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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Elections were held last month and the recommended slate was approved. The contested positions of Executive Committee Member At-Large went to **Harlen Thornhill** and **Jerry Mulvihill**. If you have any problems, they are your direct representatives to keep the rest of the Executive Committee straight.

The Second Division Convention was held the weekend of June 17-18. A new Commander, Bill Workman was elected to replace Al Marlow.

The Color Guard of **Pickens Jones, Carl Smith, Jerry Bradshaw** and **Lester Logue** participated in the Parade of Colors at the Memorial Day ceremony at the Veteran's Memorial Cemetery.

Also last month, the Post presented Legion Medals for Academic Excellence and Military Excellence to the JROTC cadets at Conroe H. S., Oak Ridge H. S. and The Woodlands H. S. We also presented our \$500 Citizenship Award and Scholarship to Kim Lewinski of The Woodlands H. S. We were hoping to present three awards, one to each high school in our area, but only received applications from The Woodlands H. S.

June starts off with a bang as our Rummage Sale will be, set up on Friday June 6, sale on Saturday June 7. If you can help, come, if only for a short time. We can use extra help on Friday for set up and Saturday afternoon around 2 p.m. for take down. On Friday we

will start set up at 8 a.m. If you have any items to donate, bring them on Friday or Saturday. Actually about half our sales are on Friday, so we need sales people as well as work horses to move merchandise.

The Panther Creek owners association is inviting all members of the Legion to their picnic on June 14 at 9:30 a.m. to whenever, at Ridgewood Park, The Woodlands. We will be having a membership drive, poppy display, Memory Wall, Memory Quilt signing, etc.

At 6:30 p.m., before our meeting on June 19, we will conduct a Flag Disposal Ceremony. If you have any flags that need to be disposed, bring them by at that time.

During the meeting, District Commander Larry Eary will install the new officers for the year 2008-2009. We need all elected officers to be present, and a cheering section.

The Department Convention in Corpus Christi from June 25 through June 29. If you want to attend, you need to let me know so we can pre-register you for the Convention. It is a good time to learn more about how the Legion works, so try to attend.

For God and Country
Jim Bolin

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Kay Lee, the Montgomery County Veteran's Service Officer gave a presentation on Veteran's benefits prior to the meeting.

The Finance Officer reported that we had assets in the total of \$29,976 as of April 30,2008.

The First Vice Commander reported that we had achieved our membership goal of 396, as we have 403 memberships turned into Department. If you haven't turned in your membership for 2008, you can still turn it in, it just won't count on our Post totals for the year.

We passed a motion to pay the registration fees for attendees to the Division Conference in the amount of \$60.

We also approved payment of \$100 a month for the year 2008-2009 to Advantage Mailing for office and meeting space.

Emery Heuermann reported that the Auxiliary's Spring Craft Festival grossed about \$4000

VETERANS 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

In accordance with section 1084 of the Fiscal Year 1998 National Defense Authorization Act, the Secretary of Defense approved awarding **Cold War Recognition Certificates** to all members of the armed forces and qualified federal government civilian personnel who faithfully and honorably served the United States anytime during the Cold War era, which is defined as Sept. 2, 1945 to Dec. 26, 1991.

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Who is eligible?

All members of the armed forces and federal government civilian personnel who faithfully served the United States during the Cold War era, Sept. 2, 1945 to Dec. 26, 1991. Individuals requesting a certificate will certify that their character of service was honorable. Acceptable supporting document for proof of service is any official government or military document with recipient's name, Social Security Number or Military Service Number or Foreign Service Number, and date of service.

<https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/tagd/coldwar/default.htm>

AUXILIARY NEWS

The Auxiliary joined the Post to hear Kay Lee talk on veteran's benefits that affects everyone.

The Unit presented a Memorial Wreath at the Parade of Wreaths Ceremony at the Veteran Memorial Cemetery on Memorial Day. It was a beautiful day and the ceremony was well attended.

On June 14, Flag Day, the Auxiliary will be participating at the Panther Creek picnic. We will have a Memory Quilt and cards to sign. They will be sent to our troops overseas. Also, we will have Astro Tickets to raffle and a craft table. Do come out and support us.

We will join the Post prior to the membership meeting in a Flag Disposal Ceremony at 6:30 in the parking lot.

Installation of 2008-2009 officers will be held jointly on June 19th with the Post at the regular membership meeting. Cake and punch will be served afterwards.

Mary Bolin
Unit President

POST'S POLICY

Any member who proceeds to the podium during the course of a meeting, must enter by the National Colors and depart by the Post Colors, rendering the hand salute to the National Colors when both approaching and departing.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Joyce McKee had in her possession two ticket vouchers for a British Airway flight to any location where the airline flies. If you are interested in flying on British Airways to a romantic location, you can contact her at 281-367-3354 (H) or 713-818-5643 © to see if she still has them.

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

ANNOUNCEMENT

Proud father Andy Connelly provided the following information. Patrick is a West Point graduate who has served his obligation and went back to school.

[My son... Patrick, who's a member of our American Legion Post 305, graduates from Harvard in June with a dual MBA and Masters of Public Policy!](#)

Post Activities

Day	Date	Activity	Location
Fri.	June 6	Rummage set-up	Robinson Rd
Sat.	June 7	Rummage Sale	Robinson Rd
Sat	June 10	Panther Creek	Ridgewood Pk
Mon.	June 16	Ex. Comm. Meet.	Office
Thur.	June 19	Installation	Rayford Rd.
June 25-29 Department Convention.			
Fri.	July 4	Parade	1 st Methodist Church
Mon	July 14	Ex. Comm. Meet.	Office
Thur	July 17	Member Meet.	Rayford Rd.

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