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# American Legion

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### Commander's Corner



Another month has come and gone, the weather is changing (almost hourly!) and things are starting to speed back up. **MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP, and MEMBERSHIP!** Membership renewals are a top PRIORITY as we are still sitting at less than a 70% renewal rate and are in the bottom 3 for the 16th District. Legionnaires, PLEASE mail in your renewals as soon as possible, drop them off with the bartenders, or give our Adjutant Clay Durbin a call and he can help you out face to face.

Speaking of memberships, remember that the bartenders will ask you to show you 2014 membership cards before they serve you. They are doing this to help keep us out of trouble with the IRS and TABC since we are considered a "Private Club" for members only. If they do ask, please be kind; know that they are doing this for the benefit of the Legion.

We have some great upcoming events such as the Super Bowl Party on February 2nd, SAL's Valentine's Day dinner on February 15th, Legion Riders USO Run on April 6th, and the 16th District Convention April 11-13.

Our own Officer elections will be on Thursday May 22nd at 7:00 PM. Nominations can submitted starting on 1 April. If you have a desire and the ability to help serve our Post, Veterans and their families and the community, consider volunteering and helping to lead our members through the next year.

And finally, our thoughts and prayers go out to those family members that have lost loved ones this past month and know that God has a plan for everybody and everything. With that said... God bless you, your family and these United States.

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Scott R Hilgenberg  
Commander

*A nation's institutions and beliefs are determined by its character. Herbert Spencer*

*All men are created equal. Declaration of Independence*

*Democracy is on trial in the world, on a more colossal scale than ever before. C.F. Dole*

### From the Auxiliary President

Hi Ladies!

We still have a few members who need to pay their 2014 dues -- let's get those in so you won't miss out on any Auxiliary benefits. And, remember that the bartenders will start checking cards after the 1st of the year.

Don't forget:

Our meeting time has been changed to the 1st TUESDAY of EVERY MONTH at 7:00pm. Our executive members will meet at 6:30pm in order to make recommendations to the General Membership.

Auxiliary members serve food every 2nd and 5th Friday of the month for "Friday Fest"-- come on down and support your Auxiliary!

Thank you all very much for your support and feel free to call me with any questions.

Teri Boehler  
President Auxiliary Unit 598  
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Our Web Site is: Check it out:  
<http://www.alhorizoncitytx598.org>

### February Fun Facts

1. **The Supreme Court of the U.S. met for the first time on February 1, 1790.**
2. **On February 14, 1859 Oregon became the 33rd state to join the Union.**
3. **February is the most misspelled of all the months.**
4. **The Boy Scouts of America incorporated in February in 1910.**
5. **On February 10, 1962, Astronaut John Glen Jr. became the first American to orbit the earth**
6. **The U. S. Senate ratified the peace treaty ending the Spanish-American War, February 6, 1899.**



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#### **Bar Buzz... HELLO PEOPLES of**

**the LEGION:** Are you ready for some football? , I am. Let's get together to enjoy the Super Bowl on Sunday February 2 at 2 pm until ??? And have some fun, like always some good food also, bring your favorite dish, finger food, Some specials throughout the game. So come on down. Hope to see you at the Post.

Next month also the S.A.L. will have a dinner for Valentine's Day on February 15. They will plan the party in the next meeting, so join us and bring your ideas, for a romantic dinner.

That is all for now, we will start warming the engines for upcoming events. Stay safe and warm (ha, ha, ha).

We cannot complain about El Paso weather, it's wonderful and hopefully everyone's having a great year.

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Gracie Titus, club/bar manager.

**LEGION FAMILY, PLEASE DO NOT FORGET OUR SICK AND SHUT IN MEMBERS THAT ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE POST FOR MEETINGS OR FUNCTIONS. A CALL, CARD, OR A VISIT WOULD HELP THEIR ESTEEM AND MAKE THEM FEEL BETTER JUST TO THINK SOME ONE IS THINKING OF THEM.**

#### **SAL's Scoop...**

SONS, our membership renewals have really slowed down since the first of the year. That means that there are a number of you that cannot attend a meeting, Post function, or even come in to the bar. Please get your membership dues in for 2014. Also, remember that you CANNOT be

signed in as a guest if you are already a member and have simply not renewed for the New Year. The bartenders have a list of all SAL members that are current with their dues, so if you have paid for 2014 but do not have your new card, it is in an envelope behind the bar, just ask for it.

On behalf of the SAL, I would like to offer our most sincere condolences to Julie Tucker and the Tucker family for their loss. Rick will be sorely missed. His warmth and smile made Post 598 a better place.

This month's SALute goes out to the bartenders at the Post. They work extremely hard and try their best to provide everyone with great service. **GREAT JOB LADIES!!!**

The Squadron will be hosting our annual Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance on Saturday February 15th beginning at 6:00. We will be serving spaghetti and meatballs with garlic bread, salad and dessert. The cost will be \$10.00 per person or \$15.00 per couple and presale tickets will be available at the bar beginning February 1st. We are also looking for "couples" (you do not NEED to be married) to participate in a "Newlywed Game" type contest between dinner and the dance. We will separate the couples and ask you to answer how you think your partner would answer the same questions...nothing too personal of course. Then bring you all back together and reveal your answers in front of the crowd. It should make for some light hearted humor and a good time for all. The winning couple will receive their dinner free of charge. Please support the Squadron as all profits from the dinner will be added to our Child Welfare Foundation donation.

Remember that our Post is family friendly. Please be mindful of your language at all times. Whether there are children around or not, chances are that there is a lady within earshot. If you wouldn't use the word in front of your mother, don't use it at the Post. We are a private club, not a public bar.

We are still taking suggestions as to where the newly purchased memorial bricks will be placed. If you have an idea or suggestion, please leave it in the brick order box under the TV by the front window.

Please continue to support the SAL by joining us on the 3rd Friday of each month for a delicious homemade meal. Whether it is tacos or enchiladas, all proceeds from the night go to the Child Welfare Foundation. At \$50 per month, our donation goal of \$500 is in your hands.

Remember that the SAL meeting has been officially changed to the 3rd Friday of the month to coincide with Taco Night.

As always, please feel free to e-mail me with any questions, comments or ideas at: [thomskelley@elp.rr.com](mailto:thomskelley@elp.rr.com).

For God and Country, SAL Commander T. Skelley



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### News from the ALR 598 Director

Hello Riders and Legion Family. It's time to gear up for a new year our USO run is on the calendar, scheduled for April 5, 2014. As you know the next two months will fly by with minimal time for event coordination, so make sure you come out to our meeting on the first Saturday of the month. We need all riders' support and input.

We were in Arizona the weekend of January 18&19, Post 11 Riders said for sure they are coming and have invited a couple of other Legion Rider Posts out of Arizona to join them. We will have a lot of work, planning for the Run and our guest Riders that will be coming. Please come out and participate and ask some of your fellow riders to join us.

I would like to thank our heroes, Hillbilly, Viking and Spirit Rider who survived the start of the year Polar Run, then rode with Legion pride and fought the weather. Job well done! On the 11th of January 2014, the riders got together and headed out on a day run to Old Mesilla, for a day of fun and adventure. I would like to thank the Riders for all their support. We had a smaller turn out than expected. I understand that we all have many commitments and sometimes it's hard to make meetings, but we really need to try and make this coming month's meeting. We will be discussing the upcoming USO events. There are several activities coming up.

A reminder, the Legion has not met its goal on renewals, and some Riders are still pending renewal dues. Also, don't forget that every Friday night is Poker night and every 4th Friday is ALR Friday Fest night. Our next meeting will be Saturday February 1st at 10:00 am.

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Again, thank you all.  
Ruben (Lawman) Duran  
Director, ALR Chapter 598

### A FEW THINGS FROM THE EDITOR

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION'S NEW ADDRESS:**

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 598  
141 ELSWORTH DR  
HORIZON CITY, TX 79928**

**SUPERBOWL PARTY FEBRUARY 2nd  
ACTION STARTS AT 2:30 GAME AT 4:30  
SO BRING YOUR FAVORITE COVERED DISH AND  
COME ENJOY THE SUPERBOWL WITH FRIENDS.**

### AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 598

#### OFFICERS

#### For the year 2012-2012

**DIRECTOR:** Ruben Duran (Lawman)  
**DEPUTY DIRECTOR:** Scott Hilgenberg (Shooter)  
**SECRETARY:** Rebekah Hilgenberg (AWOL)  
**TREASURER:** Jose Velasco (Shadow)  
**SERGEANT AT ARMS:** Joe Paxton (Papa Joe)  
**ROAD CAPTAIN:** Peter Cooper (Hillbilly)  
**HISTORIAN:** Georgia Durbin (Pokey)  
**CHAPLAIN:** Debra Duran (Jewel)  
**MEMBERSHIP:** Daniel Saucedo (Sauce Man)

Meetings: Twice a Month  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the month 10:00 am  
ALR 598 Fri-Fest: 4th Fri. of Month

#### Post Hours:

**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

**Call 852-4823**

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