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THE AMERICAN LEGION JONATHAN D. ROZIER POST 164 KATY TEXAS



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Commander's Chatter

By Morrow (Sandy) Krum (Post 164 Commander)

Wow, what an amazing two years it has been. As my time as your commander ends, I want you all to know what an honor and privilege it has been to serve as your commander.

The last two years have shown what this post can do as a united family. The Post, Auxiliary, Sons and Riders working together have accomplished some amazing things. We are recognized statewide as an example of how working together can benefit all our family parts. Membership in the Post and Auxiliary is climbing. We have reached the milestone of 400+ members, and the Auxiliary stands at 80 members. None of this would have been possible with the support of all of you who were willing to be a part of all our events. For those of you who did not get a chance to participate in an event, there are a lot of things coming up that will need your help. Our visibility in our community is a reason for the increase in membership. As the new group of elected post officers take their places, I hope that you will support them at least as well as you have supported the previous officers over the last two years.

I am going to be around at as many events as possible both in the Past Post Commander role and in the new role for me, as the 22nd District Vice Commander.

Again, it has been one of the biggest honors of my life to have been entrusted with the leadership of this post.

National PTSD Awareness Month – June is designated to raise awareness about post-traumatic stress disorder among veterans and active-duty service members, highlighting mental health support and resources



“We few, we happy few,
we band of brothers; For
he today that sheds his
blood with me Shall be
my brother...”

Shakespeare's Henry V



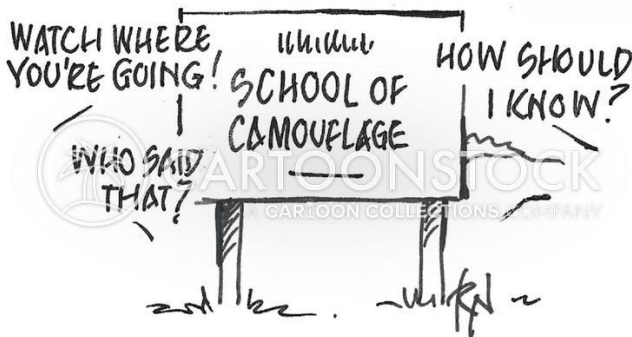
By Dennis Wells (Post 164 1st Vice-Commander)

I am pleased to report that our Post stands at 105% of our membership goal for 2026. Thank you to all members that renewed their membership and those that joined Post 164 during the year. Membership is more than a card or a blue cover. It is an opportunity to serve other veterans, their families and of course the community and nation.

This Post offers many activities to get active and involved. Check out our calendar or meeting minutes to learn about these events and activities. They run from serving on the Honor Guard, helping at information tables or just helping out at the Post. We also have a list of activities on our webpage. Check it out.

Our next membership meeting is June 16th. It is new officer installation and a great way to meet fellow Legionnaires and learn more about the Post and The American Legion. Social Hour begins at 6PM and the membership meeting starts at 7PM.

I hope to see you there!



By Alana Saboor (Unit 164 President)

It was just after Covid that I attended ALA meetings, worked in the kitchen and finally a few years later joined the Auxiliary and to my surprise took the role of Chaplain and then Unit President. I've been surrounded by military men and women for as long as I can remember. I knew early on that my dad played Santa and the Easter bunny at the legion in Pennsylvania. I would see my dad wear his hat, head out the door to a meeting but he never spoke about it, not the meeting and not the military service. We did know he'd served in WWII and was shot but that summed up all he ever said unless it was the stories he told us about his drinking days. My dad believed in his country, he believed in doing what is right, he believed in helping those in need even when he was the disabled one. I look at the ALA as my sisters that sacrifice their time to make sure someone has a warm blanket from the blanket brigade, someone has a Christmas because of our adopting Christmas families, Veterans have dinner for the holidays with the help of our many community partners. There are far too many programs and events to name them all here. Let us not forget it is this organization Post and Unit 164 our members, our community partners, our families, our volunteers that step up all through the year to make sure our Veterans and their families have what they need. Is it easy? No. Is it worth it? Absolutely! Let us not forget Freedom isn't Free. It comes with a price for many. And with that, I've enjoyed being your President this last year and getting to know so many of you. We have a unique and incredible Post and Unit and it goes without saying, We could NOT do this without you. Please help us to reach more people than ever before. Our work here at 164 is far from done. Thank you !



Sons of the American Legion By Gene Britton (Squadron 164 Commander)

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Young members are encouraged to participate in the Five Point Program of Service, which helps them develop important values like patriotism, citizenship, discipline, leadership, and knowledge of The American Legion. By engaging in activities focused on these five points, they can gain valuable experience and recognition within the squadron.

- **Patriotism:** Love of flag; love of country. Members are encouraged to understand the history of the flag, the proper ways of displaying it, and the respect it deserves.
- **Citizenship:** Individual obligation of citizenship. This means fulfilling civic duties and being an active, responsible member of the community.
- **Discipline:** Respect for and obedience to rules. This includes following the guidelines set forth by the organization and respecting others.
- **Leadership:** Participation in group activities. Members develop leadership skills through involvement and teamwork within the squadron and broader community.

Legionism: Knowledge of The American Legion. Understanding the values, mission, and history of the organization is essential for all members.

The Five Star Award is given to SAL members who demonstrate excellence in each of these five points. Recipients receive a gold-plated medal bearing the SAL emblem and the symbols of the Five Point Program of Service.

Point No. 3. A star for discipline to the member who shows respect for rules and obedience to them.



Breakfast with a Veteran

On June 6th, the Post 164 Family held its monthly Breakfast with a Veteran. This is a chance for area veterans to come and get a great breakfast and meet with other veterans. This month we fed 117 people at our all you can eat breakfast. We also want to thank the Katy Elks Lodge for the use of their hall and kitchen. Our Auxiliary also conducts a raffle. This month was Father's Day themed.



How To Practice Americanism By Deb Watson (Post 164 2nd Vice-Commander)

According to the American Legion, Americanism is an ideology, or belief in devotion, loyalty, or allegiance to the United States of America, respect for its flag, its traditions, and government. In the words of Theodore Roosevelt, Americanism is a question of spirit, conviction and purpose, not of creed or birthplace. Americanism stresses a collective political identity based on the principles outlined in the Constitution of the United States by the founding fathers. Such ideologies include republicanism, freedom, liberty, individualism, constitutionalism, human rights, and the rule of law. Americanism espouses a collective cultural identity based on the traditional culture of the US, which includes our flag, the Great Seal, the bald eagle, the national anthem, the Pledge of Allegiance, and the motto: In God We Trust.

So how can we practice Americanism? We can help prospective citizens with the naturalization process, help them study for their exam, give them a flag, and teach them the principles of Americanism. We can attend patriotic events, parades, and memorials. We can give flags to schools and teach the flag code. We can read the Constitution aloud during Constitution Week. We can have a Patriotic Sing Along on Patriots Day. We can give out flag pins.

Here are 3 examples of Americanism in my life:

My son, Andy's baseball team (12 year olds) were playing at Baseball USA on Flag Day when they noticed the flag was extremely weathered and frayed. My son called the office and asked them to replace it. The players sat down on the field and refused to play until it was changed out. Baseball USA replaced the flag, the players stood up and sang the National Anthem. It was really inspiring.

When I taught 2nd Grade, I had an Indian Grandfather who walked his little granddaughter to class every morning. He would stay for the Pledge of Alle-

giance. He was working on becoming a US Citizen. The day came that he passed his exam and he was excited to tell me. That morning I asked him to lead us in the Pledge. He was beaming and we both cried.

In 2011, I had heart surgery and had to walk a lot. My neighbor had returned from Afghanistan where he had lost his leg in an explosion. He was getting used to his prosthetic leg and walked with me. He told me that the Muslim Brotherhood wanted him to take down his flag. He wanted to leave the flag up until all were home. Channel 2 came out and interviewed him. His neighbors showed up with their flags. He had support and his flag stayed up, and many neighbors put their flags up too that day.

Americanism is more than an ideology. It's a way of life.

She Flies Over Us By Hubert E. Cormier II (Post 164 Poet Laureate)

When she is flown, we always stand,
We each place, over our hearts, a hand.
For the respect that she does command,
For she is the symbol of this great Land.

Old Glory is her given name,
Her Free spirit, no one can ever tame.
Just as the burning light of an eternal flame,
She will always fly high, without shame.

Her stars and stripes a are beautiful sight,
She stands for what is good, what is right.
She always leads the way into the fight,
Through the darkest of times, to victory's light.

Her majestic beauty shines brightly when unfurled,
For she flies over the greatest Land in the World.



By Despi K. Scott (Post 164 Member in Good Standing)

In our community we have a lot of veterans that don't know there are resources out there to help them with bills, low income, food banks, and organizations to help file for benefits, etc. We, as members of the American Legion, need to know what's out there to help a fellow veteran. We can help in many ways. For example I had surgery and Legion member Deb Watson and her friends brought us cooked meals. Giving Donations to organizations to help Veterans that need help and to grow in unity as one. I joined American Legions Post 164 to make a difference so I can help my brothers and sisters in Arms.

Post 164 Family Supports

Houston Honor Flight

On May 30th, the Post 164 family along with the combined Honor Guard of American Legion Post 164 and VFW Post 9182 participated in the welcome home of the returning veterans on Houston Honor Flight #37. We filled the area outside of TSA with cheers and welcome home wishes. What a pleasure it was for post and Auxiliary members to be able to recognize another group of veterans' returning home after their tour of Washington D.C. memorials to veterans. Amongst the returning veterans were several WWII and Korean War veterans and veterans from the Vietnam War. If you get a chance to witness one of these, you will be back again. The Post 164 Family is proud to be able to support this great cause.

Who Invented the Limbo?
A Texan trying to sneak under a
pay-toilet door.

The Post 164 Family attends Memorial Day Service for Soldiers Rest

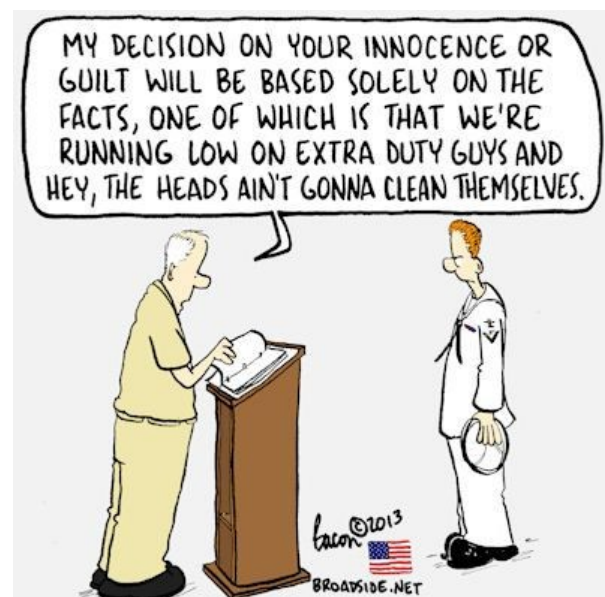
Every Memorial the District 22 Auxiliary conducts a ceremony at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery in Houston to recognize the 41 WW I soldiers laid to rest in a special part of the cemetery named "Soldiers Rest". This plot of land was purchased by Unit 52 shortly after the end of WW I as a place for the remains of soldiers whose remains were unclaimed.

This year's guest speaker was Maj. Gen. (Ret) Richard Noriega.

Some of the members of the Post 164 Family were in attendance.

Jim McGuire Past Post Commander and current District 22 Commander; Post 164 Commander Sandy Krum; Unit 164 1st Vice President and President elect Jennifer Lowry; Unit 164 2nd Vice President Maria Wells; Past Department of Minnesota President and current Girls Nation Committee member Sharon Cross; and Unit 164 members Tiffany Lowry and Allison Toth.

The ceremony usually ends with the placing of flags at the graves but this year due to weather it had to be held indoors. We are grateful for the ongoing support for the staff at Forest Park Lawndale.



Now I'm That Guy ... By Neil Hines, Veteran USN 1969-1973

I vividly recall the day I returned home from Boot Camp in the early summer of 1969. After enduring the frigid temperatures of the Naval Great Lakes Training Command. The moment I stepped off the plane in Syracuse, New York, I felt a mix of excitement and anticipation wash over me. The cool air greeted me as I made my way to my local Irish pub, a place near Syracuse University that had always been a gathering spot for my friends and veterans. There were so many veterans that it could have doubled as an American Legion post.

As I entered, the familiar sounds of laughter and clinking glasses enveloped me, providing a comforting warmth against the chill I had just left behind. I approached the bar and, seeking something to take the edge off the cool night, I ordered a round of Southern Comfort shots.

The sweet, smooth whiskey was just what I needed to melt away the remnants of the cold and fill me with warmth and camaraderie. Each sip brought back memories of laughter and stories shared with fellow recruits, a reminder of the bonds forged during those challenging weeks of training.

In this bar, a familiar scene often unfolded: a sailor who arrived in a crisp uniform would find it remarkably challenging to purchase a drink. Rather than taking the simple route of ordering at the bar, older sailors, who had long ago hung up their hats and ties, would stride in with a commanding presence. They would announce in boisterous tones, "This round's on me!" Drawing attention from every corner of the room, their proclamation was met with a chorus of appreciation.

Current servicemen and veterans alike would lift their glasses in gratitude, camaraderie shining in their eyes. The atmosphere would swell with nostalgia as some would even join in song, their voices melding together in a spirited rendition of "Anchors Aweigh." The air was thick with shared experiences and unbreakable

bonds, creating an environment where the past and present seamlessly intertwined, celebrating the enduring spirit of those who serve.

As I stood there, I found myself reflecting on the old men with their weathered faces and white hair, each of them sharing stories filled with pride about their time in the military.

The sailors spoke of Vietnam, Naples, Barcelona, and the awesome E-5 club on the Air Force base in Rota, Spain, and other places. Their voices, rich with nostalgia, echoed in my mind as they remembered the tales of camaraderie and sacrifice.

I noticed how sailors, drawn to my youthful energy, gravitated towards me. I was in my crisp uniform, still new and slightly stiff, with its two small marks on my



sleeve, signifying my rank as a Seaman Apprentice, which felt almost like badges of honor, representing not just my recent completion of training at Great Lakes Training Command but also the promise of the journey ahead.

The fresh scent of the sea mingled with our conversations as excitement was buzzing around

us, and I could sense the deep-rooted bonds of brotherhood forming even before I truly understood what it meant to be part of this legacy.

As I reflected on that pivotal moment in my life, I could hear my own voice echoing in my mind, "I will never be like them." I will not get old, have white hair, and want to talk to some new recruit about my "good old days" or hear some Vietnam Vet tell me about "when I served." No, I could not envision my doing that. At that time, I felt a deep sense of determination and resolve that I would not become "that guy."

I was convinced that I would carve out my own path, guided by my values and beliefs. The time in the Navy would be a short experience and soon forgotten. Yet, as I navigate through my daily life now, I realize with a heavy heart that I have, in many ways, become the person I once vowed I would never imitate. However, as life changes us, I have noticed that my choices, behaviors, and even my mindset have shifted, transforming me into someone I scarcely recognize. I became ... That Guy.

Growing up an Army Brat. By Gillian Woodstrom (22nd District Auxiliary President Elect)

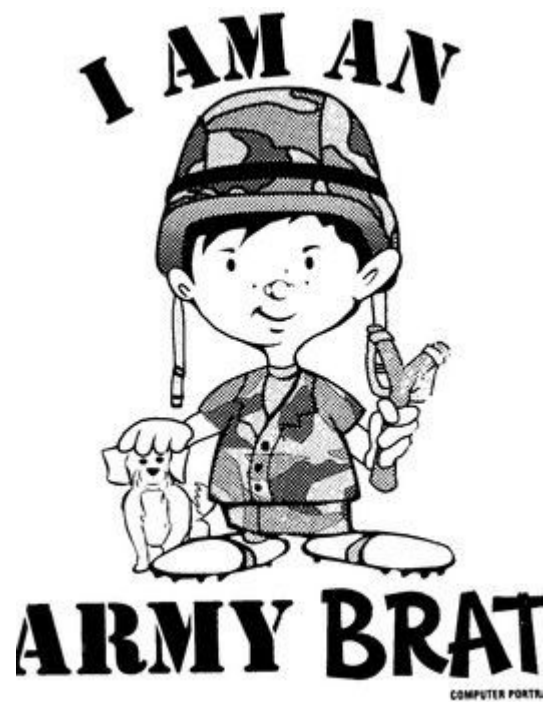
As part of our Auxiliary program for Children and Youth, every April 15 we celebrate the children of our active military, commonly known as “Brats”. Having grown up as a British Army Brat, I can really appreciate being celebrated! I can only speak for my own upbringing because every army in every country has different traditions, but for those of us in Britain, unless it was a war zone, we travelled with our father to wherever he was posted. I ended up living in a variety of countries, which I loved but some of the other children I travelled with weren’t so happy about it. It meant that every 2 to 4 years we left behind our current schools, our friends, our neighborhoods and started all over in a different country with a different language and different reactions to the presence of the British Army in their lives. Since we usually travelled with the battalion, there were familiar faces around us and often our own school, but it could still be a shock to a child.

I lived like this until I was 11 when my parents joined the ranks of so many other military parents and put me into boarding school back in Britain. The idea was to ensure I had quality schooling rather than the haphazard world of Armed Forces Schooling where the quality of the teaching wasn’t guaranteed and the location could be tricky. In Cyprus we travelled to and from school in a bus with chicken wire over the windows (so the grenades would bounce off) and an armed guard at the door. We were pretty much oblivious to any danger and amused ourselves yelling insults at the Cypriot kids who would run alongside the bus yelling back. It probably did no good for British/Cypriot relations but for us kids it was enormous fun.

For me the constant moving around was a great chance to reinvent myself every few years. I could slough off bits of me that seemed to cause problems and try all over again. The only part that I really hated

was the inevitable culling of toys and books before we moved, but I got used to it. For many kids it was traumatic and has deeply affected their adulthood. I was lucky in that I missed the trauma of the constant moving but I know boarding school changed me in some unhappy ways. From sleep problems to stress headaches to a loathing of turnips, I still suffer from those days.

The major worry for an Army Brat is always the safety of the father (and/or mother these days – back in the 1950s and 60s there were very few mothers in the active military). Because he was away so often, I learned not to fret all the time, but that fear was always there. Luckily it was mixed with a healthy dose of pride in who he was and what he was doing, so the worry could be tamped down. I only lost that pride for a short time in my late teens when Bob Dylan and Vietnam invaded my consciousness, but it returned pretty quickly. Being a soldier was my father’s life and I completely respect him for that. As I respect all veterans in all countries. Veterans are a special breed.





Boys State

Post 164 is pleased to say that we sent 53 boys to the 2026 Boys State week. The boys arrived at Post 164 on Sunday June 7th to load on the buses provided by Harris County Precinct 4. A special thank you to Commissioner Leslie Briones.

Thank you to the Post members who were on the buses to act as chaperones and assist with the check-in process.

The boys were responsible for loading and unloading their own luggage. The boys had a great week ahead of them.



Post 164

Attends Veterans Picnic

On May 16th, 2026, the Post 164 Family was privileged to be able to attend the 4th annual Katy Christian Ministries Veterans Recognition Picnic, event was held at Grace Church in Katy. This is a free event for Katy area veterans to come out and meet each other and talk to the area groups that offer services for veterans. Post 164 is very proud that we have been a part of this for the past 4 years. The joint Honor Guard from American Legion Post 164 and VFW Post 9182 were available to present the colors. We are pleased to also announce that we gained 7 new members for this event.



Stress at Sea

By Neil Hines, Veteran
USN 1969-1973

I recently came across several images in the news and on various online platforms showing a fleet of naval ships surrounding an aircraft carrier. I must say, I find it quite impressive. The sight of such formidable naval power concentrated around a single vessel is a striking representation of military strength and a tangible commitment to ensuring 'freedom of navigation' across the world's oceans.

For those of us who have had the privilege of serving aboard these magnificent ships for extended periods, whether braving tumultuous storms or enjoying the calm of a serene sea, this display evokes a deep sense of pride and nostalgia. The majestic aircraft carrier, surrounded by destroyers, frigates, and support vessels, vividly captures the essence of maritime operations and the dedication of the sailors who navigate through challenging conditions to uphold security and stability in international waters.

It's truly awe-inspiring to witness such coordination and might on display. However, no matter how impressive these maritime wonders are, they are manned by young, talented men and women, each with reasons for being there beyond answering their nation's call.

Our sailors are predominantly younger citizens, with many enlisting before age 20. The motivations for their voluntary service vary; the primary reasons include financing their education or acquiring skills applicable to civilian careers. A relatively small percentage of these recruits enter the military intending to pursue a lifelong career in the armed forces.

Regardless of the underlying reasons, it is evident that military personnel experience stress levels that are significantly higher than those encountered by

their civilian counterparts. This disparity is largely attributable to the lack of civilian employment opportunities that parallel the demands placed on military service members, particularly in terms of stress and related challenges.

In discussing my personal experiences, I can speak specifically to my four years of service in the United States Navy aboard the USS Conyngham (DDG-17), a warship that remained at sea for three years, nine months, and ten days. The vessel was commanded by officers who adhered to the belief that both ships and sailors perform best when deployed at sea, with the sole exceptions being port calls for resupply purposes. This was the reality of the Navy in which I served, and it was marked by significant stress.



By the time I turned eighteen, my encounters with a wide range of experiences and collaborative settings were quite restricted. Growing up, I didn't have the opportunity to engage deeply with people from various backgrounds or to participate in teamwork that demanded close interactions. As a result, my social development fell short of what one might expect

from someone preparing to live and work alongside 245 other individuals. This lack of exposure left me ill-equipped to navigate the complexities of relationships and dynamics inherent in such a large group, where effective communication and collaboration are essential.

The challenges encountered in this demanding maritime environment were multifaceted and relentless. One of the most significant issues was the continuous exposure to elevated noise levels generated by ships' machinery, which not only made communication difficult but also contributed to a pervasive sense of fatigue. Sailors often struggled to get adequate rest, particularly due to the unpredictable nature of shift work and operational demands that frequently changed without notice.

Stress At Sea Continued

This erratic schedule hindered our ability to establish a regular sleep pattern, leaving many of us feeling perpetually drained.

Accessing quality mental and physical healthcare became another formidable obstacle. While at sea, we had limited opportunities for medical consultations, and when issues arose, either physical injuries or mental health concerns, providing adequate support was often a challenge. The ship's confinement meant treatment options were limited, and many chose to endure discomfort rather than seek help, fearing repercussions to their duties.

Additionally, the ever-present risk of seasickness compounded our difficulties. The ship's rocking in rough seas had an undeniable impact on our comfort and ability to perform tasks efficiently. For some, this physical ailment was a source of constant distress, only adding to the already potent cocktail of stressors we faced.

Moreover, the shortage of personnel exacerbated our plight. The necessity of maintaining double watches led to extraordinary work hours, sometimes extending to 18 hours a day. This relentless schedule created an overwhelming level of pressure that was unfathomable for those of us who had previously toiled on farms and ranches, where the rhythm of life was markedly different and more predictable.

During our deployments, which typically lasted six to twelve months, we often endured challenging living conditions. The cramped quarters offered little respite, where multiple sailors were confined to small spaces that severely limited privacy and personal comfort. The lack of space not only contributed to physical discomfort but also left emotional scars as we dealt with the suppressed tensions in close quarters.

The emotional strain of prolonged separation from family and loved ones was another heavy burden we carried. Many of us missed significant life events and milestones back home, such as birthdays, graduations, and weddings. These feelings of disconnection

from our loved ones only deepened the longing for a return to normalcy.

Out at sea, the absence of the familiar comforts and amenities that are typically found onshore, such as access to restaurants, recreational facilities, and the simple pleasure of unwinding in a relaxed environment, heightened our sense of isolation. This detachment from everyday pleasures added another layer of stress, as we were constantly reminded of what we were missing.

The combination of these factors created a high operational tempo that demanded our undivided focus and energy. As a result, many of us found ourselves grappling with elevated levels of stress and anxiety during these arduous deployments, navigating not only the physical demands of our roles but also the emotional toll of our experiences at sea.

Stress experienced at sea has become an increasingly pressing issue for U.S. Navy sailors. This rising concern stems from a combination of factors, including the intense operational demands on personnel, inadequate staffing levels, and limited availability of mental health resources and support services.

As sailors face extended deployments and high-pressure environments, the cumulative effects of these stressors can significantly impact their well-being and overall effectiveness in their roles. Addressing these issues is crucial to ensuring the mental resilience and readiness of naval forces.

Decades have passed since I served among the impressive battle groups operating on the high seas. Yet, my perspective has shifted significantly over the years. Now, rather than marveling solely at the grandeur and might of the vessels themselves, I find myself filled with a deep respect and admiration for the men and women who serve aboard each ship.

I understand the extensive costs associated with these vessels; it's not just the staggering expenses of their construction, but also the ongoing costs of fuel, food supplies, and essential repair parts to keep them operational. More crucially, I think about the

Stress At Sea Continued

sacrifices the crew members make every day while they are stationed at sea. They endure long periods away from their families, often with little to no rest, all while managing limited resources in a challenging environment.

The conditions they work in can be hazardous and demanding, compounded by the relentless noise that surrounds them, which can lead to issues like tinnitus, a constant ringing in the ears that sadly lingers for many long after their service has ended. It is this profound understanding of their daily realities that fills me with gratitude and reverence every time I see those formidable battle groups on the horizon. I take a moment to reflect on the dedication and resilience of all those who serve aboard them, thankful for their commitment and sacrifice.



Jim McGuire current 22nd District Commander.

2nd Division

Convention

Post 164 Family attended the 2nd Division Convention held in Bryan, TX., at Post 159. There was some valuable training given by 2nd District Commander Cheryl Williams, 22nd District Commander Jim McGuire and Past 2nd Division Commander Clifton Guillory. Along with conducting the business of the 2nd Division we elected our new Division Commander. Congratulations to Cheryl Williams from Post 817, Beaumont, who will be the Department of Texas Vice Commander for the 2nd Division. We look forward to the coming year with you as our new leader.

During the Convention two members for Post 164 were honored with the presentation of quilts for the Quilts of Valor Foundation.



Harry Woodstrom past 22nd District Commander.

Quilts of Valor

During our monthly Breakfast with a Veteran, several Post 164 members were honored with a Quilt of Valor.

Legionnaire William Kennison was honored with a quilt as well as our Commander Sandy Krum presenting him with the American Legion Medal of Merit for his tireless work as our past Adjutant and Army veteran.



Legionnaire Bobby Steph a Marine veteran was honored.



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Legionnaire Jim Scoggin a Naval Aviator was honored.

Post 164 Family Hands out Poppies

In the Katy Community

The Post 164 Family was out in force on Memorial Day, handing out poppies at seven locations throughout the Katy area. We got to share the meaning of the poppy to our neighbors. The Post 164 Family would like to thank the following local businesses for letting us set up in front of their location. Ace Hardware Cinco Ranch, Snappy's Restaurant, Brookshire Brothers Katy, Red Robin Restaurant, Black Bear Dinner, Midway BBQ, and Texas Roadhouse.

We are grateful for their support.



We are very thankful for the support of the members of Post 164

Harry Woodstrom, Ted Custer, Roy (Skip) Miller, Jennifer Lowry, Linda Ortega and our Commander Sandy Krum as well as Unit 164 members Janna Krum, Tina Miller, Gillian Woodstrom, Leslie Britton, Kristen Isaacs, Tiffany Lowry, Maria Wells, Dollie Oday and Linda Malsbary.



SUPREME HEADQUARTERS
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Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen of the Allied Expeditionary Force!

You are about to embark upon the Great Crusade, toward which we have striven these many months. The eyes of the world are upon you. The hopes and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you. In company with our brave Allies and brothers-in-arms on other Fronts, you will bring about the destruction of the German war machine, the elimination of Nazi tyranny over the oppressed peoples of Europe, and security for ourselves in a free world.

Your task will not be an easy one. Your enemy is well trained, well equipped and battle-hardened. He will fight savagely.

But this is the year 1944! Much has happened since the Nazi triumphs of 1940-41. The United Nations have inflicted upon the Germans great defeats, in open battle, man-to-man. Our air offensive has seriously reduced their strength in the air and their capacity to wage war on the ground. Our Home Fronts have given us an overwhelming superiority in weapons and munitions of war, and placed at our disposal great reserves of trained fighting men. The tide has turned! The free men of the world are marching together to Victory!

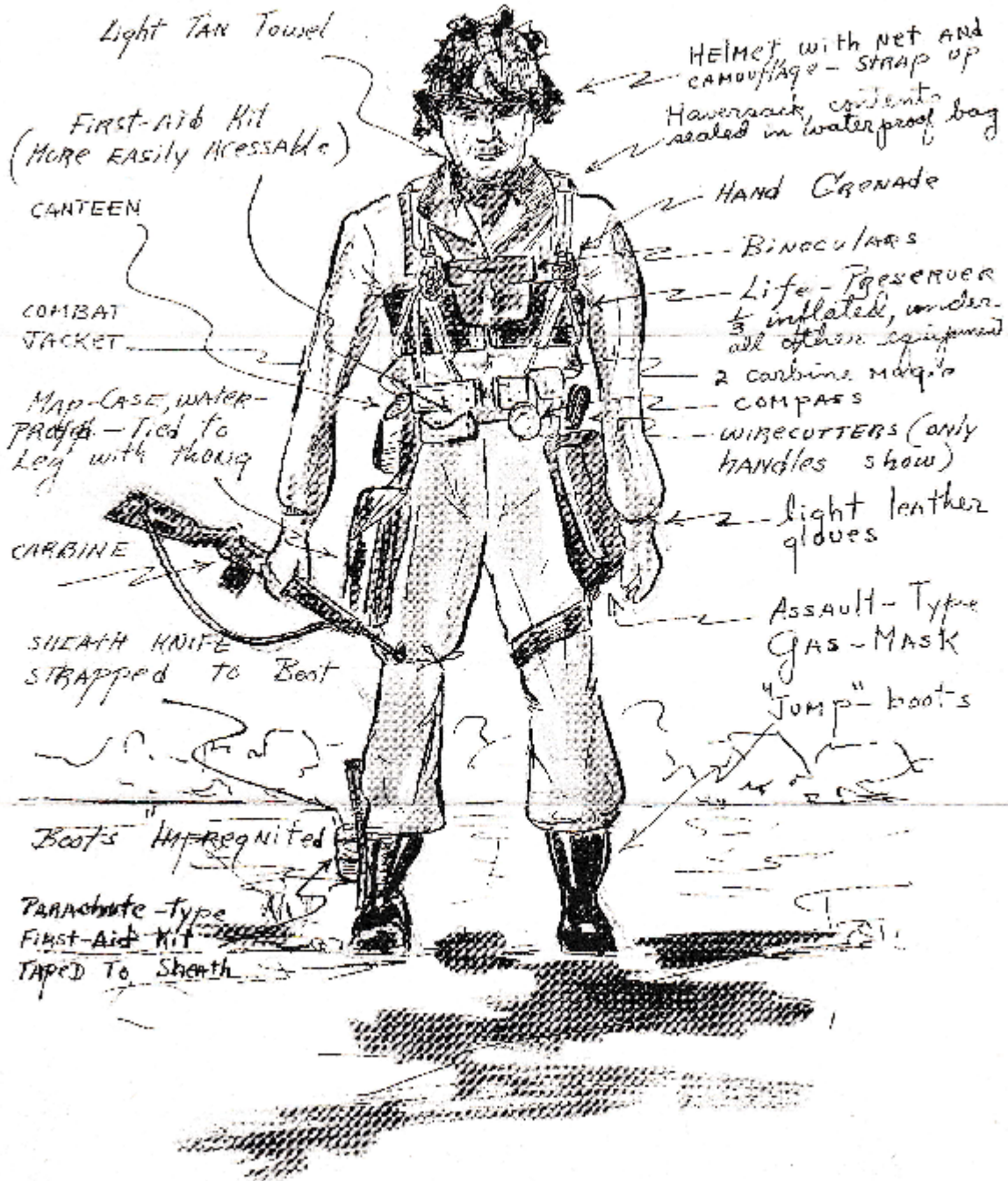
I have full confidence in your courage, devotion to duty and skill in battle. We will accept nothing less than full Victory!

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Dwight D. Eisenhower

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Contact Sandy Krum—(832) 549-9501



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3500 generator for sale. 4 years old. \$300.00

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June 2026 Schedule

16 Jun, Tue

6pm Post Social Hour

Downstairs room

6:30pm Post Training Downstairs room

7pm Post 164 Membership Meeting

Downstairs room

17 Jun, Wed

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 1/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

Upstairs Meeting Room

6:30pm Fireworks Training

Downstairs meeting room

7pm ALA Unit 164 Membership Meeting

Downstairs room

18 Jun, Thu

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 2/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

7pm Civil Air Patrol

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

19 Jun, Fri

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 3/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

6pm Nafud Temple #80 Ceremony

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

20 Jun, Sat

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 4/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

11am GIRLS STATE RETURN

Bass Pro Shops, 5000 Katy Mills Cir Suite 415, Katy, TX 77494, USA

21 Jun, Sun

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 5/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

11:30am ALR Chapter 164 Katy Rider Skills Practice

6301 S Stadium Ln, Katy, TX 77494

22 Jun, Mon

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 6/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

6pm Post 164 Board of Trustees Meeting

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, American Legion Post, 22125 Kingsland Blvd #164, Katy, TX 77450, USA

23 Jun, Tue

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 7/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

5pm ALA Unit 164 Fund Raiser Dinner

Texas Roadhouse, 20840 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77449, USA

24 Jun, Wed

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 8/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

June 2026 Schedule Continued

25 Jun, Thu

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 9/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

5pm 2026 The Best of Katy Reception

Home Run Dugout, 1220 Grand W Blvd, Katy, TX 77449, USA

7pm Civil Air Patrol

Post 164 - downstairs meeting room

26 Jun, Fri

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 10/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

7pm American Legion Riders Chapter 164 Katy - Meeting

27 Jun, Sat

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 11/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

1pm Nafud Temple #80 Meeting

Upstairs room

28 Jun, Sun

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 12/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

2pm 22nd District DEC

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

29 Jun, Mon

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 13/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

30 Jun, Tue

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 14/19)



July 2026 Schedule

1 Jul, Wed

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 15/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

Upstairs Meeting Room

2 Jul, Thu

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 16/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

1pm VA Stakeholder Meeting

Downstairs room

7pm Civil Air Patrol

Upstairs meeting room

7pm Sons of the American Legion Squadron 164 Meeting

3 Jul, Fri

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 17/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

4 Jul, Sat

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 18/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

7am Breakfast with a Veteran

Katy Elks Lodge, 1050 Katy Fort Bend Rd, Katy, TX 77493

7am Legion Riders Skill Practice

Leonard E. Merrell Center, 6301 S Stadium Ln, Katy, TX 77494, USA

5 Jul, Sun

2026 Summer Fireworks Stand (Day 19/19)

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

6 Jul, Mon

8:30am Post 164 - West Side Maid clean-up

7pm Auxiliary Executive Committee Planning Meeting

7 Jul, Tue

7pm Post 164 Executive Committee Meeting

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, American Legion Post, 22125 Kingsland Blvd #164, Katy, TX 77450, USA

8 Jul, Wed

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

Upstairs Meeting Room

9 Jul, Thu

7pm Civil Air Patrol Meeting

Downstairs room

10 Jul, Fri

7pm JSSP Meeting

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, American Legion Post, 22125 Kingsland Blvd #164, Katy, TX 77450, USA

11 Jul, Sat

10am Veterans Family Fishing Fair - Reel Connect

6pm Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Alumni

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, American Legion Post 164, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

13 Jul, Mon

7pm Marine Corp League

Post 164

July 2026 Schedule Continued

14 Jul, Tue

AL Post 164 Newsletter Deadline

7pm DAV Meeting

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

15 Jul, Wed

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

Upstairs Meeting Room

7pm ALA Unit 164 Membership Meeting

Downstairs room

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Downstairs room

16 Jul, Thu

7pm Civil Air Patrol

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

18 Jul, Sat

10am PCT 4 Reel Connect

Mary Jo Peckham Park, 5597 Gardenia Ln, Katy, TX 77493, USA

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American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, American Legion Post, 22125 Kingsland Blvd #164, Katy, TX 77450, USA

29 Jul, Wed

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

Upstairs Meeting Room

30 Jul, Thu

7pm Civil Air Patrol

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

31 Jul, Fri

6pm SAL Dinner

American Legion Post 164, Katy TX, 22125 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX 77450, USA

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