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Message from the Commander

Friends, family and Legion members all...

Memorial Day 2023 has come and gone and our Legion once again was host to moving ceremonies in every corner of the State. Our Posts and our Legion Family on all levels stepped up and shared our beautiful Memorial Day Tributes. The words never get old and the music seems to always get better. The love of our nation and our love for those who gave their all for that nation will never die and it is an honor for all of us who stand and remember. This Commander is always moved by the number of family units who are with us on Memorial Day and it is a true gift to be able to be part of these gatherings.



Bryan, our Legion home location, shared the Wall of Remembrance this spring and although the weatherman did not cooperate, it was an honor to welcome the Wall and all those who came to share in it. The Hince crew worked a shift looking up the location of the names of those we lost in Vietnam and sharing how to find the names and how to do the tracing. I got to find my very first boy friends' older brother and John shared the name of one of his VMI football teammates. It was a prayer filled, patriotic experience for all involved. It was 50 years ago but... that day finding and sharing names and stories, it seems like just the other day Vietnam was part of our lives.

One more full month as your Commander and I still find myself on the phone, online and on the road to be part of your activities. Thank you to all who have welcomed me and know how grateful I am for the memories. Not much time left but know I am here for you.

Must make mention of a big thank you I owe to my better half of 50 years (and 5 months but who is counting?!), John Hince has been a true gift to my year. I still get a little taken back when we arrive somewhere and the folks who see our car automatically assume the male is the Commander... We have female leaders across the Lone Star state... We just need to keep growing our leaders... All leaders... At all levels! God bless you all and thank you to my fellow females who set the pace and plan the future.

Thank you as always to Guymon for his patience with me and only one column left!

God bless!
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Bryan Post 159 Memorial Day Event
Submitted by Tom Marty

Memorial Day has special meaning to many Veterans across this great nation, none more than the members of Post 159, in Bryan Texas. Post Commander Dale Hutchcraft started the day by placing a flag on the grave of the post name sake Cyrus Earle Graham, a World War 1 pilot who died in a crash in France just days before the end of the war. She also placed a flag on the grave of past Department of Texas Commander Derek G. Shultz. Commander Hutchcraft expressed how important it is to remember all those that have given their lives for the freedoms we have today. We will never forget those men and women that have given all for their country. Later in the day over 200 people gathered at the post home to remember those veterans. The guest speaker Lieutenant General John B. Sylvester spoke of those friends he had lost in Vietnam and Kosovo. He remembered speaking at the cemetery in Normandy France some 19 years ago, and that there were nearly 1000 WWII veterans in the audience that day. He continued that he did not believe any of those veterans were in the audience at that moment. To his surprise, Post 159 Legionnaire Frank Kochman a veteran of WWII was present. Legionnaire Kochman was asked to rise and was saluted by the general. Kochman served with the "Big Red 1" in France. The ceremony was ended with 3 volleys of musketry by the post honor guard and the playing of taps. Many veterans stayed and spoke about friends they also had lost in conflicts from WWII, Korea, and Vietnam. Local Radio station WTAW broadcasted the ceremony live on the radio, and it can be found on their website.



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We hope you enjoy this issue, and hope you continue to help us grow and improve The Legion Times!

Fred Brock Post 828 Honors the Fallen on Memorial Day

Story by: Fred Brock Post No. 828 Public Affairs



SAN ANTONIO – (May 29, 2023) – Memorial Day is a day about gratitude and remembrance, not just about a day off. It is to remember those men and women who died while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.

In honor of those men and women who lost their lives serving this nation, Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828 held its annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the Post's event center.

The keynote speaker was former USS San Antonio (LPD-17) Executive Officer Cmdr. Stacey L. O'Neal, the new commanding officer of Navy Talent Acquisition Group (NTAG) San Antonio.



Post Commander Burrell Parmer presents a customized license plate to former USS San Antonio (LPD-17) Executive Officer Cmdr. Stacey L. O'Neal. (Photo by Allen Cordova)

“Fred Brock Post No. 828 has a long standing history of supporting veterans through important programs and resources. They have an established platform for those who have given the ultimate sacrifice to live on, and for their stories to be shared and legacies to be continued,” said O’Neal, a native of Greenville, Miss. “There is a power in sharing your story, there is healing in telling your story, not only for those who love us to better understand who we are and how we came to be, but for your legacy to remain long on the earth long after we are gone.”

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Other dignitaries in attendance included District 2 City Councilman Jalen McKee-Rodriguez, former District 2 City Councilman and Legionnaire Keith Toney, and Legionnaire Navy Capt. Kenny Smith, commanding officer of Navy Information Operations Command Texas.

During the ceremony, Post Commander Burrell Parmer read the names of the Legionnaires who entered Post Everlasting: James Campbell, Johnie Hubert, Edward James, Nathaniel Sanders, and Calvin Young.

“Many gave their lives to ensure we can sustain the principles of justice, freedom and democracy,” said Parmer, who serves as the District 2 representative on the city’s Veterans Advisory Commission.

“Our grandfathers, fathers, grandmothers, mothers, daughters and sons paid this price for us. On this Memorial Day, let’s plan to begin to return to some normalcy for the American Legion Family and honor our fallen accordingly.”

Towards the ceremony’s conclusion, the Post Family gathered in front of the Veteran Wall of Honor to hear the Memorial Day Proclamation, the presentation of a wreath, and the playing of Taps.

Afterwards, all were invited to burger and hotdog luncheon sponsored by H-E-B. Later that evening, members and guests were entertained with a live performance by local Old School R&B group NCS.



Post Commander Burrell Parmer reads the Memorial Day Proclamation in front of the Veterans Wall of Honor at Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828. (Photo by Allen Cordova)



Post Commander Burrell Parmer of Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828 presents a certificate of appreciation to H-E-B management of Store No. 211 for sponsoring a hamburger/hotdog luncheon in support of the Post’s Memorial Day Ceremony.



Old School R&B Group “NCS” performed for members and guests of Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828 on Memorial Day. (Photo by Legionnaire Barry Andrews/Post 828)

American Legion Post 174 Hosts 10th District Convention

Submitted by BJ MacMillan, Commander, Post 174

American Legion Post 174 hosted the American Legion 10th District Convention on April 22, 2023, at VFW Hall.

About fifty members of the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary attended the event.

We began the convention with registration and a wonderful breakfast provided by the Unit 174 Auxiliary.

The meeting started with a memorial service for members in the District who passed away in the last year.

At 1000 hours the formal portion of the convention began with Scouts from Troop 1096 posting the colors.

The Mayor of Georgetown, Josh Schroeder, gave welcoming comments. The meeting continued with a short lunch break and ended at 1430 hours.



Douglas Norton, the 10th District Commander, starting the meeting.



Post 174 Commander presenting a Certificate of Appreciation and Post coin to Mayor Josh Schroeder.



Post 174 members Cathy Kohn and William Catron managing the registration desk for the convention



Scouts from Troop 1096 getting ready to Post the colors



District 10 Auxiliary members at the registration table.

The American Legion Baseball Program WHAT IS THAT I AM HEARING? – PLAY BALL!

Well baseball fans every. Here it is the month of June 2023, and four teams have registered for the start of the American Legion 2023 season. Now that the Major League Baseball season is underway now is the time to get your teams ready and play baseball. January 1st, 2023 was the opening for registration and to apply for team insurance. National has made some changes to this year's program and they should help you recruit players.

The 2023 National rules and the State Rules are available so all teams will need to review the 2023 rules, they can be downloaded now. Also don't forget to check with your sponsors and let them know that this year's tournament will be held in Laredo TX. Invite them to come to Laredo and watch their teams compete.

The Department of Texas State Tournament will be held in Laredo Texas hosted by American Legion Post 59. The scheduled dates are July 18-23, 2023. Related information will be sent out as it becomes available for the Motel location and Post 59 address. The Regional Tournament will be held In Fair Field CA from August 2nd to August the 6th 2022. The World Series will be held in Shelby NC from August 10th to August the 15 2023.

Let's make this year 2023 one of the greatest for the number of registered teams and Texas proud. The National Insurance Premiums from K&K Insurance and may be purchased starting on Tuesday February 15 2023 are as follows:

General Liability: Junior Team \$96.00, Junior Team Excess Accident Medical Season \$104, Junior Excess Medical Accidental Medical Annual \$152.00, Senior Liability \$140.00, Senior Excess Accident Medical Seasonal \$123.00. Senior Excess Accident Medical Annual \$190.00.

As a reminder to the ALB Risk Management Guidebook Adult Abuse Awareness and Background Checks must be completed Annually. To use the USA Baseball website to take the Adult Abuse Awareness Certification log on to [Course Catalog \(usabaseball.com\)](https://www.usabaseball.com/course-catalog). Also when completing your background check, select Protected Youth Sports and you can complete your Adult Abuse Awareness there.

The American Legion Department of Texas Baseball program has been around since 1926, when a team from Decatur won the state title.

We need every Post in the state to get involved within their community to sponsor a team. The American Legion Baseball program is a 501(C3) or a 501 (C19) tax deductible program and you can apply to many originations to help sponsor your teams. We can make baseball great again in the state of Texas by working with the various organizations, schools and coaches to find players and build teams. Remember all you have to do is "JUST ASK."

Everyone knows that baseball is one of the American Legion programs that change lives "Just Ask", the old pros and they will tell you, "Baseball is a game of character". Does it achieve its purpose? Yes, it does, better than any other program.



We will be available to help you. All you have to do is "Just Ask". You may contact me or anyone of the members listed below, and we will be glad to help you.

Remember that Legion Programs Change Lives "Just Ask."

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Fred Brock Post 828, Auxiliary Unit Sponsor 12 for Texas Boys & Girls State, present JROTC Awards

Story by: Post Commander Burrell Parmer/828



Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828 is sponsoring six high school juniors to attend Texas Boys State at the University of Texas-Austin in June. More than 75 students from throughout Bexar County and surrounding areas met at Alamo Post No. 2 for a 20th District Orientation Meeting. (Photo by Ret. Army Col. Aaron Braxton)

SAN ANTONIO – (May 22, 2023) – The American Legion is a strong supporter of Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) and ROTC programs across the country.

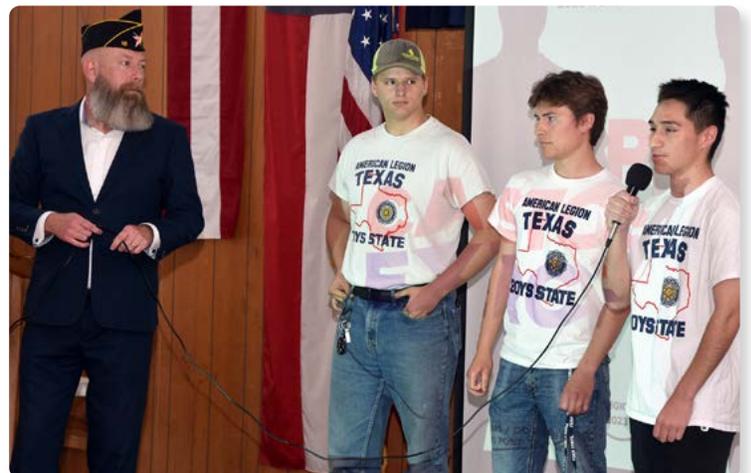
Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828 annually presents Military Excellence and Scholastic Excellence Award Medals to outstanding cadets from Sam Houston, Breckenridge, and Highlands High Schools, all within the San Antonio Independent School District (ISD).

On April 26, Post Commander Burrell Parmer, joined by Executive Committeeman Placement 1 Marcellus Hutchinson and Tesha Leggett of Auxiliary Unit 828, attended Sam Houston High School's JROTC Awards Ceremony presenting the Military Excellence Medal to Cadet Staff Sgt. Kiana Hampton and the Scholastic Medal to Cadet Maj. Danessia Williams.

Additional JROTC awards were presented at Brackenridge High School on May 13 to Cadets 1st Lt. Donovan Cepeda (Scholastic Excellence Medal), 1st Sgt. Shelby Flores and 1st Sgt. Jennifer Rodriguez-Montalvo (Military Leadership Excellence Medal). The Awards ceremony for Highlands High School will be held on May 24.

In support of Texas Boys State and Texas Bluebonnet Girls State, the Post and Auxiliary Unit 828 is sponsoring six boys and six girls for the weeklong programs. The boys will be traveling to the University of Texas-Austin and the girls will be at Texas Lutheran University in Seguin, Texas, in June.

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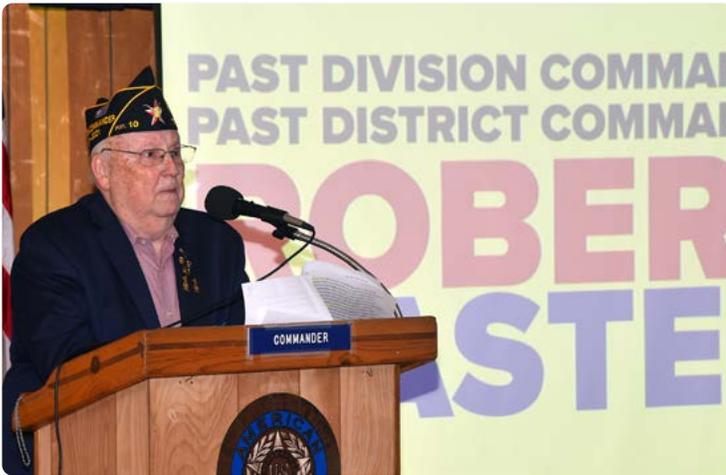
Texas Boys State 2022 Alums spoke with statesmen who will be attending 2023 Texas Boys State at the University of Texas at Austin in June during the 20th District Texas Boys State Orientation Meeting held at Alamo Post No. 2. (Photo by Commander Burrell Parmer/Post 828)



Post Commander Burrell Parmer (right) and Executive Committeeman Placement 1 Marcellus Hutchinson of Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828 present The American Legion Military Excellence Medal to Cadet Staff Sgt. Kiana Hampton



Post Commander Burrell Parmer (right) and Executive Committeeman Placement 1 Marcellus Hutchinson of Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828 present Scholastic Medal to Cadet Maj. Danessia Williams



Past 3rd Division and 20th District Commander Robert Masten of Business and Professional Post No. 10 speaks with statesmen who will be attending 2023 Texas Boys State at the University of Texas at Austin in June

To prepare statesmen for Boys State, the “Mighty” 20th District held its Boys State Orientation Meeting at Alamo Post No. 2, May 10.

The statesmen and their parents heard briefings from District Americanism Chair Eric Mayer (Business and Professional Post No. 10), Past 3rd Division and 20th District Commander Robert Masten (10), and Texas Boys State Counselor Jerry Cheatom (828). Additionally, they had the opportunity to hear from three 2022 Texas Boys State Alums.

American Legion Boys State and Girls State are among the most respected and selective educational programs of government instruction for high school students.

They are participatory programs where students become a part of the operation of their local, county, and state government.

At American Legion Boys State and Girls State, participants are exposed to the rights and privileges along with duties and responsibilities of a franchised citizen.



Texas Boys State Counselor and Legionnaire Jerry Cheatom of Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828 speaks with a statesman and his father

Legionnaires Gather for Dedication of Monument to Women Veterans

Submitted by Tom Marty

On Friday, May 5, 2023 Legionnaires, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion and American Legion Riders gathered to mark the dedication of a memorial to women veterans in the park across the street from Big Bend Post 79 in Alpine, Texas.



MC'ing the event, and orchestrating the fundraising behind the memorial was Auxiliary member Sara Herman. Sara thanked Auxiliary Units 19 Midland, 76 El Paso, 339 Kermit, 430 Odessa, and 832 El Paso for their support of the memorial, which took over 2 years in fundraising, design and creation. Department of Texas Vice

Commander Tom Marty gave an extemporaneous speech about the roles that women veterans have played in all the wars of our country throughout history, which was appreciated by the four women veterans who helped dedicate the memorial. Department of Texas President Myra Cooper and Post 79 Commander Andy Ramos were also on hand to dedicate the memorial.

2nd Annual Golf Tournament Hosted by Post 133 – Temple, TX

Submitted by: Shirley Platt, Historian - Post 133, Temple, Texas

On May 15, 2023, Post 133 hosted its 2nd Annual Golf Tournament at Sammons Golf Course. Twenty-two (22) teams and numerous donations for hole sponsors made this tournament a success. Past National Commander Paul Dillard and Past Department Commander Bret Watson joined in on the fun, along with teams from the Temple Police Department, Bell County Sheriff's Department and other organizations.



Mighty 20th District Supports Our Community Salutes – San Antonio’s Recognition Ceremony

Story by: Post Commander Burrell Parmer/828

SAN ANTONIO – (May 17, 2023) – More than 200 high school students graduating this year from Bexar County and surrounding area high schools were honored during the 12th Annual “A Night in Your Honor” hosted by Our Community Salutes - San Antonio (OCS-SA) at Pedrotti’s Ranch in Helotes, Texas.

OCS is a non-profit organization created in 2009 by Dr. Kenneth E. Hartman to recognize and honor local graduating high school seniors who plan to enlist in the military after high school graduation.

The students represented the range of military services to include the U.S. Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, Coast Guard, and Texas Army National Guard.

The keynote speaker was the 502nd Air Base Wing and Joint Base San Antonio Command Chief Master Sgt. Casy Boomershine.

“I want to thank OCS San Antonio for volunteering their time and resources to put on events like this and to recognize and honor these high school students who have committed to serving this great nation,” said Boomershine, who will retire in the summer. “Thank you to the sponsors, thank you to the families, and thank you to my fellow brothers and sisters in arms who have come out to celebrate our enlistees.”

Post Commanders Sharlene McCuan (Business and Professional Post No. 10), Randall Remaley (Sesquicentennial Post No. 592), Burrell Parmer (Fred Brock Post No. 828) and other Legionnaires within the “Mighty” 20th District attended and provided information on The American Legion during the community resource fair held prior to the start of the program. The fair provided the students and their families with access to educational resources and connections with military support groups.

In addition to honoring high school graduates, the General Colin L. Powell Award for Supporting Military Service Opportunities was presented to Army veteran Josue Castro, a social worker at Medina Valley High School.

Attending this year’s event was OCS founder Dr. Kenneth E. Hartman who expressed his vision of having The American Legion more involved with the honor nights being executed throughout the country.

This year’s presenting sponsor was USAA with title sponsor H-E-B Operation Appreciation.



Post Commander Burrell Parmer of Fred Brock Post No. 828 with Our Community Salutes founder Dr. Kenneth E. Hartman at “A Night in Your Honor”



Command Chief Master Sgt. Casy Boomershine of the 502nd Air Base Wing and Joint Base San Antonio served as the keynote speaker for “A Night in Your Honor”

Post 178 and Lebanon Trail Navy Cadet Corps Team Up To Present the Nation's Colors at the 33rd Lone Star Corvette Classic



Post 178 Color Guard and Cadets presented the Nation's Colors and Service Flags at the 33rd Lone Star Corvette Classic.
Photo Courtesy of John Brady.

On Saturday, May 20, 2023, the American Legion Post 178 Color Guard and cadets from the Lebanon Trail Navy Cadet Corps presented our Nation's Colors and Service Flags at the 33rd Lone Star Corvette Classic at the Marriott DFW Hotel and Golf Club.

Color Guard veterans included Kevin Robinson, Larry Marshall, Larry Wilhelm, Terry Gilbert, Ted Ruybal, and Bill Drake.

Cadets that attended were Nathan Aaron, Christine Antonelli, Jashwanth Bandlamudi, Jashua Dawson, Ian Willink, Karma Roberts, Morgan Williams, and Camila Ciofuli Suarez.

The Classic is a major event of the Lone Star Corvette Club, which was founded in 1982 and has over 1,200 members in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. Proceeds benefit the Speedway Children's Charities and The National Corvette Museum.

The Classic was a two-day event. On Friday, there was an opportunity for parade laps at one of North Texas' premier tracks, Eagles Canyon Raceway. On Saturday, the day was full of sun, great cars, and wholesome fun. It started with a car show at the parking lot and ended with dinner, awards, and a live auction.

Post 174 Welcomes Home One of Their Own

Submitted by BJ MacMillan, Commander, Post 174



American Legion Post 174 welcomed home one of their members returning from the Austin Honor Flight on May 13, 2023. Our Post Finance Officer and Vietnam Veteran, William Catron, departed on the Honor Flight May 12, 2023. Our Pack 151 along with Troop 1096 were there to join the welcome home celebration. The Scouts made welcome home posters. In addition, photos from the trip of Mr. Catron were enlarged to poster size to have at the welcome ceremony. The Pack even brought his wife a bouquet of flowers!

American Legion Post 174 Recognizes Outstanding Scoutmasters of Troop 405

Submitted by BJ MacMillan, Commander, Post 174

On April 24th, BJ MacMillan, Commander, Post 174, recognized three former Scoutmasters of Troop 405 with an American Legion Citation of Appreciation and a Post 174 coin. The Commander served as the Committee Chair for Troop 405 with the three Scoutmasters. She recognized them for all their work in making and keeping Troop 405, a true boy led troop. From left to right are BJ MacMillan, Calvin Gray, Scoutmaster who founded Troop 405, Michael McAlister, Scoutmaster who saved the Troop and built it to success again, and John McEntire, Scoutmaster who kept the Troop going during Covid-19 lockdowns.



Fred Brock Post 828 Legionnaire Elected to Lead Local Nursing Sorority

Story by: Post Commander Burrell Parmer

The membership of Theta Eta Chapter, Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc., held their annual elections re-electing Sandra Evans as president. Evans, a 12-year veteran of the U.S. Army, is a new member of The American Legion joining Fred Brock Post No. 828 in early 2023, along with her husband.

Under her leadership, many within her chapter have joined the Post as either a legionnaire or a member of the Auxiliary. Those include Donna Arbuthnot, Lorri Hays, Tesha Leggett, Amanda Parham, Renee Pate, Rochelle Staten, Sonya Muzyka Velma, Juanita Toni Williams, and Carmen Woods.

When asked why she thought it was important to be a member of The American Legion she stated, "For me, it is humanitarianism. I want to be part of an organization that gives back to the community and be a member of an organization whose mission is to serve others."

According to Evans, who is a registered nurse, it is important to surround oneself with like-minded individuals. It is difficult to find a bond as strong as that which is shared between military members.

She has seen military veterans within her chapter have a higher degree of adaptability, good leadership skills, and a proactive approach to the sorority.

"They have a higher level of integrity and resiliency. They've learned to adapt to new situations and make do with what they have," said Evans, who volunteers at the Post. "They're self-sufficient, trustworthy, and work toward the good of the chapter."

Asked why she chose to be a nurse, she said, "My nurturing nature has been ingrained in me ever since I was a child. When it came to going to college, I had two options: I could either become a nurse or I could become a teacher. Because I grew up with a mother who was a teacher, I wanted a different career path."

She stated that she was very interested in science, specifically biology.

"My understanding of how my body works, how it becomes ill, and how to heal it, has been life changing," said Evans. "Giving others assistance they need to return to full health is what nursing is."

She continued. "My favorite part of my job was knowing that I had saved someone's life or made a difference in their life because of what I had done. To be able to nurture someone back to health is like being in possession of a Midas touch. It is beyond comprehension." Fred Brock Post 828 is extremely proud of Evans and that work that Theta Eta Chapter does in the community.

Theta Eta Chapter is nestled in the heart of San Antonio, and part of the Middle-South Region. They were chartered on Dec. 8, 1984, by 12 registered nurses with a vision of expanding on health promotion and disease prevention, leadership development, mentoring, recruitment, retention and providing nursing scholarships within San Antonio and surrounding communities.



Legionnaire Sandra Evans of Fred Brock American Legion Post No. 828, the re-elected president of Theta Eta Chapter, Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc., welcomes members and families at her chapter's annual R3 Friends & Family Cookout.



Post 315 Amateur Radio Club

Submitted by Chet Rolland



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Amateur Radio has something for everyone. Some people are interested in local and worldwide communications and others in emergency communications or the technical aspects of electronics or antennas.

In May of 2022, The American Legion 315 Amateur Radio Club was unanimously voted in by the post membership. With 15 original members, mostly licensed amateur radio operators, with a wide range of radio and technology interest and skills, we determined to define our GOALS as follows:

- Promote interest in and the advancement of Amateur Radio, and electronics in general
- To promote a good relationship between the American Legion 315 Amateur Radio Club who are licensed radio amateurs and the public through public service activities
- To participate in activities involving or for Amateur Radio
- To be prepared to respond in case of declared emergencies or disasters, to offer Amateur Radio Communications where necessary

Our club offers something for everyone and we learn from each other as well as from the club programs. We provide our members with many opportunities to maximize knowledge and enjoyment of amateur radio through fun, fellowship and unique learning experiences.

The American Legion Post 315 Amateur Radio Club is open to all interested members of the public, who either have an FCC license, or are interested in obtaining an FCC license are welcome. You do not need to be a member of the American Legion or Post 315. We encourage youth to become members of the club. It's easy, fun, educational, and provides a vital service to the community. If you are a Veteran of the Armed Forces, Active-Duty, or Military Reserve, we offer an annual club dues at a discount rate.

The American Legion 315 Amateur Radio Club is a Non-Profit 501(c)19 corporation, and part of The American Legion Amateur Radio Club (TALARC). We are 1 of 59 American Legion Amateur Radio Clubs throughout the United States and 1 of 3 American Legion Amateur Radio Clubs within the state of Texas.

The American Legion Post 315 Amateur Radio Club is an American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Affiliated Club. As an ARRL Affiliated Club, our club receives a commission for every new ARRL membership and renewal we submit to ARRL Headquarters and retain a portion of the dues for each regular membership submitted.



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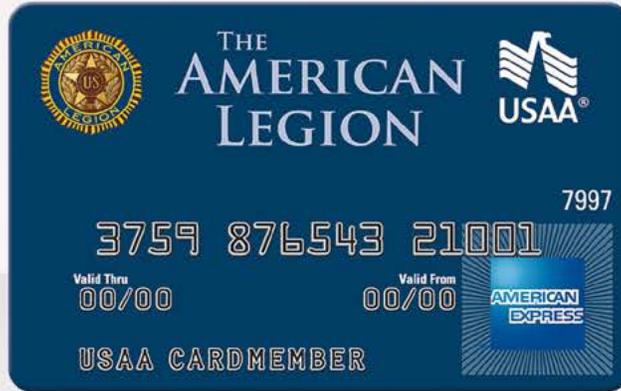
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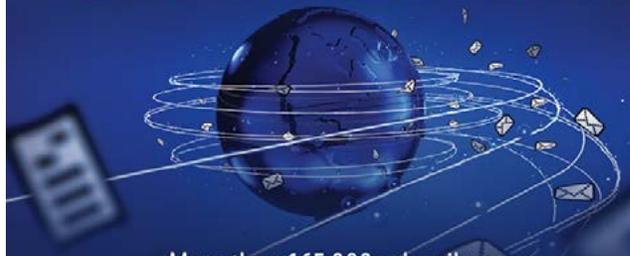
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