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Commander's Corner



A special thank you to all those that turned out for the 4th of July "Burn-yer-own" steak night at the Legion on the 5th. I was impressed with the turnout; but I know we can have an even bigger crowd for the next event.

The 98th Annual Department Convention was a huge success and the American Legion as a whole gained much needed notoriety in the local media. Many of the attendees I spoke with had nothing but great things to say about the city as well as the Legion posts hosting the event.

Another thank you to all those whose continued efforts to improve the Legion with time spent renovating the post as well as monetary donations to improve the post for all members. Such dedication to the Legion is what keeps us going... but the Legion still needs your help. In the near future there will be a donation box setup for donations to assist the Legion in daily operational funding. We are asking for any assistance that you could assist us with, and it would truly be appreciated.

Because this is YOUR post, I'd like to hear some feedback as far as what you'd like to see change or improvements made to the Legion. A particular brand of beer or even the possibility of offering a limited menu item for those who have a late evening craving. Please let me or any of the officers you come across your ideas and they will be considered by the executive board and brought up for a vote by the general membership.

I wish to thank everyone for their continued patience in the transition from the previous administration to the new one. We're working hard to not only review policies and practices in place that work, but working to come up with new ideas to improve our Legion as a whole.

Lastly, I wish to remind all members to continue to actively recruit new members to our post to increase our numbers. A Legion healthy in numbers is a strong Legion, and allows us to do more to support military families and the community at large.

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Peter L Morales
Commander
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From the Auxiliary President

The auxiliary installation for 2016-2017 was held on Tuesday, July 19th. Mrs. Alice Coleman from District was kind enough to join us and perform the installation ceremonies. A pot luck was served afterwards, with delicious food brought by those members who attended. Several membership awards were presented to our unit by Mrs. Coleman.

Our first meeting of the New Year will be the second of August, (9th) at 7 pm and every second Tuesday thereafter.

Ladies, please plan to attend our meetings. We have many great ideas for what we would like to accomplish in the coming year. We would appreciate any input our members might have. I look forward to meeting all of you, and thank you in advance for your support.

Carol Thompson - President

August Fun Facts

1. August 1, 1876, Colorado became the 38th state.
2. August 2 1909, Lincoln penny issued.
3. August 3, National Watermelon Day.
4. The "dog days of summer" refer to the weeks between July 3 and August 11 and are named after the Dog Star (Sirius) in the Canis Major constellation. The ancient Greeks blamed Sirius for the hot temperatures, drought, discomfort, and sickness that occurred during the summer.
5. August 5, 1864, Union forces won the Battle of Mobile Bay in the Civil War.
6. August 6, 1945, an American bomber dropped the first atomic bomb used in warfare, on Hiroshima, Japan.
7. August 6, 1926, Gertrude Ederle became the first woman to successfully swim the English Channel.
8. August 7, 1942, United States troops landed on Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands in World War II.
9. August 13, National Lefthander's Day.
10. August 16, 1977, Elvis Presley died.
11. August 24, on this day in A.D 79, Mount Vesuvius erupted and destroyed the cities of Pompeii, Stabiae and Herculaneum.



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SAL's Scoop...

Well the Department of Texas American Legion is gone and over with and sorry the Sons of the Legion was not better represented.

It was an extreme pleasure to see Department of Texas Sons of the Legion Squadron Commander Thom Skelly for his visit and to see that he is looking very well and still the same ole Thom.

We still have the Queen of Hearts going on Thursday and Friday so show up and take a chance and help the SAL. We have kicked around the possibilities of starting the Friday taco night again so let me know what you think. The taco night was a good money maker but we will need help in the kitchen. I have been going out of town a bit with my work so let Jubbie know your ideas.

Call me for any questions.

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 598

“Courage is the virtue which champions the cause of right.” Cicero

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 598

OFFICERS

For the year 2016-2017

DIRECTOR: Jesus Velasco (Shadow)
DEPUTY DIRECTOR: Jerry Tillson (Frosty)
SECRETARY: Jeremy Lehmen (Viking)
TREASURER: Ruben Duran (Lawman)
Sergeant At Arms: Joe Paxton (Papa Joe)
ROAD CAPTAIN: Marty Martinez (Spirit Rider)
HISTORIAN: Gilbert Pedroza (G-Man)
CHAPLAIN: Debbie Duran (Jewel)
MEMBERSHIP: Daniel Saucedo (Sauce Man)

Meetings:

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

American Legion Riders Trail Dust

Last month a few of us did the Packy's run in support of a family member of one of our own, Papa Joe. The ride was through the Ruidoso areas and, needless to say, we did get a little wet. All took it in good nature and returned safe and sound.

At the printing of this newsletter, another run is scheduled....The Boots for Troops run, held by our ALR brothers and sisters in Tombstone AZ. These runs are not just for American Legion Riders, if a family member, friend, or guest want to come along, we are more than happy they ride with us.

Last, but not least, is the USO. The day of the event will be here before you know it. Please start soliciting donations. The donation letter is out and the flyers should be finalized and out very soon. Remember, our meetings are always on the fourth Saturday of every month at 10:00am, unless, for whatever reason it has to be changed. Hope to see everyone at our meetings. Ride safe and be careful.

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Jesus "SHADOW" Velasco
DIRECTOR
ALR 598

NOTICE NOTICE

How many of our members of the Legion Family noticed that there was not a bar tab number for the month of July??? Or did any one even notice.

BAR TAB NUMBER FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

BAR TAB

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