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NEWSLETTER

MAY 2023

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Family,

CALL TO ARMS!!! We need approximately 50 more eligible veterans to sign up as new members or 50 more expired members to renew for us to reach our membership goal for the year. If you know people who meet either of these criteria, please have them sign up or renew online at the Post 379 website. Please hurry because the cut off is the end of the month.

After giving it the old college try for two months, we are ending our lunch menu on Thursday, 27 Apr 23 due to a lack of participation. Unfortunately, we were not selling as many meals as we hoped. If there is enough interest in the future, maybe we'll try the lunch menu again.

If you have not already heard, our tax-exempt status is restored with an effective date of 15 Dec 16. So, if you know of any people or businesses interested in making tax-exempt donations to Post 379, please send them my way.

During our next meeting on Thursday, 04 May 23, we'll hold our annual Post 379 elections. Nominations remain open until then. There will be no early or proxy voting. The new administration will assume responsibility of Post 379 no later than the end of the Department Convention on 16 Jun 23 at noon.

The Current Candidates are:

Commander – Rich Wiltshire
First Vice Commander - VACANT
Second Vice Commander – Joe Red Eagle
Adjutant – Mike Sivers
Finance Officer - VACANT

Judge Advocate – Dave Eagan
Historian - VACANT
Chaplain – Jon Christensen
Sergeant-at-Arms – Lauren Kelly
Service Officer – Brandon Williams
Building & Grounds – VACANT
3x Executive Members-at-Large – Kenny Mings,
Eileen Regan, Steve Strickert

Respectfully,

Joseph Campbell - Post 379 Commander
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AUXILIARY NEWS

I do hope everyone has been enjoying the nice weather we've been having. Take a walk in the park or even in your own neighborhood to enjoy the activity around you. Count the blessings you have and brighten someone's day with a phone call or drop a card in the mail. Some folks don't do Facebook or texting but enjoy a card or call to know they are being thought of.

Outside activities are once more coming alive with the sounds of the kiddos laughter and families emerging from inside their homes to begin their Spring cookouts and outside activities. Please take the time to be thankful for everything you have been blessed with.

May is upon us and several things are happening with the Auxiliary. The Valor Ranch project has been successful and many thanks for your donations. We are working on details to visit the facility and present the food and toiletries to these brave women and let them know they are appreciated.

Make plans to join us on Saturday, May 6th for our ALA annual Kentucky Derby watch party and Run for the Roses. The party begins at 3pm. Watch the live race on the big screen at approx. 5:45pm. We will once again have the handmade/decorated HAT CONTEST along with stick horse races and other games and activities. Prizes will be awarded throughout this time. The bartender will have mint julep specials at a great price. Munchies will be served with requests to bring a favorite one to share if you'd like.

ELECTIONS WILL REPLACE OUR MAY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING. Please come and vote for next year's Officers and Executive Board. A sign-up sheet has been posted outside the ladies' room. Please consider an office. Questions, please reach out to me or another board member. Please bring your membership card to the meeting. TIME: 7:00 pm I hope to see everyone at the meeting.

MARK your calendar for Memorial Day luncheon on Monday, May 29. TIME: 1:00 pm. Side dishes requested with sign up sheet posted closer to the time. Ceremony at Bluebonnet before. Time will be posted. The Riders will again be involved in the escort with the wreaths being presented by each entity representative.

In Service not Self.

Sheryl Frydenberg - Unit 379 President
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FROM THE SAL COMMANDER

WE MET OUR GOAL !!! WE MET OUR GOAL !!!
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I am very happy and pleased to report that our SAL Squadron 379 has met our Membership Goal at 100% for 2023-2024 !!! Thank You to each and every one of you SAL Members who have renewed and remain Members in Good Standing of your Squadron !!! Remember that your membership fees assist us in continuing to support our sponsored monthly entities throughout the year.

The first Friday of May will be Cinco de Mayo !!! So instead of our regularly scheduled Fish Fry, we will be in a south of the border theme with TACOS, CHALUPAS along with refried beans and rice. Of course and as usual Ronnie Mac and company will be serving this festivity, so you know it will be ... delicioso !!!

No new update as to when the SAL Sponsored Meat Raffle will be reinstated. We are still hoping and praying that current meat prices will return to normal ... soon !!!

REMEMBER ... that May 11th will not only be our regular scheduled membership meeting but will also be our ELECTION of officers. If you are a current paid to date SAL member and in good standing, you are eligible to run for an Office. The SAL sign up sheet is posted up on the bulletin board by the utility room.

For God, Country, Family and Squadron/Post 379

Carlos Gardea - Squadron 379 Commander
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RIDER NEWS

Greetings,

As many of you are probably doing, the Riders are as well... Spring cleaning. Saturday, June 3, 8:00 AM -2:00 PM, the Riders will be hosting a swap meet/garage sale. We will be leasing space to individuals, entities, or groups. The space will be 12 x 12 for a small fee of \$20. Vendors are welcome. For more info or to lease a space contact Paul "PD" Hill 817-992-1751, Lahonda "Fireball" Cook 214-886-4725 or Harold "Cajun" Hanks at the post M-Th 11-2. We will be offering Burgers and Hot Dogs for sale 11-2.

We would like to invite everyone who rides to join us on April 29th to attend the 9th Annual Sikh Ride. We will meet at Post 379 and KSU (kickstand Up) at 9:30. We will then ride to Cycle Gear. Safety briefing will begin at 10:30 and KSU at 11:00. We will then be escorted to Stokers in Dallas. Lunch is provided. American Legion Riders will be receiving a generous donation to the charity of our choice. This year's charity will be Valor Ranch (501(c) (3) organization. A 10-acre ranch that supports female veterans on their road to recovery from service-related trauma.

On May 6th, Valor Ranch has invited anyone who is interested in visiting the Ranch to come out to their fund-raising event in Decatur, TX. Riders will be attending the 2nd Annual Burn the Bra Ride that day that will begin in Rhome, TX and end at Valor Ranch. We will be meeting at Post 379 @ 8:30 and KSU @ 8:45. ALR will be presenting the Ranch with

a check from our fund-raising efforts over the past few months.

On May 29th, the Riders will be participating in the Memorial Day ceremony at Blue Bonnet Cemetery. Details are pending. If you ride and would like to participate, watch the Chapter 379 Riders Facebook page. I will also post on the Post's Facebook page any updates.

This month we will be serving Jambalaya on May 12th 6:00 to 8:00

Thank you everyone for your support that allows us to serve our veterans and community. We pray you all stay healthy and safe this Memorial holiday.

With a Grateful Heart,

Lahonda "Fireball" Cook - Chapter 379 Adjutant
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CHAPLIN'S CORNER

Hello Brothers and Sisters, I hope this finds everyone well and enjoying the nice weather. Pray for no severe storms during spring.

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Karl Edwards whose surgery went well but is facing some other medical issues.

Deb "McDeb" Kane is back at home and still needs prayers.

Dan "TPM" Hutchinson passed away on April 8th. Please keep his family in prayers while they deal with their loss.

May the Lord place healing hands on anyone that is having any issues now.

Father, we come to You, humble children seeking guidance as we endeavor to find ways to fulfill our promise to serve You and our country. Bless all we do and say. Make us truly instruments of Your will as we serve You through this great organization. Help us to guard well our heritage and grant that we protect our nation by our service. In Your name we pray. Amen


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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11 am - 6 pm	10 am - Midnight	10 am - Midnight	10 am - Midnight	10 am - Midnight	10 am - Midnight Bands 7 pm - 11 pm Dinner 6 pm - 8 pm	10 am - Midnight Bands 7 pm - 11 pm Dinner 6 pm - 8 pm
	1	2 7 pm Scouts BSA Meeting	3 6 pm - 9 pm Karaoke	4 6 pm Legion Executive Committee Meeting 7 pm Legion ELECTIONS	5 SAL Meal: Tacos, Chalupas, Mexican Rice and Refried Beans - Ronnie Mac Music: Justin Hunter	6 9am - Post Revitalization #4 2 pm Shuffleboard 3pm - 6pm ALA Kentucky Derby Watch Party Legion Meal: BBQ Chicken Breast, Brisket and Baked Potato Casserole - Right at Home Music: Marcia Rose
7 12 pm ALA Buddy Check 2pm ALR Membership Meeting	8	9 11 am - 2 pm Texas Hold'em 7 pm Scouts BSA Meeting	10 6 pm - 9 pm Karaoke Judy Cooking	11 7 pm SAL ELECTIONS	12 ALR Meal: Jambalaya - Cajun Music: Mystic Moonlight	13 2 pm Shuffleboard ALA Meal: Sloppy Joe's, Potato Salad, Cobbett's and Dessert - Sherly Frydenberg and Sharon Nesteriak Music: Marcia Rose
14 2 pm Girl Scouts Meeting	15	16 7 pm Scouts BSA Meeting	17 6 pm - 9 pm Karaoke Judy Cooking	18 6 pm ALA Executive Committee Meeting 7 pm ALA ELECTIONS	19 Legion Meal: Meatball Subs, Salad and Dessert - Mike and Diane Sivers Music: Back Beats Band	20 9am - Post Revitalization #5 2 pm Shuffleboard Legion Meal: Mexican Chili Mac, Corn Bread and Dessert - Jon and Judi Christensen Music: Trinity River Ramblers
21 2 pm Girl Scouts Meeting	22	23 11 am - 2 pm Texas Hold'em 7 pm Scouts BSA Meeting	24 6 pm - 9 pm Karaoke Judy Cooking	25 7 pm Marine Corps League Meeting	26 Legion Post 14 Meal: Hamburgers and Fries - Bill Deal Music: Diamond Duo	27 2 pm Shuffleboard No Meal Scheduled - Memorial Day Weekend Music: Just Ice Cats
28	29 10 am Bluebonnet Hills Remembrance Ceremony 1 pm Memorial Day Meal - Chicken, Sausage and Beans - Ronnie Mac	30 7 pm Scouts BSA Meeting	31 6 pm - 9 pm Karaoke	