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NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hi Legion Family,

Ah, cool air...finally.

We are on pace with our 2024 renewals!! If you haven't renewed yet, why not?

Kudos to Mike Sivers – The man behind the Bar Stools. Fantastic job in managing the donations, and purchasing table and bar stool. He had an idea and ran with it. Thanks also to all who have donated or purchased!!

October 14 at 11:30 am we will be presenting a Post Everlasting Ceremony. Please attend and pay your respects to our fallen comrades.

Queen of Hearts – We will be continuing the QoH after we revamp the rules and process. We will be discussing this at our October Executive Committee and Membership Meeting.

We hosted another fantastic American Legion College session. Did you know the State Commander, Gene Toohey, snuck in and led a few of the sessions!!

Our Boys Scout Troop is about to have a couple of new Eagle Scouts. Thanks for supporting them!

Don't forget to dress up for Halloween!! Festivities will be on ~~Saturday October 18~~!! Come on out and enjoy!
(correction: **Saturday, October 28th**)

To you, our members, thank you for being you!

Humbly in your service, not self

Rich Wiltshire - Post 379 Commander

AUXILIARY NEWS

Happy Fall Ya'll. Even though the temperatures have been hot, they're much cooler than this time last month. Always something to be grateful for.

At the time of reading this newsletter, we will have had another successful Cancer Benefit weekend. I want to give a big THANK YOU to everyone in supporting our yearly event once more with your volunteer hours and monetary donations before and during this event. People truly opened their hearts and wallets to Post 379 by attending and enjoying themselves. As soon as a total dollar amount is confirmed, posting of our amount earned so far this year for MD Anderson will be made available. Again, many thanks for a great family event.

Membership is hard at work processing renewals and new applications. This year as cards are being made available they will be left with the bartender inside a sealed envelope with the member's name on the outside. Jodie Chapman has been working diligently along with learning new processing from Michelle Birkett to help audit some areas of our roster to ensure records are updated more than ever this year. If you aren't receiving the ALA newsletter which includes our prior month's minutes, updates, events and the Post newsletter and calendar, please contact Jodie or myself with your email address. We will continue to mail membership cards as needed or requested. Memberships that are renewed automatically are being reviewed and payment submitted directly to Department asap at which time your cards will soon be available through the bartender or mail also.

Our next General Membership Meeting will be Thursday, October 19th at 7 pm. The Executive Board will meet at 6 pm. Hope to see everyone there as we continue to prepare for upcoming events.

Halloween will be celebrated on Saturday, October 28th. This is a time when lots of folks really "dress up" for the occasion. There will be live entertainment and ALA will

be cooking up Goulash for sure along with cornbread and or crackers and dessert. VOLUNTEERS are really needed to help this be another successful event. Decorating, cooking or helping with dinner, cleanup and removing decorations is greatly appreciated. If we all pitch in it goes so much faster and easier. Please consider. TIMES for the start of the evening will be posted ASAP. Don't forget to dress up in costume and participate in our annual costume competition. The prizes are fun and always worth trying for.

Have a great October and see you soon!

IN SERVICE NOT SELF

Sheryl Frydenberg – Unit President

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SAL NEWS

Hello Post 379,

Just wanted to let ya'll know SAL will be having the fish fry next Friday. Ronnie Mac and Jeff will be putting it down. I hope to see everyone out there this Saturday for the pancake breakfast helping cancer awareness. S.A.L. will be having our meeting on the 19th and I encourage all SAL members to please come out as we have 2 openings. 1st and 2nd vice are vacant please feel free to run if interested. I will be posting order sheets as the holiday season approaches for anyone who loves them tamales. Let me know if you are interested. Hope everyone is safe and I hope to see everybody.

Ben Apodaca
SAL Commander

RIDERS NEWS

I'd like to start by thanking everyone for your support for our recent Cancer Benefit Ride. I'd like to mention American Legion Post 464 in Dallas that had four riders participate. Theresa Hill of Post 464 won the best hand, which she generously donated back to Cancer Benefit. The worst hand went to our own new ALR member, Bob McCabe. American Legion Post 424 generously donated \$200 in cash to our benefit ride, along with other cash donations from other Legion and VFW Posts. All combined with our 50/50 and liquor raffles, and meal sales (thank you Ronnie Mac), we netted \$779.07 to go to towards our fund-raising efforts in support the Auxiliary's Cancer Benefit Fund.

ALR is excited to announce our next event. Our 7th Annual Bad Ass Chili Challenge to be held October 28th in Proctor Hall, noon till 4:00 PM. Registration will begin at Noon Judging will begin at 1:00 PM. We will serve till 3:30. There will be 50/50 drawing and a premium liquor

basket as well. Categories are Champion, First runner up, People's choice, and Hottest. If you think you make a pretty bad ass chili yourself, we want to try it! \$25 to enter. Or, just come join us and be a judge. For \$12 you taste all entries. You will be given a judging sheet, fill it out and turn it in for and you be the judge for People's Choice. For more information or to register contact Paul Hill 817-992-1751, Robin Schultz 682-216-7060, or Lahonda Cook 214-886-4725.

We have been asked if we are collecting coats this year. Yes we are! We will begin collecting coats on November 4th for the annual Coats-4-Kids Benefit Ride on November 25th. Please remember they only except new coats (with tags) for kids of school age. They ask that we also consider the older or larger kids; and boys tend to prefer hoodies instead of coats.

Our next cooking date: October 13th. Cajun and company will be in the kitchen cooking Chicken Fried Steak

As always, we are grateful for all the support and love you show us.

Lahonda "Fireball" Cook
ALR Adjutant

FROM THE LEGION CHAPLAIN

Happy fall y'all. Glad the summer heat is over as I'm sure we all are. Let's give thanks for the Auxiliary and everyone who helped with the annual Cancer benefit. Fun was had by all. We pray for everyone that cancer has affected. If you have never had it, we all know someone who has or is dealing with. May the Lord reach out and give comfort to those suffering at this time.

For out sick call please keep the following in your prayers:

Larry Burks who is at home recuperating.

Scott Godley who was admitted into the hospital.

May the Lord reach his healing hands out.

O God, our Heavenly Father, as we seek by your grace to be good Legionnaires, help us to do justice in all our ministrations to the sacred memory of all veterans of all wars, but especially to give our all to eliminate the necessity of their being in days to come-those greater scourge by which people are beset today: poverty, addiction, disease and indifference toward the things of the Spirit.

For we pray in your holy name.

Amen

Jon Christensen – Vice Chaplain Post 379

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS
October 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11am - Midnight	10am - Midnight	10am - Midnight	10am - Midnight	10am - Midnight	10am - Midnight Bands 7PM - 11PM Dinners Served: 6:00-8:00pm	10am - Midnight Bands 7PM - 11 PM Dinners Served: 6:00-8:00pm
1 7-10am Cancer Pancake Breakfast 12-3 pm Burgers	2 	3	4 6-9 pm Karaoke 6-7:30 pm Judy Davidson Cooking	5 6PM Legion Executive Meeting 7PM Legion Membership Meeting	6 SAL Meal: Fish Fry by Ronnie Mac Entertainment: Justus Cats	7 2 pm Shuffleboard Meal: TBD Entertainment: Justus Cats
8	9	10 Texas Hold'em 11 am - 2 pm	11 6-9 pm Karaoke 6-7:30 pm Judy Davidson Cooking	12	13 ALR Meal: Chicken Fried Steak by Cajun Entertainment: Mystic Moonlight	14 11:30 am Post Everlasting 2 pm Shuffleboard Meal: TBD Entertainment: Marcia Rose
15	16	17	18 6-9 pm Karaoke 6-7:30 pm Judy Davidson Cooking	19 6PM ALA Executive Committee Meeting 7 PM ALA Meeting	20 Meal: TBD Entertainment: Back Beats Band	21 2 pm Shuffleboard 12-4 pm ALR Chili Cookoff Entertainment: Diamond Duo
22	23	24 Texas Hold'em 11 am - 2 pm	25 6-9 pm Karaoke 6-7:30 pm Judy Davidson Cooking	26 7pm Marine Corps League	27 Legion Meal: Italian Chicken Breast with Red Potatoes, Roll and Dessert Entertainment: Doug and Ben	28 2 pm Shuffleboard 6 pm ALA Meal: Goulash, Cornbread and Dessert and Halloween Party Entertainment: Fun Band
29	30	31 Halloween	 Looks what's ahead for next month!! Thanksgiving!! 			