



**\*LEGION NEWS 245\***  
**Apr-May-June 2019**



**COMMANDER'S REPORT:**

We just had our American Legion Birthday Party on March 16<sup>th</sup>. This year is the American Legion's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Continuous Membership pins were given out and we also recognized all members with 40 plus years continuous membership. We also recognized our Past Commanders. Jeff Messinger was named the 2018-2019 Legionnaire of the Year. LeRoy Fey was named for the Distinguished Service Honor Roll. Our next event coming up will be the Joint Memorial Day Ceremony, which will be held on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 11:00am, at the Guadalupe Valley Memorial Park on Hwy 46. Come out and join us in remembering and honoring our fallen veterans.

If you haven't already paid your dues for 2019, please get them sent in as soon as possible to keep your continuous membership years. Your 2018 membership card expired December 31<sup>st</sup>. Come and join us at our regular meetings on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month, at 6:00pm. We will have elections of Officers at the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Hope to see everyone at the Post.

Reno W. Reiley

**1st VICE COMMANDERS REPORT:**

Post 245's 2019 goal for membership is 413. We have 363 renewals; we are currently at 87.8%. The target date to be at 100% is 1 May 2019.

Augie Camacho

**2nd VICE COMMANDERS REPORT:**

Boys State is scheduled for June 9-14, 2019. Interviews were conducted and 19 boys are funded to attend Boys State this summer. The 2019 Scholarship Program will stop accepting applications on 1 April 2019; a selection board will meet to select the recipients for this year. Recipients and their parents will attend the June Legion Meeting to accept their scholarship letter.

Jerry Ramirez

**CHAPLAINS REPORT:**

The Chaplain position is currently vacant.

**SERVICE OFFICER:**

For assistance, contact Marisela Gonzales the Guadalupe County Service officer at 830-379-8870 in Seguin or 210-945-9708 ext. 3 in Schertz respectively.

Jim Barnett

**LEGION RIDERS:**

As we move into our 2nd Quarter, the Enthusiasm of our members is growing with the anticipation of the upcoming events and activities in the warmer months to come. We continue our outreach within our community and in our surrounding communities, always holding steadfast to our beliefs of Americanism and Patriotism. The 100th Birthday Party of the American Legion on March 16<sup>th</sup> was a success and will remain a memorable one. Congratulations to our "Rider of the Year" Felisa Ramirez. Felisa exemplifies all the qualities of a "Rider of the Year", always volunteering and taking the leadership role in almost all activities and events. The "ALR Color Guard" did an exceptional job posting the colors for the Centennial Celebration. The excitement within our membership builds as we get close to our Nut Run VI on May 11<sup>th</sup>. We anticipate a favorable event growing larger each year. Please keep awareness heightened as the warmer months approach along with more activities that will put our riders on the road sharing it with 4-18 wheeled vehicles. Upcoming events at our Post, ALR South Central TX Meet and Greet March 30<sup>th</sup>, Nut Run VI May 11<sup>th</sup>, Lone Star Legacy Run June 16<sup>th</sup>. Membership meetings are held every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month @ 1800.

Kevin Baker, Director

**SONS OF THE LEGION:**

The Sons look forward to our 2nd Annual Car Show on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April. We anticipate a stellar event. We invite our Pillars to join us and enjoy a great show, 50/50 drawing, vote in the "People's Choice Award" and have a wood fired grill hamburger while looking at some awesome Classic Cars! We continue to promote Americanism and Patriotism within our community. Membership meeting are held every 2nd Monday of the Month @ 1830.

Kevin Baker

**ADJUTANT:**

The 2019 dues are \$37.00; if you are interested in renewing your membership, leave your name and money with a bartender or in the office. It was decided by the Executive Board and approved by the Legion membership that the 2020 Legion annual dues will be raised to \$40. This will go into effect on 1 July 2019 when 2020 dues can start to be paid.

Felisa Ramirez



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
H. U. WOOD UNIT 245  
QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER  
April, May and June 2019**



**Dates to Remember:**

Apr. 1 - Executive Board Meeting ó 6:30 pm  
Apr. 4 - General Meeting ó 6:00 pm  
Apr. 29 - Executive Board Meeting ó 6:30 pm  
May 2 - General Meeting ó 6 pm  
June 3 - Executive Board Meeting ó 6:30 pm  
June 6 - General Meeting ó 6 pm

We wish all of you a wonderful Spring!!

**EASTER HOLIDAY HOURS**

Good Friday - NO BINGO  
Easter Sunday ó CLOSED ó NO BINGO

**AUXILIARY KITCHEN**

We can always use volunteers to help in the kitchen on Friday and Sunday Bingo nights. Please think about volunteering just 1 night a month, it would be greatly appreciated. The kitchen is our only source of income to fund all of our donations throughout the year.

**MEMBERSHIP**

Membership Chair Cheryl Grove reports we are still collecting membership dues as of July 1st for the 2019 dues. Dues this year are \$30 for Senior members and \$7 for Junior members. Dues may be mailed to Cheryl Grove at 556 Pleasant Acres Dr., Seguin, TX 78155 or dropped off at the Legion. Please advise Cheryl of any address, phone or email address changes or additions, so you won't miss any correspondence, her number is 830-660-6895. If you haven't given Cheryl your email address, please send it to [cgrove88@gmail.com](mailto:cgrove88@gmail.com).

**FIELD of HONOR**

The First Annual Field of Honor where the members of the community can honor their heroes with an American Flag. Thousands of flags will be on display in perfect rows for public viewing 24 hours a day during the event. You may purchase a flag in honor of a loved one at the American Legion Post 245, 618 E. Kingsbury St., Seguin, TX or on line at [www.healingfield.org/seguin19](http://www.healingfield.org/seguin19) for \$30 with one name per flag. Flags will be on display from June 29<sup>th</sup>-July 6<sup>th</sup> at The Faith Lutheran Church, 1326 East Cedar St., Seguin, TX 78155.

**MEMORIAL DAY**

Memorial Day will be recognized on May 27<sup>th</sup> at the Guadalupe Valley Cemetery at 11 am.

**With our Sympathy**

Our sympathy to Angela Johnson for the loss of her mother and to Wendy Boutwell for the loss of her mother-in-law.

**BIG THANK YOU!!!**

ōThank youö goes to Polly Ruppert for donating all the hats she knits. The Veterans certainly appreciate them, especially this winter and the Auxiliary appreciates you for all your hard work in making the hats!

ōThank youö to Jeff & Wendy Boutwell for donating the donations they received in Memory of Bernice Boutwell, Jeff's mother, to the Auxiliary and to Hospice. You have our sympathy for you lose.

Last but not least, öThank Youö goes to Velma Roberson for donating the money she and her husband, William receive for the aluminum cans. Velma also helps our in the kitchen before and during break on Bingo nights. The Auxiliary appreciates everything you do.

**THE 100<sup>TH</sup> LEGION BIRTHDAY PARTY**

The American Legion Birthday Party was held on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. The Continuous Membership Awards were handed out and the Auxiliary Member of the Year was awarded to Jan Doss.

Happy Birthday Wishes to all our Ladies who have a birthday in April, May & June. We wish you many more!

For God and Country,  
Jan Doss, Auxiliary President

**Apr**  
Apr 1- Legion Executive Board Meeting at 6:30 PM  
Apr 4- Legion Regular Meeting at 6:00 PM  
Apr 2, 9, 16, 23, 30- Bridge at 2:00 PM  
Apr 8- SAL Meeting at 6:30 PM  
Apr 23- Legion Riders Meeting at 6:00 PM

**May**  
Apr 29- Legion Executive Board Meeting at 6:30 PM  
May 7- Legion Regular Meeting, at 6:00 PM  
May 7, 14, 21, 28- Bridge at 2:00 PM  
May 13- SAL Meeting at 6:30 PM  
May 28- Legion Riders Meeting at 6:00 PM

**Jun**  
Jun 3- Legion Executive Board Meeting at 6:30 PM  
Jun 6- Legion Regular Meeting, at 6:00 PM  
Jun 4, 11, 18, 25- Bridge at 2:00 PM  
Jun 10- SAL Meeting at 6:30 PM  
Jun 25- Legion Riders Meeting at 6:00 PM

**AMERICAN LEGION Post 245  
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION  
1919-2019**

**CONGRATULATIONS !!**

**LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR: JEFF MESSINGER**

**AUXILIARY MEMBER OF THE YEAR: JAN DOSS**

**RIDER OF THE YEAR: FELISA RAMIREZ**

**DISTINGUISHED HONOR ROLL: LEROY FEY**