

THE BUGLE

American Legion Post 132, Orange, California NEWSLETTER July, 2018



AL POST 132 COMMANDER, JOSE MARTINEZ

Well, we have officially started the 2018/2019 year of the American Legion. Congratulations to all the officers for this new year. Let us continue on making this a great year, at a great Post.

The post continues to grow. Our Legionnaire membership is up, even though not all members paid their dues on time this last year, so we did not hit 100%. First time in a number of years that has happened. Hopefully everyone pays on time this year, and we'll hit 100% this coming year. I also understand membership is up in all units. Thank you everyone in recruiting new members.

As everyone can see, our game room is now open. It was not a small feat to accomplish, but the 3 main people to thank are, 1st Vice Commander-Victor de la Rosa, Executive Committeeman-Rider and Rider Finance Officer-John Schutz and Rider Sgt. At Arms-Ken Craner. A special thanks goes out to those 3. Thank you you guys for a job well done.

We haven't gotten any updates on the elevator as of yet, but I will be making calls to my contacts.

As of this writing, we have a new bugle editor. It is Frank Zuniga. He and his cousin Osvaldo de la Torre(Oz) will be responsible not only for the bugle, but the website as well. We welcome Frank and his cousin Osvaldo(Oz) to the post. Frank is in the Navy currently and will be retiring in about 2 years. Welcome guys to the post. The website will slowly be revamped.

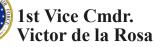
As usual, keep up to day with your Post activities, by going on the website and by reading the bugle...

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

Upcoming Events July

- July 4, 2018 Independence Day
- July 10, 2018 UMAVA Taco Tuesday/AL Riders' Bingo
- July 17, 2018 Medicare And You Seminar
- July 22, 2018 AL Riders' Breakfast/AL Riders' Bike Day
- July 28, 2018 Auxiliary "Let's Dance"





Greetings all

We have a new Legion year upon us and time start a new membership drive. Help us grow our post and get involved. Legionaries we have meetings the 2nd Thursday of every month at 7pm. Try to make it a point to attend a few meetings this year if you can.

Don't forget to check the calendar and out website to see what we have going on at our post.

Thank you

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



Hello Comrades:

We begin a new year this July 1st in the American Legion. I begin my 3rd year as 2nd Vice-Commander. The performance of my duties in the past has some successes but a lot of misses. The commemorative challenge coins were successful, but we still have a lot of them to sell. They are \$10.00 each and a must for those who collect them. The shirt program has stalled after initial sales presumably because everyone who wanted one purchased one. We have a shirt program that is unique because any unit you served in can be made to order by our graphic master, John Schutz. Many units are already represented so if you have an inquiry or an interest, please email me. We have had some success with our restaurant fund raisers at both the Katella Grill and Zito's New York Style Pizza but we need more participants for those establishments to keep giving us dates. In this Bugle, there is a flyer for the Katella Grill fund raiser on Monday, July 16th. Please try to set aside that date and be there then. The Post receives 20% of your bill. It is income that the Post uses to help veterans in need.

I wish all our members a happy and safe 4th of July.

William Stringfield, 2nd Vice-Commander <u>wil-</u> liam@wmstringfield.com



3rd Vice Cmdr., Stacy Palencia-Bollinger

No Article submitted.

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John Minnella, Judge Advocate

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<u>Department Convention</u>. As I write this, I am about to leave for the Department of California Legion Convention in Sacramento. I will be attending (at my own expense) in my capacity as District 29 First Vice Commander (outgoing) and delegate to the Convention. I will make a full report to our Post upon my June 24 return.

<u>Final Membership Figures for 2017-18</u>. We almost made it to 100% of the Department goal but not quite. The assigned goal was 451 members. We reached 434 members which was 96.23% of the goal. We did exceed the District 29 point of 95.03%. Four other posts did reach 100%.

<u>School Awards Program</u>. This year, Commander Martinez asked me to chair the Post's annual School Awards Program which Comrade Leo Ouelette has managed for many, many years. This important Legion program is a national one and provides awards to an outstanding girl and boy from public and private schools in Orange on the basis of demonstrated scholarship, courage, honor, service, leadership and patriotism. The recipients are selected by the school faculty. Comrades John SCHUTZ and Bill SPRINGFIELD volunteered to help me distribute the awards to five local schools (Cerro Villa, Holy Family, Yorba, MacPherson Magnet, and Portola) at their respective public graduation ceremonies that usually took about 2-3 hours each.

<u>New Post Officer Installations</u>. As District officers, Comrade DE LA ROSA and I conducted new post officer installation ceremonies at Santa Ana, San Juan Capistrano, Leisure World, Buena Park and our own Orange post.

<u>Independence Day</u>. Finally, a fabulous Fourth of July to each of you. Don't stuff yourself too much and remember and promote the reason for the holiday.

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



Tommy Dees -Sons' Clubroom Manager

Hi, Comrades,

I want to start off by congratulating Jeff Ruvalcava for accepting the Sons' Commander position. Also, congratulations to all the Sons members who have stepped up and accepted the other positions as officers. It was my honor to serve as Squadron Commander for the past 25 years. I will continue to be involved with the Squadron in every way that I can.

Those of you that missed out on our Meet and Greet you missed out on great camaraderie. I want to thank Panchos in the City of Orange for the great breakfast service on the day of the event.

I also want to thank the following Posts: Placentia, Los Alamitos, Anaheim, Buena Park and Midway City, Post 555 for their great hospitality.

Lastly, as the Clubroom Manager, I would also like to mention that every Thursday night Chili Dogs, plus more will be available in the Clubroom from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.

For God and County,

TommyDees,





Darlene Phillips, Unit 132 President Auxiliary

Where has the time gone? Well, I can give you some instances: Our Auxiliary ladies have been busy 1) attending District meetings, 2) planning Blood Drives (July 8th, upstairs), going to Camp Pendleton; 3) Auxiliary members, Carolynn McMahon, Fina Cruz and Pat Whitman all attended the delivering of the Pocket Flags that were given to the Marines being deployed from Camp Pendleton.

Auxiliary hosted a Fathers' Day breakfast. The event was well attended. It was nice to see those of you that were able to be there.

At the Dinner hosted by Auxiliary on Friday, July27th, we will be celebrating the Korean Veterans. We will be serving : Spaghetti and Meatball dinner, along with Steak dinners. The Korean Veterans will be served a Spaghetti dinner on US. We welcome you home and are glad that we can serve you on this day.

We have an upcoming dance "Let's Celebrate" on the 28th of July. Of course we celebrate the freedom of our Country on July 4th. The Post will be closed on this day!

Please be sure to read your Bugle and look at the calendar as it has much information included.

I would like to thank Leo and Esther Ouellette for their hard work in collecting articles, preparing the Bugle for both printing and electronic mailing, then the men and women who come down to the Post to fold the Bugle to mail them via US Mail.

I have said many times over, this last month and the many years that I have been at the Post What a group. We have active members all to complete a mission of service to our Veterans, Community and Children.

"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.

JOB WELL DONE!

God bless you and God bless America

Darlene "Just-Dar" Phillips Auxiliary President, Unit 132 2016-2017, 2018-2019 Chapter 132 Rider since 2010



Sid Gauna, Finance Officer

You can call me at (714)371-6247 or email me at sidgauna@aol.com

Semper Fi, Sid Gauna *Finance Officer USMC*

Greetings again Comrades. We have had our Installation of Officers and are on our way for another year. I would say this last year was a good year. Financially, we are pretty much in the same place as we were a year ago. The outside of the building looks the same but a lot of improvements have been done in the inside, most importantly, the three new Air Conditioning Units installed in the Main Hall. They are a tremendous improvement for our Rental Functions. We still have a lot of work to do but we are headed in the right direction.

Clubroom Bar daily attendance has been up and down and seems to be doing better on the average, in May. Friday Night dinners have continued to be fairly good. We had two rentals upstairs and two small parties downstairs. Besides the \$500.00 we received for parking lot rent from the Offices next door, we received a \$500.00 donation from John Minnella for the Building Fund. J.P. Woodward also sent in a \$100.00 donation for the Building Fund. We finally received the \$20,000.00 grant from Pacific Palisades Post for our A/C units. We also got a check from Zito's Pizza in the amount of \$82.72 from the April Fundraiser and \$18.00 in Museum donations from donation box for the Clubroom and Building Account. Donations that have come in early this month will be reported next month.

In the Legion Account Membership is slowly trickling in. Four members paid their dues to the post. The Friday Night Opportunity Drawings brought in \$226.00 for bugle support. Donations that came in early this month will be reported next month.

Have A safe July 4th..

All for now. You can call me at (714)371-6247 or email at <u>sidgauna@aol.com</u> Semper Fi, Sid



Bill Siler, III, Adjutant

No Article submitted William Siler III, Adjutant - Post 132 sileriii@aol.com





John Bloecher - AL Riders President

Well it is officially Summer and it is great weather for us AL Riders. We had the following AL Rider's participate in the *Run for the Wall* which were: Ray Wells, Chip Williams, Bill Cook, Michelle Del La Cruz and myself. Thank God we all made the trip without incident. It was a ride for those Veterans who can't.

We had our election for the 2018-2019 officers and they are as follows: John Bloecher, President; Ray Wells, Vice President; John Schutz, Treasurer; Melissa Willenbring, Secretary; Bill Cook, Sgt at Arms; Brian Johnson, Road Captain; Dar Phillips, Chaplain; and Frances Schuster, Historian. I want to thank all my officers for stepping up and helping me in guiding our Chapter. We voted a new member into the AL Riders, Rick Bell. He is a Son and we hope everyone will welcome him to the Post. We are happy to have him as a member of ALR 132.

We will be hosting Bingo on July 10th and the UMAVA Taco ladies will be serving Tacos starting at 5:30 pm and Bingo starts at 7:00 pm.

In celebration of the 4th of July we will be serving hamburgers and sausages on July 13th along with our awesome steaks. Sunday July 22nd we will be serving Spam and Sausage with eggs and biscuits for breakfast.

The rider's have their meeting at 8:30 on Saturday July 14th. We also have 2 rides planned as follows: 1) to Cooks Corner on Wednesday July 18th KSU at 6:00 and Route 66 Bar & Grill KSU 9:00.

As always I want to thank my brothers and sisters AL Riders who help make our events possible and our fellow Legionnaires, Sons and Auxiliary who support our events. Thank you so much and may God bless you all. Thank you,

John Bloecher, President, ALR 132 jb1mf@yahoo.com



Mike Holmes, Adjutant/Finance Officer

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Hi to all SONS,

I wanted to Thank all of you for paying your 2018 dues; and give you a heads up that I will soon be sending out renewal notices for the 2019 dues. The new Cards for 2019-20 will be picked up at convention within the next few days. If you can send your dues to me, please do so. Mike Holmes, 425 S Lilac Lane, Orange, CA 92868-4140. Please make your check payable to SONS of American Legion. Dues are \$15 if over 18; and only \$8 for birth to 18. You can drop your dues off at the Post with Tommy; but if you do, PLEASE leave me your name, address, and phone number. Our Commander has made the following E-Board appointments: Dave Jimenez, Vince Olea, and John Shore, and Historian Gilbert Flores. I have found there are some mistakes on addresses for the mailing of the Bugle. Please advise me if you are not receiving your Bugle. An Apartment number left off will cause you not to get your card or Bugle. Let me know either by snail mail (address above) or E-mail mike7335carol@yahoo.co.uk . We need everybody's help in the kitchen on Friday night July 6th from 5 to 8pm; and Sunday July 8th for breakfast 9 to 12am. I will be out of town with my wife for both of these occasions. Please come and give Commander Jeff a helping hand. We are dark in July. Have a great 4th of July. MIKE HOLMES, ADJUTANT



JEFF RUVALCAVA SONs COMMANDER

Hello, Sons of the American Legion. May everyone be in good health.

I welcome my new officers. I am proud to be your Commander for 2018-2019. Our goal is to bring prosperity and good fortune to the officers and I will give the best representation that will show we are proud of our Post.

Each one of us has great value. Please help us by coming and supporting our dinners and assisting us in the kitchen. The Sons prepare dinner on the First Friday of every month at 6 pm. Please show your appreciation and involvement in supporting our endeavors.

I am looking forward to meeting each one of you. Unfortunately we will be going dark on July 1, 2018. God bless you all?

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

For God and Country Jeff Ruvalcava SONs Commander 2018-2019 (949) 209-6046



LEO OUELLETTE, CHAPLAIN

Just been notified the Veteran, Lupe Hurtado has been hospitalized for several months. Please keep him in your prayers.

Condolences go out to the family of Auxiliary member, Diane Gallo, for the loss of her mother.

Get Well cards and prayers go out to: Lt. Col., Bob Mitchell. Please keep him in your prayers for a speed recovery.

If you know of anyone who can benefit from our support, please contact me.

Quips to ponder:

When words become weapons, our relationships soon become casualties!

Unruffled silence is often the most eloquent response to unkind words!

Remember that Life is an adventure! Enjoy it!

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

Leo M. Ouellette



Chaplain, USA Imocon@sbcglobal.net (714) 636 6275 (714) 334-2961

LEO OUELLETTE, CURATOR

Dear Members;

If you haven't visited our Museum lately, please come by and see the new additions to it.

There are some interesting items that have been donated. We thank you all for your

July 2018							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1	2	3 UMAVA BOARD MTG 6 PM	4 40/8 Mtg Post 555 Mtg 7:30pm JULY 4TH <u>POST 132</u> <u>CLOSED!</u>	5 7 pm Legionnaires' E-BOARD MTG 7 pm	6 Sons, Meatloaf/ Steaks 6pm-8pm DJ Summer 8 pm-12am	7	
8 SON'S BREAK- FAST 9-12 PM BLOOD DRIVE POST 132 10 am—3 pm	9	10 NO BUS TRIP TACO TUESDA By UMAVA 5:30 PM AL RIDERS BI	11 VVA #785 Mtg 6 PM Flag Lowering Orange Plaza— 6pm	12 AL General Mtg 7 pm ALA Meeting 7 am	13 AL RIDERS Burgers/Steaks 6pm - 8pm Blue Highway 8 pm—12 am	14 9 am AL Riders'	
15	16 Katella Grill Fundraiser 3pm-10pm	17 MEDICARE AND ME SEMINAR 6pm	18 VVA CHAPTER #1034 - 6 PM Flag Lowering Orange Plaza— 6pm	19	20 Legionnaires Dinner-/TBD / Steaks 6pm-8pm Midnight Cow- boys Band 8pm—12 am	21 UMAVA General Mtg 9 am 1rst Calvary Mtg 9 am	
22 AL Riders' Breakfast 8 to 11 am AL RIDERS' BIKE DAY 9AM—4PM	23	24	25 Flag Lowering Orange Plaza— 6pm	26	27 Auxiliary Spaghetti/ Steaks 6 pm - 8 pm 5 Star Band 8 pm-12am	28 ALA Dance Let's Celebrate 6 pm to 11 pm Post 132 DJ—TBD	
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New to Medicare? Join us for a FREE Medicare class. Learn how to make your Medicare work for you: same day access to provider, hospital options, prescription coverage and more!

Please join us for our Medicare & You Seminar Tuesday, July 17, 2018 6:00 pm

Refreshments and Light snacks will be served.

Plus, Alzheimer's Education!

Turning 65 Soon? Still Working? Confused About Your Medicare Options? We're here to help you sort through your Medicare options!



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Alzheimer's of Orange County Kari Walker Please call to RSVP by July 13 **800.259.3836** (TTY: 711)

A licensed sales representative will be present with information and applications. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Service (CMS) has neither reviewed nor endorsed this information. For a listing of our contracted health plans, please visit **boomers-insurance.com**.

We look forward to seeing you on July 17!





New to Medicare? Join us for a FREE Medicare class. Learn how to make your Medicare work for you: same day access to provider, hospital options, prescription coverage and more!

Please join us for our Medicare & You Seminar Thursday, July 19, 2018 6:00 pm

Refreshments and Light snacks will be <u>served.</u>

Plus, Alzheimer's Education!

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American Legion Post 496 5938 Parkcrest St. Long Beach, CA 90808

Alzheimer's of Greater Los Angeles – Jim Kelly Please call to RSVP by July 15 **800.259.3836** (TTY: 711)

A licensed sales representative will be present with information and applications. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Service (CMS) has neither reviewed nor endorsed this information. For a listing of our contracted health plans, please visit **boomers-insurance.com.**

We look forward to seeing you on July 19!





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Red Cross Blood Drive American Legion Post 132

Location: Main Hall 143 S. Lemon Street Orange, CA 92866

Sunday, July 8, 2018 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

To schedule your life-saving appointment, sign up online at redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: AmericanLegion132 or email Cathy at Caiazzi9@aol.com.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



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<u>NOTE: Time change:</u> Please <u>BE THERE BY 8:30 A.M</u> <u>BUS LEAVES 9:00 A.M. SHARP!</u> FEE IS \$11.00 PER PERSON WHICH INCLUDES TIP FOR BUS DRIVER PAY at time of BOARDING RECEIVE \$5.00 BACK IN PLAY MONEY Need Valid Drivers License, I D Card or Passport

RETURN AROUND 6:00 PM

YOU MUST CALL FOR RESERVATIONS: Carol Goss: 714-473-2451 leave message Virginia Martinez: 714-545-6163 or Mark Crawford (714) 243-7342

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We'll be playing 3 games of Bingo and and giving away some great prizes! Come Join the FUN!!

Cards can be purchased for \$3.00 per sheet or 3 sheets for \$5.00 (Cards are good for One (1) game)

TACOs will be available for purchase from 5:30 to 6:30

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ALL RIDERS ARE WELCOME

We will have a Scavenger Hunt to make it Interesting Download the list from our web site and start now

> 50/50 RAFFLE Wheel of Opportunity (at 10/12/2) Opportunity Drawing with great Prizes Tri-Tip Sandwich (12-2) \$8.00 Breakfast Special (9-11) \$6.00

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POST COINS NOW AVAILABLE WILL YOU ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE GET YOUR POST CHALLENGE COIN TODAY



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



There they are again, the Auxiliary Unit 132 ladies preparing a great Fathers' Day Breakfast.

PHOTOS REFLECT THE AUXILIARY LADIES, PAT WILLIAMS, DAR PHILLIPS, SUSIE FLORES, TERRY RODRIGUEZ, FINA CRUZ AND SAMANTHA ALONG WITH FATHERS' DAY GUESTS. GREAT JOB LA-



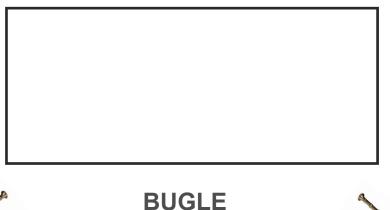
Below: Cub Scout Pack 775, chartered through Friends Church, delivered packages of pocket flags, prepared by the Scouts, with the help of Auxiliary Unit 132 members, to Veterans who were being deployed from Camp Pendleton. Auxiliary members: Pat Williams, Carolynn McMahon, and Fina Cruz participated in the event. Thank you Auxiliary ladies and Scouts. Thank you, Marines for your service!





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