

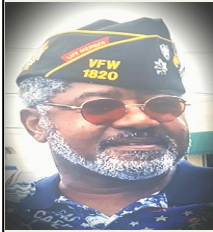


**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
OF THE U.S.
BELL POST 1820
3302 AIRPORT ROAD
TEMPLE, TEXAS**

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POST COMMANDER'S CORNER



Greeting Comrades and Auxiliary

As we close out the year I must say thank you to each of my officers and staff members for a job well done this year. A special thank you goes out to officers like Sr Vice Command-

er, Michael Fuller; Quartermaster, Roosevelt Pugh and stewards likes former Commanders Bud Johnson and Audrey Stebenne for their mentorship and works. I also would like to express much gratitude to the Auxiliary for their efforts and participation in supporting our Veterans. And most of all kudos and thank you to those members who attended monthly meetings and post events. Your involvement, participation and support were instrumental in the overall success of Post 1820 this year and in past years. Keep in mind there are new projects on our radar like tentative renovation of our buildings and establishing a better friendlier network to assist our Veteran population and community. The March nominations are to be confirmed at our April 10th monthly meeting and announced. Thank you goes out to all members who were present and voted at the meeting.

Also, as you all know the coming months we have a few required Veteran tasks we must execute, as well as year-end transition matters rapidly approaching. Thus, we ask for your patience and understanding during this extreme difficult time. Our traditional Easter Egg Hunt led by the Auxiliary took place on March 31st. The 2017-2018 Annual Post Dinner and Awards Banquet is set for April 14, 2018 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Greetings Comrades and Auxiliary

Spring is here! The two biggest signs of spring for me...time springing forward and bluebonnets blooming along the roadways.

Spring happens to be one of those times during the year that I take a moment to be thankful for all the wonderful things in life...Central Texas is so beautiful this time of the year and I am grateful to call it home and I am *Blessed* to have been born and live in the United States. I am very thankful that I live in a country where our personal freedoms are safeguarded and for the outstanding men and women whose personal sacrifices day in and day out make it possible. I am proud to belong to an organization that supports these outstanding men and women both nationally and locally.

As a member of the Auxiliary, I would like to remind our members that "You are our biggest advocate." Members ensure the success of the VFW, the Auxiliary, and most importantly the programs and legislation which support our Veterans. Please encourage your family members to join too. The Auxiliary is open to husbands, brothers, wives, sisters, children, and grandchildren.

I would like to thank our JoJo Kilgore, District President, Delores Miller, Sr Vice President, and Pam Duncan, Post 4008 for attending and providing

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A Buddy Poppy Drive will take place during the Central Texas Airshow on May 4th at the Draughton-Miller Central Texas Regional Airport, 7720-F Airport Road, Temple, TX 76501. Additionally, we will host our 2nd Community Garage Sale as well in May. Date to be published. See Auxiliary timelines and calendar for further details.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1820 (1st ever) Golf Classic is set for Monday, July 9, 2018, at 7:00 a.m., with a shot Shotgun start time of at 12 noon, Wildflower Country Club, 4902 Wildflower Lane, Temple, TX 76502. We will need our members and patrons support. You can contact Quartermaster (Roosevelt Pugh) at (254) 778-5450 regarding support and donations between 12:00 pm and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. "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, April 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...I WANT TO SINCERELY THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNWAIVING SUPPORT THIS YEAR 2017-2018!**

Respectfully,

Richard L. Best

Richard L. Best
Post 1820 Commander

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guidance during our monthly meeting March 12th.

During our meeting we discussed the annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 31st and preparations for the Annual Banquet (April 14th). The Banquet recognizes the scholarship winners of the Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen, as well as other important programs. Both programs based on patriotic themes provide a platform for the participants to express themselves, while learning about our country. There are several other events of import coming up including elections.

Our next meeting is April 10th, I encourage everyone to attend, our joint efforts contribute to a successful post and help many.

Article was written by Laura VanLier on behalf of Terez Lemons this month.

In Your Service,

Terez Lemons

Terez Lemons
President



APRIL 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Easter Sunday	2	3 BCA Pool League 1930	4	5 Donation Review Committee 1800 House Committee Meeting 1830	6 DJ Time 1930 Fish Fry 1700	7 DJ Calie 1930
8 Bingo 1400	9 Bingo 1900	10 Post 1820 and Auxiliary Meetings 1900 BCA Pool League 1930	11 Bingo 1900	12	13 DJ Time 1930 Fish Fry 1700	14 DJ Able 1930 Post 1820 Annual Banquet 1800
15 Bingo 1400	16 Bingo 1900	17 BCA Pool League 1930	18 Bingo 1900	19	20 DJ Time 1930 Fish Fry 1700	21 DJ Calie 1930
22 Bingo 1400	23 Bingo 1900	24 BCA Pool League 1930	25 Bingo 1900 VA Hospital Bingo @1300	26	27 DJ Time 1930 Fish Fry 1700	28 DJ Able 1930
29 Bingo 1400	30 Bingo 1900					

DATES TO REMEMBER

Annual Awards Banquet, 14 April 2018, 1800

Annual Community Garage Sale, May TBD

District 14 Picnic, 19 May 1030

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1820 Golf Classic has been canceled for March 26th and rescheduled for July 9, 2018, at 0700., Wildflower Country Club, 4902 Wildflower Lane, Temple, TX 76502.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Comrades,

John 14:1-5 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

James Sneed

James Sneed
Chaplain



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

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