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NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2024

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Merry Christmas 379 Family,

Few important dates:

December 5 – AL Board Meeting at 6PM

December 5 – AL Membership Meeting at 7PM – We look forward to seeing you there!!

December 7 – Flag Retirement Ceremony at 9AM

December 15 – We are hosting the 12th District DEC starting at 4pm.

December 22 – Staff and Board Members Christmas Party

December 24 & 25 – So that our Family can spend time with their families during the Holiday, we will be open 12PM-6PM

Reminder: we are having an election for the open Executive Board at Large position. Ashley Bloom is the only candidate so far. We will be taking nominations.

Have you renewed yet? Please do so as soon as possible. For your convenience, you can renew at the Canteen.

We will be changing the door cards for the front and patio doors. The purple cards will no longer work after January 1, 2025. In order to get the new color door card, you will have to renew. If you have already renewed, we will have one set aside for you.

We hope you have a joyous Christmas!

Get ready for the New Year's Eve Festivities! Watch for updates on the electronic boards!

Thank you all for making 2024 such a fantastic year Post 379!!

Humbly in your service, not self

Rich Wiltshire - Post 379 Commander
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AUXILIARY NEWS

As the holiday season quickly approaches, let us reflect on the blessings we have and remember those no longer with us with hearts full of fond memories. Please remember this is also a time that is most difficult for people of all ages. We all need to take extra time to reach out to those who will be having holidays without loved ones or be unable to visit those too far away at this time. While being rushed with the hustle and bustle of what some think is the merriest time of year, many will be just trying to keep warm and feed their loved ones and maybe a gift or two. Take time to give a call, send a card, or even take time to text and let them know they are being thought about. The best gift of all is often not something material and very pricey, but a nice hug, a few minutes of kind words or even enjoying hot cocoa, tea or coffee along with a few cookies. Many wishes for safe travels and enjoyable laughter to our Post 379 family.

Saturday, November 23rd was a "sweet" day at our Post. The Auxiliary held their annual bake sale in time for Thanksgiving. Many thanks to Suzie, Dena along with her lovely granddaughter and CC Cantrell for doing a great job decorating tables and uniquely displaying an awesome selection of homemade items and handling the event during Chairperson, Judy's absence for a few hours to enjoy a well-earned personal time away. There was something for everyone. The tickets started selling at 11am and ended around 3pm with winning tickets drawn, along with our live auction for several delicious and unique

baked items going to the highest bidder. Judy believes this year was the highest amount raised which totaled \$1106. Funds had been previously voted by in October's general membership meeting to be used toward membership expenses. There was also a private donation given the same day which has been earmarked to help Girls State expenses for 2025. Thanks so much for everyone's continued support of our Post 379 events and programs.

Our 55"TV donated for cancer research tickets have been on sale a couple weeks and are selling quickly. Please see the bartender if interested or check out the posted flyers for details. \$1.00 per ticket / \$5 buys six tickets. Drawing December 21st or when all 100 tickets have been sold if before posted date.

TOYS FOR TOTS Collection date is Saturday Dec 14 from 11am until 4pm. Bring a new unwrapped toy to bring joy to a child this Christmas.

NEW YEARS PARTY: Live entertainment; Everyone requested to contribute a heavy appetizer/potluck item. Please bring your dish in a disposable container. Champagne at midnight and blackeye peas and cornbread served to ring in the new year.

PLEASE NOTE: NO EXECUTIVE OR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN DECEMBER.

From the Auxiliary to our Post 379 friends a Blessed Holiday Season and safest of New Year celebration. In Service Not Self.

Sheryl Frydenberg – Unit President
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RIDERS NEWS

Greetings Post!

December already!?! But, what a great November, great riding weather for the most part too!

A huge thanks to Post 379 for making our Riders Ride-In Car and Bike show such a success. We had twenty-four entries, cars and bikes, with trophies for the best original car (1971 Ford Mustang Mack I), Custom car (Shelby Cobra replica) and most popular motorcycle (a 66 Triumph Speed Twin). In addition to the spectacular weather, combining our event with the 82nd Airborne's BBQ Cookoff, the Post's Early Bird membership drive, and finally, the Potluck dinner (great BBQ), turned out to be a huge success for Post 379 and our Veteran's Day Celebration.

Finishing out November, the 30th was our Coats for Kids ride. Details next month, but last year we collected over 100 coats from our Post 379 Family, along with providing a \$500 check for a great cause. Thanks to your generosity, we filled another large box of toiletries, snacks and other items for our Liberty House charity, supporting homeless vets. It is all very much appreciated by the organization. Your Legion Riders will again be participating in this year's Wreaths Across America, December 16th. We will be making our determination of where at our next meeting, either the DFW National Cemetery or possibly a smaller, lesser served cemetery.

Our next Riders meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 1st at 4 PM. Our Riders Cook weekend, Friday the 13th for Chicken Fried Steaks, and Saturday the 14th for Burgers & Dogs.

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

“PD” Hill - 379 Riders

SAL NEWS

We will be having our fish fry the 1st Friday of December. Our next meeting will be Thursday Dec. 13th.

Ben Apodaca – Squadron Commander

FROM THE LEGION CHAPLAIN

Hello Brothers and Sisters.

Hard to believe that December is already here. Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving with friends and family. I would like to wish all at Post 379 a very Merry Christmas! Remember the reason for the season.

Please keep Jim Grau in prayers as he is home recovering.

Teach us, O God, to serve you as You deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to toil and not seek rest, to labor and not ask for any reward save that of knowing that we do Your will. Amen

Be safe over the holidays and look forward to another great year

Jon Christensen - Vice Chaplain

CANTEEN NEWS

We now have fresh snacks for you to enjoy:

- Marine Corp Corn Dog \$2.00
- Army Taquitos \$1.00
- Navy Nuggets – 6 pieces \$4.50
- Navy Nuggets – 8 pieces \$6.50
- Air Force Pretzels \$1.50
- Coast Guard Burritos \$2.50
- Space Force Pizzas \$6.00

Plus, assorted crackers, nuts, fruits and other individual wrapped snacks.

Signature Cocktails:

- Marine Force Mambo Top Shelf Margarita \$7.00
- Army Mind Eraser \$7.00
- Navy Negroni \$7.00
- Air Force B52 \$7.00
- Coast Guard Blue Hawaiian \$7.00
- Space Force Milky Way Martini \$7.00

Daily Specials:

Monday:

Call Bourbon or Whiskey \$4 from 5 to Close

Tuesday:

Draft Beer \$.50 off Open to 5pm

Non-Premium Longneck \$2.25 from 5 to Close

Wednesday:

Everything excluding bottle beer \$.50 off from Open to 5

All wine \$3.50 from 5 until close

Thursday:

\$.75 off Pitchers

Fireball shots/drinks from 5 to close

Friday:

Well drinks \$3.25 from 4 until 7

Saturday:

Well Vodka drinks \$2.75 from open until Noon

Sunday:

Everything \$.25 off from open until close



*Make a difference
Donate a new, unwrapped toy!*



Collection date: Sat December 14th

11am til 4pm

(Cash donations are also appreciated)

*Merry
Christmas
HAPPY
New
YEAR*

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS
 December 2024

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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 4PM: Riders Meeting Deadline to register for the Armed Forces Bowl	2 Cyber Monday	3 11 AM - 2 PM: Texas Hold'em Championship 7 PM: Boy Scouts Meeting	4 6-9 PM: Karen's Kraze Karaoke	5 6 PM: Legion Board Meeting 7 PM: Legion Membership Meeting Election for one Executive Board at Large Position	6 SAL Meal: Fish Fry presented by Ronnie Mac Music: Mystic Moonlight	7 9 AM - Flag Retirement 2 PM: Shuffleboard 6 PM: Queen of Hearts SAL Meal - TBD Music: Ron Ramirez and the County Squires
8	9 7:15PM: Bengals at Cowboys	10 7 PM: Boy Scouts Meeting	11 11 AM-2 PM: Diane's Hot Dogs 6-9 PM: Karen's Kraze Karaoke	12 7 PM: SAL Membership Meeting	13 ALR Meal: Chicken Fried Steak Music: Justus Cats	14 Wreaths Across America Toys for Tots 2 PM: Shuffleboard 6 PM: Queen of Hearts ALR Meal - Burgers and Dogs Music: Michael Cote Music
15 12PM: Cowboys at Panthers 4PM: 12 District DEC (12 District Executive Committee Meeting)	16	17 7 PM: Boy Scouts Meeting	18 11 AM-2 PM: Diane's Hot Dogs 6-9 PM: Karen's Kraze Karaoke 1 PM - 3 PM: Trinity Arts Guild Painting Session	19	20 No Meal Music: Back Beats Band	21 10:30 AM - 82nd Airborne Meeting 2 PM Shuffleboard 6 PM Queen of Hearts ALA Meal: Baked Ziti, Garlic Bread and Desert, \$12.00 presented by Sharon and Sheryl Music: Trinity River Ramblers
22 Canteen Closes at 6pm Staff and 379 Officers Christmas Party	23	24 Open 12pm - 6pm	25 Christmas Day Open 12pm - 6pm Bartender is Trini	26	27 Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl and Veterans Village No Meal Music: Renegade Country Band	28 2 PM Shuffleboard 6 PM Queen of Hearts No Meal Music: Diamond Duo
29 3:25 PM Cowboys at Eagles	30	31 New Year's Eve Meal: Pot Luck Music: Dale Gibbs Band				