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Commander's Corner



I want to take this moment to thank our ENTIRE Legion Family for all your support during the past couple of months. We have had a very active Post, full of many special events and activities. Thank you to the Planning Committee for pulling off the Fourth of July Celebration. We had over 150 Family and Guests from the community. A special THANK YOU goes out to CJ Bennett for donating the most amazing cooker and tirelessly roasting the best pig ever! It was definitely the highlight of the day.

We have several events coming up soon, such as the 911 Ceremony on September 11th, the MIA/POW Ceremony on September 18th, as well as the 16th District Convention at our home Post 598 October 16-18th. It will take the efforts of our whole Family to make these events a huge success, but I know we are up for the challenge. We did not get named "THE CAN DO POST" for nothing.

Every new Legionnaire, S.A.L. or Auxiliary member makes us a better post; so I challenge each member to bring one new member into the Family this year! At the beginning of this new 2015-16 year, Post 598 had 137 Active Members. The ALL TIME HIGH for the LEGION was 234. We have recruited 20 new members in the last couple of months, so great job! If each of us recruits just one new member, we will surpass our Post record and be able to better support our Veterans, their families and the community as a whole. Let's make the commitment and do this.

July 7th marked the 16th year anniversary of our very own Gracie Titus as bartender. Next time you see her, be sure to thank her (and tip her well) for her long time service, and commitment to our family. Thank you Gracie!

I always enjoy talking with our Legion Family, so if you see me, please take a minute to stop and chat. If you have suggestions or comments on how to make our organization better, please feel free to let me or one of our Officers know. Remember, we are on track to make Post 598 the premiere post in the El Paso area AND the 16th District by treating each service member as if they were our own son or daughter, adhering to our core values of "For God and Country", and supporting our Veterans and their families in any way that we can.

Thank you and God Bless the United States and OUR Post 598.

For God and Country.
Antonio Salcido (Tony)
Commander
American Legion Post 598

From the Auxiliary President

We are selling hotdogs w/chips \$1, Brats w/chips \$2. Please show a little support not only for the Auxiliary but all the rest of the entities as the Legion could use a whole lot of support.

I'd like to thank everyone for all the support not only auxiliary but all of our entities it's great to see so much team work.

WE ARE A FAMILY.

Don't forget the planning committee each Monday at 630 pm. Do not forget that you do not need to be invited because the input is useful to the committee and the help is needed.

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Evarista "EVA" Valles
Auxiliary President

August Fun Facts

1. On August 1, 1876, Colorado, also known as the Centennial State, became the 38th state of the United States.
2. On August 2, 1909, the Lincoln penny was issued.
3. During the Civil War on August 5, 1864, the Battle of Mobile Bay was won by the Union forces.
4. On August 6, 1945, the first atomic bomb was used in warfare on Hiroshima, Japan.
5. On August 7, 1942, the U.S. troops landed on Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands during World War II.
6. On August 9, 1974, Richard M. Nixon resigned from office, making him the first United States president to ever resign from office.
7. On August 12, 1877, the phonograph was invented by Thomas Edison.
8. On August 12, 1898, Hawaii was annexed by the United States.
9. National Family Fun Month.
10. Friendship Day - first Sunday of August.



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PLANNING COMMITTEE NEWS

The planning Committee has been very busy this year already.

Fourth of July Celebration was a success. It was a lot of work, but we had over 150 members and families from the community show up. We had Carnival games, (unfortunately a big gust of wind came by and blew them all down-lesson learned), music, a 300 pound pig roast and potluck dinner! Thank you to the entire planning committee for all of your assistance. Thank you CJ Bennett for the best pig ever! I want to send out a special THANK YOU to our clean up/decorating crew: Brenda Bolaski, Debbie Duran, and especially Eva Valles. Without the many hours you all put in, this event would not have been the success that it was.

We have two events coming up in September: The 911 Ceremony on September 11th, and the MIA/POW Ceremony on September 18th. Please mark your calendars to join us for these very special occasions. Also, don't forget to purchase you MIA/POW T-Shirt! We will be wearing these for the 9/18 ceremony as well as one day during the 16th District Convention. The deadline to purchase is August 6th, so contact me to put in your order.

We are hosting the 16th District Convention October 16-18, 2015. It is just a short 2 1/2 months away! The planning Committee will be very busy preparing for this great event, but we will need the help of our entire AL Family. If you are interested in being on the committee, come by the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 6:30pm.

Thank you all for the generosity you have all given me with your time and commitment. I look forward to a great year ahead of us, filled with many great events and fun spent with such amazing people. I truly feel blessed to call Post 598 my family.

For God and Country,

Amista Salcido, Pharm.D.
Second Vice Commander
Planning Committee Chair

BAR TAB

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THE NFL IS GETTING NEAR TO FIRST GAME AND
1ST GAME IS THIS MONTH (AUGUST) SO GET
READY

SAL's Scoop...

A few things I would like to bring up are:

Our meetings are on the third (3rd) Friday of the month at 6:30 pm, your attendance is greatly needed. If the time and date of the meetings is a problem for some, please feel free to give me your input as they can be changed if it works better for the squadron. At the last meeting of the Sons of the Legion a meeting was not held as nobody thought it was important to show up.

I am collecting aluminum cans to help the Legion. This time the money will be used to buy weed killer to help keep the grounds clean. Also, plastic bottle caps are being collected, they will be recycled to make prosthetic limbs for soldiers and veterans. You can leave the materials at the Legion or my house, 350 Cross River Rd. or call me for pick up.

The Sons of the Legion also are running the "Queen of Hearts" game on Friday night at 7:00 pm to raise money for the smoke eaters. You should come to the Post on Friday night and take a chance on the Queen of Hearts as the next winner might be you.

The 16th District Convention is fast approaching and the Sons of the Legion are going to need help cook and to serve. breakfast on October 18 This is a fund raiser for the SAL, so contact me if you wish to cook, clean up, and serve the food.

Remember the next SAL meeting will be AUGUST 21, 2015 AT 6:30 PM, PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO ATTEND.

If you would like to contact me, please feel free to do so at any time. My cell # 915-820-0244, e-mail pohara@elp.rr.com

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Patrick O'Hara
SAL Commander

**"Our veterans accepted the
responsibility to defend America and
uphold our values when duty called."**

Bill Shuster



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SOME RIDER DUST

We had a great time at the 4th of July Celebration/Pig Roast held at the Legion. Thanks to all those who helped in making it a success. C.J. did an outstanding job in preparing and roasting the pig. Enjoyed by all.

The riders are in the planning phase for our yearly USO run. We are in the preliminary phase and are looking for donations and any gifts that can be used as door prizes or auction items. If you can assist with either, please get a hold of me, any Legion Rider or drop off at the American Legion.

Our next monthly meeting will be held at the American Legion on Saturday, August 29, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. See you there! And as someone once said, "Keep the chrome side up and rubber side down."

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Jesus "SHADOW" Velasco
DIRECTOR
ALR 598

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 598

OFFICERS

For the year 2015-2016

DIRECTOR: Jesus Velasco (Shadow)
DEPUTY DIRECTOR: Scott Hilgenberg (Shooter)
SECRETARY: Rebekah Hilgenberg (AWOL)
TREASURER: Debra Duran (Jewel)
ROAD CAPTAIN: Darvin Sachtoben (Sock)
HISTORIAN: Jerry Tillison (Frosty)
CHAPLAIN: Darvin Sachtleben, Jr. (Sticks)
MEMBERSHIP: Ruben Duran (Lawman)

Meetings:

4th Saturday of the month 10:00 am
ALR 598 Fri-Fest: 4th Fri. of Month

NOTICE

New BAR TAB number

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**THIS BAR TAB IS NOT FUNDED BY THE
AMERICAN LEGION BUT FROM A PRIVATE
DONATION**



Bar Buzz... HELLO PEOPLES OF

THE LEGION. We have a lot to work on and we will be busy in the coming few months

Everyone is invited to our Planning Meeting every Monday at 7 pm, so stay tuned for more info.

Thursday is pool and Friday is poker, and we are serving hotdogs and brats, so come on down. Also the Queen of hearts it's a lot of fun.

Come and join us. Stay safe and try to stay cool

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Gracie Titus
Bar manager

Post Hours:

Monday–Thursday:

4:00 PM – 10:00 AM

Friday-Sunday:

3:00 PM – 12:00 AM

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