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Commander's Corner



Hello fellow Horizon City Post 598 family. A new fiscal American Legion year is upon us. We held Legion elections during the General Membership meeting and as usual we have a great group of officers. I thank you for supporting me this past year and am honored to continue on as your Commander.

Unfortunately I will be having back surgery June 1st and 1st Vice Joe Roe will be acting Commander whilst I get my rough skies legs back. He will do a great job.

Remember the Legion meetings are the 1st Tuesday of the month for Executive Committee and the 3rd Tuesday of the month for General Membership. The General Membership meeting is open to all entities of American Legion Horizon City Post 598. If you have concerns, ideas or want to know what is going on at your Post please sit in the meeting.

This past May 29 was Memorial Day. It is sad to report we lost 12 of our members from the Legion, Auxiliary and SAL. An old Indian custom is to say the departed tribe member's name out loud. That way that tribe member will never be forgotten. God bless our members and their family.

One very important change to report is your Post will have ownership of the VSweeps machines. We have a great new addition to it. Along with the usual cash payout, for every dollar you donate you will also be getting dollar for dollar cash value towards the purchase of items through www.gift-liquidation.com. You will have to create a new account through that program to redeem your goods but it's easy peasy to do.

Don't forget Saturday June 10th we will be holding our Flag Day ceremony, veteran feast and flag retirement ceremony.

Also keep September 1st through 4th on your calendar. That's when we are having our 1st annual Post 598 Aspen Camp Out. There will be a sign up sheet shortly.

Then there is the ALR's USO Run to benefit the 3 El Paso USO Centers. Always a great event for a very good cause. I've spent many a day and night being helped or entertained by the USO. For any events I've missed please come over to your Post and look at the White Board as Georgia keeps events well posted with Mike Chavez's posters.

I REALLY want to thank Jimmy Carrizal for everything he has done to better your Post. His last beautification was to repair the siding and paint the trim on the front of the building. It looks great!

Again thank you for your support and for your support in the future that will only make your Post better for everyone.

Just in case I missed something this month stay up to date and see what is going on go to the Post 598 website at <http://www.alhorizoncitytx598.org/>

Thank you one and all for making our Post a better place.

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W. Clay Durbin
Post Commander
American Legion Post 598

From the Auxiliary President

Hope to see you all at our meeting, it's very important to try and make it out to our meeting as we will be voting on new Officers and see what our Auxiliary future holds and to see if we have an Auxiliary or not.

Eva Valles - President
Auxiliary Chapter 598 American Legion

June Fun Facts

1. June 1, 1792, the state of Kentucky, also known as the Bluegrass state, became the 15th state of the United States.
2. June 1, 1796, Tennessee, also known as The Volunteer State became the 16th state of the United States.
3. June 5, 1947, George C. Marshall, the Secretary of State, described the Marshall Plan.
4. June 14, 1777, the flag of the United States was adopted by the Continental Congress.
5. June 14, 1900 - Hawaii was organized as a territory
6. June 15, 1775, George Washington was appointed the commander in chief of the Continental Army.
7. June 15, 1836, Arkansas also known as the Natural State, became the 25th state of the United States.
8. June 18, 1812, the United States declared war on Great Britain.
9. June 18, 2017 is Father's Day
10. June 19, is known as Juneteenth Day. A holiday commemorating the freedom of the slaves in the United States. The name Juneteenth is a combination of the words June and nineteenth. The day is also called Emancipation Day and Freedom Day.
11. June 20, 2017 is the 1st day of summer.



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SAL's Scoop...

No Input 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

“...It is a proud privilege to be a soldier – a good soldier ... [with] discipline, self-respect, pride in his unit and his country, a high sense of duty and obligation to comrades and to his superiors, and a self-confidence born of demonstrated ability.” George S. Patton Jr.

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

Welcome all, I hope everyone is doing well.

The trip to Eagle on Wheels run in Douglas, Arizona was a resounding success with all riders returning home safely. It was great seeing our fellow brothers and sisters from Douglas, and for the third time Lawman won the prestigious Walk of the Cock honors.

By the time this newsletter comes out, we would have had the Thin Blue Line LE MC event at the Legion and should be a great event.

This month we're hosting a stop for the Men of War MC on 13 May, this is another run for veteran cause, with proceeds going to the USO.

Also, would like to have a serious discussion about taking a trip to Alpine, TX, and inviting Chapter 58. And remember, our USO run is scheduled for 9 September....still working out the stops.

If anybody would like to join me to the Coalition meetings, they are held on the first Wednesday of every month at the Ysleta VFW Post 6388, 9170 Cananea Ln. (off Alameda), and starts at 1900hrs. I'm usually there NLT 1830hrs to get good seating as it gets pretty full.

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, be careful and God Bless. More volunteers are needed for community service, it's not too hard.

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Jesus "SHADOW" Velasco
DIRECTOR ALR 598

“Leaders become great not because of their power but, because of their ability to empower others.” John Maxwell



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News and Blurb from Bar Manager

Hello Everyone!

The Commander (my hubby) will be having back surgery June 1st please keep him in your prayers for a speedy recovery I'll keep everyone posted on his status.

The Auxiliary had great support for their enchilada dinner last month. If you haven't been involved in 'Your' Auxiliary you need to be more now than ever. We were visited by the District Madam President at our April meeting and she clearly informed the Auxiliary what will happen if no ladies volunteer to hold officer positions. This just doesn't affect the Aux but also 'Our' Post, elections will be June 13th.

The 'Adult Easter Egg Hunt' had a small turn out but those that were there had a lot of fun!

The benefit run for Agent Barraza was awesome! They raised close to \$3000.00 and we recruited several new members. This will be an ongoing venture with them and we look forward to next year.

The post had a fund raiser for the upcoming 4th of July festivities by selling tickets to the Comic Strip I want to thank all that bought tickets and thanks to those members who sold them.

The CASI Chili Cook-Off had a good turn-out of judges and participants Laura won for best 'Salsa' congrats!

Men of War benefit run on May 13th also proved to be beneficial to the Post we were the first stop and riders from our sister Chapter 58 chose to stay and enjoy our hospitality.

Our first friendly pool tournament with members of VFW Tigua and AL Post 36 on May 20th was great! Our Post won bragging rights and we look forward to them hosting the next tournament. I want to thank 'All' our regular players that came out and supported this event.

June 10th will be the annual 'Flag' retirement ceremony with the Post providing hotdogs, hamburgers and all the fixings.

We still have a lot of events and activities coming this summer and beyond, we are doing great and I look forward to each one of them.

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



PLANNING COMMITTEE

4TH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

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



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Friday-Sunday:
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