
American Legion S. Mike Lacy Post #554

Family Newsletter

THE PATRIOT



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Website: leaguercitylegion554.org

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Greetings,

As another installation approaches, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Post Officers and Committee Chairs/members during this past year. This Post could not exist without the efforts of the people who take the time to step up.

There are a few noteworthy dates in June:

Wednesday, June 14 is Flag Day. Don't forget to fly fly your flag and show your patriotism.

Sunday, June 18, 2023 is Father's Day. Fathers, take some time to share with your families. Many of us missed time with our families due to deployments and other military commitments. In my case, it was during my law enforcement career that my family sometimes took a back seat when duty called. Show them you appreciate them for all they did to support you.

I hope to see you all at the Post.

For God and Country

Tim Dohr, Commander Post 554

Service Officer

This is my last Service Office Report for S. Mike Lacy Post 554. Thanks to the support I got from many of you and I wish the best for the next Service Office and the Post. I gave it my best and hopefully if you came to me for help I didn't let you down. I realize I may have not gotten everyone their desired results but I did try. I'm sure that Chad Crawford will be successful and will have the same support.

VA NEWS:

Reducing loneliness may reduce the likelihood of suicide. Loneliness is among the strongest predictors of suicidal behavior. Loneliness may also be closely Associated with suicidality and poor mental health than other aspects of social connect ion, such as perceptions of social support and interpersonal conflict. Veterans die by suicide at a higher rate than non veterans. Veterans also have experiences during their military service that may be risk factors for suicide immediately following separation from service and throughout the rest of their life, "Do you know anyone at risk"

THOUGHTS OF SUICIDE? Veteran, family or friends. Dial 988 and Press 1- Suicide Crisis Hot line 24/7

For God and Country

Ron Kinney, Post 554 & 9th District Service Officer

Chris's Corner

Well Riders, Summer is almost here!! The kids will all be of out school, college students will all be out of school. Beach traffic will be getting worse with the construction issues on I-45 and other freeways. Stay safe out there and keep your head on a swivel. Wear sunscreen and stay hydrated!

New Riders Officers that have been voted in. Installation of Officers will be Saturday, July 22nd, 2:00PM at S. Mike Lacy Post 554. If there is a valid reason that you cannot, you should start now and identify a Proxy Stand In now to be sworn in on your behalf. I will need to know who that person will be. Additionally, if there are Riders who will become Post Officers, and have never taken "The American Legion Education Institute" training, this must be completed within 30 days of you taking your new position. There is no reason you cannot start now if you like. Please get with me and I can help you find it at Legion.org

I would like to thank all of the Riders who participated on voting for our 2023 Scholarships. The process of awards are now complete. Thanks for another year!

Next Rider dinner will be on Friday June 30th. Riders will be serving the Parrot Head club in addition to Post members and guests. Dine-in or take out. Menu TBD. We will need volunteers to assist before, during and after the dinner. Flyer to follow.

Don't forget, our Riders Annual Crawfish Boil is on Saturday, June 3rd at 1:00PM. This is open to Riders, all Post Members and Post Member friends. \$15.00 a flat and \$30.00 all you can eat. YOU MUST BE ON THE PRE-ORDER LIST TO GET CRAWFISH. The list is behind the bar in the canteen. All guests eating crawfish must also be on the list. We look forward to seeing you all there!

For God and Country
Chris Smith, Director ALR

Son's

Good Day all,
Hope to see all S.A.L members at the next S.A.L meeting on Thursday June 22, 2023 at 7:00PM. We are missing contact information for a lot of S.A.L members. We need updated contact information for your email and phone number. Please update your information.

Congratulations to the 2023-2024 S.A.L. Executive Committee

Commander- Thomas Coldwell II	First Vice – Bill Bellinghausen	Judge Advocate- Travis Bergh
Sgt. At Arms- Tony Huges	Asst Sgt At Arms- Jeff Lacy	Chaplin – Joe Lacy
Adjutant- Rich Huntley	Historian- Jeffery Lacy	

We will be doing a Burger dinner on Thursday June 1st 2023 Before the Legionaire meeting and Thursday June 22nd before the S.A.L. meeting starting at 5:15PM ending at 6:50 PM.

You will see little pink piggies on the bar or on the tables at the post in the canteen. These little piggies are hungry for your change. All the change that you feed to these cute little piggies will be donated to the Child Welfare Foundation.

Starting August 2022 for the 2023 membership cycle dues membership cost are as follows. Eligible new member dues are \$25.00. If you are eligible and are wanting to be a dual member, dues are \$20.00. Dues for eligible members age 18 yr to 1 yr are \$20.00. If an eligible new member joins before his first birthday his first-year dues will be waived.

TheLit.com is legionnaire care life insurance for legionnaires, Sons of the American Legion members, and American Legion Auxiliary Members. It is free to sign up. For more details see the website.

For God and Country
Thomas Coldwell II, Sons of the American Legion Commander

Chaplain's Corner

Greetings to all,
Summer is here, a time for fun and sun. So enjoy yourselves but remember the sunscreen and stay hydrated. Both are important things for us to remember. There is another thing for us to consider. In the Book of Revelation 22:17, we are told to come and drink the water of life. This living water that Jesus offers is free for the asking. This living water that Jesus offers is free for the asking. Jesus will quench our thirst and give us a taste of God, which will cause us to seek our Father and strengthen our relationship with Him.

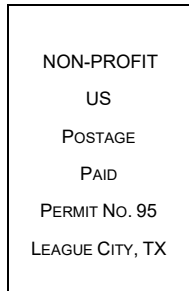
Please join me in praying for our sick brothers and sisters and any unnamed people in our organization.

For God and Country
Bill Day, Chaplain

NOTE TO MEMBERS: If you have access to a computer and have an email address you can receive the newsletter via email. Be sure you have MS Word or Adobe Acrobat. If you would rather receive the newsletter via email, please let Jeanne Brown, Lois Hayman or any officer know and we will remove your name from the mailing list and put it on our email list. In doing this, we will save money on postage, and you'll receive the newsletter as soon as it is complete. We have a lot of members that are choosing this method of delivery so keep 'em coming! You can email Jeanne Brown at jeannebrown123@comcast.net Oh, the joy of the internet! Also – another note: We are a growing family, and we are giving a big shout out to all our members that have birthdays in June, **HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all of You!**

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Legion Post #554 Officers 2022-2023

Commander	Tim Dohr
1 st Vice Commander	Open Position
2 nd Vice Commander	Open Position
3 rd Vice Commander	John Wilson
Post Adjutant	David Dean
Chaplain	Bill Day
Finance Chair	Ron Armer
Service Officer	Ron Kinney
Historian	Laszlo Nyerges
Judge Advocate	Doug Kamien
Sergeant at Arms	Chris Edgar
Asst. Sergeant at Arms	Jim Heldt
Members at Large	Tony Hughes
	Gloria Lewis
	Open Position

Auxiliary Unit #554 Officers 2022-2023

President	Brenda Bonneau
Vice President	Martinas Smith
Treasurer	Carrie Hendricks-Helm
Secretary	Ashli Sample
Membership Chair	Lois Hayman
Chaplain	Sara Lacy
Historian	Donna Brooks
Sergeant at Arms	Virginia Hughes
Asst. Sergeant at Arms	Wendy Heldt
Members at Large	Joan Swiatkowski
	Lois Hayman
	Karen Wiggins
Junior's Director	Open Position
Asst. Jr. Director	Open Position

Sons of the American Legion #554 Officers 2022 - 2023

Commander	Thomas Coldwell II
Vice President	Open Position
Finance Officer	Johnny White
Judge Advocate	Dennis Swiatkowski
Adjutant	Rich Huntley
Chaplain	Travis Bergh
Historian	Open Position
Sergeant at Arms	Brad Dillon
Asst. Sgt. at Arms	Tony Hughes

Legion Riders Post #554 Officers 2022 - 2023

Director	Chris Smith
Asst. Director	Billy Ward
Treasurer	Martinas Smith
Secretary	Doug Kamien
Chaplain	Laszlo Nyerges
Historian	Mike Lee
Sergeant at Arms	Chris Edgar
Advertising Chair	Martinas Smith