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Commander's Corner



Hope this finds everybody in good health.

Well let's give ourselves a round of applause; we have gone thru our first month. We are trying to do things to where we can all get along like a good family. Please if there is any concerns or thoughts come to the general membership meetings so we can address them. If you do not come to the general membership meetings we as officers will never be able to correct them if you don't voice your opinions or concerns. The 2015 membership cards are in get with adjutant. The 1st vice position is still open if anybody wants to step up let me know.

For God and Country
Thank you for all your cooperation,
Commander and Legion Rider
Robert Fonseca

MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 598 FAMILIES:

CONGRATULATION TO ALL THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS AND MAY WE WISH YOUR YEAR BE NOTHING BUT SUCCESS.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN WHAT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST IS PLANNING, THEN YOU SHOULD MAKE IT A POINT TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS OF THE SONS OF THE LEGION, LADIES AUXILIARY OR THE AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS.

THE AMERICAN LEGION HAS A GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING THE 3rd TUESDAY AND ALL IDEAS ARE WELCOME AND RESPECTED. YOU WILL THEN KNOW WHAT THE LEGION FAMILIES ARE PLANNING.

**DEMOCRACY IS GOVERNMENT OF THE
PEOPLE BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE
ABRAHAM LINCOLN**

From the Auxiliary President

Hello Ladies,

To those who don't know me, let me introduce myself. My name is Michelle Colwell. I am very thankful to be elected as President of the Auxiliary. A little bit about myself, I am a Mom to 3 wonderful girls ages 15, 10, and 3. We currently reside in Horizon City, Texas. I am married to my wonderful husband Julian Colwell, who is an active duty soldier stationed at Ft. Bliss, TX. We have lived here for 2 years now, this is our 3rd duty station. We moved from Fort Riley, Kansas and before that we were at Fort Lewis, Washington, we are originally from Connecticut.

I am looking forward to meeting all Auxiliary members at the next meeting. We have some exciting things happening in the next few months. Please feel free to contact me at michellemcolwell@yahoo.com or my phone number is 785-320-3200.

We still have some members that who have not renewed their membership.

Don't forget:

Next meeting, July 1st @7p.m.
WE WILL BEGIN SERVING FOOD ON THE 2ND AND 5TH FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH. If anybody has any ideas on what to serve, please come to the meeting.

Thank You

Michelle Colwell
President, Auxiliary Unit 598
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We on this continent should never forget that men first crossed the Atlantic not to find soil for their ploughs but to secure liberty for their souls.

Robert J. McCracken



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Bar Buzz... HELLO PEOPLES of the

LEGION: Another month goes away, hope everybody is doing okay.

Happy 4th of July to everyone. No word of what is being planned for that day.

Ladies Auxiliary, please join us for our meeting and support our newly elected President Michelle. She is going to need our help and support. Come on down every 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:p.m..

Ok peoples, that is it for now so stay safe and cool. We will be seeing you at the Post, for more upcoming events.

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Gracie Titus, club/bar manager.

June Fun Facts

1. July 4 was initially adopted by Congress on July 2, 1776; the revised version of the Declaration of Independence was not adopted until two days later.
2. The oldest, continuous Independence Day celebration in the United States is the 4th of July Parade in Bristol, Rhode Island; it began in 1785.
3. The Declaration of Independence was penned by Thomas Jefferson and signed by 56 men representing 13 colonies.
4. One of the United States' patriotic songs, "Yankee Doodle" was originally sung by British military officers prior to the Revolution as a means to mock the disorganized American colonists who fought alongside them during the French and Indian Wars.
5. The "Star Spangled Banner" was written by Francis Scott Key during the War of 1812 and not decreed the official national anthem of the United States until 1931.
6. Three U.S. Presidents, John Adams, Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe, died on July 4th; Adams and Jefferson died within hours of each other in 1826 while Monroe died in 1831.
7. The country's 30th president, Calvin Coolidge, was born on Independence Day in 1872.
8. Americans consume about 155 million hot dogs on Independence Day alone; it is the biggest hot dog holiday of the year.

SAL's Scoop...

Gentlemen, we are about to start another fiscal and membership year for our Squadron. I hope to return from the Detachment Convention in McAllen with our new 2014-15 cards. I would encourage you all to renew your membership as soon as we get the new cards in. The Squadron has been challenged to hit 100% membership by December 1st. The sooner we get started, the sooner we will get there. Your new card will be good through 2015.

At the June regular membership meeting, a motion was passed to increase dues starting this year. We have been collecting \$16.00 for well over six years and it was decided that the dues should be increased to \$20.00. That's a whopping \$1.66 a month.

We are actively seeking a few SAL members to cover community service on the third weekend of each month. If we can find four Sons to volunteer, you would only have to supervise three times a year. Please let me know if you can help out. On that note, we need more participation in Squadron events. The Sons showing for our own fundraiser on Flag Day was disappointing to say the least. Once again, a few individuals shoulder the burden of responsibility to keep Squadron 598 moving forward.

Do yourself a favor and keep an eye on the Post website calendar and whiteboard for upcoming events. There are a lot of great happenings around the Post and member participation is the key to success!!

If you have any ideas, comments or concerns, please voice them at a meeting and not in the club room. No matter which part of our 598 Family you belong, membership meetings are the place for you to be heard. Leave the idle gossip and negativity at home so that we can all enjoy our Post as the fun loving place that it is.

This month's SALute goes out to dual member Jubbie Hartzog for donating and cooking the ribs for our fundraiser. Thanks to everyone who supported the Sons as we raised close to \$300.00. Special thanks go out to Amy, Brenda and Virginia for helping in the kitchen. We couldn't have done it without 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

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826)



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News from the ALR 598 Director

Hello Riders and Legion Family. The USO run was a great success; we were able to raise \$4000 for our local USO. I would like to THANK all the Riders and Post 598 for their outstanding support. We will have a check presentation on June 25, 2014. I was informed that thanks to the great efforts of the entire riders over the last four years, we have been able to donate over \$20,000 to the USO. Great Job! This is something to be very proud of, THIS IS WHY WE RIDE. A SPECIAL THANKS goes out to (RED) David Moncibaiz, for an outstanding job on his pulled pork the day of the Run. A special Thank you also, to our Post 598 Officers for a wonderful Flag Day ceremony. It was a fitting tribute to those who donated and retired their flags for our GREAT COUNTRY!! I'd like to thank the Sons of the American Legion for doing a great job on hosting Rib night for Flag Day. Congratulations to our new Auxiliary President – Michelle Colwell, let us support her as she starts her new year.

July brings many events, please don't forget that we will be heading to Alpine, Arizona on July 18th-20th on our annual FOP run. Please come out and join us if you can. Also on July 26, American Legion Post 24- Tombstone, Arizona, will be hosting there 4th annual Boots for Troops Run. Please attend if at all possible. If you're interested in attending, we will be discussing it at our next meeting July 5th at 10:00 am. Our next run is just around the corner and it's time to start making plans and coordination for the Colonia's run as October the 5th will come quickly.

I would like to thank the Riders for all their support. A reminder, 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 July 5th at 10:00 am.

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

Liberty cannot be preserved without a general knowledge among the people, who have a right...and a desire to know; but besides this, they have a right, an indisputable, unalienable, indefeasible, divine right to that most dreaded and envied kind of knowledge, I mean of the characters and conduct of their rulers.

John Adams (1735-1826)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 598

OFFICERS

For the year 2013-2014

DIRECTOR: Ruben Duran (Lawman)
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:

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

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