

American Legion Post 526 Members,

I wanted to take a brief moment to introduce myself and a few new members of the Executive Council here at Post 526. My name is Seth Dale, I am your newly installed Finance Officer, past Judge Advocate, and webmaster for our new and improved website! I have been stationed here at Wright-Patterson since 2006 and am currently in the process of transitioning to the National Guard in Springfield, OH.

Spencer Chaney was recently installed for his first full term as Post Commander and like myself is a younger veteran and has just finished his service in the U.S Army with multiple tours overseas. Spencer is leading us into a new era for Post 526 and we have seen our visibility and interest within the community grow under his leadership in just a short time!

Shawn Richter is also a new addition to the Council as our Sgt-At-Arms! Shawn recently separated from the USAF after 10 years of service at Wright-Patterson and is currently a firefighter for Xenia Township, he brings a wealth of experience and ideas to the Post and we are proud to have him serve and represent us in the community!

The rest of the council I believe are known to most of you

1st Vice – Chuck Knaub
2nd Vice – Dave Kiernan
Adjutant – Danny Austin
Chaplain – Roger Sloan
Public Relations Officer - Mary Pacinda

We congratulate them on their new positions within the Post, they are invaluable in leading us forward into a new era for the Fairborn American Legion!

I know a lot to do with the local Legion has been somewhat depressing lately but I am pleased to announce a lot of good news! We are in the process of acquiring a new post home/canteen in downtown Fairborn and should be moved in a short time once the final approvals are completed with the city and after you all give us a yay or nay at our next meeting! We are also going to be incorporating a "Veterans Center" within a portion of our new space that is going to include computers, printers, office equipment, and other resources for our community to utilize in any way that they need, it is one of our most exciting projects and we are excited for the interest within the local community to support us in this endeavor!

Also our new website is up and running and we have already seen our traffic skyrocket! You can now see all of our current volunteer activities, get information on veteran resources, donate to the Post, and see an updated picture roster of our committee members! Check it out at www.legion526.com.

We have several new activities coming up and some new ideas we need you for! We would love to have our own Post 526 American Legion Riders, if you are interested in starting or joining this great team please let me know!

Another thing we are excited to get back to is our motto of "Veterans serving Veterans" we will be out and about in the community volunteering and meeting with people and we would love to

have as many people as possible join us! Also we are always looking for new ideas for volunteering so please email us or join us at our meetings to share your ideas as every member is invaluable to our success!

We are also looking to do some updates to the uniform, more on that to come but we would love your feedback!

Lastly, Spencer and I had the pleasure to attend the Department Convention in Dayton this weekend as delegates. In a lot of ways it was eye opening but also showed some stark reasons on why different directions need to be explored, we want Post 526 to lead the way in that regard and usher in a new era of leadership and change within the organization!

If you have any questions or feedback it is always welcome, just as the legion is here to serve our fellow veterans, we on the council are here to serve you!

Sincerely,

Seth A. Dale
Post 526 Finance Officer