



AMERICAN LEGION POST 305 “ THE WOODLANDS POST” THE BUGLE



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THINK NOT OF THE PRICE OF YOUR DUES; THINK OF THE PRICE YOU PAID TO BE ELIGIBLE

**POST COMMANDER
PETE KOCH**



COMMANDER'S CORNER

Dear Legionnaires,

Displayed in the box to the right are your new officers for 2015-2016, and they are to be installed at the June 18th membership meeting. Note that the Nominating Committee could not find an eligible and willing candidate for Second Vice Commander, despite getting two other nominations from the floor preceding the vote. I had made the strong suggestion to include in this slate at least a couple of fresh faces with hopefully new ideas. Well, we got the two fresh faces in **Toby Carroll** and **Lacey Homan**, now let's hear those new ideas! I look forward to being free to devote my time to maintenance of membership, an important duty of the First Vice not staffed in the year just ending. I thank the Nominating Committee and its Chairman for a job well done, and have disbanded it.

ELECTED OFFICERS – 2015-2016

Commander-----Jim Bolin
1st Vice Commander-----Pete Koch
2nd Vice Commander----- (Open)
Adjutant-----Pickens Jones
Finance Officer-----Emery Heuermann
Service Officer-----Toby Carroll
Judge Advocate-----Everett Ison
Historian-----Lacey Homan
Chaplain-----Victoria Glover
Sergeant-At-Arms-----Carl Smith
Executive Committeemen:

Position No. 1-----Dayton Denton
Position No. 2-----Win Salter

We will be holding the Installation Ceremony at 7:00 PM on June 18th, following the Unserviceable Flag Disposal Ceremony, with outgoing **District Commander Ed Jarvis** presiding at both. That starts at 6:30 PM, but all participants need to report at 6:00 PM to set up the square. Maestro **Emery Heuermann** will be supplying the field music. We have a quantity of worn, torn, faded, frayed and aged flags to be properly disposed of, but if yours has reached retirement age, bring it along. The location is, as usual, the sunset side of the Community Center, weather permitting. Come early and get a good viewing position!

For the installation in particular, I want all incoming officers to dress alike – dark trousers or slacks (black or navy), white dress shirt or blouse, regulation cap and name plate.

With the hand-off of the gavel to the incoming Commander, **Jim**

Bolin, will come all of the transitional events. The Adjutant will have to certify the credentials of the new officers. The Finance Officer will start collecting input for the new budget. The Commander will decide what Standing and Special committees he wants formed and what assistants are needed.

On Memorial Day, the Color Guard trooped the colors in the “Parade of Colors” at the Houston National Cemetery and the Auxiliary offered a wreath in memoriam. Some of us attended the Memorial Day ceremony at Forest Park Cemetery, joining with the VFW in placing a wreath. Then, we joined the solemn celebrants in Town Green Park to witness the unveiling of the Woodlands Veterans Memorial including the statue “The Way Home”. Post member **Everett Ison** and **Chaplain Victoria Glover** were in the dedication program. I am reminded that The Woodlands Fourth-of-July Parade is only a month off, and it is time to start preparing for that Post/Unit appearance.

I anticipate that **Jim Bolin** will continue to captain the Color Guard but will not be able to always be among its four-member rank. Further, we are losing **Kim Biggerstaff** to her higher office for two years. (We possess an extra American flag for the Color Guard, but no Post flag nor related equipment. That

only allows a static appearance if we have conflicting requests.) We are short of volunteers. If you can carry a flag or shoulder a rifle, step forward and lend a hand.

Dues, your ticket to “good standing”, must be paid for 2015 by the end of June or you have forfeited your Legion membership. If you have not paid your \$31.00 for 2015, you are now “in suspension” and facing loss of membership. At a recent count, Post 305 had 305 members “in good standing”, but we need 322 to meet our goal, and there are 50 of you out there on the verge of becoming ex-Legionnaires. If you are writing a check for 2015, write another for 2016. That will not stop those pesky reminders from National, but will be one less laggard I need to chase as First Vice.

Thanks to **Cheri Lane** and **Donna Milstead** of WICKed Publicity, we have had several radio slots come available to us to push the idea of what we stand for, i.e. the helping of our veterans and their families and the community in general. We have another scheduled for the month of June, and as soon as I get the particulars, I will let you know via e-mail.

If you plan to take in the Division 2 Convention in Bryan on May 30/31, or the Department Convention in Beaumont on July 7/12, please let us know so we can consider you as a delegate and make the appropriate reservations.

Our next meeting will be at 7:00 PM on June 18th at the South County Community Center, with the Flag Disposal Ceremony in advance. This meeting will be something special. The install-

ation of officers will be joint, where District Commander Jarvis and President Stewart will preside. Then, short business meetings, followed by an ice cream and sandwiches social.

For God and Country

Pete Koch

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS **(May 21, 2015)**

Commander Koch opened the meeting in the usual manner. What was unusual is that four new members came to the meeting. All had signed up before the meeting, but had never been to a meeting.

Next came the matter of approving the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on Monday. Since there was not a quorum of officers at the Executive Committee meeting, the intended actions needed votes at this meeting and reflected in the minutes, following votes by the membership. Those approved actions were (1) **Pete Koch** was selected as Legionnaire-of-the-Year: (2) The Post would attend the 10:00 AM Memorial Day Ceremony on May 25th at the Forest Park Cemetery: and (3) The date change for the October Rummage Sale, which the Post approved, was undone based on new info on venue availability. Then, the minutes addendum was also approved to memorialize these actions by membership vote.

The financial report was summarized by **Finance Officer Jim Bolin**, to wit: the General Fund and the Money Market Fund (now combined) held \$9,326.45 the Investment Fund: \$30,721.69; for a Total Assets of \$40,048.14. The significant change downward from last month was due to

paying for the Boy's State attendees. Next, the **Commander** took up the Consolidated Post Report being sent to the Department by the first of June.

Election of officers for 2015-2016 were the next order of business. The results are given on page 1 in the boxed list. This was accomplished by the Commander reading the nominees, one-by-one and calling for added nominations from the floor. There were two such: **Win Salter** nominated **Lacey Homan** for the position of Historian and **Emery Heuermann** nominated **Win Salter** for Executive Committeeman – Position No. 2. Both nominees agreed to serve. The **Commander** also asked again of the membership present for someone to volunteer to be the Second Vice Commander, to no avail. The ballot being as complete as possible, the election of the nominees was unanimously declared by one vote by **Adjutant Pickens Jones**. Subsequently the **Commander** asked that those members now “in suspension” to pay their dues. Forfeiture of membership is automatic, come June 30. We need about 10 dues payments to achieve the goal of 322.

The **Commander** discussed the public relations events in which the Post is involved. Among these are the events on Memorial Day, starting with the pageant at Houston National Cemetery and the dedication of the statue “The Way Home” in Town Green Park, of the most interest to the Post since it involves a member of the Post. As a related result, the Post membership voted to donate \$200.00 to buy a tile paver with the Post 305 engraved, which will be a part of the memorial. It

will bring easy recognition to the Post.

Chaplain Victoria Glover reported she has been taking care of her father who has cancer. Other ailing members she heard from are doing well.

Sergeant-at-Arms (Acting) Harlen Thornhill had no report. **Judge Advocate Everett Ison** told the new members of an organizational concept the Post may consider where an officer could hold more than one position at a time, which would, in effect, reduce the number of officers needed by the Post.

Historian Win Salter reported that work is continuing on the History Books for this year. **Service Officer Dayton Denton** described the amount of help he gets from **Steve McKinsey** and the knowledge that new **Service Officer Toby Carroll** brings to the position. He also mentioned that he is still working on the Chamber of Commerce to sponsor boys for Boys State. He also announced that he has 31 boys to send this year, the most ever by this Post.

Under "For-the-Good-of-the-Post", it was suggested that the members of the Post, and at least the officers, set a uniform code and agree on the same color/style shirt to wear at meetings and events. All present thought that a good idea and agreed upon a navy-blue color polo shirt from the Legion Emblem Sales. The Finance Officer will order the shirts and get paid from the member when he/she picks up his/her shirt. He is taking orders now!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The joint member-

ship was rewarded with a meal of Tex-Mex cuisine and sides provided by the Auxiliary.

ARE WE HAVING FUN YET?

What kind of question is that? And, in the Bugle yet! Well, important to all Posts is the attractiveness of the Post to members and to prospective members – not so much in appearance, but with respect to the feelings you, as a Post member, have when the meeting and any socializing closes. If the Post is doing a good job, its members should go home being glad they went. Perhaps it is just a pleasant feeling about being among other veterans and other attendees; perhaps it was rewarding in some way; perhaps it was FUN!

Post 305 exists, as do other Legion Posts, to accomplish a set of objectives and goals, and many of those are somber, prosaic aims – accomplishment of whatever programs or projects the Commander proposed. The specific actions a Post should elect to permit and finance are the "do-good" programs including fundraising, which can be a chore without a whole lot of enjoyment, beyond the knowledge you and your comrades are making possible such endeavors as sending students to Boys State, providing VA hospitals with welcomed goods for ill or wounded veterans, and offering scholarships to needy teenagers. So, we collectively are volunteers in the never-ending work to implement the programs and initiatives the Post elects to undertake. How does a Post put the "FUN" in fundraising?

For the past year, Post 305 has operated without a Second Vice

Commander, and that is relevant to the topic of this article. The Nominating Committee could not find a candidate for the year ahead. Mickey Fussell, as the last Second Vice, did his best as a sort of "morale officer" on our ship – the officer "primarily charged with providing "the programs that spice up the meetings and attract attendance". The Post's social calendar should reflect several months in advance the activities that will bring out the active members while attracting members less well known.

Our Post is fortunate in having an active Auxiliary Unit, and, although the Unit is a separate entity, its members collaborate on many projects and participate in Post social events, the post-meeting repasts, are an example.

Post 305 lacks the magnet advantage of a Post Home, which fact effectively precludes certain social activities that require a 24/7 base. Given that circumstance, what do we do to make our gatherings more enjoyable and attractive, and what additional activities and events should we adopt or try to enhance the FUN?

Over recent years, the events which have helped to provide social interaction and enjoyment include:

~The Auxiliary's Pot-Luck Suppers (Food!)

~The Annual Chili Cook-Off Contest (Food!)

~The Annual Octoberfest Picnic (More food!)

~The July 4th Parade (No food!)

What other activities are feasible? How should the above be changed to enhance the social experience or to make meetings more pleasant?

Virtually each outing that Mickey arranged and led concluded with a restaurant stop (or was it a pit-stop?). Any Second Vice is challenged to “think outside the box”, where the box may be the SCCC Building, which is often occupied by other associations and events and imposes time limits on Post 305.

Quoting from the “Officer’s Guide”; “The Legion post can and should provide many of the outside contacts for the Legionnaire and family. All events should be scheduled well in advance and publicized. Each post must determine the type of social activities that will appeal to the greatest number of its members.”

More than once, Mickey invited all of you to make suggestions to him for his consideration. “Feather-merchants” promoting snake-oil, insurance, travel or therapy won’t cut it, and neither will the drone of a DVD on training. We need to pull ourselves up by the boot straps and invent some “FUN” things!



VETERANS ADVOCATE

WEST NILE VIRUS – NO VACCINE; NO CURE

West Nile virus didn’t evaporate with California’s drought, say officials who report 2014 was a record high year for the mosquito-spread affliction. They remain concerned for 2015, as dryness exacerbates the prob-

lem instead of abating it. In 2014, 47 states and the District of Columbia reported West Nile virus infections in people, birds or mosquitoes, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says: Overall, 2,122 cases in people were reported to the CDC. Of these, 1,283 (60%) were neuroinvasive (such as meningitis or encephalitis) and 839 (40%) were non-neuroinvasive. Most people will develop no symptoms; about one in five infected people will develop a fever with other symptoms. A few, less than one percent of those infected, will develop a serious, sometimes fatal, neurologic illness. No medications can treat West Nile, and no vaccine can prevent it, according to the CDC. So, CDC experts advise that you reduce the risk of infection by using insect repellent and wearing protective clothing to prevent mosquito bites. To keep mosquitoes away, install or repair screens on windows and doors, and regularly empty standing water from flowerpots, gutters, buckets, pool covers, pet water dishes, discarded tires and birdbaths where the pests breed.

[Source: MoneyTalksNews | Jim Gold | May 04, 2015 ++]

SENATORS WADE IN TO FIX THE VA CLAIMS PROCESSING MESS

Troubled by delays in handling of veterans claims, a bipartisan group of senators is seeking a wide-scale independent review of the Department of Veterans Affairs for mismanagement and changes to improve budgeting and speed up applications. A report released on May 6th by nine senators acknowledged recent efforts by the VA to reduce disability and pensions

claims backlogs but said it wasn't enough. Pointing to the VA's worst performers such as the Philadelphia regional office, they were announcing legislation that would require the GAO (Government Accountability Office) to investigate all 56 regional offices for problems. It was the latest sign of congressional concern that recent findings of mismanagement at the Philadelphia VA — including neglected mail, manipulation of dates to make old claims look new, and alteration of quality reviews — might point to a broader, Department-wide problem. "The VA system again finds itself engulfed in another scandal," said Senator Dean Heller, R-Nev., co-chair of the Senate's VA backlog working group. VA offices nationwide are suffering from poor management, he said, proving "it is time for an overhaul of the entire system."

Senator Bob Casey (D-PA), the other co-chair, said he too was worried that problems were not isolated to Philadelphia. "It's simply unacceptable to have a veteran with a disability wait hundreds of days for his or her claim to be resolved," he said. The VA says there are 161,000 disability and compensations claims on backlog, defined as pending for more than 125 days. That's down from a peak of 611,000 in March 2013. But the VA Inspector General has questioned the accuracy of the data. Based on a review of VA records, the Senate report said the ten worst performing regional offices as, judged by wait times, were Baltimore, MD; Jackson, MS; Reno, NV; Philadelphia, PA; Los Angeles, CA; Chicago, IL; Oakland, CA; Indianapolis, IN; Boston, MA; and St. Petersburg, FL. As of April, the VA's Inspector

General had documented doctored data or other problems at five of the ten offices.

The report calls on the IG to determine whether claims processors should be held to deadlines and calls on the Department to beef up manager training, complete an updated assessment of staffing and budget needs within six months, and keep Congress informed about its transition to an electronic claims systems. Allison Hickey, the VA's Undersecretary for Benefits, has said she does not believe problems in Philadelphia are "systemic" but more likely a case of misunderstood policies. Delays in compensation claims prompted veterans groups to seek changes last year before attention shifted to problems at the Phoenix, VA medical center. The VA ultimately found that patient waits and falsified records in its health network were "systemic," leading to the resignation of VA Secretary Eric Shinseki. [Source: The Associated Press | Hope Yen | May 06, 2015 ++]

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTABILITY WATCH

There have been so many scandals at the Department of Veterans Affairs recently that the House Committee on Veterans Affairs has launched the "VA Accountability Watch" <http://veterans.house.gov/accountability> to keep track of the shenanigans going on at the VA. In the box to the right is the explanation that the House Committee on Veterans Affairs posted on the Committee's website:

The Department of Veterans Affairs provides a wealth of services for some 22 million American veterans, but a rash of preventable veteran deaths, infectious disease outbreaks and benefit and construction delays has put the organization under intense scrutiny.

Despite the fact that multiple Inspector General reports have linked many VA patient care problems to widespread mismanagement within VA facilities and GAO findings that VA bonus pay has no clear link to performance, the department has consistently defended its celebration of executives who presided over these events while giving them glowing performance reviews and cash bonuses of up to \$63,000.

VA Accountability Watch is dedicated to showing America's veterans and the American taxpayers how the department's widespread and systemic lack of accountability may actually be encouraging more veteran suffering instead of preventing it. Consider the example of the former Director of the VA Regional Office in Waco, Texas, Carl Lowe, who raked in more than \$53,000 in bonuses as the office's average disability claims processing time grew to historic levels, forcing veterans to wait longer than anywhere else in the country.

HENRY T. WASKOW; CAPTAIN, U.S. ARMY

If you've traveled the I-35 north of Austin, then you probably zoomed through Belton, a small city of about 15,000 residents. This farming community lies just southwest of Ft. Hood, and it supports two high schools. One of these is named after Henry T. Waskow, a native of Belton and a soldier killed in Italy with more than ordinary notice. His name is also on a Ft. Hood street and VFW Post 4008 in Belton.

Henry T. Waskow, son of a cotton-farming immigrant, grew up in Belton. While he was a student at Trinity College, he joined the Texas National Guard. The guard was federalized as a part of WWII mobilization, and Waskow's unit became the 36th "Texas" Infantry Division. Waskow became commander of Company B, 143 Infantry Regiment. He survived the battle for Salerno, but was killed by shellfire while leading his Company up Monte Sammucro, above San Pietro on December 14, 1943. His body lay on the side of the mountain for several days until a runner could get a mule from the valley and retrieve it. At the base of the mountain, by chance, was war correspondent Ernie Pyle.

Ernie Pyle was present as many casualties were brought down by mule to a cowshed where the dead awaited better transport to the rear. He wrote at length of that experience and mentioned Captain Waskow in particular: *"I was at the foot of the mule trail the night they brought Captain Waskow's body down. The moon was nearly full at the time, and you could see far up the trail, and even across the valley below. Then a soldier came into the cowshed and said there were some more bodies outside. We went out into the road. Four mules stood there, in the moonlight in the road where the trail came down off the mountain. The soldiers who led them stood there waiting. 'This one is Captain Waskow', one of them said quietly. Two men unlash his body and lifted it off and laid it in the shadow beside the low stone wall."*

Pyle's account went on to describe the officers and men

who came along and paid homage to the Captain they served under and loved. Pyle's column describing the event was published on January 10, 1944. So moving was Pyle's account that two film versions of the fighting that surrounded Waskow's death were produced --- one, a 30-minute documentary, called "Battle of San Pietro" by John Houston, and the other, a full-length motion picture called "The Story of G.I. Joe", which starred Burgess Meredith as Pyle. Among the wartime encounters depicted was the Italian campaign, where the role of Captain Waskow was played by Robert Mitchum. The Army insisted that Mitchum be given a fictitious name --- "Lieutenant Walker", in place of the real Captain Waskow. The choice was politically astute because the 36th Division was commanded then by Major General Fred L. Walker.

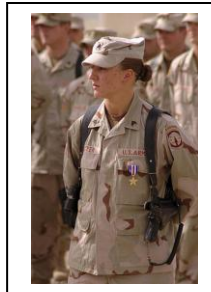
Pyle's column generated stacks of mail to his family, filled with words of comfort and expressions of sympathy. Newspapers throughout Texas and beyond sought a photo of Captain Waskow, but the last one taken showed the officer as a lieutenant. A Bell County photographer had to "promote" Waskow by airbrush, where the updated photo ran on page one of the Temple Telegraph, along with Pyle's account. For his gallantry in action, Waskow was awarded the Legion of Merit, posthumously. By his will, his grave is in Nettuno, Italy, but there is a marker in the family plot in Belton. With Memorial Day just behind us, let us not forget the common American who rises as necessary to fight for his country and gives all in the process! Captain Waskow was 25 years old at death.

[Credits: Texas Military Forces Museum; www.findagrave.com. Foreign Policy Research Institute].

**AMERICA'S SERVICE
HEROS & HEROINES**

**Sgt. Leigh Ann Hester, USA:
Vehicle Commander, 617TH
Military Police Company,
Kentucky National Guard,
operating in Iraq, March 20,
2005.**

**Sergeant
Leigh Ann
Hester,
USA**



Sergeant Hester, along with two other members of her unit, was awarded the Silver Star Medal in recognition of her bravery and leadership when insurgents ambushed the supply convoy her squad was guarding. Her squad flanked the insurgents and cut off their escape route. She led her team through the "kill zone" and into a flanking position, where she assaulted a trench line with grenades and M-203 grenade launcher rounds, clearing two trenches and killing three insurgents with her rifle. When the fight was over, 27 insurgents were dead; six were wounded; and one was captured. Three soldiers of the 617th were wounded. A Guardsman since April 2001, Hester was the first US woman soldier to receive the Silver Star since World War II.

**Lance Corporal Joshua R. Mooi, USMC:
Grenadier, 2nd
Platoon, Company F, Batta-
lion Landing Team 2/1, 13th
MEU, Regimental Combat
Team 2; 2th MARDIV;**

**operating in Anbar Province,
November 16, 2005.**

**Lance
Corporal
Joshua R.
Mooi,
USMC**



Lance Corporal Mooi was awarded the Navy Cross in recognition of bravery in saving fellow Marines when they were attacked by 24 insurgents with automatic weapons and grenades while clearing a town 14 miles from the Syrian border. Corporal Mooi ran into a heavily fortified building to provide support and recover wounded Marines; six times! The insurgents were hunkered down behind furniture waiting when four Marines entered the building and the trap. Mooi and two other Marines ran into the "kill zone" and pulled out two casualties. Mooi then went back in with another Marine and brought out another casualty, passing his Platoon Leader going in. Second Lieutenant Donald McGlothlin encountered heavy fire and was killed by a grenade which had bounced off the back of Mooi. Mooi returned again and recovered the lieutenant's body. Then, Mooi and another Marine fired their way in, cleared the building, and out a rear door. There, an insurgent fired at Mooi at point-blank range. The round lodged in the bolt action of his rifle, jamming it. The other Marine took out the enemy, as they were ordered to evacuate before air cover arrived. Five Marines were killed and 11 wounded. Mooi hadn't received a scratch!

AUXILIARY UNIT 305 NEWS

President Jenny Hamann



Hello My Friends,

Another month has come and gone. May brought our annual Unit 305 elections. Most of us will continue in our current positions. We will have a new Vice President, **Kathy Carroll**, with **Mary Bolin** taking an At-Large position. The rest will remain the same. Here is the list of the incoming officers for 2015-2016.

President: Jenny Hamann
Vice-President: Kathy Carroll
Secretary: Sandie Holzinger
Treasurer: Dayna Salter
Chaplain: Geri Mulvihill
Sgt-at-Arms: Annie Smith
Members-at-Large:
Mary Bolin
Veronica Maiolo
Liz Heuermann

Additionally, **Rosalie Fryer** has agreed to continue in the appointed position of Parliamentarian. We bring a variety of personalities and styles and all together we make a great team. I am so pleased with the quality of our Unit. We truly strive to be real Ladies of Service.

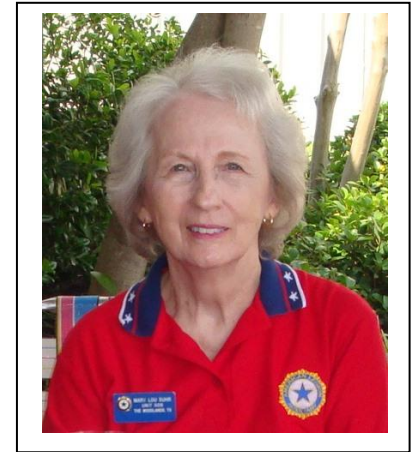
Please come to our meeting at 7:00 PM on June 18th (following the Flag Disposal Ceremony) for the installation of officers, followed by an ice cream and sandwiches social. It will be a joint installation for the Post and Unit 305 presided over by **Seventh District Commander Ed Jarvis** and **Auxiliary District President Leigh-Anne Stewart**. Business meetings will be combined and very minimal – just a few announcements – so we can get to the fun of our social time sooner rather than later.

Memorial Day was perfect out at the Houston National Cemetery. Post 305 was well represented by a very spiffy looking color guard. Our unit provided a wreath which was presented by **Rosalie Fryer**, **Mary Bolin** and me. The rain held off throughout the ceremonies, and we were sent off afterward with just a light sprinkling.

Featured Lady of Service:

With pride I present to you **Mary Lou Suhr**. **Mary Lou** is an asset to our ALA. She and husband **Chuck** have volunteered and worked on just about every committee in the ALA, and **Mary Lou** was always there for **Chuck**. **Mary Lou** has worked the Poppy Committee for many years; she worked Girls State for several years; and is always an asset at rummage sales. She helped husband **Chuck**, as he worked very hard in each rummage sale event. **Mary Lou** did whatever was needed and helped out wherever she could be of

assistance to all committee chairladies. **Mary Lou** is so kind and generous with her time, always doing things with love, perfection, and to completion.



Mary Lou was **Rosalie Fryer's** right hand in traveling to visit Units when **Rosalie** was District and Division President. She did not want **Rosalie** to travel alone at night. **Rosalie**, who contributed to this column, did and does appreciate **Mary Lou**. She says **Mary Lou** would do this for whomever may be in need.

Your Servant,

Jenny Hamann



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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCALE</u>
Sat.	June 6	D-Day: Invasion of Europe (1944)	
Sun.	June 14	Flag Day	
Sun.	June 14	Army Engineers "Family Fun Day"	808 th Engineer Company; Army Reserve Center, I-45 NB Frontage Rd. (No. 13960); 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
Mon.	June 15	Executive Committee Meeting	So. County Community Center @ 7:00 PM
Thur.	June 18	Flag Disposal Ceremony	So. County Community Center @ 6:30 PM
Thur.	June 18	Membership Meetings (Joint Installation of Officers & Ice Cream Social)	So. County Community Center @ 7:00 PM
Sun.	June 21	Fathers Day	
Thur.	June 25	Korean War Commenced (1950)	
Sat.	July 4	Independence Day	The Woodlands' July Fourth Parade
Tues.	July 7 to July 12	Department Convention	Holiday Inn & Suites, I-10 at Walden Road, Beaumont
Mon.	July 13	Executive Committee Meeting	So. County Community Center @ 7:00 PM
Thur.	July 16	Membership Meetings	So. County Community Center @ 7:00 PM
Tues.	July 28	World War I Commenced (1914)	
Sat.	Aug. 1	Air Force Day	
Fri.	Aug. 7	Vietnam War Began (1964)	
Fri.	Aug. 14	Japan Surrendered (1945)	
Mon.	Aug. 17	Executive Committee Meeting	So. County Community Center @ 7:00 PM
Thur.	Aug. 20	Membership Meetings	So. County Community Center @ 7:00 PM

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MEETING DAY & PLACE: The Post and Auxiliary meet at the South County Community Center in The Woodlands at 7:00 PM on the third Thursday of each month. The Auxiliary Unit hosts a pot-luck supper following the meetings. The Center is located on the southeast corner at the intersection of Lake Robbins Drive and Grogan's Mill Road, next to the library.