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Commander's Corner



Hope this finds everyone in good health. First of all, my hat is off and thumbs up for the great job that Mr. Wendell and Jimmy and their crew did to remodel and refurbish the bathrooms. The walls were demolished and replaced, new plumbing and toilets were installed, sinks and vanities were replaced and new light fixtures and flooring were put in. There are no words but excellent job guys. Thank you to all the private donations that helped fund this project.

On February 7th at 6:00 p.m., we will have a member appreciation cook out and free plates with your 2015 dues card and \$10.00. If you do not have your 2015 membership dues card or renew at that time please come and join us and have fun.

On February 14 at 6:30 p.m. we will have a "Cater to your wife or girlfriend" for Valentine Day.

Our bar manager will be running specials on drinks and beer everyday so keep an eye out.

There is a petition going around that wants to make our post a non-smoking post. It will be presented at the general membership meeting February 17 at 7:00 pm. I do recommend if you want to have a voice of this you should show up to the meeting. Please if you have any ideas regarding this petition please show up.

Thank you and please keep all of our sick members in our prayers.

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Robert Fonseca
Commander, American Legion Post 598
Horizon City, TX

February Fun Facts

1. The birthstone for February is Amethyst.
2. Two zodiac signs for February are Aquarius (January 20 - February 18) and Pisces (February 19 - March 20).
3. Black History Month is celebrated in Canada and United States.

From the Auxiliary President

Ladies,

We have the Super Bowl Party this Sunday at the Legion! Thee Legion is opening at 1pm on Sunday for the Super Bowl. Please join us if you can and bring a side dish. It should be a fun Super Bowl! Come in and take a look at the newly remodeled restrooms.

I am looking for volunteers for Community Service weekends. It takes about an hour on Saturday and Sunday, I would appreciate any help.

If you have not paid your dues as of this month, please stop by the Legion and pay them or make arrangements to meet with Nita Perry our membership chairman this month. The annual dues are \$26.00 dollars

We have our February meeting on Monday, February 2nd at 7pm. We are having a potluck, so bring an appetizer or dessert. I will enter everyone into a drawing for a door prize that night.

Please keep collecting box tops for Dr. Sue Shook and milk caps. Bring in any expired coupons that you might have so we can send them overseas. Also don't forget to save the tabs from cans.

Thank you for your continued support and I hope everyone attends the meeting on Monday night. If you are interested in volunteering for Community Service, contact me either via phone or e-mail.

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President Auxiliary Post 598
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February Fun Facts cont.

4. On February 6, 1933, Amendment 20 to the United States was proclaimed which moved the Inauguration Day to January 20th.
5. February 12 - Abraham Lincoln's Birthday.
6. February 14 - Valentine's Day.
7. February 22 - George Washington's Birthday.



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Bar Buzz... HELLO PEOPLES OF THE LEGION. Hope everybody had good holidays.

Let's get started with another year.

Well, football it's over.

We have good news, thanks to the Commander and all the help of the members, we have new bathrooms, and they look great. Thanks to Wendell, Jimmy, Jamie, Cindy and the list continues, thanks a million for all the help and the ones who donated money. Stop by the Post and take a look.

We have some plans for the following month.

Miss Cindy, we will miss you as part of our bartender family. Hope you the best.

Hope everybody have a great, safe and good year.

For GOD and Country
Gracie Titus
Club/Bar Manager

Centrix * Sabastian * Fromm

Japanese * European * German

SCISSOR SHARPING

Jewell

Jaguar

GARY THOMPSON

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SAL's Scoop...

Gentlemen,

We have made some progress in membership since the last newsletter. Squadron 598 is at 65% membership as of January 2015. That means that there are still 23 of you that have lost their bar privileges and ability to attend meetings or Post functions. The bar staff has been provided with a list of those who are not current, so I suggest you get your dues paid as soon as you can.

Now let's move on to some positive news. With the dedication of a few members and the private donations of some others, we have newly renovated restrooms in the club room, and they look (and smell) FANTASTIC!! THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED!!

The Post is starting a new progressive jackpot called the "Queen of Hearts" on Feb. 1st. It is a designated fundraiser with no limit on how high each jackpot can go. I have seen them as large as \$7,900!!! Details are posted on the club room bulletin boards so take a chance, support YOUR POST, and good luck to everyone!!

American Legion Department of Texas Commander Lynn Sparks will be in El Paso on Friday February 13th visiting the William Beaumont Army Medical Center. She will be received at Post 36-3730 Shell St. (off of Montana) at 7:30 that evening. I encourage all officers and anyone that would like to meet Commander Sparks to attend.

As many of you have already heard, there is discussion to bring to a vote, changing Post 598 to non-smoking. A poll is being circulated to determine how this would affect the frequency in which members visit the Post and the results will be addressed at the general membership meeting on Tuesday, February 17th. Extensive research has been done to determine how professional, ceiling mounted smoke-eater/air purification systems would alleviate the smoke and smell from the Post, all with remarkable success. Legion and VFW Posts that were contacted say that after installing these systems, ALL MEMBERS of their Posts were more than satisfied with the results. Smokers could still smoke and the air quality was that of a non-smoking area. It's a viable alternative to alienating one group or another. ALL members of the Post should be able to enjoy their membership, and their choice to smoke or not, without being infringed upon. Please consider this option.

Keep an eye on the whiteboard and the online calendar for upcoming events. No organization can survive without the support of its' members. It all starts with YOU!

As always, please feel free to e-mail me with any questions, comments or ideas at:

thomskelley@elp.rr.com.

For God and Country,
SAL Commander T. Skelley



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News from the ALR 598 Director

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Hillbilly
Peter Cooper
ALR 598 Director
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AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 598

OFFICERS

For the year 2013-2014

DIRECTOR: Peter Cooper (Hillbilly)
DEPUTY DIRECTOR: Scott Hilgenberg (Shooter)
SECRETARY: Rebekah Hilgenberg (AWOL)
TREASURER: Jose Velasco (Shadow)
SERGEANT AT ARMS: Daniel Saucedo (Sauceman)
ROAD CAPTAIN: Peter Cooper (Hillbilly)
HISTORIAN:
CHAPLAIN: Debra Duran (Jewel)
MEMBERSHIP: Daniel Saucedo (SauceMan)

Meetings:

1st Saturday 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

NOTICE

**ALL LEGION FAMILY MEMBERS.
THERE IS A \$25 BAR TAB JUST WAITING
TO BE CLAIMED AT THE BAR AND AFTER
ALL THIS TIME AND MONTHS NOBODY
HAS CLAIMED IT OR MAYBE EVEN ASK
ABOUT IT. DUES CARD MUST BE
CURRENT (2015)
MEMBERSHIP CARD, A
MEMBER MUST BE THE MEMBER WHO'S
NAME IS SHOWN ON THE DUES CARD**

Card # 166

**THIS BAR TAB IS NOT FUNDED BY THE
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DONATION**

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