



# THE AMERICAN LEGION

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## American Legion Post 586 Return on Investment

College, Career, and Military Readiness (CCMR) has become a primary purpose for education at Sam Houston MSTC and throughout the Houston Independent School District. Sam Houston earns points annually for seniors who graduate and attend college/university, enlist into the military, accepted into a military academy, or take a career position at a company based training while in high school.

The American Legion Post #586 has played a vital role in the development of young men and women at Sam Houston MSTC granting scholarships to Texas Boys and Girls State. In 2022, Post #586 sent four young men and two young women to their respective camps fully funded. The return on investment was one young man was ultimately accepted in the United States Military Academy at West Point being the first student in the history of his high school to be accepted and attend. Two others enlisted into the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy.

In 2023, Post #586 sent three young men and one young lady to their respective camps. Two of those young men enlisted into the U.S. Army and the young lady is the second student from Sam Houston to be accepted to the Military Academy at West Point.

This year, Post #586 sponsored seven young men and one young lady to attend their respective camps. One young man is set to enlist into the U.S. Marine Corps in early July. Several others have interest in enlisting. We will report back when we receive an update on what they decide to do. We should celebrate that young people are signing up for challenging curriculum sets taking opportunities to excel. And, we should also celebrate that Post #586 is helping a high school develop young people to be better citizens.

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In picture Students Sponsors by Post 586 to attend this years Texas Boy State ( Students from Klein, Sam Houston, and Klein Collins High Schools)



## American Legion Monthly Recap

Our latest American Legion meeting was an event to remember! We had the honor of hosting a special guest from **\*\*Team Rubicon\*\***, who shared inspiring stories about their incredible work supporting the Houston community during storm recovery efforts. Their dedication and service exemplify the spirit of teamwork and resilience.

We also welcomed several new members to our Post. Their presence strengthens our commitment to serve and support our veterans and community. Lets give a warm welcome to our newest legion family members!

A reminder to all; our meetings are held on the **first Monday of every month at 6 PM**. We look forward to seeing you all there as we continue our mission together.

Team Rubicon

The American Legion National Headquarters

American Legion Department of Texas

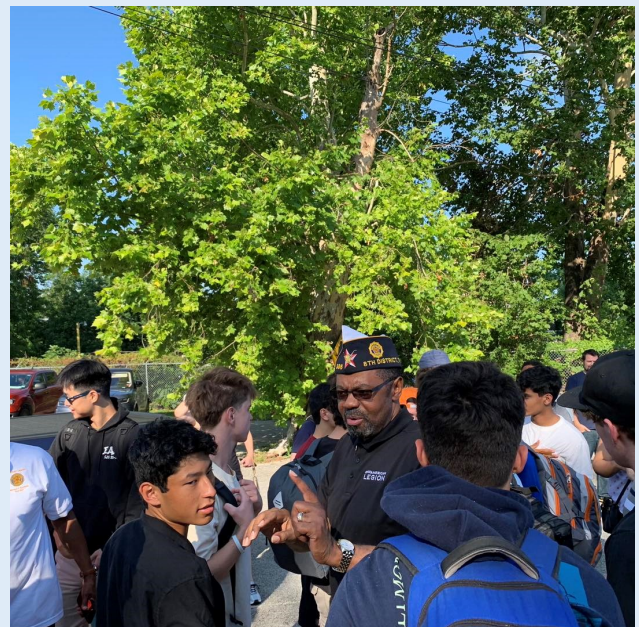


## Exciting Journey to Texas Boys State!

On Sunday, June 9th, we proudly sent 50 exceptional students from The American Legion District 8 to the 85th Texas Boys State at UT Austin! These future leaders were sponsored by our dedicated Posts: Tomball Post 127, Humble Post 132, Jersey Village Post 324, Houston Post 586, Baytown Post 323, Channelview Post 644, and Crosby Post 658, [American Legion Herman E. Rochelle Post 827](#).

These students will spend a week immersed in hands-on activities designed to foster civic leadership and ignite a passion for state government. Let's wish them an incredible and transformative experience!

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## POST OFFICERS 2024-2025

*Commander*  
Dwight Rumph

*Vice Commander*  
Justin Perry

*Adjutant*  
Robert Harris

*Service Officer*  
Joe Granados

*Sergeant-at-arms*  
Eddie Sanchez

*Chaplain*  
James Boyd

*Finance Officer*  
Espiridion Zuniga

### JULY BIRTHDAYS

Jesus Deleon	1 July
Larry Smith	2 July
William Smith	2 July
Jim Collier	9 July
Ethan Mansel	9 July
Michael Luetke	16 July
Oscar Martinez	18 July
Ronald Mathews	21 July
Paul Day	22 July
Kenneth Jenkins	23 July
Darreen Starks	23 July
Steven Osborn	26 July
Nathaniel Franklin	27 July
Rodney McKeehan	28 July
Louis Resendez	28 July
Victor Foreman	30 July
Stephen Moreno	30 July

### POST 586 MONTHLY MEETING DATES

JULY:	DATE	1 st
AUGUST:	DATE	5 th
SEPTEMBER:	DATE	2 nd
OCTOBER:	DATE	7 th
NOVEMBER:	DATE	4 th
DECEMBER:	DATE	2 nd

***ALL MEETINGS START AT 6 PM***

Northline Post 586 is located on Parker Rd. in North Houston/  
Northline area, approx. 0.75 mi. East. of I-45N (Gallery Furniture)  
and approx. 2.15 mi. West. of Hardy Toll Rd, on south side of street  
look for ***Big Green Tank***

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL ON LINE

### Renew your membership online

*Please continue to support your fellow veterans,  
Troops, their families, youth and our nation*



Your annual dues help support programs in your community and across the nation. American Legion programs and services include: Troop Support, Child Welfare Foundation, Heroes to Hometowns, American Legion Baseball, Department Service Officers, Family Support Network, Flag Advocacy & Etiquette, Junior ROTC & ROTC, Operation Comfort Warriors, Scholarships, Veterans Job Fairs, and many others.

Thank you for ensuring that the American Legion remains the most powerful voice in American on behalf of veterans, servicemembers, their families, and communities across the nation.

Go to [www.legion.org/renew](http://www.legion.org/renew)



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LEGION  
WANTS  
YOU**

**Your membership is very important to us for  
ensuring that American Legion programs  
continue to serve all veterans**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Independence day	July 4
National Hire a Veteran Day	July 25
National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day	July 27
National Buffalo Soldiers Day	July 28
Army Chaplain Corps Anniversary	July 29

## COMMANDERS POST MESSAGE



Hello Post 586

As we start July, which is the beginning of the hottest days of summer. July also has Independence Day, Hire a Veteran Day, Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, and Buffalo Soldiers day.

Independence Day, also called Fourth of July or July 4<sup>th</sup>, in the United State, which is an annual celebration. This annual celebration derived from when the 13 colonies, on July 4, 1776, claimed their independence from Great Britain, and eventually led to the formation of the United States. Also on June 28, 1870 Congress passed a law making Independence Day a Federal Holiday.

National hire a Veteran Day is observed on July 25<sup>th</sup>. This day was established to make awareness of civilian employment for transitioning service members and Veterans after their military service. In 2017 Congress passed the Honoring Investments in Recruiting and Employing American Military Veterans Act (HIRE Vets Act) to encourage employers to consider and hire Veterans.

After three years of brutal fighting on the Korean Peninsula, on July 27, 1953 the Korean War ended. During this war over 35, 000 US Service members lost their lives. A few years after the Korean War Memorial was finished, U.S. Code Title 36 was amended to recognize Korean War Veterans Armistice Day on July 27, 2001. While not a federal holiday, the law asks Americans to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities that honor and give thanks to our Korean War Veterans.

In 1866, Congress passed legislation known as the Army Organization Act, which created six all-black U.S. Cavalry and Infantry units. These troops served on the Western frontier after the Civil War. During an Indian War battle in 1867, Native American Cheyenne Warriors gave these Soldiers the nickname Buffalo Soldiers because of their features and said they fought like fierce and brave buffalo. In 1992 Congress passed a law designating July 28<sup>th</sup> as Buffalo Soldiers day.

July is the beginning of the dog days of summer, however please encourage a business owner to hire a veteran, reach out to our fellow Korean War Veterans, research the story of the Buffalo Soldiers, and celebrate the 247th Birthday of the United States of America.

For God and Country  
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