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National Law Enforcement Day

In honor of National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, January 9th we delivered scrumptious baked goods to our local folks in Blue to show our appreciation for all that they do to serve and protect the community. Thank you to the following legionaries and community members that helped make it happen:

Kincaid family to Caddo Mills PD ★ ★ ★ Dillard family to Fate DPS

Johnson & Arch to Josephine PD ★ ★ ★ Frierson family to Royse City PD



VISIT OUR VETS

4th grade students from Davis Elementary in Royse City graciously decorated snowmen and snowflakes. These festive decorations were delivered to residents at the Royse City Medical Lodge on January 9, 2021 as a part of our "Visit our Vets" post program.

A special thank you to ALA member, Neha Dillard for delivering these special crafts.

Boys State

Our first meeting of 2021 was held on Saturday, January 16, 2021 and it was a busy one! We conducted interviews for Boys State, an American Legion Program. It is among the most respected and selective educational programs of government instruction for U.S. high school students.



A participatory program in which students become part of the operation of local, county, and state government.



Our very own Legionnaire, Brent Eastwood, coordinated and conducted the interviews.

There were four high school Juniors selected by Royse City High School: Adzel Lopez, Robert Medlin, Carter Smiley, and Wyatt Voth. We would like to make an honorable mention to Luke Ainley, freshman. Though he does not qualify this year, he will be invited back his Junior year. All of the young men were professional and were appreciative of our United States Armed Forces.

Learn more: texasboysstate.com

Scholarship Opportunities

The American Legion Family has several scholarship opportunities for veterans, family members, and youth. Learn more [here](#) or contact your Post Service Officer at roysecitylegion@yahoo.com for more information.



Walk the Bridge

Members of Post 100 “walked the bridge” on January 22, 2021. Walk The Bridge was founded by Third Watch LE Motorcycle Cycle Club. It is a commitment to walking a symbolic 22 miles once each month. The purpose is to draw attention to the approximately 22 Veterans and First Responders who take their own lives each and every day.

To learn more visit: walkthebridge.org

Next opportunity to participate is on Monday, February 22, 2021

See details here: [RSVP](#)

Adopt a Highway

It was a cloudy, drizzly & muddy morning for our first quarterly Adopt A Highway Program on SH66. We had over 40 volunteers! The Wolfpack Baseball Royse City came out in full force. Those young men were awesome, including their parents and Coach Rocky Sanchez!

We had Eagle Scout, Carter Smiley & his Legionnaire dad give us a helping hand. Then a lovely couple from the neighborhood, Mike & Jessica, pitched in!



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Adopt a Highway Continued...

A special thanks to all. We could not have done it without y'all! Afterwards, we had lunch together with bowls of soup and chili made with love from the Legion. A shout out to The Well (Royse City) for the additional delicious soups, especially at the last minute. To our Legion, Auxiliary, & Riders, you are the best.

Buddy Check



Buddy Checks were conducted on Friday, January 29, 2021. We had some great feedback from our Veterans and invited everyone to attend the Four Chaplains Day Memorial Service on Feb 3 (W), 9-11am. We enjoyed pizza & chips in between phone calls. We will continue phone calls as our goal is to reach out to every member. Thank you to our

Legionnaires that were able to come out and help. Thank you to our 2nd Vice, Hayde Spencer for coordinating everything. A special thanks to our Service Officer, Ashley Jacobs! And a huge SHOUT OUT to Trinity Baptist Church for always supporting us.

COVID-19 Vaccination

Dallas VA is taking any vet right now! Call 214-857-4791 to set the appointment.

Walk-in appointments available until 5 pm M-F.

Please continue to check [here](#) for updates (click link).



Ride for Rayford

American Legion Riders, Chapter 100 honored a USAF Veteran, Rayford McClellan, on Sunday, January 31, 2021. Riders went out to show support and appreciation for a fellow veteran with a community ride in celebration of Mr. Rayford's 95th birthday!

Visit [ALR #100 Royse City](#) on 

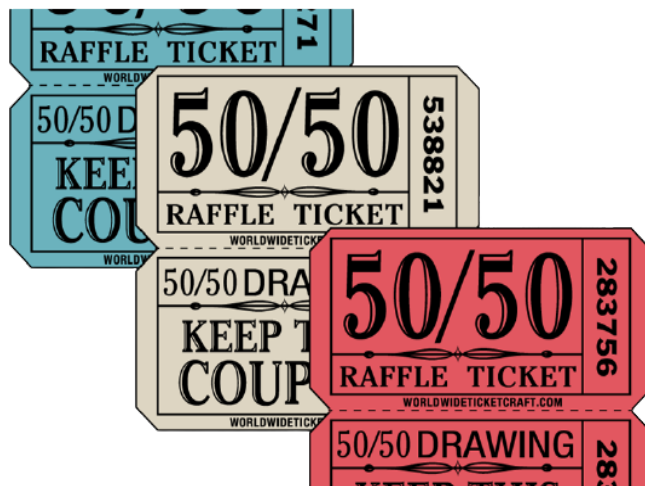
To [join](#) or renew contact:

Riders Director, Dan Smith at
214-577-5977

50/50 Raffle

The Royse City American Legion Auxiliary is hosting a 50/50 raffle!!! Tickets can be purchased thru February 20th. The winner will be chosen during the ALA meeting on February 20th and notified after the meeting.

Anyone wanting to purchase tickets may contact any Auxiliary member for tickets. Tickets are \$1 each.



Curbside bags for the homeless

In February the Auxiliary is also completing curbside homeless bags.

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Curbside bags for the homeless Continued...

The Royse City ALA is putting together bags that contain items useful for those you see on the curbside. If anyone would like to participate they may contact Carol Johnson (LCarolJohnson516@gmail.com) for the link to the sign-up.

Visit the [Royse City ALA](#) on 



FREE
COUNSELING
SUPPORT
GROUP
FOR VETERANS

GROUP MEETS VIRTUALLY WEEKLY
FROM 7-8:15P (VIA ZOOM)

REGISTER AT
HIGHERHOPESCOUNSELING.COM

Group sessions will cover:

- Anger Management,**
- Life Skills,**
- Mindfulness,**
- Emotional Regulation,**
- Crisis Management & Intervention,**
- Healthy Relationship Education**
- and more.**

Veteran
Empowerment
Therapy
Program

Classes Hosted by Higher Hopes Counseling with Brandy Smith, LPC in partnership with American Legion - Laramore-Osborne Royse City Post #100.



Benefits of Membership

The American Legion has been around since 1919. The Legion is ever changing and growing to meet the needs of veterans, their families, and the community. This month we highlight the membership benefit of [Volunteer Opportunities](#):

The American Legion offers volunteer opportunities that fulfill needs in local communities throughout the country and beyond. The Legion and the Sons of The American Legion provide millions of hours of free community service, assistance at VA medical facilities and help at military installations each year. (legion.org)

If you know a veteran, please encourage them to [join](#) and be a part of the change we are creating here in Royse City and the surrounding areas.

Prayer Request

The following members of our American Legion family need your prayers:

Larry Mudd
Frierson family

If you have a prayer need please reach out to our post chaplain, [James Otis Sr.](#)

Volunteer Opportunities & Service Requests



View monthly volunteer opportunities and submit service requests [here](#)

Service Hours

Please report your service hours by the Monday preceding our meetings each month.

You may submit hours by contacting our Post Service Officer, Ashley Burn-Jacobs at 972-878-8744 | roysecitylegion@yahoo.com or by filling out the linked [form](#).

February Calendar

Check out details and updates at rclegion.com

Wednesday, February 3rd: [Four Chaplains Day Memorial](#)

Where: Trinity Baptist Church

300 N. Erby Campbell Blvd. - Royse City

Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

POC: Coty Jacobs & Chaplain Otis

Monday, February 1st - Saturday, February 13th:

[Fundraiser](#) - Valentine Treat Box

POC: Neha Dillard / [Neha Bakes](#)

Monday, February 1st - Saturday, February 13th:

[Fundraiser](#) - Spaghetti Dinner

POC: Erin Kincaid / [Higher Hopes Counseling](#)

Sunday, February 14th: Visit our Vets

Collection dates 16 Jan - 6 Feb

Info: Valentine's cupcakes, cards, and gift bags for all residents.

Needs include socks, gloves, hats, scarves, hair brush/combs...

@ RCML - Drop offs only due to COVID

POC: Jason & Neha Dillard / [Neha Bakes](#)

Monday, February 14th-20th:

[National Salute to Veteran Patients](#)

Delivery date: Monday, Feb. 15th

@ Sam Rayburn Memorial Veterans Center (Bonham)

POC: Hayde Spencer

Coordinated with RCISD and CISD to prepare cards for veterans

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Saturday, February 20th: Meetings @ Trinity Baptist Church

- Eboard Meeting @ 9:00 am - 10:00 am
- AL Meeting @ 10:00 am - 11:00 am
POC: Coty Jacobs
- Auxiliary Meeting @ 10:00 am - 11:00 am
POC: Wendy Smith
- Riders Meeting @ 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
POC: Dan Smith

Monday, February 22nd: Walk the Bridge

@ 6:00 pm
@ Rowlett (SH66)
POC: [Third Watch LE MC](#)

Saturday, February 27th: 4th District Conference

@ 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
@ 1525 W. Sam Rayburn Dr. (Bonham)
POC: Coty Jacobs

WE VALUE YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Thank you for your continuous service



[RENEW](#) / [JOIN](#) TODAY!