

**AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS  
POST 136**



**MEMBERSHIP PACKAGE  
2011**

# Creed

*“American Biker’s Creed “ As we travel the highways of our countryside, may we experience the love of Life and adventure in the great outdoors and find one’s peace of mind in our inner self. May we safely soar with pride in one’s self and one’s machine, Respect the rights of others and seek to quell all prejudices and extend the hand of fellowship to each other and may we all stand united against the oppressions confronting us with all the spirit, will and determination as our forefathers once did when founding our great nation. For we are one of the last symbols of America’s freedom.  
Amen...*

## The American Legion Riders

*The American Legion Riders are members of the American Legion who are also motorcycle enthusiasts. They can be found participating in parades, partaking in motorcycling events, and supporting the communities in which they live, work, and play. Members of the ALR come from the Legion, the Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of the American Legion;  
The American Legion Riders were formed...*

*...to participate in parades and other ceremonies that are in keeping with the Aims  
And Purposes of the American Legion.*

*...to promote cycle safety programs and to provide a social atmosphere for  
American Legion members who share the same interest.*

*...to use our Association to promote and support programs of the American Legion.*

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## **WELCOME TO POST 136 AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS**

As a member of either the American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or the Sons of the American Legion (SAL), welcome to the American Legion Riders of Post 136, Mulvane, Kansas.

You are now part of a family who share the same interests: promoting and supporting the programs of the American Legion. We have a great bunch of people that do many things for our veterans and their families.

As motorcycle enthusiast, we also share the passion of the “open road” while keeping with the aims and purposes of the American Legion. We look forward to having you as part of our team.

Welcome to our family.

Jerry (Hawkeye) Berry  
Director, American Legion Riders

### **AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 136 -- 2010 OFFICERS**



(Right to Left)

**Director - Jerry (Hawkeye) Berry; Co-Director - Ron (Buckeye) Vangas;  
Treasurer – Diana (B.B.B.) Nelson; Secretary – Terri (Shirt Babe) Lehman;  
Chaplain – Ron (Doc) Herndon; Sgt at Arms – Terry (Darkhorse) Houck;  
Assistant Sgt at Arms – Ben (Ditch) Roloff; Historian – Nancy Johnson  
Not pictured: Veterans Affairs Coordinator – Dennis (Casper) Joynt  
Web Administrator – John Wilson**

**LIST OF ALR 136 OFFICERS and CONTACT NUMBERS:**

Director:	Jerry (Hawkeye) Berry	305-7696 <a href="mailto:director@alr136.com">director@alr136.com</a>
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Secretary:	Terri (Shirt Babe) Lehman	518-1564 <a href="mailto:secretary@alr136.com">secretary@alr136.com</a>
Treasurer:	Diana (B.B.B.) Nelson	655-1085 <a href="mailto:treasurer@alr136.com">treasurer@alr136.com</a>
Sgt. at Arms:	Terry (Darkhorse) Houck	619-3265 <a href="mailto:sgtarms@alr136.com">sgtarms@alr136.com</a>
Asst Sgt. At Arms:	Ben (Ditch) Roloff	841-8954 <a href="mailto:Sgtarms2@alr136.com">Sgtarms2@alr136.com</a>
VA Coordinator:	Dennis (Casper) Joynt	617-6764 <a href="mailto:veteranaffairs@alr136.com">veteranaffairs@alr136.com</a>
Chaplain:	Ron (Doc) Herndon	644-5736 <a href="mailto:chaplain@alr136.com">chaplain@alr136.com</a>
Historian:	Nancy Johnson	393-0341 <a href="mailto:historian@alr136.com">historian@alr136.com</a>

**AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS MISSION STATEMENT:**

Promote and support the American Legion and its programs. To call for an accounting of ALL Prisoners of War and those missing in action and to honor the memory of those killed in action and support their families. Support American Veterans.

**PATRIOT GUARD MISSION STATEMENT:**

The Patriot Guard stands guard for America's Fallen Soldiers who were Killed In Action or are Casualties of the current wars fighting terrorism.

Additional information can be found at [www.kspatriotguard.org](http://www.kspatriotguard.org)

## **HISTORY OF POST 136 AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS:**

- Founded and held our first meeting in September 2001
- Charter Post for Kansas American Legion Riders in Feb. 2002.
- Birthplace of the Patriot Guard.
- 233 current members (as of 1-26-2011)

## **WEB SITE:**

- American Legion Post 136 [www.al136.com](http://www.al136.com)
- American Legion Riders Post 136 [www.alr136.com](http://www.alr136.com)

The web site is programmed and hosted by John Wilson our Web Administrator, and updated by Art Beale. You will find our menus, calendar, ALR history, missions, photos, monthly newsletters and what's going on at all Kansas ALRs. It is a very impressive site. Check it out when you have time.

## **POST 136 ALR BY-LAWS:**

- The operation of American Legion Riders, Post 136, is governed by our current set of by-laws.
- These by-laws can be found on our website.

## **PROFESSIONAL DRESS / APPEARANCE AND CODE OF CONDUCT FOR VETERAN FUNERALS:**

This Professional Dress/Appearance and Code of Conduct were created to provide guidance and ensure every member understands guidelines established for attending funerals of our Veterans. Each funeral is a final farewell to a loved one. We are attending as invited guests, and as such, need to represent the American Legion in a professional manner.

### **DRESS/APPEARANCE**

- Black shirts (short or long sleeve) are recommended. Sleeveless shirts and tank tops are not acceptable.
- Long pants are mandatory. Blue jeans or black pants are recommended. Shorts and cut-offs are not acceptable.
- Boots or hard sole shoes are recommended. Sneakers are discouraged unless a medical condition warrants. Sandals and flip flops are not acceptable.

- Helmet, chaps and full-fingered gloves (seasonal), and eye cover are recommended. Hats are encouraged; du-rags are discouraged. Remove head gear upon entering Church.
- No attire will contain profanity.

### **CONDUCT**

- No talking in the flag line once family and guests start arriving.
- No joking or horseplay in the flag line.
- Cell phones should be turned off. If you must leave your phone on for work or emergency reasons, phone should be on silent mode or vibrate. If absolutely necessary to use the phone, ask someone to replace you in the flag line and walk away from the area and out of sight of arriving guests before using the phone. Never answer your phone in the flag line.
- No smoking or use of tobacco products in the flag line or close to the church, mortuary, family, or guests. If you need a break, ask someone to replace you in the flag line and walk away from the area and out of sight of arriving guests.
- No one should be sitting on tailgates, under trees, or milling around in groups while flag line is in progress.
- No profanity.

### **NOTES**

- All attendees are expected to hold a flag. If you are unable to stand for long periods of time, please go inside and attend the service. Exceptions: the Ride Captain and Road Guards may be needed for other activities at larger funerals, and therefore, will not normally hold flags. However, when time permits, they should provide relief to others in the flag line.
- Flags poles are held in the right hand and vertical. You do not salute while holding a flag. Specifics for each mission will be outlined during the ride briefing.

[Complete Flag protocol can be found at www.legion.org/flag/questions](http://www.legion.org/flag/questions)

**BE PROFESSIONAL AND COURTEOUS  
SHOW HONOR AND RESPECT  
SET THE EXAMPLE**

## **POST 136 HOURS:**

- Mondays: Post is Closed.
- Tuesday – Thursday: 11 AM to 9 PM.
- Friday: 11 AM to 10 PM
- Saturday: 9 AM to 10 PM
- Sunday: 9 AM to 8 PM (All hours are flexible based on number of members present)
- Friday Night Dinner: 5:30 to 8:00 PM (menu on website)
- Saturday Mornings: Fish and Potatoes (mid morning till gone)
- Sunday Mornings: Breakfast 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM (menu on website)
- Tuesday Night (Two Wheel Tuesday) AL Riders Event:  
During spring & summer months, we will meet at the Post around 5:30 PM and leave at 6:00 PM to different restaurants, diners and clubs. In the late fall & winter months, we go directly to the dining location and meet at 6:00 PM. Locations are selected at our meetings for the next month.

**Our Dining Room is open to the public and Smoke Free.**

## **MEETINGS AT THE POST:**

- American Legion: first Monday of the month, 7 PM.
- Ladies Auxiliary: same time, separate meeting.
- Sons of the American Legion: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month, 1:30 PM.
- American Legion Riders (ALR) 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month, 3 PM.

## **AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS MISSIONS:**

Different events or missions we do throughout the year:

- Homecomings for Active Military or Guard  
Both mid-term and back home for good
- Sendoffs for deployment of Active Military or Guard
- Troop Care Packages sent to active military
- VA Hospital Rides (March, August & December) or as we call them “Banana Run”  
Bring sugar free snacks for our Veterans  
December Christmas Program
- Put up Flags at the VA Hospital  
January 18, Martin Luther King Day  
September 11, Patriot Day

- Funerals for past war Veterans
- Funerals for our fallen (KIA)
  - Patriot Guard Missions to protect the family of the fallen.
- Events at our Post and at other local Post:
  - Dinners, Holiday Parties & Dinners, Horseshoes
- Veteran & Community Events:
  - Veterans Parade and Town Parades
  - Dedication Parades
  - Toy Runs: Toys 4 Tots and other local Toy Runs
  - Poker Runs: ALR 136 and other Chapter Runs
  - Charity events and Fundraisers
  - Patriot Guard Highway clean up
  - McConnell AFB: Air Base Events Including Retirements, Dedications or Special Matters.

**ALR 136 SCHOLARSHIPS:**

ALR 136 offers a yearly scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. This is offered to any high school senior who is a child, grandchild or great grandchild of an ALR 136 member; a Mulvane High School senior who is a child of a Veteran or Active duty military; or a Mulvane High School senior who is a child of a Mulvane Police Officer, Firefighter or Paramedic. All details and application form can be found on our ALR 136 web site.

**ALR VEST:**

You can purchase your rider vest anywhere. But the following two offer a 10% discount for all ALR members, so please support them. They also offer all sorts of leathers, vest, jackets, chaps, gloves and patches.

**Open Road**  
 120 N. West Street  
 Wichita, KS  
 316-295-4200  
[www.openroadmotorcycle.com](http://www.openroadmotorcycle.com)  
 Shawn Hunter  
[shawn@openroadmotorcycle.com](mailto:shawn@openroadmotorcycle.com)

**SGT C's Leather** (Inside the Village Flea Market)  
 3154 S. Broadway  
 Wichita, KS  
 816-699-7163  
 Irona Cliver  
[irona.cliver@hotmail.com](mailto:irona.cliver@hotmail.com)

## ALR PATCHES:

Purchase your vest patches thru our Treasurer, Diana Nelson.  
Can order and pre-pay for all patches at each monthly meeting.  
ALR patches include the following, plus tax:

1. American Flag: \$3.50 located front upper left side of vest.  
**No other patches or pins above the American Flag.**
2. Small (Legion, Aux. or SAL) Patch: \$6.50 w/ Set of small rockers; \$8.00  
**Both below American flag center of vest or above lower pocket.**
3. ALR Mulvane Post 136 Patch: \$42.00, back of vest, center.

**NOTE: the official ALR 136 back patch is shown on the front cover of this package and below. No rockers or bars are authorized above or below this patch.**

Name and “Call Sign” patches: front upper right side of vest.  
Price depends on design, around \$5.50 each.

## Required locations for the American Flag & ALR 136 patches:



Other than the above ALR patches, you can display any patch (s) or pin (s) that you choose, but please keep in mind that all other patches/pins should be tasteful and in honor of our veterans and current military.  
No profanity or nudity allowed or to be shown.

## CALL SIGN OR RIDER NAME PATCH:

Most of our riders have a “call sign” or a “nickname”. If you have one now, get with Monika (when you order you vest patches) and she will get one made for you. But if you do not have a name yet, as we get to know you, we are sure we’ll find a suitable one for you.

### **ALR SHIRTS and CLOTHING:**

We provide all sorts of shirts (sleeveless, short & long sleeve), sweat shirts (hooded, non hood, pullover or zippered front) and hats to all ALR members. The prices are at our quantity discount prices.

Our Secretary, Terri (Shirt Babe) Lehman will take your order (and pre-payment) at each rider meeting.

### **ALWAYS WEAR A RED ALR SHIRT ON FRIDAY.**

### **ALR 136 CHALLENGE COIN:**

We sell challenge coins to all ALR members. You can purchase these coins thru our Director. If a fellow member makes a challenge (at the bar) and you do not have your coin with you, you will have to buy drinks for all members that accepted the challenge.

### **TERMINOLOGY:**

You may hear some acronyms that may not make any sense to you from time to time. Feel free to ask what we are talking about, as sometimes we forget to share them with new members.

For example, here are a few: CAGES, AIS, KSU, FNG .....

### **GROUP RIDING AND HAND SIGNALS:**

ALR 136 will always ride as a group during our missions or events. Before each trip, our Ride Captain will brief everyone on the route and hand signals. All three wheelers (standard trikes and spyders) will ride behind the bikes. If you are new to group riding, please ride behind the last three wheelers until you are experienced enough to ride in the group (some missions are at highway speeds). Always ride within your comfort zone and riding experience. Also, we do not use our Right Hand / Arm for any signals, by doing so will decrease your speed and this becomes a safety concern riding in a tight group formation. Use your right leg to note any right side hazard.

We do follow the universal motorcycle hand signal etiquette as posted on our website: [al136.com/Legion\\_ALR/m\\_etiquette.aspx](http://al136.com/Legion_ALR/m_etiquette.aspx)  
Another good site is [www.msf-usa.org](http://www.msf-usa.org)

## KANSAS ALR POSTS (as of 1-1-2010)

**Andover Post 406** 9932 SW Eugene Rd. Augusta, KS 67010  
**Arkansas City Post 18** [www.alrpost18.com](http://www.alrpost18.com) 113 East Washington Ave. Arkansas City, KS 67005 (620) 442-5510  
**Bazine Post 392** Austin St. Bazine, KS  
**Belleville Post 133** 1314 17<sup>th</sup> St. Belleville, KS 66935 (785) 527-2454  
**Burlington Post 38** 113 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Burlington, KS 66839  
**Caney Post 138** P.O. Box One Caney, KS 67333  
**Canton Post 192** 132 North Main Canton, KS 67428 (620) 628-4784  
**Chanute Post 170** 301 N. Evergreen Chanute, KS  
**Chapman Post 240** [www.alr240.org](http://www.alr240.org) P.O. Box 407 Chapman, KS 67431 (785) 922-6443  
**Cherokee Post 35** P.O. Box 111 Cherokee, KS  
**Clay Center Post 101** 816 5<sup>th</sup> Street Clay Center, KS 67432  
**Coffeyville Post 20** <http://www.myspace.com/alrpost20/> 811 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Coffeyville, KS 67337  
**Colby Post 363** <http://www.geocities.com/colbyalr/> 1850 West 4<sup>th</sup> Colby, KS 67701  
**Concordia Post 76** 504 Washington Concordia, KS 66801  
**Copeland Post 369** P.O. Box 93 Copeland, KS  
**Derby John M. West Post 408** <http://al408.com> 101 S. Baltimore Derby, KS 67037  
**El Dorado Post 81** 1801 W. Central El Dorado, KS  
**Emporia Post 05** 2921 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. Emporia, KS 66801  
**Garden City Post 09** 8<sup>th</sup> & Pine Garden City, KS 67846  
**Gardner Post 19** Gardner, KS  
**Garnett Post 48** Garnett, KS  
**Girard Post 26** Box 231 – 144 E. 47 Hiway Girard, KS 66743  
**Great Bend Post 180** [www.ksalr180.org](http://www.ksalr180.org) 1011 Kansas Great Bend, KS 67530  
**Hays Post 173** [www.geocities.com/alrpost173@swbell.net](http://www.geocities.com/alrpost173@swbell.net) 1306 Canterbury Hays, KS  
**Hiawatha Post 66** 813 Oregon Hiawatha, KS 66434  
**Hillsboro Post 366** 405 Floral Dr. Hillsboro, KS 67063  
**Holton Post 44** 926 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Holton, KS 66436  
**Hutchinson Post 68** 730 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Hutchinson, KS 67502  
**Independence Post 139** 110 South 25<sup>th</sup> St. P.O. Box 252 Independence, KS 67301  
**Jetmore Post 290** <http://alr290.webs.com/> 602 Bowlus P.O.Box 544 Jetmore, KS 67854  
**Junction City Post 45** Junction City, KS  
**Kingman David R Berry Post 414** [www.alr414.webs.com](http://www.alr414.webs.com) 111 So Main , Kingman, Ks 67068  
**Larned Post 106** <http://www.legionriders106.com> 115 East 17<sup>th</sup> St. Larned, KS 67550 (620) 285-6146  
**Leavenworth Post 23** <http://sites.google.com/site/alrpost23> 418 W. Cherokee Leavenworth, KS 66048 (913) 682-3023  
**Lenexa Post 407** <http://www.legionriders407.zoomshare.com> 9550 Pflum Lenexa, KS 66215  
**Lindsborg Post 140** [http://sites.google.com/site/americanlegionpost140lindsborg\\_home](http://sites.google.com/site/americanlegionpost140lindsborg_home) 524 E. State St. Lindsborg, KS 67456  
**Little River Post 258** Little River, KS  
**Louisburg Post 250** 403 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Louisburg, KS 66053  
**Manhattan Post 17** 114 McCall Rd. Manhattan, KS 66502  
**Marion Post 22** 424 E. Main Marion, KS 66861  
**Marysville Post 163** 308 N. 19<sup>th</sup> Street Marysville, KS 66508  
**McPherson Post 24** <http://members.cox.net/alr24/index.htm> 401 N. Main Box 209 McPherson, KS 67460  
**Medicine Lodge Post 69** [www.alrpost69.com](http://www.alrpost69.com) 109 East 1<sup>st</sup> Medicine Lodge, KS 67104  
**Moran Post 385** P.O. Box 177 Moran, KS 66755  
**Mulvane Post 136** <http://alr136.com> 410 SE Louis Dr. Mulvane, KS 67110 (316) 777-4301  
**Newton Post 02** 400 S. Spencer Newton, KS 67114 (316) 283-2233  
**Norton Post 63** 1120 North Norton St. Norton, KS 67654  
**Nortonville Post 242** 404 Railroad St. Nortonville, KS 66066  
**Olathe Post 153** <http://www.kslegion153.org/alr153/> 410 E. Dennis Olathe, KS 66061  
**Overland Park Post 370** [www.alrpost370.org](http://www.alrpost370.org) 7500 W. 75<sup>th</sup> St. Overland Park, KS 66204  
**Ozawkie Post 225** [legionriders@live.com](mailto:legionriders@live.com) Post Office Box 41 Ozawkie, KS 66070  
**Paola Post 156** Box 126 Paola, KS 66071

**Perry Post 142** <http://perryalr142.zoomshare.com> 410 Perry Place Perry, Kansas 66073  
**Pittsburg Post 64** 2815 N. Joplin Pittsburg, KS 66762  
**Pratt Post 86** <http://members.cox.net/alrpratt> 601 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Pratt, KS 67124 (620) 672-7204  
**Rossville Post 31** Main Street, Rossville, KS  
**Salina Post 62**  
**Sedgwick Post 268** 510 N. Commercial Sedgwick, KS 67135  
**Seneca Post 21** [www.alr21.yolasite.com](http://www.alr21.yolasite.com) 812 Main Seneca, KS 66538  
**Stafford Post 131** 250 S. Main Stafford, KS 67578  
**Tonganoxie Post 41** [Legionriders41@zoomshare.com](mailto:Legionriders41@zoomshare.com) 311 Delaware Tonganoxie, KS 66086  
**Topeka Post 01** [www.alrpost1.org](http://www.alrpost1.org) 3800 SE Michigan Topeka, KS 66609  
**Topeka Post 400** <http://www.post400alr.org/alr/> 3029 NW US Hwy 24 Topeka, KS 66618 (785) 296-9400  
**Wichita Post 04** <http://alr.kansaspost4.com> 816 N. Water Wichita, KS 67203 (316) 262-8691  
**Wichita Post 256** [www.americanlegionpost256.org](http://www.americanlegionpost256.org) 4301 W. Pawnee Wichita, KS 67209  
**Wichita Post 273** 1335 N. Hydraulic Wichita, KS 67214 (316) 264-3752  
**Wichita Post 401** [www.alrwichitapost401.org](http://www.alrwichitapost401.org) 101 E. 31<sup>st</sup> St. South Wichita, KS 67216  
**Winfield Post 10** [www.winfieldpost10.com](http://www.winfieldpost10.com) 115 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. Winfield, KS 67156  
**Yates Center Post 13** Butler & State Street Yates Center, KS

**The American Legion Riders is not an M/C (motorcycle club) and does not practice M/C rules or regulations. The American Legion Riders is family-oriented, just as is its parent organization, the American Legion.**

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