



**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
OF THE U.S.
BELL POST 1820
3302 AIRPORT ROAD
TEMPLE, TEXAS**

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POST COMMANDER'S CORNER



Greeting Comrades and Auxiliary

COMRADES, HAPPY 4TH OF JULY THIS 2018! This year is filled with new ideas and things that will further help our local Veteran population and community. One of those efforts will be to assist Habitat for Humanity as they build the Lee Crossley Veteran's

Community, to house our vets and other disabled members here in Temple and from the surrounding areas. Council person Julie Morales, and builder, Pat Patterson, are spearheading the project for the City of Temple, TX. They are building a village with 26 duplex homes for Veterans. They need volunteers who are available to drop by and assist them with beautifying the property. Please contact the Resource Coordinator, Jo-Eli Guzman at (254) 298-5712 for work schedule details. [If you a Veteran and would like to apply for village housing, applications can be picked up Monday through Friday at Post 1820, 3302 Airport Road, Temple, TX 76504.](#)

We had 4 delegates in attendance at the 98th VFW Annual Convention in Dallas, TX. They were, Commander Richard Best, Quartermaster Roosevelt Pugh, Former Commanders Gilbert "Budd" Johnson and Audrey Stebenne. My wife Pamela, who is an Auxiliary member, was in attendance as well. We all had a great time. The convention was very informative. For instance, the Department of Texas (VFW) has started a new program to fund Service Dogs for Veterans of Foreign Wars. Six Service Dogs are already programed to be trained and ready for Veterans by September 2018. Department is taking request for these dogs through our District/Post Commanders. If you a Veteran and would like to apply for a Service Dog, contact Quartermaster (Roosevelt Pugh) at (254) 778-5450 or go by Post 1820, 3302 Airport Road, Temple, TX 76504.

We had another great year with the American Pool Association playoff tournaments. Kudos go out to our Senior Vice Commander Michael Fuller, Junior Vice Commander Jimmy Douglas, and especially Barbara Brown and all of our staff members for making it happen. Also, the Community Garage Sale was another successful venture for the post. We had a moderate turn out. Michael, Barbara and her staff did a great job with leading the charge to make the event a success.

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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Greetings Auxiliary and Comrades

The Auxiliary has a full crew of officers! We only a few more to install and hopefully the next meeting will this will be completed. I would like to thank everyone who stepped up to the plate and volunteered, to quote Harold S. Geneen, "Leadership is practiced not so much in words as in attitude and in actions." I believe this statement truly reflects the leadership of our Auxiliary.

During our last meeting, Delores Miller, our new District President, emphasized the importance of turning in reports. There are many activities that our members are involved in (other organizations), which may qualify as participation hours, but without reports they cannot be counted. District President Delores Miller stated, "They can be on coffee stained notebook paper. Just turn them in." Send a brief description of your activities to the Auxiliary, either through the mail (USPS), drop it off, email me (laura.vanlier@gmail.com), text/call me (254-931-0561).

Last month, I visited with life time member Hilda McCoy. Hilda celebrated her 93rd birthday June 16th! I would like to say, I was both astounded by this woman's life, dedication, and accomplishments. Hilda proudly showed me her display of 30+ years plaques and awards in recognition of her efforts and service to Veterans by the VFW Auxiliary. For many years she did the cooking for all the events and has been the Chair for the Bingo at the VA. Her favorite event is the annual firemen and policeman luncheon, thanking our first responders for their work and service. Hilda continues to participate in the Bingo at the VFW along with her daughter (and auxiliary member) Liz Youngblood, who is also our new Jr Vice.

Please check out our Facebook page for pictures.

Regards,

Laura VanLier

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POST COMMANDER'S CORNER

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Post 1820 has already reserved a spot in Belton's 4th of July 2018 Parade. We are recruiting our membership for their participation. The Modern Warfare Museum of Troy, TX has donated 5 military vehicles for Post 1820 members to use. Please call the Post to submit your name to ride with us in the parade and for details regarding decorating the parade vehicles. The rally location is at the University of Mary Harden-Baylor along Crusader Way and University Drive. The 2018 First Responders Golf Classic is still set for Monday, July 9, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., with a shot Shotgun start time of at 12 noon, Wildflower Country Club, 4902 Wildflower Lane, Temple, TX 76502. Your sponsorship help is still needed to support local First Responders as they relax from the stresses they confront each day to ensure our protection and safety. To sponsor a First Responders Golf Team of 4 players it would cost you \$250, sponsor a hole \$100, Golf Cart \$50 and/or a Dinner Guest(s) \$25 each person. Please join in and donate to this cause. All donations must be submitted by July 5, 2018. You can contact the [Quarter-master \(Roosevelt Pugh\) at \(254\) 778-5450](#) regarding support and donations between 12:00 pm (noon) and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. We need membership support to make the above events a success.

Additionally, Officer Training for Texas will be held July 11th –13th, Double Tree North, 6505 Interstate 35, North, Austin TX 78752. And the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Convention will be held July 21st–25th, Hotel Phillips 106 W 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105. "We are only retired from the military, not tired." "We are a New VFW with a New Attitude."

As always if you are interested in doing charitable work, please contact (Commander Richard Best) at phone (205) 862-0936 or if you would like to attend our next monthly meeting, it is at 7:00 pm, July 10, 2018, Post 1820, 3302 Airport Road, Temple, TX 76504. Snacks and drinks are served between 6:30 pm and 7:00 pm. If you are need of place to have a party or holiday function, Post 1820 have three event halls. Prices vary according to the size of the hall and members get a discount. Additionally, we have several large sizes heavy duty VFW Grills mounted on trailers and the pavilion area also is available for rent. Please give our Rental Managers Barbara or Miranda a call at (254) 778-5450 for making reservations (reserving rooms)/scheduling. **AGAIN HAPPY 4TH OF JULY 2018.**

Respectfully,

Richard L. Best

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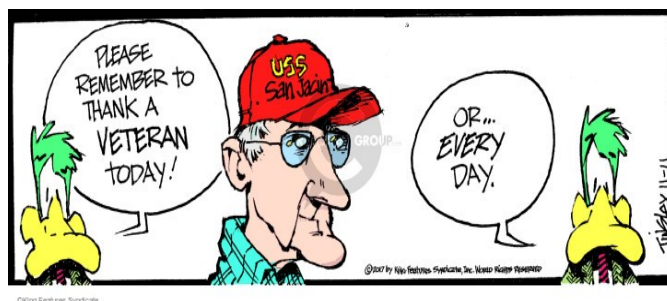


Hilda McCoy cooking at one of the many events that she took part in over the years. Thank you for your many years of service to the Auxiliary and our Veterans.

MILITARY THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Comrades,

Don't forget how important it is to recognize all of our Veterans regardless what campaign they served.



Cartoonist: Bruce Tinsley, Mallard Fillmore, 2017-11-11; <http://www.thecomicstrips.com/subject/The-Military-Comic-Strips.php/1>

JULY 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Bingo 1400	2 Bingo 1900 APA Pool League 1930	3 BCA Pool League 1930	4 Bingo 1900 APA Pool League 1930	5 Donation Review / House Meeting 1800	6 DJ Time 1930 Fish Fry 1700	7 DJ Calie 1930
8 Bingo 1400	9 Post 1820 Golf Classic; Wildflower Country Club Bingo 1900	10 Post 1820 and Auxiliary Meetings 1900 BCA Pool League 1930	11 Bingo 1900 APA Pool League 1930 Officer Training in Austin	12 APA Pool League 1930	13 DJ Time 1930 Fish Fry 1700	14 DJ Able 1930
15 Bingo 1400	16 Bingo 1900 APA Pool League 1930	17 BCA Pool League 1930	18 Bingo 1900 APA Pool League 1930	19 APA Pool League 1930	20 DJ Time 1930 Fish Fry 1700	21 DJ Calie 1930 VFW National Convention in Kansas City, Mo
22 Bingo 1400 VFW National Convention in Kansas City, Mo	23 Bingo 1900 APA Pool League 1930 VFW National Convention in	24 BCA Pool League 1930 VFW National Convention in Kansas City, Mo	25 Bingo 1900 APA Pool League 1930 VFW National Convention in	26 APA Pool League 1930	27 DJ Time 1930 Fish Fry 1700	28 DJ Able 1930 Post 1820 Clean Up 0800-1000
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DATES TO REMEMBER

09 July 0700 The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1820 Golf Classic; Wildflower Country Club, 4902 Wildflower Lane, Temple, TX 76502.

11-13 July Officer Training in Austin

21-25 July National Convention in Kansas City, Mo

28 July Post 1820 Clean Up

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Comrades,

Romans Chapter 16 17-19 ¹⁷ I urge you, brothers and sisters, to watch out for those who cause divisions and put obstacles in your way that are contrary to the teaching you have learned. Keep away from them. ¹⁸ For such people are not serving our Lord Christ, but their own appetites. By smooth talk and flattery they deceive the minds of naive people. ¹⁹ Everyone has heard about your obedience, so I rejoice because of you; but I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil.

James Sneed

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Chaplain



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VFW POST 1820 OFFICERS

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Quarter Master.....Roosevelt Pugh
Chaplain.....James Sneed
Post Judge Advocate.....Gilbert L. Johnson
Surgeon.....Charles Travis
1 Year Trustee.....Domingo Luna
2 Year Trustee.....Jim Halvorson
3 Year Trustee.....Minnie Troy
Service Officer.....Dorman Havins

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President.....Laura VanLier
Senior Vice President.....Charlene Thompson
Junior Vice President.....Vacant
Treasurer.....Beatrice Kinard
Secretary.....Pamela Best
Chaplain.....Lydia Pippins
Conductor.....Dan Taylor
Guard.....Mary Roach
1 Year Trustee.....Vacant
2 Year Trustee.....Mary Wall
3 Year Trustee.....Vacant
Patriotic Instructor.....Vacant

V.F.W. Post and Auxiliary meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

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