an elf or two or even the Grinch! Don't forget, we do not have a meeting in December, but instead we have our annual Potluck Christmas party, Dec. 14th starting at 6:00. Please bring a covered dish to share.

There will be many opportunities to volunteer this month. If you are interested, see the manager. Be sure and check the calendar for all the fun events happening at the post, such as Line Dancing, Trivia, Pictionary, Karaoke, live entertainment in the lounge, & more. Some dates to remember, Dec, 7th: Pearl Harbor Day, Dec. 9th: Breakfast with Santa & ALA Raffle drawing, Dec. 14th: Auxiliary Christmas Party, Dec. 25th: CHRISTMAS, & Dec. 31st: New Years Eve (Tickets are on sale now)

Please thank a veteran every day.

One of the greatest joys of this season is the opportunity to say THANK YOU and to remember and honor those who are no longer with us and cherish those who are. I wish you the very best this Christmas and happiness for the New Year.

Jerilynn Kabel, President

Hardin Unit 113



Sons of American Legion Squadron 113

Greetings American Legion Family,

Christmas is around the corner, and the preparations for it have skyrocketed. May the spirit of Christmas infuse your life and that of your family members with hope, positivity, and joy. From my family to yours, Merry Christmas, and A Happy New Year.

Looking back at the past year, there's probably a lot that has you feeling grateful. Even if you can't spend the holidays with all your friends and family, you can do BUD-DY CHECKS! Please reach out to someone that you haven't seen or talk to from our legion family, conduct a BUDDY CHECK!

Please come out and support the activities that post will hosting. The post will be having a New Years Eve dance/dinner, please get your tickets to attend. I want to leave you with this "It's not what's under the tree that matters; it's who's gathered around." Again, MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR. I hope everyone has a great 2024!

Sincerely,

Brandon K. Curry SAL Squadron Commander 2023-2024

Veterans Crisis Line 988 Then Press 1







KICKSTANDS UP December 2023 ALR Newsletter

Riders,

Happy December Riders! The end of 2023 is rapidly approaching. We've had a good year as we've spent time together riding around Kentucky (and a bit of Indiana) and enjoying some great food and even better company. We also hosted our first ever fundraising gala event which was fun and successful in supporting a couple of great non-profits serving the area. We will draw our second raffle winner during the Christmas party. Between the M1 Garand earlier in the year and this month's drawing for a Henry Golden Boy .22 rifle, we saw two more successful events. We've donated time, money, and items to local non-profits and organizations to support them as they strive to make life a little easier and better for those in our community in need. As the year comes to an end, hopefully we can all look back on 2023 with some fond memories and prepare for a great 2024.

While we probably won't have many opportunities to ride through the winter, be on the lookout for those warm days where a pop-up ride is bound to happen. We will have our annual Frosty Clutch ride on Jan 1 so that plan will be sent via email and put on our Facebook page. Also, if there is a ride you'd like to go on next year, make a note so when the early ride planning 2024 meeting happens, we can get it on the calendar.

I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a prosperous 2024. Thank you all for your support of our Legion families, our Rider chapter and goals, and our communities.

Merry Christmas, happy new year, ride safe and stay warm! Erin Fulkerson Director, ALR 113



Those in need of a new vehicle make sure you go see Mr. Andy Cook.

Mention this ad from the bugler and he will donate \$150.00 in your name to:

The American Legion Hardin Post 113!



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AMERICAN LEGION POST 113

1251 Ring Rd Elizabethtown, KY

Saturday, December 9th 8am until 11 am Children's crafts, Christmas carols, pictures with Santa

Adults: \$9.00

Children 11 & under: FREE with a paid adult



ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST: Eggs cooked to order, Omelets, Scrambled Eggs, Biscuits, Sausage Gravy, Bacon, Sausage, Potatoes, Grits, French Toast Sticks & Syrup, Fruit, Cottage Cheese, Milk, Juice, and plenty of Coffee.

Proceeds benefit Legion family programs. POC is Diane Kennedy.

Friday Night Entertainment Lounge

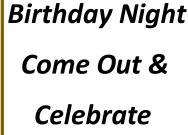
DECEMBER 7PM—9PM

1st MARK BARNES SINGING A VARIETY OF MUSIC

8th MARK BARNES SINGING A VARIETY OF MUSIC

15th GRACIE YATES SINGING A VARIETY OF MUSIC

22nd JOSH—CLAYTON CLASSIC COUNTRY 50-60'S





Friday Dec. 15th

1 Free Drink

1 Cup Cake

AMERICAN LEGION HARDIN POST 113 WILL HOST A SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS SEMINAR DECEMBER 5th FROM 5:30—7:00PM

POINT OF CONTACTS: Brandon Curry Brandon.K.curry37@gmail.com

Tom Folsom Tfolsom13@gmail.com

We can all help prevent suicide. The 988 Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals in the United States.

Social Time with Food 5:30-6:00PM (6pm—7pm Training)





WHATS HAPPENING AT YOUR POST?

Line Dance Lessons
Open to the Public
Mondays only starting at 6pm.
Levels of dance range from
beginner to intermediate.

Cost is only \$5.00

Tuesdays @ 7PM

Trivia in the Lounge, bring your brains!!!

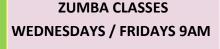


Wednesdays @7PM

Pictionary in the lounge!



APA
Tuesday Pool League 6PM



GARYOKE IN THE LOUNGE!

Starts @ 7PM see calendar for dates







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Pictures with Santa, Children's Crafts and Xmas Carols.

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SEE DECEMBER BREAKFAST FLYER FOR TIME AND MENU PRICES.

Legion Family Devotion December Issue

Hello to everyone Christmas is upon us. Hope everyone enjoys the wonderful times of friendship over the holidays. 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, Bob Craig, John Crow, Peter Edmunds, Lenny Hart, Jerilynn Kabel, Rick Lee, George Townsend, Glen Walters & Kim Walters.

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

Consider being a volunteer with the 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



Veterans Day 2023 at Veterans Nature Park Elizabethtown KY. Pictured from left to right:

James Borg, Drew Chitty, Guest Speaker Col. Peggy R. McManus, Mark Kennedy, Julie Sheets and Roger Weiss.



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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. They also might feel like they have no reason to live or show feelings of emptiness, hopelessness, or being trapped. They might appear extremely sad, anxious, agitated, or full of rage. Behaviors to look for include isolating, giving away belongings, indulging in risky behavior, and using drugs and/or alcohol more often.

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

HARDIN POST 113 Points of Contact:

Tom Folsom: tfolsom13@gmail.com and Brandon Curry: Brandon.k.curry37@gmail.com

Source: Be The One 65VAR0623 Veteran Suicide Business Card Trifold.indd





UPCOMING DECEMBER 2023 EVENTS

- 2nd 7-11PM DANCE NIGHT WITH THE HONKY TONK WRANGLERS
- 4th 5:30-8:30PM BINGO VOLUNTEER DINNER IN GAME ROOM.
- 5th 5:30—7PM <u>SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS SEMINAR</u>
- 7th PEARL HABOR DAY
- 9th 8-11AM AUX BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
 ALR Xmas PARTY GAME ROOM
- 10th 1-3:30PM VVA #1051 MEETING
- 11th—13th OPERATION HOME FRONT (MAIN HALL)
- 16th SWOPE Xmas PARTY (POST CLOSED) GETTING READY FOR PARTY.
- 19th 7-8PM ALR EXECUTIVE MTG.
- 23rd 7-11PM DANCE NIGHT WITH THE COUNTRY CROSS ROADS BAND
- 24th CHRISTMAS EVE / MONDAY 25th CHRISTMAS DAY
- 26th 6-7PM EXECUTIVE BOARD MTG.
- 28th 6-7PM ALR GEN MEMBERSHIP MTG.
- 30th 10-2PM SETUP HALL FOR NEW YEARS PARTY
- 31st NEW YEARS EVE PARTY DANCE WITH THE CLOSERS BAND Cost =\$45.00 @

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

UP COMING EVENTS FOR JANUARY 2024

- 1st NEW YEARS DAY
- 4th 6:15PM AUX EXEC BD. MTG.

7PM AL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

- 11th 7PM AUXILIARY GEN MEMBERSHIP MTG. / SAL GEN MEMBERSHIP MTG.
- 13th 8-11AM AUX BREAKFAST 10-11AM UNIT 113 Jr. MEETING
 - 7-11PM DANCE COUNTRY CROSS ROADS BAND
- 14th 1-3:30PM VVA #1051 MEETING
- 15th MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
- 20-21 st WINTER CONFERENCE—BOWLING GREEN
- 23rd 6PM EXEC BD. MEETING
- 27th 7-11PM DANCE ???

American Legion Hardin Post 113 P.O. Box 147 Elizabethtown, KY 42702

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

DECEMBER 2023

DECEMBER 2023		Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				30 NOV	1 9AM Zumba 1700 Bingo 1900 Mark Barnes	2 DANCE 7-11PM The Honky Tonk Wranglers
3 2 PM Bingo	4 Porch Party 17:30 Bingo Volunteer Dinner Gm Rm. 1800 Line Dancing	5 1730—1900 Suicide Prevention Class 1800 NAPA LN 1900 Trivia	6 9AM Zumba 1700 APA LN 1900 Pictionary	Z Pearl Harbor Day 1800 Aux Exec Bd Mtg 1900 AL General Membership Mtg.	8 9AM Zumba 1700 Bingo 1900 Mark Barnes	9 8-11AM AUX Bkfst with Santa 10-11 Unit 113 Jr Mtg ALR Xmas Party GR
10 2 PM Bingo 1 PM vva #1051 17:30—20:00 Moms Left Behind	11 Porch Party 7:30-4pm Operation Home Front	12 Operation Home Front continued. 1800 NAPA LN 1900 Trivia	13 Operation Home Front continued. 1700 APA LN 1900 Pictionary	1900 Aux Xmas Party 1900 SAL MBR Mtg	15 9AM Zumba 1700 Bingo 1800 DEC Birthday 1900 Gracie Yates	16 POST CLOSED PRIVATE PARTY
17 2 PM Bingo	18 Porch Party 1800 Line Dancing	19 1900 ALR Exec Mtg 1800 NAPA LN 1900 Trivia	20 9AM Zumba 1700 APA LN 1900 Pictionary	21	22 9AM Zumba 1700 Bingo 1900 Josh & Clayton	23 DANCE 7-11PM Country Cross Roads
24 POST CLOSED CHRISTMAS EVE	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26 1800 NAPA LN 1800 Exec Bd Mtg 1900 Trivia	27 9AM Zumba 1800 APA LN 1900 Pictionary	28 1900 ALR General Membership Mtg.	29 9AM Zumba 1700 Bingo 1900 Mark Barnes	30 10am-2pm SETUP HALL FOR NEW YEARS PARTY
31 New Years Eve Party-Dance The Closers	1 JAN 2024 NEW YEARS DAY	2JAN 2024 1800 NAPA LN 1900 Trivia	3_9AM Zumba 1800 APA LN 1900 Pictionary	4_1800 Aux Exec Bd Mtg 1900 AL General Membership Mtg.	5_9AM Zumba 1700 Bingo 1900 Justin Cole	<u>6</u>

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

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