

SUSQUEHANNA POST 135 NEWSLETTER

American Legion Susquehanna Post 135
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Winter 2016

OFFICERS ELECT 2015-2016 LEGION

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Membership Chairman.....Robert Chenoweth
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Commander's Message

Dear Fellow Legionnaires:

The month of January allows each of us the opportunity to reflect upon our past accomplishments and set goals for the new year.

During 2015, the American Legion Susquehanna Post #135 made incredible strides to improve the functions of the Post, resulting in better services and activities offered to veterans, active duty service members and our local community. Accomplishments during 2015 have included the establishment of a high tech computerized cash register system, resulting in a more streamlined process for tracking incoming and outgoing inventory and overall accountability; increased Post membership and enhanced efforts to support our local school system, churches, fire department, and boys and girls clubs. We continue to maintain a strong connection with hospitalized veterans at our nearby VA medical center and remain committed in our support of the housing project for at-risk homeless veterans in the village area of the Perry Point campus.



To preserve the continuity of our American Legion Post home, we recently completed a much needed full exterior deck replacement, which was accomplished due in large part to the coordination efforts of Skip Ivie and Gordon Craven. We are currently working on two new grants that include resurfacing of the parking area located behind the Legion and replacement of air conditioning units in the Post's dining areas.

Thanks to the consistent devotion of First Vice Commander, Donald Griffith, to the annual Boys and Girls State program, we will once again be reaching out to local high schools to recruit and educate 11th grade students about this five-day program totally funded by the American Legion. This is an incredible opportunity for young men and women in our community to learn about Americanism and how our country is governed.

Our Post remains committed to offering activities that bring families and friends together, such as bingo, entertainment on the weekends, daily meals, Thursday night pizza, Friday night fried chicken and Saturday night chicken wings, all at very reasonable costs. We also offer our beautiful Post Hall for rental for your family or community events.

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POST EVERLASTING

 Marshall T. Biddle (Honorary Life/PUFL) 
Doris E. Calao (ALA)
Lambert E. Coakley
Harry H. Davis
James E. Hindman
Bill E. Marrs, Sr.
Sharon Notarcola (ALA)
Robert Paugh

Our deepest sympathy and condolences go out to the family and loved ones of our departed comrades and friends.

2016 Membership Dues

We are now collecting dues for the 2016 membership year. Dues are \$30 for Legionnaires, \$20 for SAL and \$20 for ALA.

Please help us in our effort to recruit new members. If you know a Service Member on Active Duty or a Veteran who has served in the past, please inform them about our great organization and The American Legion's many programs and encourage them to join.



Commander's Message

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Our accomplishments would not be possible without the continued loyalty to our Post demonstrated by the Executive Committee, Sons of the American Legion, American Legion Riders, American Legion Auxiliary, our administrative staff, cooks and bartenders.

Please take every opportunity to encourage active duty service members and veterans to consider membership with the American Legion Susquehanna Post 135. For more information, please feel free to contact me at the Post at (410) 642-2325 or email me at post135@verizon.net. You can also visit our website at www.al135.org or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Together we can continue to achieve goals to ensure our Post's dedication to serve those who served and to support our local community.

As always, thank you for your continued support and best wishes for a happy and healthy 2016.

God Bless America,

Douglas G. Hornberger

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Commander, Susquehanna Post 135

Need help with your claim?
Have questions about VA benefits?

Cindy Smith, Assistant Department Service Officer for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, may be able to help. She has a regular walk-in service on the days, times and locations provided below.* No appointment needed.

2nd Saturday of the Month
3pm to 6pm

VFW Post 5337
3705 Pulaski Hwy
Abingdon, MD 21009

3rd Saturday of the Month
3pm to 6pm

VFW Post 8175
208 W. High Street
Elkton, MD 21921

4th Saturday of the Month
3pm to 6pm

American Legion Post 135
300 Cherry Street
Perryville, MD 21903

*Scheduled services may be cancelled due to unforeseen conflicts, bad weather or Post closures.

She will help with:

- General VA questions
- VA service connected claims (new or reopening)
- VA pensions for Veterans and widows/widowers
- Burial Claims
- Survivors' claims (pension and service connected death)
- Combat related special compensation (CRSC)

She can be reached by email serviceofficer.vfw5337@gmail.com.


A stylized graphic of the American flag, showing the stars and stripes, positioned in the upper left and right portions of the page. The flag is partially obscured by the text below.

Attention: Veterans

A VA Disability Compensation 101 Workshop will be held by Ms. Cindy Smith on January 30, 2016 from 1 to 3pm at the American Legion Post 135, 300 Cherry Street, Perryville, MD 21903

- Understand how the VA claims process works
- Get updated on changes to VA claims
- Find out how to submit your VA claim


January 2016

SUN <u>Shrimp</u>	MON	TUE	WED	THU <u>Pizza</u>	FRI <u>Chicken</u>	SAT <u>Wings & Shrimp</u>
					1 <i>New Year's Day</i> No Chicken tonight!	2
3	4 ALA Bingo	5	6 Gen Membership Meeting 7 PM	7	8	9
10	11 ALA Bingo	12 SAL Meeting 7 PM	13 ALA Meeting 6:30 PM	14 ALR Meeting 7 PM	15	16 Shuffleboard Party in Lounge 12 - 8 PM
17	18 <i>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</i> ALA Bingo	19	20 Executive Committee Meeting 7 PM	21	22	23 SAL Texas Hold'Em Tournament
24	25 ALA Bingo	26	27 <i>Vietnam Cease-Fire 1973</i> Leadership Meeting 7 PM	28	29	30 VA Disability Compensation Workshop 1-3PM
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February 2016

SUN <u>Shrimp</u>	MON	TUE	WED	THU <u>Pizza</u>	FRI <u>Chicken</u>	SAT <u>Wings & Shrimp</u>
	1 <i>National Freedom Day</i> ALA Bingo	2 <i>Groundhog Day</i>	3 Gen Membership Meeting 7 PM	4	5	6
7 SUPER BOWL PARTY!!!	8 <i>Chinese New Year</i> ALA Bingo	9 <i>Mardi Gras</i> SAL Meeting 7 PM	10 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> ALA Meeting 6:30 PM	11 ALR Meeting 7 PM	12 <i>Lincoln's Birthday</i>	13
14 <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i>	15 <i>President's Day</i> ALA Bingo	16	17 Executive Committee Meeting - 7 PM	18	19	20
21	22 <i>Washington's Birthday</i> ALA Bingo	23 <i>Iwo Jima Flag Raised 1945</i>	24 <i>Operation Desert Storm</i> Leadership Meeting 7 PM	25	26	27
28	29 ALA Bingo					

March 2016

SUN <u>Shrimp</u>	MON	TUE	WED	THU <u>Pizza</u>	FRI <u>Chicken</u>	SAT <u>Wings & Shrimp</u>
		1	2 Gen Membership Meeting 7 PM	3	4	5 SAL Draw Down
6	7 ALA Bingo	8 SAL Meeting 7 PM	9 ALA Meeting 6:30 PM	10 ALR Meeting 7 PM	11	12
13 <i>Daylight Saving Time begins</i> ALR Breakfast 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	14 ALA Bingo	15 <i>The American Legion's 97th Birthday (3/15/16 - 3/17/16)</i>	16 Executive Committee Meeting 7 PM	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> 	18	19 <i>Start of Operation Iraqi Freedom 2003</i>
20 <i>Spring begins Palm Sunday</i>	21 ALA Bingo	22	23 Leadership Meeting 7 PM	24	25 <i>Good Friday</i>	26
27 <i>Easter</i>	28 ALA Bingo	29	30	31		

HOURS OF OPERATION

KITCHEN		CLUB/LOUNGE
Monday-Wednesday	11AM - 8PM	Monday-Thursday
Thursday-Friday	11AM - 3PM	10AM - 12AM
Saturday	11AM - 4PM	Friday-Saturday
Sunday-Steamed Shrimp	12-6 PM	10AM - 2AM
Monday-Spaghetti AYCE	4-8 PM	Sunday
Tuesday-Hamburger Steak	4-8 PM	12PM - 8PM
Wednesday-Flounder	4-8 PM	
Thursday-Pizza	6-8 PM	
Friday-Chicken	6-8 PM	
Sat.-Wings & Fried Shrimp	6-8 PM	



RENTALS

Our Activity Hall is available for rent for weddings, birthday parties, anniversaries and special celebrations. The Ladies Auxiliary has a variety of menus to choose from for your special event. We will make every effort to make it a special occasion for you and your guests. We also have meeting rooms that would be suitable for monthly meetings, luncheons and small parties. For more information and to book your activity, please call 410-642-2325.

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MEETING TIMES
AL - 1st & 3rd Wednesday 7 PM
ALA - 2nd Wednesday 6:30 PM
SAL - 2nd Tuesday 7 PM