

August 2007

COMMANDER'S CORNER

We had a great 4th of July parade. I hope you were able to watch it if you didn't participate. Thanks to everyone who put the effort in the Post float and other units. A special thanks to **Brad Wall** who furnished two cars (a convertible and General Lee) and two friends with a WWII jeep and ³/₄ ton. Because of our effort, we were awarded a prize for "Best Patriotic Float" with a \$250 prize.



L to R Mary Bolin, Jim Bolin, Stephanie Barry (Scholarship Winner)

The Post's goal for membership for the year 2008 will be 396. That is 1% above our paid members for 2007. The recruiting year will run from July 2007 to June 2008. This year, as you may remember, we achieved an "All

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Time High" award for the seventh straight year. In order to do that again and keep the streak going, we will need 397 members this year. Let get an early start. Send your membership in now while you are thinking about it.

I'm sure most of you have read that the Rayford Road Community Center, where we meet, will be sold in the near future. We have tried to find out what might happen to us in that event, but planning has not proceeded that far as of now. We did sign a contract to reserve our meeting dates for 2008 somewhere, so I believe that the community will provide us a meeting place until the new community center can be built.

At the August meeting, some of the students that we sent to Boy's State and Girl's State will attend the meeting to tell us about their experiences. Try to be there to meet these remarkable young adults.

If you have been reading the papers you know we had another soldier, Zach, Endsley, from our area killed in Iraq. He is a nephew of **Pat Turner**, one of our members. Stay tuned to see how you can be a part of the ceremonies for this hero.

Don't forget to volunteer for the Golden Age Games.

For God and Country, Jim Bolin, Commander

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

We passed two motions, one to send \$50 to the 2^{nd} Division to help pay for the American Legion Baseball Tournament, and another to Split the \$250 prize money from the parade with the Auxiliary.

We also discussed possible plans to raise money by running a Putt-Putt golf course in The Market Place. The course is lent to non-profit organizations as a fund- raiser for them. This would be a one-day affair and no cost to us except the time.

VETERAN ADVOCATE

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS Houston VA Regional Center 1-713-383-7842

Montgomery County Veterans Service Office 1-936-539-7842

Your Legislators (Toll Free) 1-877-762-876, 1-888-762-6780

I don't have anything from the Veteran's Advocate this month as Dutch has had a run of bad health. He had his pacemaker reinstalled and is still recovering. He is feeling much better and hopes to be back with us soon.

AUXILIARY NEWS

At the July meeting we passed our budget for the year running from July 2007 to June 2008. We also passed out Perfect Attendance Certificates to **Annie Smith** and **Rosalie Fryer**.

In August we will have the students we sent to Girl's State with us to tell us of their experiences

I'd like to thank all the ladies who participated in the decoration of the Post float for the 4th of July parade. We did good.

Mary Bolin President, Unit 305

POST'S POLICY

American Legion caps will only be worn during official meetings and functions, or when officially representing The American Legion, such as a public ceremony.

POST'S COMMITTEES

The Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation committee shall supervise all matters pertaining to service to comrades in the prosecution of all just claims against the United States or state government, employment, relief, etc.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Announcement Your receipt of this newsletter is based upon the editor having your email address. If you change it for any reason (such as change from Road Runner to Comcast), be sure to let the editor know.

Announcement: Due to lack of funds, future issues of the Bugle will be distributed by email, except for the May issue. It will be announcing the elections in May to the entire mailing list. If you know anyone who gets the Bugle by mail and not by email, please share this information.

SERVICES FOR CPL. ENDSLEY

The funeral service for Army Corporal Zachary Endsley will be this Friday at the Crossroads Baptist Church in The Woodlands at 10 a.m. His procession will move east on Research Forest and onto the I-45 Service Road south until Timberloch.

The services for this soldier are at the same church as for Corey Kosters, and the procession will follow the same route. Therefore, those of you who are able to pay their respects to Cpl. Endsley and want to stand with the Post can meet at the same place as for Pfc Kosters which is Faith Community Church. Be there by 1015. Faith Community Church is at 5505 Research Forest Drive. If you need a ride, be at the office by 1000. If you want to bring your personal 3X5 flag, that's good. Otherwise, just wear you hat if you have one. I will also be wearing a white short sleeve shirt and dark blue trousers which is kind of the traditional summer Legion "uniform".

Jim Bolin

Post Activities

•		Activity Dist. Planning	Meet.	Location Post 618
Mon	Aug 13	Ex. Comm.		Office
Thur.	Aug 16	6 Membership N	Meeting	g Rayford Rd
Mon.	Sep. 17	Ex Comm.		Office
Thru. Sep. 20 Membership Meeting Rayford Rd				
Mon.	Oct. 15	Ex. Comm.		Office
Thur.	Oct. 18	8 Picnic	Shado	w Bend Park
Fri Oct.19 Prep. for Rummage Sale Robinson Rd				
Sat. C	ct 20 R	ummage Sale]	Robinson Rd
Sat. C	ct 27 Fa	all District Meet	ing I	Post 618

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