



For God and Country

American Legion

Post 598

Monthly Newsletter

The Can Do Post



Vol. 16 No.7

<http://www.alhorizoncitytx598.org/>

July 2016

THIS NEWSLETTER IS A MONTHLY PUBLICATION ISSUED BY AMERICAN LEGION POST #598
141Elsworth., Horizon City, Texas 79928 915-852-4823

Commander's Corner



First and foremost, I'd like to thank each and every member who's supported my decision to run for and ultimately accept the position as Commander of the American Legion Post 598. I appreciate your vote of confidence in me and my family and will do everything in our power to work with each and every member of the Legion and work to make the Legion even better.

As we move forward, we have many hurdles to overcome and hard work to further improve our Legion. My hope is to make American Legion Post 598 the "Gold Standard" of Legions throughout District 16. To do this I ask that each of you to help me with task such as post improvement, community involvement and recruitment of new members.

Each day that I'm available, I will be at the Legion to preform post improvement. Small task such as area cleanup, clearing out clutter and unused items, and improvement to the hall and I welcome everyone to join me if you're available. To conquer tasks that seem overwhelming are accomplished with the first step...One step at a time, and the impossible becomes possible.

Community involvement is a great way to get our name and our mission of supporting active duty and veterans to those unaware of our presence in Horizon City area, I'd like to see post members involved with events such golf tournaments at Horizon City Golf Course, Saturday night movies in the park, local school sporting events, as well as volunteering with local charitable organizations. The Legion Riders have done an outstanding job in the past with getting our name out with such events as Annual USO run and Colonias Turkey run, and I'd like to see more involvement of all the families to ensure successful events.

Recruitment of new members is vital to the continued growth of the Legion, and I like to see each member act as salesperson to "sell" the Legion to prospective members. Advertisement at local events as well as local retail stores such as Walmart by sponsoring their "Wall of Hero's" at entrance of their store is a great way to get our name out, and should be a great way to get our name out and increase our members.

I'd also like to see the return or proven events to the Legion such as Friday Night Meals. An evening of an affordable meal served and enjoyed with friends are always a great way to end the work week, and share stories and events with close friends. Friday night Poker as well as Thursday night pool tournaments have always drawn members and I'd like to see multiple poker tables filled and lines of participates waiting their turn to shoot pool. This is also a great way for each of the families to generate money for their budgets.

Lastly, I'd like to thank everyone again in advance for your support and look forward to hearing suggestions and ideas to improve the Legion each of us love so much.

For God and Country

Peter L Morales
Commander
American Legion
Post 598

From the Auxiliary President

No Input from the Auxiliary

July Fun Facts

1. July 1, 1963 - ZIP codes were introduced for US mail.
2. July 1, 1971 - The Post Office Department (1792–1971) became the United States Postal Service.
3. July 2, 1776 - The Continental Congress adopted a resolution severing ties with the Kingdom of Great Britain, although the final wording of the formal Declaration of Independence was not approved until July 4.
4. July 2, 1962 - The first Wal-Mart store opened in Rogers, Arkansas.
5. July 2, 1964 - US President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the (Republican written) Civil Rights Act of 1964 meant to prohibit segregation in public places.
6. July 3, 1852 - Congress established the United States' 2nd mint in San Francisco.
7. July 4 – Independence Day is celebrated in the United States of America.
8. July 4, 1826 - John Adams, second president of the United States, died the same day as Thomas Jefferson, third president of the United States, on the fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the United States' Declaration of Independence. The two founding fathers did not get along during their careers.
9. July 8, 1776 - The Liberty Bell rang at Pennsylvania State House (now Independence Hall) in Philadelphia, inviting citizens to the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence.
10. July 16, 1945 - (Manhattan Project) Manhattan Project: The United States successfully detonated a plutonium-based test nuclear weapon near Alamogordo, New Mexico.
11. July 20, 1940 - California opened its first freeway, the Arroyo Seco Parkway.



For God and Country

American Legion

Post 598

Monthly Newsletter

The Can Do Post



Vol. 16 No.7

<http://www.alhorizoncitytx598.org/>

July 2016

THIS NEWSLETTER IS A MONTHLY PUBLICATION ISSUED BY AMERICAN LEGION POST #598
141Elsworth., Horizon City, Texas 79928 915-852-4823

SAL's Scoop...

So far we have 5 delegates from the Sons signed up for this upcoming convention. If anyone else would like to go please contact me before Friday. It would great to have a big turnout. I would like to have a meeting on July the 8th since the convention is the 15th. Still looking for volunteers for community service. And I am also collecting aluminum cans.

Call me for any questions.

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

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

Patrick O'Hara
SAL Commander 598

**Let freedom never perish in your hands.
Joseph Addison**

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 would like to thank all the newly elected riders holding office and a special thanks to all the past officers, I am very grateful to them and all the other riders. It doesn't work if we don't work as a team. As for current events, we are planning a run to Alamogordo on July 9 for Packy's Run, in support of a family member of one of our own....Papa Joe, his niece is battling cancer and the proceeds will go towards medical expenses and on July 23 is the run to Tombstone for the Boots for Troops run. I will have our Road Captain(s) draw up the OPORD, or just a simplified schedule. We are finalizing the route and stops for the USO run and hopefully begin posting flyers. Remember to start asking for donations, both monetary and in merchandise. I would still like to plan an overnigher at Aguirre Springs before the end of summer. And last, but not least, post related, don't forget the State Convention this month, more information can be found in our website. Be safe and aware of your surroundings.

For God and Country

Jesus "SHADOW" Velasco
DIRECTOR
ALR 598

Post Hours:

Monday–Thursday:

4:00 PM – 10:00 AM

Friday-Sunday:

3:00 PM – 12:00 AM

2 Butt Rule

(915) 852-4823



For God and Country

American Legion

Post 598

Monthly Newsletter

The Can Do Post



Vol. 16 No.7

<http://www.alhorizoncitytx598.org/>

July 2016

THIS NEWSLETTER IS A MONTHLY PUBLICATION ISSUED BY AMERICAN LEGION POST #598
141Elsworth., Horizon City, Texas 79928 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

We Offer Membership Discounts