

FROM YOUR COMMANDER

I was elected by the National Commander to be on the legislative committee, to meet with the 110th Congress, to discuss V.A. allotments as to where they should go. I have been a member of the American Legion Press Association for years and have had some of my articles published in various magazines, that must have caught some peoples eyes. I have been tutored and supplied with the do's and don'ts from the State, and National officials as what is to be covered when I visit the Capitol Building. I will be leaving on March 26th, and coming back April 2nd. Other committees will be Immigration, Terrorism, Economy, and our Future. I think this is great for our government, to request our presence and give an insight of thoughts to them. Because the American Legion is the only veterans organization still growing, the government pick us. I myself am a member of five other veterans organizations, and I see the declines of memberships in the other organizations, for different reasons. I enjoy "sticking" and working for the American Legion. I remember what Tony Blair of England once said: "Judge a country, like the U.S., by the people trying to get into it, and not leaving it!" Same holds true with the Legion. Nominations will be for the next two months, then elections, for the next years officers. Come out to your post meeting and be counted again!

FIRST VICE

First Vice Commander Post 135 We have had a very nice turn out for the Wednesday Night Potlucks with donations going to the Hospitalized Veterans Fund. Thank you to everyone. Sorry to say, our scheduled Fish Fry had to be cancelled due to cold weather. We had a great time anyway. Carl's Chili days was really good. If you did not come by, you miss a good bowl of chili. Thanks to Carl and others for some of the best Chili there is. Our February meeting was full of excitement, we had a power failure and tried to do business with flash lights but ended up having to cancel the meeting. We will pick up next month where we left off. We did experience a loss of some equipment during this power outage. The Mardi Gras Party was fun and the food was Outstanding. Sorry you missed it. Thanks to Nanc and Roger and others for having this party and some fine food. There are some photos of the American Legion Legacy Run posted on the Photo Albums page. Steve Ridenour represented Post #135, Thank you Steve. I look forward to see some more of our members at the monthly meetings and the lounge and for Potluck night. We have elections coming up very soon so come out and decide who you want to represent you at our post. Bertie is having a planning meeting on March 5, 2008 at 7:00pm for an Easter Holiday Egg Hunt. Please come out and help us to make this a grand event. My best to each of you. Until we meet again or the first time, Bill Johnson Jr.

SECOND VICE

My job is to keep this place running smoothly. It has been quite trying since the power surge on Feb. 13. It seems the problems are not ending ever since. Hopefully after this coming week we will be fixed up. Once a month we will be having a Jam Session. It will be held on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 3:00. If you can play or sing come on down and join the fun. Even if you don't, come in anyway. We have had a couple of trial ones already and they were very exciting. There will be a Fish Fry on March 8 at 3:00 for our members, weather permitting. Just bring a side dish and an appetite.

We will be having our annual St. Patrick's day Party on the 15th. Tickets are on sale now for \$5.00/couple and \$3.00/single. Buy your tickets in advance so we know how much food Nancy needs to purchase and cook. It you were at the party last year you will remember the great food and fun had by all. If you weren't there last year you missed out and make a point in trying to make it this year.

On the 29th of March we will be having a major clean-up inside and out for the District Convention that will be held on April 5th at our Post. We will begin the clean-up at 10:00 am. Bring your brooms, mops and cleaning supplies and your strong body's to help. Or just bring yourself and we will provide the rest. All help will be greatly appreciated to beautiful your Legion. After all the hard work is done, we will order in pizza for all the hard workers.

We are very honored to have the District Convention at Post 135. The meeting begins at 9:00 with a fish fry following at 2:00. Be proud of your post and plan on attending.

We would like to thank Chasidy P. for keeping us in mind when she heard about the Copier that the Copy Shop wanted to donate to someone. She went to bat for us and we now have a nice copier. Also thanks to Rog Faber we have a new steel door installed in the back room and also for taking the time to find us the deal on the flat screen TV. Rog has done alot of job most of us can't do around here. He is a big help and always volunteers his time and tools for the job. We would also like to thank David Lowry for giving us such a great deal on our new Flat Screen TV when our very old TV when out.

There will be a cook-out on the 29th of March for out members. If you want to know what's cooking you will just have to come to the American Legion Post 135 on that Sat. to see.

Thanks Carl

MARCH CALENDAR

March 4, Service Officer 12-3
March 5, Potluck 6:00 Hearty Casseroles Auxiliary Meeting 7:00
March 8, Fish fry for Members 3:00 March 11, Service Officer 12-3
March 12, Potluck 6:00 Mexican
March 13, Meeting 7:00
March 15, Jam Session 3:00, St. Patty Party 7:00
March 17, St Patrick's Day
March 18, Service Officer 12-3
March 19, Potluck 6:00 Oklahoman Food
March 22, Easter Egg Hunt 9-11
March 23, Easter Sunday
March 25, Service Officer 12-3
March 26, Potluck 6:00 Chili/Soup/Stew
March 29, Clean-up 10:00, Pizza for workers

APRIL CALENDAR

April 1, Service Officers 12-3
April 2, Potluck 6:00 Chinese
April 5, District Convention 9:00 Fish Fry 2:00
April 8 Service Officer 12-3
April 9, Potluck 6:00 Anything Goes (Favorite Dish)
April 10, Meeting 7:00
April 12, Game Day
April 15, Service Officer 12-3
April 16, Potluck 6:00 Southern Cookin'
April 19, Jam Session 3:00
April 22, Service Officer 12-3
April 23, Potluck 6:00, Appetizers
April 26, Cookout for the Members
April 29, Service Officer 12-3
April 30, Potluck 6:00 Grill Night
Take whatever you want to grill.