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POST #140 ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 2025-20256

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Ken Wombold
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2nd Vice
Keith Denman
Finance Officer
Will Stacy
Adjutant
Larry Rammel
Chaplain
Andy Melbo

Historian
Richard E. Martin
Sgt.-At-Arms
Ted Bruner
Chuck Fitzgerald
Executive Board
Kem Wombold
Larry Rammel
Will Stacy
Richard Grow
Lanny Brenner
Keith Demman
Ted Bruner



**U.S. ARMY FOUNDED
JUNE 14, 1775**



Father's Day

**HAPPY
FATHER'S
DAY**

JUNE 15, 2025

75TH ANNIVERSARY JUNE 25, 1950 - Korean War Began

**JUNE 29, 1950
The 1st U.S. ground forces
arrived in Korea.**

The Korean War was the 1st war with battles between jet aircraft. The truce talks lasted 2 years and 17 days. There are more than 7,500 American soldiers still unaccounted for from the Korean War as of June 2014. The casualty toll is reported as 54,246. There has never been a peace treaty, so the Korean War has technically never ended.



DATES TO REMEMBER

- June 3, 1808 - Jefferson Davis born
- June 4, 1942 - Battle of Midway began
- June 4, 1944 - U.S. Fifth Army began liberating Rome
- June 5, 1940 - Battle of France began
- June 12, 1924 - George H.W. Bush born, 41st President
- June 15, 1944 - American forces began invasion of Saipan
- June 22, 1944 - GI Bill signed
- June 22, 1945 - WWII battle for Okinawa officially ended
- June 25, 1950 - Korean War began
- June 29, 1950 - 1st U.S. ground forces arrived in Korea

Commander Ken Wombold	Executive Board Ken Wombold Larry Rammel Will Stacy Richard Grow Lanny Brenner Keith Demman Ted Bruner	Service Officer Jesse Green	Secretary Eddie Grace Young	1st Vice Craig Thompson	Advisor Ken Wombold
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Finance Will Stacy	House Committee Ken Wombold - Chmn. Jackie Lephart Kent Lephart Pete Zwiesler Alison Brand Greg Brand Ken Carter Craig Thompson Shirley Spurlock Mary Ann Carter Brenda Paul	Auxiliary President Darla Whittaker	Sgt.-At-Arms Toni Wombold	Treasurer Pete Zwiesler	Phone Number 548-7077
Adjutant Larry Rammel		1st Vice Dana Melling	Executive Board Jami Oda Delores Sleppy	Chaplain Ed Erisman	HOURS: Sun. - Thurs. Noon - 11:00 P.M.
Chaplain Andy Melbo		2nd Vice Delores Sleppy	S.A.L. Commander Kent Lephart	Historian	Friday & Saturday Noon - Midnight
Historian Richard E. Martin		Treasurer Peggy Black		Sgts.-At-Arms Tim Klosterman Brian Proffitt Ken Carter Rick Eldridge Russell Clark	
Sgt.-At-Arms Chuck Fitzgerald Ted Bruner					

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Your elected officers for the new Post year consists of familiar names since all from last year have agreed to stay on for ONE more year. We have made quite a few changes and another year gives us a chance to complete our ongoing projects.

The smoking area ventilation and door will be updated. The bar in the front hall will be renovated. Upgrades for our security system, WI-FI and computer systems are also in the works.

Our new Color Guard is operating even better than expected and they have made our Post proud. They handled the assignments given like old pros. The Honor Guard is very grateful for the help and support.

Our Auxiliary has some new ideas, so let's give them our support with their projects.

Our House Committee has agreed to stay on and their help is needed. Our Canteen Manager has been especially helpful in keeping our Post running efficiently. You, the Post members, Auxiliary members and Sons of the American Legion are what keep us going.

Thank you to everyone who helped with our Memorial Day celebration, whether it was helping put the flags out in the cemeteries, our ceremonies at the various cemeteries, the flags on the traffic circle, the flags on our fence or the food for members and guests after the parade.

For GOD and Country,

Ken

Ken Wombold, Post 140 Commander

ADJUTANT'S NEWS

Dues for 2025-2026 are \$47.00 You can pay by cash or check at the lounge/bar or by mail. You can also pay online using a credit card at the national website www.mylegion.org. **NOTE:** If you are a **new** member and joining online at the National Post #0888, please send or bring in you **DD214** to the receiving post you are transferring to.

American Legion Post #140 **PAYS** your yearly membership **Dues** for the following list of Veterans: Traditional members with **40 years** or more of continuous Legion membership; **WWII** and **Korean War Veterans**; **Current Active Duty Veterans** and **Current** and **Past** Post #140 **Commanders**.

The monthly Post #140 newsletter is also available to view online at the Post's website WWW.POST140.ORG. We also have a stack of newsletters at the post's bar/lounge area next to the daily sign-up sheets. You can also get the newsletter mailed to your home address if you sign-up for this option.

God Bless America.

Larry Rammel, Adjutant

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S.A.L. NEWS

Our Last S.A.L Meeting for the Season was in May. We will resume S.A.L. Meetings on September 9th. We will still be accepting new S.A.L. Applications and Current Members Dues.

It was brought to our S.A.L. Commander's attention that a Sons member wore an **OFFENSIVE T-Shirt** into the Post. Moving On, **PLEASE DO NOT WEAR ANY VULGAR OR OFFENSIVE** clothing or hats into the Post. Violators will be **ADDRESSED and POSSIBLE SUSPENSION** may be put into place. **PLEASE RESPECT our other Members.**

For God and Country!!!

Joe Shumaker, S.A.L. Adjutant

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF OHIO 2025 MONTHLY 50/50 DRAWING

This drawing is run by the state of OHIO Legion and information on this is available at www.ohiolegion.com/gaming. Any Ohio resident 18 of age or older is eligible. If you enter, our post number when purchasing your tickets Post #140 get 20% of the ticket purchase price refunded to our account. Please enter OH Post 0140 when purchasing tickets.



Larry Joe Melling, 1st; Don Hoblit, Jr., 3rd; Brenda Flatter, 5th; Ron Riegle, 6th; Greg Brand, 10th; Rocky Ward, 11th; Kevin Shuttleworth, 12th; Mark Brinley, 13th; Aaron Nicholson, 14th; Richard E. Martin, 15th; Tony Badger, 16th; Marion Price, 16th; Kathy McMiller, 19th; Terry Saylor, 19th; John Crossley, 21st; Hannie Wolfe, 22nd; Don Dietrich, 23rd; Marion Johnson, 25th; Marvin Johnson, 25th; Jodi Grilliot, 27th; Tom Fletcher, 29th; Peggy Black, 30th; Steve Black, 30th.



JUNE AUXILIARY NEWS



Hope everyone enjoyed their Memorial Day weekend.

A big Thank You to our Veterans and Active Service Members. Remember they are why we celebrate Memorial Day!

Ladies, please keep track of any volunteer hours, community service hours, veteran assisted hours and any donations made to any of the above. Please submit this information to the Canteen "for Auxiliary" by the 1st week of next April. Each year reports are due to Department with these hours and donations. This information is then reported to National Department.

Installation of new officers and Memorial Services will be during our next regular meeting, September 8, 2025. There are no meetings in June, July and August.

Officers for 2025-2026 are, Darla Whittaker, President; Dana Melling, 1st Vice; Delores Sleppy, 2nd Vice; Peggy Black, Treasurer; Eddie Grace Young, Secretary and Toni Wombold, Sergeant-At-Arms.

Stay Safe and Enjoy your SUMMER!!!

Eddie Grace, Auxiliary Secretary



For those celebrating anniversaries, may your special day be as wonderful as the day you were married.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Mike & Tonja Plankenhorn - June 6th - 27 Years
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Weimer - June 7th - 56 Years
Kent & Melissa Wentworth - June 10th - 30 Years
Lonnie & Tonya Beam - June 16th - 35 Years
Waldo & Helen Jenkinson - June 21st - 73 Years
Keith & Sheila Sanders - June 21st - 56 Years
Jim & Marilyn Lorton - June 22nd - 34 Years
Lester & Delores Beisner - June 25th - 70 Years
Charles & Marian Miller - June 27th - 45 Years
Larry & Ginny Rammel - June 29, 1968



Let Us Forget

Thomas R. Mendenhall
5-3-2025

D-DAY 81ST ANNIVERSARY



This year marks the 81st anniversary of the end of the European portion of the war. And now the Pacific War. Many lives were still to be lost before the atomic bomb saved many more lives of American servicemen. June 4th, U.S. 5th Army began liberating Rome; June 5th, Allies divide Germany into four occupation zones; June 10th, Australian forces invade Borneo; June 15th, U.S. forces began invasion of Saipan; June 21st, U.S. troops secure Okinawa; June 26th, World Security Charter establishes United Nations; June 30th, U.S. forces liberate Luzon, Philippines. Two more months to the dramatic conclusion. We all know what General MacArthur said as he stepped again on Philippine soil, "I have returned." Do you know what else he said? "By the grace of Almighty God our forces stand again on Philippine soil."

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POST 140 CALENDAR FOR JUNE 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 DARKE COUNTY COUNCIL MTG. ANSONIA POST #353 6:00 P.M.	3	4	5 HAPPY DAY	6  1944 D-DAY	7
8	9	10	11	12 HAPPY DAY	13	14  FLAG DAY
15  FATHER'S DAY	16	17 EXECUTIVE BOARD MTG. 7:00 P.M.	18	19 HAPPY DAY	20  SUMMER BEGINS	21
22	23	24	25	26 HAPPY DAY	27	28
29	30					