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NEWSLETTER

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

On behalf of the Post, we are hopeful that our family members are withstanding this pandemic. To my knowledge, none of our members have been affected and hopefully none will be. We did get notification that on May 13, Smitty no longer has pneumonia. The latest x-rays show there in no bacteria left in his lungs. His strength is still diminished but we are praying that it will come back soon. That was great news and please continue with your prayers. Please continue to practice social distancing and be safe.

As far as the Post, we have had the opportunity to complete some much needed repairs. Proctor Hall has been remodeled, gone are the curtains and the storage area going into the back bathrooms. The floors have been stripped and rewaxed. Changes to the cantina area has been made, hopefully eliminating some waiting times. The patio is mostly completed and is operational. We are waiting for the Legion emblem to be placed in the center. Most will not recognize the kitchen area. We have reconfigured it and have added a dish washer. All the cooking area has been washed and cleaned. For those who cook, there will be some strict rules pertaining to the cleaning of the appliances that will be adhered to, or you will NOT be able to cook. A very big Post #379 kudos to Danny, Jeff and Debbie, Charlie, the Riders, Dan and Lamita for all their efforts.

I am contemplating restarting the Legion Steak night on the first Saturday of the month. We will need four people teams for each month. If we have a successful response, there is the possibility your team will only have to cook once or twice a year. Please, give me your feedback and lets all help the Post.

Also, for your information, we are still serving carryout hamburgers on Sundays from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. We have

had a very good response the past Sundays. It is also good to see our members.

We are hoping for some positive words from Governor Abbot regarding moving to phase two of reopening.

By vote of the Executive Board, we are proceeding with elections of Post officers for the year 2020-2021. They will be held the last Thursday in June starting at 7:00 p.m. We will have "early" voting starting at 12:00 p.m. that Thursday. Now, is the time to "step-up" and assist your Post. For the most part, it does not require a lot of time and your help is really needed. If you want to "run" for a position, please see a member of the Nominating committee or see our Facebook page for an application. It needs to be completed and submitted to a Committee member prior to the elections. No "write-ins" are allowed for early voting.

In the meantime, please continue to be safe. For God, Country and Post #379 Pride.

Bob_Roberts - Post 379 Commander Bob_Roberts100@yahoo.com

AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello Ladies. Welcome back to the Post. It has been a long time since we have been able to get together but we all survived!

We will have our general elections on Thursday, June 18 and the signup sheet is at the front door. To be able to vote you MUST have your 2020 membership card with you. There are several positions still needing filled so please lend a hand for your Auxiliary.

We were able to send \$20,000 to Department to be sent to M. D. Anderson Cancer Research Hospital. Thank you to all helped us make this goal.

Applications for fall scholarships will be available July 1st with turn in date of August 15th. Eligible candidates must have finished their sophomore year and be a family member of a Post or Unit 379 member.

As I stated in my last newsletter, we have changed our meeting nights to the third Thursday of each month. Executive Board meets at 6 p.m. and General Membership meets at 7 p.m. We will be meeting in Proctor Hall so there will be social distancing seating.

Look forward to seeing everyone on June 18th.

Theresa Winslow ALA Unit # 379 President Aux_alpost379@att.net

From the desk of the SAL COMMANDER

Greetings Post Family! Squadron 379 has weathered the pandemic and we expect to be stronger than ever in 2020-2021.

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.

Unfortunately, and due to current restrictions still being in place, we will not be having our catfish dinner in June. I will let everyone know when the normal cooking schedule resumes.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, June 11, 2020. I would like to see the attendance increase. We will be discussing our plans to conduct our annual elections in July. Call me with any questions.

Joey Cook - Squadron 379 Commander 817.891.8774

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 of our activities and meals have been cancelled due to the closing of our Post. As of right now, I am unsure as to how the Post will be conducting meals so the Riders meals for June are cancelled until further notice. We will resume our schedule once the post reopens. We will keep everyone posted.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, June 7, 2020 at 2 PM. 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 817-891-8774 crashcook@yahoo.com

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Smitty is slowly recovering from pneumonia and getting stronger every day. However, he was not up to preparing an article this month. Thanks for you understanding and please keep him and his wife Delores in your prayers.

Craig Smith - Smitty Chaplain - Post 379

FLAG DAY

1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day; on August 3, 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. Flag Day is not an official federal holiday. Title 36 of the United States Code, Subtitle I, Part A, CHAPTER 1, § 110 is the official statute on Flag Day; however, it is at the president's discretion to officially proclaim the observance. On June 1937, Pennsylvania became first U.S. the state to celebrate Flag Day as a state holiday, beginning in the town of Rennerdale. New York Statutes designate the second Sunday in June as Flag Day, a state holiday.

