



The Post Script

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Commander's Comments

Hi again to all our members and our Auxiliaries. The Ladies Auxiliary is doing an awesome job with their programs and helping us with ours. Without them I don't think we could get all our programs completed. In the past month we have upgraded our Post with a new dance floor, two new air-conditioning systems, fixed our outside lighting, cleaned up our maintenance building and we will be putting up a state of the art TV for our members. Also starting in March we will be updating our landscape. I know our members will be proud of their Post when all the work is complete. A big thanks to Bob Blackburn for the work he is doing to upgrade our facilities.

At our meeting on March 9th we will have nominations for the officers to lead our Post in 2010-2011. We have a lot of good members who have stated that they would like to step forward and become an officer in our Post. At our meeting on April 13th we will have elections for 2010-2011 so come out and let your voice be heard. On the 20th of March we will have our Bingo appreciation Day for bingo players so come out and play bingo and have fun.

We have an organization within the VFW and our Post that we seldom talk about. Almost 90 years ago three members decided they would start up a organization that would not be as serious as the VFW. They felt that having fun, humor and entertainment first would be something that other VFW members would be interested in, so they started the Military Order of the Cootie or the Honor degree of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and in time a Ladies Auxiliary. Their main programs were to visit VA medical facilities, local hospitals, nursing facilities and homes where veterans live. Their main program is to keep our disabled veterans smiling in the beds of white. They have always stood proud for veterans. If you are interested in becoming a Cootie in this great organization see one of the officers in the Post.

In closing, let's remember a veteran is someone who at one point wrote a blank check made payable to the United States of America for an amount of up to and including their life. This is a great honor and a lot of people don't understand it in their country. Come see us at the best Post in Texas.

Bobby Gallimore
 Commander, Post 6873



Canteen Corner

OPERATING HOURS

Monday – Friday
10:30 A.M. - 12 Mid-night

Saturday
10:30 A.M. to 1 A.M.

Sunday
12 Noon to 10:00 p.m.

LUNCH SPECIALS

Lunch is open to the public from 10:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Monday through Friday with daily lunch specials. Please call to find out what the special is for each day.

CANTEEN CORNER



Senior Vice Says...

Comrades,

Another month has gone by and we still have a lot to do, but thanks to everyone who volunteers everything gets done. Our Valentines Day steak dinner was a great success and my thanks to everyone who helped. Don't forget that on the 14th of March Daylight savings Time begins. On the 20th of March we will have 55-Alive at our Post. There should be sign up sheets at the Post or contact Christine Funderburg. Thanks to all who have paid your membership dues and if you haven't, please do so - just a friendly reminder. Keep our Troops in harm's way in your prayers and may God bless our country.

Almost forgot our Memorial Shuffle Board Tournament on the 6th thru 7th of March. Everyone playing must be at the Post by 11:30 on the 6th of March. Everyone must be paid up before the 6th of March.

Ralph Rodriguez Jr
 Sr. Vice Commander

Chaplain's News

As we go into March the shuffleboard tournament will start. The key part of the competition is sportsmanship. Two events in College Basketball brought that home to me.

1. A game on TV when at the end, some fans threw cups and water bottles on the court.
2. A game I went to, some fans were shouting at the refs which borderlined on bad language.

What example are we sending to the next generation about sportsmanship? What would happen if the youth, including college, would watch us play and how would they react?

Would it be encouragement or criticism? What would the language be?

These are questions I have to remind myself about. I have to watch every time I play or watch a sporting event. Let's all try and be good sports but more importantly show it to our youth. Not just say it but do it. This is a way to do sportsmanship, one person at a time, it may spread like wildfire.

Charlie Bowen
 Post Chaplin

Ladies Auxiliary

Thanks to everyone that helped with our Valentine Steak Supper. We had a very nice turnout. This was a joint effort between the Post and the Ladies Auxiliary. Thanks to Sr. Vice Ralph Rodriguez for coordinating this with the Ladies Auxiliary, Rich for cooking the steaks and Pete for doing everything from setting the tables to cleanup. As usual, the ladies turned out and worked to make it a wonderful event.

Jeanie Bell had some very helpful information about the yearend reporting at the Program Chairman meeting on the 21st. If you are a program chairman and missed the meeting, give her a call. There is still time to finish up your program before yearend.

Our cookbook is being finalized. Thanks to everyone that has entered recipes. Next month, we should have more information on early ordering and prices.

March 12th the ladies will be cooking again. This is a fun fundraiser, but a lot of work. We need desserts from the Ladies Auxiliary, homemade is best if possible. We all know that we have a lot of great cooks in our group so show off your stuff!. We will have a work sign-up sheet at the next meeting so be thinking about what you would like to do to help. We will serve Mexican food buffet, \$5.00 for one trip to the buffet and \$7.50 for two. A take-out plate is available for \$8.00.

Our next meeting will be March 9th. Our meal will be at 6:30 and the meat will be Pot Roast so bring a side dish or dessert and join us. Our usual meeting time is 7:30 but we will have initiation of new members before the regular meeting, so we will begin at 7:15 p.m.

Trish James
 President

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Taps
Richard Duport
Jack K. Ballard

“It is impossible for the Nation to compensate for the services of a fighting man. There is no pay scale that is high enough to buy the services of a single soldier during even a few minutes of the agony of combat, the physical miseries of the campaign, or of the extreme personal inconvenience of leaving his home to go out to the most unpleasant and dangerous spots on earth to serve his Nation”
General George C. Marshall, US Army Chief of Staff, 1939 - 45
(The Winning of the War in Europe and the Pacific: Biennial Report of the Chief of Staff of the United States Army, July 1, 1943, to June 30, 1945, to the Secretary of War, p. 110)

Honoring the Dead – By Helping the Living

Jr. Vice's Words

Once again it's time for my monthly news article. The weather is starting to warm up and everyone is out in their yards getting them cleaned up and ready for spring planting. Speaking of getting things cleaned up, it is time for our next Trash-Off. The Trash-Off is on the 3rd of April which is also the date for the state wide clean up. We will be meeting at Cliff and Susan's place at 10 AM and hopefully be eating by noon. We will also be hosting our Annual Awards Banquet the month of April which this is going to be a pretty big event. Please sign up as soon as possible if you plan on attending to save you a seat. That's about all for now and I hope to see you at the Post.

Shorty

