

THE BUGLE



American Legion Post 132, Orange, California NEWSLETTER September 2017

COMMANDER AL POST 132, JOSE MARTINEZ

As we enter our 3rd month of the Legion year, things are looking good at the Post. Membership is up, finances are good, rentals are doing good. But now, we must bid farewell to our 3rd Vice Commander, Bruce Stevens, and his wife, Auxiliary member, Mary. We thank them for all their good works here at Post 132 and

wish them the very best, as they have retired from their jobs and will be traveling around the United States in their RV.

And with the departure of Bruce and Mary, we welcome Stacy Palencia-Bollinger as the new 3rd Vice Commander. She is a Navy Veteran, and we at the Post are lucky to have her here. She and her wife, Sarah, are both Navy Veterans. They are also our very first "Tri-members". Meaning that they are not only Legionnaires, but also AL Riders and Auxiliary members. We welcome them both to our Post. With the experience of our Post officers, we're sure Stacy will do well as 3rd Vice Commander.

As I write this report, the Orange Street Fair is coming up. We're hoping to have a successful weekend as we always do. I'm confident we will since the past street fairs have always been successful.

Now, I'm sorry to end this report on a sour note. It has been reported to me that a uniform has come up missing from our museum. We as a Post are proud of our museum. It has taken a lot of blood, sweat, and tears to accomplish what we have done to get our museum where it is today. And then someone walks away with a uniform. How sad is that? If anyone knows the whereabouts of this uniform, please try to get it back. No questions asked.

As usual, continue to read the Bugle and go on the website to find out what's going on at your Post. Remember to give us an email address so that we can email you the Bugle as the costs of mailing the it continues to go up. Send your email address to me or to our editors at: Imoon@sbcglobal.net. Let us continue to have a successful rest of the year...Please check the Post website at: orange-post132.com for all scheduled events. Hope to see everyone at the Post. Have a safe and relaxing

Labor Day

Semper Fi Jose Martinez, Commander martinezjoseg@yahoo.com (714) 380-2005

Upcoming Events

- Sept . 1-3, 2017 Orange Street Fair -
- Sept. 3, 2017 Labor Day
- Sept. 10, 2017 Memphis Kings Blues Band 2 5 pm
- Sept. 11, 2017- Patriots' Day Commemoration 5 pm
- Sept. 12, 2017 Auxiliary Bus Trip to Pala Sept. 12, 2017; Taco Tuesday & Bingo
- Sept. 18, 2017 Katella Grill Dinner Fundraiser



No article submitted.

Submitted by William Siler III Adjutant - Post 132

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John Minnella, Judge Advocate

U.S.ARMY Dear Comrades:

Bylaws Revision. Post 132 recently hosted the first meeting of the new term of the Executive Board of District 29 (of which our post is a part). One of the topics was the need for regular review and updating of post bylaws to conform to new policies adopted by out District 29 and the Department of Calif. The District Judge Advocate will be scheduling a training of all District 29 Judge Advocates to encourage every post to review and update their bylaws.

<u>Department Executive Committee (DEC) Meeting</u>. The Legion's Calif. Dept. held their DEC in Sutter Creek, hosted by Amador Post. This post, in a very small population county, is one of the most prosperous in the nation. The DEC failed to adopt a very controversial resolution (approved by out District 29) to rehire the recently terminated Department Service Officer position. I was also given more membership cards for distribution to the various posts in our district. The big push at the DEC was: Develop Membership!

Annual Legion Convention in Reno. As this is written, I am attending my first National Convention in Reno as is our adjutant, Bill Siler at the massive Reno-Sparks Convention Center. Thousands of Legionnaires from the entire nation as well as from France, Mexico, Philippines, and other countries are present, along with Riders, SALs and Auxiliaries. My interests are the workshops involving Judge Advocate duties (bylaws; protection of the Post) and membership and post development.

<u>USA Naturalization</u>. I again remind you that if you know of any active or honorably discharged military, who are NOT citizens but would like to be, but haven't applied because of the ordinary \$680 filing fee, they are ENTITLED to file WITHOUT ANY FILING FEE. Have them contact me for more information.

Please give our Bugle Newsletter editors, Leo & Esther OUELETTE (lmocon@sbcglobal.net; 714/334-2961) your EMAIL address so we can send you the Bugle via email and save postage.

That's my input for September, comrades. Please feel free to contact me at (714/543-9005; drjminnel-la@yahoo.com) anytime if you have any comments, concerns, or I can otherwise help you.

HAVE A SAFE AND RELAXING LABOR DAY!



1st Vice Cmdr. Victor de la Rosa

Greetings,

Hope everyone had a great Summer and are looking forward to a good Fall

and holiday season. We have a lot of events coming up at our Post. Please check the calendar for dates and plan on attending all the fun events we have.

As far as membership for the Legionnaires, we are at about 25%. We are looking to improve on that. If you know any Veterans that are not part of our Post's family, please invite them to one of our events.

Thank you! Have a great Labor Day!

Victor de la Rosa 1st Vice Commander, Victorplent@yahoo.com





2nd Vice Cmdr.

U.S.ARNY William Stringfield

Hello, Comrades:

- 1) The Commemorative Coins are here! The coins feature the American Legion logo with our Post's designation on the front and our iconic building complete with blue sky, green grass, the American flag and the POW/MIA flag. They may be viewed on our website or, see an officer at the Post. The cost is \$10.00 each.
- 2) There is a flyer in this month's Bugle for a fundraiser at the Katella Grill on Monday, September 18. We can only have what the Katella Grill allows us, so we really need your support to keep this going in order to secure more dates from them. Please keep the date open and support your Post by attending and having a wonderful dinner! Happy Labor Day! Take it easy!

William Stringfield, 2nd Vice Commander william@wmstringfild.com.





3rd Vice Cmdr., Stacy Palencia-

Bollinger

Hello friends.

First of all, I would love to say, it's a privilege to represent this Post as the Legionnaires new 3rd Vice Commander. I will do my best to carry on the Navy's core values: Honor, Courage, and Commitment and bring triumph to our Post.

The dates are set for the children's Halloween and Christmas parties. The Halloween party will be Saturday, October 28th and the Christmas party will be Saturday, December 16th. The times are TBD. No official committee or meetings have been set. Thank you to the Legionnaires, the AL Riders, the Auxiliary, and the Sons for their donations and contributions to purchase the decorations and food for the celebrations. Thank you to Carol Martinez' assistance and guidance to help make our events great.

We will be asking for volunteers at the October auxiliary meeting on Thursday, October 12th at 7:00pm. We will be looking for individuals that have ideas to continue to make our events grow and be successful. If you can't make the event, but can help brainstorm suggestions or visa versa that is more than enough. Anything counts and its highly appreciated.

Enjoy what is left of the Summer and have a great Labor Day!

Respectfully, Stacy Palencia-Bollinger 3rd Vice Commander, Post 132 714-420-6161 Spalencia13@gmail.com



Darlene Phillips, Unit 132 President Auxiliary

To all, we recently had our first meeting of the new year for the Auxiliary. We had 11 new applicants for membership to our Auxiliary and 7 were installed as Auxiliary Members. We welcome each new member with open arms to hold true to our mission. This is proving to be successful. With all new officers in place, and lots to do this next year, 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 our Post's activities. The Orange Street Fair is upcoming on Labor Day weekend. We can use any help from volunteers during this event.

The following weekend, on Sept 9th, we are asking for cookie dough donations, as we will be baking cookies to honor our local first responders: Fire and Police Departments, by delivering the cookies to them. On 9/11 the Post Family will be hosting a 9/11 commemoration at 6:00 pm. We will never forget those that were lost! Please join us at this event. The event will precede with a Spaghetti Dinner at 5:00 pm and will conclude with cake and coffee. Let's all join together for this somber day of remembrance but, most importantly, let's continue to heal as a community.

On Saturday, August 19th, the Post hosted a Clean Up day. I would like to thank the ladies that were able to come down and help, Kathy Kulp, Cindy Widdall, Teri Rodriguez, Maddie Macias, Stacy Palencia, Sarah Palencia-Bollinger, Virgie Martinez and Esther Ouellette. It was fun and we accomplished a lot. The ladies could see firsthand why having such events is so important to our POST. A special thanks to Cindy Widdall. As you look around the Post there seems to be Old items that look NEW, presented in the Club Room and in many places throughout our Historical Building. Also, a thank you to Ken Widdall for his support to Cindy with all the cleaning and findings of many of these wonderful historical artifacts that have been stored in our building for decades. Beautiful job, Ken and Cindy!

"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 of 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 US mail, please let the Commander or our Editors, Leo and Esther Ouellette know so they can send you the Bugle via email. This will keep mailing costs down. Thank you for your time and have a very relaxing Labor Day!

Darlene "Just-Dar" Phillips Auxiliary President, Unit 132 2016-2017 2017-2018 Wife of Army Veteran, Dale "Bear" Phillips



P.S. Remember you can find the Bugle on the Post's Website: www.orangepost132.com. Thanks for your time.



Sid Gauna, Finance Officer

Greetings again Comrades,

Well, here we are again. Another month has gone by and we are approaching the Orange Street Fair weekend. I missed all the fun last year while I was in Indonesia but I will be here this year. Don't forget to drop by the Post and say, "Hi."

Clubroom Bar attendance has been very slow. Some days we just barely made enough to pay the bartender. The Friday night dinners have remained slow through July. There were a couple of small rentals upstairs that helped bar sales a bit. We collected \$32.00 from the Donation Box inside the Museum. We received the regular monthly donation of \$100.00 from Robert Mitchell and the Quarterly Donation of \$300.00 from the Sons and that was it. Donations that have come in early this month will be reported next month.

In the Legion Account not much has been happening except that Membership is doing well. Our Adjutant is at the National Convention so I don't know if he will have a report on that. We received a \$50.00 donation for the VA Hospital and a \$50.00 donation for Boys State from J.P. Woodrich. Gordon Talmage sent in an extra \$55.00 along with his dues for Bugle expenses and Ernie Lopez also made a donation of \$60.00 for Bugle expenses. The Friday Night Opportunity Drawings for the fifth Friday of June and third and forth Fridays in July brought in \$255.00 for Bugle Expenses. We want to thank everybody for their donations. Donations that came in early this month will be reported next month.

Thanks to all that come down and support the Post.

To all of you working people, may you have an enjoyable and relaxing Labor Day weekend! Cheers!!!

All for now. You can call me at (714)371-6247 or email at sidgauna@aol.com Semper Fi, Sid Gauna Finance Officer





John Bloecher - AL Riders President

Greetings all,

Well, folks, it is September and Summer is almost over, although the weather is still hot.

The Riders have decided to have a St. Patrick's dinner in September so we are having corn beef and cabbage for dinner, along with steaks.

We're serving SOS for breakfast, per Leo's request! So, you guys who liked it in the service will get to relive those great times. It will be accompanied by scrambled eggs and hash browns.

I hope everyone will enjoy the Orange Street Fair. Have a great month and we will see you all at our dinners and breakfasts. **Have a wonderful, relaxing Labor Day!**

John Bloecher President of ALR 132 jb1mf@yahoo.com



Tommy Dees - Sons' Commander/Clubroom Manager

Hi, Comrades, I hope everyone had a great Summer. The Sons' meeting on August 13 was a good meeting. It was great to see faces from the past. The membership is doing well, thanks to Mike Holmes and everyone. A SHOUT OUT to all the Sons who helped in the kitchen on Friday. Also, thank you to Esther Ouellette and Carol Goss Holmes for helping with our drawings.

The Orange Street Fair is coming up. Your Post 132 can use your help during the Fair. Please contact our 1st Vice Commander, Victor de la Rosa, or me for more info. The Sons and Auxiliary are teaming up to have a Spectacular Halloween Party on October 21, 2017. There will be contests and finger food from 5:00 pm to 10 pm. Bring your own food!

Happy Labor Day and Patriots Day! Stay safe!

Tommy Dees, Sons Commander, Post 132, (714) 538-6311



Hi to all Sons: First of all, I would like to THANK ALL OF YOU! You have kept my mail box

full of renewals. I currently have 60 membership renewals to submit to Department. We are on the way to 100% for Early Bird. What a feather in our hats.

I also want you to know what the SONS were able to do because of all your memberships and assistance in all of our fundraisers. So I have listed our donations for the last year.

SONS' DONATIONS FROM (7-1-2016 to 6-30-2017)

7/17 Quarterly donation to Post \$300 8/16 Purchase of kitchen tables, \$100

10/14 Sponsored Jr. Son member, Mason for a cancer walk \$25.00

10/14 Donation- Children Halloween party \$100

10/14 Quarterly donation to Post - \$300.00

10/26 Donation to Veterans Day Expense - \$75 11/27Donation to Children Xmas Party \$200

12/16 Operation Santa Claus – adopted a family of 5; husband is a Veteran, just out of the service \$300 plus various food items

12/16 Donated two scooters for Children's Christmas party - \$60

4/9 Quarterly donation to Post - \$300

4/9 Donated to Children's Easter Party - \$100

4/9 Contributed \$35 to Marine Vet for a stroller.

4/9 Sponsored Jr. Son member Mason for MEU Run \$30.00

5/29 Purchased and placed wreath at Cemetery on Memorial Day - \$25

6/2 Sent 11 Delegates to Convention - \$44 7/26 Quarterly donation to Post 132 - \$300

At our meeting of August 13th we voted to <u>change our meeting date and time</u>. It is now the first Monday of the month (except for September, because it is Labor Day) – so it will be Tuesday, September 5th at 7 pm.

Mike Holmes, Adjutant Squadron132 335carol@yahoo.co.uk (714)803-0851











LEO OUELLETTE, CHAPLAIN

Please keep Tony Fenech in your thoughts and prayers. Condolences are sent to the Rivera Family for their recent loss. Our Charter was draped for Phillip L. Rivera who has gone to Post Everlasting. The Charter will remain draped for 30 days in his honor. Remember all members deserve that honor!

Quips to ponder:

Perseverence:

The greater the obstacle, the more glory in overcoming it!

Don't withhold kindness until you are confident it will be reciprocated. You might wait forever!

No matter how dark it gets, we all have to be light for each other!

Courage doesn't mean you're not afraid, it means you're afraid but you do it anyway!

Leo Ouellette Chaplain, lmocon@sbcglobal.net USAF, (714) 334-2961









EDITORS, LEO & ESTHER OUELLETTE

A BIG THANK YOU to the following for helping to fold and mail the Bugle: Mary Martinez, Maddie Macias, Carol Goss Holmes and Mike Holmes, Dot Timmerman, Rosie Williams, and Jojo Reyes. We truly appreciate your help. Thank you all!

Remember, we have a fundraiser on September 10, 2017 from 2 to 5 pm to help our building fund. The Memphis Kings trio will be performing some blues. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available at the

bar and will be available at the door. WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Quips to Ponder:

No one is born happy, but everyone is born with the ability to create happiness!

Motivation is what gets you started, habits are what keeps you going!

To wish to be someone else is a waste of the person you are!

A special THANK YOU for the recent donations for our Bugle Fund. Our Bugle is an expense that we feel is acceptable and a way to keep our members informed of all our activities.

The Bugle is mailed to over 500 members and 160 e-mail members. Yes, it may be expensive, but our members deserve the information.

Editors, Leo & Esther Ouellette, lmocon@sbcglobal.net, (714) 334-2961



LEO OUELLETTE, CURATOR

Dear Members:

Regarding the Museum, if you have not seen our Museum, it is open from 2-7 pm everyday the Post is open. All are welcome. There is no fee to enter, however, donations are welcome.

Items are being received even though we are running a little short of room. We will find a place. A big THANK YOU to all you donors!

Leo Ouellette, Curator lmocon@sbcglobal.net, (714) 334-2961

September 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 STREET FAIR Sons, /Fish & Chips/Steaks 6pm-8pm Tropic star 8 pm-12am	2 STREET FAIR DJ Sommer 2 pm 2pm Patriot/Paws
3 STREET FAIR DJ Sommer	4 LABOR DAY POST 132 CLOSED!	5 SONS' MEETING 7 PM IMPORTANT!!!!!	6 40/8 Mtg Post 555 Mtg 7:30pm Flag Lowering Orange Plaza— 6pm	7 Legionnaires E-BOARD MTG 7 pm	8 AL RIDERS Corned Beef & Cabbage/Steaks 6pm - 8pm Blue Highway 8 pm—12 am	9 8:30 am AL Riders' Mtg AVU Mtg 11am ALA Cookie Bake 2pm Patriot/Paws
MEMPHIS KINGS 2-5 PM (Fundraiser)	9/11 Dinner 5 pm Patriots Cere- mony 6 pm	AUXILIARY BUS TRIP TO PALA Leaves @ 9:00 am TACO TUESDAY By UMAVA 6 PM AL RIDERS' BINGO 7 PM	13VVA #785 Mtg 5 PM UMAVA BOARD MTG 6 PM Flag Lowering Orange Plaza 6 pm	14 Legionnaires Gen Mtg 7:00 PM Auxiliary Mt 7:00 pm	Legionnaires Dinner-/TBD / Steaks 6pm-8pm Midnight Cowboys Band 8pm—12 am	16 UMAVA MTG 9 AM—Potluck! 2pm Patriot/Paws
17 AL RIDERS BREAKFAST: 8 AM—11AM	18 Katella Grill Fundraiser Air Force Birthdate	19	20 VVA CHAPTER #1034 - 6 PM Flag Lowering Orange Plaza—6pm	21	Auxiliary/ Chicken basket/ Steaks 6 pm - 7:30 pm 5 Star Band 8 pm-12am	23 2pm Patriot/Paws
24	25	26	27 Flag Lowering Orange Plaza—6pm	28	29	*AVU BBQ 11 AM - 5 PM *American Veter- ans Union 2pm Patriot/Paws













Friday, September 8th

Dinner from 6:00 to 7:30 PM

Live Music & Dancing Starts at 8:00 PM

Your Choice of

Steak with Baked Potato Vegetables and Salad Corned Beef & Cabbage Served with baby carrots and red potatoes

JUST \$12.00

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Sponcered by the American Legion Riders <u>Chapter 132</u> - 143 S Lemon St, Orange, CA 92866

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFAST SEPTEMBER 17TH - 0800 HOURS TILL 1100 HOURS



Includes SOS, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Coffee, & Juice



American Legion Riders

Chapter 132 - 143 S Lemon St, Orange, CA 92866



Saturday, Sept. 9th
at 8am
Join the ALA as we bake
for our local Fire &
Police Departments in
honor of Patriot Day.
Drop off cookie dough on
the evening of the 7th or
8th or on baking day.





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ATTENTION ALL SONS of Squadron 132

Please plan on attending our meeting on Tuesday, September 5th at 7pm.

It is extremely important that every member of Squadron 132 are in attendance. We need to work on all aspects of putting us back on track. Looking forward to seeing you – I need your help!

If you have any questions please call me: 714-803-0851

Mike Holmes, Adjutant



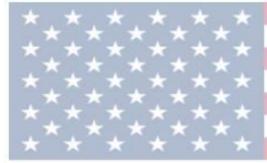


PATRIOT DAY

National Day of Service and Remembrance



Spaghetti & Meatballs dinner 5pm Memorial Ceremony 6pm Dessert & camaraderie to follow.



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UMAVA is proud to host:

Taco Tuesday September 12, 2017

5:30 - 7pm



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Fundraiser at:







1325 W. Katella Ave. Orange 92867 (Corner of Katella Ave. & Main St.)

Monday, September 18, 2017

On behalf of the American Legion Post 132 we would like to invite you to Katella Grill for this Fundraising Event.

Bring this flyer to Katella Grill between 3pm and 10pm

20% of your total bill will be donated back to Post 132

Gift Card sales apply. Bring your friends, neighbors, and co-workers!



"A California Non-Profit Corporation" FEIN: 461323725

Please join us as we celebrate our

1 Annual Orange County Fundraiser 🗯



BBQ Lunch Served 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM Veterans Ceremony 2:00 - 3:30 PM

Ticket Donation for BBQ Lunch \$15.00 ca. or 2 for \$25.00

Lunch includes Tri-tip, Beans, Salad, Bread, and Water or Soft Drink

DELICIOUS BAKE SALE ITEMS - GREAT RAFFLE PRIZES - 50/50 DRAWING
Raffle prizes and 50/50 drawing starts at 3:30PM

Entertainment by DJ "Tony"

Saturday September 30, 2017 11:00 to 5:00 PM

American Legion Post 132

143 Lemon Street, Orange, CA 92866 -More info contact: Tony (714) 251-4630, Silvia (714) 943-6773, Dan (714) 240-6831, Henry (805) 990-4079

The American Veterans United organization works directly with all Veterans to help them complete the required forms and paperwork to obtain the benefits they have earned and deserve.

Thank you for your support of our veterans!

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POST 132 HOURS: Open: M,T,W,TH -2 PM - 7 PM; F, Sat. & Sun -12 PM - 7 PM