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Commander's Corner Auxiliary News

Greetings to all. Is it just me or is time flying by this year? I swear that it was only a few days ago that I was writing my last article for the

Newsletter. That is probably because we have been very active at our Post.

Let me begin by extending my heartfelt Thanks to the people that put our Golf Tournament together. Gonzo and Calvin did an OUTSTANDING job with help from Chrissy. Chrissy also had help at the Registration and in the kitchen. I saw Alice and Ellen in there making sure that all of the golfers got a good lunch. Just as was expected, this event was a success and I am looking forward to next year.

We also had our second Chicken Shoot last month. I know that this doesn't bring in a large amount of cash, however, it brings in a huge amount of FUN! It is amazing how grown people can spout BS until it is time to step up and prove it. That is where the fun starts. I want to thank Debbie Dewberry for getting the donations of chickens. Debbie continues to come through for us and I for one appreciate it. Thanks, Debbie.

Probably the event that will be talked about for the



in the hammock. Yes, I know it wouldn't be productive but it sure would feel good. The weather is pleasant, the air is fresh and the wildflowers are plentiful. Let's not forget Mother's Day is this month. Give mom a

hug and a big kiss or send her a card. If you have lost your mother, remember her and the good times. I have a feeling she will know you're thinking of her.

Though we don't have a whole lot going on this month, we are hosting breakfast the Saturday before Mother's Day and steak night the last Friday of the month. At breakfast all moms will receive a flower in appreciation of their sacrifice. Let myself or Hanna know if you are able to volunteer either of these days. As always, if you can't work the entire time, that is no problem. We would love to have you for the time you can. It's as a team that we make these things happen.

Be reminded that our Unit's Nomination of Officers book is available behind the bar in the canteen. If you know someone interested in a position, *(Continued on page 2)*

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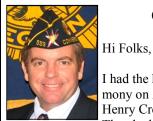
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longest is the day that Gina made Henry an honest man. Ok, Henry has always been honest, but you understand what I am saying. I do not know who did all of the planning so I will not mention names. However, I do know that the efforts put into this event were outstanding. It is always nice to see people that you have known for awhile get together to make each other happy. The wedding was very nice. Henry and Gina, CON-GRATULATIONS! The large number of people that attended is a testament to how much people love and appreciate both of you.

Don't forget to come to the May General Membership Meeting if you wish to nominate anyone from the floor for an Officer Position. And, remember that the person being nominated must be there also. Nominations can not be accepted by Proxy.

Until next month,

—Jack Leanhart Commander



Chaplain's Corner

I had the honor to perform a wedding ceremony on April 17th for Gina Leonard and Henry Creech. It was such a happy day. They had planned for an outdoor wedding but

mother nature had her own ideas that day. Still, in spite of the last minute fine tuning, it turned out to be an outstanding day. They asked me to pass on their heart felt gratitude to all their friends and family for all the hard work and to everyone who came out and made their wedding day special!

For God and Country,

—Dennis



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or maybe yourself, make sure the name is placed in the book and initialed as accepted or declined. Don't be afraid to run for a position thinking you may not know enough about the Auxiliary. We are very fortunate to have a knowledgeable group of ladies within our membership. They are great and willing teachers. Trust me, I know. They have been my go-to ladies on more than one occasion.

For those interested, the Third Division Convention is going to be May 14-16, 2010, at Post 2 on Fredericksburg Road. It sounds like they have an agenda planned that will be both informative and fun. Department President Barbara Kundert will also be attending. For those that haven't met her, you should. She is about as down to Earth as they come, a great lady.

Sarah has done a wonderful job this year with membership and we are just shy of goal. If you have not renewed, please do so. You can leave \$21 in cash or check in an envelope for Sarah Toten and she will make sure to get it processed and your card out to you. Thanks to those recently joining as dual members.

Lastly, I neglected to include Sue Mills in my thank you's for the Lasagna Dinner. Sue provided the ingredients for the salad. We don't get to see a lot of Sue but she does so much for us from the behind the scene. I appreciate all she does and has done over the years for our unit. I'm tipping my hat to you, Sue.

In closing, have a happy Mother's Day and enjoy this beautiful weather. Remember our meetings. They are the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Hall. Come out, get to know your fellow members and learn about our programs. I look forward to seeing you.

Respectfully,

—Candy D. Zavala President, ALA Unit 593



Do you enjoy having the monthly Newsletter delivered to your door, or do you prefer to read it online and print your own Calendar from the Post Website?

Does your household re-

ceive more than one copy each month?

We are looking at ways to cut some postal costs and to purge duplicate addresses from our mailing list. Please come to the May General Membership meeting to discuss.



Friday - Sunday, May 28 - 30, 2010.



Hi Everyone,

Well, the Spring Jubilee is at the end of this month: Fri 28 May thru Sun 29 May in the Converse Park. We need lots of help to set things up at the park on Friday, work the booths throughout the event, and then we need lots of help to tear things down on Sunday at 6pm.

There are sign-up sheets at the Legion. Please stop by and sign-up for a shift or two. We're having a parade this year and we should have a much bigger crowd than last year. Of course, we need people to work the parade, ride on the floats and pass out flags. We're still looking for parade entrants, so if you know of a club or company that would like to enter the parade just let Ken Echerd, Parade Chairman, know and he'll get them in.

As part of our fundraising efforts, we've ordered new Jubilee T-Shirts, Tank Tops and hats. We'll be selling them before and during the Jubilee. We didn't order a lot, so we'll probably sell out. We can order more, but if you want one get it when you see it!

We still need Arts and Crafts vendors, car show entries, Chili and Bean Cook Off entries, horseshoe participants, dunking booth dunkees, Bike Run entries, and of course volunteers to work!

We're looking for two large tents, or several large canopies to provide shelter over the picnic tables, car show sign-up area, etc. If you have a canopy we can use, please contact me.

For God and Country,

--Dennis

Please use the enclosed Jubilee Announcement Page as reference for information and event schedule to encourage friends, relatives and co-workers to visit the event. Volunteers needed! Check the sign-up sheets in the restroom hallway at the Post.



Rider's Report

It's May already, time flies when you're having fun, too bad the weather hasn't been co-operating but some of us have been able to sneak in a few days of riding, the first day of the Ride to Recovery was great as was the ride. Got to give a lot of credit to our Vets that did that ride, first leg was 52 miles and they did it on bicycles, I was tired at the end of the ride and I was on a motorcycle. Never the less, it was a great experience and a good day.

The Rolling Run was a tremendous success and the day's events were well planned and went off without a hitch, everyone I spoke to had a blast. I have to stay away from those auctions though, but I need a few more signs and pictures to complete the bar.

We now are in full speed with the Jubilee, Dennis is pulling the agenda together and I am sure it will also be a well planned event and a success. Tom H. is planning a Sixties Party so get ready for that, he also has quite a unique venue put together and I for one am looking forward to that party.

Remember the Rider elections are upon us and the nomination books are behind the bar, I'm sure we have some members among us that would like to get involved so now's the time. I can't believe the year has passed already, I had a wonderful experience as the Director of the Riders and want to take this opportunity to thank the Executive board for all their hard work, the Committee Chairs and the members of their committees for making the events work, and the Riders for being the group that they are, can't find a better bunch of people anywhere. Thank you all.

—Garry Bean Director, Post 593 Riders



Legion Jubilee Schedule of Events Friday May 28 thru Sunday 30 May, 2010 Converse City Park



Friday, May 28th: 4 pm – 12 am

Carnival, 4 pm – Closing Live Entertainment, 4 – Midnight, Classic Rock & Country Night Food Booths, 4 pm – 11 pm Arts & Crafts Booths, 4 pm – 11 pm

Saturday, May 29th: 10 am - 1 am

Carnival, Noon – Closing Live Entertainment, 1 pm - Midnight, Tejano & Country Night Arts & Crafts Booths, Open at 10 am Children Fingerprinting by Converse P.D., 11 am - 2 pm Converse Pet Shelter, 10 am - 6 pm Blood Mobile, 11 am – 5 pm Food Booths, 11 am – 11 pm Silent Auction Bids / Raffle Tickets on Sale, 11 am - 6 pm Motorcycle Run, 1st Bike out at 11 am Dunking Booth, Noon – 5 pm Opening Ceremony, 1:00 pm - 1:15 pm Square Dancers Dance Demonstration Martial Arts Demonstration Police Department Dog Demonstration Motorcycle Run, Last Bike in 4:30 pm Motorcycle Show, Judging at 5 pm Motorcycle Run and Show Awards at 5:30 pm Silent Auction / Raffle Drawing, 4 pm

Sunday, May 10th – Noon to 6 pm

Chili and Bean Cook Off, Registration Begins at 7:30 am Carnival, Noon - Closing Live Entertainment Car Show, Registration from 9 am - 12 pm Food Booths, Noon – 5 pm Converse Pet Shelter, Noon - 5 pm Arts & Crafts Booths, Noon - 6 pm Face Painting, Noon – 4 pm Dunking Booth, Noon - 4 pm **Cloggers** Demonstration Horseshoe Tournament, Starts 1 pm Chili and Bean Cook Off, Turn-In at 2:30 pm Chili and Bean Cook Off, Awards at 4 pm Car Show Awards, 4:30 pm Fire Department Demonstration Flag Retirement Ceremony, 5:15 pm "What Memorial Day Means to Me" Essay Contest Awards, 5:30 pm Closing Ceremony, 5:40 pm

Band Schedule

Friday – Class Rock & Country Night

1 pm – 4 pm To Be Announced 5 pm – 7 pm To Be Announced 8 pm – 12 pm Wild Oats

Saturday – Tejano & Country Night

1 pm – 3 pm To Be Announced 4 pm – 7 pm Dwight & The Gang 8 pm – 12 pm Tina Y & Grupo Tormenta

Sunday - Get Your Feet aStompin!

Noon – 5 pm To Be Announced



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