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Commander's Corner

Here we are at the beginning of a new Legion year. With this new year we have new challenges. It will take the assistance of the entire

membership to make the next 12 months successful. But, I know that we can have a great year.

Some of you have asked me what you can expect in the near future. Simply put, we are going to have more events that are FUN! Anybody that came to the Post for the July 4th events saw that. How many of you noticed that the kids were having a good time? That was due to the efforts of Tracy, Irma and Hanna. Thank You, ladies. We always say that we are a "family" which should include the kids whenever possible. I would also like to Thank Darrell Goemmer for organizing the day. We had Horseshoes, Shuffleboard and Darts to go along with the great food. Everyone should be looking for more events like this in the future. Darrell has many things in store for us. I challenge everyone to ask him if you can help. He will not turn you away. On July 12th, we installed the new officers for the Legion and the Auxiliary. It was a nice evening with many people involved. I want to Thank Al Saunders, past 20th District Commander, for being the Installing Officer for the Legion. He always

Auxiliary News

I want to thank everyone that helped with the installation. I also want to thank Sue Mills for serving as our Auxiliary President for the last year (2007-2008). Throughout the year she provided the necessary leadership and dedication for all the programs that the Auxiliary supported. Sue also served as President for the years 2003-2004, and 2004 –2005.

I would like to encourage all the Auxiliary membership to attend our meetings and volunteer to help on a committee for one of the various programs that we support. Being a volunteer is work and is also very rewarding. Call me if you would like to volunteer at (210) 653-8987. If you don't care to volunteer, then just come to the meeting and meet other Auxiliary members and see firsthand the events and projects we support, we would love to see you.

Please mark your calendars for the next meeting on 06 Aug at 7:30 PM, hope to see you all there. The 20th District Auxiliary summer meeting will be at Post 667 in Universal City on 09 Aug 2008 at 1:00 PM.

I look forward to working with the Auxiliary and the total Legion family in accomplishing all our goals. As a team we can accomplish anything.

-Sarah Toten

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finds a way to conduct ceremonies with both dignity and a certain degree of levity. The evening was also special for me because of the members of my family that were in attendance. If you are reading this, Thank You.

The new officers have already had our first Executive Committee meeting and we have addressed several areas that we, as a Post, must improve upon. You will see the changes throughout the year. But, once again, we can not make our Post progress without the assistance of others. So, I challenge ALL MEMBERS to step up and lend assistance when called upon. There is one position that has not been officially filled in over a year. That is Newsletter Editor. Dennis Ducharme and Joe Guastella have done an Outstanding Job with this, but they would appreciate it if someone else would take it over. I know that both of these men would lend assistance to anyone to help get that person started. Come on......there must be someone out there that can take this on.

I look forward to seeing more of you at the Post getting involved. The next two "big events" will be coming up next are the Jubilee Thank You dinner on August 30th and Labor Day. Come out and have a good time. If you haven't visited in awhile, this would be a great time to renew old friendships. If you come by on a regular basis, I am looking forward to seeing you again. Regards,

—Jack Leanhart

Please mark on your calendar for 31 August our Legion's Labor Day Picnic

We'll have games for the youngsters and we'll have darts, horseshoes and shuffleboard tournaments.

We ask that you bring your favorite picnic side dish and the Legion will provide the meat and all fixin's.

The fun will start at 1pm and go until????????????

—Darrell



Chaplain's Corner

Hi Folks,

Davin Cull, Post 667 Commander and ALR 593 member is back in the hospital with pneumonia. As of this writing he's in North East Methodist Hospital at Topperwein and I-35 in Live Oak. His Room # is 311. Stop by some-

time for a visit. I am sure it will make his day and boost his spirits.

If you know of anyone who's sick or is in need of some prayers, please be sure to let me know. For God and Country,

Legion Riders News



In our efforts to raise monies for the American Legion Legacy Fund, the Riders have had a busy July and August looks to be the same.

Both Bexar County and the City of San Antonio presented proclamations to the Riders declaring August 2, 2008, as American Legion Legacy Scholarship Day. These have been of great assistance in bringing awareness to San Antonio and surrounding communities of the Legacy Fund and our efforts in raising monies for such. To aid in educating the community, radio interviews and newspaper article submissions have also been made. The 2nd Annual Legacy Ride, with over 100 riders participating, was not only enjoyable but extremely successful.

All July's activities have been the precursor to Legacy Fund events coming in August, one of which is the Annual Legacy Dinner and the Legacy Scholarship Fund Run.

The Riders have partnered with American Legion Post 2 in hosting this year's dinner. Texas Roadhouse will be providing the meal, the Emmerson Biggins Band will be the entertainment, with a live and silent auction also being held. Tickets can be purchased at Post 593 or by asking a Rider.

Later in August many of our Riders will be participating in the Legacy Fund Run leaving Indianapolis, Indiana heading to the American Legion National Convention in Tempe, Arizona. The Legion Riders Chapter 593 will be presenting the National Commander with this year's donation.

The Riders have had an exceptionally successful year and it could not have been but for the support of our Post 593 Legion Family. For this, we are grateful, and we are looking forward to working with our Legion Family during the upcoming year.

—Candy D. Zavala Historian, ALR 593



2nd Vice News

I want to thank the membership for showing confidence in me by electing me as your 2nd Vice.

Now to the good stuff - your House and Entertainment Committee has been hard at work planning a fun Legion year.

Some of the things that we are planning - a Labor Day picnic (31 August), a fajita/margarita night (13 September), the Legion, Auxiliary, Sons of the Legion and

Riders early bird night (in October), a possible bus trip to a Dallas Cowboys game (date tba), a Post Golf Tournament (date tba), a Heathen Party (in November), Post Christmas Party (December), New Years Eve Party (31 December), a Car/Motorcycle/Parts swap (spring time) and a New Orleans style Mardi Gras party (21 February 2009) and many more events as the year moves on.

I would like to thank all the folks that made our 4th of July picnic a huge success. Would like to especially thank Tracy, Gary, John, and Rick for all of the hard work that they put into the kids games, darts, shuffleboard and horse shoes. Thanks guys!!!!!

—Darrell Goemmer

4th of July Pictures!







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Thank you Party!

Saturday, August 30th
In the Post Hall
We will have a Jubilee Thank You Party
for all the Volunteers and Supporters
Spaghetti Dinner with Salad and Garlic
Bread

Free!!!!

We'll also thank the sponsors. Come out and have some fun and say a great big Thanks the Legion Way!!

New Year's Eve (NYE) Party 2008



Why don't you attend the NYE party regularly? Based on my extensive research and surveys—"THE PRICE" is the answer. My task as this year's chairman for the

NYE party is to - "get more people to buy tickets!!!" My goal is to sell out this year. Therefore I need a big big favor! What would it take for me to get you and your "significant other" to come out this Please e-mail me at post593chairman@yahoo.com or call the Legion at 210-658-1111 and leave your name and number and I will return your call. Unfortunately with the gas and food prices going up for one reason or another - the cost per person has increased. The days of \$25 per person I'm sorry to say are long gone. We have been charging \$50 per person the past few years for a good meal, bar drinks, breakfast, and a good band. I would like to pay a little more and get a great steak (or chicken) meal, premium drinks, good breakfast, and a super band. What do you think? The only other alternative would be to do the good ole "bring a covered dish party" - and to me, that would not be a NYE party. Hope to hear from you!! PLEASE MAKE US PROUD! Thanks.

-Marcelo M. Buckley, NYE chairman.





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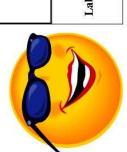
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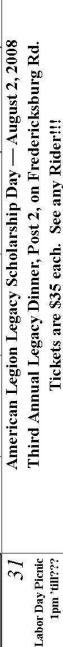


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	Kitchen Open from	On General	Meeting Night	This month, enjoy Emilo's Flauta Plate! The Best in Texas!!!	Only \$5.00	Come Early Come Hungry!	Jubilee Thank You	Volunteers,	Supporters and Sponsors! Free! Saturday





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Dart League 7 pm | Challenge 7:30 pm | Post Exec Mtg. 7 pm | Dart League 7 pm | Friday at the Legion

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Fun starts at 6pm!! 30 August 2008

Jubilee Thank You Dinner,

Riders Grill 6-8pm | Friday at the Legion

Steak Nite, 6-8 pm

Dart League 7 pm

H&E Mtg. 7 pm

Dart League 7 pm | Challenge 7:30 pm

Dart League 7 pm Shuffle Board