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POST 64 ACTIVITIES



The Wilburn Pioneer 4-H Club took first place for their entry in the Old Soldiers Reunion Parade.

SINGLE

Post 64 received the
"Best Scholarship Program of the Year" Pictured are Dept.
Commander Verlon
Abram, Post 64 Commander Louis Gray and
Department Children &
Youth Chairman Mike
Westergren.

Honor Guard members prepare to present colors at beauty pageant.



Commander Louis Gray and Adjutant Wally Rosier donate to Single Parent Scholarship Fund.



Post 64 Adjutant
Wallace Rosier being
presented with
The Department
American Legion
Recruiter of the Year
Membership Award
for the Department
of Arkansas by
Verlon Abram.



POST INFORMATION



Commander Louis Gray and Adjutant Wally Rosier presenting a sponsorship check to the Heber Springs Rotary Club.

The early Bird Dinner will be held on Sunday, October 2nd at 1:00PM.
Please make sure you have paid your dues no later than September 30, 2016 if you plan to attend.

Donations of turkeys for the Thanksgiving Dinner begins on october 1, 2016.

Our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/arpost64 has new Administrators who are trying to keep Post 64 information current. Since this Newsletter is only published quarterly, our Facebook page will help to keep all Legionnaires, Sons, Riders and Auxiliary members informed of upcoming activities. Please go to www.facebook.com/arpost64 and Like the page. So far, we only have 97 likes. Let's get it up to 500! Photos taken at Post and community events are posted in albums. If you have pictures taken at Veteran events, please post on our page.



LEGION NEWS POST COMMANDER LOUIS GRAY

It has been a busy 3 months. First I attended the Department of Arkansas convention where your post received a letter of appreciation from the Department Commander for the Post's hard work and support of the convention. Wally Rosier won the Recruiter of the Year and Gold Brigade. Post 64 also won awards for best Americanism, Children's Youth Program and Scholarship for a large post. Thanks go out to everyone who helped achieved these awards.

On Flag Day, we had the pleasure of the Wilburn 4H Club helping us in the flag disposal. What an outstanding bunch of young boys and girls. They have expressed their intention of getting into Boys State, Girls State, Oratorical contest and "Do not Do Drugs" poster contest. We hope to expand our outreach to home schooled kids.

The Old Soldiers Reunion was a huge success, thanks to a new carnival (Johnson Brothers). We only heard good comments. They will be back next year with some different rides and more vendors. On behalf of the American Legion Post, I want to thank Mayor Jimmy Clark, Grand Marshal, County Judge Jerry Holmes, Chief of Police Bobby Walker and County Clerk Paul Muse for serving as the judges. Hope to have them back next year. Winners of the floats contest were 1st place went to the Wilburn Pioneer 4-H club, second went to the DAV, and third went to the VFW 3543 Tumbling Shoals. We hope to have more floats next year. I personally want the thank everyone who helped make it a huge success.

Working on the 9-11 Field of Heroes, and early bird dinner. Hope to see you all there.

Louis Gray.



LEGION RIDERS NEWS Secretary Tom Thompson

Post 64 Legion Riders enjoyed our ride in Quitman's 4th of July Parade. We assisted the city with Traffic Control for our Old Soldiers Reunion Parade. Kudos to Director Bob Morgan for assisting the Post in organizing the OSR Parade. We enjoy doing our part in serving the Bingo crowd.

We donated 3 Rider entry fees in The Other Side (a volunteer rehabilitation facility) Bike Run. Also, we are sponsors for a hole in The American Legion Golf Tournament at the Air Force Base in October.

If you are a member of The American Legion—Legion naire, Auxiliary, or Sons—get yourself a bike and become an American Legion Rider and ride for the Post, our Veterans, and community.

Ride Safe!!

Tom Thompson



Paul Muse (County Clerk), Police Chief Bobby Walker and County Judge Jerry Holmes judge the Old Soldiers Reunion Parade



S.A.L. NEWS SQUADRON COMMANDER TOM THOMPSON

Looking toward the holidays, we have had an active quarter-year. Concession Booth at Old Soldiers Reunion with carnival revival was very successful. The Squadron purchased new lighting for our events. We cooked July 4th Legion Family cook-out and participated with the Flag Day Ceremony. Again, Squadron officers take an active role as Sons State Detachment officers. Legion Family Cardboard Boat was a great experience working and having fun together. Did Fish Fry Labor Day. Participated on Patriot Day/Field of Heroes ceremony. Were Corporate Sponsors for Relay for Life.

We spent hard-earned proceeds from events and membership on various causes: Camp Quality for Cancer Kids, Legion Golf Tournament, Child Welfare Foundation, Legacy Foundation for children of soldiers KIA, National Emergency Fund for Legion members affected be natural disasters.

Looking forward to our Fun Nite on saturday, November 5th. Watch for details.

Early-Bird Membership Dinner hosted by Post 64 will be October 2nd. Deadline to renew your 2017 membership for this dinner is September 30.

We'll start-up the Post's annual Food Drive after Thanksgiving. Also, the Armory's Toys for Tots campaign heats-up.

For God and Country, our Veterans, Community and Youth programs, Thank-you for all your support! Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas to each of you!

Tom Thompson



HONOR GUARD NEWS CAPTAIN BONNIE TATOM

Your Honor Guard was quite busy this last quarter. We started with the Memorial Day program at Spring Park. It was a nice program and well attended. A nice lunch was served at the post afterwards. We then went to Seven Springs Nursing home with the Ladies Auxillary for a program with the veterans living there. That afternoon four members of the Honor Guard and four Legion members from the Post went to ASU in Conway to be part of the program where Boys State honors the American Legion members. This is an uplifting program and the Boys State really show their appreciation for all the veterans there.

Our next activity was the Flag Retirement ceremony here at the post. We retired a huge pile of flags, some of which were really big. We were assisted by the Sons and the Wilburn 4H Club. We were very pleased this group came to participate. The Color Guard led the 4th of July parade at Quitman. It is a long parade of one mile. It was very hot. We had to change out a couple of the marchers because of the heat, but everyone was OK after they cooled off. We then went to the park for the program. I was priviliged to make the speech for the program. Paul Watt sang the National Anthem and a Lee Greenwood song. We had Hot Dogs and cold drinks.

We performed Military Honors for 3 funerals this quarter. The Color Guard led the Old Soldiers parade. We had to change marchers again as it was still very hot. Then Friday night the Color Guard posted Colors for the beauty contest. It was still warm that night. We had three training sessions this quarter and welcomed a new member from the Sons. We are pleased to have Nathan Longeway join our group.

Bonnie Tatom

Post 64 Legion Riders worked the Hospitality Room for the Department Convention. Thank you Riders! — with Chris Fortenberry, Johnny D. Whitmire, Mike Flick and Tina Hogue Daleure at Wyndham Riverfront Little Rock.





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AMERICANISM NEWS CHAIRMAN BONNIE TATOM

With School starting, these programs will start up again. The Post Scholarship progam will be offered again. The qualifications for this program are that you must have a family member who is a member of our Post. We offer 2 scholarships, one for \$1,000 and one for \$500. This is for graduating Seniors. Enrtry form will be avialable in December. We be looking for Oratorical Contest entries very soon.

Bonnie Tatom

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18 CHRISTMAS DINNER 12 NOON Post closes at 6PM for employee party	19	Pool Tournament 7:30 PM	Junior Shooters 4:00PM	22	Bingo 6:30 PM Legion Has Bingo Kitchen Duty	24
25 CLOSED MERRY CHRISTMAS	26	Pool Tournament 7:30 PM	Junior Shooters 4:00PM	29	Bingo 6:30 PM SAL Has Bingo Kitchen Duty	NEW YEAR'S EVE