

July 2025

# AMERICAN LEGION POST 293 NEWSLETTER



## Post News

### COMMANDER'S CORNER

Dear Comrades, Friends and Family:

Once again, I would like to say it has been my honor to have been your commander these past two years. Thank you all for your help, support, and hard work. We've come a long way, but there's plenty of road left.

June was a busy and fun month. The highlight being the Department Convention, where we elected new Department and Area leadership. We won the Outstanding Scouting Program award for the second year in a row! Your officers took a bunch of classes and are more prepared and ready to take over their new responsibilities. Every year we learn more so that every year we can do better.

We've got the Independence Day Parade and Booth coming up on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Please participate where you can and at least stop by our booth and buy some food! See the calendar for details.

Remember that Officer Installation will be at the General Meeting on July 21<sup>st</sup> for all family programs, Post, Son, and Auxiliary. Please do your best to come and RSVP to Paul to ensure we've got enough chow to feed you!

I'd like to wish Paul and the rest of the incoming officers much luck and success in the coming year.

Thanks again for two wonderful years!!!

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY!!!

Dan Carroll  
Commander



### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

- Sons of the American Legion Meeting - July 7
- Independence Day Parade and Booth - July 4
- Finance Committee Mtg - July 13
- No Scouting America Car Wash this month - We're @ Summer Camp!!
- Auxiliary Meeting - July 14
- Executive Meeting - July 14
- General Dinner Mtg and Officer Installation - July 21
- Breakfast - July 26
- Fundraising Meeting - July 27

Be sure to see the full calendar attached to the newsletter.

### TIME TO RENEW!

Contact 1st Vice, Jeff Jernigan to  
renew your membership  
352-214-7323

Ask about 3-year renewals



North Area Caucus - Squint and you'll see Dan and CJ



### FIRST VICE CORNER

Hello Fellow Legion Members,

This is my final first vice corner. As I am preparing to move up to commander next as the incoming commander, I cannot let it go by without reminding you that early bird for membership starts in July and ends mid-August.

Also, as a reminder to my fellow incoming officers, if you have not yet reinstated your membership you are due by Installation Date of July 21st, 2025.

I would like to thank everyone for having confidence in me as the first vice for the past 2 years and the confidence in me to elect me as the incoming commander.

Looking forward to serving you membership and looking to move the post in an upward direction.

I would also like to thank the current commander Dan Carroll for his service as commander these past 2 years, and I know it will be hard to fill his shoes. I hope he enjoys his break.

Paul Warring  
1st Vice Commander/ Incoming Commander,

*Happy*  
**INDEPENDENCE**  
*Day*



# More News



Cindy and Chris with the Auxiliary 105% Membership Award

## AUXILIARY REPORT

Our 2024/2025 year is wrapping up. June started with our Low Country Boil. Another successful and fun event. Unfortunately we only had one team sign up for the corn hole tournament.....maybe we'll get more next year?

Cindy, Irene and I went to Department Convention in Orlando. We picked up some good contacts and ideas for the coming year, one of which we instantly put into action!

We are holding a "Lotto Block" Raffle. 100 tickets will be sold, the winner gets a whole block of Lotto scratch-offs valued at \$300 (Actual prize money: ??? who knows...they will have to let us know how they did). This raffle will fund our first girl to go to girl state this year. You can enter for a chance to win with a \$10 donation. See us at the Legion tent on the 4th of July downtown!

We also brought home a couple of plaques. One was presented to us by D17 President Mary Bryan for being #1 in our District with 291.67% membership, along with a certificate and ribbon. The other plaque was presented by the Department Membership Chair Jan Farrington for reaching more than 105% in membership for the year.

The following week I attended the District 17 planning meeting so we can get all of their important dates on our calendars.

The first one for us will be Installation along with the Post and Sons on July 21st at the General Membership meeting. Hope you can make it!

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# BE THE ONE

<https://www.legion.org/advocacy/be-the-one>

## AUXILIARY REPORT

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Speaking of July: Come downtown to the parade and hang out with us at the Legion Family tent on the 4th. Our next Auxiliary meeting is scheduled for July 14th at 3:30 PM. Hope you can make it. Bring a checkbook or \$30 cash for early bird renewals!!! Cindy has our 2026 cards!

Department workshop is July 25/26 in Orlando. So far I know Irene and Grace said they will go and pick up any good info for us there.

Our next big event will be our Flea Market on August 9th!

For God and Country  
Chris Carroll  
President Unit 293



The Auxiliary having fun during the Membership Parade



North Area Caucus - Where's CJ?

If you have anything to add or mention, please let me know no later than 1 week following the general meeting!

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