



Post Scripts



820 N. LIBERTY STREET, ELGIN, ILLINOIS

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Commander's Corner Mark W. Smith Post #57 Commander



Fellow Legionnaire's,

The weather is getting warmer, and I am definitely looking forward to Summer arriving soon. I hope this edition of the Post Scripts finds all of you in good health. We had a very successful Pride of our Post

(POP) dinner and raffle, as well as some great follow-up entertainment from DJ RoccoZ, where we socialized with friends new and old.

The month of May brings The American Legion Family Poppy Days. After World War I, the poppy flourished in Europe. Scientists attributed this growth to soils in France and Belgium becoming enriched with lime from the rubble left by the war. From the dirt and mud grew a beautiful red poppy. The red poppy came to symbolize the blood shed during battle following the publication of the wartime poem "In Flanders Fields." The poem was written by Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, M.D. while serving on the front lines.

On September 27, 1920, the poppy became the official flower of The American Legion family to memorialize the soldiers who fought and died during the war. In 1924, the distribution of poppies became a national program of The American Legion.

Led by the American Legion Auxiliary, each year members of The American Legion Family distribute poppies with a request that the person receiving the flower make a donation to support the future of veterans, active-duty military personnel and their families with medical and financial needs.

Poppy Day is celebrated in countries around the world. The American Legion brought National Poppy Day® to the United States by asking Congress to designate the Friday before Memorial Day, as National Poppy Day.

I hope to see everyone coming out and supporting the Post and our groups at the Fish Fry, Cruise Night, Queen of Hearts, Burger Night, Lightning, etc. We are blessed with some awesome Veterans, Auxiliary, and Sons within our post who give many hours of their time to make these events possible for us all to enjoy.

The first American Legion Cruise Night of 2025, hosted by the American Legion Riders, will be May 14th in our parking lot from 5-8 p.m. Come out and enjoy classic vehicles of all types and some great food and drink.

As we lead up to Memorial Day at the end of May, please mark your calendars to come out and participate in one of the several programs held around Elgin including Mt. Hope Cemetery, Lakewood Cemetery, Veterans Memorial Park, and the biggest being the Bluff City Cemetery at 11 a.m., all on May 26th.

****Volunteers will be needed at Bluff City Cemetery with the Avenue of Flags on May 21st and 28th at 0900. Please sign up for volunteer spots near the Adjutant's Office.** After the Memorial Day ceremony on the 26th, we will come back to the Post for a lunch at 12:30 p.m.

As always, please keep up with current information on our webpage at alelginpost57.com, or our Facebook page at facebook.com/ALElginPost57/, which are updated regularly.

Thank you all for your service to your country and your continued support of Post 57.

Best Regards and Godspeed,

Mark W. Smith
Commander

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THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY NATIONAL POPPY DAY®

Poppy Days May 15, 16, & 17, 2025 Volunteers Needed

Elgin Post #57 American Legion will be distributing Poppies in Elgin this year.

A location and sign-up sheet will be in the foyer.

No standing in the streets this year.

The Riders, Auxiliary, SAL and Amvets will be assisting.

If you have any questions, please call 847-741-2358.

Maine Jonah Crab & Deep-Sea Atlantic Red Crab Coming to the American Legion Post 57 820 N. Liberty Street, Elgin, IL 60120 On Saturday May 10; 10:00 – 2:00 pm (or until sold out)

 WHAT WE ARE BRINGING AND WHAT TO EXPECT. We'll be offering Freshly Frozen WHOLE Red Crab and Jonah Crab for \$11.99lb (Medium & Large size), and \$12.99lb (Jumbo size crab). We'll also have our Triple Scored Red Crab Claws and Jonah Crab Claws for \$13.99lb. And finally, we'll have picked crab meat in 1lb tubs, starting at \$19.99lb.



 SWEETER THAN SNOW CRAB, Deep-Sea Atlantic Red Crab has quickly become our TOP SELLER everywhere we go. And Jonah crab, with its sweet flaky white meat is commonly referred to as East Coast Dungeness Crab and is a relative to the famous Florida Stone Crab!

Flag Donations Sought by Memorial Day Group

The Elgin Patriotic Memorial Association is seeking the donation of flags and financial contributions to buy new flags for the city's Memorial Day Program at Bluff City Cemetery.



Go to www.elginmemorialday.org/flag-donations for more information.

Help Wanted!

The Legion is looking for volunteers to help place the flags for the Avenue of Flags at Bluff City Cemetery on May 21 at 9 am.

If you're interested in helping, please call 847-741-2358. We will also need help on May 28 at 9 am to remove the flags.



From the Auxiliary President Fran Jackson



This is May, Poppy month. Please donate some time to get donations for our Auxiliary. We also need volunteers to help count the monies that have been collected.

There is also a Golf fundraiser thru the post. The commander said we can have a hole to raise money for our Auxiliary. If you have any ideas for something we can do, please bring them to our meeting.

Don't forget Memorial Day at the Bluff City Cemetery. It's a beautiful ceremony that starts at 11:00.

From the Junior Vice Commander Roger Taylor

Activities are rolling along. Our first Flea Market was held in April and for the most part it was a success. Of course, we could have had more people walk through, but we did sell 24 booths inside and 4 outside. I learned a lot by putting it on and even more talking with the vendors and listening to their suggestions. More advertising was probably the #1 comment I heard. I am thinking we will be doing this again but maybe rebranding it. We'll see. But I do want to thank all the people who showed up to help at 6:30 am. Many stayed for the whole day. I also want to thank the Young Marines who had 3 of the outside booths, but also made a point of helping the vendors carry their stuff in and out of the hall. I am still collecting comments so if you have any suggestions, please let me know.

We are working hard on our next event, an Easter Breakfast which will be over by the time you are reading this. Look for information about the Mother's Day Breakfast. It will be out shortly.

Still interested in other activities that we can have in the future so if you have any ideas, please drop me a line: railroadrat@gmail.com, and thank you for the support you have shown me.

Memorial Day Ceremonies, May 26, 2025

8:30 am - Mount Hope Cemetery

9:00 am - Lakewood Memorial Park

9:40 am - Veterans Memorial Park

11:00 am - Bluff City Cemetery

For additional information, please visit
www.elginmemorialday.org.

From the Post Adjutant Jason Shanahan

Greetings to everyone. I have to start by saying sorry to everyone who received their post scripts very late. We dropped them at the post office on February 28. We still have people who have not renewed and are jeopardy losing their continuous years and will have to start all over. We have a lot whose phones are no longer in service or are disconnected so if you have not received your 2025 membership card please email us at alelginpost57@yahoo.com or call the office at 1-847-741-2358. We are also always looking for volunteers for different events that we put on.

From the SAL Commander Post 57 Jim Looney

Hi all, Spring is in the gate and it's off and running. The Kentucky Derby is coming around the final turn heading into the stretch and it's May 3rd, the SAL Kentucky Derby. Come on out and purchase some of Terry's famous pulled pork sandwiches and watch and play the Antique Horse Wheel. Come see it in action. Prizes will be won for best hats. We are also raffling off a wheelbarrow of booze and a Woodford Reserve Kentucky Derby bottle of bourbon. The Kentucky Derby will be shown when it runs.

On June 14th SAL will be having our Second Annual Membership Appreciation Party with one of our own's band playing. 27 West. Pizza will be served. There will be a \$10 cover and that will include 1 free drink and pizza along with the band. SAL members and their spouses will eat and drink free. The party will start at 6 and end at 10.

From the Senior Vice Commander Carol (Gunny) Fowler

Hello everyone,

I am back after a bit of a hiatus, but I'm here now to get business done. Post 57 membership continues to move higher, even though it's at a slow pace due to slow responses for membership renewals. There were a half-dozen post volunteers who called approximately 100 members for membership/renewal/wellness checks. If you know of someone who hasn't renewed, please remind them that they need to get their payment in for quick processing.

I also want to mention that the second Women Veterans Appreciation night took place at the post on March the 29th. We had fourteen people in attendance for pizza and conversation, which was a slightly higher number than the first get together. Most of the attendees were not members of Post 57, but I'm hoping we will draw at least some of them in to become members. The next appreciation night will take place in June. Attendees are allowed to bring a guest with them. Keep your eyes open for the date.

I have to thank Roger and Sara Taylor for their support. I would also like to thank everyone else ahead of time who is willing to lend a helping hand. I also have to give my thanks to the Women Veterans who have attended. I look forward to the next meeting and will hopefully have many more to come with continued growth. There is strength in numbers. And, please help us get more Post 57 members. And as usual from me to you.

Semper Fidelis



Just a reminder, there will be no Sunday afternoon Bingo on Mother's Day or Father's Day. Please come out and join us any other Sunday afternoon.

From the Director ALR Jim Looney

Spring finally got here and now the fun begins. We start out in May with our Cruise Nights. We have added burgers to the menu so come on out, have some dinner and get to look at some great cars and bikes. If you haven't already seen the flyer in the Post Scripts look for it. On May 23rd we have been invited to attend the Carillon Memorial Day Flag Raising Ceremony in Pingree Grove. And on Memorial Day we will be doing our usual Memorial Day Ceremony with 4 stops.

June 6th we will be doing Salute to Our Heroes where we will be escorting a veteran that will be the Hero of the Day. Cruise night will be happening on June 11th. On June 21st we will also be riding down to ISU for the Special Olympics, where the Olympians will get to sit, and take pictures on the bikes. We will also be handing out some goodies for them as well.

If you need our support for a ride or escort, please feel free to reach out.



***Want to keep
informed of Post 57
news and events???***

Please go to our website at:

<https://alelginpost57.com/post-57-home>

Our website is updated regularly, and you can see what is happening with our post. You can also go to the section that lets you subscribe to our mailing list and receive email updates.

Also visit us on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/ALElginPost57/>

Elgin American Legion Post No. 57

“Norm Bellows” Memorial Open Golf Tournament

Saturday, June 28th 4-Person Scramble 10:20 1st Tee-Time

Randall Oaks Golf Club

\$125.00 per Golfer / Payment Due at Sign-Up

Includes: Golf, Cart, Lunch at the Turn, Dinner, Awards & Prizes

See bartender at the Post Canteen to Sign-Up & Select Your Tee-Time

“FORE!”

Elgin American Legion #57 Golf League



Members are looking forward to their first day of golf competition on April 17th. The 30-member golf league teed off the start of the 58th Season with a meeting on April 10th at the post canteen. Upon the opening of the meeting the members elected Tom Scalamera Sr. as their President/Treasurer. The members welcomed new members Bruce Lenart and Dave Accurso, and after a year's hiatus, welcomed Dale Gilleland and Larry Hanson back to the league. The league secretary distributed the season's schedule to the attending members. This year's league will play 19 scheduled matches. The league is composed of three flights, "A," "B," & "C," members assigned to a flight according to their averages and handicaps. The 2025 golf league season will conclude in August with their annual tournament and banquet. This year the American Legion will sponsor a new event. A golf "scramble" tournament held at Randall Oaks Golf Club. Dinner will be back at the post. The golf tournament will be open to all legion members, their families, and friends. Tournament brochures are available at the post. A tee-time sheet is located at the post canteen bar. Payment is due at the time of registration. This is going to be a momentous year of golfing.

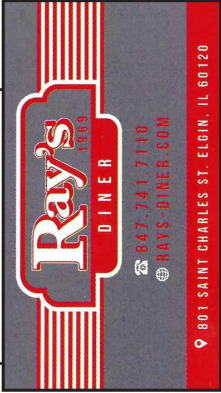
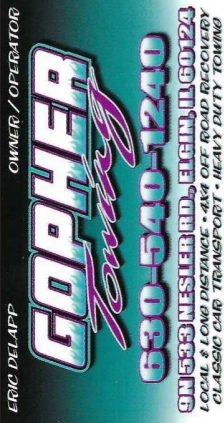
For more information contact Golf League Secretary Earl Donoho 847 802-2748 or Email: earldonoho@gmail.com

Remember

“Golf is a game where you yell fore, shoot 6, and write down 5!” - Paul Harvey



Are you interested in FINANCES??? Our Post is looking for someone interested in Finance to assist our current Finance Officer during this term with the opportunity to become our next Finance Officer during our next term starting this summer. Please contact Craig Essick (cessick7@gmail.com) or any of our Post Officers if interested.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 May 2025 KITCHEN PHONE: 847-741-8143 — CARRYOUTS AVAILABLE - SOUPS, SALAD BAR, COLD SANDWICHES AND MENUS LISTED ON THE CALENDAR ARE ALL AVAILABLE.						
4 AUX. BINGO 12:30PM CARD SALE 1:30PM FIRST GAME	5 KARAOKE 7PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 8PM BAR BITES 5PM-7:45PM	6 HOME ASSN MTG 7PM LIONS CLUB DINNER 6:15PM METRA ENGINEERS MTG 7PM	7 EXECUTIVE BOARD MTG 7PM	8 HAMBURGER NIGHT LUNCH 11:30-1:30PM DINNER 4:30-7:30PM LIGHTNING 6:30PM GOLF MTG. 3PM	9 FISH FRY LUNCH 11:30 – 1:30PM DINNER 4PM-7PM	10
11 NO BINGO MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST 9-11:30AM AMVETS MORNING MTG	12 KARAOKE 7PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 8PM BAR BITES 5PM-7:45PM	13 POST MTG 7PM	14 Cruise Night 5pm-8pm	15 HAMBURGER NIGHT LUNCH 11:30-1:30PM DINNER 4:30-7:30PM LIGHTNING 6:30PM GOLF MTG. 3PM POPPY DAYS	16 FISH FRY LUNCH 11:30 – 1:30PM DINNER 4PM-7PM POPPY DAYS	17 EPMA EUCA NOON POPPY DAYS
18 AUX. BINGO 12:30PM CARD SALE 1:30PM FIRST GAME 100+ BEER SAUSAGE	19 KARAOKE 7PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 8PM BAR BITES 5PM-7:45PM	20 AUX MTG 7PM LIONS CLUB MTG 6:15PM	21 SAL 7PM AVENUE OF FLAGS SET UP 9AM	22 HAMBURGER NIGHT LUNCH 11:30-1:30PM DINNER 4:30-7:30PM LIGHTNING 6:30PM GOLF MTG. 3PM	23 VETERAN'S BENEFITS DAY 10AM-2PM FISH FRY LUNCH 11:30 – 1:30PM DINNER 4PM-7PM	24
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American Legion Post 57 QUEEN OF HEARTS!

QUEEN of HEARTS IS WORTH OVER \$7,700.00 (As of 4/12/2025)

Post 57 continues its Queen of Hearts program on Monday nights along with Karaoke. Tickets will be available at the Canteen during regular business hours and will be sold up to 15 minutes before the drawing. Net Ticket sales will be added to the remaining Jack Pot for the next week's drawing. Tickets are 6 for \$5.00 (sold in \$5.00 lots only) and participants can purchase as many tickets as they want.

In-House Special Mondays 10am —10pm 18 tickets for \$10.00

Tickets need to be purchased (cash only) in person at the Post 57 Canteen and participants must be at least 18 years old to play. Participants do not have to be present to win. This program is open to the public.

Join us for the raffle at 8pm and Karaoke starting at 7pm.

The Wall of License Plates Tom Leitner - ALR



For those members who are not aware of the Gaming Room or the License Plate Wall within the room at the Post, please stop by and take a look. The American Legion Riders (ALR) about five years ago started trading license plates with other posts they would visit. If you as a member know you are going to be visiting another post, grab a plate from our post and do a trade. Even if you don't have a Post 57 plate, see if they will give you one from their post and get their mailing address so we can mail them a Post 57 plate. Post 57 license plates are available from any ALR member or bartender. Our goal is to cover the wall space in the gaming room with license plates from other posts.

MOTHER'S DAY EVENTS AT THE AMERICAN LEGION

Post #57 will be hosting a Mother's Day Breakfast on Sunday, May 11th from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. Bring the entire family for an excellent breakfast. Check out the Legion Facebook page or website for more details.

We would also like to remind you that there will be no Bingo on Mother's Day Sunday and the Post will be closing at 3:00 pm.

FATHER'S DAY EVENTS AT THE AMERICAN LEGION

Post #57 will be hosting a Father's Day Breakfast on Sunday, June 15th, from 9:00 am to 11:30am. Bring the entire family for some wonderful food. Check out the Legion Facebook page or website for more details.

We would also like to remind you that there will be no Bingo on Father's Day Sunday and the Post will be closing at 3:00 pm.

American Legion Post 57 Elgin, IL

2025

LEGION CRUISE NIGHTS

Wednesdays: May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug. 13, Sep. 10

5-8 P.M.



Come out and enjoy a great evening of Cars, Food & Music
Hot-Dogs, Bratwurst, Nachos, Chips, and Drinks for purchase
Motorcycles, Cars, Trucks, Military Vehicles, all are welcome!
Adult beverages available at the Legion Bar
50/50 Raffles, Door Prizes
Sponsored by the American Legion Riders, Post 57
820 N. Liberty St. Elgin, IL 60120



Join us for Derby Day!

Fundraiser Sponsored by
The Sons of the American Legion Post 57

Saturday, May 3, 2025

Post Time 1:00 pm

Raffles, food, fun!

Come support the American Legion and enjoy the festivities leading up to the Kentucky Derby!

Bourbon BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich \$7

(Includes homemade baked beans, Cole slaw, and chips!)

Beverages also available for purchase.

Wear your best Derby Day Fascinator (hat) and attire!

You might be given a prize!

See the antique horse race wheel in action!



SONS OF THE
AMERICAN
LEGION



POST 57 RED FRIDAY PROMOTION

Wear Post 57 Red T-Shirt or Sweatshirt
BUY YOUR FIRST DRINK AND GET ONE FREE
(FIRST DRINK ONLY)



Front

T-SHIRT: \$20.00



Back

SWEATSHIRT: \$25.00

See the Adjutant or Bartender to purchase your Shirt.

Food Hours

Monday:	Bar Bites	5:00 – 7:45 pm
Thursday:	Hamburgers & More	
	Lunch	11:30 – 1:30 pm
	Dinner	4:30 – 7:30 pm
Friday:	Fish Fry & More	
	Lunch	11:30 – 1:30 pm
	Dinner	4:00 - 7:00 pm

Elgin Post 57 Historian Earl Donoho presents Commander Mark Smith with a license plate from his home town's American Legion South Bay Post #184 in Redondo Beach, California. Earl exchanged plates in February giving them our own Elgin Post #57 plate. The plate will be added to the display in our game room.



From the Past Post Meeting Minutes 75 Years Ago

From the Post Historian: Earl Donoho

I would like to dedicate this Post Script article to Korean War Veterans. June 25, 1950, forces from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, supported by People's Republic of China and the Soviet Union, attacked across the 38th parallel into the Republic of Korea igniting the Korean Conflict. Three days later the north overtook Seoul, the capital of the south. The warring parties agreed to a temporary suspension of hostilities 37 months later. The signing of an Armistice took place in Panmunjom on July 27, 1953. However, a complete peace treaty has never been signed. I assume most of us are unaware the war is on-going today. Let's remember our Korean War veterans come June this year. Thank you for your service, Korean War Vets!

Starting in May and June 1950, the Post counted a total of 1,261 members. By end of June, 37 more members paid their dues for a total of 1,298. And then, reading the minutes of the first meeting in May, I learn the members approved of the actions of the Executive Committee. And what did they approve? Uh-Oh! The Executive Committee learned someone in the post accepted toll calls on the post telephone! To remedy the problem the committee voted to move the telephone in the old office to the new office. The committee and members voted to notify the telephone company the post does not condone toll calls. I guess that is one way to reduce your long-distance phone bills.

How many remember Schickler's in downtown Elgin? Comrade Paul Schickler donated candy and tobacco products for distribution to hospitals and institutions. Members approved a motion to find a suitable citation-of-appreciation.

A report revealed that the Post is going to be in charge of Memorial Day activities. The members approved a donation of \$25.00 (\$331.75 in 2025) to defray the expenses of the events.

The baseball chairperson reported the team won their first game. Future games on Sunday played at Trout Park and at night during the week at Wing Park.

The new Elgin State Hospital service officer introduced the members. Comrade Jim Peck appointed the chairperson of the Child Welfare Committee. A member made a request for blood donor volunteers.

According to the minutes, a lengthy discussion ensued around the use of Post clubroom facilities. Dissention developed amongst the various Post groups. The Post officers assured members the existing confusion would be eliminated.

Other items in the minutes discussed; 4th of July celebration and the progress of the car raffle; Memorial Day services, where members approved funds to defray the events expenses; ladies night and new member initiation at the second meeting in June; headstones for deceased veterans that awaited installation; and approval of funds sending the Commander and one other member to Chicago to participate in a program discussing the dangers of subversive groups. Most of the meetings during this period lasted an hour, and attended by an average of 40 members. 11% of homes in 1950 had a television set. No computers, or computer games.

What else was happening in May-June 1950? This may be of interest to us Vietnam Veterans. The United States agreed to provide France and South Vietnam ten million dollars in military aid to fight the North Vietnamese. Sam Walton opened his first store, a "five-and-dime", in Bentonville, Arkansas, where he is buried after succumbing to blood cancer in 1992 at the age of 74. He went on to "found" Walmart and Sam's Club. The American Legion in Mosinee, Wisconsin staged a communist takeover, illustrating what life would be like under the rule of the Soviet Union. President Harry S. Truman signed the Uniform Code of Military Justice. 'Middleground', owned by the King Ranch in Texas, won the Kentucky Derby, and went on to win the Belmont Stakes, Stevie Wonder was born on May 13, 1950. The musical *Annie Get Your Gun* starring Betty Hutton premiered. And then *Father of the Bride* starring Spencer Tracy and Elizabeth Taylor also premiered. Armed Forces Day was observed for the first time on May 20, 1950. The owner of the famous racehorse Sea Biscuit, Charles S. Howard, a millionaire car dealer died at the age of 73. The first human organ transplant took place in Evergreen Park, Illinois. With the Korean War on, President Truman stated that the U.S. was engaged in a U.N. **police action**, when asked if the U.S. was at war. Police Action, my foot, if someone is shooting at me, it's WAR!



DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY

- 11 Mother's Day Breakfast - 9:00 - 11:30am
- 14 ALR Cruise Night - 5pm - 8pm
- 14 Officer Nominations
- 15-17 Poppy Days
- 17  Plus Banquet - 5pm
- 26 Memorial Day:
Luncheon at Post 57: 12:30pm
Post to close: 3:00pm
- 30 Post Everlasting Ceremony - 7:00pm

JUNE

- 11 ALR Cruise Night 5pm - 8pm

- 10 Post Elections 7pm

- 14 Flag Day Ceremony

- 15 Father's Day Breakfast 9:00 - 11:30am

JULY

- 4 Independence Day

- 9 ALR Cruise Night 5pm - 8pm

- 10-13 Department Convention

AUGUST

- 9 Post Family Picnic

- 12 Officer Installation

- 13 ALR Cruise Night 5pm - 8pm



Post 57 Webpage



Post 57 Facebook page

Please remember our active duty servicemen and women who are in harms way all over the world.



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