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### **NEWSLETTER**

**APRIL 2025** 

#### **COMMANDER'S MESSAGE**

Happy Spring!!

The Legion Membership has approved a vendor to install new flooring throughout the Post!!! This will take some planning and strategery. We continue to ask for your patience as everything, and I mean everything, will have to be moved and then put back. Stand by for updates.

We have bids to paint the inside of the Post, with exception of the bar area; Proctor Hall (which has already been painted); the storage room and the Legion Office, before we install the new floors. Vote will be during the April 2025 Membership Meeting.

We're getting closer to having the digital sign installed!!

Few important dates:

April 3 – AL Board Meeting at 6PM

April 3 – AL Membership Meeting at 7PM

If you are interested in running please reach out to me or Mike Sivers, Post 379 Adjutant before or during the May 2025 Membership Meeting. This will allow us time to put the ballots together for the Elections for Legion Board Officers during the June 2025 Membership Meeting. All positions will be on the ballot.

Would you like to be involved more? Maybe you have limited time? No worries. We have many opportunities at our great Post for all scheduling needs. Talk to any Legion Board member. We're here for you.

We certainly appreciate having you all as part of the 379 Family.

Humbly in your service, not self

Rich Wiltshire - Post 379 Commander
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#### **AUXILIARY NEWS**

Spring has sprung!! Hopefully, the wild wind and weather has moved out so the smells of Spring showers and the budding of flowers and trees can be enjoyed by all. Thoughts of outside activities are once more being planned along with gatherings with friends and families.

New Phone Number: questions related to Auxiliary please call 817-770-0505.

After research, consideration and membership vote of acceptance our Unit 379 Auxiliary has acquired a separate phone number from the Post phone number. This is hoping to allow our busy bar staff to concentrate on their priority of giving great service to our members in the Canteen, visitors, vendors, etc.

Our separate number allows you the opportunity to reach out and leave a message for our Chaplain, Membership, President, specific activity such as Girls State, etc. This enables a notice being sent to the person or administrator quickly in hopes of alleviating the time in passing of messages and waiting longer to be helped. Success has already been seen particularly in membership areas and the Girls State.

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The Post is busy planning activities for the coming months for all to enjoy. The Auxiliary has been working on our final push to reach our \$20,000 goal of raising funds for Cancer Research scholarships for students studying in their special field of research for a disease that touches so many lives. \$20,000 for 20 years of fundraising. Wow, Post 379 has led the way so many years within Texas. We are so very close right now with almost \$18,000 raised thus far.

APRIL 18 AND 19<sup>TH</sup> WILL BE OUR FINAL EVENT FOR FUNDRAISING. Even though we won't have as many baskets or items as in October, please make plans to attend this exciting event that kicks off Friday evening with ticket sales \$1.00 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5.00 for a chance to win such items as a

NEW 21" gas Self Propelled lawn mower, a Skil PowerCore hedge trimmer, Heineken Cooler filled with Heineken beer along with T shirts, cozies and party glasses and bottle openers. A real treat for outside entertaining. Along with these will be a new Weber 22" Blue charcoal grill Master Touch. A Crown Royal basket with other items included will be showcased along with another basket nice enough to host a Mexican Theme party complete with Margarita makings. Bath and Beauty, gift cards and other delights available for ticket chances also.

DON'T FORGET THE STUFFED EASTER EGGS FILLED WITH CANDY, WITH CASH, SCRATCH OFFS, DRINKS CHIPS AND COUPONS FOR OTHER ITEMS NOT FITTING IN AN EGG WILL ALSO BE ON SALE.

DINNER FOR THE WEEKEND WILL BE:

FRIDAY, 4-18: SEAFOOD MAC & CHEESE, CEASAR SALAD, GARLIC BREAD AND DESSERT

SATURDAY, 4-19: BAKED HAM, YAMS, ROLL, VEGETABLE AND DESSERT.

DRAWING FOR PRIZES WILL BE SATURDAY AFTERNOON AROUND 4-4:30.

MANY THANKS FOR FAYE CHAMBERS FOR THE FABULOUS JOB RECRUITING OUTSIDE DONATIONS FOR SPONSORING OUR YOUNG LADIES FOR A GREAT WEEKLONG EVENT OF GOVERNMENT TRAINING AND INTERACTIONS WITH OTHERS AT THE STATE CAPITAL. ALONG WITH MONEY HER TEAM OF LADIES CONTINUE TO RAISE THROUGH DINNERS AT THE POST WE WILL BE SENDING ANOTHER LARGE GROUP THIS YEAR. THANKS TO HEB ISD FOR FUNDING THEIR OWN SCHOOL'S GIRLS. SUCH A NICE PROGRAM PLUS WE'VE BEEN BLESSED FOR THEIR "PAYING IT FORWARD" WITH THEIR FUND RAISING AND HELPING OUT AT POST ACTIVITIES LIKE SERVING MEMORIAL DAY LUNCH AND POPPY AWARENESS DURING MEMORIAL DAY ACTIVITIES AT BLUEBONNET. THANKS LADIES!!

Please join us at our monthly meetings on the third Thursday of each month, except July, for our monthly membership meeting. Each of us has a special reason for being a member and each of us has a special skill needed to make our unit successful. Often reaching out through a phone call or text will brighten someone else's day. Sending a card is still a nice way to let folks know you are thinking of them.

Elections for next year's officers will be held at our May meeting, Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet for those interested in holding an office will be available 30 days prior to elections. For any questions if you are interested in holding an office, please reach out to myself or another officer or call our phone message at 817-770-0505.

In Service Not Self

Sheryl Frydenberg – Unit President Aux alpost379@att.net

#### **RIDERS NEWS**

Yes - Spring and Motorcycle weather is here! Unfortunately, that provided opportunity for our brothers and sisters from Corsicana to come steal or Riders Plaque... again! So, it wasn't home for very long. One handicap when dealing with Post 22 is they don't open until 2:00 pm, and in order to avoid metroplex traffic there's a pretty small window to make the 180-mile trek, whereas they can leave their Post in the morning, hit three or four Posts, and still be home by the time their post opens.

Riders escort of the Coffee Tour was a big success with seven Post 379 Riders participating among 22 Riders from District 12 Posts.

We want to welcome new Riders Chuck Bayne and Michael "Big Mike" Reeves to our Post and Riders. We also request thoughts and prayers for Jimmy George, dear friend and Rider who's been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Jimmy is currently home and on hospice care.

It is spring - Upcoming events include the Medal of Honor Ride, Wednesday, April 9th, 12th District meeting on April 12th, and Rider's Blessing of the Bikes on April 13th. The Riders State Rally is set for May 2 -4 in Kerrville, several other District 12 Post events, and the Memorial Day ceremony at Blue Bonnett Cemetery May 26th. And of course, another trip to Corsican as soon as possible!

Our Riders Cook days this month are Chicken Fried Steak on Friday, April 11th, and Burgers & Dogs on Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>.

As always, we are grateful for all the support and love you show us and keep the shiny side up!

"PD" Hill - Director 379 Riders

#### **SAL NEWS**

This month we will be serving our Fish Fry on Friday March 4<sup>th</sup>. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 04/10 at 7pm

Ben Apodaca - Squadron Commander

## FROM THE LEGION CHAPLAIN

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

Spring is now upon us. Time for the beautiful flowers. I hope everyone is doing well. Hopefully with spring being here all the flu and colds will be gone.

Lets pray for those that are ill or have something going on that we are not aware of.

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers, mercifully accept our prayers on behalf of our comrades and loved ones who are ill or shut-in. We know not

what is best for them, but You know. Grant them patience and endurance, relief from pain and suffering, and, if it be Your will, the blessing of swift recovery, and that eventually they may dwell with You in life everlasting. AMEN

May everyone be safe and have a glorious spring.

# Jon Christensen - Vice Chaplain

# **KITCHEN NEWS**

We had our quarterly meeting and there are days that need to be filled. We would love to have more people volunteer to cook. There are dates available. If interested, please reach out to me.

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# **APRIL 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11am - 6pm	10am - Midnight	10am - Midnight	10am - Midnight	10am - Midnight	10am - Midnight Bands 7PM - 11PM Dinners Served: 6:00-8:00pm	10am - Midnight Bands 7PM - 10 PM Dinners Served: 6:00-8:00pm
		1	2	3	4	5
				6 PM: Legion Board Meeting	SAL Meal: Fish Fry presented by	2 PM: Shuffleboard
				7 PM: Legion Membership	Ronnie Mac	6 PM: Queen of Hearts
				Meeting	Music: Mystic Moodlight	SAL Meal - Chicken Meal
						Music: Ron Ramirez
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
						12 District Spring Convention at Post 838
		11 AM - 1:30 PM Texas Hold	11AM Medal of Honor Escort Ride	1 pm - 3 PM: Trinity Arts Guild Painting Session		
4PM: Riders Meeting		'em 7 PM: Scouts Meeting	6-9 PM: Karen's Kraze Karaoke	6 PM: Family Leadership Meeting 7 PM: SAL Membership Meeting	ALR Meal: Chicken Fried Steak	2 PM Shuffleboard
					Music: Justus Cats	6 PM Queen of Hearts
						ALR Meal: Burgers and Dogs
						Music: Ben & Doug
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
					ALA Meal: Seafood Mac & Cheese Presented by Sharon N and Sheryl	2 PM Shuffleboard 6 PM Queen of Hearts
10AM / 4PM Riders Blessing of the Bikes	6 PM: Scouts Pack Meeting	7 PM: Scouts Meeting	6-9 PM: Karen's Kraze Karaoke	7 PM: Auxiliary Membership Meeting	F AUXILIARY SPRING FLING	ALA: Ham & Yams by Judy D and Peggy
					Music: Back Beats Band	AUXILIARY SPRING FLING Music: Renegade Country
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
EASTER SUNDAY						2 PM Shuffleboard
		11 AM - 1:30 PM Texas Hold 'em	6-9 PM: Karen's Kraze Karaoke	Marine Corps League Meeting	Meal: Spaghetti presented by Josie	6 PM Queen of Hearts
	7 PM: Scouts M	7 PM: Scouts Meeting			Music: Michael Cote'	AL Meal: TBD presented by Robert
MAN SALKARANA						Music: Acoustic Mode
27	28	29	30			
		7 PM: Scouts Meeting	6-9 PM: Karen's Kraze Karaoke			
		7 Fin. Scouls meeting	Meal: Sloppy Joes with Potato Salad			