



POST COMMANDER'S REPORT

We're moving along smartly with projects from the "Five Year Plan". Picnic tables have been made by Al Towers and the Saturday work crews have given them two coatings of weatherproofing (thank you Todd and Bill). By the time you receive our newsletter, you will see the Back Hall has been painted – a BIG thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary for funding this project. Oh, by the way, they also renovated the Ladies Room in the Club Room too!

Our Junior Vice has been busy also; through his efforts the burm area along the east wall in the parking lot has received some landscaping and weed control, thank you Jon. Glen and company have moved the silhouette of the praying soldier to the front of the building and the Ladies Auxiliaries "POW/MIA yellow ribbon" is now displayed out front for all to see. In an effort to improve second hand smoke control in the Club Room, we have changed to a new contractor for smoke eater maintenance (along with other equipment maintenance) and added ceiling vents to assist the wind turbines on the roof for removing smoke.

Nominations for the 2014 – 2015 Post Officers will take place at the April General Membership meeting with elections in May and installation in June. Persons interested in running for an office MUST BE present at the April General Membership meeting to have their name placed in nomination for office.

Since our last newsletter, Ron Albrand has been elected and installed to complete this service year as our Senior Vice Commander, thank you Ronnie for undertaking this task.

For God and Country,
Yours in Service,
Bob Hall

PS, General Membership meetings are the second Monday of each month at 6p. Hope you – our member – have the time to be there for YOUR Post.

FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT



The 2014 Post membership cards are available for \$ 30.00 and can be renewed by mail, online at legion.org or at the Post.

We are accepting donations for American Legion Youth Programs --- Boys State, American Legion Law Enforcement Career Academy and the Baseball program.

All members need to help with the conservation of Post utilities as all of the Post utility fees have and will be increasing in the future. We need help with more fund raising ideas and activities to support the Post. Pull Tab sales in the Club Room are doing well. Pull Tabs can only be purchased or redeemed by individuals that are 21 years old or older.

The Hall can be leased out on a Saturday night or anytime the Hall is available for a reception, wedding or a birthday to any member or nonmember. See the Club Steward, Steve, for info.

The Post General Fund appreciates the financial help received from the Bingo Fund, the Club Fund, the Gaming Fund and Hall lease fees for other Bingo games at the Post. Member donations would be appreciated in support of all American Legion Programs like Boys State, A.L.L.E.C.A., and American Legion Baseball.

Check our calendar on information screens at the Post, Post web page (alpost61.org) or info at the Post.

Finance Officer - Rick Dollahan

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER REPORT

Hello from the Jr. Vice Commander



Hello; I see it's that time again, oh how time flies. We made it through the first quarter.

The kitchen is doing well under "Frank's Kitchen". This has allowed us to be consistent with food and service from the kitchen. Next time you see Frank give him a quick THANK's, it goes a long way. If anyone has any suggestions on what they would like to see on the regular menu please let us know. I would be glad to run it by Frank, now that doesn't mean it will be automatically put on the menu but we can always try. Remember we do Steak Fry the 1st and 3rd Saturday every month. I want to know what you would like to have on NON STEAK FRY Saturday's. Drop me a note with your suggestion and I will try to make it happen, remember I am just the messenger. I love the input some have said "liver & onions" tell me your thoughts, fwy333@aol.com. OK, entertainment-Friday night is Karaoke come sing with us. We have had LIVE entertainment every Saturday night the last three quarters and will continue to do so. Who and what entertainment will be, has been & I believe will continue to be put on the BOARD out front between Club room doors. In short if you're having family and friends in town or over for a get together it's your Club room use it, bring them by for your social gathering.

Things to come:

4/20/14 Sun Easter Sunday Brunch by Frank's Kitchen \$7.00

5/11/14 Sun Mother's Day / Brunch by Frank's Kitchen \$7.00 MOM eats FREE compliments of the Legionnaires

5/26/14 Mon Memorial Day / Burgers & Dogs until we run out 11-1 PM / 55" TV Raffle to be drawn

6/15/14 Sun Father's Day / Brunch by Frank's Kitchen \$7.00 DAD eats FREE compliments of the Ladies Aux.

THE LEGIONEERS ARE RAFFLING A VIZIO 55" TVWinner drawn on Memorial Day after lunch 1-2PM need not be present just need ticket. Thanks for the support!!

Jon Gile

Junior Vice

A Big Thank You
to all of the Volunteers at our post.
We couldn't do it without you!!!



!!GET THE 411!!

! EMAIL ADDRESSES NEEDED!

Get updates re: what's happening at the Post. Please forward your email address to azfuzzball@aol.com and request to be put on the weekly Post 61 email list.

AUXILIARY PRESIDENTS REPORT

Brothers and Sisters,
Spring is here – and I hope it stays for awhile!!! Not ready for triple digits yet!

With thoughts of spring, please join us at the Post for Easter, Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day, Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day and Father's Day. Drink specials, raffles, food specials, fun and fellowship!!!

Also with thoughts of spring, comes change. Yes, it is that time of year to think of what office or chairmanship you would like to do this next year.

Our auxiliary nominations are at the April and May meetings. June will be election. Absentee ballots will be available at the bar, 10 days after our May meeting. Meetings are the first Monday of each month, at 7 pm. Executive board meeting is at 6 pm.

A big "shout-out" to the many Legion family members that worked on renovating the ladies room in the club room - it looks fabulous!!! And if you think that is great, the Auxiliary paid to have the back hall of the Post painted!! What an improvement!

The Auxiliary has bar bingo every Thursday night at 6:30. It has been very successful! I want to thank all volunteers and players!!! Success would not be possible without you!!!

Happy Spring to y'all and hope to see you around the Post!!!!

For Service, Not Self,
Angel Gnauden
Crandall-Palmer American Legion
Unit 61 President

AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Coming together is the beginning. Staying together is progress. Working together is success:

Well done ladies. The Unit year is winding down. We are still short of reaching our membership goal for this year. If you have not paid your dues - now is the time to get them in. Dues are \$26.00 for seniors and \$10.00 for Juniors. Ladies bring your daughters and granddaughters. Dues can be mailed to or dropped off at the post.

Reminder, that the monthly auxiliary meeting is the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. We will be holding nominations for the 2014-2015 officers at the April and May meetings. Elections will take place in June. Look forward to you ladies attending the meetings and running for or making a nomination for office.

REMINDER: It is very important you let us know if you have moved or planning on moving so we can keep our records up to date.

You can drop off information at the Post. Please put attention: Janette B on the envelope or email me a bryantjanette@yahoo.com. In subject, please have UNIT 61 in large print.

For Service not self.

Janette Braynt, Secretary/Membership Chairman, Ladies Auxiliary Unit 61.

BINGO

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

The S.A.L. membership cards are \$ 20.00 for the 2014 year and can be renewed by mail or at the Post. We still need help from the S.A.L. members in Squadron #61 to assist in putting on various fund raisers and certain dinner(s) which in turn will benefit our local Children and Youth Programs. The S.A.L. has a monthly meeting on the third Monday of every month at 6:30 PM at Post #61. The S.A.L. Commander, Kyle Witting, invites all current Squadron #61 members to attend the meeting and help the S.A.L. The Pizzas available in the Clubroom are a money maker for the S.A.L. We will have raffles later in the year. If you have a friend or know someone that may be eligible for membership have them fill out an S.A.L. application. If you have any questions be sure to ask the S.A.L. Commander or S.A.L. Adjutant at the Post.

Check our calendar on information screens at the Post Web page (alpost61.org) or info at the Post.

S.A.L. Adjutant - Rick Dollahan



Special Notice

Advertise in our Newsletter or on our website. Spread the word to our members and Businesses in our area.

Business Card size----\$50.00

Quarter page size----\$100.00

Half page size----\$150.00

Full page size----\$250.00

These fees are for Yearly Advertising. We also can post specials from your business on the website for a small fee also.

Contact Jim Burke 623-512-9294

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Calendar of Events

April 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Bar Bingo 6:30PM	4 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	5 Steak Fry Birthdays Frank's Kitchen 5:30-Op7:30pm Live Band Lil Debbie Band Yard Sale 8AM
6 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm	7 Aux E-Board Meeting 6:00pm Aux General 7:00pm Nominations	8 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	9 VFW Bingo 6:45pm	10 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Post E board Mtg 5:00PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	11 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	12 Pork Chops 5:30-7:30PM Live Band Edge Rock
13 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm	14 Post General Membership Meeting 6:00pm Nominations	15 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	16 VFW Bingo 6:45pm Senior Luncheon 10-1:30PM Entertainment TBD	17 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm ALR Meeting 6:00pm Nominations	18 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	19 Steak Fry Frank's Kitchen 5:30pm- 7:30pm
20 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Easter Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm \$7.00	21 SAL Meeting 6:30 pm Nominations	22 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	23 VFW Bingo 6:45pm	24 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm	25 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	26 Baked Chicken Breast/Rice Pilaf 5:30-7:30PM Live Band Pat Roberts and the Haymakers
27 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm	28	29 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	30 VFW Bingo 6:45pm			



May 2014

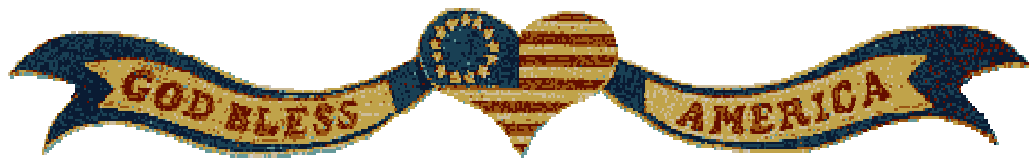
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				1	2	3 Steak Fry Birthdays 5:30-7:30PM Live Band Lil Debbie Band Yard Sale 8AM
4 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm	5 AUX Meeting E-Board 6:00pm Regular 7:00pm Cinco De Mayo	6 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	7 VFW Bingo 6:45pm	8 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm Post E-Board Meeting 5:00pm	9 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	10 Steak Fry Live Music DJ Kyle & Trish Dan Moulton Golf Tournament Benefiting Boys State 8:00AM
11 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Mother's Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm Brunch \$7.00 Mom Eats Free	12 Post General Membership Meeting 6:00pm	13 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	14 VFW Bingo 6:45pm	15 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm ALR Mtg 6:00PM	16 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	17 Steak Fry 5:30-7:30PM Live Band Wheeler Road Band Armed Forces Day
18 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm	19 SAL Meeting 6:30 pm	20 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	21 VFW Bingo 6:45pm	22 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm	23 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	24 Chicken Fajitas Live Band Pat Robert & the Haymakers
25 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm	26 Memorial Day Burgers/Dogs until gone 11-1PM Raffle of 55" TV	27 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	28 VFW Bingo 6:45pm	29 Frank's Kitchen 3:30-7:30PM Bar Bingo 6:30pm	30 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	31 Philly Cheesesteak Live Band Street Legal



June 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm	2 AUX Meeting E-Board 6:00pm Regular 7:00pm	3 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	4 VFW Bingo 6:45pm	5 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm E Board Mtg 5PM	6 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	7 Steak Fry/B-day 5:30-7:30PM Live Band Pat Roberts & The Haymakers
8 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm	9 Post General Membership Meeting 6:00pm	10 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	11 VFW Bingo 6:45pm Planning Meeting 4:30PM	12 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm	13 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	14 BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwiches 5:30-7:30PM Live Band Edge Rock Flag Day
15 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Father's Day Brunch \$7.00 10:00am-3:00pm Fathers Eat Free	16 SAL Meeting 6:30 pm	17 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	18 VFW Bingo 6:45pm	19 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm ALR Mtg 6:00PM Bar Bingo 6:30pm	20 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke	21 Steak Fry 5:30pm- 7:30pm Installment & Awards Ceremony Live Band Wheeler Road Band
22 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm	23	24 Post 61 Bingo 6:45pm	25 VFW Bingo 6:45pm	26 Frank's Kitchen 3:30pm-7:30pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm Dept. Convention	27 Fish Fry Frank's Kitchen 4:00pm-8:00pm SKE Karaoke Dept. Convention	28 Enchiladas 5:30-7:30PM Live Music Lil Debbie Band Dept. Convention
29 K of C Bingo 6:45pm Frank's Kitchen Brunch 10:00am-3:00pm Dept. Convention	30					







S.A.L. Officers

Commander: Kyle Witting
Sr. Vice - Commander: Damon Taylor
Jr. Vice - Commander: Steve Witting
Adjutant: Rick Dollahan
Finance Officer: Jon Gile
Chaplain: Scott Lundmark
Sgt. at Arms: Jacob Byassee
Past Commander: Steve Witting



Legion Rider Officers

Director: Barbara Gile "Barbwire"
Asst. Director: Jim Burke "Cruiser"
Treasurer: Jon Gile "Wadster"
Secretary: Liesl Roeder "Tigger"
Run Coordinator: Bob Austin "Bobster"
Sgt. at Arms: Mike Nesselrode "G Dog"
Chaplain:
Historian: Jonna Gile "Little O"

New Members and Transfers

Auxiliary (New):

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:
Hannah Vassily
Briana Levens
Elizabeth Kildoo,
Lori Sears
Sandra Adams
Sandra Kucera
Jacqueline Ball

Aux. (Transfer)

TRANSFER/REJOIN:
Maureen Moriarity

SAL (New)

Ronald Acevedo
Patrick Hayes
David LaPour
Gary Owens

TRANSFERS: