

POST 305 BUGLE

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

I guess we all can qualify for the "I survived IKE" T-shirt. I saw one for sale at a local store. Probably will be a good seller.

I must admit that the 12 days we were without power were like a vacation for me. I didn't have the computer or the phone to take up most of my time as usual. So, I just sat around and got fat. That vacation mentality has carried over and I am having a hard time getting it in gear. So, the newsletter will be a little late and a little short on news. We all have our memories of IKE, but sharing them is for the bar and a couple of cold ones.

Big events are happening this month and you need to take notice so you can participate.

First will be the Post picnic on the meeting night of October 16th at Shadow Bend Park. I will send the map to the park by separate email as I am unable to attaché to a pdf document. The picnic starts at six and we have a menu of hamburgers, mets, and hot dogs with all the trimmings you would expect. We have a short meeting and then dig in to the food. Dave Lips is looking for four people to cook the meat. Anyone who help should email Dave dave@bettylips.com for instructions and volunteer.

The next day we start preparations for our Rummage Sale at the Robinson Road Community Center. We start setting up at 8 a.m. by bring goods over from storage and unpacking them (while selling to early birds).

We need strong backs and willing workers as the goods are sometimes heavy. Trucks are welcome (with drivers).

The next day, Oct 18th is the official day of the rummage sale and we need people who can bargain with the customers by 7 a.m. Then around 2 p.m. we need the strong backs again to pack the leftovers back to storage.

The next weekend is the District Convention and Post 305 is the host Post. We are holding the Convention at the Conroe Ramada Inn. It is off Exit #84 Loop 336 Conroe, TX. You can come as an observer or a helper. We need both. Registration fee is \$15 and the Post will reimburse you for that. The fee includes a lunch that will be served as part of the Convention. Ther will be a silent auction, a live auction and door prizes for everyone. So come out and have a little fun.

Then on November 1st, the War Memorial Park Committee is holding a dinner/dance at the Conroe Airport. The theme of the event is a WWII era U.S.O. show in hanger 17-A at the Lone Star Airport. Tickets will be \$35 which includes dinner and one alcoholic drink ticket. The proceeds from the event will be used to renovate the War Memorial Park in Conroe. We should try to get out and support this event as it is to benefit our comrades from Conroe who paid the highest price for our freedom. I am sure we can get tickets from **Everett Ison** !-281-300-3007.

Jim Bolin

For God and Country

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

There was no meeting because of hurricane IKE.

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With the passing of hurricane "IKE", our challenges have increased dramatically. This is not to say that we cannot over come and be better for it. Many of our comrades are in need and we all can do something to help. We can send money to the National Emergency Fund at National. Food drives and clothing collected and delivered to the appropriate agencies in the affected areas.

In all this we must remain focused on the many opportunities that may come our way. Let everyone know about the American Legion and what we stand for and what we do. Show our colors by wearing apparel with the American Legion Logo. Ask if they would be willing to join us in our quest to help our comrades in need by joining our organization.

Membership does not take a holiday, nor does it go away as the result of a hurricane. Ask, we can and will meet our membership goals this year because of the dedicated men and women like you.

Bill Workman
2d Division Commander

AUXILIARY NEWS

As everyone knows, our September 18th Meeting was cancelled due to the hurricane.

We want to send our condolences to Thorny Thornhill on the recent death of his wife Pat. She was a longtime member of Unit 305, but because of ill health has not been active for some time.

We will be having a Craft Fair at the new Walmart on Sawdust Road on Saturday November 15th from 7a.m. to 5 p.m. Do come out and support our Unit. The Auxiliary will have a sales table again and we need people to help man it.

October 25th is the 7th District Convention that is being held at the Ramada Inn on I 45 at Loop 336. The 305 Post and Unit are hosting the Convention. There will be door prizes and items for a live auction as well as information on what the District Members have accomplished during the last six months.

On November 8th the Unit will be distributing poppies in honor of Veteran's Day. If you can stop by Krogers at Cochrans Crossings and help, it would be greatly appreciated.

Every year we help a family with Thanksgiving and Christmas. This year's family is Sherry Smith and family. She is Annie Smith's daughter-in-law. Her house was destroyed and looted as a result of the hurricane. We will have more later as to how you can help.

Our next meeting will be the annual picnic with the Post members on October 16th at Shadowbend Park off Lake Woodlands at 6 p.m. Bring a dish to share.

Mary Bolin
Unit President

POST'S POLICY

All members of the Post will carry a spare American Legion application for recruiting purposes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Post Activities

Day Date Activity Location

Mon Oct 13 Ex. Comm. Meet.Office Thur. Oct 16 Picnic Shadow Bend Pk

Fri. Oct 17 Sale Set-up Robinson Rd Sat. Oct 18 Rummage Sale Robinson Rd Sat. Oct 25 Dist. Convention Conroe Ramada

Sat. Nov 1 Dinner/Dance Hanger 17-A
Sat. Nov 15 Aux. Craft Fair Sawdust Walmart

Mon. Nov 17 Ex. Comm Meet. Office Thur. Nov 20 Member Meet. Rayford Rd

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