



LEORA WEARE AMERICAN LEGION POST 173 FAMILY

Greetings to all American Legion, Sons of The American Legion, and Auxiliary members. The **2027 Sons of The American Legion Officers** are: Jeff Stegemiller, serving his first year as SAL Squadron 173 Commander. Dan Daily, serving his first year as Squadron 173 Adjutant. Thanks to Josh Combs for serving the past two years as SAL Commander.

The **2026 Sons of The American Legion (SAL) Membership Year** concluded June 30, 2026. As of the annual close of books, the Squadron membership was 209 active members, being the second highest SAL annual membership ever.

The **2027 SAL Membership Year** began July 1, 2026, and runs through June 30, 2027. Membership renewals may be dropped off at Post 173 or mailed to Post 173. SAL dues for 2027 remain \$30.00 for SAL Members and \$20 for Junior SAL Members under the age of eighteen.

Squadron 173 SAL members remain dedicated to supporting our Veterans, Veteran's Family Members, and our community. SAL members continue our involvement with parking duties for the NMLRA Shoot in Friendship which will be September 12th this year. SAL members continue to assist in the Legion Post and Legion Park maintenance actions, Legion Honor Guard Services, Christmas Basket delivery, and other actions supporting the Legion. Also, throughout the coming year SAL Squadron 173 will hold raffles in the Post to support our charitable efforts.

In 2026 the SAL continued to support the Legion and our community through numerous charitable contributions. The 2026 SAL Scholarships of \$500 each were awarded to Sam Sheets, Nate Steele, and Bryson Sipples.

Also, donations were provided to South Ripley Athletic Department and South Ripley Music Department and Special Olympics events.

The SAL continues to donate flags of the United States of America to area cemeteries for memorial display. Providing flags to thirteen area cemeteries in 2026 for Memorial Day observance. In the past 19 years SAL has donated over 250 flags to area cemeteries.

SQUADRON 173 SAL MEETING SCHEDULE: SAL monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month, starting at 7:30 PM with the meetings being held at Post 173.

SONS of THE AMERICAN LEGION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications for membership in The Sons of The American Legion are available at the Legion Post, or at the Indiana Sons of the American Legion website: IN-SAL.org

Thanks to all for your continued interest and membership in Leora Wear Post 173 American Legion, Sons of The American Legion, Legion Auxiliary, and Legion Riders.

Best wishes to all for good health.

Jeff Stegemiller, Commander SAL Squadron 173

Dan Daily, Adjutant SAL Squadron 173

Josh Combs, Past Commander SAL Squadron 173