



Kettering American Legion Post No. 598

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July/August 2014

The Commander's Corner...



I would like to start my first newsletter by saying I am proud to have your faith and confidence as your new Commander. I have no plans to make any big changes.

If you have not noticed the membership board in the canteen, we have reached our quota again this year and raised our membership by five new members. We are now at 1229 members and we plan on continuing to grow in the coming year.

As everyone knows by going to the grocery lately, food costs have gone sky high. This past steak dinner we bought 150 steaks at \$7.99 a pound. The total cost was \$1401.00 We handed out a questionnaire with choices of what to do with that particular dinner. Here are the results: 45—use an 8 oz. steak instead of 10 oz.; 33—raise the price of the dinner from \$10-\$12; 3—discontinue the dinner altogether; 0—use a less expensive cut of meat. Beginning in July, we will be using an 8 oz New York strip steak instead of the 10 oz. we have been using. We will also need to visit the pricing of the other dinners as well to evaluate costs.

We are still in need of volunteers for dinners and

brunches. The small amount of volunteers we do have are getting burned out. If we don't start getting them help there won't be any dinners or brunches because there won't be anyone to prepare, cook, serve and clean up after them. If you have some time that you could spare to help out, please contact 2nd Vice Commander Phil Stephenson and let him know you can help.

Electric in the park has been approved by the City of Kettering and Baker Electric's installation process has begun. It should be completed by July 10, just in time for the BBQ Cook off.

Speaking of the BBQ Cook off, a donation of \$1000.00 was given to the Dayton VA Hospital on May 15 as a result of last year's competition's fundraising.

We will begin using a guest sign in book in the canteen. All non-members must be signed in by a member. The signing member is responsible for his or her guests.

Let me end by saying thank you for your support and I look forward to a productive and growth-filled year.

For God and Country

Joe Law,
Commander

From the Adjutant...

Happy Summer All.

I just wanted to remind everyone that dues notices for 2015 will be coming out the beginning of July so keep an eye out for them.

Also, if you have any changes to your address, phone number, or your email address please let me know so I can keep my records up to date. If you move or get a new phone number, I have no way of knowing unless you tell me.

If anyone has any pictures or accounts of any Post functions that you would like to share, please send them to me. I would like to start a year-book of events and happenings around the post for future generations to see the wonderful things that go on here.

You can contact me by email, phone or text at law.19@wright.edu or 937-232-2242.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer and I hope to see your smiling faces at this fantastic Post that we should all be proud to have access to.

Betsy Law
Post Adjutant



8th OHIO VETERANS BBQ COOKOFF

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FRIDAY, JULY 11TH & SATURDAY JULY 12TH

DON'T Miss the best of Ohio

Music by "Disconnected"

CRAFT SHOW AND FLEAMARKET
OPEN
Sat., July 26th
11 am—6 pm
Music
Food Available
Booth Rental
Members \$10
Non-members \$15
See Phil Stephenson

Friday Nite Picnics
July 18th
Aug. 15th
 More Info at the Post

We're Having a COCKOUT!
Friday, July 4th
1-4 pm
 Bring a covered dish to share

From Aux. 1st Vice President...

The election of Auxiliary Officers was held on May 8th. We are still in need of a President. I will remain as 1st Vice and Membership Chair with Marianne Frauenknecht as your 1st Vice alternate for 2015. Open vacancy for 2nd Vice, Jane Mays will be your Secretary, Rhonda Hunter will be your Treasurer, Tracy Hood will be your Sergeant-at-Arms and Diannah Doughman will be your Chaplain.

Again, I cannot stress enough the importance of our need for a Unit President and 2nd Vice President. If you have never held a position in your Auxiliary, now is the time to consider it.

The 3rd District Summer Conference was held on June 7th at Post 286, New Carlisle. Our Auxiliary Unit won 4 plaque awards, and many 1st place awards for all the hard work our Auxiliary Unit has done over this past year. Thank you for all your hard work!

The National Convention will be held in Cincinnati on July 11-13th. Your Auxiliary Unit will have 2 representatives attending these meetings. These members will give a report on the outcome of this convention at the August Auxiliary meeting. Please plan on attending.

Joyce Spence

1st Vice President, Membership
937-304-6292



Sunday, Aug. 24th—1-4 pm



Post Picnic
Sunday, Aug. 17th
1-6 pm

Guests—\$7.00
Kids under 12—FREE
Jack Fox Trio—2-6 pm

Great time to pay your 2015 dues

SALCorner...

The Reds haven't been playing well, but its a long season and anything can happen. Remember football and the Bengals, Browns and Buckeyes are just around the corner. I'm sure thankful to have Post 598 to come and visit with nice people and watch sporting events and enjoy all the functions the Legion has to offer.

Speaking of upcoming events, the SAL is having a pork chop dinner on Sat., August 30th from 5 to 7 pm. The Post picnic is on Sun., August 17th from 1 to 6 pm. Volunteers would be appreciated. If you wish to sign up, see Joe Law or Phil Stephenson.

SAL members are reminded that monthly meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm, everyone is welcome. Also SAL dues will be raised to \$35.00 annually beginning 2015 to keep up with expenses. Thank you to all the Post 598 members who attended all the functions.

Jeff Hecht

SAL
Second Vice Commander

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July 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Lunch served Mon-Fri. 11:30 am-1:30 pm		1 ^P Kitchen Open 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm Line Dancing 6:30 pm	2 ² Open ball in hand pool—7 pm \$1.00 Burgers 5-7 pm	3 ³ Aux. Executive Mtg. 6:30 pm Euchre 7 pm	4 ⁴ Post Cookout 1-4 pm Bring covered dish to share Gary Hill 1-4 pm Kitchen Closed	5 ⁵ FREE JUKEBOX 8 pm
6 ⁶ Joe's Post Brunch 9-11 am—\$7.00 Sunday Special Buckets of Beer	7 ⁷ Regular Post Meeting 7:30 pm King of Clubs Drawing—7:30 pm	8 ⁸ Kitchen Open 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm Line Dancing 6:30 pm	9 ⁹ Open ball in hand pool—7 pm \$1.00 Burgers 5-7 pm	10 ¹⁰ Regular Aux. Meeting 6:30 pm Euchre 7 pm	11 ¹¹ BBQ Cook Off Department Convention	12 ¹² BBQ Cook Off Music By "Disconnected" Noon-3 pm Department Convention
13 ¹³ Sunday Special Buckets of Beer	14 ¹⁴ King of Clubs Drawing—7:30 pm	15 ¹⁵ Kitchen Open 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm SAL Meeting 6:30 pm Line Dancing 6:30 pm	16 ¹⁶ Open ball in hand pool—7 pm \$1.00 Burgers 5-7 pm	17 ¹⁷ VA Hospital Visit—6:15 pm Euchre 7 pm	18 ¹⁸ Picnic More info to follow Jim Mote 7:30-10:30 pm	19 ¹⁹ Post Steak Fry Cooked to order \$10.00—5-7 pm Holly Smith Karaoke 7:30-10:30
20 ²⁰ Larry's Post Brunch 9-11 am—\$7.00 Sunday Special Buckets of Beer	21 ²¹ Post Executive Meeting—6:30 pm King of Clubs Drawing—7:30 pm	22 ²² Kitchen Open 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm Line Dancing 6:30 pm	23 ²³ Open ball in hand pool—7 pm \$1.00 Burgers 5-7 pm	24 ²⁴ Euchre 7 pm	25 ²⁵ Shrimp Dinner 6-8 pm—\$9.00 Jim Mote 7:30-10:30 pm	26 ²⁶ Flea Market Craft Show 11 am-6 pm Music Food Available
27 ²⁷ Sunday Special Buckets of Beer	28 ²⁸ Planning Mtg. 6:30 pm King of Clubs Drawing—7:30 pm	29 ²⁹ Kitchen Open 11:30-1:30 pm and 5-7 pm Line Dancing 6:30 pm	30 ³⁰ Open ball in hand pool—7 pm \$1.00 Burgers 5-7 pm	31 ³¹ Euchre 7 pm	Buckets of Beer every Sunday	

August 2014

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1 Lunch served Mon-Fri. 11:30 am-1:30 pm			Buckets of Beer every Sunday		1 ¹ Pork Tenderloin or Fish Sand. Fries & Slaw 6-7:30 pm—\$5.00 Jim Mote 7:30-10:30 pm	2 ² Aux. Chickert and Dumplings 5-7 pm—\$8.00 Holly Smith 7:30-10:30 pm
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Don Fanger, Chaplain

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