



GLEN BURNIE POST NO 40, INC
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GLEN BURNIE, MARYLAND 21061

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American Legion Post 40, Newsletter

Mar—Apr 2022

POST 40 OFFICERS 2021-2022

Post Commander
Les Brumfield, Jr.

1st Vice Commander
Kenneth “Lonnie” Edmonds

2nd Vice Commander
Bruce Easley

3rd Vice Commander
Vacant

Adjutant
Ann Anderson

Chaplain
Rick Wilburt

Finance Officer
Evelyn Bowers

Historian
Vacant

Judge Advocate
Scott Ballard

Sergeant-at-Arms
Tim Wilson

Service Officer
Bobby Buckman

Trustees
Michael Rampmeyer
Ray Watts
Burt Helmka

Past Commander
Keith Boone

Post Commander's Message

Post 40 Family,

Again, Happy New Year!! We accomplished many things in 2021, and I as your Post Commander am excited to see what we as a Post will do in 2022.

Our next Monday night bingo is Monday, March 14, 2022. I encourage you to attend and bring guests to our Monday Night Bingos. Events are open to the public; we serve food and have a progressive jackpot. The cost is \$25.00 to attend, doors open at 5pm with games beginning at 6pm.

Last year we donated over \$28K to community youth organizations, which helped to offset their financial responsibilities; organizations such as the Glen Burnie High School Softball, BSA Troop 887, Old Mill High School Wrestling, Maryland Twisters Special Needs.

Post 40 now offers Free Rapid and PCR COVID-19 testing on Mondays and Fridays 9:00am to 3:00pm and 5:00pm to 9:00pm in the Hall, unless specified otherwise. The first 30 minutes of each testing day is reserved for Legion members and their families, then testing will be open to the public. We ask that you wear your mask for testing and keep it on until you depart the testing site.

We have several events upcoming, and I encourage you to participate. Cornhole will resume on Fridays in the hall when no bookings occur, American Legion Purse Bingo will be April 2nd, Shrimp Feast will be April 16th, Crab Feast September 10th, Annual Bull & Oyster Roast December 3rd. I encourage all our members to help us make 2022 the BEST year, so mark your calendars to support us and all our events in 2022. We will have several more events (Outback grand opening, First Responders Night) that will provide dates when they are confirmed. I also encourage all Legion members, as well as SAL & AUX, to volunteer for a Friday Night Dinner, Bingo, Legion events at least one time in 2022 so the volunteers who always step up can have a break this year. We are a Post, all members of the same Post, and need to be able to work together, depend on each other so we can do great things on behalf of Post 40. This past year I personally attended every Post 40 event and function and noticed the same ones volunteering, I challenge you as your Post commander to step up at least once this year to make our Post Great! Please help us by not throwing your cigarette butts on the ground out-front of the lounge and please do not put trash in the butt cans. We have worked very hard this year to make Post 40 look better, by painting, cleaning, and organizing the Post and appreciate your help keeping it that way.

Lastly, I would like to address Saturday Lounge hours. The Lounge will have to adjust hours on Saturdays due to the lack of Patrons/Sales. Saturdays the lounge will now open at 5pm Unless specified otherwise. This started in January 2022. I am excited and honored to serve another term as the Commander of such an Amazing Post. I do this for you, for our Post and for our community. Together we will achieve greatness.

Les Brumfield, Jr., Commander
Thank you for your Support!
FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

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Auxiliary Officers 2021 – 2022

President

Ann German

1st Vice/Membership

Susie Knapp

2nd Vice

Trish Disharoon

Secretary

Elaine Bundy

Treasurer

Joy Wilburt

Chaplain

Cass LaMar

Sergeant-at-Arms

Ann Sopel

Historian

Open

Color Guard

Open

Executive Committee

Rose Schoppert

Linda Schmidt

Donna Paul

Auxiliary President's Message

As we near the end of another year of Auxiliary, I'd like to talk about some of my concerns with our Auxiliary. As of now, we have over 200 members. With that being said, we only average about 12 members at our monthly meeting. Simply said, that's pathetic. The mission statement of the Auxiliary is "in the spirit of service, not self". The American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. We are not fulfilling our duty and that makes me sad and frustrated. I'm very grateful for my American Legion family and it is my opinion that if we can't turn this around, sadly, our Auxiliary simply won't exist.

We have all worked very hard to turn the Auxiliary around, but we need to work harder. We need everyone to make an effort by participating in meetings and events. Our meeting is every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6 pm in the hall.

We will be having officer nominations in May, and elections in June before our summer break. Please find time to try and get involved. It's great to come to the Post to have a beer with friends, but the purpose of the Auxiliary is much greater than that.

In the Spirit of Service, Not Self,

**Ann German
ALA President**

Post 40 Gear

Post 40 now has T-shirts and Koozies imprinted with the Post 40 Logo for sale in the Lounge. T-shirts are \$25 and Koozies are \$5 each. Show some Post 40 Pride, get yours today!!! See any bartender for purchase.

Auxiliary Membership Dues

Seniors - \$30.00 | Juniors - \$6.00

Please update your address and phone number at the Post. Mail ALL dues to:
Post 40 American Legion Auxiliary, 500 5th Ave SE, Glen Burnie, MD 21061

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Sons of the American Legion Officers 2021 -2022

Commander
Don "JR" Hall

1st Vice Commander
Ron Knapp

2nd Vice Commander
Position Suspended

Finance officer
Dave Sprucebank

Sergeant-at-Arms
Kaden Hall

Historian
Open

Adjutant
Bobby Miller II

Chaplain
Jay Turner

Executive Committee
Steve Horseman
Ralph Mason
Neal Sprucebank

From the Service Officer's Office

Greetings Legionnaires,

Allow me to introduce myself, I am Bob Buckman your Post 40 Service Officer. I can be reached at 443-422-1738 or just walk up to me at the Legion. I am here to serve you and help with VA Benefits that you all well deserve. Looking forward in meeting each and everyone of you.

Here are some updates:

VA Benefits for Presumptive Exposure

If you are a Veteran or survivor who may be eligible for [the newly established military exposure presumptive conditions](#), VA encourages you to apply for benefits. Even if the illness or injury is not a presumptive, we still want every Veteran to [file a claim for benefits they've earned and deserve](#). <https://www.va.gov/disability/eligibility/hazardous-materials-exposure/>

Appeal Your VA Claim

Do you disagree with VA's decision on your claim? Veterans and other claimants for VA benefits can choose from three decision review options: Supplemental Claim, Higher-Level Review, and Board Appeal. Let me help you learn more about your appeal options. <https://www.va.gov/decision-reviews/>

Ask VA Your Questions

Do you have a question or want more information about VA benefits and services? Use the new [Ask VA online question portal](#). It is an easy, fast, and convenient way to get your questions answered. <https://ask.va.gov>

Free Help for Homeless Veterans

VA's [specialized programs](#) for homeless Veterans provide housing solutions, employment opportunities, health care, justice- and reentry-related services, and more. If you, or someone you know, is homeless or at risk of homelessness, call the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans at [\(877\) 4AID-VET \(877-424-3838\)](tel:8774AID-VET) for assistance.

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Post 40 Honor Guard

A Plea for Help from the Post 40 Honor Guard

Fellow Post 40 American Legion Members, the post Honor Guard is in dire need of new volunteers to continue honoring our deceased members by providing Memorial Services and giving some comfort to those left behind. The Honor Guard also represents the Post & Legion in various dedications, parades, and other community functions. We supply you with a summer/winter uniform and accessories. You contribute approximately 50 hours per year representing Post 40. You're only responsible to supply your own legion cap, black shoes, and socks.

You will receive training on the rifle and general drill commands to perform with us. Please consider volunteering some of your time to serve our community, state, and nation, and especially your home post. Please contact Timothy Wilson, 410-793-2473, wilsonstb@verizon.net for more information or to volunteer.

*Thanks,
Timothy A Wilson
Sgt-At-Arms, Post 40*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Post 40 Nine Ball

Our very own Nick Sauser from our Sunday 9 Ball Team ranked in the top 25 as a Most Valuable Player in his skill level 6 last session for the Greater DC APA League which included players from; DC, MD & VA.

The first 16 players to RSVP to the League Operator were selected to compete on February 26 2022 in the APA MVP Tournament. Nick competed in the APA 9 Ball Skill Level 6 - MVP Tournament. It was an exciting day and great matches to watch!

Nick played against five players in his Skill Level, winning 3 out of 5 Rounds, placing 2nd out of 13 players. This was Nick's first time competing in the APA MVP Tournament. He won a very nice trophy and \$100. Please congratulate him when you see him!

** Mark Personett, Captain; * Sue Personett, Co-Captain; * Shawn Mutter; * Nick Sauser; * Steve Horseman; * Sam Oldham; Tonya Molina - from our Spring Session; Samantha Hatfield (*Post 40 Members)*

If you have announcements, articles or other information that you would like to see in the American Legion Post 40 Newsletter, please contact Bruce Easley at easleyb003@gmail.com. I want to hear from you!

Also for more information on what's happening around the Post, visit our Website: <http://www.glenburniepost40.org>.

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