

THE BUGLE



American Legion Post 132, Orange, California NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2020



POST 132 COMMANDER, VICTOR DE LA ROSA

Greetings all,

I hope you are all in good health. We are now having breakfast at the Post every Sunday from about 8:30-11. Also, we are having the Friday evening steak dinner or special. We have set up a temporary dining area in the parking lot, so come on out and enjoy a good meal. You can also order an alcoholic beverage of your choice as long as you order a meal. That being said, I would like to thank the members of the Legionnaires, the Auxiliary, the AL Riders, and the Sons of the American Legion that have helped set up, serve and cook. As you know we are all volunteers there and we couldn't do it without everyone helping.

Please check the website for the schedule of events going on at the Post at: orangepost132.com. DJ Sommer has also volunteered to provide entertainment on Friday nights so please tip her in appreciation. Thank you!

Victor de la Rosa Commander Post 132 Victorplent@yahoo.com Phone (714) 227-5977



JOSE MARTINEZ, 1ST VICE COMMANDER POST 132

Hello everyone, this is Jose Martinez. As you know, I am one of the past Post 132 Commanders. I'm honored to be asked to be the 1st Vice Commander for the 2020-2021 Legion year. It is still a pleasure to serve as a board mem-

ber and continue to serve every member and supporter of Post 132. As 1st Vice Commander, my job will entail membership of this post.

As of Aug 7, 2020 we are 47.42%. This is awesome. I would like to thank everyone that has paid their dues. We have submitted more transmittals to further our goal to 100%. On a side note, I would like to ask everyone to please pay your membership dues of \$45.00 directly to the Post. The Post keeps a very small portion of your dues for post operations. But, when you pay online to National Headquarters, they return our portion of your dues, but it can take a couple of months for this to happen. In the meantime, we are without those funds. So please, pay directly to the post.

Also, we are still looking to grow more, so please invite Veterans and your friends to come and support the Post. Please stay up to date on the happenings of this Post by going on our website, www.orangepost132.com. Thank you! Until next month...

Jose Martinez 1st Vice Commander martinezjoseg@yahoo.com







BRIAN JOHNSON POST 132 ADJUTANT DISTRICT 29 ADJUTANT AL RIDER, SECRETARY/LEAD ROAD CAPTAIN

Greetings Comrades,

Let me start by giving a loud and proud shout out to all of our sisters and brothers who have been joining us for our breakfasts and dinners On The Patio at our Post. I have been in the kitchen and have not yet had the chance to enjoy the camaraderie but, based on the number of food orders and drink orders we are seeing, it is clear that Post 132 and our Son's, AL Riders and Auxiliary family members have been enjoying this change of pace and return to being social at our Post. We truly thank all of you for your support. I want to give a very special thank you to those who have been meeting to plan and organize these events, those who have been setting up and taking down the shelters and tables as well as those who have volunteered in the kitchen and especially, those who make the endless trips up and down the stairs to keep the hot chow and refreshing beverages flowing. We could not make this happen without your help. Speaking of help, we sure could use some more help. You don't have to commit to the whole event, if you have some time to help set up or break down or can just pop in to help scramble some eggs, we appreciate you! If you have family members who need service hours, send them down. We will happily verify their hours working in support of Veterans activities.

By now, you should start seeing your membership cards arriving in the mail if you have sent your renewal payment to the Post. We are doing a great job of renewing our existing members and continue to welcome prospective new members. Despite Covid-19, our Post continues to be a great place to make connections with fellow Veterans so keep your eye on the Bugle for upcoming events and keep those great ideas and suggestions coming. Your Post Needs You!

One last thing and I'm getting this out early but.... Go ARMY - Beat Navy!!!

Brian "Spidey" Johnson American Legion and American Legion Riders

District 29 Adjutant Post 132 Adjutant

ALR Area 5 Safety Officer ALR Chapter 132 Secretary / Lead Road Captain Brian Johnson <adjutantdist29@gmail.com> (714)356-8262

A Legion of Many Hats

I was working on membership cards at my desk and during a break to refill my coffee cup, I happened to glance at my stack of Legion hats. I have a Blue Cap, a Blue Cap with a White Crown for my District duties, a Legion Riders Black Beret and a couple of baseball style caps. In addition, there are White Caps for Department and Red Caps for National Officers. Each of these tells its own story and represents a role I and other Legionnaires have played as a Veteran and as a Legion member. Of all of my caps, the one, I think, that is the most important is my Blue Legion Cap. My Blue Legion Cap represents my membership in the American Legion and links me back along a more than 100-year line of sister and brother Legionnaires who served here and abroad for our freedom. My Blue Legion Cap is the same as the Blue Legion Cap that Department and National Commanders don when their time in office is complete. It whispers about places like the Belleau Wood, the Ardennes; Anzio, Pointe du Hoc, Malmedy, Bastogne; Chosin Reservoir; Ia Drang Valley, Khe Sanh, Ramadi, Fallujah; Tora Bora, Kandahar and hundreds of others. The Blue Legion Cap is the uniform of the American Legion member and deserves the reverence and respect that we accorded the uniforms of our various services when we served.

In 1965, the Legion National Executive Committee passed a resolution (Resolution 46) providing guidance for when and how we should wear our Blue Legion Cap and how we should deport ourselves when we are in the uniform of The American Legion. The Legion Cap should be worn for all official functions of the American Legion such as our monthly meeting and other events. It must not be worn during political events because we are a non-partisan organization that exists to serve Veterans. It must be removed and held over heart when the Legionnaire prays or remembers fallen comrades, and must be removed when we sit down to enjoy a meal together. There are other guidelines in the resolution but the spirit of the instruction is that, when we wear our Legion Cap, we should comport ourselves proudly and honorably as if we are again in the uniform of our country.

When you come to an official meeting at the Post, wear your Blue Legion Cap with pride and honor. Remember those who wear the uniform of our Nation right now and those who have gone before us or marched beside us but stayed behind and never grew old. Wear your Legion Cap as a proud emblem of your continued service to our fellow veterans and our great nation.

Brian "Spidey" Johnson, Post 132 Adjutant



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Susan Wood, Finance Officer Post 132

Hello all, we had a special breakfast this Sunday, 8/30 9:00-11:00 at your Post 132! Our Auxiliary whipped up a delicious breakfast of chorizo and eggs as only they know how to do it!!! Along with your purchase of breakfast, drinks will also be available for purchase.

Much thanks to our AL Riders and Sons for last week's breakfast. They did an amazing job of volunteering to cook, serve and clean up - even the food was donated. Please be sure to thank your Legion members as they continue to volunteer their time and energy in keeping our Post open and active.

This Sunday, we had an "informational" booth set up with flyers and sign-up sheets for future events and fundraisers. Also, we will be selling raffle tickets for the Booze Wagon and the Pizza Store.

As I continue to strive to embrace new technology and social platforms (teaching an old dog new tricks), I have actually managed with a LOT of help from others to set up a "GO FUND ME" page for our Post. Please take a few minutes to check it out, maybe make a donation and pass the word along to others. Between the Post being closed down and/or limited operations since March, we find ourselves (as are so many others) looking for ways to keep our Post in a financial position to continue to serve our active military members, Veterans, their family members and our local community.

The following Please thank the following people for their generous donations this past month.

Teresa Tiserina	\$300
Laurie Mills	\$300
In Memory of Ed Barbarow	\$50
Steve Walker	\$100
Ochoa Chorizo	\$200
Women's Premium Council	\$100
Legion Post 132 Auxiliary	\$100
Mike & Carol Holmes	\$100
Leo & Esther Ouellette	\$500

Thanks everyone! Please come out for breakfast on Sundays. As always, we are looking for volunteers to assist at breakfast. Stay safe and have a great day.!

Susan Wood, USAF Post 132 Finance Officer 2020-2021

Darlene Phillips, Unit 132 Auxiliary President

To all, We will be hosting our first meeting for the new fiscal year, on September 9th in the ballroom at 7:00 pm. Having several new applicants apply for membership to the Auxiliary, we will be interviewing and installation all at that meeting. We welcome each new member with open arms to hold true to our mission.

The Auxiliary is ready to take on the challenges of volunteering to an organization that is driven to *HELP OUR VETERANS!*

Please continue to join us in Post activities. Dinners are served every Friday Night under the stars and Breakfasts every Sunday.

On Friday, 9/11 the Post Family will be hosting a 9/11 commemoration at 6:00 pm. **We will never forget!**

Let's all join for this somber day of remembrance but most importantly let's continue to heal as a community.

AL Riders will be serving Tri-tip sandwiches and or Steak Dinner.

I would like to thank some of our Community who have stepped up to assist with donations and or support to Our Post Family: Community Foundation of Orange, Supporting our Homeless Veteran Program

Tartan Room, Orange Donation of A Dinner Gift Card, Panchos, Orange, CA Discount for Purchase of Product for our Dinner.

It is without a doubt that Organizations, as the American Legion cannot survive without Community, Members (volunteers) stepping up and assisting with what we can do to survive. And the same to help our Community during this New Time we are living.

"Volunteers are the only human beings on the face of the earth who reflect this nation's compassion, unselfish caring, patience, and just plain loving one another." ~Erma Bombeck

Well there is always a lot to report but now, I would like to ask that if you have the means to a computer keep the website available. www.orangepost132.com the information and Bugle is on this site. If you have an email address and are being sent a bugle thru the mail please let the Commander or our Editors, Leo and Esther Ouellette know so hey can send it to you via email. This is keeping mailing costs down.

Thank you for taking the time to read this report. God Bless you and God Bless America

Darlene "Just-Dar" Phillips Auxiliary President, Unit 132 2016 – 2021 (714) 293-6157

REMINDER: If anyone has questions, do not hesitate to email me at: justdardar@gmail.com I work in the day so I may not get back to you right away, but I will respond.





Ray Alvarado, Commander Sons

No article submitted!

Ray Alvarado SONs Commander raymondalvarado818@gmail.com, (714) 366-3245

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Mike Holmes, Sons' Adjutant/Finance Officer

Greetings, all, Thank you, thank you for flooding my mailbox with renewals. I sent off 47 to Department of the SONS of America Legion just last week and I'll be ready to send off another 20, if not more, this week. I've sent out all the cards that I have received money for as of August 24. If you have not paid your dues yet, please mail it to my address at: 425 S. Lilac Ln. Orange, CA 92868. So if you have paid your dues prior to August 24 and did not get your 2020/2021 card please call me at: (714) 803-0851.

We are going to have our next meeting on the first Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 6 PM on the main floor where we will spread out 6 feet apart, wear our mask, and we should be safe and able to discuss things in person. You can enter through the main doors on Lemon Street. Looking forward to seeing you there!

For God and Country,

Mike Holmes, SONS Adjutant 714-803-0851, Mike7335carol@yahoo.co.uk













JOHN SCHUTZ-LEGIONNAIRE 2ND VICE COMMANDER; AL RIDERS PRESIDENT

As you may know we are trying very hard to have our Friday night dinners and Sunday morning breakfasts every week. This is one of the fundraisers we are doing to keep our Post OPEN, but could really use the help of all our Legion Family Members (Legionnaires, Auxiliary, Sons, & AL Riders). It takes a lot of work and we are asking our Family Members to step up and assist us!

The Booze Wagon Opportunity Drawing will be on Sunday, September 6th and you don't have to be present to win. All the money will be going to support our fellow Veterans and the Post. Even if you don't drink the contents they could make some great gifts. Ticket donations are \$5.00 for one or 5 for \$20.00

We still have Post Challenge Coins available for purchase and t-shirts for sale that can be specifically designed just for you. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

John Schutz, 2nd Vice Commander Post 132 John.schutz@mbww.com 949-870-2084

AL Riders

The AL Riders have done some great rides recently. We did Honor Rides for a 101 year old Navy Veteran Anthony R. Campos and a 100 year old Army Nurse Vera (Nee) Stafford-Maude. We are also supporting the Post breakfasts and dinners each week.

We have also ridden to some great Veteran Memorials right here in Orange County. If you are bored and need something to get you out of your house consider visiting some of the following facilities:

Placentia Veterans Memorial - Placentia Veteran's Monument is located in the Placentia Civic Center Yorba Linda Veterans Memorial 4756 Valley View Ave, Yorba Linda, CA

Brea War Memorial Brea Civic & Cultural Center, 1 Civic Center Circle Brea

Cerritos Veterans Memorial Civic Center, 18125 Bloomfield Ave, Cerritos, CA 90703

City of Buena Park Veterans Memorial Wall Ehlers Event Center Knott Ave & Santa Isabel Circle, 8150 Knott Ave, Buena Park, CA 90620

Veterans Memorial Park 10970 Cedar St, Stanton, CA 90680

Vietnam War Memorial 14199 All American Way, Westminster

Veterans Memorial Park Selva Road, Dana Point, CA (On Selva Rd off PCH)

Semper Fi Park Avenida Victoria San Clemente, CA 92672

Northwood Gratitude and Honor Memorial 4531 Bryan Ave, Irvine, CA

Leo Ouellette, Air Force Veteran, Post 132 Chaplain, Garden Grove, CA 92841

This month we plan on serving dinner on September 11 (steaks (\$15.00); tri-tip sandwiches (\$10.00) and breakfast on September 27 (eggs/Sausage casserole)

John Schutz aka Flyer John

President American Legion Riders, Chapter 132









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GLEN HOWARD, CHAPLAIN

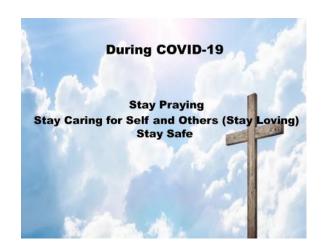
Comrades, prayers and condolences go out to Auxiliary member, Virginia "Virgie" Martinez and her family for the loss of her husband, Frank Martinez on July 26, 2020,

I wonder which is more disturbing, the pandemic and the isolation many have due to it or the senseless violence that is happening in our country.

We pray that God gives us patience as we live with life during this pandemic. Also, God please bring peace to our country. Keep the defenders of our freedom safe.

As always, feel free to reach out to me for spiritual support and guidance as you deal with life.

Glen Howard, Chaplain (714) 615-2370 g13how@gmail.com











EDITORS: LEO & ESTHER OUELLETTE

Greetings, Everyone,

We hope this finds you all in good health, safe and happy!

We can't wait for this terrible Covid to be gone! Life is sure not the same as before it hit us!

Hopefully everyone is adhering to the rules being administered by the medical field to help prevent it from spreading. If you choose not to, please keep in mind the consequences for your actions!

We pray everyone will ride this out and we will all get back to normal!

We ask that all designated Post 132 officers please submit your articles to us in a timely manner in order to produce the Bugle sooner than later. Thank you!

Leo & Esther Ouellette Editors, lmocon@sbcglobal.net (714) 636-6275













September 2020 ALL ENTRYS ARE TENTATIVE DUE TO COVID-19! PLEASE CHECK PRIOR TO ATTENDING!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		SONS' MTG 6 PM	V-j Day; Japan signed formal surrender (1945)	3	Sons, 6pm- 7:30pm DJ SOMMER 8 pm—12 am	5
6	7 LABOR DAY	8 UMAVA E-BOARD MTG 6 30 PM	9 VVA #785 Mtg 6 PM Auxiliary General Mtg 7 pm	10 AL E-Board Mtg 7 pm US Naval Sea Cadet Corps In- corporated (1962)	AL Riders/ Tri-tip Sandwich- es/Steak Dinner 6 pm—7:30 pm Music TBD 9/11 Tribute 6 pm Patriot Day	AL Riders' Mtg 8:30 am
GRANDPARENTS OAN Grandparents Day	14 ABATE MTG 6:00 PM "Star Spangled Banner" by Francis Scott Key (1814) Ladies' Auxiliary VFW Organized (1914)	AUXILIARY BUS TRIP PALA CASINO CANCELLED!!!!	16	AL General Mtg 7 PM US Constitution Approved (1787) Constitution and Citizenship Day	Legionnaires Dinner-/TBD / Steaks 6pm-7:30pm Music TBD POW/MIA Day USAF Est. (1947) Rosh Hashanah Begins	19 UMAVA GEN MTG 9:30 AM
20	21	22 Premier Women Mtg 6 pm—8 pm Autumn Begins	VVA CHAPTER #1045 - 6 pm	24	Auxiliary 6pm-7:30pm Dinner—TBD MUSIC TBD 8pm—12 am	26
AL RIDERS FRENCH TOAST, EGGS & SAUSAGE- BREAKFAST 8AM—11 Gold Star Moth- ers' Day Yom Kippur Begins	28	VFW Day VFW Est. (1899)	30			

AL RIDERS' BREAKFAST OPPORTUNITY DRAWING

On August 1, 2020, the AL Riders provided a breakfast at Post 132. A gift basket, which consisted of a free haircut and barber items, was donated by Carlos' Barbershop which was raffled off at the breakfast. The winner was; Sal Lujan, a US Army, Korean War Veteran, pictured below with Post 132 Commander, Victor de la Rosa. Thank you Carlos Barbershop for your support and congratulations, Sal Lujan.





In light of Barber Carlos' support for Post 132, we ask all members to please consider patronizing this barber shop. They deserve all the support from our members for their thoughtfulness!
Thank you, Barber Carlos!

THANK YOU, AL RIDERS AND GUESTS

Post 132 AL Riders and other guests thoughtfully honored Post 132's USAF, past Chaplain, Leo Ouellette, by personally delivering to him his current membership card and honoring him with their presence as he is unable to attend Post events due to health issues! No, he does not have COVID!!! God willing he will still be with us for quite a while longer! Thanks to each and every one of you for your thoughtfulness! Leo











100 Years of service to our Nation, Veterans and community

The American Legion itself is an organization comprised of veterans that served their country during war time. The U.S. Congress granted the American Legion a national charter in September 1919. Interestingly, Orange, California Legion Post 132 was organized in 1919 and received its charter on October 15, 1920, making it one of earliest Legion Post's in California

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A Little History

A challenge coin is a small coin or medallion bearing an organization's insignia or emblem and carried by the organization's members. The challenge, which can be made at any time, begins with the challenger drawing his/her coin, and slapping or placing the coin on the table or bar. (Accidentally dropping a challenge coin is considered to be a deliberate challenge to all present.) Everyone being challenged must immediately produce the coin for their organization and anyone failing to do so must buy a round of drinks for the challenger and everyone else who has their challenge coin. However, should everyone challenged be able to produce their coin, the challenger must buy a round of drinks for the group.

Nothing symbolizes the pride of membership like owning the new post Challenge Coin



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we're going digital

The Bugle is transitioning to an all digital format. Now is the perfect time to make sure we have your preferred email address so that you continue to receive this important newsletter.

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Please bring your response to American Legion Post 132 143 S. Lemon Street, Orange, CA 92866.
OR Email it to either
Susan Wood (sdwood5015@yahoo.com)
Brian Johnson (justice10658@gmail.com)
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Please come and join us for our SUNDAY BREAKFAST 9:00 to 11:00

TO GO or Enjoy it on our Temporary Patio with other Legion Family Members

at the American Legion Post 132

Upcoming Dates

Aug 16 - All you can eat Pancakes & Eggs

Aug 23 - Riders - French Toast & Eggs

Aug 30 - Chorizo and Eggs

Sept 6 - Waffles & Eggs

Sept 13 - Biscuits & Sausage Gravy & Scrambled Eggs

Sept 20 - SOS & Eggs







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