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## MARCH 2023

# NEWSLETTER

## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Family,

If anyone is interested in helping with our Tuesday-Thursday lunch menu, then let me know. Otherwise we will cancel the program until we find a permanent cook.

Our next Kitchen Meeting is Sunday, 19 March 23 at 1pm where we will plan our meals for April and May. So, please come to the meeting with the dates you want to cook during those months.

THE AMERICAN LEGION MARCH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS & EVENTS:

- 24-25 Feb 23, 8am-5pm Department Legion College
- 01, 08, 15, 22 and 28 Mar 23, 7pm-9pm Free Mental Health and Wellness Training (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)
- 02 Mar 23 Post 379 56<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (NO EVENTS THIS DAY EXCEPT THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING)
- 02 Mar 23, 7pm Post 379 Monthly Membership Meeting (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)
- 04 Mar 23, 9am Post Revitalization #2 Membership Drive
- 09 Mar 23, 11:30-1pm Post 379 Honor Guard Presents the Colors during the Monthly Chamber Luncheon and Hosts a Recruiting Table at the Hurst Convention Center

- 11 Mar 23, 7am-5pm Annual Coffee Tour Starting and Ending at Post 379 (BREAKFAST AT 7AM, LOAD BUS AT 8AM AND RETURN AT 5PM)
- 15 Mar 23 The American Legion 104<sup>th</sup> Birthday
- 15 Mar 23, 11:30-1pm The American Legion and Post 379 Presentation to the Chamber of Commerce Noon-Networkers (OPEN TO THE POST 379 FAMILY)
- 23 Mar 23, 4pm-6pm Post 379 Anniversary Celebrations
  - Celebrating:
    - Post 379 56<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Permanent Charter 02 Mar 67, Temporary Charter - 01 Oct 64)
    - The American Legion 104<sup>th</sup> Birthday (15 Mar 19)
    - The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual American Legion Family Day (Celebrating 23 Mar 23 instead of the last Saturday in April as resolved in Resolution 7 of the 2022 National Convention)
  - Chamber of Commerce Events:
    - Ribbon Cutting (4pm)
    - Business Unplugged (4:30-6pm)

Respectfully...

Joseph Campbell - Post 379 Commander iokepa789@gmail.com

#### AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello Auxiliary members. We are quickly approaching Spring and I am definitely ready. We were able to enlist the much-needed help from Ronnie Mac to work on hanging our Auxiliary boards in Procter Hall. It has taken time and many hours discussing and changing due to some challenges with the wall itself, but hopefully it should be completed by the time folks read this newsletter. Many thanks to everyone that has helped with this task.

Judy Davidson has been working hard to enlist area high school girls for this year's Girls State. Currently we are sponsoring 6 and possibly 7 girls for this great event. Thanks to everyone lending Judy a hand and those who have given generously to help raise funds for such a life changing experience for these young scholars.

The Post Girl Scout Troop 1565 is hard at work selling cookies to help support their programs. Please pick up a box or two, or even a case to share with family when you see them at the Post.

The VA&R donation box has so far secured many items to be used to help our veterans with upcoming projects. The Auxiliary is teaming up with the ALR in hopes to have an "outing" to Valor Ranch in May. Many thanks to everyone who has contributed. Even if the box is not out, we take donations all the time. There is a need throughout the year to help our veterans and families.

PLEASE CHECK your membership card and if it doesn't show the year 2023, our reports show you are not a member in good standing and cannot hold office or vote. If you have paid and have not received your 2023 membership card, please reach out to myself (817-228-3898) or Michelle Birkett with an email to unit379@gmail.com. The Auxiliary needs your support more than ever. Many new ideas are needed as well as your input in the decisions our unit makes regarding programs.

Currently, our membership is 403 which is 63 members away from 100% determined from Department. If you recruit someone to become a member, please sign your name in the designated area on the application form for credit. Department does track these and recognize members for their hard work if certain levels of recruitment are met.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thursday, 6PM March 16<sup>th</sup> Executive Meeting – NOTICE: Our general membership meeting at 7 PM will be tabled in order to welcome a visit from our

current Department Vice President, Holly Heatley. She will speak on the direction of ALA and leadership. Please bring your questions/concerns for Q&A's at the end. We have invited other units within District 12 to join us during this time to meet new faces and enjoy what Holly shares with everyone.

> Sheryl Frydenberg - Unit 379 President aux alpost379@att.net

## FROM THE SAL COMMANDER

Once again a BIG Thank You goes out to those of you who support and continue to support our Monthly meals. Because of the success of our dinners we are able to meet our obligation in making our monthly donations to the SAL supported programs. Of course our dinners would not be successful if it wasn't for the meals provided by our resident "chefs" Ronnie McClendon and Ben Apodaca and their dedicated assistants. THANK YOU GUYS AND LADIES !!!

Replacement of the kitchen fryers is still in the works and we are hopeful that the First Friday Fish Fry will commence come April 3rd. Stay tuned for further developments as information is gathered.

The weekly Meat Raffle is still temporarily on hold due to continued high meat prices. If you have a suggestion/idea as to a replacement money maker in place of the meat raffle please let a SAL Officer know. All suggestions are welcomed for consideration.

Our Membership goal of 163 is not too far off. Currently we have 125 members in good standing which is at 77% of our goal. If you haven't renewed your 2023 Membership, please consider doing so, and maybe bring in an acquaintance as well.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming 12th District Membership Coffee Tour set for March 11th (Saturday) 7 am till 5 pm (?). The Tour will begin and terminate here at our Post 379. There will be 8 different Post stops !!! Registration information can be found on the American Legion Post 379 Facebook page.

The SAL next scheduled Membership meeting will be Thursday April 13th at 7 pm.

For God, Country and Family Post/Squadron 379

### Carlos Gardea - Squadron 379 Commander <u>cmgbikerider@aol.com</u>

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