



Albany American Legion Post 10

# Task Force 10

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Here's an idea!  
Come to the meeting  
this month!

## BINGO

Sunday beginning at 12:30

## February Meetings

- ⊛ 4th - ALR Meeting
- ⊛ 6th - House Meeting
- ⊛ 6th - Executive Meeting
- ⊛ 13th - Sons Meeting
- ⊛ 13th - Auxiliary and Post

## FOUR CHAPLAINS MEMORIAL



**Sunday, February 5th at 6 pm.**

Come learn the story of these four brave chaplains and why this memorial is held.

Guests will include the Honorable Alex Johnson II, Mayor of Albany, music by Praise in 3D, and special guest speaker Pastor Jeremy Zoerad.

Everyone is invited. Please plan on attending.

The American Legion recognizes February as Americanism Month (page 4)



In 1936, The American Legion began using this image on the cover of its annual Americanism manual. The American Legion Archives

**Reminder - the 14<sup>th</sup> is Valentine's Day!**



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## UNIT 10 NEWS

ALL members of Auxiliary Unit 10 are invited (and encouraged) to attend an informal lunch on **Tuesday, February 21**, at noon at the Post. This is an opportunity for members to sit and chat, catch up on recent happenings and share ideas for the future on the Unit. There will be door prizes and a raffle drawing or two. Members are asked to RSVP to President Penny McCarthy at [alaunit10@gmail.com](mailto:alaunit10@gmail.com) or 541-510-7584.



*The Sew Fine Gang* is back to work on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 9 to noon at the Post. Sewing skills are NOT required, as there are many other tasks that need attending.



Planning has begun for the return of the **Spring Blossoms Bazaar on Friday and Saturday, April 14 & 15**. Requests for vendors will be going out in early February.



Auxiliary members continue to volunteer in the Club, providing breakfast for "the boys" and great eats during Sunday Bingo as well as staffing special events when needed.



## LOOKING AHEAD

### March 2023

- 1st and 3rd Wednesday - 0900 ALA Sew Fine Gang
- Saturday, 4th - @1030, ALR Meeting
- Monday, 6th - 5pm, House Committee Meeting
- Monday, 6th - 6 pm, Executive Meeting
- Sunday, 12th - Daylight Savings Time begins
- Monday, 13th - 5 pm, SAL Meeting, 6pm, Auxiliary and Post Meetings
- Friday, 17th, - St. Patrick's Day 



**IF YOU HAVE NOT GOTTEN VACCINATED - A MASK IS STILL REQUIRED!**



### April 2023

- 1st and 3rd Wednesday - 0900 ALA Sew Fine Gang
- Saturday, 1st - @1030 ALR Meeting
- Monday, 3rd - 5 pm, House Committee Meeting
- Monday 3rd, - 6 pm, Executive Meeting
- Sunday, 9th, - Easter
- Monday, 10th, - 5 pm, SAL Meeting, 6pm, Auxiliary and Post Meetings
- Fri. & Sat, 14-15 - ALA Spring Blossoms Bazaar
- Monday, 17th, 6 pm, AMVETS Post 1919

**TASK FORCE 10 DEADLINE IS THE 15<sup>TH</sup> OF THE MONTH**

Drop off your article at the Post or email them to Bill at [bill.wilkinson@albanypost10.org](mailto:bill.wilkinson@albanypost10.org)  
To be clear - I may edit and / or not publish it.



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

If I were a betting man, I would bet there isn't a one of us who hasn't experienced an emotional blow of one kind or another. Loss of a loved one; a catastrophic illness; you fill in your experience. It was eleven years ago this month that my wife of over 54 years went home to be with our Lord in heaven. Yes, it was a terrific blow at the time. What can I do? I turned to my Lord and to His Word. I found comfort in these words: "The temptations (tests) in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation (test) to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted (tried) he will show you a way out so that you can endure." (1 Corinthians 10:13 NLT). I found comfort and assurance in these words. I knew in my heart that God was with me, and I could sense His comforting spirit. I am currently reading a book by Max Lucado and he says this: "You'll get through this. It won't be painless. It won't be quick. But God will use this mess for good. In the meantime don't be foolish or naïve. But don't despair either. With God's help you will get through this." I find this to be so true. About 7 and a half years ago God gave me another lovely, supportive wife, Karen. No matter what trial or test you may be experiencing, I can assure you, if you turn your heart to God and sincerely seek Him, He will get you through whatever it may be. If you have any comments or questions, please contact me directly. May God bless you.

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## BOYS STATE PROGRAM

American Legion Boys State is a unique educational program that focuses on participation and personal experience in a model state, complete with governmental bodies and elected public officials. It is designed to mirror the structure and operation of its respective state government, while providing training in citizenship, leadership and character development through a non-partisan perspective. By teaching youth to understand and appreciate our democratic republic, America can remain strong and ensure our freedom for future generations.

Post 10 is asking for your help. Post 10 has been a supporter of this program for many years. This year, the Post would like to sponsor at least eight boys, two young men completing their junior year of high school from the four area schools. Total cost per delegate is \$350.00. The delegate pays \$50.00 and the Post is responsible to the remaining \$300.00.

Here is where you can help. The Post is asking for donations in support of this worthwhile program and hopes to raise at least \$2400.00.

Donations in any amount will be graciously accepted. Checks can be mailed to: Albany American Legion Post 10, 1215 SE Pacific Blvd., Albany, OR 97321 or stop by the Post Command Office to drop off your donations.

Thank you for your support!



## NEW BRAND MARKINGS

The American Legion Marketing Division has established guidance to help departments and posts choose when to use the brand mark and when the official emblem is more appropriate.

The brand mark is to be displayed in all marketing communications, such as:

- ⊛ Advertising
- ⊛ Lifestyle apparel (such as polo shirts and ball caps)
- ⊛ Community service activities
- ⊛ Fundraising
- ⊛ Sponsorships
- ⊛ Membership recruitment materials
- ⊛ Digital media
- ⊛ Social media
- ⊛ Updated post signage
- ⊛ Event announcements
- ⊛ E-mail signature lines

The American Legion emblem is reserved for official organization communications, such as:

- ⊛ Legal documents
- ⊛ Policy statements
- ⊛ Official reports
- ⊛ Press releases
- ⊛ Business cards
- ⊛ Traditional post signage
- ⊛ Financial documents
- ⊛ Official letterhead

Here are what the new Brands look like.



## FEBRUARY IS AMERICANISM MONTH

The American Legion recognizes February as Americanism Month – a time to reflect on the importance of upholding what the Preamble to The American Legion Constitution states, which is “To foster and perpetuate a 100 percent Americanism.”

“Americanism is the love of America, loyalty to its ideals and institutions, allegiance to its flag, willingness to defend it against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and a desire to pass on the blessings of liberty to future generations,” Americanism Commission Chairman Richard Anderson wrote. “To safeguard our nation’s continuing prosperity, it is vital that we ensure that our youth understand and cherish our ideals and traditions.”

The Americanism Commission of The American Legion was created by a recommendation adopted by the National Convention of The American Legion held in Minneapolis in 1919. It read: “We recommend the establishment of a National Americanism Commission of The American Legion whose duty it shall be to endeavor to realize in the United States the basic ideal of this Legion of 100 percent Americanism through the planning, establishment and conduct of a continuous, constructive educational system.” Copied from [https://www.legion.org/documents/legion/pdf/2022\\_ACY.pdf](https://www.legion.org/documents/legion/pdf/2022_ACY.pdf)

For more information visit - <https://www.legion.org/magazine/244581/definition-americanism>



U.S. Department  
of Veterans Affairs

For veterans struggling with thoughts of suicide, new help is available — and it may be free.

Starting Tuesday, January 17th, 2023, veterans suffering thoughts of suicide can go to any VA or non-VA health care facility for emergency health care at no cost, including inpatient or crisis residential care for up to 30 days and outpatient care for up to 90 days, the Department of Veterans Affairs said.

Eligible individuals, regardless of VA enrollment status, are:

- ⊛ Veterans who were discharged or released from active duty after more than 24 months of active service under conditions other than dishonorable.
- ⊛ Former members of the armed forces, including Reserve members, who served more than 100 days under a combat exclusion or in support of a contingency operation either directly or by operating an unmanned aerial vehicle from another location who were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable.
- ⊛ Former members of the armed forces who were the victim of a physical assault of a sexual nature, a battery of a sexual nature, or sexual harassment while serving in the armed forces.



## THE COMMANDER'S DESK

Hello everyone,

Well the year is underway and we are moving right along with various programs and projects. On January 1, we welcomed Mickey Farley as our new 2nd Vice Commander. Mickey will be a true asset to us at the Post and is already working hard doing various projects.

Reminder, Sunday, February 5th at 6 PM will be our Four Chaplains Memorial. Everyone is invited to attend this event.

I would also like to Welcome Art Seavy as the new Honor Guard Commander. Bob Griffin decided on his 90th birthday to take a step down and watch and give advice.

At this time, the Post is looking for someone to take over the job as Adjutant. Please consider joining us.

Respectfully,

David Solomon  
Commander



## WELCOME GENTLEMEN!



Mickey Farley being sworn in as the new 2nd vice commander at the January 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.



Art Seavy was introduced at the January 9<sup>th</sup> meeting as the new Honor Guard Commander.



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**Everyday is Suicide Prevention Day!**




**Veterans Crisis Line**  
DIAL 988 then **PRESS 1**

**Thank You!**

To the Veterans of our Armed Forces




**Thank You for Your Service**



**Do you have something to sell?**  
For a limited time you can let the Post help you sell your valuable stuff at no cost to you.

You can include a picture, but be sure to include contact information so a buyer can get hold of you. It will be in for one month unless you ask to have it run again.



**Can you help?**  
*(mainly used to help with utility bills)*

PayPal Donation - Click Here!  
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**WANTED**  
**YOUR BUSINESS CARD**

For only \$35.00 a year, you too can have your card here! We e-mail out over 700 newsletters each month! How's that for so little money? Drop your card and check off at the Post or give it to Commander Dave Solomon. It's that simple!

**AND THANKS FOR SUPPORTING POST 10**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4 ALR Meeting
	5 pm – House Meeting 6 pm – Executive Meeting					
BINGO	5	6	7	8	9	10
Lincoln's Birthday BINGO	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17
BINGO	19 Presidents Day	20	21 Mardi Gras Carnival	22	23	24
BINGO	26	27	28			



**FEBRUARY**

AMERICANISM MONTH **2023**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
29	30	31	26	27	28	29	30	31					

**JANUARY 2023**      **MARCH 2023**



**NOTES: MONTHLY**  
SAME TIME, SAME PLACE

Sundays – Kitchen Open until 2 PM - Members can order breakfast 10-1

Sundays – 1230 – 1600 Bingo

Mon-Sat – 0830 – 1100 Club open – breakfast

1st and 3rd Wednesday - 0900 ALA Sew Fine Gang



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### **IMPORTANT DATES IN FEBRUARY 2023**

- ★ Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> - ALR Meeting, @10:30
- ★ Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> - Four Chaplains Memorial, 6 pm everyone is invited
- ★ Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> - House Meeting, 5 pm
- ★ Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> - Executive Meeting, 6 pm
- ★ Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> - SAL, Auxiliary and Post meetings
- ★ Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> - Valentine's Day
- ★ Sunday's - The kitchen is open until 2 pm - Members can order breakfast from 10 am until 1 pm
- ★ Sunday's starting at 12:30 - BINGO

**If you have NOT been vaccinated - you need to wear a mask**