



## Kettering American Legion Post No. 598

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July/August 2012

### The Commander's Corner...

Spring has passed and time is flying by. For those that may have missed the Memorial Day Services at Beavertown Cemetery on Memorial Day, we had a nice turn out – the Honor Guard did an excellent job and the music/singing by Chuck Drake was very moving. Unfortunately, we rang the bell 58 times to honor our fellow members that went to Post Everlasting during the past 12 months. If you did not have the opportunity to attend the Memorial Day services at the cemetery this year, I would recommend that you make it a point to attend next year. We offer many thanks to everyone that came to the Post and shared their covered dishes at our yearly Memorial Day cookout. It was a day of good food, good friends, and a good time while honoring those Veterans that gave the ultimate sacrifice while serving our Country.

Changes are still taking place at our Post. By the time you receive this newsletter, the new garage/storage building should be nearing completion and the arm rest around the bar in the canteen should have been refurbished. We have added some improvements to the banquet hall and will continue to do so in our attempts to make it more marketable. If you haven't had the chance to look at our "smoking patio" lately, you may have not noticed that we have some new tables and chairs that look very nice.

Now we need to "unclutter" the patio and will do so once the garage/storage building is completed. Speaking of "smoking patios", we are in the process of making a smoking patio in back of the banquet hall. We are attempting to eliminate banquet hall patrons from congregating under our portico or at our front entrance while taking their smoke breaks. Putting a covered patio directly behind the banquet room will be beneficial to all. Last but not the least, the cell tower is finished and is currently in operation. Verizon did a very good job in landscaping and making the cell tower an attractive addition to our property.

Boy's State has been another success story again this year. We have 9 boys attending Boy's State this year from the pool of candidates that applied through our Post. To the best of my knowledge, this is largest number of candidates that have attended Boy's State from our Post. What a wonderful gift and experience to bestow

upon these 9 young men. Congratulations to Randy Phipps and everyone associated with the Boy's State recruitment/selection process.

Volunteers – volunteers – volunteers!!! This is what makes our Post successful and we need more people to get involved in our activities here. Wash, clean, cook, scrub, water, serve tables, take food orders, be a committee member, etc., we need them all. Don't be shy, this is your Post and you should be involved so step up to the plate and get active. See Joe Law or Betsy Kemper in the kitchen to get your name on the volunteers list. Being a volunteer is a great way to meet new people, renew old friendships, and do your part as being a part owner of our Post/facility. The pay is terrible but the self satisfaction and our appreciation is tremendous.

Make sure you mark your calendars for August 19th – our annual post picnic. As in years past, you bring your favorite covered dish and the Post will provide the meat, corn on the cob, and draft beer for the cookout. This is a great opportunity for you to invite friends to join us and to become a member of our American Legion family.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone that came out to vote for Post Officers this year. We welcome Joe Law to our 1st Vice Commander position and Betsy Kemper to our 2nd Vice Commander position. I would also like to offer a personal thanks to everyone for allowing me the honor of serving you again this year as your Commander. We have a great cadre of officers, Canteen personnel, and Committee volunteers in place for this next year. We look forward to working together, as a team, in making our Post prosperous, a place that you enjoy visiting and a place that you will be proud to bring fiends and family.

Thanks again to all,

God bless you and the USA

*Rick Brophy*  
Commander

# Auxiliary President's Corner...

Hello Everyone,

Six Auxiliary members attended the 3rd District Summer Convention in Piqua on June 2. What a wonderful and exciting meeting. We received 1st Place in Group 5 for the following programs: Americanism, Children and Youth, Community Service, Junior Activities, and VA&R. Out of 43 units in the district, we were awarded 3 out of 9 plaques – Nila Winchell Children and Youth, Peg Steele VA&R, and Phyllis Nicholson for outstanding reporting. All green reports have been forward to Department of Ohio in consideration for more awards at Department Summer Convention July 6-8. Ladies, pat yourself on the back for a job well done! These are Unit reports, it takes a team, and we couldn't do it without you. It's important to track your volunteer hours for reporting on the annual green reports.

The cut-off date to be recognized as a Department goal unit was May 31st. We were 6 short. As of June 7th, we have achieved goal of 438 members. Way to go Ladies! Thank you for all you do.

The summer is here with many events at the Post. It is recommended to use disposable containers when bringing covered dishes, accidents do happen. Please volunteer some of your time to insure these activities are successful. Be sure to record your hours for next year's reports.

God Bless America,  
*Rhonda Hunter*

## WEDNESDAY NITE SPECIALS

Every Wednesday Night – except July 4th

\$1.00 Burgers & .60 Wings—5-7 pm

## Kitchen Closed for Lunch

July 5th and 6th.  
Kitchen staff will be preparing for convention.

## Advertise Here!

If you have a business you would like to advertise or personal items such as a car, boat, motorcycle, rv, appliances, tvs, garage sale, etc. you can advertise in Post 598's bi-monthly newsletter.

Not only do you get a full color ad for a great price it also is sent to approximately 2000 Post 598 members and has a shelf life of 2 months.

Contact any post officer if you are interested in advertising. Based on first come first served.

Post 598 reserves the right to refuse any inappropriate advertisement.

## Positions Available

We have an assistant bar manager's position open for anyone who has computer skills in Word and Excel. See Dave Tracy or call 684-2565.

We are also looking for another cook for our kitchen. If interested in helping in the kitchen see Joe Law or call 572-1431.

You can also contact Rick Brophy @ 623-4414 for either of these positions.

## Rent Our Picnic Area!!

We have a wonderful piece of property to host weddings, graduation parties, birthday parties, anniversaries or family reunions.

We are happy to help with those needs.

See any Post Officer or email Bill Thomas  
banquetbilly@yahoo.com

## Patients Waiting for Transplants

	OH	US
<b>Kidney</b>	<b>2,456</b>	<b>86,254</b>
<b>Liver</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>16,001</b>
<b>Pancreas</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>1,434</b>
<b>Heart/Pancreas</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>2,204</b>
<b>Heart</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>3,144</b>
<b>Heart/Lung</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>77</b>
<b>Lung</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>1,802</b>
<b>Intestine</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>265</b>

\*Totals may be less than the sum due to patients included in multiple categories.

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## POST PICNIC

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## July 2012

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
1 Post Brunch 9-11 am—\$7.00 <b>Sunday Special Buckets of Beer</b>	2 Regular Post Meeting 7:30 pm	3 Kitchen Open <sup>A</sup> 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm	4th of July Picnic Bring covered dish to share Chris Katros entertains 1-4 pm	Aux. Executive Mtg. 6:30 pm <b>Kitchen Closed for Lunch</b>	6 Post and Aux at Convention <b>Kitchen Closed for Lunch</b> <b>FREE JUKEBOX</b>	7 Post and Aux at Convention <b>FREE JUKEBOX</b>
8 <b>Sunday Special Buckets of Beer</b>	9	10 Kitchen Open <sup>P</sup> 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm <b>SAL Meeting 6:30 pm</b>	11 Open ball in hand pool—7 pm \$1.00 Burgers .60 Wings—5-7 pm	12 Regular Aux. Meeting 6:30 pm	13 <b>Kitchen Closed for Lunch</b> BBQ Cookoff Begins Food Vendors open <b>FREE JUKEBOX</b>	14 BBQ Cookoff Competition Judging starts at noon <b>FUN, FOOD, MUSIC</b>
15 Post Brunch 9-11 am—\$7.00 <b>Sunday Special Buckets of Beer</b>	16 Post Executive Meeting—6:30 pm	17 <sup>S</sup> Kitchen Open 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm	18 Open ball in hand pool—7 pm \$1.00 Burgers .60 Wings—5-7 pm	19 VA Hospital Visit—6:15 pm	20 Fish and Chips Dinner 6-8 pm \$6.00 <b>CDK Band 8-Midnite</b>	21 Steak Fry 5-7 pm—\$10.00 Cooked to Order <b>FREE JUKEBOX</b>
22 <b>Sunday Special Buckets of Beer</b>	23	24 <sup>A</sup> Kitchen Open 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm	25 Open ball in hand pool—7 pm \$1.00 Burgers .60 Wings—5-7 pm	26	27 Shrimp Dinner 6-8 pm—\$8.00 <b>Holly Smith Karaoke 8-Midnite</b>	28 Ham & Green Beans w/Cornbread 5-7 pm—\$6.00 <b>FREE JUKEBOX</b>
29 <b>Sunday Special Buckets of Beer</b>	30	31 <sup>P</sup> Kitchen Open 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm			<b>Lunch served Mon.-Fri. 11:30 am-1:30 pm</b>	

## August 2012

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<b>Lunch served Mon.-Fri. 11:30 am-1:30 pm</b>			1 Planning Meeting—7 pm Open ball in hand pool—7 pm \$1.00 Burgers .60 Wings—5-7 pm	2 Aux. Executive Meeting—6:30 pm	3 Pork Tenderloin or Fish Sand. Fries & Slaw 6-7:30 pm—\$5.00	4 Post Steak Fry 5-7 pm—\$10.00 Cooked to Order <b>FREE JUKEBOX</b>
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*Don Fanger, Chaplain*

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