

AMERICAN LEGION COCIO-ESTRADA POST 59

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For God and Country



Membership

Our Paid member for 2010 is currently at 94% of 2010 goal. Maintaining Legion membership throughout our national organization is critical to the survival of American Legion programs. The most of important of these programs is the American Legion's dedication to protecting our Veterans healthcare programs and benefits.

Club Bartenders will continue to card clubroom customers for 2010 membership cards. Be a proud Legionnaire and show your 2010 membership card.

Welcome New Members and Transfers

Jesus Duran, Charles Thompson, Dale Barker, Pedro Grijalva, William Horton, Hector Carpio

Calendar

March 17- St Patrick Day corn beef and Cabbage dinner served by ladies Aux

April 3- General membership meeting, 10:30 a.m. Auxiliary taco sale following Legion meeting.

April 10-11- 7th Annual "Grande Ave Street Fair".

April 25- District 2 picnic at Reid park. Food and drinks for \$4.00, Ramada \$4

May 1- Regular Legion Meeting, 10:30 a.m. Food Sale following Legion meeting

Dart Tournament- Every Thursday, 7:00 p.m.

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

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

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

Children and Youth programs

For 2010 Cocio-Estrada Post 59 will sponsor 4 high school boys to Boys State conference in Flagstaff. The Tucson Sunshine Kiwanis foundation has donated funds to sponsor a 5th student.

Post 59 will also again sponsor an American Legion baseball team as well and a Local Cub scout group.

Post Activities Update

Post 59 hosted a Department Commander's breakfast on January 17. Over 35 Legion dignitaries and members attended the breakfast prepared by Post members Joe Maldonado, Dave Munz and Ferdinando Leon. Thanks to all that helped put on this great breakfast.

We are starting preparations for the 3rd Annual "Grande Ave Street Fair". The fair is scheduled for Saturday, April 10 and Sunday, April 11. The Post will once again be serving up steaks with all the fixings and Ladies Auxiliary will be serving up Mexican food plates. Once again we are asking for volunteers to assist with steak BBQ and general Post maintenance. The fair was well attended last year with many Arts and Craft and food vendors as well as lots of good music and entertainment. Put this event on your calendar! This is a good opportunity for our Post to generate additional revenue. If you are interested in volunteering on either day please call the Post and leave a message.

Cocio-Estrada Post 59 will be hosting the 1st Annual Post 59 Golf Tournament to benefit Post 59 expansion program. All monies generated from this event will go towards the construction and expansion of our Post 59 home. We are planning an addition that will have a kitchen and a hall that can be used for community service and social events. At this time there is no such facility in the neighborhood. The golf format is 4 person scramble and pre-tournament registration is \$65.00 per person. For complete tournament information and sign-up sheets visit the Post clubroom or go to our Post website at www.cocioestradapost59.org

Legion riders

Legion Rider meetings are held on the fourth Saturday of the month at 10:30 a.m. The Riders attended the ALR conference meeting in Yuma, AZ. Riders also participated in Iwo Jima ceremony held in Sacato, Az., birth place of Ira Hayes on February 20.

Sons of American Legion

SAL membership is at 86% of 2010 membership goal. Need 10 more members to reach 2010 membership objective.

Commander's Corner

We opened nominations for 2010-2011 Post Officers at our March 6th membership. All post officer seats are open for nomination. Nominations will be accepted in April and May membership meetings. I encourage anyone that is interested in holding a Post office to step forward. In most cases a few hours a month is all it takes to fulfill the obligation of a Post Officer. If you would like to know more about positions, information can be provided on Post Officer's duties. Call Post phone number 622-9513.