



## Kettering American Legion Post No. 598

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November/December 2021

### The Commander's Corner...



I hope everybody is healthy and well at this time and hope you all finish this year in the same way. It has been brought to our attention that we were having a problem in the rear parking lot. That parking area is for elected Post officers and the people who are working at the time that they are parked there. We are getting too many vehicles parking out there that the delivery trucks and dumpster people are having problems getting in and out. Please consider this in the future or we will have to take measures to resolve this problem. Another problem we are seeing is the taping of notices on the walls and doors. Please do not tape anything on the walls or doors. They will be removed.

We know it's a little soon but this the last letter of this year. We would like to wish everybody a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas. Follow the leader and we hope to see everybody at the functions for these Holidays.

Hopefully within the next month we will have lighting on the front sign on Kentshire Dr. and our new gutters and leaf protection.

Again we want to thank all the volunteers for cleaning out the garages and the grounds. It was due those personnel that got us the Neighborhood Pride Award. Have a great Holiday season, be safe and show our staff your respect for their work and dedication for their work and devotion as to making our Post # one.

For God and Country,

*Neil Dunnington*

Commander

### From the Auxiliary...

Girls Just Want to Have Fun! What an amazing day we had! I was absolutely thrilled to see the colorful tents, all the tables and chairs for 500 and the many smiling and laughing girls in attendance. Blooming Alley and the Gift Basket Room were beyond amazing. I want to send out a special thank you to Diane, Regina, Crystal, Kathy, Linda, Jane, and Bill (The Girls Planning Team) for all their time, efforts, and incredible teamwork to make this event happen. Their efforts, along with what could be the largest group of volunteers that we ever assembled, created a very fun and memorable day for many. A huge thank you to everyone else (list is too long to include) who helped with this event. It couldn't have been done without you! Thanks to your generosity this is the largest fundraiser in our history. You have been asking, "where does the money go?" As our Auxiliary Charter dictates, 100% of the monies raised must be donated by the end of our fiscal year in May. We are always looking for causes that benefit our veterans and this year is no exception. We have a bit of time, and instead of splitting smaller funds amongst a dozen or more organizations, we are looking to do something more 'impactful' that will really be something special for a few. We are currently looking into several options and currently doing the groundwork to host a "Wheelchair Giveaway" this Spring. We are also looking into the gift of service dogs and other ways to make a large difference in the lives of multiple individuals within our community. I will keep you posted as our plans come to fruition.

As we begin a new Auxiliary year, we will continue to focus on our mission of serving our veterans, active-duty military, their children, families, and our communities. We are always looking for old and new faces to volunteer for upcoming events, brainstorm ideas, bring new ideas, and exceed in our goals. If you are interested in seeing where you can have an impact or how to get involved, please send an email to [post598auxiliary@gmail.com](mailto:post598auxiliary@gmail.com).

Department of Ohio President Colleen Phillips', theme this year is ALA-Angels Serving Others. Each of you are truly Angels! A huge thank you to each one of you. You are what makes this unit so successful. I wish you and your families love and happiness this Thanksgiving and Christmas season. I hope to see you all at the Post 'Christmas Dinner and Show' with the fabulous Kim Kelly Orchestra.

Thank you for your support,  
Erica Kubea, Auxiliary President

## From the SAL...

Hello and Greetings fellow members,

Just a reminder that SAL cards are in and you can renew your dues any time.

I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year. Let's work together to make Post 598 even stronger in the upcoming year.

Special thanks to all who helped with our functions throughout the year and thank you to all who supported our functions.

For those that served...

Doug Spisak, Commander, Squadron 598

## From the Riders...

Hello Riders and Fellow Legionaries.

Breaking News! All members of the Legion family may join the Riders group. SAL, Auxiliary, any Legion member in good standing. You are NO longer required to own a motorcycle. National opened up the Riders requirements and left it to local chapters to implement. Your Rider Members approved a measure to include all Post Members at the October 6th meeting. Updated applications are located in the lobby. Questions or comments? See a Rider at the Post or E-mail [alriders598@att.net](mailto:alriders598@att.net). Yearly dues are still only \$12.00.

It's been a good summer and we have had some great rides but the season is not over. Break out your cold weather gear! More rides to come. Some Riders hi-lights: rode with the Post in Kettering Holiday at Home parade, supported VA Honor Squad in their fundraiser ride-great cause and full police escort.

Christmas will be here soon. Order your Rider gear now at Legion Emblem sales or see me I'll order for you. Don't forget your little riders. Happy Holidays from all your Riders!!!

Ride Safe,

Thom Fowler

3rd District and Post 598 ALR Director



**Friday, December 17, 6:30**

Start your Holiday in Grand Style

**The Kim Kelly Orchestra**

And

**Christmas Pot Roast Dinner**

**Sure to be a Sell-Out!**

**Gather Your Friends & Family Early**

**Members \$15    Others \$25**

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## Upcoming Events

**Aux. Pointsetta Sale-Nov. 1-18**

**Veterans' Day Nov. 11**

**Ham & Bean Soup-Noon til gone**

**Thanksgiving Dinner-Nov. 20**

**Thanksgiving Day Nov. 25**

**OSU/Michigan Party-Nov. 27 Noon**

**New Year's Eve Tickets on Sale**

**Nov. 30 1 pm**

**Kids' Christmas Party-Dec. 12**

**Army/Navy Game Dec. 11 3 pm**

**Christmas Dinner-Dec. 17**

**Christmas Eve Post closes 6 pm**

**Christmas Day Post opens 5 pm**

**Gifts for Yanks VA Visit-if permitted**

**Dec. 25 7:30 am**

**New Year's Eve Party Dec. 31**

## November 2021

| Sunday    | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  |
|-----------|---|--|---|---|---|---|
|           | <b>1</b><br>Regular Post Meeting<br>6:30 pm<br>Aux. Bake Sale | <b>2</b>   | <b>3</b><br>Riders Meeting<br>6 pm<br>Burger Nite<br>5-7 pm | <b>4</b><br>Aux. Executive Board Meeting<br>6:30 pm<br>7" Pizza Nite<br>5-6:45 pm                           | <b>5</b><br>Pork Tenderloin or Fish Sandwich<br>6-7:30 pm \$5.00<br>Authorized Personnel<br>6:30-9:30 | <b>6</b><br>Cabbage Roll Dinner<br>5-7 pm \$10<br>Tickets on sale see Bartender     |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b>  | <b>9</b><br>SAL Meeting<br>6:30 pm<br>Kitchen Open<br>5-6:45 pm                                  | <b>10</b><br>Burger Nite<br>5-7 pm                          | <b>11</b><br>Aux. Regular Meeting<br>6:30 pm<br>Veterans Day<br>Soup Beans and Corn Bread<br>Noon till gone | <b>12</b><br>Pizza Night<br>6-8 pm \$12<br>Hearts on Fire<br>6:30-9:30                                | <b>13</b>   |
| <b>14</b> | <b>15</b><br>Post Executive Meeting<br>6:30 pm                | <b>16</b><br>Kitchen Open<br>5-6:45 pm   | <b>17</b><br>Burger Nite<br>5-7 pm                          | <b>18</b><br>7" Pizza Nite<br>5-6:45 pm   | <b>19</b><br>Mind Reels<br>6:30-9:30  | <b>20</b><br>Thanksgiving Dinner<br>5-7 pm \$10<br>tickets available in the canteen |
| <b>21</b> | <b>22</b><br>Poinsettia pick up<br>3-7 pm \$10.00             | <b>23</b><br>Kitchen Open<br>5-6:45 pm   | <b>24</b><br>NO BURGER NIGHT                                | <b>25</b><br>Thanksgiving Day<br>Post Opens at 6 pm<br>No drawings  | <b>26</b><br>Kitchen Closed   | <b>27</b><br>OSU VS Michigan<br>Party Noon  |
| <b>28</b> | <b>29</b><br>Planning Meeting 6:30 pm                         | <b>30</b><br>Blood Drive 1:30 - 6:30<br>New Years tickets on sale 1 pm<br>Kitchen Open 5-6:45 pm | Lunch Served Every Monday-Friday 11:30-1:30                 |   |   |   |

## December 2021

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|---|---|---|------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| King of Clubs Drawing Every Monday Nite 7:30    |   |   | <b>1</b><br>Riders Meeting<br>6 pm | <b>2</b><br>Aux. Executive Board Meeting<br>6:30 pm                       | <b>3</b><br>Pork Tenderloin or Fish Sandwich<br>6-7:30 pm \$5.00<br>Authorized Personnel<br>6:30-9:30 | <b>4</b><br>4 Piece Chicken Dinner \$10<br>5-7 pm                    |
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| <b>12</b><br>Kids' Christmas Party<br>2-4:30 pm | <b>13</b>   | <b>14</b><br>Kitchen Open<br>5-6:45 pm                          | <b>15</b><br>Burger Nite<br>5-7 pm | <b>16</b><br>7" Pizza Nite<br>5-6:45 pm                                   | <b>17</b><br>Christmas Dinner & A Show<br>6:30 pm \$15  | <b>18</b>  |
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| <b>26</b>                                       | <b>27</b>   | <b>28</b><br>Kitchen Open<br>5-6:45 pm                          | <b>29</b><br>Burger Nite<br>5-7 pm | <b>30</b><br>7" Pizza Nite<br>5-6:45 pm                                   | <b>31</b><br>Kitchen Closed<br>New Years Eve Party<br>7 pm-1 am<br>Spill The Wine                     | <b>Jan. 1</b><br>Key Cards will be disabled if 2022 dues aren't paid |



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**POST 598 OFFICERS  
2021-2022**

**Post Officers**

|                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Commander          | Neil Dunnington |
| 1st Vice Commander | Joe Law         |
| 2nd Vice Commander | Phil Stephenson |
| Finance Officer    | David Tracy     |
| Adjutant           | Betsy Law       |
| Sergeant-at-Arms   | Jim O'Neil      |
| Chaplain           | Larry Thokey    |
| Asst. Chaplain     | Keith Eastman   |
| Canteen Manager    | Jim Glaser      |

**Auxiliary Officers**

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| President          | Erica Kubea    |
| 1st Vice President | Sarah Schwager |
| 2nd Vice President | Kathy Sullivan |
| Secretary/Chaplain | Janet Kennedy  |
| Treasurer          | Crystal Kahut  |
| Sergeant-at-Arms   | Pam Rodkey     |

**SAL Officers**

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Commander          | Doug Spisak |
| 1st Vice Commander | Clay Bates  |
| 2nd Vice Commander | Jim Morris  |
| Finance Officer    | Bob Tonar   |
| Adjutant           | Joe Law     |
| Sergeant-at-Arms   | Tom Storck  |
| Chaplain           | Robin Peck  |
| Advisor            | Joe Law     |

**Riders Officers**

|                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| Director         | Thom Fowler    |
| Asst. Director   | John Hemmert   |
| Road Capt.       | Tom Stephenson |
| Chaplain         | Dan Thornton   |
| Sergeant-at-Arms | Bill Whitaker  |
| Treasurer        | Jerry Zennie   |
| Safety Officer   |                |

**Post Everlasting**

|                     |                 |                             |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Roy Adams           | Paul Daugherty  | Andrew O'Connell            |
| James Bonny         | Harry Giambrone | Howard Perrine              |
| Richard Briley      | Albert Hunt     | Harley Shawen               |
| Gene Cordonnier     | Frank Krug      | Michael Melhorn-SAL         |
| Bernard Bing Crosby | Robert McHenry  | Sue Darner-Aux.             |
| Don D'amico         | Richard Neff    | Lenora Phillips-Woeste Aux. |

We honor them for their deeds for God & Country. We wish to those who mourn a departed one the hope that time will heal all sorrow and bring consoling peace.

*Larry Thokey, Chaplain*

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Theresa Jackson  
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or call the Post  
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