

AMERICAN LEGION COCIO-ESTRADA POST 59

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For God and Country



Membership

By now everyone should have received a renewal membership reminder from national Headquarters for 2011. We have a good start with over 100 members already paid for 2011. Be an "early bird" member and pay dues by November 11.

Welcome New Members and Transfers

Mike Foust, Hugh Rawley, Michael Nunez, Frank Torres, Michael Reuser, Luis Gonzales, Vaughn Jackson,

Post Everlasting

- Angel Carranza- 55 year Post 59 members, Marine Easy Company Korean War veteran
- Refugio (Ralph) Quihus- 40 years Post 59 member, Korean War Veteran
- Sgt Martin Lugo Jr.- Killed in action in Afghanistan, 75th Ranger Battalion

Prayers and wishes are with their families

Calendar

September 4th - General membership meeting, 10:30 a.m. Auxiliary Food sale starting at noon.

September 8- Post 59 8-ball pool tournament, appetizers and hors d'oeuvre for all

September 19- District 2 meeting at Post 7, 2pm

September 25- Legion Rider meeting, 10:00 a.m..

October 2- General membership meeting, 10:30 a.m. Food sale starting at noon.

October 6- Post 59 8-ball pool tournament, appetizers and hors d'oeuvre for all

October 16- Annul Post 59 Picnic, Juhun Park, 1770 W. Copper Street, 12 p.m. to sunset

October 23- Legion Rider meeting, 10:00 a.m

October 30- Ladies Auxiliary annual Halloween Party- Prizes for best costumes

November 6- General membership meeting, 10:30 a.m., Auxiliary Food sale starting at noon.

Club Room Hours- Open daily at 11:00 a.m.

To learn more about American Legion programs and benefits; visit the Legion web site at www.legion.org

Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS):
For Eligibility and Enrollment Questions: call 520-629-4952

Post Activities

- Post 59 Legion Baseball Team- The Post 59 Baseball team had a successful season, though they fell short of winning a 6th State title since 2000. The team won its first two games before coming up short against the eventual State Champion, Northwest Red Raiders from Tucson. Once again, the team was successful in placing players in colleges around the country.
- Post Pool Tournaments- Post 59 is hosting a monthly 8-ball pool tournament with awards for 1st and 2nd place. Also a 3-ball shootout is held immediately following 8-ball tournament. Come enjoy appetizers and hors d'oeuvre. Next tournament is scheduled for September 8th. 8-ball tournament is limited to first 16th player to sign up.
- Annual Post Picnic- Post 59 post picnic is scheduled for October 16 at Juhun Park, 1770 W. Copper Street, Ramada #1. All Legion members, SAL and Auxiliary are invited. Free hamburgers, hot-dogs, salads, desserts and drinks. Bring a friend or fellow veteran and help sign veteran up. Legionnaires can renew 2010 memberships for \$25.00 at Post Picnic. This will be a one day only discount! Fun starts at 12:00 noon, BRING A CHAIR and bring an appetite. **DIRECTIONS TO JUHUN PARK-** Starting at Silverbell and W. Grant Rd go East on Grant Rd 0.5 mile> turn left at Coyote Dr and go 0.3 mile to Juhun Park.

Veteran Funeral Services

The Post gets frequent calls requesting veteran funeral honors for veterans. **How does a family request funeral honors?** Upon the family's request, Public Law 106-65 requires that every eligible Veteran receive a military funeral honors ceremony, to include folding and presenting of the United States burial flag and the playing of Taps. The DOD program calls for funeral home directors to request military funeral honors on behalf of the Veterans' family. Reference website www.cem.va.gov

However, the family **MUST** have DD214 and show proof of veteran status at time of request. DD214 request form '180' can be used to acquire discharge documentation. This form is also available online at <http://www.archives.gov/forms>. If needed Post 59 can provide assistance in obtaining DD214 or other discharge documentation.