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Commander's Comments:

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Our next meeting will be Saturday, Sept 2nd, 0900, at Lupe Tortilla Mexican Restaurant located in Stone Ridge Market at 21003 US 281 North, San Antonio, TX 78258. The restaurant opens at 0900, and meal and drink orders are taken at that time, before the membership meeting begins. Dress: Saturday casual. Legion cap. Menu: Order breakfast from group menu. Receive military discount at the register. Masks are recommended, however, not mandatory.

Commander's Column

American Legion Post 10 Members,

Greetings since the last time we gathered! I hope that all has been well.

Welcome to our Guest Speaker Mr. Victor Salazar, Military Veterans Affairs Program and Services Coordinator for the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG)!

I share great news with you and report that our own Post 10 member City Councilman John Courage (District 9) has publicly announced he is contemplating running for Mayor of San Antonio in the upcoming 2024 local election! John made his considerations known at the District 9 Boards and Commissions Quarterly Breakfast on 26 August. More information to follow as he examines how he can further selflessly serve the citizens of San Antonio after his extraordinary and highly effective tenure as the Council District 9 representative is concluded.

As the election season approaches, there is a national effort to seek veterans to assist and serve as Election Site Poll Workers. This is not a new idea or effort with Post 10 membership, but rather a reminder of what we can do to contribute to the governance of our country through poll site work. Please consider a volunteer election year "tour of duty" as a Bexar County Poll Worker starting with the 7 November 2023 State of Texas Constitutional Amendment Election (early voting starts 23 October).

Bexar County Elections Department | Bexar County, TX - Official Website

The City of San Antonio and the World Heritage Foundation is sponsoring a late summer "Music and Movies Under the Stars" program on Friday 8 September 2023, from 1830 to 2230. This is a tribute to San Antonio and it's renowned legacy as "Military City, USA". Food trucks, vendors, local high school choirs, and the elite 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing Band will charm those in attendance as they await the Big Screen showing of the original movie "Top Gun" (starting at 2015). This event is being held at the Mission Marquee Plaza (3100 S. Roosevelt Ave).

World Heritage Festival > HOME

The University of the Incarnate Word Electrical Engineering Department hosted high school STEM event ("Sail the Skies") on 11 August was a great first-time success! This event introduced high school STEM interested students to the basic operations of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's) in both command and control, and the challenges of field operations (batteries do not like South Texas heat and humidity). With "bull by the horns" learning experiences, this is a UIW program that will grow in scope and number in the future. There are summer 2024 programs planned for interested students. More information to follow.

The local 2023 San Antonio Chamber of Commerce Celebrate America's Military (CAM – 2 to 13 Nov) events and the City of San Antonio Veterans Day Parade (Sat 11 Nov) are in mature planning stages. Here is an updated Schedule of Events:

Celebrate America's Military Events 2019 - CELEBRATE AMERICA'S MILITARY (celebrateamericasmilitary.com)

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Another museum of interest to our members to visit is the Texas Military Forces Museum in Austin, TX. My personal story of interest is the World War II 36th Infantry Division (a federalized unit raised from the Texas and Oklahoma National Guard) that fought in the Italian Campaign. The 36th ID included the 442nd Regimental Combat Team that was composed of Japanese-American soldiers known as "Nisei".

The Texas Military Forces Museum

The 36th Infantry Division during World War II | Holocaust Encyclopedia (ushmm.org)

442d Regimental Combat Team | U.S. Army Center of Military History

And, don't overlook the gravitas of the local U.S. Army Medical Department Museum at Ft Sam Houston. Home -U.S. Army Medical Department Museum (AMEDD Museum) (armymedicalmuseum.org)

Thanks!

Take care. Burt Quintanilla Commander, Post 10 E-mail: cdrhlq2@aol.com

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SEPTEMBER DAILY HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES

- Sep 03: Merchant Navy Day
- Sep 04: Labor Day
- Sep 06: National Read a Book Day
- Sep 10: Grandparents Day
- Sep 11: Patriot Day
- Sep 15: POW/MIA Recognition Day
- Sep 17: Constitution Day
- Sep 19: U.S. Air Force Day
- Sep 21: International Day of Peace
- Sep 21: World Gratitude Day
- Sep 23: Fall Equinox / First Day of Fall
- Sep 26: National Family Day