

VETERANS VOICE

THE AMERICAN LEGION JONATHAN D. ROZIER POST 164 KATY TEXAS



July 2026 NEWSLETTER (Harry Woodstrom, Editor)

Commander's Chatter

Dennis Wells (Post 164 Commander)

Last week was the Department Convention in Austin. It is always a great experience to attend this annual event. There is always plenty of activity, business to conduct, people to see and meet, ideas to share and of course good fellowship. As a new commander there is plenty to learn and absorb. Fortunately, there are plenty of experienced and very knowledgeable attendees that are willing to impart that knowledge to the next generation of leadership.

Membership is always a key topic of discussion and again the push is on to seek out and increase Legion numbers. A new slate of officers was elected. Danny Muth is our new Department Commander. Congratulations to him and his team.

I also had the privilege of meeting and saluting my first Medal of Honor recipient. I had gotten on the hotel elevator to go down to attend the meeting. I was looking down at a gentleman's fancy red, white and blue shoes. As I looked up to comment on them, there around his neck was "The Medal". I quickly came to attention and made the proper salute. That took my mind quickly off the shoes.

Many thanks to the set up and cooking team that handled the Reel Connect Veterans Resource Fair and Fishing event on Saturday. They managed the information table and served several hundred hot dogs before the weather ended the event early. Strong work team!

Our Fireworks Stand had another successful run. This is one of our important fund raisers. Thank you to the Stand Leadership team and all the volunteers who made it a success. Over effort!

There are more events and activities that are being planned. It's going to be another great year for Post 164. We have the membership and ability to make it happen. I encourage you to get involved. Here's to a successful 2026-27! For God and Country,



**"No greater love than
combat buddies!"**

Donald "Doc" Ballard

**Congressional Medal of
Honor Winner**

Robert Crutchfield (Post 164 1st Vice Commander)

A QUIET CHALLENGE

As you already know its that time of year again ! The time of year when we start talking about membership again, (do we ever stop ?) This is especially true when it comes to renewals. Membership renewal is often thought of as an end of the year thing. But let's be honest, the end of the year is also the holiday season. The holiday season can be busy, and very expensive ! Why risk a lapse in your membership to that crush ? Renew now, and remove one worry from that stressful, expensive time.

I have something that may help some of you. I propose what I call a quiet challenge. I call it a quiet challenge because I don't want you to share the details with anybody but yourself. You retain the responsibility of holding yourself accountable, nobody else.

What I ask is this, establish the earliest possible date you can renew your membership. Then set your deadline for a month before that. Right it down. Post it on your mirror where you get ready for the day. Or post it where it will be the last thing you see before you go to sleep. Take practical steps to make this deadline tangible and always in the front of your mind.

Like I said before, I don't want you to share this deadline with anybody. Why ? Because you aren't doing this for anybody but yourself. Legionnaires across the Department of Texas are constantly talking about Post 164 in the most glowing terms. I didn't do that. Sandy didn't do that. Dennis didn't do that. You the members did that ! Fair or not, the size and strength of our membership is one of the primary ways our post is measured against the others. Not only maintaining, but growing our membership is the best way to preserve the hard earned reputation you have built through years of hard work. So don't renew for me or any of the other officers. Renew as close to now as possible, for you and the sake of what you have built over the years !

Department of Texas

Annual Convention

Your Post 164 leadership had the honor of attending the Department of Texas 2026 annual convention. Commander Dennis Wells, Finance Officer Harry Woodstrom Past Department Commander Butch Sparks, District 22 Commander Jim McGuire, Post Chaplain Robert Watts and Past Post Commander Sandy Krum were there to witness the recognition of our post receiving many awards for membership and the awarding of the 2025-26 Post Excellence.

Members of the post also got to witness the oath of office for new District, Division and State officers, Congratulations to Cheryl Williams the new 2nd Division Commander, Hector Hernandez the new 22nd District Commander, Sandy Krum the new 22nd Vice Commander and Jim McGuire the new 22nd District Assistant Sergeant at Arms. Post 164 will be well represented at the 22nd District meetings.



Sandy Krum, Jim McGuire, Butch Sparks and Lynn Sparks prior to taking Oaths of Office at Department Convention

Robert Wells (SAL Squadron 164 member) of Houston, TX, was named to the Mississippi State University spring 2026 President's List. Students on the President's List achieved a 3.80 or better GPA, based on a 4.0 scale, while completing at least 12 semester hours of coursework.

Jennifer Lowry (ALA Unit 164 President, Post 164 Adjutant)

Greetings from the Auxiliary,

We are excited to about this upcoming year! A few of our upcoming events and items on our horizon are the annual Wreaths Across America, Pies for Hope, Patriot Day, and the Katy Rice festival & parade. Our Auxiliary always works best when we are working with our whole family. We look forward to continuing this tradition we have built with the whole Legion Family from our Post, Unit, Squadron, Riders, District and Division.

For those who do not know me, I am Jennifer Lowry, the current President of the Auxiliary and Adjutant of the Post. I have been a member of the American Legion Auxiliary since I was a young girl. I qualified in via my grandfather who was a soldier in the Army. Since then, I qualified via my father (Army) 3 brothers (Air Force, Army National Guard and Army) as well as myself as an Air Force Linguist and my husband Jason. I transferred my membership and became a member of Unit 164 in 2019 and Post 164 since 2020. My daughter and husband are also both members of Unit 164. They both qualified through my service. I also have many family members who are also members of the American Legion, Auxiliary, Sons, and Riders. As you can see being surrounded by family within the Legion family runs thick in my blood.

Currently our membership stands at 80 members. Our post has just over 400 members. What does that mean for us? Well as a voting body that has a voice to Congress, every membership matters. When we go to speak about legislation or issues facing our Veterans, one of the first questions asked is how many people do you speak for? The difference between 80 and 400 is staggering.

My question to you is, how many spouses and family members out there, male or female, do not yet belong to the American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion or have let their membership lapse? Who qualifies besides a spouse, daughter, or son? Granddaughters, mothers, grandmothers, and sisters for the Auxiliary. Now this does not mean we have a limiting membership; it means that we want to surround the veteran with their family at this Post. So, the Auxiliary covers the spouses and female family, I have not forgotten the men. A son or adopted

son, as well as all male descendants qualify for our Sons of the American Legion. Please help us to surround you with your family and grow our Legion Family. Have them join the Auxiliary and Sons as we work to continue to have a strong voice in our community, state, and nation.

We are looking forward to an amazing year.

Hubert (Ernie) Comier (SAL Squadron 164 Commander)

Hello Legion Members and Sons,
I am Ernie Cormier and I am this year's new Commander for the S. A. L.. I am looking forward to helping the S.A. L. grow and establish our place within the community. We are fortunate to be associated with a great Legion Post and its ALA.

Recruiting is priority one. We must spread the word that we are here; what we offer and provide to the public; a chance to show your pride to your country and get involved within the community. I wish to try at least one fund raiser/promotional a month, maybe every two months.

All ideas will be considered. So please attend our next meeting.

**Texas Laws—Taken from “Oddball Texas”
by Jerome Pohlen**

- All criminals must give their victims 24-hour advance warning, either verbally or in writing.
- Peeping Toms are exempt from prosecution if they have one eye, are over 50 years old, or are a member of the Texas legislature.
- It is against the law to carry concealed pliers, though concealed guns are ok.
- You may not shoot a buffalo from the second floor of a Texas hotel.
- You cannot carry a spear or a sword into a voting booth.
- It is illegal to milk another person’s cow.
- Any man caught wearing a suit in public after midnight can be arrested for vagrancy.

Reel Connect Event

Pct. 4 and Commissioner Lesley Briones sponsored a ReelConnect Veteran's Family Fun Fishing Event and Resource Fair. The event was held Saturday July 11th at Mary Jo Peckham Park in Katy. The American Legion Post 164 was one of the sponsors. The Post supplied and cooked hot dogs for the attendees. The Post and Auxiliary also had informational tables set up. Unfortunately, the event was rained out early but several hundred hot dogs were served by the team.



Post 164 Celebrates The 4th of July

The combined Honor Guard from American Legion Post 164 and VFW Post 9182 were honored to be asked to help the Lone Star Symphony celebrate the 4th of July. The Honor Guard presented the colors and service flags during their salute to the services.



Robert Watts (Post 164 Chaplain)

I feel blessed to have been elected as your Post 164 Chaplain. I have been a professional health care Chaplain for over five years after serving as a Hospital Corpsman in the Navy and then a Flight Nurse in the Air Force.

I have been trained as a hospital Chaplain and served for many years as a Hospice Chaplain helping individuals and families with End of Life issues.

I feel God has given me the opportunity to help people heal physically as an Intensive Care Nurse for 30 years as well as providing spiritual and emotional care to Hospice patients and their families.

My hope is for Post members to feel comfortable contacting me anytime to have a conversation on any condition concerning themselves or their families. I also will be consulting and be available to work, as needed, with our VSO, local Red Cross, First Responders in Disaster Preparedness, and "BE THE ONE."

God Bless our Post, Community, and Nation.

Navy Coffee By Neil Hines

Coffee is enjoyed in various forms and flavors all around the world, with each region offering its own unique twist. However, there's an entirely different experience to drinking Navy coffee while underway at sea. This special brew, often brewed under challenging conditions, is a vital part of sailors' daily routine. It not only provides a much-needed caffeine boost during long hours of watch but also serves as a comforting ritual that fosters camaraderie among crew members. The distinct aroma of Navy coffee, brewed in large pots on the ship, evokes memories of home and provides a moment of solace amid the vastness of the ocean.

You know the type I'm referring to, the kind of person

who brings an undeniable passion to their craft. Picture this: tucked away in the corner of the bridge, a devoted Bosun's Mate of the Watch stands with unwavering focus on their task. Their brow furrows in concentration as they survey the bubbling pot of coffee before them. After careful consideration, they come to a bold and decisive conclusion: "This brew could benefit from approximately six more scoops of grounds."

There's no measuring spoon in sight, no pause for contemplation, just an intrinsic understanding of what makes a truly exceptional cup of coffee. With a steady hand and fierce commitment, they scoop in the additional coffee grounds without hesitation, confident that this choice will elevate the brew to new heights. It's a moment of pure dedication to the craft, an unyielding resolve to create an elixir that not only satisfies but transcends the usual standards of coffee-making.

The gesture was particularly valued by weary sailors who, after enduring grueling 16-hour shifts filled with demanding labor, were obligated to take on a 4-hour watch on the Bridge. During this critical period, they



rotated through several key responsibilities: serving as helmsman, managing the lee helm, and acting as both port and starboard lookouts. Typically, each sailor was expected to fulfill one-hour increments in each of these roles, which made for a relentless cycle of vigilance.

This was no small feat; the men had to remain alert and focused despite lack of rest, battling fatigue as they struggled to stay awake and attentive to their duties. The arduous nature of their roles underscored both the mental and physical toll of life at sea, illuminating the resilience required

Navy Coffee—Continued

to navigate these demanding conditions.

Now back to our tale of the notoriously resilient pot of black elixir, which has been bubbling away since before reveille the day before, just bubbling and staying hot in its 100-cup, towering aluminum container with a glass gauge that has been broken for years. But this ancient relic from World War Two produced a liquid blend with a robust flavor reminiscent of something that could strip paint right off the bulkhead. Yet, somehow, in spite of its formidable intensity, we all found ourselves drawn back for another cup time and time again.

You didn't merely enjoy a cup of Navy coffee; you plunged into a fierce duel for survival. This brew was no ordinary beverage; it was a formidable concoction so thick that a spoon could stand upright in its depths, defying gravity with every stirring motion. The flavor was so intense that it felt as though it could resurrect a lifeless body with a single sip, revitalizing both mind and spirit with its jolt of caffeine.

And should you happen to spill a drop on your boots during this caffeinated combat, consider yourself fortunate. Each spill would enhance your footwear's luster, adding an impenetrable layer of shine that would outshine any polish, impressively reflecting your resilience and readiness to tackle whatever challenges lie ahead.

At 0200, during the stillness of the mid-watch, I found myself enveloped by the boundless expanse of the open ocean. The inky darkness of the night pressed around us like a thick, velvety curtain, isolating our small crew from the world beyond the horizon. In that remote, serene setting, I raised my cup, filled with what initially appeared to be a lackluster brew, reminiscent of near-jet fuel with a film of oil on top. Yet with each sip, the flavor blossomed into something extraordinary, becoming the most exquisite beverage I had ever tasted.

This was not simply a cup of coffee; it was so much more. It embodied a rich history of tradition, with countless shared experiences, laughter, and late-night conversations among shipmates. Every drop symbolized our collective resilience, a testament to the hardships we all endured together in the relentless embrace of the sea. In that moment, the coffee transcended its role as a mere beverage; it became a vessel of connection, encompassing the stories and bonds that linked us, all conveyed through the unassuming act of passing around a well-worn, stained mug.

As we sipped from our respective cups in that tranquil moment, I felt an overwhelming sense of camaraderie. The world outside seemed to vanish, and it was as if time had paused. Each sip served as a reminder that, regardless of the challenges we faced on the vast waters, stormy days, sleepless nights, and the trials of ship life, we were not alone. We were united in our experience, forging unforgettable memories and deepening our friendships, one comforting sip at a time.



Membership and Recruiting by Sandy Krum 22nd District Vice Commander

Fellow Post members. I know we all get tired of hearing about membership and recruiting. It seems to be never ending. Well, you are right. As members of the American Legion, we each should always be encouraging the veterans we meet every day to become a part of our organization. Why, well we are the largest veterans service organization in the world. Our National, State and local leadership continually advocate with our elected leaders for better benefits and services for our veterans. Membership is the key to continued advocacy. Your membership is the key! Please consider paying your dues as early as possible and help the post get to their goal quickly. The post has a goal of 403 members this year. We can only get there with your help. Pay it now and be done with it. You can pay online at www.legionpost164katytx.org or at our next meeting on July 21st.

Summer Service Never Takes a Vacation

July was another busy and productive month for the members of American Legion Jonathan D. Rozier Post 164 as we continued our commitment to serving veterans, our community, and our nation.

Our month began with the ever-popular Breakfast with a Veteran, held on the first Saturday of the month in partnership with the Katy Elks Lodge. This monthly event continues to bring together veterans, their families, and members of the Katy community for good food, fellowship, and the opportunity to recognize the service and sacrifices of those who have worn our nation's uniform. We appreciate everyone who volunteered their time to make another successful breakfast possible.

The Post held its regular monthly meeting on the third Tuesday, where members received updates on membership, finances, upcoming programs, and community outreach activities. Commander Dennis Wells encouraged members to remain active during the summer months and continue recruiting eligible veterans into the American Legion Family. Our Post continues to grow because of the dedication of members who share the mission of "Veterans Strengthen-

ing America."

Throughout July, our committees remained active. Plans continued for youth programs, Boys State follow-up, the Oratorical Contest, Junior Shooting Sports, Honor Guard activities, and veteran assistance programs. Our volunteers also continued supporting veterans in need through service officer assistance, counseling programs, and community partnerships. The American Legion Riders, Sons of the American Legion Squadron 164, and Auxiliary Unit 164 each continued their monthly activities, demonstrating once again that the entire Legion Family plays an important role in supporting our mission. Together, these organizations provide countless volunteer hours benefiting veterans, military families, youth, and the Katy community.

As America celebrates its 250th anniversary throughout 2026, Post 164 proudly continues its tradition of promoting patriotism, civic responsibility, and service above self. Whether assisting veterans with benefits, presenting colors at community events, supporting local youth, or simply providing a welcoming place for veterans to gather, our members demonstrate every day what it means to be "Still Serving America."

As we move into August, we encourage every member to attend our meetings, participate in upcoming events, and invite a fellow veteran to join our growing Post. The strength of American Legion Post 164 has always been its members and volunteers. Thank you to everyone who contributed their time, talents, and dedication throughout July. Your commitment makes a positive difference in the lives of veterans and in our Katy community.

For God and Country.



My Dad Didn't Fight in World War II—Here's What He Did Instead

When people talk about the "Greatest Generation," the conversation often centers on the men and women who served in uniform during World War II. Their courage and sacrifice deserve every honor they receive. But there is another story that is just as important—the story of those who stayed home and helped win the war from America's factories, farms, railroads, shipyards, and communities.

My dad didn't fight in World War II. Instead, he did what his country asked him to do.

Like millions of Americans, he answered a different kind of call to duty. While soldiers stormed the beaches of Normandy, fought through the Pacific islands, and flew dangerous missions over Europe, my father worked long hours supporting the war effort at home. His work may not have made newspaper headlines, but it helped keep the nation's military supplied and moving forward.

The United States became known as the "Arsenal of Democracy" because ordinary Americans accomplished extraordinary things. They built ships faster than the enemy could sink them. They produced tanks, airplanes, trucks, ammunition, and countless other supplies around the clock. Farmers increased food production to feed both civilians and troops overseas. Railroad workers moved millions of tons of equipment across the country. Every person had a role, and every job mattered.

My father was one of those quiet patriots.

He didn't wear medals on his chest or tell stories of battles fought overseas. His legacy was measured in honest work, long days, and an unwavering commitment to helping his country succeed. He understood that victory required more than soldiers—it required an entire nation pulling together.

Life on the home front demanded sacrifice as well. Families lived with ration books for gasoline, sugar, coffee, butter, and meat. Scrap drives collected metal, rubber, and paper for military production. Victory gardens helped supplement food supplies. People bought war bonds, accepted shortages, and put the needs of the country ahead of their own comfort. Those who remained at home often carried heavy burdens. Many had sons, brothers, fathers, or friends serving in combat. Every telegram or knock on the door brought fear that bad news had arrived. They

worked, prayed, waited, and hoped until the war was finally over.

My father's generation rarely sought recognition. They simply believed that when their country needed them, they should do their part. Whether that meant carrying a rifle overseas or operating machinery in a factory, they answered the call with determination and humility.

Today, as we remember World War II, we should honor not only those who fought but also those who made it possible for them to fight. Every bomber that took flight, every tank that rolled into battle, every ship that crossed the ocean, and every meal served to our troops represented the efforts of countless Americans whose names history may never record.

My dad didn't fight in World War II.

Instead, he worked. He sacrificed. He supported. He served in his own way.

And because millions of Americans like him did exactly what was needed, freedom prevailed.

Their contribution reminds us that patriotism takes many forms. Some serve on the front lines, while others serve behind them. Both are essential. Both deserve our gratitude. And both helped secure the victory that shaped the world we know today.

When we honor the Greatest Generation, let's remember every member of it—including those whose battlefield was the home front.





The team at the information table at the Katy Best Awards Event. It was held at the Home Run Dugout. Jennifer Lowry Post and ALA. Robert Wells for SAL and Dennis Wells for the Post 164

American Legion Knowledge Quiz

1. In what year was The American Legion founded?

- A. 1917
- B. 1918
- C. 1919
- D. 1920

2. The American Legion was founded in which country?

- A. Germany
- B. France
- C. England
- D. Belgium

3. What is the official publication of The American Legion?

- A. Veterans Today
- B. American Legion Magazine
- C. Legionnaire
- D. Military Times

4. What are the four pillars of The American Legion?

- A. Veterans, Youth, Community, Education
- B. Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, Children & Youth
- C. Honor, Duty, Country, Service
- D. Patriotism, Veterans, Education, Citizenship

5. Which organization is the largest wartime veterans service organization in the United States?

- A. Veterans of Foreign Wars
- B. Disabled American Veterans
- C. The American Legion
- D. AMVETS

6. Who is eligible to join The American Legion?

- A. Anyone who served in the military
- B. Veterans who served honorably during congressionally designated periods of war or conflict
- C. Active-duty personnel only
- D. Any veteran over age 65

7. The American Legion was instrumental in helping create which federal agency?

- A. Department of Defense
- B. Department of Veterans Affairs
- C. Veterans Administration (later the Department of Veterans Affairs)
- D. National Guard Bureau

8. What youth program teaches constitutional knowledge through public speaking?

- A. Boys State
- B. Junior Shooting Sports
- C. Oratorical Contest
- D. Baseball Program

9. What is the highest office at the national level of The American Legion?

- A. National Commander
- B. National President
- C. Commander-in-Chief
- D. National Director

10. What annual event is considered the governing body meeting of The American Legion?

- A. Washington Conference
- B. National Convention
- C. Mid-Winter Conference
- D. Spring Meetings

11. What is the Legion's birthday?

- A. March 15, 1919
- B. March 16, 1919
- C. March 17, 1919
- D. July 4, 1919

12. What is the purpose of Boys State and Boys Nation?

- A. Military training
- B. Physical fitness competition
- C. Teaching students about representative government
- D. College recruiting

13. Which committee oversees promotion of respect for the U.S. Flag and patriotic education?

- A. Membership
- B. Americanism
- C. National Security
- D. Public Relations

14. During meetings, what is the Legion cap considered?

- A. Casual attire
- B. A hat
- C. An official part of the Legion uniform
- D. Optional clothing

15. Which organization is the official youth program sponsored by The American Legion for high school baseball?

- A. Babe Ruth Baseball
- B. American Legion Baseball
- C. Little League
- D. Pony League

16. Which American Legion program provides temporary financial assistance to eligible military and Legion families with children?

- A. VA Assistance Fund
- B. Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA)
- C. Veterans Relief Fund
- D. Family Support Grant

17. The American Legion helped lead the effort to pass which landmark education benefit after World War II?

- A. Montgomery GI Bill
- B. Post-9/11 GI Bill
- C. Servicemen's Readjustment Act (GI Bill of Rights)
- D. Veterans Education Act

18. At the Post level, who presides over meetings?

- A. Adjutant
- B. Finance Officer
- C. Commander
- D. Chaplain

19. What is the highest legislative body of a Department (State) American Legion organization?

- A. Executive Committee
- B. Department Convention
- C. District Meeting
- D. Membership Committee

20. Which preamble phrase completes the sentence: *"To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of..."*

- A. Liberty and Justice
- B. Freedom and Equality
- C. Justice, Freedom and Democracy
- D. Honor and Service

Answers on Page 11

Answer Key

1. C – 1919
2. B – France (Paris)
3. B – *American Legion Magazine*
4. B – Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, Children & Youth
5. C – The American Legion
6. B – Veterans who served honorably during eligible wartime periods
7. C – Veterans Administration (later the Department of Veterans Affairs)
8. C – Oratorical Contest
9. A – National Commander
10. B – National Convention
11. C – March 17, 1919
12. C – Teaching representative government
13. B – Americanism
14. C – An official part of the Legion uniform
15. B – American Legion Baseball
16. B – Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA)
17. C – Servicemen's Readjustment Act (GI Bill of Rights)
18. C – Commander
19. B – Department Convention
20. C – Justice, Freedom and Democracy



JULY SCHEDULE

21 JUL, TUE

6PM POST SOCIAL HOUR

DOWNSTAIRS ROOM

6:30PM POST TRAINING

DOWNSTAIRS ROOM

7PM POST 164 MEMBERSHIP MEETING

DOWNSTAIRS ROOM

22 JUL, WED

6:30PM GROUP COUNSELING AND BIBLE STUDY

UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM

24 JUL, FRI

7PM AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 164 KATY - MEETING

25 JUL, SAT

1PM NAFUD TEMPLE #80 MEETING

UPSTAIRS ROOM

27 JUL, MON

6PM POST 164 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

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

31 JUL, FRI

6PM SAL DINNER

AMERICAN LEGION POST 164, KATY TX, 22125 KINGSLAND BLVD, KATY, TX 77450, USA

August Schedule

1 Aug, Sat

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

10am Information table at Maud Mark Library

3 Aug, Mon

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

4 Aug, Tue

7pm Post 164 Executive Committee Meeting

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

5 Aug, Wed

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

Upstairs Meeting Room

6 Aug, Thu

1pm VA Stakeholder Meeting

Downstairs room

7pm Civil Air Patrol

Upstairs meeting room

7pm Sons of the American Legion Squadron 164 Meeting

8 Aug, Sat

6pm Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Alumni

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

10 Aug, Mon

7pm Marine Corp League

Post 164

11 Aug, Tue

AL Post 164 Newsletter Deadline

7pm DAV Meeting

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

12 Aug, Wed

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

Upstairs Meeting Room

13 Aug, Thu

7pm Post Night Out

Midway BBQ, 6025 Hwy Blvd, Katy, TX 77494, USA

7pm Civil Air Patrol Meeting

Downstairs room

14 Aug, Fri

7pm JSSP Meeting

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

16 Aug, Sun

11:30am ALR Chapter 164 Katy Rider Skills Practice

6301 S Stadium Ln, Katy, TX 77494

18 Aug, Tue

6pm Post Social Hour

Downstairs room

6:30pm Post Training

Downstairs room

7pm Post 164 Membership Meeting

Downstairs room

August Schedule Continued

19 Aug, Wed

6pm Dollar Dog Day

The Post bays

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

7pm ALA Unit 164 Membership Meeting

Downstairs room

22 Aug, Sat

10am Kappa Silhouettes Induction

Downstairs Meeting Room

10am Quilts of Honor

Upstairs Meeting Room

1pm Nafud Temple #80 Meeting

Upstairs room

24 Aug, Mon

6pm Post 164 Board of Trustees Meeting

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

26 Aug, Wed

6:30pm Group Counseling and Bible Study

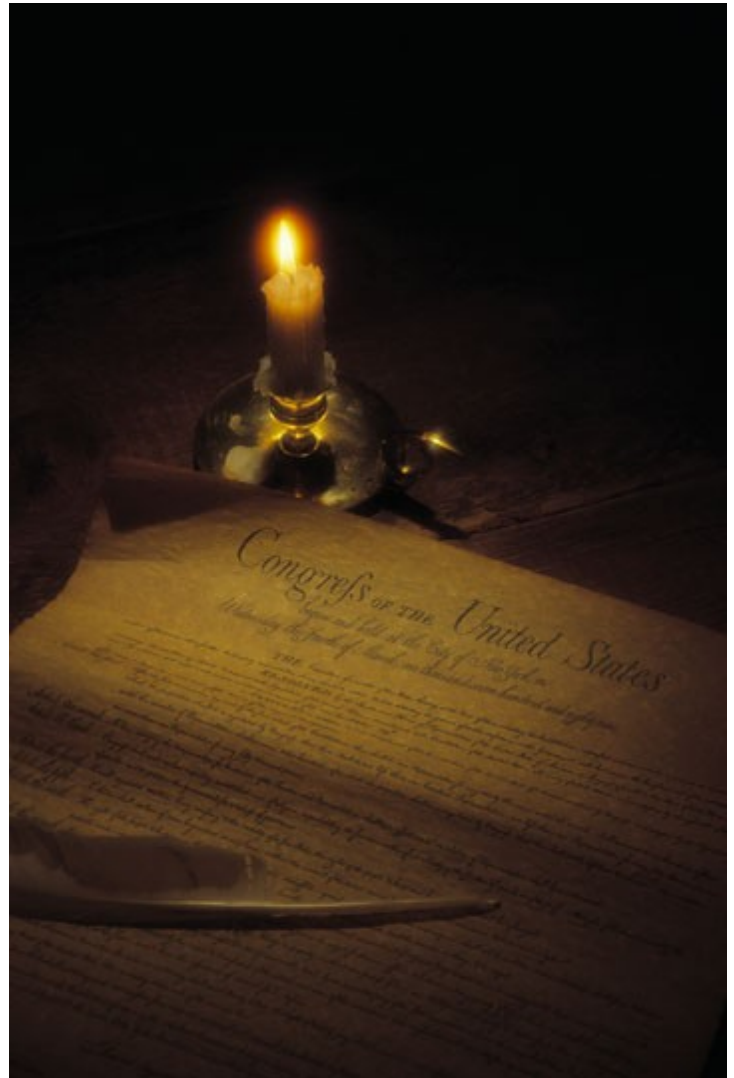
Upstairs Meeting Room

28 Aug, Fri

7pm American Legion Riders Chapter 164 Katy - Meeting

31 Aug, Mon

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





POST NIGHT OUT

GOOD FOOD. GREAT COMPANY. STRONGER TOGETHER.

AUGUST 13, 2026

6PM TO 8PM

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING
OF FELLOWSHIP, BBQ,
AND COMMUNITY
AS WE CELEBRATE
OUR POST AND THE
PEOPLE WHO MAKE IT
STRONG.

**MIDWAY
BBQ**

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**6025 HWY BLVD
KATY, TX 77494**



6PM TO 8PM

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editing by the newsletter editor.**

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Why Every Veteran Should Join the American Legion

After serving our nation, many veterans ask, "What's next?" The answer for thousands of veterans across the country is the American Legion. Founded in 1919 by veterans for veterans, the American Legion remains the nation's largest and most influential veterans service organization, dedicated to serving those who have worn the uniform, their families, and their communities.

A Strong Voice for Veterans

The American Legion has spent more than a century advocating for veterans' rights and benefits. From improving health care through the Department of Veterans Affairs to supporting education benefits, employment opportunities, and quality-of-life initiatives, the Legion continues to be a powerful voice in Washington, D.C., and in state legislatures across the nation.

Serving Veterans and the Community

Membership is not just about what the Legion can do for you—it's about what we can accomplish together. Legionnaires volunteer countless hours supporting youth programs, sponsoring scholarships, conducting patriotic ceremonies, assisting fellow veterans in need, and participating in community service projects that make our neighborhoods stronger.

Camaraderie That Lasts a Lifetime

One of the greatest benefits of joining the American Legion is the opportunity to reconnect with people who understand military service. Whether you served during wartime or peacetime, active duty or the Guard and Reserve, the shared experiences of military life create bonds that last a lifetime. The friendships built at your local post often become an extended family.

Honoring Those Who Served

The American Legion is committed to preserving the memory of those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Through memorial ceremonies, honor guards, flag education, and support for military funerals, Legionnaires ensure that no veteran's service is forgotten.

Making a Difference for Future Generations

The Legion's impact extends far beyond veterans. Programs such as Boys State, the Oratorical Contest, American Legion Baseball, Scouting support, and scholarship opportunities help develop the next gen-

eration of American leaders while promoting patriotism and responsible citizenship.

Your Membership Matters

Every new member strengthens the American Legion's ability to advocate for veterans and serve our communities. Membership demonstrates that veterans remain committed to the ideals they defended while in uniform—service, patriotism, and dedication to our nation.

If you are an eligible veteran, consider joining your local American Legion Post. Your experience, leadership, and commitment can help continue a proud tradition of service that has endured for more than 100 years.

The mission doesn't end when the uniform comes off. It simply takes a new form through the American Legion. Join today and continue serving your fellow veterans, your community, and the United States of America.



When these three get together, good things are bound to happen. Left to right, Linda Malsbary, Jennifer Lowry and Gillian Woodstrom.

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