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American Legion • Post 712 • Pleasant Hills



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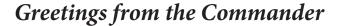
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With Veterans Day approaching please keep our fallen comrades in your thoughts and prayers. Let us never forget those still unaccounted for, the POW/MIA. Let us continue the fight to bring home any veteran still being held in captivity and the remains of any that died in battle.

Thank you to our own American Legion Riders for their generous donation of \$3,000. This was part of the profits from a recent fund raiser which they held. It is very much appreciated. We can always depend on our riders to come through for us whether it's helping at an event or helping the post to run smoothly.

I would also like to thank the Ladies Auxiliary for sharing the proceeds from their last poppy sale with the post, our share was \$250.00.

Lastly the "gun bash" is just around the corner, if you need tickets they are available at the bar, if you are able to help the day of the event leave your name and phone number at the bar.



God Bless Our Troops and God Bless America

Frank Caputo,

Commander



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From the Desk of the Adjutant

Thad Weidmann

We need your help with our current Gun Bash fund raiser on November 18th 11 AM-5PM at Salvatore's (5001 Curry Rd, Pgh, PA 15236) so that we can continue to help our less fortunate veterans in VA hospitals and nursing homes. We are only selling 500 tickets with 2 numbers for \$35 each. There will be 17 different drawings (one every 15 minutes), food, beer and soft drinks. You don't need to be present to win. Get your tickets and details from our Legion bartenders or ask a Legion member to get them for you. If you're not a member, just ring the Legion doorbell at 650 Old Clairton Rd, Pleasant Hills and ask the bartender for tickets or call 412-653-1555.

Like many of our fellow VFW and American Legion organizations, we are struggling to stay afloat. Several VFWs and American Legions in this area have already had to shut down because of lack of revenue and lack of participation. We don't want to be yet another one. We can't help anyone if our doors are closed.

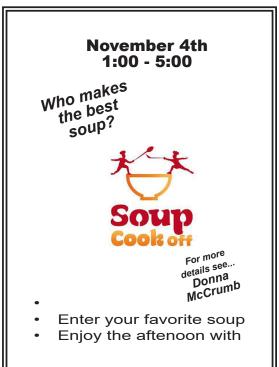
Our Post, Riders, American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of American Legion are all pitching in with fund raisers and donations to our Post and to external veterans in need.

In addition, our Home Association has been able to reduce the monthly drain on our savings by 50% by being frugal and also by doing fund raisers like hall rentals, weekly meals, Bar Bingo and Bar entertainment. If we cannot get more participation, our savings will eventually be depleted and we too will be forced to close.

November 18 GUN BASH

> 5001 Curry Road 11:00 to 5:00





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Dear District 36 Comrades,

This is **NOT** an official communication from the American Legion State Department or National - but a personal message from me to you. Some of you may have already taken steps to boycott the NFL and I think it is especially important around the 11th day, of the 11th month of the 11th hour that we follow our hearts!!

God Bless.

Brent Johnson, Cmdr.

National boycott of the NFL for Sunday November 12th, Veterans Day Weekend. Boycott all football telecast, all fans, all ticket holders, stay away from attending any games, let them play to empty stadiums. Pass this post along to all your friends and family. Honor our military, some of whom come home with the American Flag draped over their coffin.

Message forwarded from our District 36 Commander to our Post

Commander who sent it to be included in our newsletter.

POST 712 HOME ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

> President BOB STOODT

Vice President FRANK CAPUTO

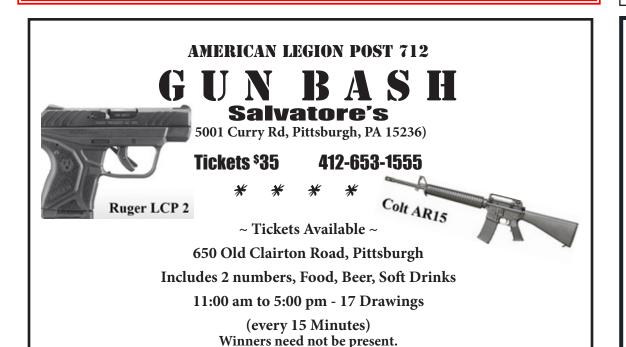
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Future Legion Events

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ALA Soup
Cook-Off
November 4th
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Veterans Day
Lunch 1-3 PM
DJ from 2-5 PM
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Singer
Jerry Demaria
November 17
8-10 PM

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> Sgt-At-Arms PAT O'TOOLE

Sons of the Legion,

I would like to thank everyone who supported our hoagie sale.

Our next event will be the Army/Navy game on December 9th. Game starts at three. We will be having spaghetti and meatballs, salad, desert and all the draft domestic beer for only \$10.00. Festivities start at 2:00 pm. See you there.

Thank you

Gary C. Hartman

Commander of the Sons

Auxiliary Corner,

Southwestern Hospital would like to thank all of the ALA & Post members that attended the "**Bingo** Party" on October 26. I was not able to attend, however everyone had a good time.

Don't forget the **Soup Cook Off** on **November 4th**. \$5.00 include the soup and salad bar from 1:00 – 5:00. Look for the sign-up sheet at the bar for the **Children's Christmas Party** on **December 16th**. You have until December 4 to sign up. (No names will be added after that date). Everyone have a Happy Thanksgiving.

God Bless and Protect Troops

Mary Ann Marunich



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Road Captain BOB STEFANIC

American Legion Riders,

Greetings Legionnaires:

Please join the Riders in welcoming our newest Rider, **Ann Jageman**, and also in welcoming Ann back to the Pittsburgh area. It's great to have you on board Ann!

Thank you Post 712, on September 25th the Post hosted a luncheon for Veterans from the VA to give the Vets an afternoon to remember. The Vets visited Post 712 for lunch and camaraderie. Thanks to the Riders who turned out to support the lunch and keep these Vet's company: Vice President Bill Allan, Chris Bodner; Sr Sergeant-at-Arms Tom Bodner; Sergeant-at-Arms Ed Harmon and Margie Phillips.

We are happy to report on October 2nd the Riders attended the Post 712 Monthly Meeting and presented Commander Frank Caputo and Post 712 with a donation check for \$3,000. The donation was earned by the Riders through proceeds of our Annual Benefit Ride and after-ride party held during August. The Riders believe it is the responsibility of every Post member and members of the Riders, Sons and ALA to assist in supporting our home Post through donations or volunteerism. The American spirit of team work and helping others is among the bedrock of the American Legion foundation.

On October 7th the Riders conducted a Fun Ride to Laurel Hill State Park during which we presented a plaque to the Park Rangers for their assistance in our Annual Benefit Ride. The Rangers were very appreciative of the event and it was a great day for a ride. No ride is complete without good food, so the Riders stopped at Gorky's during the return trip for BBQ ribs and homemade sauce. Thanks **Sr. Road Captain Dan Oeler** for planning this great event.

The Riders will hold another Gun Raffle on Christmas, December 25th. Being raffled are two Springfield 1911's in .45 caliber. One of the 1911's is a Soldier's Cross Commemorative model of which only 500 were produced and the other is a daily carry Government style model. The winner takes all. Tickets are \$20 each and only 250 tickets will be sold. Get your tickets fast. Proceeds of the raffle will be donated to the Fisher House of Pittsburgh. Thank you for organizing and running the Raffle for a great cause; **Sr. Road Captain Dan Oeler, Secretary Susan Dillon and Treasurer Beverly Weikel**.

You can check us out on our Facebook page, American Legion Riders Post 712 or www.facebook.com/groups/516028081916303/. The next Riders meeting is at 1900 hours, Tuesday, November 14th. See you there.

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THINGS TO DO AT POST 712. . .

Enjoy our drink special of the day. Every other Tuesday Bowling League at 7 PM.

Join us to root for Pens with game beer specials.

Every Wednesday we have Bingo at 7 PM with a special menu each week for you to enjoy before and/or during the Bingo activities. Bring a guest and join in the fun with our new Bingo Blower Machine and Digital Display. Open to the public. No Smoking.

Thursdays enjoy our Bucket Special 6-8 PM. Every other week come out to play Corn Hole.

Fridays we have a different Kitchen Menu Special every week that include Potatoes, Salad & Rolls. From 4-8 PM we are Open to the Public. No Smoking from 4-9 PM.

Saturdays and Sundays, when there is no entertainment there is Free pool from 4 to 8 PM and Free Juke Box from 4 to Midnight.

Saturdays come to watch Wall-to-Wall *College Football* and later the Pittsburgh Penguins.

Visit our website for info about renting our Social Hall for your next special event like Wedding and Baby Showers, Graduation, Birthday, Group or Work Parties, Craft Sales, Group Meetings and Wakes. You can choose between new banquet hall type round tables with white linen table cloths and optional LED lights (for that special effect with reduced lighting) or traditional long tables to create your special atmosphere for any type of event. Special Discount Prices for all Members. Contact Lisa Deiley (412-758-9116).

Future Events Coming to the Legion:

ALA Soup Cook-Off November 4th.

Veterans Day Lunch 1-3 PM. DJ 2-5 PM.

Singer Jerry Demaria 8-10 PM November 17.

Saturday *November 18 - Gun Bash*. Tickets \$35 with 2 numbers (Only 500 tickets sold). Includes beer, food and a chance to win 17 different guns that will be raffled off every 15 minutes. There will also be several additional gun raffles and 50/50 drawings.

Enjoy a friendly visit alone or with your friends. We have pool, bowling and corn hole in addition to bingo, internet juke box (that you can program from your smart phone), Blotto daily number and other games like LRC (Left, Right, Center).

If you're hungry, enjoy our free popcorn every day, sandwiches on Wednesday before Bingo, different full meals open to the public with no smoking on Fridays.

View future events in our Monthly Newsletter on our Facebook Photo Album section or on our web site alpost712pa.org.

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Browse through our Post pictures for your friends and family in our Facebook Photo section. We have loaded over 650 pictures so far.

Contact Lisa Deiley (412-758-9116) or ask the bartender for details about hall rentals for your special occasion. Share us with your Facebook friends. Invite your friends to be our friend at *Americanlegion Postsevenonetwo* or visit our web site at alpost712pa.org. If you would like to become a member of our Post, just fill out an application at one of our Friday meals or call our main number (412-653-1555) and we will have someone contact you.

We look forward to your visit.

Veterans Celebration



Friday, November 10 12:00 - 1:00 Thomas Jefferson High School 310 Old Clairton Road















GUN BASH

Salvatore's

(5001 Curry Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15236)

Tickets \$35 412-653-1555

Tickets available at 650 Old Clairton Rd, Pittsburgh Includes 2 numbers, Food, Beer, Soft Drinks

11:00 am to 5:00 pm - 17 Drawings (every 15 Min)

Winners need not be present.













