



American Legion  
Rhein Main Post GR05  
Postfach 2837



64537 Moerfelden Walldorf



Rhein Main / Berlin Airlift Memorial, or Luftbrückendenkmal

Oct 2019

Rhein Main Post GR05 received Temporary Charter on Oct. 18, 1972 then received their permanent charter on Apr 6 1973 in the German State of Hessen. GR05 has contributed various donations to organizations such as Fisher House, CWF, and Legacy Fund. We currently support veterans from around the Rhein Main area and in addition have members in the United States.

Post Commander: Santos Alvarado  
1st Vice Commander: Quincy Foster  
Adjutant: Lewis Pullum  
Finance Officer: Santos Alvarado (Appointed)  
Service Officer: Quincy Foster (Appointed)  
Chaplain: John Jones  
Sergeant of Arms: Juan Barrenchea  
Judge Advocate: Stacey Krueger

Executive Committee: Ron Epps, Ernie Cojoe, Michael Blood, Dallas Smith, Walter Becker



## Commander's Message

**Santos Alvarado**

It is time to renew your 2020 membership and would like to meet our 100% goal by the end of the year.

**3 options** are available (*We prefer payment option 1*):

- 1. Go online to [mylegion.org](http://mylegion.org) & setup an account with your membership number**
- 2. By check, mailed to the Post address.**
- 3. Bank transfer to the Post account.**

We will be holding Elections this October. If you would like to be a Post Officer, please let me know. This month we celebrate Columbus day, so think safety when you grill. Also the 31st is Halloween so be careful with the kids Trick or Treating in the streets.

**Our next Post meeting will be Saturday, 12 Oct @**

**[Die Flying Dragon Bar](#)**

**In Der Trift 5-7, 64546 Mörfelden-Walldorf**

**The Meeting starts *promptly* @ 2pm.**

**All are asked to arrive at least 30 mins early for social hour**

**----If you are to be late, please call 015114959970----**

**\*We are also available by Facebook video or Skype (rheinmaingr05); please contact us the day before if you want to use video**

**The menu for this location can be found at <https://flyingdragonbar.de>**

**The American Legion Auxiliary will be having their meeting at 1 pm.**

## *This Month in History*

October 1, 1908 - Ford's Model T, designed for the masses, went on sale for the first time.

October 3, 1990 - After 45 years of Cold War division, East and West Germany were reunited as the Federal Republic of Germany.

October 6, 1927 - The first "talkie" opened in New York. The Jazz Singer starring Al Jolson was the first full-length feature film using spoken dialogue.

October 12, 1811 - Paraguay declared its independence from Spain and Argentina.

October 13, 1775 - The United States Navy was born after the Second Continental Congress authorized the acquisition of a fleet of ships.

October 14, 1947 - U.S. Air Force Captain Chuck Yeager became the first man to break the sound barrier, flying in a rocket-powered research aircraft.

October 19, 1960 - The U.S. embargo of Cuba began as the State Department prohibited shipment of all goods except medicine and food.

October 20, 1818 - The U.S. and Britain agreed to set the U.S.- Canadian border at the 49th parallel.

October 24, 1945 - The United Nations was founded.

October 30, 1938 - The War of the Worlds radio broadcast panicked millions of Americans.

October 31st - Halloween!!!

### American Legion GR05 News:

- Welcome to our newest members of American Legion GR05!!!

Brandon Krueger and Johnny Arriaga



# GR05 participated in the 1st International Point Alpha March

On September 7th 2019 Rhein Main Post GR05 participated in a march near Rasdorf. Commander Santos, Post Chaplain John Jones, and Sgt of Arms Juan Barrenchea marched along with German allies and fellow post members of GR14 from Büdingen.



# Upcoming event:

On this coming Veterans Day, our post will be attending the commemorated ceremony at St. Avold, France. This American cemetery is the final resting place for 10,489 graves; making it the largest number of American dead from World War II resting in Europe. Future details will be broadcast on our FB page, [Rhein Main GR05](#) in the coming weeks.



## Indiana WWII vet to receive France's top honor

The American Legion, Sep 24, 2019

A World War II veteran will receive France's highest award, the Legion of Honor, at a ceremony on Sept. 29 at Wayne Newton American Legion Post 346 in Terre Haute, Ind.

Jimmie H. Royer, 94, will receive the Legion of Honor medal from France's consul general to the Midwest, Guillaume Lacroix, in a public ceremony at 1 p.m. Sunday.

Royer served as a gunner in the 106th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron, taking part in the Normandy, Northern France and Rhineland campaigns in 1944.

He was wounded on Oct. 27, 1944, on the Lorraine front and honorably discharged in August 1945.

Royer was previously awarded the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Ribbon with three Bronze Stars, the Good Conduct Medal and the Purple Heart.

Post 346 Commander Cliff Stephens said the ceremony is being held in conjunction with the post picnic and is open to the public.

"It's amazing how this fell into place," Stephens said. "It's a wonderful thing to have this happen here."

The Legion of Honor medal was established in 1802 by Napoleon as the highest French order for military and civil merit.



AMERICAN LEGION  
DEPARTMENT OF FRANCE

## Post Service Officer Training

**MARCH 20, 2020**  
**Katterbach, Germany**

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF FRANCE  
IS PRESENTING THEIR  
POST SERVICE OFFICER TRAINING COURSE.

THIS TRAINING COURSE IS TO PROVIDE  
GUIDANCE FOR THE PSO TO BE ABLE TO BETTER  
ASSIST THE VETERAN WITH THEIR  
VA BENEFIT CLAIM.

### INSTRUCTOR

Frank Phillips: Department Service Officer

### REGISTRATION:

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!**

Please send an e mail to the Department Service Officer  
[Frank.Phillips2@va.gov](mailto:Frank.Phillips2@va.gov)

UPON COMPLETION OF THIS TRAINING, THE PARTICIPANTS  
WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE A TEST.

ALL PARTICIPANTS THAT PASSED THE TEST, WILL RECEIVE A  
„TRAINED“ CERTIFICATE PRESENTED TO THEM AT THE DEC,  
THE FOLLOWING DAY.

### LOCATION

#### Training Seminar

Welcome Center, BLDG 5515, Room 316, 91522 Katterbach

Dinner, March 20, 2020

Gasthaus Goldener Stern, Ansbacher Str. 3, 91560 Heilsbronn



### PROGRAM

**0730-0800**

CHECK-IN /REGISTRATION

**0800-0900**

PSO DUTIES / RESPONSIBILITIES  
VA POLICIES

**0900-1200**

SMART CLAIM  
BASIC CLAIM - STEP BY STEP

**1200-1245**

LUNCH BREAK - LEGION HOME

**1245-1345**

FOREIGN MEDICAL PROGRAM

**1345-1500**

CLAIM PROCESSING /TIPS

**1500-1600**

TEST

**1830-????**

DINNER IN HEILSBRONN  
with  
DSO, ADSO  
DPT COMMANDER

**21 March - 0900**

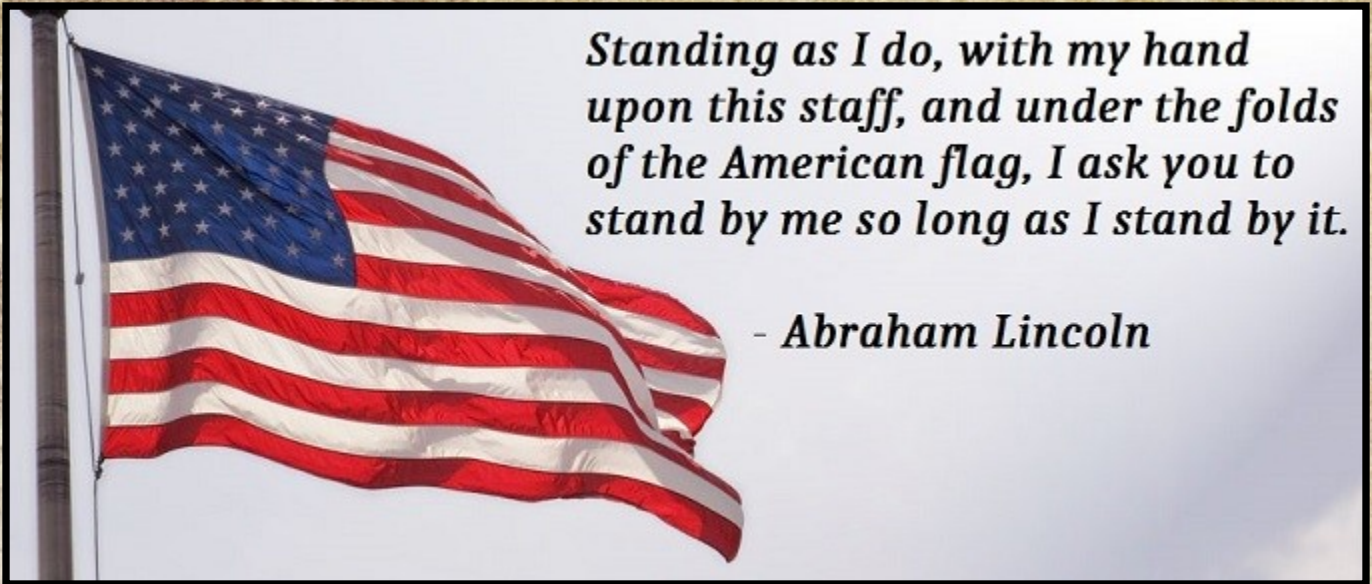
DEC - KATTERBACH

Hotel rooms are available at:

[www.goldner-stern-heilsbronn.de](http://www.goldner-stern-heilsbronn.de)      [www.hotel-windmuehle.de](http://www.hotel-windmuehle.de)  
SNGL: 47€ /DBL 70€ (7 miles to DEC)      DBL 70€ (9 Miles to DEC)  
15 rooms blocked for us. mention „Frank“      no rooms blocked for us.

### **BE ON TIME!**

We have limited time  
to complete the  
training.



Please submit any announcements or items for the newsletter to Comrade Krueger, Editor. Request must be submitted no later than by the 20th of the month for the next edition@ [rheinmain05@outlook.com](mailto:rheinmain05@outlook.com)

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