

Well, last month was a very busy month with all of the events that we had going on. I first want to say thank you to everyone that helped with Hurricane Harvey. It was a great success, and we were almost able to fill a tractor trailer with every kind of supply you could think of. The VFW Post in Conroe, Texas was very grateful for what we did for the State of Texas. I also want to say thank you to our Honor Guard for helping us out with POW & MIA Day. I'd proudly say we have the best Honor Guard in the State.

We will be holding another poppy drive and membership drive on November 11th. I will be asking for volunteers on this date. If you have not come out to the post lately I would like to see some new faces. We have done a lot of work around the post and with the dedication of our monument. If you would like to place your name on the monument we have a sign up sheet on the first table when you walk in. It's open to all members and Auxiliary members for a cost of \$50.00 dollars. We have also applied for our Home Depot grant for \$5000.00 If we get approved we will be replacing the floor in the canteen.

We have been involved a lot of community service this last quarter, let's make sure that we are getting credit for it. Please fill out the form that's on the bulletin board or call up to the post and let us know so we can record it for you. I'm working with Comrade Gary Randall on doing an event at the school where he does watch dog.

We now have bands coming in to the post on Saturday nights. Plus, I have talked to Comrade Tobey about getting Karaoke back on Friday nights. We are still working out the details.

If you're an annual member please look at your card to see if it's expired and let's get it up to date. We need younger Veterans to get involved in the post. We don't need to let the VFW membership's get smaller. Everyone has a voice and I need younger Veterans to get involved.

Saying that, if you don't make monthly meetings you don't have a say. I'm just a figurehead that represents this post. I don't have a say, I work for you, the members.

I have a new saying: Stars, Bars, and rank is checked at the door. We all are Brothers, Sisters, and Comrades.

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Sept has been a fast paced month for us, what with 9/11 and POW/MIA (which I'm glad to say we had a good turn out).

On to October starting with our fish fry on Oct 1st at the post. The VFW/AUX dedication of the monument will start at 2pm followed by our Fish Fry.

Our children's Halloween party will be on Oct 28th from 2:00pm TO 5:00pm. There will be games and prizes for best costume and hot dogs and chips. Bring your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews out and have fun. We will not turn down anyone that wishes to help with the party. We of course will need candy for the kids and prizes for best costumes.

Our next taco nights will be Oct 4th and 18th. We need donations and volunteers. You can contact Diane at (479-445-5375) or myself (479-372-1923) if you would like to help with Taco Night or even Hamburger Night.

District Meeting is Oct 22nd here at our post starting at 2:00pm. Our guest will be Department President Vicki McGahhey. Come and meet her and bring your questions.

Also on Oct 20th and 21st the NWA Audio Theater is putting on a play production of "FRANKENSTEIN" with dinner. The cost per ticket will be \$23.00 We need volunteer servers to help, if your interested your can let Joyce Butler know.

Our Commander collected supplies for the Harvey survivors. He took a tractor trailer full of donations from different businesses and personal donations as well. Our Auxiliary also gave a monetary donation. Thank You Chuck Noeltner - good job.

Our next meeting will be October 21st at 10:00 am. We would sure like to see you there.

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