



Barr-Allen Post 2785  
315 Philema Road, Albany Georgia 31701  
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### August 2025 Newsletter

**July Highlights/Accomplishments:** During the month of July, we celebrated on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July with a fireworks show, thanks to all who donated fireworks, and conducted the live-fire exercise. Our membership increased with three (3) new members (one upgraded to Life), and two (2) reinstated. Our current membership of 268 members is as follows: **Life Members: 222; Annual Members: 36; Unpaid (expired dues): 10.**

The Department of Georgia VFW has rolled out a Life Membership incentive program, where if you upgrade your annual membership to life, they will pay near half the cost. Please contact our Quartermaster for details.

**Community Service:** We completed a total of sixty-three (63) hours of community service, including Auxiliary member contributions. These activities consisted of hosting the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Albany Chapter and PTSD Support Groups with the VA, lawn care for homebound veterans and their families, organizing an outreach event at Tift Park Community Market, and we offered tutoring services for potential Army recruits on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) in partnership with the US Army Albany Recruiting office. In addition, we started collaborating with the Marine Corps Reserve on the "Adopt-a-Unit" program. Our Post will also serve as a Toys-for-Tots location.

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### POST EVERLASTING:

The Post lost one member: Maxwell Bland (USAF-R)

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### COMMANDER / AUXILIARY PRESIDENT COMMENTS

**Commander's Message (Lonzie Jimmerson III):** As our program year starts, we have collaborated with the Marine Corps Reserve (Toys-for-Tots, golf tournament, Marine Corps Ball), US Army Recruiting (ASVAB tutoring), and First Methodist Church (12-week Military Reboot Program). Our Post will merge with Dawson Post 5743, adding their 14 members to ours. Please join in, attend meetings, and support fundraising efforts for our Post. If you have a practical idea, please provide an action plan, proposed schedule, and an initial budget estimate if applicable. We always welcome new ideas, but we also need membership participation to help back it up.

**Auxiliary President (Ms. Dana Sheffield):** Raffle tickets will be on sale in August, with the drawing at the BBQ Rib contest on August 30th. Purchase tickets at the VFW Post or from an auxiliary member. Join our Auxiliary to support veterans and the community by assisting with events like the BBQ Rib contest or volunteering as a math tutor for ASVAB preparation. To join or learn more, contact Dana Sheffield at 229-894-4276 or [danasheffield152@gmail.com](mailto:danasheffield152@gmail.com).

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### **POST EVENT DATES (August 2025)**

- Open Tue through Fri (4 pm); Sat at 11 am; Closed Sun-Mon
- Happy Hour 4-6 pm

<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
Aug 1, 15, 29	Fri	“Yappy Hour” – bring your pups	4 pm
Aug 2	Sat	GLT – Warner Robins VFW Post 6605	10 am
Aug 5, 12, 19, 26	Tue	Taco Tuesday (donations for tacos), & 9-ball Pool Tournament	6 pm
Aug 5	Tue	Lt Cliff Rouse Run event mtg	7 pm
Aug 6	Wed	House Committee meeting in Annex	6:30 pm
Aug 6, 13, 20, 27	Wed	Cornhole Tournament	6 pm
Aug 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Sat	Lounge opens	11 am
Aug 8	Fri	Bingo Committee mtg	6:30 pm
Aug 8, 22	Fri	229 Band	8 pm
Aug 14, 28	Thur	PTSD Counseling session in Annex	11 am, and 1 pm
Aug 14	Thur	Independent Harley Riders mtg	6 pm
Aug 20	Wed	Officers mtg	7 pm
Aug 21	Thur	DAV meeting in Hall	6 pm
Aug 28	Thur	Member meeting in Main Hall, Aux meeting in Annex	6:30 pm
Aug 30	Sat	BBQ Rib Cookoff Contest	10 am
<b>UPCOMING SEPTEMBER EVENTS</b>			
Sep 13	Sat	Lance Corporal Steve Sutton Memorial Dice Run	10 am
Sep 13	Sat	8 <sup>th</sup> District meeting at Nashville Post 5978	10 am

**Google link to our Post calendar:** → [Post 2785 Calendar](#)

**Link to our Facebook page:** → [VFW Post 2785 Facebook Page](#)

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### OFFICERS

Post Officers	Auxiliary Officers
<b>Commander:</b> Lonzie Jimmerson	<b>President:</b> Dana Sheffield
<b>Senior Vice Commander:</b> Johnny White	<b>Sr. Vice President:</b> Leah Shroyer
<b>Junior Vice Commander:</b> Jay Lewis	<b>Jr. Vice President:</b> Patricia Carver
<b>Quartermaster:</b> Dennis Davis	<b>Treasurer:</b> Ouida Trawick
<b>Trustees:</b> John Kirkman (1-yr), Robert Breton (2-yr), James Stephens (3-yr)	<b>Trustees:</b> Lori Davis (1-yr), Karen Griffin (2-yr) Patricia Carver (3-yr)
<b>Adjutant:</b> Chris Shroyer	<b>Secretary:</b> Angela Miles
<b>Chaplain:</b> Chris Shroyer (acting)	<b>Chaplain:</b> Karen Griffin
<b>Service Officer:</b> John Kirkman	<b>Conductor:</b> Lori Davis
<b>Guard:</b> Leonard Edwards	<b>Guard:</b> Linda Stokes Breton
<b>House Committee Chair:</b> Tom Tucker	
<b>Lounge Manager:</b> David Milner	

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