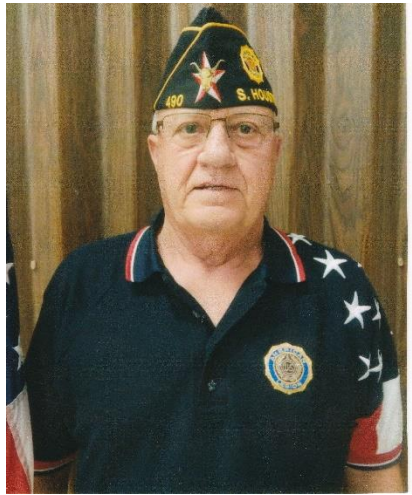


American Legion Post 490



Terry Contella, Commander

Blast for Jan.11, 2021

The American Legion South Houston Post 490

11702 Old Galveston Road, Houston, Texas 77034

Club Room (281) 481-5686, Office (281) 481-1179, Fax (281) 481-0257



The American Legion Family

From the Commander:

Happy New Year to everyone! We made it to 2021 and unfortunately, it is not looking much better. We have re-opened the post and our #1 priority is your safety! The bartenders are disinfecting throughout the day and doing even more when we close. Please remember that you are required to wear a mask while moving about the post and should continue to wash your hands, use hand sanitizer, and maintain your 6-foot distance. I know we are all a family, and it is hard not to let our guard down while we are at the Post, but I am asking that everyone please try to do the right thing while you are here!

Covid is hitting closer and closer to home and we want everyone to stay healthy. Should any of you test positive and have been at the post please let the Commander or the Adjutant know so we can inform those patrons who were there the same time as you. Your name will not be given out unless you approve it to be.

We are having our regular meetings the 2nd Wednesday of the month and will make sure everything in the hall is disinfected and social distancing will be practiced at the meeting. Hope to see you all there. While this is a difficult time we are working on the calendar for upcoming events and it should be published within the next month.

Our veteran and community support never stops, and it is important for us to remain active. Please stay safe and watch for upcoming programs.

Terry Contella
Commander

Office of the Judge Advocate:

From the adjutant desk: The post is currently at 63% on paid membership. The Post will be having a membership drive on the 23rd this month. Bring in a Veteran and help the post grow.

If you need help with my legion.org please send me an email.

From the Service Officer:

Benefits for Blue Water Navy Veterans:

Did you know? VA provides benefits to Blue Water Navy Veterans who served as far as 12 nautical miles from the shore of the Republic of Vietnam or in the Korean Demilitarized Zone and who have health conditions associated with herbicide exposure, such as Agent Orange.

Pat lake

Service Officer

From the Board of Trustees:

POST WIDE BEAUTIFICATION DAY

January 23, 2021

0900 - 1200

- **Post “Beautification Days” – January 23 (Sat), February 27 (Sat), March 27 (Sat), April 24 (Sat), May 22 (Sat) and June 26 (Sat).** *Please mark your Calendars! If you would like to help beautify South Houston Post 490...please plan to attend and contribute to one or more Clean-Up and Beautification efforts. Post improvement and upkeep begins each month on a Saturday at 9:00 AM and will conclude at noon, 12:00 PM. For more information and to recommend specific “beautification” you may wish to see, contact: Walt Youngblood, Trustee at (832) 453-8372 or by email Trustees@Legion490.com*
- South Houston Post 490, Inc. will host a **Craft Fair** on **Armed Forces Day, 15 May 2021**. If you or someone you know wishes to vend your Crafts at the AFD Craft Fair please contact: Ben Edwards, Post 490 Judge Advocate and Trustee.
- South Houston Post 490, Inc. is now a Corporate Member of The National Defense Industrial Association. This annual Membership entitles ALL Members of Post 490 to the privileges and opportunities available through the NDIA. This Membership is free to ALL Post 490 Veteran Members, ALL Post 490 Sons of the American Legion, ALL Post 490 Auxiliary Members and ALL Post 490 Riders. Yes, ALL Our Family is included in free NDIA Corporate level Membership. If interested in joining the NDIA, contact Walt Youngblood, Chairman, Post 490 National Security Committee by email at walter.youngblood@gmail.com and request processing of your NDIA Membership. Remember, there is no Cost to you for Membership in the NDIA through Post 490. If you have questions you may include them in your email, or: call Walt directly at (832) 453-8372 Mobile.

From Children & Youth:

Children & Youth Programs:

Post 490 Children and Youth Chairpersons are continuing to work closely with Pasadena ISD to help the underprivileged children program.

For the months of January through March we will be collecting the following items at the Post:

- Laundry supplies (30 load LIQUID detergents, dryer sheets, fabric softener, and stain remover)
- New Bath Towels, Hand Towels & Washcloths - (many families have 1 or 2 for the entire household)
- Hygiene products (feminine products, dental products, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, soap bars/ body wash, body lotion, etc.)

If you have questions, please call Bonnie Fraley at 713-805-6529 or Lisa Bodden at 713-751-9080.

Bonnie Fraley
Children and Youth

THANK YOU

Children and Youth Committees would like to thank all the Post 490 members, friends, family, and Houston Fire Station 93 for making 200 Pasadena ISD children have a Merry Christmas!

Without your help this would not have been a success! This showed those kids that even during a pandemic, people still can help one another.

Thanks again for all your continued support!

Lisa & Bonnie



Sons of American Legion



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Houston, TX 77034
(across from Ellington Field)



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CAR SHOW

Saturday, Jan 16, 2021

Open to the Public

**50/50 Drawing
Door Prizes**

All cars/car clubs welcome

Cook-Off Registration	8:00 am
Cooks Meeting	9:00 am
Chili Judging	2:00 pm
Car Show	Noon – 4:00 pm

**Music
Noon – until ??**

Cook Off Entry Fee: \$25 if paid by 1/1/21 (\$35 after early registration)

Calcutta: Side bet morning of cook-off

Car Show Entries – No FEE - please complete the entry form below as well w/# of cars

Name of Team: _____

Primary Contact: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Cell () _____ Email: _____



Make Checks Payable to: American Legion Riders Post 490

Contact: John Evans (281) 998-7160 Email: johnevans4052@att.net

From: ALA Unit 490

We (ALA) want to thank all that volunteered for Veterans Celebration Week and then remind of next General Membership meeting, Wednesday, January 13, at 6:30 pm.

Robin Lott

President, ALA Unit 490

President@alaunit490.org



From Clubroom Manager:

From EC1:

I hope everyone has a better year then last year! I am here for you to make the Post a **better** place to come into and have a good time. To have fun and a good time with fellow legionnaires.

We need to start by having a postive attitude with one another. I here complaints about everyone being negative to each other.

We are “ONE TEAM, ONE FIGHT”!

If you have anything complaints (not gripes) or suggestions, you can email me if you are reluctant to put it in the box. Thank you.

David Boriack

EC1

EC1@legion490.com

From the Clubroom Manager:



AMERICAN LEGION
POST 490
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(Across from Ellington Field)

CLUBROOM
Wednesdays-Fridays 11 am – 9 pm
Saturdays 11 am – 10 pm
Sundays Noon – 8 pm
Hours may be extended to midnight if 5 or more patrons. Closed Monday & Tuesday

FOOD
Served all Day / Every Day from Club Room
Sub Sandwiches, Appetizers, Pizza,
Meat/Cheese Trays, Homemade Soups, Stews, Chili

TED JONES GALLEY
DINNER Friday – Saturday 5pm - 9pm
Meeting Night – 2nd Wednesday 5pm - 9pm
KELLIE SPECIALS – Homemade Meal Specials
Fridays – 11 am til gone
Full Menu - Homemade Burgers * Fried Fish*
Salads *Entrée Baskets, weekly specials and

HALL RENTAL
Available for Rent – Nights & Weekends
Members \$300 / Non-Members \$600

- Monday – Friday 7am – 5pm
\$50 – 4 hour rental – food/drinks must be purchased from us
FREE w/food purchase - 1st Responder Organizations
- Projector Available for presentations
- Call 281-481-1179 for details

