AMERICAN LEGION POST 293 NEWSLETTER



Post News

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to this month's Commanders Corner.

First, of all I would like to let you know the ballot vote will be cast the 13th of October at the executive meeting. I would like to thank you for sending in your ballots for us to find a day that may work for all of you.

Also, remember that if you have not renewed yet please see Jeff Jernigan the 1st Vice for all your membership needs.

If you need help figuring out your benefits and need to talk

to someone the Post is open Tues. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., and Thurs 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. for those who can come out a little later in the day.

With Integrity and Honor, Post 293 Commander Paul Warring



UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

- Sons of the American Legion Meeting Oct6
- Pumpkins Arrive Around Oct 10 13
- Pumpkin Patch Open Thru Halloween
- Finance Committee Mtg Oct 12
- Auxiliary Meeting Oct 13
- Executive Meeting Oct 13
- Halloween Movie Night Oct 17
- Golf Tournament Oct 18
- General Dinner Mtg Oct 20
- Campfire and Ghost Stories Oct 24
- Breakfast Oct 25
- Fundraising Meeting Oct 26
- Trunk or Treat Oct 31



TIME TO RENEW!

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

Ask about 3-year renewals



Irene and Lois Donating to Station 17

AUXILIARY REPORT

September was a somewhat quiet month. Recovering from our flea market last month and gearing up for our Holiday Bazaar November 28th.

We had voted on supporting our local Fire Department in one of their fundraising efforts to raise money for new equipment. Irene Koenig and Lois McKaig went out to Station 17 to deliver our donation of \$100 for their cause.

Irene is also still full speed ahead on raising a few more donations for Wreaths Across America, which will take place on December 13th this year. We will be covering 4 local cemeteries this year (up from 2 last year). Contact Irene Koenig at ucfmom9@yahoocom if you would like to contribute. The last day to donate for this year's event is November 14th, so be sure to get yours in soon or you'll be donating early for next year!

Stay tuned for upcoming events...

Chris Carroll President Unit 293



Scout Jacob D'Harlingue Scrubbing a headstone at Pinelawn Cemetary during cleanup event

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

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

PUMPKIN PATCH

Our other big annual fundraiser that is upcoming is the Pumpkin Patch! Pumpkins should arrive sometime between Oct 10 and Oct 13. We'll need plenty of help to put this on, both before to prepare and during to run it.

This fundraiser is for the Post and our Scout units combined as well as the JROTC and it's always been a fun event for ourselves and our community.

Sign ups for run shifts are available at the Post and online. Please keep an eye out. We need to keep the patch open every day between when the pumpkins arrive and Halloween, so that's a lot of time commitment and we need you to help fill those slots.

Setup has changed. We'll have the pallets ready for when the Pumpkins arrive but we'll have to decorate the day of delivery.

Contact CJ (386-336-3482) if you want to help or have questions!



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

CJ Myers, Adjutant/2nd Vice, 386-336-3482

First Vice Report

First off let me introduce myself. I am Jeff Jernigan and I would like to thank you for entrusting me with being your First Vice Commander. I will do the best job that I can for you and the Post.

As the First Vice, one of my jobs is Membership. As of this posting we are at 64.5% on our renewal and new membership. If you have not renewed your membership yet, may I suggest that you do so before December even if you are not due to renew until after that time. This is because in December the price of renewal at the National and Department levels are going to be raised. Therefore, we as a Post must raise our rates for renewal. If you would like to renew your membership, please get in touch with me. I am normally at the Post for Post Watch on Tuesdays from 10:00am until 2:00pm and on Thursdays 4:00pm until 8:00pm. Your more than welcome to come by and have a cup of coffee and talk.

Speaking of Post Watch, we need a better showing on these events. Currently it is the Sgt at Arms and I that have been showing up for the most part. There is a lot that can be accomplished (minor maintenance and house cleaning, organizing cabinets, membership phone checks, etc.) but we need members to dedicate time to assist.

One of my other jobs as the First Vice is being the Post Veterans Resource Officer. The service that I provide is to help Veterans get started on receiving their benefits. As of this writing I am currently helping 3 of our members.

The Rifle Raffle for the Henry Brass 30-30 Lever Action is not doing well at all. The drawing is going to be held on 19 October at the General Membership Meeting. I must say that I am very disappointed in the Post Membership. Only a handful have bought tickets and even less have tried to sell them. We, as members of the Post, need to remember that this fund raiser is not only for the post to be able to fix the drain field, but it is also to help support The Wounded Warrior Project. I still have a lot of tickets that need to be sold between now and the 19th.

Lastly, I would like to talk about our quarterly Post Clean up and building repair day. The date that has been set is November 8th at 8:00am. However, I will be here at about 7:00am if you would like to get an earlier start. The more members that show up to help, the less work on us all, and the more that can get done.



GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our 3rd Annual Golf Tournament is upon us! The 18th of this month will be here before we know it!

Unfortunately we lost a couple of good sponsors and some of the teams from last year are busy doing other 'life' things....but.....we are still hanging in there and working hard to make this a good event again.

It's not too late to dust off your golf clubs or sponsor a hole!

Contact Dan Carroll @ 239-699-1374