

Commander's Call (Continued)

Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah during the end of August. Stay tuned, as this will certainly put Post 593 on the Legion Map. Thanks again Riders!!

Looking ahead, I see great things for our Legion Family. The Early Bird Dinner is just around the corner and the Holidays are not far behind. Our Second Vice, Dave Paris, and his House and Entertainment Committee have been hard at work and have the basic calendar set for the year. Please watch the Newsletter calendar, the Post Website, and announcements around the Post for the latest information on events. Speaking of the Early Bird Dinner don't forget to renew your Membership now. Remember it is not just a card, it is a voice, and we need to be loud and strong.

Now I need to ask for your help. I have a number of Committee positions and special appointments that I need to fill this month. If you can give any time and energy to further our organization now is the time to step forward. We must journey through the next months together in order to be strong. Please contact any member of the Executive Committee or me to volunteer or discuss what is needed.

Don't forget to review the Website or Bulletin Board for the meeting agendas. If you wish to be address the meetings with an item please forward to the Adjutant or me before the meeting. My "Commander's Call for this month will be September 28th at 7:00 p.m. This is your time to meet one on one and discuss any issues you wish.

Don't forget the "Good Ole Style Family Picnic" on Labor Day Weekend, 3 September. The family fun will begin at noon come and enjoy our Family.

"Back to Basics; Forward to the Future!!"

For God and Country, *Nick*

H & E News

By David Paris, 2nd Vice Commander



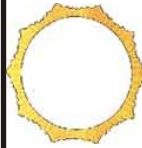
The year is off and running. We have done several things right off the bat to assist our Post have fun while taking care of Legion programs, with more on the way. The House & Entertainment committee has had two meetings already and the year is shaping up well. Check the calendar each month for functions but also check the website at least once a week.

For example, the August "Sock Hop" was a late addition after we went to press for August so omitted on our calendar but it was on the website hope you saw the notice and were able to attend. Burgers and tator tots (serving Thursday nights 6-8) were added in mid-August and hope sales prove we can continue to offer them. Labor Day activities will be big on Sunday, Sept 3rd this year. The family style picnic is geared to the youth during the day (1-4) and adults at night (5 p.m. and beyond).

October is right around the corner and besides the local Night in Old Converse the first weekend we plan on an Oktoberfest, Early Bird dinner, and Halloween parties for the youth and the Post. Lastly, H&E Cmte will now meet the last Wed of the month at 7:30 p.m. We hope that let's us be more responsive for finishing the next month's details as well as keep it fresh for General Membership.

Dave

History of the Legion Emblem: Part 1



The Rays of the Sun form the background of our proud Emblem, and suggest that the Legion's principles will dispel the darkness of violence and evil.

Auxiliary News (Continued)

Sept. 23-24 in Austin at the Crown Plaza Hotel. The 20th District Fall Convention will be held at Post 828 on October 14th at 9:00AM. I encourage all officers and members of the Unit to attend. The Early Bird Dinner is set for Friday, Oct. 20th at 6:00pm. Post Halloween Party is October 28th and the Children's Halloween Party is the afternoon of the 29th.

Ladies, continue to recruit new members and if you haven't renewed yet, set a good example and do so now.

Our next meeting is October 4th at 7:30pm.

Loyally, Hilda

Chaplain's Corner

By Dennis Ducharme, Post Chaplain



My Fellow Legionnaires: It is with deep sorrow that I inform you that one of our own has passed away. Tim Wagner, a member of the Sons of the American Legion, passed away on August 9th. Tim was Dani's husband, Joy's brother, the Sgt-at-Arms of the SAL, and our friend. A memorial service was held at the Post on August 11th. We're going to miss Tim.

In another painful area, September 11th is the 5th year anniversary of the attacks on America by terrorists. In all 2,973 died and another 24 remain listed as missing in this cowardly attack against our country.

Here are a couple of good websites on remembering September 11th: www.timeofremembrance.com, www.remember.gov and www.time.com/time/911.

Dennis

Service Officer News

By Sebastian Rodriguez, Service Officer

Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary R. James Nicholson has announced that the government has recovered the stolen computer that contains the personal data on 26.5 million veterans and service members. This event has already been discussed in in our May and June newsletter issues.

The Legion once again called on the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Bush Administration to keep its original promise to provide free credit monitoring. If you would like more info on this and the current status, please go on-line to:

http://www.legion.org/?section=pub_relations&subsection=pr_listreleases&content=pr_listreleases



Peggy Ann's Kitchen



Peggy Ann's Kitchen will be open on General Membership Night, Wednesday, Sept 6th, from 5 - 7 PM. Come enjoy a great home cooked meal before the meeting for only \$5 Bucks!