

AFSA Heartbeat

HEART OF AMERICA CHAPTER 804 P.O. Box 213 **Belton, MO 64012**



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January-March 2019

CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Another year has come to a close and my position as President of AFSA Chapter 804 is almost over. I cannot begin to thank everyone for their continued support through all my trials and tribulations since early June. You all have stepped up and accepted additional responsibilities so that our organization could keep up our honored traditions. One item I want to make you aware of is that due to the small attendance at our December 4th meeting, the election of officers has been delayed until the January 8, 2019 meeting. Please plan on attending. I have enjoyed my tenure as the head of one of the best AFSA Chapters and I will continue to always do my part.

Galen and I would like to wish you all a marvelous 2019!

KATHY ODEN

Chapter President International Past Auxiliary President

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CHAPTER HISTORY

"Reflections"

Here are some amazing statistics of what Americans accomplished during World War II –

During the 3-1/2 years of WWII that started with the bombing of Pearl Harbor in December 1941

and ended with the surrender of Germany and Japan, the people of the United States produced the following military equipment:

- 22 Aircraft Carriers
- 8 Battleships
- 48 Cruisers
- 349 Destroyers
- 420 Destroyer Escorts
- 203 Submarines
- 34 million tons of merchant ships
- 100,000 Fighter Aircraft
- 98.000 Bombers
- 24,000 Transport Aircraft
- 58,000 Training Aircraft
- 93,000 Tanks
- 257,000 Artillery Pieces
- 3,000,000 Machine Guns
- 2,500,000 Military Trucks

They put 16.1 million troops in uniforms in the Armed Services. On the war front, they invaded Africa, Sicily and Italy, won the battle for the Atlantic, planned and executed D-Day, marched across the Pacific and Europe and conquered Germany and Japan - in 3-1/2 vears.

HARRY MCLANE, CMSgt, USAF, Retired

Chapter Vice President & Historian

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MEMBERSHIP

As of December 14th, we had 847 active members, which is a decrease of 13 members since last quarter. This is primarily due to members not renewing their membership. Also, our Chapter recruited 14 members (increase of 2 from last Newsletter) and retained 73 (increase of 13).

Although I mentioned in last quarter's *Heartbeat* that tokens of appreciation would be mailed out by the end of December to those who renewed through our Chapter, that may not happen. My plate has been extremely full these last few months so my plan is to have them out in January.

For our Chapter to receive credit for the retention, **PLEASE** be sure to renew via the form you receive from me versus the form you receive from Headquarters.

Thinking of You cards were sent to Joan Boyd, Cathy Parsley and Trudy Zendejas. All three ladies are recovering from surgery.

If you know of any member who is ill, recovering from surgery, had a death in the family or is just going through a rough patch and needs a little pick-me-up, please let me know.

Thanks for all your support. Take care and God Bless!

PATTI DALZELL

Membership Chair International Family Matters Trustee

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CARD DAYS



January 3rd & 10th February 7th & 14th March 7th & 14th

Pinochle: 10:00 AM at Aaron's Family Fun Ctr

17070 Aaron Lane, Belton, MO

Bridge: 10:00 AM at RC's Restaurant

330 East 135th St., Martin City, MO

If you are interested in being a regular or sub for Pinochle or Bridge, please give us a call.

GINNY STAUDINGER, 816-982-5133 (Pinochle) SHARON DAVIES, 816-331-5581 (Bridge)



COUPON CONNECTION

Fifty pounds of coupons were mailed out in November 2018. They were sent to Yokosuka Commissary, Japan; Camp Humphreys Commissary, South Korea; and Ansbach Commissary, Germany. This past year has been a most successful one for sending coupons overseas to our military members and their families. I cannot thank you enough for all the hard work and time you spend accomplishing this project. Let's keep up our tremendous work this coming year and make it another banner one!

Until next time, continue to clip those coupons.

KATHY ODEN, 816-331-4058 Chairperson 6101 East 149th Street Grandview, MO 64030

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Our next **New Theatre Restaurant** outing will be Tuesday, **January 15th**, to see "Shear Madness" starring Richard Karn. The ticket price has been increased by \$2 per ticket. "Biloxi Blues and "Buddy Holly" are \$49 per ticket and "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" is \$51 per ticket.

Our next trip to **Harrah's Casino** is Thursday, **January 17**th. We will meet at 11:30 AM by the Buffet and decide from there on where to eat lunch. If you plan on coming, please let me know.

KATHY ODEN, 816-331-4058 Chairperson

LUNCHEONS

Our monthly luncheons are at the **Golden Corral** in Raymore, MO, on the fourth Thursday each month at 11:30 AM (unless otherwise announced).

Our luncheon dates for January thru March are as follows:

- January 24
- ***** February 28
- **❖** March 28



**Chairperson to be determi date

Happy St. Patrick's Day

ADOPT - A - HIGHWAY

Just a note to make you aware of the condition of our mile-long stretch of roadway – it is ready for the winter months and then, in the middle of April, I will schedule a cleanup for our great crew.

KATHY ODEN, 816-331-4058

Chairperson

RECIPE CORNER

Well, the holidays are over and now it's time for those New Year's resolutions (as usual). Mine this year is to focus on my weight loss and to eat healthier. For those who might be in the same boat as me, here's a healthy and delicious recipe.

Pita Pizza (Weight Watchers)

1 large thin Pita bread

½ cup pizza sauce

½ cup sliced mushrooms

1/4 cup chopped green pepper

10 small black olives, chopped

½ cup fat-free mozzarella cheese

2 tsp parmesan cheese

1 pinch pizza seasoning or oregano

Preheat oven to broil. Spread pizza sauce on the pita. Layer vegetables first so they are held together by the cheese. Top with mozzarella, parmesan and seasoning. Spray cooking spray lightly over the cheese. Broil for 2 minutes or until cheese is mostly melted.

Serves 1 and is 9 WW Smart Points.

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Members of the BAM Club donate \$12 yearly to help us offset the printing & mailing cost of the *Heartbeat* newsletter.

You can also help save the Chapter money by signing up to receive your *Heartbeat* via email by emailing us at <u>afsachapter804@gmail.com</u> or calling Charlie Dalzell at 816-331-7594.

Thanks to our recent contributor –

John Hembree

<u>Air Force Sergeants Association Membership Application</u>

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

- 1 New Year's Day
- 3 Pinochle, 10:00 AM, Aaron's Family Fun Center, Belton, MO
- 3 Bridge, 10:00 AM, RC's Restaurant, Martin City, MO
- 8 AFSA General Membership Meeting, 7:00 PM, Belton Senior Center, 609 Minnie
- 10 Pinochle, 10:00 AM, Aaron's Family Fun Center, Belton, MO
- Bridge, 10:00 AM, RC's Restaurant, Martin City, MO
- 14 Coupon-Cutting Session, 9:30 AM, Carnegie Village (The Loft)
- New Dinner Theatre -- "Shear Madness"
- 17 Trip to Harrah's Casino meet at 11:30 AM
- 21 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Luncheon, 11:30 AM, Golden Corral, Raymore, MO

VA Hospital Volunteer Service: 7-8-9-14-15-16-21-22-23-28-29-30

FEBRUARY

- 2 Groundhog Day
- 7 Pinochle, 10:00 AM, Aaron's Family Fun Center, Belton, MO
- 7 Bridge, 10:00 AM, RC's Restaurant, Martin City, MO
- 12 AFSA General Membership Meeting, 7:00 PM, Belton Senior Center, 609 Minnie
- 14 Happy Valentine's Day!
- Pinochle, 10:00 AM, Aaron's Family Fun Center, Belton, MO
- Bridge, 10:00 AM, RC's Restaurant, Martin City, MO
- 18 Presidents' Day
- Coupon-Cutting Session, 9:30 AM, Carnegie Village (The Loft)
- Luncheon, 11:30 AM, Golden Corral, Raymore, MO

VA Hospital Volunteer Service: 4-5-6-11-12-13-18-19-20-25-26-27

MARCH

- 7 Pinochle, 10:00 AM, Aaron's Family Fun Center, Belton, MO
- 7 Bridge, 10:00 AM, RC's Restaurant, Martin City, MO
- 10 Daylight Savings Time Starts (move clocks forward one hour)
- 12 AFSA General Membership Meeting, 7:00 PM **NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE**
- Pinochle, 10:00 AM, Aaron's Family Fun Center, Belton, MO
- Bridge, 10:00 AM, RC's Restaurant, Martin City, MO
- 17 Happy St. Patrick's Day!
- 18 Coupon-Cutting Session, 9:30 AM, Carnegie Village (The Loft)
- Luncheon, 11:30 AM, Golden Corral, Raymore, MO
- 28 National Vietnam War Veterans Day

VA Hospital Volunteer Service: 4-5-6-11-12-13-18-19-20-25-26-27

APRIL

April Fool's Day

Bingo every Wednesday every month, 5:00 PM, Belton Senior Center, 609 Minnie

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