

## **AMERICAN LEGION**



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### RON NELSON COMMANDER



We made it through February even with the bumps and roadblocks. You know I'm getting tired of this crap, but we will overcome! We lost Pam as our cook (I'm not happy), but LaTasha has stepped up for Mon. through Thursday. LaTasha is doing as fine of Job as Pam did. Thank you, LaTasha!

Fridays in the kitchens are a work in progress with Bill Jackson's lead we will do just fine. My opinion, some folks

can't let go of the past and think we should go backwards to days gone by. Isn't going to happen! Get over it!

#### Now for what we're here for!

The evening sun comes back on the 10th. Ya!

15th is The American Legion's Birthday (105!) Along with the Birthday we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day with a Corned beef meal. (watch for postings with this information)

Oh ya don't tell anyone but it's Kathy T's Birthday also on the 15th.! 17th. my much older brother shares a birthday with St. Pat! I know, who cares.

19th is the 1st. day of spring and it's the anniversary of the start of OPERATION IRAQI FREDOM 2003.

25TH. Congressional Medal of Honor Day.

29th. Vietnam War Veterans Day! And to end the month with Easter Sunday on the 31st.

#### Now without further ado:

#### **ALWYN CRENDALL CASHE**

RANK: SERGEANT FIRST CLASS

CONFLICT/ERA: WAR ON TERRORISM (IRAQ)

**UNIT/COMMAND:** 

COMPANY A. 1ST BATTALION, 15TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, 3RD BRIGADE.

3RD INFANTRY DIVISION

MILITARY SERVICE BRANCH: U.S. ARMY

MEDAL OF HONOR ACTION DATE: OCTOBER 17, 2005

MEDAL OF HONOR ACTION PLACE: SALAH AD BIN PROVINCE, IRAQ











#### **CITATION**

**Sergeant First Class Alwyn C. Cashe** distinguished himself by acts of gallantry above and beyond the call of duty while serving as Platoon Sergeant with Company A, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division in Salah Ad Din Province, Iraq, on October 17th, 2005.

While on a nighttime mounted patrol near an enemy-laden village, the Bradley Fighting Vehicle which Sergeant First Class Cashe was commanding was attacked by enemy small-arms fire and an improvised explosive device, which disabled the vehicle and engulfed it in flames. After extracting himself from the vehicle, Sergeant First Class Cashe set about extracting the driver, who was trapped in the vehicle. After opening the driver's hatch, Sergeant First Class Cashe and a fellow soldier extracted the driver, who was engulfed in the flames.

During the course of extinguishing the flames on the driver and extracting him from the vehicle, Sergeant First Class Cashe's fuel soaked uniform, ignited and caused severe burns to his body. Ignoring his painful wounds, Sergeant First Class Cashe then moved to the rear of the vehicle to continue in aiding his fellow soldiers who were trapped in the

troop compartment.

At this time, the enemy noted his movements and began to direct their fire on his position. When another element of the company engaged the enemy, Sergeant First Class Cashe seized the opportunity and moved into the open troop door and aided four of his soldiers in escaping the burning vehicle. Having extracted the four soldiers, Sergeant First Class Cashe noticed two other soldiers had not been accounted for and again he entered the vehicle to retrieve them. At this time, reinforcements arrived to further suppress the enemy and establish a Casualty Collection Point.

Despite the severe second-and third-degree burns covering the majority of his body, Sergeant First Class Cashe persevered through the pain to encourage his fellow soldiers and ensure they received needed medical care. When medical evacuation helicopters began to arrive, Sergeant First Class Cashe selflessly

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refused evacuation until all of the other wounded soldiers were evacuated first.

Sergeant First Class Cashe's extraordinary heroism and selflessness above and beyond the call of duty were keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

## MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT ALWYN C. CASHE ADDITIONAL DETAILS

ACCREDITED TO: OVIEDO, SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA, US

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AWARDED POSTHUMOUSLY: YES

PRESENTATION DATE & DETAILS: DECEMBER 16, 2021

PRESENTED TO HIS WIDOW AT THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON, DC, BY PRESIDENT JOSEPH R. BIDEN. JR.

BORN: JULY 13, 1970, THOMPSON, MCDUFFIE COUNTY, GA, US

DIED: NOVEMBER 8, 2005, SAN ANTONIO, TX, US BURIED: RESTLAWN CEMETERY, SANFORD, FL, US

Remember Post Elections are coming soon! Get Involved! Your input is wanted! Don't be afraid!

That's All

#### ROBERT TINSLEY - SAL 1ST VICE COMMANDER

**Wow Happy March to everybody**. March is already here so time to plant something.

The S.A.L. handed over a check to Homer for Ginnys Kids last week. Homer was out a few weeks though we caught up with him to hand over 4500.00 that the S.A.L. raised. We raised the funds from our golf tournament and we also made a donation to CWF (Child Welfare Foundation.)

Our 2024 Golf Tournament is coming up so its never too early to volunteer with us or we will accept a donation anytime Call Brian 303-710-3500,

Joker 303-519-8968 or Robert 720-810-4933 and hop on with us. Thank you in advance!

Always look at the calendar for all the events the Post has to offer. The S.A.L. also donated to the Mardi Gras event last month and the party was a blast for all attendees.

The S.A.L. had 2 new members last month so welcome to all new members.

Happy March to everyone. Troops Stay Safe and Hurry Home!!





Our Mardi Gras Fat Tuesday party was a lot of fun!

# **Departed**John Fronapfel Leroy Sons

## **New Members**

Ryan Derrough Army, GWT Corina Cavaness AF, GWT Harvey Bostwick AF, Vietnam

## **Donations**

\$150 - VA \$100 - Community Table \$250 - RCI

## **Total Membership**

Quota: 600 - 2024: 578 - % of Goal 96.33%

#### Post 161 Officers 2023-2024

## **Legionnaires**Commander - Ron Nelson

Sr. Vice - Fred Muskopf
Jr. Vice - Dale Crow
Chaplain - Fred Muskopf
Finance Officer - Dave Edwards
Adjutant - Rick Cody
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Sgt-At-Arms - Allen Brink
Historian - Vacant
Veteran Svc Officer - Vern Benjamin
Past Commander - Ed Shreeve

#### **American Legion Auxiliary**

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Vice President- Open
Treasurer- Jennette Scott
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Chaplain- Robin Roposa
Historian- Mary August
Sgt-at-Arms- Charlene Orr

Bill Jackson Brian Messer Roger Divis Automatic BOG: Ron Nelson Automatic BOG: Dave Edwards

**Board of Governors** 

Phil Saba

Rav Maver

#### Sons of the American Legion

Commander - Roger Divis 1st Vice - Robert Tinsley 2nd Vice - Dale Crow Finance Officer - Neil Walker Sgt at Arms - Mike Blimling Chaplain - Rich Liberato Adjutant - Don Rodlin Historian - Jim Clark

#### **Post 161 Legion Riders**

President Fred Muskopf Vice President Brian Messer Secretary Helen Muskopf Finance Officer Mike Bobb Sgt at Arms Roger Divis Chaplain Jan Bobb Road Captain Al Muniz Road Lt Michael Westen

## DAILY DRAWING

1/19/2024	Janice Garliech	\$509.00
1/20/2024	James Molnar	\$521.00
1/21/2024	William Rome	\$528.25
1/22/2024	Martin Vigil	\$538.75
1/23/2024	Michael Rogers	\$546.00
1/24/2024	John Gallagher	\$555.25*
1/25/2024	Gene Schuter	\$10.00
1/26/2024	Paul Brooks	\$19.00
1/27/2024	Frank Adams	\$31.00
1/28/2024	Herman Lewitz	\$43.75
1/29/2024	<b>Debbie Grinstead</b>	\$54.00
1/30/2024	Lauren Heronema	\$63.50
1/31/2024	James Jenson	\$71.75
2/1/2024	James Thompson	\$82.75
2/2/2024J	anice Marie King	\$91.00
2/3/2024	Kenneth Hare	\$96.50
2/4/2024	Steve Mondragon	\$102.50
2/5/2024	Laymon Martin	\$112.50
2/6/2024	Susan Miller	\$121.75
2/7/2024	Sheena Pacheco	\$128.25
2/8/2024	Denna Segelke	138.00
2/9/2024	Peter Armstrong	\$147.75
2/10/2024	Robert Stephens	157.00
2/11/2024	Kevin Perlmutter	\$167.50*
2/12/2024	Charles Platt	\$11.00
2/13/2024	Dennis Thompson	\$24.00
2/14/2024	Victor Raney	\$31.00
2/15/2024	Eduardo Moreno	\$41.00
2/16/2024	Ray Neiheisel	\$51.50
2/17/2024	Raymond Ottesen	\$63.00
2/18/2024	<b>Dennis Noonan</b>	\$69.75
2/19/2024	Paul Pulst	\$81.75
2/20/2024T	Thomas Barton	\$88.75
*WINNER		









## March 2024

**TUESDAY WEDNESDAY SUNDAY MONDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** 2 **Lunch** served **OUEEN OF** every weekday **HEARTS 7PM** 8 **POT LUCK** SUNDAYS I PM **SHOW ME THE Retired Peace** Bingo MONEY5:30 Officers 12 pm Volunteers Luncheon **DINNER 5-6:45** Rocky Flats Lounge open 12 pm 11:30 a.m. **QUEEN OF** Scouts 6:00pm **Breakfast 9am HEARTS 7PM** 12 11 13 14 15 16 108-11am **BREAKFAST!** Friendship Lunch Sub Vets 7:00 pm 11:00 am **American Legion** Birthday • Cake 11-2 **Membership** CORNED **DINNER 5-6:45 BOG 6:00 pm** Meeting 7:00 pm **QUEEN OF** BEEF Lounge open 9am Scouts 6:00pm **HEARTS 7PM** 11 AM 21 19 18 20 17 POT LUCK 22 23 SUNDAYS I PM **Marine Corps Purple Heart** League 6:30 pm Coopers Vets 6:15 **Troopers 11 am DINNER 5-6:45** VISIT **QUEEN OF HEARTS 7PM** Scouts 6:00pm Lounge open 12 pm THE POST! 26 27 28 25 29 30 24 **8-11**am NATIONAL MEDAL **BREAKFAST! OF HONOR DAY** Legion Riders 6pm REMEMBER **DINNER 5-6:45** TO SIGN IN! **QUEEN OF** Scouts 6:00pm **HEARTS 7PM** Lounge open 9am 31 POT LUCK SUNDAYS I PM ACTIVITY **MEETING 12PM** ENEOV 1 pm Lounge open 12 pm All day every day!



**EVERY OTHER MONTH** (EVEN NUMBERED MONTHS) **Blood Drive for the Arvada Community Blood Drive - every other** month 3rd Monday 11 a.m - 3:30 p.m

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## SAL Golf Tournament



Coming in Sept!



OUR LOUNGE VEEDS CHAIRS!/ We are looking for budget

We are looking for budget friendly replacements for our lounge chairs and we are open to any and all proposals and ideas. If you have an idea, please let us know.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Breakfast will be on March 10 and March 24 from 8 till 11 am.



Our annual St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef & Cabbage lunch will be on March 15.

11 am until it's all gone.
There will be no other menu that day.

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Our Kids Easter Party is on Saturday, March 23. Please sign up your kids early on the sign up sheet on the door. More details to come.



Play Show Me the Money on March 7th from 5:30 until 7:30

Bunco Tournament on March 16 at 11 am.

There will be an activity meeting: 4th Sunday of each month at noon. All members are welcome.