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Commander's Corner



Hello Legion family! I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. Now we are getting ready for Ol' St. Nick to come visit all you good boys and girls.

Things are jumping around your Post and it's all good. We have the Christmas Parade and our Christmas Party and New Year's Eve Party coming up. I hope to see all of you there.

If you've been driving up or down Horizon Blvd. You would notice the glow coming from the top of the hill at Elsworth. That glow is your Post. I want to thank Jubbie for getting that project started and the Executive Committee and General Membership for making it happen. It was a long time coming and needed to be done. A lot of people have been coming back to your Post and we have a lot of new members that have joined. That is great! I want to thank one and all for what is happening at your Post.

One sad note though. We didn't have troops this year for Thanksgiving. It wasn't because of lack of effort on the part of members. The good note is that there are less soldiers being deployed to have at your Post for Thanksgiving. We may have to go in another direction next Thanksgiving to support our community but we'll cross that bridge well before it gets here.

I can't believe 2017 is right around the corner. Where does the time go? I'm thrilled to be your Commander and together we can do wonderful things. Thank you everyone.

You can get hold of me by email at wcdurbin@vahoo.com or contact the Post to leave me a message and I will get back to you ASAP. I am honored to be your Commander once again and will do everything in my power to keep your Post running smooth and prosperous.

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W. Clay Durbin
Post Commander
American Legion Post 598

From the Auxiliary President

The ladies auxiliary hosted the dinner for the Veterans Day program with a delicious Beef Burgundy, noodles, salad and French bread. Many thanks to our members that did the cooking, preparation and serving. The Girl Scouts provided a wonderful array of desserts. The Boy Scouts provided our Vets with adorable place mats and wonderful heartfelt homemade cards and handshakes. It was very special seeing these young boys shake the hands of our Veterans and hearing them say "thank you for your service".

Regrettably, our Post was not able to host any soldiers for Thanksgiving this year. Perhaps, with a little more pre planning, we will be able to have a dinner next year.

As always, we urge our Auxiliary members to attend our meetings. They are held on the second Tuesday at 7:00 pm.

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Carol Thompson – President

December Fun Facts

1. December 1, is world AIDS Day
2. December 3, 1967, the first heart transplant was completed.
3. December 7 is Pearl Harbor Day
4. December 12, Poinsettia Day
5. December 14, 1791, the Bill of Rights was passed
6. December Nobel Prizes are awarded
7. December 17, 1903, the Wright Brothers made their first flight
8. December 20, 1803, the Louisiana Purchase was completed
9. December 21st is the first day of Winter or the Winter Solstice
10. December 25th is Christmas Day
11. December 26 – January 1, Kwanzaa
12. December 27th is National Chocolate Day
13. All the gifts in the Twelve Days of Christmas would equal 364 gifts
14. Christmas trees have been sold in the U.S. since 1850.
15. Alabama was the first state in the United States to officially recognize Christmas in 1836
16. Christmas wasn't declared an official holiday in the United States until June 26, 1870



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SAL's Scoop...

Nothing received

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

“How did it get so late so soon? Its night before its afternoon. December is here before its June. My goodness how the time has flown. How did it get so late so soon?”

Dr. Seuss

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

I hope everyone had a fabulous Thanksgiving and spent quality time with family.

We will met on December 17, 2016 because the following week is the Christmas week, again to allow riders to spend it with their families. But we will need to discuss the Polar Bear run plus make sure we're set with the new USO date for next year, and any upcoming events outside the coalition the we would like to participate.

Take care, and always be aware of your surroundings when riding.

Jesus "SHADOW" Velasco
DIRECTOR ALR 598

“Yesterday, December seventh, 1941, a date which will live in infamy, the United States of America was suddenly and deliberately attacked by naval and air forces of the Empire of Japan. We will gain the inevitable triumph, so help us God.” Franklin D. Roosevelt

NFL FOOTBALL IS BACK

SUNDAY, MONDAY, AND THURSDAY AT POST



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News and Blurb from Bar Manager

Hello Everyone!

I want to start out by thanking everyone for their out pouring of condolences I received regarding the passing of my mom, Maria and to the Auxiliary for the beautiful plant. It has been a difficult time and everyone's support has made it a little easier.

Our annual Halloween Party was a great success with 1st place going to Redneck and Proud (Cole) 2nd place to Top Gun Maverick (Melissa) and 3rd place to Half Dead (Sam's sister).

During the Oct. General Membership Meeting it was approved the Bar be allowed to purchase two new T.V.'s so that we all can enjoy watching sports from all angles!

The Post unfortunately wasn't able to host a Thanksgiving thank you dinner for our troops this year however I do want to thank everyone who worked hard to try and make it happen.

Cecily hosted a 'Legion Family' Thanksgiving dinner at her home and there was great company and plenty of food for all!

The Post has been and will continue to be very busy with all the events we have had and the continued support of them by all entities for them to be successful is greatly appreciated.

The next big event is the Horizon City Christmas parade on Saturday Dec. 3rd the Post will be entering a float with the theme of 'One Hundred Years of the American Legion'. All participants are encouraged to contact the Commander for dates and times of decorating and meeting location. The Bar will be accepting bags of candy from members that are not able to attend the parade and a sign-up sheet for walkers or float riders is posted at the Legion.

The annual Christmas Party this year is Saturday Dec. 17th starting with the gift exchange. The Bar and Cole will provide a ham each and side dishes to be provided by members. A sign-up sheet is posted for all wanting to be a recipient of the gift exchange the cut-off date is Dec. 10th with names being drawn that evening.

New Year's Party this year will actually be on Dec. 31st! The party begins at 8p with lots of party favors, karaoke and champagne. Judy and Dale are also celebrating their ten year anniversary and are generously providing the food.

Remember every Thursday is In-House Pool Tournament

and every Friday In-House Poker Tournament both starting at 7p.

Always Live, Laugh and Love
Georgia Durbin
Post 598 Bar Manager

MEETING DATES

LEGION EXECUTIVE

1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
7:00 P.M.



LEGION GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
7:00 P.M DUES \$40.00.

AUXILIARY

2ND TUESDAY 7:00 P.M.
DUES \$26.00



SON OF THE LEGION

3RD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH 7:00
P.M. DUES \$20.00



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

4TH SATURDAY OF THE
MONTH 10:00 A.M. DUES
\$30.00 SINGLE/COUPLE \$30.00



**YOU HAVE THE DATES AND
TIME OF MEETINGS SO NO
EXCUSE NOT TO ATTEND**



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Monday–Thursday:
4:00 PM – 10:00 AM
Friday-Sunday:
3:00 PM – 12:00 AM
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(915) 852-4823

Planning a Special Occasion?

American Legion Hall, Post 598

Available for Weddings, Birthdays,
Quinceaneras, Meetings, etc.

Capacity 160 Persons

Kitchen Facilities Available

For Details, Prices & Available Dates

Call Lupe Morales 760-583-4108

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