



# The Rising Star

Disney-Bell Post 66 Newsletter

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## 2005-2006 Legion Year Comes to a Close

**T**he legion year is drawing to a close. We had a successful year for all our Legion programs and we started a new one called the Legion Riders who are motorcyclists riding in support of veterans programs all over the state and (if I am not mistaken) will escort the National Commander Tom Bock to the National Convention in Utah this year. If you would like to join the Legion Riders or just need more information, call the Post at 301-464-9814.

This is the last article from the Commander for this Legion year as the Rising Star Newsletter takes August **Off**. I want to thank all the officers of the Post for their hard work.

By the time this news letter reaches you, we will have had our election for next year. The incoming officers will be posted on the web site, at the Post and in future newsletters.

The Fourth of July family picnic is here already, call the post and let them know your coming. It helps to have a count, so we can purchase enough food.

There will be a joint Installation of Officers on July 26, 2006 at the Post. Cocktails are at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. and the program follows. There is limited space available so please call the Post to make a reservation.

We are at the annual American Legion Convention in Ocean City the week of July 10 - 14. If you need to reach an officer during that time, you can call the Post and they will relay any message.

Again, I want to thank our Legion family for their hard work and welcome our newest member of the Legion Family, The Legion Riders.

God Bless our Veterans and God Bless America.

Thomas D. Murphy  
Commander

## Legion Riders

**A**s we roar into summer, the Legion Riders of Post 66 have been very busy. Nine members participated in the Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS) ride and donated \$225.00 to assist the widows and orphans of Maryland police officers. It doesn't stop there. We rolled into Flag Day with eight of our members presenting and some even help fold the flags for a proper and respectful disposal after being retired from service. What's next? We are raffling off a beautiful hand-painted statue of an American eagle and flag on the 4th of July. All proceeds will be going to the 9-11 Legacy Scholarship fund. We will also be attending the Convention and plans are being made to have riders there on the July 13 to ride in the Parade. On July 29, the SAL Casey's Kids ride to help critically ill children and their families. We are getting donations and looking forward to a wonderful ride. So come out to the events and functions, come to the meetings (4th Thursday of each month at the Post) and have a safe and memorable summer.

Yours in Service,

Stephen "Big Bird" Williams  
Director

### Editor's Note

You can tell summer is here and this is our "limited" edition of *The Rising Star*. Enjoy the summer with your friends and family, be safe, and join us whenever you can. Thank you for support The American Legion, our programs and Post 66. Be on the lookout for our September edition when we crank it back up.