

Brown & Lynch Post 9 Newsletter



2026



Commander - Terri Krecker

Dear Post 9 Family,

As we welcome the dawn of a new year, I want to extend heartfelt gratitude to each of you—the families who stand beside our veterans and make our American Legion community strong. Your support, encouragement, and presence at our events embody the very spirit of service and togetherness that defines Brown & Lynch Post 9.

2026 offers us a fresh chapter filled with opportunities to honor our veterans, uplift our community, and continue building traditions that matter. Whether through ceremonies, outreach, or simply sharing time, your role is vital in keeping our Post vibrant and united.

May this year bring health, happiness, and cherished moments to your homes. Let us carry forward the values of remembrance, gratitude, and fellowship into every gathering and every act of service.

On behalf of the American Legion Brown & Lynch Post 9, I wish you and your loved ones a joyful New Year filled with peace, pride, and promise.

With respect and appreciation,

Commander Terri Kaiser Krecker
Brown & Lynch American Legion Post 9

Legion Website

Monthly Newsletter Available Online!

Stay informed and connected with the latest updates from Brown & Lynch Post 9. Our Monthly Newsletter is live on our website under the Post Bulletin section. Visit us at: <https://brownandlynchpost9.org/>

Log on and explore what's happening at Post 9.

Happy New Year from the Officers of Brown & Lynch Post 9

As we welcome the New Year, the officers of Brown & Lynch Post 9 extend our heartfelt appreciation to every member of our Legion family.

Whether you served on the Honor Guard, organized an event, volunteered your time, or contributed behind the scenes, your efforts made a meaningful difference in the life of our Post and the veterans we serve.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to growing our membership, strengthening our programs, and serving veterans and their families with dedication and pride.

We wish you and your loved ones a healthy, joyful, and prosperous New Year.



Membership Renewal Reminder – Post 9 Family

Attention all members of Brown & Lynch American Legion Post 9 — Legionnaires, Sons of the American Legion, Auxiliary, and Social Members:

- Renewals were due December 31, 2025.
- As of January 1, 2026, unpaid members will be marked delinquent.
- On February 1, 2026, unpaid members will be removed from the membership rolls, and their access cards will be denied.
- Reinstatement of your access card will require payment of the membership fee plus a \$10 reactivation fee.
- Please renew today to avoid the cost and effort of reinstatement.

As of December 29, 2025, we have reached 87.5% of our membership renewals.

Don't Delay—Renew Today



Legion Riders



BREAKFAST AT THE POST

1st Sunday of Each Month

8:00 AM – 11:30 AM



Members and guests are invited to join us for a warm, welcoming breakfast at Post 9. Enjoy good food and good company as we gather to support our Legion Riders and our Post.

Upcoming Events:

*Next Legion Riders Meeting
Sunday, January 4th at 10:00 AM
All members are encouraged to attend.*

*Beef & Beer Fundraiser
Saturday, April 18th
Additional details will be shared as planning continues*

Sons of the American Legion



*Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month
at 7:00 PM.*

*All members and prospective members are welcome to attend
and get involved*

Member Incentive Program



I Want You!

Join the Mission – Earn Rewards!

Post 9 is proud to launch a Membership Incentive Program to welcome new Legionnaires into the American Legion family.

Who Can Participate?

Everyone! If you're a current member, you're eligible to recruit.

What's the Reward?

For every new member you recruit, you'll receive a \$20 gift certificate to use at Post 9 for food or beverages.

Who Can You Recruit?

Family, friends, neighbors, or active-duty military—anyone who has never been a member of the American Legion.

Why It Matters?

This initiative strengthens our community and ensures the legacy of service continues. Plus, it's a great excuse to enjoy a meal or drink on us!

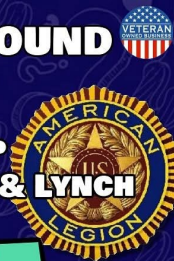
How Is It Funded?

Fundraisers will be organized to support this program—stay tuned for ways to get involved!



**NEW DIMENSION SOUND
PRESENTS**

**PALMER TOWNSHIP
AMERICAN LEGION BROWN & LYNCH
POST #9**



**TRIVIA
Night**

*1st
Saturday
of the
month*

*Hosted by
John Cav*

**2260 CORRIERE DR, EASTON, PA 18045
(610) 559-8838**



Saturday, January 3, 2026—7:00 PM

January Dates to Remember

Dec 31st **New Year's Eve - Hours 12 PM - 9 PM**
Jan 1st **New Year's Day - Hours 12 PM - 6 PM**
Jan 3rd **Trivia Night - 7 PM**
Jan 4th **Legion Riders Meeting 10 AM**
Jan 4th **Breakfast at the Post 8 AM - 11:30 AM**
Jan 7th **Home Association Meeting - 7 PM**
Jan 8th **Legion Executive Board Meeting 6 PM**
Jan 8th **Legion/Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM**
Jan 19th **Martin Luther King Day**
Jan 27th **Honor Guard Meeting 1:30 PM**

New Year's Day Special Serving: Pork & Sauerkraut at 1:00 PM — served until it's gone!



Auxiliary Unit 9

American Legion Auxiliary

In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad.

For God and Country, the Auxiliary works to:

Advocate for veterans

Educate citizens

Mentor youth

Promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace, and security

A New Year's Message from Unit 9

The Auxiliary extends warm wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year to all.

We look forward to working with every family wherever we are needed.

We're here for YOU!

First Meeting of the New Year

Thursday, January 8th at 7:00 PM

New Year, New Ideas — come and share them with us.

Lynn Marchetto

President, Unit 9

Pavilion Plaque Fundraiser

Help Us Complete the Pavilion — Be Part of the Legacy

Thanks to a generous grant from the State of Pennsylvania, construction of the Pavilion at Post 9 is about to begin. To help cover additional costs and ensure this space reflects the pride and spirit of our Post, we've launched a Pavilion Plaque Fundraiser.

Your donation or pledge will be honored with plaque displayed within the Pavilion — recognizing your name, your business, or a loved one.

Donation Levels:

Platinum Donor – \$1,000

Gold Donor – \$500

Silver Donor – \$250

To contribute or make a pledge, please contact:

Tom Rafferty: 484-767-5025 | tjrhace@ptd.net

Tom Marchetto: 610-250-9771 | twmarch35@gmail.com

Order Forms are available on the Post Bulletin Board.



Buy A Paver



Honor A Veteran

The Brown & Lynch American Legion Post 9

Pavilion Paver Brick Program

“The Walk of Honor”

Veterans Memorial

This Paver Brick will be prominently displayed at the forthcoming Veterans Memorial at the Brown & Lynch Legion Post #9 at 2260 Corriere Road., Easton, PA

4”x 8” Paver Brick - \$55.00

- **No Military Seal: 3 Lines 20 Characters Per Line**
- **With Military Seal at Left: 3 Lines of 15 Characters Per Line**

Call or Email Us For More Info

201-981-7768

Ejbrace@ptd.net

Stay in Touch!

Do we have your current address? Phone number? Email address? Did you disconnect your landline? Please let us know to keep our records up to date! If anything has changed, please call Ed Brace - phone number: 610-258-8750 or email at: Post9brownandlynch@gmail.com.

Post Chaplain

Vince Menegus

If you know of any Legionnaire who is sick, in distress, or recently passed away, please contact me at: jmenegus@rcn.com, or call 610-252-6196, to let me know. Please include their address or family contact and address. I will send a get well or sympathy card on behalf of Post 9



Service Officer

Ken Haney

American Legion Veterans' Service Officer for our Area is Eric Medei <eric@pa-legend.com>. His preferred contact method is via email. If you do not have access to email, his phone is (484) 268-8151.

Here are the locations he goes to every month and the days he is there. Best way to get an appointment with him is call the State Rep's office and get on the schedule.

1st Monday – Rep Joe Emrick, Nazareth

1st Thursday – Rep Zach Mako, Northampton and Slatington (alternates every other month)

2nd Wednesday – Rep Ann Flood, Pen Argyl

2nd Thursday – Rep Guent, Hatboro

2nd Friday – Rep Ryan Mackenzie, Macungie

3rd Monday – Rep Jeanne McNeill, Whitehall

3rd Friday – Rep Peter Schwyer, Allentown

4th Tuesday – Rep Ryan Mackenzie, New Tripoli

4th Wednesday – Rep Milou Mackenzie, Bethlehem

4th Thursday – Rep Jamie Barton, Tamaqua

He will also meet with Veterans at the Legion Post 397 in Hellertown (he is the Commander of that Post) on days where he is not scheduled for an Outreach.

Welcome to Post 9

We are proud to continue building our Legion family.

- Three New Members have joined us:
Paul (David) Shoemaker, Joy Green & Robert Emberger
- Two new transfers have joined us:
Marcus Wynnnycky & Stephen Vichozsky

We extend a heartfelt welcome to our New Members & Transfers. Your service and commitment strengthen our Post, and we look forward to the contributions you'll bring to our community.

Together, we honor the past, serve the present, and build for the future.



In Memoriam: Jode Perez

It is with profound sadness that we announced the passing of Jode Perez, a proud member of the American Legion for 52 years and an Honorary Life Member of Post 9.

Jode served as the leader of the Post 9 Honor Guard, where his unwavering dedication, leadership, and compassion defined the Guard and inspired all who served alongside him. His legacy of service and respect will endure within our Post and throughout the community.

He will be deeply missed by his fellow Legionnaires, the Honor Guard, and the entire Brown & Lynch family. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his loved ones and honor his memory with gratitude and reverence.

Jode Perez, we salute you. Your watch is complete. Rest in peace!



Post Everlasting



The following Post Member has transferred to Post Everlasting to serve the Supreme Commander. We salute him and thank him for his service to our Country, Community, and Post 9.

Jode Perez

Day is done, Gone the sun,
From the lake, From the hill,
From the sky.
All is well, Safely rest,
God is nigh.



Post 9 Honor Guard

The Brown & Lynch Post 9 Honor Guard is seeking new members to carry on a proud tradition of service.

The Brown & Lynch Post 9 Honor Guard is dedicated to conducting military funeral honors ceremonies for veterans who have honorably served our nation and received an honorable discharge.

We carry out this sacred duty with the solemnity, precision, and respect upheld by military tradition. In every ceremony, we honor the legacy of those who served while maintaining the highest standards of appearance and professionalism expected of the Brown & Lynch Post 9 Honor Guard.

Who Can Volunteer:

- Legionnaires
- Members of the Sons of the American Legion

How to Join:

If you are committed to honoring veterans with dignity and tradition, we welcome you to join us.

Contact: Frank Merritt

Phone: 484-547-3930

Email: lz2bits@ptd.net

Why Taps Matters

From the steps of Arlington to the quiet corners of small-town cemeteries, the sound of Taps carries the same weight. It is more than a melody—it is a promise that no one who served this nation will ever be forgotten.

Every veteran deserves this final honor. Every family deserves that moment of dignity, reflection, and gratitude. Yet too many are laid to rest in silence.

A live sounding of Taps matters—everywhere. It is a final salute, a final act of respect, and a final reminder that service and sacrifice endure beyond a lifetime.



Social Quarters Hours

Monday thru Thursday

12:00 Noon - 10:00 PM

Friday & Saturday

12:00 Noon - 12:00 AM

Sundays

12:00 Noon - 7:00 PM



Post 9 Kitchen Hours

Lunch

Monday – Friday

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Dinner

Monday – Saturday

5:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Sunday

Closed

Monthly Breakfast

1st Sunday of Each Month

8:00 AM – 11:30 AM

January Dinner Specials

January 1 Pork & Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes

January 2 Regular Menu

January 9 Shepherd's Pie, Peas, Dinner Salad

January 16 Stuffed Peppers, Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Salad

January 23 Lasagna, Dinner Salad, Garlic Bread

January 30: Delmonico Steak, Baked Potato, Vegetable Dinner Salad

Holiday Hours

New Year's Eve – Wednesday, December 31st

Open: 12 PM – 9 PM

Kitchen: 5 PM – 8 PM

New Year's Day – Thursday, January 1st

Open: 12 PM – 6 PM

Special Serving: Pork & Sauerkraut at 1:00 PM — served until it's gone!

WEEKLY SPECIALS – TACO TUESDAY, WING WEDNESDAY

Wreaths Across America



Wreaths Across America – December 13, 2025

The National Wreaths Across America Day was observed on Saturday, December 13, 2025, bringing together more than two million volunteers and supporters at over 5,200 participating locations across the United States and abroad. At each site, communities gathered to remember, honor, and teach about the service and sacrifice of our nation's veterans. This year, more than one million wreaths were placed in tribute.

The Brown & Lynch Post 9 Honor Guard, together with members of the Post 9 Legion Riders, proudly participated in the Wreaths Across America Ceremony at St. John's Church in Williams Township, PA, joining others in paying solemn respect to those who served.



Post 9 Welcomes You!

Haven't been to the Post in a while?

Now's the perfect time to stop by and see what's new.

We're proud to have over 1,200 members across the Legion, Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, Legion Riders, and the Home Association. There's truly something for everyone—from toddlers to centenarians—with entertainment and activities offered throughout the year.

If you enjoy great food, stop in for lunch or dinner and check the Newsletter for our monthly dinner specials. You won't leave hungry!

Volunteers are the heart of our organization, and we're always grateful for a helping hand. The work is meaningful, and the sense of family here is strong and genuine.

Join us for our Legion General Membership Meeting Held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM, it's a great way to stay connected and involved.

LANCASTER DAY TRIP

Monday, April 27, 2026

8:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Join us for a full day of fun, food, and exploration in Lancaster!

Trip Details

- *Departure: Post 9 – Brown & Lynch at 8:00 AM*

Included Activities:

- *Smoke House Tour*
- *Turkey Hill Experience*
- *Meals: Bag Lunch*
- *Dinner at Miller's Smorgasbord (tax & gratuity included)*
- *Transportation: Provided by Trans-Bridge Lines*

Cost & Registration

- *\$125.00 per person*
- *\$50 deposit required at sign-up*
- *Balance due by March 15, 2026*
- *Open to Legion members and guests*

Questions or Registration

Contact: Terri Krecker

610-533-4071 or email: terrikrecker@aol.com

See attached Lancaster Day Trip Highlights

Lancaster Day Trip Highlights

Monday, April 27, 2026

8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Enjoy a full day of food, fun, and Lancaster County charm with Post 9!

Seltzer's Lebanon Bologna Smokehouse Tour

Experience a fascinating 30–45 minute guided tour that takes you behind the scenes of the smoked-meat craft. Learn about every step of the process—from secret spice blends to hand-tended fires—and see firsthand the artistry that creates their signature flavors. Enjoy a curated tasting session featuring classic favorites and bold new creations, each offering a unique and unforgettable flavor profile.

Turkey Hill Ice Cream Experience

Indulge in unlimited samples of Turkey Hill's wide variety of ice creams and beverages. Explore fun, interactive exhibits that bring the world of ice cream to life, and discover the rich history of Turkey Hill through hands-on activities and engaging displays that make learning both fun and memorable.

Kitchen Kettle Village

Stroll through a charming, walkable village filled with Lancaster County hospitality. With 35+ shops, restaurants, and local artisans, Kitchen Kettle Village offers homemade foods, locally crafted goods, name-brand favorites, and seasonal treasures. Whether you're shopping, tasting, or simply enjoying the festive atmosphere, you'll be greeted with warm smiles and friendly faces throughout this delightful destination.

Miller's Smorgasbord

More than just a great meal, Miller's offers a full experience. While waiting for your table, explore The Shoppes at Miller's, including:

- ***Anna's Gifts & Sundries***
- ***Locally Made Food Shop***
- ***The Quilt Shop at Miller's – featuring over 1,000 handmade quilted items from Amish, Mennonite, and local artisans***
- ***Ruthie's***

Browse locally made baked goods—like their famous chocolate pecan pie—along with jams, oils, coffee, and more.