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**January - February - March
2017 Newsletter**

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Angie Kisdid
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Post 64 Executive Committee

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Gabe Cothren
Howard Cothren
Terry Drake
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Stan Nuckolls

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**2017
MEMBERSHIP
CARDS ARE
HERE.**

POST 64 ACTIVITIES



Commander Louis Gray & Adjutant Wally Rosier present check to James Anderton & Michael Butts for Hill of Hope Homeless property.



Color Guard at Veterans Day Ceremony



Brian Low starting stencils for lettering on the Duster.



Veterans Day Ceremony at Quitman Schools

A great turnout at the Veterans Memorial in Spring Park November 11, 2016.





POST INFORMATION

Please submit your photos and articles for the newsletter to:
charlottevan@suddenlink.net

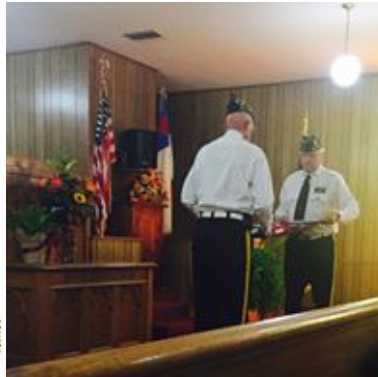
DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER IS MARCH 1ST.

Thank you to the following who generously
 donated a turkey for the Thanksgiving dinner:

Verlon & Sue Abram, Linda Barney, Bob Blahnik, Woody & Jackie Brumback, Ken Day, Terry Drake, Ben England, Mr. Frank, Louis Gray, Butch Glenn, Niki Hampton, Rosemary Hatfield & Ron Boon, John Lindsay, Julia Lynch & Dianne Plummer, Robert & Sandy Marker, Faith Martin, Stan Nucholls, Gabe & Amber and Scott Pruett, Ronnie Shaver, Ken Wahlgren and Angela Waters.



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To left, some members of Post 64 honor Guard. Ken Day and Bonnie Tatom (above) have folded many flags in the past year as part of the final honor for our nation's veterans.



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 135 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 to our page.**



LEGION NEWS POST COMMANDER LOUIS GRAY

This past quarter has been a busy one. First was the 9-11 ceremony honoring our first responders and kick off the Field of Heroes. I want to thank our guest speakers: Sheriff Alan Roberson, Police Sargent Lloyd Wright, Fire Department Doug Perry and Northstar EMS Paul Henley. If you missed THV-11's coverage of the event, I can send you the link, just let me know. Next was the early bird dinner. Thanks to all who attended. If you missed it, you missed a great meal prepared by the best cooks in town, Stan Nucholls and Jack Marston.

November was a pretty full month. If you have not noticed the Twin Duster, take a look. Thanks to Larry Vankeoven, Brian Low and everyone else who helped, it has been repainted and new lettering has just been completed by Brian Low. Great job! Space will not permit listing all the names, but after it is completed, you all are invited to take a group picture for the scrape book. We had a nice crowd for the Veterans Day ceremony at Spring Park, followed by a huge crowd for hamburgers at the Post and then off to closing the Field of Heroes. As usual the Honor Guard's day started at 9am for the Veterans Day appreciation at Quitman School.

If you missed the Thanksgiving dinner, you missed a dandy. Large crowd and excellent meal. Same for the Christmas dinner. It is nice to see a big turnout for these events. Makes me and the crews that put it on feel good.

A big welcome to all our new members who have joined us this year. Hope to see you at our regular meetings.

Hope you had a Happy New Year and join us next year. We have big things coming and we need your input/help.

Louis Gray



LEGION RIDERS NEWS

Director Chris Fortenberry

Your American Legion Riders Post 64 had the honor of participating in a coat and glove drive for veterans in our area. Your generous donations will help many of our veterans stay warm this winter season. Super job Steve Cook for initiating and delivering these needed supplies to our Searcy V.A. Clinic. Also, thank you to Ryan Mays for his help on this project.

We are riding every Saturday, weather permitting.

We've been meeting at the Roadrunner on the by-pass in Heber Springs at 10:00 A.M. with kickstands up at 10:30. I would like to welcome our new members to the American Legion Riders: Woody (Thunder) Brumback and Ryan (Ground Pounder) Mays. Always remember that when you wear that American Legion Riders patch, you are representing the American Legion Post 64.

Ride with pride!

Chris Fortenberry



Commander Louis Gray and Larry VanveKoven helped Dolph Oswald and David Woodard of Woodard Amusement recover the pool table at the Pine Mountain Veterans Home.



S.A.L. NEWS

SQUADRON COMMANDER TOM THOMPSON

As we start a New Year, the Squadron thanks Legion members and patrons for all the support given to us. It is our hope that such support will continue in our efforts to support our Veterans, community and youth.

This past quarter, the Squadron contributed over \$1,300 for community and youth programs, including Relay for Life, Arkansas Children's Hospital, Toy drives, and the Post food drive. We participated in Field of Heroes, the Armory Christmas, Auxiliary's Haunted Hay Ride, painting the Post's Duster/Tank and in the Post's Junior Shooters program.

Our 2nd annual Silent Auction and BBQ Appreciation Dinner was again a big success, helping to provide funds for the various causes we support. Coming up will be the Legion Family Mid-Winter conference in January; several Squadron members volunteer as State Sons Detachment officers. We are planning our Chili Cook-Off for Super Bowl Sunday.

We have Sons Squadron license plates and Legion Family license plates available for \$7.

Be sure to renew your 2017 member cards. Membership is vital to our causes.

Again, THANK YOU for supporting your Sons of The Legion. Keep our troops in your prayers. May God bless America!

Tom Thompson





HONOR GUARD NEWS

CAPTAIN BONNIE TATOM

For the Old Soldiers function, the Honor Guard lead the Old Soldier Parade with 10 members participating. We also posted Colors for the Cleburne Co. beauty pageant . We posted Colors and presented the Flag poem for a veterans appreciation program at the Cleburne Co Fair. We were invited to the Rotary Club to present Colors to open program then Louis Gray and Bonnie Tatom presented the program. We also provided Color Guard for the Fall Festival parade. We dedicated a new flag for the Seven Springs Nursing home and then went inside and visited with veterans and other residents. We discovered their Arkansas flag was faded and worn and provided a new one later. They shared cake and kool aid with us.

In honor of Veterans Day, we were invited to a program at Heber Springs Schools. The Game and Fish department provided a color guard to post colors. All veterans of all services were honored. On Veterans Day we attended a program honoring Veterans at Quitman School where we were asked to post and retrieve colors. We then went Spring Park where the American Legion provided a program Honoring veterans. We posted and retrieved Colors, fired a 3 shot volley and played Taps to the honor of all veterans of all wars. On Saturday we went to South Ridge assisted living and nursing home to visit with with all veterans and families and thank them for their service.

This quarter we participated in 13 funerals. We had 3 people for one where folding the flag and playing taps was all that was desired. The others were from 7 to 10 people. These funerals were in Dennard 2, Clinton, McRaye, Prim, Shady Grove and Heber Springs. This made a busy quarter for the Honor Guard. We had good attendance at our training sessions. We cleaned our rifles and reviewed and practiced procedures. This gave us 415.5 volunteer hours this quarter.

Bonnie Tatom



AUXILIARY NEWS

UNIT PRESIDENT JACKIE BRUMBACK

Dear Members:

Thank you all for a wonderful year!!! We had over 3000 volunteer hours and over 30 volunteers throughout the year. Our American Legion Family is Awesome !!!

Our Field Of Hero's account afforded us to give to the Fire Dept. , the Police Dept. and the Veterans Dept. Programs. I would like to thank Stan Nucholls and Jack Marston for our post dinners and the amazing job they did cooking for our Christmas dinner at the Armory for our National Guard Families, we couldn't have done it without them. Also, thank you to Linda Barney for her tireless effort decorating for all of our occasions this year, we love you!!

I would love to go on and on thanking each and everyone who was there for us this year, but the list is enormous. I will do so in person as I see you.

2017 will be a busy one, starting with our Valentine Dinner Feb.11th. Be Safe and God Bless

Jackie Brumback, Aux. President



AMERICANISM NEWS

CHAIRMAN BONNIE TATOM

Post Scholarship:

The forms are available in the office or the bulletin board.

Oratorical Contest:

We have no entries at this time.

Bonnie Tatom

JANUARY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 	2	3 Legion Riders Meeting 6:00 PM Pool Tournament 7:30 PM	4	5 S.A.L. Meeting 6:00 PM	6 Bingo 6:30 PM	7
8 Post Executive Board Meeting 1:30 PM Pool Tournament 3:00 PM Junior Shooters 4:00 PM	9	10 Pool Tournament 7:30 PM	11	12 General Membership Meeting 6:30 PM Auxiliary Meeting 6:30 PM Honor Guard Meeting 7:30 PM	13 Mid Winter Conference NO BINGO	14 Mid Winter Conference
15 Pool Tournament 3:00 PM Junior Shooters 4:00 PM	16 Robert E. Lee Birthday 	17 Pool Tournament 7:30 PM	18 Junior Shooters 4:00PM	19	20  Bingo 6:30 PM	21
22 Pool Tournament 3:00 PM Junior Shooters 4:00 PM	23	24 Pool Tournament 7:30 PM	25 Junior Shooters 4:00PM	26	27 Bingo 6:30 PM	28
29 Pool Tournament 3:00 PM Junior Shooters 4:00 PM	30	31 Pool Tournament 7:30 PM	7	 Do your duty in all things... You cannot do more; you should never wish to do less. Robert E. Lee 1807-1870		

FEBRUARY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<p>The SONS of the American Legion Post 64 will have their annual Super Bowl Sunday Cook-off on Sunday, February 5th.</p>		<p>1</p> <p>Junior Shooters 4:00PM</p>	<p>2</p>  <p>S.A.L. Meeting 6:00 PM</p>	<p>3</p>  <p>Bingo 6:30 PM</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5</p> <p>Post Executive Board Meeting 1:30 PM</p> <p>Pool Tournament 3:00 PM</p> <p>Junior Shooters 4:00 PM</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Legion Riders Meeting 6:00 PM</p> <p>Pool Tournament 7:30 PM</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Junior Shooters 4:00PM</p>	<p>9</p> <p>General Membership Meeting 6:30 PM</p> <p>Auxiliary Meeting 6:30 PM</p> <p>Honor Guard Meeting 7:30 PM</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Bingo 6:30 PM</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Auxiliary Valentine's Dinner and Dance</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Pool Tournament 3:00 PM</p> <p>Junior Shooters 4:00 PM</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Pool Tournament 7:30 PM</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Junior Shooters 4:00PM</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Bingo 6:30 PM</p>	<p>18</p>
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<p>26</p> <p>Pool Tournament 3:00 PM</p> <p>Junior Shooters 4:00 PM</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Pool Tournament 7:30 PM</p>	<p>8</p>			

MARCH 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday March 12th. Spring clocks ahead one hour.	 Junior Shooters 4:00PM	S.A.L. Meeting 6:00 PM	 Bingo 6:30 PM	
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