

Commander's Travel Notes January 26, 2023

To all proud possessors of a priceless heritage:

If you failed to attend the Sons of American Legion Detachment Mid Winter Conference this past weekend you missed a good one and hopefully you can attend the upcoming Department Convention in July. Now, let me thank those Detachment of Texas leaders which included the largest number of District Commanders that I have seen in a long time in attendance. I'm extremely grateful for your participation and your dedication to servant leadership that is required to move us forward and in line with the American Legion Vision, Mission, Purpose all while exhibiting its core values.

A wonderful SAL training guide was presented by 3rd Division Commander George Alva. A guide designed and constructed by George. I thoroughly appreciate his efforts on this project. The information was very informative and can be had for your Squadron by reaching out to 3rd Division Commander George Alva, Attending any Conference or Convention can only increase your knowledge about the Sons of the American Legion and make you a better leader.

Thanks to Brad Pack for leading the leadership in attendance in contributing more than \$2400 over the weekend for Child Welfare. I think this move us closer to \$2 per capital on our giving.

Also thanks to leading candidate for National Commander JR Hall for coming to spend the weekend with the Detachment of Texas. He was a joy to visit with. His Aide Tom Deal accompanied him. Thanks to the American Legion Vice National Commander Patricia Harris for her kind words.

If you want to grow your squadron, bring in new members, and have successful events you have to lead with your heart as well as your mind to win over hearts and minds. So let's move the greatest fraternal organization in the world to reach its goals and if you don't get there please do it while falling forward. You cannot let the fear of failure stop you from doing something great. Be enthusiastic every day because nothing can be accomplished without it.

We can do this.

Honoring our priceless heritage

Clifton Guillory Commander, Detachment of Texas