

Commander's Call (Continued)

to carry on old ones. Please read this newsletter carefully and pay attention to the calendar both here and on the website for the many events planned. Each needs your support and assistance. Now I am going to issue a challenge. The challenge is simply this: Each Legion Family member must spend one hour over the month of October in direct support of a Legion Family program. This means assisting with our Veterans, Children and Youth, Post projects, or a host of other programs/projects. We, the Legion, Auxiliary, Sons, and Riders, are in desperate need of individuals to step forward and get involved.

We still have vacancies on our Legion Program committees and need more hands for our Post projects. I am asking each to donate one hour to prove that this is not just the Bar at the end of Legion Drive. Ask any officer in the Legion Family what you specifically can do to assist. Do not wait to be asked.... tell someone you want to become involved! I want everyone that takes this challenge to personally email me (nicholas.mills@usa.net), call me (cell 210-833-4253), or drop a note at the Post and tell me what you did. I want to hear from YOU! You may be surprised at the reward!

Don't forget to review the Website or Bulletin Board for the meeting agendas. If you wish to be address the meetings with an item please forward to the Adjutant or me before the meeting. My "Commander's Call for this month will be October 14th at 10:00 am during the monthly breakfast and on October 26th at 7:00 p.m. This is your time to meet one on one and discuss any issues you wish.

"Back to Basics; Forward to the Future!!"

For God and Country, *Nick*

Membership News

By Jack Leanheart, 1st Vice Commander



Hello everyone. This is my first article as 1st vice, so bear with me. At the time of this writing we are only at 50% of our goal of 886 members. There are many Renewals that have not been received. Do not wait until the last minute. Give this some thought.

Both the Dept of Texas and National have announced that they are raising their dues requirements beginning January 1, 2007. The total will be an increase of \$6.00. We currently have to pay 20.00 between them and it is going up to \$26.00. That will leave only \$1.50 of our member dues for the Post. If everyone can renew his or her membership before Jan 1, the post will benefit greatly.

How about another thought? If you have ever entertained that idea of becoming a PUFL, now is the time. After Jan 1st, PUFL dues will increase dramatically. Think of it as saving a great deal of money beginning Jan 1st.

Enthusiasm is growing at the Post. If you haven't visited lately, come on out. See some old friends. Join in on the upcoming events. Help out on Steak Night, Breakfast, or the Flag Program. And, while you are there, RENEW your membership.

Jack



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Auxiliary News (Continued)

Quiz Question: What is the difference between the Constitution & By-Laws and the Standing Rules?

Hope to see you all at the October 4th meeting.

Loyally, Linda



Rider News

by Brad Pierce, Director
Post 593 American Legion Riders



Legionaries, Auxiliary, SAL, and Riders of Post 593, we are off and running. I'd like to thank Jack, John and Dennis for doing a great job over the last two months with the Old Baldy contest. Who would have imagined you would raise \$4200 for the Legion with this event. I also want to thank Bill and Carrie Papa, Brown and Candy Zavala, and Terry and Velma Smith for starting the Legion Grill on Thurs. night. They have increased profits consistently over the past four weeks. We will work with Dave Paris to evaluate the Grill success and continuation. The riders have four major events to support from now until Veterans Day. On September 22 we will represent the American Legion and the American Legion Riders program at Ft Sam's Organizational Day. On 30 September we will ride to the Audie Murphy VA Hospital in support of the "Hell and Back Ride". There we'll present the hospital with hygiene items Carrie Papa collected during the Legacy Run. We will also visit our Veterans in the Long Term Care Ward. The 5, 6, and 7 of Oct we will host some 80 American Legion Riders from NV, AZ and NM. On 6 Oct. these riders will deliver 3 truck loads of comfort items to the Soldier Family Assistance Center at BAMC. Some of these riders will camp out on Legion grounds; and we will provide breakfast for them and a BBQ Fri. night. I ask the Legion to open your doors and welcome our guests. Nov 11 is Veterans Day, an important day to all of us. Our riders will support the Lone Star Cowboy Church in Montgomery, TX. with their ride from Houston to BAMC. They expect almost 1,000 riders to arrive at Ft Sam where they will present the Soldier Family Assistance Center with a check for over \$30,000. We will be responsible with feeding this group of hungry riders. Assistance with any of these up coming events is open to participation by all Legion members and we welcome your help. If interested please contact one of our riders for details.

Very Respectfully, Brad

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