



THE MIGHTY 20th DISTRICT

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Thoughts From The Commander

Let me begin by again thanking the Officers and members of John F. Kennedy Post #485 for being great host in allowing the Mighty 20th District to hold our January DEC meeting at their facility. There was an outstanding turn out of the local Post and in my estimation we had the largest turn out of the year. Our next meeting will be on February 13th at Post #593 in Converse, everyone knows where Converse is don't you?

Everyone that attended had a good time at the Department Mid-Winter Convention held at the Omni Hotel in Austin on Thursday, January 24th to Sunday, January 27th. There were a multitude of workshops provided and lots of Commission and Committee meetings held, and as always all of these events are open to all Legionnaires, Auxiliary and Sons of The American Legion to attend. It's not good to count but the Mighty 20th District had six Post represented during the four day meeting and I hope those that attended share their experiences with their members during Executive and General Membership meetings. It is the plan of the District to cover the high points of the various meetings during this months DEC. We had one Post that received a check for achieving 107% of goal by December 7th of last year. As a note, next years goal will be 110% of goal and it must be recorded in Department by December 31st of this year.

Most of the goals for each Post will be as set last year with one major change. Those Posts that achieve 100% will have their goal set at 1% greater than the achieved number, with those Posts with less than 50 members having their goal increased by one member. Those Posts that do not reach 100% will retain the same goal as they have now. We will cover that topic in more detail at the February DEC.

Don't want to take too much of the

Vice Commanders thunder, however need to thank Post #592 for their submission of 18 members on the 26th and especially thank Post #2 and #593 for a membership turn-in for a total of 78 members at the Mid-Winter. While the Department Commander was in San Antonio earlier this month he present me with the Big Number "1" pen which is a new award given to the top District Commander. During the Conference, he took it back, however because of the effort put forward by the Post we were able to keep our Division Commander Pablo Aguillon, was able to stay in first place and the six District Commanders in the 3rd Division each received a small number "1" pen. With the turn-in during the Conference the District will be at 5,660 members or 87.3% of goal. Those numbers will put the 20th District in maybe 3rd position, with 822 renewals or new members needed to obtain goal. Keep working towards your individual goals and if you need assistance the District Officers are available to assist you.

Please don't forget that we have a Career Fair on Wednesday, February 13th at the Omni San Antonio Hotel at 9821 Colonnade Blvd from 11:00am to 2:00pm that Windcrest Post #612 is taking the lead on and if you can assist please contact Michael Burkett at 946-4535 or 857-2375 am sure he would appreciate all the assistance he can get. Also on February 13th Post #2 3518 Fredericksburg Road, will be hosting a Veterans Law Clinic put on by the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law from 10:00am until 4:00pm. Admission is free and the folks will be helping Veterans with benefit issues. Check further in the Newsletter for additional information.

Membership 2008—1/28/2008

POST	MBRS	GOAL	%
0			
568	57	45	126.7%
485	135	127	106.3%
10	141	141	100.0%
539	201	216	93.1%
171	206	222	92.8%
579	693	761	91.1%
667	632	729	86.7%
336	13	15	86.7%
612	262	304	86.2%
828	272	320	85.0%
300	442	526	84.0%
593	675	813	83.0%
2	831	1015	81.9%
375	132	165	80.0%
592	447	596	75.0%
443	86	120	71.7%
608	85	124	68.5%
800	70	103	68.0%
399	81	140	57.9%
TOTALS	5461	6482	84.2%

From the Vice-Commander

Membership: The 20th District is at 87.32% of goal. 16 Posts are trying to reach goal and 2 posts are just doing very little or just sit on their "you know what." I was told by this post that they had membership to turn in to department three weeks ago. Still waiting for them to appear on the department daily membership report. Posts can get the daily report at: www.txlegion.org. While at the Midwinter convention the National Vice-Commander suggested that post commanders review their post register and identify those members that have not renewed and personally contact the member to fine out why the member has not renewed his membership. Members of the membership committee can assist the commander, but only the commander can correct the problem!

At the convention we were informed that The American Legion had been asked, and were expected, to support the Heroes to Hometown program (H2H), by the Department of Defense. We will augment the Severely Injured Support Programs: Army Wounded Warrior, Marine Corps Wounded Marine Regiment, Air Force Place HARTE and Navy Safe Harbor. More information on this subject will be available and the next 20th District meeting at Post 592, Converse, Texas.

SPRING CONVENTION

April 4, 6PM-? Candidates hospitality room
April 5, 0900 Convention committees
April 5, 1PM Convention
April 5, 6PM Law and Order Banquet & Joint Session
April 5, 0800 Memorial Service
April 6, 0900 Convention and elections

We need your registration as soon as possible. The planning committee needs to get reservations in for the Law and Order Banquet and name badges made. Send in your registration today. \$25 whether you go to the Banquet or just the convention. (See page 3)

POST HAPPENINGS

Come out and support the posts of the Mighty 20th District. Here are just a few of the things that won't fit on the calendar (on page 4):

15—#2—11AM—4 PM Fajita Roundup

Every Sunday—#593—5PM—Dance lessons. \$2 to pay for instructor's time.

American Legion Post 592

Presents

Cajun Heritage Fest,

Gumbo Cook-off & Craft Fair

Pickrell Park, FM 1518, Schertz, TX

Saturday, March 1, 2008

11 am – 6 pm

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC –

FREE ADMISSION

Music - Food - Handmade Crafts

Beer & Soft drinks - Raffles - Cookbooks

Free Parking – Handicapped Accessible

Reservations required for

Cooking contestants

and craft vendors –

Limited space available

phone: 210-789-1733 or 210-590-1863

***Remember: It's not what you paid to join,
It's what you paid to be eligible!!***

**THE AMERICAN LEGION
20TH DISTRICT
SPRING CONVENTION
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

APRIL 5—6, 2008

ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

**REGISTRATION FEE - \$25.00
(INCLUDES LAW AND ORDER BANQUET)**

Post Location _____ NO. _____

NAME MEMBER NO. ADDRESS

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

(USE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADDITIONAL ENROLLMENTS)

Posts are encouraged to pay the registration fee for members of their Post. Those who pay in advance may pick up their badge at the Registration Desk. **On-site Registration fee is \$25.00**

_____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____
(Commander or Adjutant)

(Address) (City) (Zip)

NO REFUNDS AFTER - 4/01/08

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: THE 20TH DISTRICT, DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS
MAIL TO: RONALD CHERRY, 7915 GLEN STONE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78239



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[FEBRUARY 2008]

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 #592 Steak Night	2 Army Nurse Corps Birthday (107th)
3 #399 GM 2:00 PM	4 #800 GM 7:30	5	6 #2 GM 7:30 PM #593 GM 7:30PM	7	8	9 #592 Breakfast #593 Breakfast
10 #667 Breakfast #375 GM 2:00PM #539 GM 2:00PM	11 #485 GM 7:00 PM	12 #592 GM 7:30PM	13 20th Dist Mtg @ #593	14 Valentine's Day	15	16 #593 Darts 7:30PM #2 Fajita Roundup, 11-4PM
17 #443 GM 1:00PM	18 #667 GM 7:00PM	19 #828 GM 7:00PM	20 #566 GM @ Post #2@ 5:00 PM 40/8-Post 2 @ 7PM	21	22	23
24	25 #300 GM 7:00PM #579 GM 7:00 PM	26	27	28 #612 GN 6:00 PM	29 #593 Steaks Sadie Hawkins Day	



Veterans Law Clinic

University of Detroit Mercy School of Law

American Legion Alamo Post #2

3518 Fredricksburg Road

San Antonio, Texas

Wednesday, February 13, 2008

10:00 am to 4:00 pm

**Are you having problems obtaining veterans
benefits? Are you wondering
if you are entitled to disability
benefits?**

The Veterans Law Clinic Provides Free

Military.com

CAREER FAIRS

FREE
Admission!
For all Job Seekers

San Antonio, TX - Career Fair

Wednesday - February 13, 2008

Location: Omni San Antonio Hotel
9821 Colonnade Blvd
San Antonio, TX 78230

Directions: Call 210.691.8888



Your Job Search Ends Here.
Visit military.nationalcareerfairs.com

