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NEWSLETTER

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

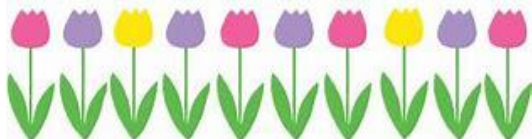
As you are aware by now, Tarrant County has closed all non-essential businesses to include the Post until further notice. We are hoping that this will be lifted by April 3rd. In the meantime, we need to play it safe and be diligent of your surroundings. This will be better in the long run and God will get us through this.

Because of this, there is not a lot to report or talk about. As a reminder, we will be having Post elections the first Thursday in May. Now is the time to think about running for an office and lending your talents to benefit the Post. As always, your ideas or suggestions are very important to me and the Post. Last Saturday, we were able to "dismantle the kitchen" and do a lot of cleaning and power-washing. I wish to offer my "thank you" to the Riders, Jeff and Debbie McKee, Danny Fallon, Charlie, and Dan Higgins for all the hard work. I am projecting to be at the Post this coming Saturday to start putting everything back to together. If you are bored, we would welcome your assistance. I believe you will see a marked improvement.

In closing, we ask that you and family be safe and careful. Be mindful of your neighbors and community and as always –

For God, Country and Post #379 Pride.

Bob Roberts – Post 379 Commander
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AUXILIARY NEWS

As everyone knows the Post is closed until further notice and therefore we will not be selling Adult Easter eggs on Good Friday, April 10. We will also not be serving dinner on that night. The money and other donations already received will be passed on to our Cancer Research Fund Raiser in October.

At our last General Membership meeting it was decided that our Executive Board and General Membership meeting will now be held on the third Thursday of each month. This change will allow us to have our meetings in Proctor Hall where we will have more room and much better room temperature.

The Auxiliary elections for the 2020 – 2021 year will be held on May 21st. If you are interested in running for an office but don't know what each office's responsibilities are please feel free to contact me and I will be happy to fill you in on what is expected of each office. A signup sheet has been posted at the front of the Post.

I am very happy to announce that we will be sending \$20,000 to Department for M. D. Anderson Cancer Research Hospital. Thank you Sheryl Frydenberg for your wonderful Chairmanship of this endeavor.

Our next General Membership meeting will be on April 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Theresa Winslow
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From the desk of the SAL COMMANDER

Greetings Post Family! Squadron 379 had another highly successful month and then we got shut down due to this stupid virus. Seriously, though, I hope everyone is safe and healthy as well taking the necessary precautions while we ride out this storm as a family.

Speaking of family, I am extremely proud of the members of our Squadron who showed up to help clean the kitchen during this shutdown. I know I can always count on our members to show up when our Post Family needs us the most.

Obviously, all of our activities and meals have been cancelled due to the closing of our Post. We will resume our schedule once the post reopens.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 14, 2020. I would like to see the attendance increase. We will be conducting our annual elections at that time. Call me with any questions.

Joey Cook - Squadron 379 Commander
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RIDER NEWS

Greetings Post Family! Chapter 379 had another highly successful month and then we got shut down due to the obvious. I sincerely hope everyone is safe during these trying times.

I am extremely proud of our Riders who showed up to help clean the kitchen during this shutdown. I know I can always count on our members to show up when our Post Family needs us the most.

Obviously, all our activities and meals have been cancelled due to the closing of our Post. We will resume our schedule once the post reopens. We are still planning on conducting our Poker Run scheduled for May 16th. This is obviously dependent on whether or not our Post and the other Posts listed as stops will be reopened by that time. We will keep everyone posted.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, April 26, 2020. We will be conducting our annual elections at that time. Call me with any questions.

"Ride Safe and Keep the Rubber Side Down!"

Joey "Crash" Cook, ALR Director
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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

The current Post shut down due to the Coronavirus has caused the post to postpone two Post Everlasting ceremonies. Maybe more in April or Honor Guard duties also.

"Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God"
Matthew: 5-8

When a young girl left to attend an art school, her mother gave her just one piece of advice. "Mary always love beauty." Think what it means to love beauty in speech, in friendship, and in reading. It is a common/current practice to poke fun at purity as though it were something of which to be ashamed. It is not a mark of weakness but of strength. Tennyson wrote that purity multiplies our strength by ten, because my heart is pure. Purity is your most valuable possession. Never let life rob you of that. Growth there is of greatest importance. Our problems come not from weakness of mind but of morals. Yet, in spite of you, There is one crown I bear away with me. One thing without stain, One thing unspotted from the world, in spite of doom Mine own! And that's My white plume. Wherever you may be at this hour, be still for a moment. I listen to that voice which speaks with supreme authority: it is saying Fear thou not for I am with thee: be not dismayed for I am your God.

Yes, God is by your side: His spirit is anxious to dwell within you. Lamentations 3:25-26 says "The Lord is good to those whose hope is in Him, to the one who seeks Him". It is good to wait patiently for the salvation of the Lord.

Some facts which many people don't know, especially non-veterans. There are 50 white stars on our flag which stand for each state. The 13 stripes represent the 13 original colonies. The Liberty Bell made in 1752 is in Philadelphia.

Our country has been "sick" for many years long before the pandemic. During these dark times, let us all stop wallowing and complaining about our misery. Instead stop and focus at least one joy per hour in your life.

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you: he will never leave you or forsake you....

For God and our Beautiful Country
Be at peace

Craig Smith – Smitty Chaplain - Post 379