



The American Legion



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July 2022

IMPORTANT DATES (in July)

July 4 (Mon)- 4th of July Holiday

July 6 (Wed)- Monthly breakfast, 9 am

July 7 (Thu)- Executive Board meeting 6:30 pm

July 14 (Thu)- Auxiliary meeting, 5:30 pm

July 14 (Thu)- Membership dinner, 6:30 pm

July 16 (Sat)- Day Lily Society, 10:30 am

July 20 (Wed)- NARFE luncheon, 11:30 am

July 21 (Thu)- 40&8, 6:30 pm

July 21 (Thu)- Bassin Buddies meeting, 7 pm

Every Wed- Coffee & donuts

Every Day - Fly your flag

Every Week - Honor our troops by wearing red on Fridays.

POST EVERLASTING

Post 30 had no deaths in the month of June. Praise the Lord.

ADJUTANT'S COMMENTS (*Don Norman, Post 30 Adjutant*)

As of the end of June, our membership renewals stand at 411, which is at 79% of our goal. If you need help with paying your dues, call me at 229-854-0223. The new membership cards, which go into effect in July, are now here.

Our \$5.00 monthly breakfast will be on Wednesday, July 6, beginning at 9 am. All other Wednesdays, we will still have free donuts and coffee.

Our monthly \$10.00 dinner will be on Thursday, July 14, beginning at 6:30 pm. The menu will be pulled pork, BBQ chicken, potato salad, baked beans, slaw, pudding, tea, coffee, and water.

July 13 will be my last day as the Post 30 Adjutant. It has been 18 years and it is now time to move on to other things. Thanks for the memories. I plan to stay in touch with my friends, so we will meet again. God Bless all of you and enjoy your life. I will not say *goodbye*, but I will say *see you later. For God and Country*

Important dates in July:

July 1, 1776: The Continental Congress, sitting as a committee, met on July 1, to debate a resolution submitted by Virginia delegate Richard Henry Lee on June 7. The resolution stated that the United Colonies "are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States."

July 1, 1863: The largest military conflict ever in North American history began on this day when Union and Confederate forces collided at Gettysburg. The epic battle lasted three days and resulted in a retreat to Virginia by Robert E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia.

July 4, 1776: The Declaration of Independence was signed by president of Congress, John Hancock and secretary, Charles Thomson. John Hancock would later say, "There, I guess King George will be able to read that (referring to his large signature on the Declaration of Independence).

July 6, 1976: Elizabeth Anne Rowe became the first woman to be admitted to The United States Naval Academy. Four years later, in May 1970, she became the first female midshipman to graduate at the top of her class.

July 20, 1944: In an effort to rid the world of Hitler, a briefcase full of explosives was placed near him, but failed to assassinate him. As a result of the failed attempt, over 5,000 high ranking Germans were later executed.

July 20, 1969: Live on TV, Apollo 11 Astronaut, Neil Armstrong, took the first steps of mankind on the face of the moon.

HISTORIAN'S CORNER (*Dan Brewer, Historian*)

Tom Brown, U.S. Air Force

Tom Brown was born and raised in Knoxville, Tennessee, where he attended school and graduated from Central high school in 1969. Shortly after graduating, he joined the Tennessee Air National Guard and went on active duty in 1970. Tom was sent to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas for basic training, followed by specialty training at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. After completing his military training, he returned to Tennessee and was assigned to the 134th Air Refueling Group in Maryville, Tennessee. Tom spent six years on active duty, all in Tennessee, but did manage to get some temporary (TDY) assignments in Germany, Portugal, and Newfoundland. He was discharged from the Air Force in 1976, having obtained the rank of Staff Sergeant (SSgt) while on active duty. Tom wisely used his time while in the military, for while he was serving his country, he also was going to college. Tom graduated from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville in 1975 with a Bachelor of Science degree (BS) in Business Administration, majoring in marketing & transportation. Tom Brown has been a member of The American Legion for 11 years, with 10 of the years at Post 122, Cairo, Georgia, where he was Post Commander for three years. He is now a member of Post 30, Albany, and is on the executive committee. He also serves as a Junior Vice Commander for the 2nd District, a position he has held for the last three years. Tom served in various management positions over the years with companies such as with The JC Penney Company, Goody's Family Clothing, and the Meridian Art Group, Thomasville, Georgia.

He is “semi-retired” but still works as owner of G-19 Consulting. Tom is married to Mary E. Vickers-Brown (33 years) and has two children, Stephanie, and Matthew and four grandchildren. Tom has lived in Georgia for the past 35 years and currently resides in Cairo. Tom is a past Eagle Scout and is a member of Centennial United Methodist church, as well as a member of The Cairo City Planning Commission, serving as past chairman and current vice chairman

Thank you, Tom for your service

CHAPLAIN’S MESSAGE (Dr. Doc Williams, Post 30 Chaplain)

Liberty

“Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.” Galatians 5:1 (NKJV)

Americans are a freedom-loving people. USA citizens enjoy freedoms that many other countries do not. We all know of comrades in arms who have fought for and died to keep the liberty we hold dear. In my text the Apostle Paul writes to the Galatian Christians. He uses some powerful words to describe what Christians must do to protect their freedom in Christ Jesus. Christians are made free from the burden of law keeping. Believers are to “stand fast” in that liberty we have in Christ the Lord. Paul encourages Christians to walk in, live in, and act in the freedoms that we cherish. How does this apply to the “other freedoms” that we hold dear as Americans?

We live in difficult times as freedoms that we enjoy are being snatched from us. As Americans we also must stand fast in the freedoms we love; like the right to bear arms, freedom of speech and religion and so many more. This is not a call to talk but a call to action. Join me in PRAYER and VOTE. Liberty is precious as it begins in Jesus Christ and is translated into the originating documents of our godly founders, like Thomas Jefferson and George Washington. As we celebrate our liberty on this Independence Day, let us vow to act to keep and protect our freedoms. Amen

Greetings Ladies: We will hold our installation of officers during the July 14 meeting, beginning at 5:45 pm. Ms. Quida Traywick will preside over the installation proceedings. The ladies to be installed as 2022-2033 officers include:

- President: *Barbara Novell*
- 1st Vice President: *Deanna Nicholson*
- 2nd Vice President: *Brenda Alward*
- Secretary: *Linda Stokes*
- Treasurer: *Sherry Garrett*
- Chaplain: *Deanna Nicholson*
- SGT-at-Arms: *Kristina Nicholson*
- Members at Large: *Janet Stowe, Marion Tyus*

For God and Country

COMMANDER’S MESSAGE (Dr. Daniel R. Brewer, Post 30 Commander)

As with the ladies, we will also hold our installation of officers during the July 14 meeting, beginning at 6:30 pm. 2nd District Commander, Jeremiah Paschal will preside over the installation ceremony. Because of the installations, we will not have a July speaker.

The following members will be installed as 2022-2033 officers of Post 30:

- Commander: *Dr. Dan Brewer*
- Senior Vice CDR: *Richard Stowe*
- Junior Vice CDRs: *Henry Alward, Jerry Garrett, Scott Hemmings, Ron Langston, Sonny Martin*
- Executive Committee: *Ben Adler, Tom Brown, James Eppler, Gary Fowler, James Ivey, Joe Najjar, Jim O’Hare, Denis Plette, Gil Stokes*
- Finance Officer: *Ted Wright, Jr.*
- Judge Advocate: *Nick Nicholson*
- Chaplain: *Dr. Doc Williams*
- Color Sergeant: *Nick Nicholson*
- Adjutant: *Gary Fowler*
- Historian & Service Officer: *Dan Brewer*

Duty, Honor Country is what we stand for

Commander

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Senior Vice Commander

Richard Stowe

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Auxiliary

Ms. Barbara Novell, *President*
Ms. Deanna Nicholson, *Vice President*
Ms. Deanna Nicholson, *Chaplain*

Past Commander

Nick Nicholson

Officers

Gary Fowler, *Adjutant*
Dr. Dan Brewer, *Bar, Service Officer*
Ben Adler, *Buildings, Insurance*
Dr. Doc Williams, *Chaplain*
Nick Nicholson, *Color Sergeant*
Ted Wright Jr. *Finance Officer*
Jerry Garrett, *Grounds*
Dr. Dan Brewer, *Historian*
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AUXILIARY UNIT 30 (Deanna Nicholson, President)