



# THE BUGLE



American Legion Post 132, Orange, California

NEWSLETTER

September, 2018



**AL POST 132 COMMANDER , JOSE MARTINEZ**

As we continue with our Legion year we, have to remember that changes will always happen. Frank Zuniga, our bugle editor and webmaster, has not been heard of for some time. We are deeply worried and concerned about his health and welfare and his whereabouts. In the meantime, Leo and Esther have graciously accepted to continue the Bugle work. I wish to thank them for working diligently on getting the bugle out in August. The work that they had to get the Bugle out so soon, was done in 2 to 3 days. As soon as we hear about Frank Zuniga, we will pass on word as to his whereabouts and condition. We just hope he is in good health. Remember that we need your email address. This helps in keeping the cost of sending the Bugle out via USPS. You can send your email address to my email, at [martinezjoseg@yahoo.com](mailto:martinezjoseg@yahoo.com), or send them to Leo and Esther at: [Imocon@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Imocon@sbcglobal.net). Thanks

Special events in the coming future are, the City of Orange, Street Fair commencing from Aug 31 to Sept 2nd. Then on Sept 10 at 6:00 pm, the Post will be hosting a Veteran Town Hall meeting with representatives from the Long Beach Veterans Hospital. Everyone is invited to attend. Hopefully all of our concerns can be addressed. Then on Sept 11, the Post will host a 9/11 Memorial, which will begin at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to come down to the Post for these, and all events. Remember to go to our website: [www.orangepost132.com](http://www.orangepost132.com), to find out what's happening at your post.

Also, I had mentioned about trying to get an elevator in the building. Well, I got the first proposal. It was not pretty. To have an elevator installed in this building, the cost was enormous. Over \$330,000.00. At that price, we could do more to help our Veterans than to just have an elevator installed at the Post. We are also looking to have a, "Go Fund Me" page to help for building repairs. We are just trying to work out the details.

Please go to the Post website to find out what's going on at your post and join us for the post fund-raisers and dinners...

Semper fi,  
Jose Martinez  
Commander  
[martinezjoseg@yahoo.com](mailto:martinezjoseg@yahoo.com) (714) 380-2005



## Upcoming September Events

- September 3, 2018 - Labor Day
- September 10, 2018 - Veterans' Town Hall Meeting 6 pm
- September 11, 2018 - 9/11 Patriots' Day Ceremony
- September 18, 2018 - Auxiliary Bus Trip to Pala
- September 18, 2018 - Taco Tuesday
- September 18, 2018 - AL Riders' Bingo
- September 23, 2018 - AL Riders' Breakfast



**1st Vice Cmdr.  
Victor de la Rosa**

Greetings all,

Our membership is around 250 which is over 50%. Let's keep it going. To pay for your dues, see me or one of the other officers. If you have friends that are not members, please invite them to our Post as we are always looking for new members.

We always have an event at the Post that they may be interested in. Also, make sure to check out our website at:  
[www.orangepost132.com](http://www.orangepost132.com).

Thank you all for your support!

Victor de la Rosa  
1st Vice Commander  
[Victorplcnt@yahoo.com](mailto:Victorplcnt@yahoo.com)

**HAPPY LABOR DAY!**

**REMEMBER PATRIOTS' DAY !**



**2ND VICE CMDR, BILL  
SPRINGFIELD**

The July 16th fundraiser at the Katella Grill netted the Post \$144. and change. This is not a bad showing considering that the flyer did not get into the Bugle for July and the promised late send of the flyer never occurred. Only at the Post could a copy of the flyer be obtained. Thank you to all who participated.

The results of the August 20th fundraiser at Zito's New York Style Pizza will be in next month's Bugle.

Remember, August 31 through Sept. 2 is the annual City of Orange Street Fair. This is a needed money maker for the Post. All paid up members of our Post can park free on the south parking lot. The north parking lot will be rented to first come, first serve attendees.

**Happy Labor Day!**

**Remember our Patriots on Patriots Day!**

William Springfield, 2nd Vice .  
[WilliamStringfieldwm@wmstringfield.com](mailto:WilliamStringfieldwm@wmstringfield.com)





## Sid Gauna, Finance Officer

Greetings again Comrades. Well another month is gone and we just keep going. Not much happened in the month of July except we had some hot weather.

Clubroom Bar daily attendance continued slow but is slowly improving as it gets cooler. In July we had a small rental with good bar income and a regular one for a Religious event without a bar which was still good income. It would be nice to get more of these. Friday night Dinners have been doing well. Besides the \$500.00 we received for parking lot rent from the offices next door, we received a \$50.00 donation from J.P. Woodward for the Building Fund. John Minnella also made a \$500.00 donation for the Building Fund. Donations that have come in early this month will be reported next month.

In the Legion Account, Membership did well in July. Department is still updating their website so we don't know yet what our quota will be for 2019 but I am sure we are over 50%. As of 8/16/18, we already had 258 members paid, including 24 that paid their dues online. National will be sending updated dues notices soon. Remember that if you have already paid your dues and have your card, ignore the notice. With Department updating their website there is no telling how many of the renewals that I have sent in have actually gotten to National and some of you may get a notice. PLEASE, check your card. The Friday Night Opportunity Drawings in June brought in \$265.00 for bugle support. Donations that came in early this month will be reported next month. All for now. You can call me at (714)371-6247 or email at sidgauna@aol.com

**Semper Fi,**  
**Sid Gauna, Finance Officer, USMC**

**HAPPY LABOR DAY / REMEMBER PATRIOTS' DAY**



**John Minnella,**  
**Judge Advocate**

Greetings, Comrades, Fellow Legionnaires! The Legion Department of California had its Executive Committee meeting of all the District Commanders and Department officers in late August in Sutter Creek, California at the beautiful Amador AL Post. I attended but I cannot report much of local Post interests except that the Department continues to lose members and push for new and renewal members. There were reports from each of the 30 Districts, as well as, from Department officers such as financial, judge advocate, Sons, Riders, the 5th Area Vice Commanders, etc..

On a local note, we must push for 2018-19 membership. The small portion of your dues that Post 132 retains provides us with operating money for utilities, taxes, insurance, building maintenance and repairs, etc.. Unknown to most of us, there are at least 72 activities that operate from Post 132, and your small financial contribution goes directly to them and nowhere else! Please help Post 132, and yourself, by renewing immediately and by recruiting new members whenever possible.

The Post also needs your occasional donations of your skills. The kitchen needs help on Friday nights; John Schutz needs help with handyman building repairs; we have need for plumbing/air conditioning/electrical help occasionally. These are all services you can donate without it costing you anything but some of your time. That's my input for September, Comrades.

Please feel free to contact me at (drjminnella@yahoo.com, (714)543-9005) anytime if you have any comments, concerns, or I can otherwise help you.

**John Minnella,**  
**Post 132, Judge Advocate**

**NEVER FORGET PATRIOTS' DAY/HAPPY LABOR DAY**



## Darlene Phillips, Unit 132 President Auxiliary

Greetings, Auxiliary and Post 132 Family members:

We recently had our first meeting of the new year for the Auxiliary. Having eight new applicants apply for membership to the Auxiliary and five were installed as Auxiliary Members. We welcome each new member with open arms to hold true to our Mission. This 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 Post activities. The City of Orange Street Fair is upcoming on 8/31/18 to 9/3/18 Labor Day weekend.

The following weekend, the Auxiliary will be baking cookies on 9/8/18 to honor our local first responders - - the Fire and Police Departments. **We are requesting cookie dough donations (of your preference) from all of you to be brought to the Post by Friday, 9/7/18. If you are able, please assist us in this endeavor! Thank you all in advance for your anticipated contributions! Please include instructions for baking the dough you donate. Thank you all so much!**

On 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.

Please Ladies and Gentlemen we will be going to the VA-CLC unit on Oct 7th between 2-4 to play bingo with the Veterans at Long Beach VA. There will be more updates to follow. Please mark your calendars as the Veterans love to have visitors.

**"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](http://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 and they can send you the Bugle via email. This will keep mailing cost 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  
2016-2017, 2018-2019  
Chapter 132 Rider since 2010,  
Proud Widow of Army Veteran, Dale "Bear" Phillips,  
[justdardar@gmail.com](mailto:justdardar@gmail.com)







## John Bloecher - AL Riders President

Hello fellow Legionnaires,

Well it's back to school time so get your kids school supplies and new clothes or, if you are like me, you don't have kids and you could care less. We are moving towards the end of Summer but know the heat won't leave us for awhile.

Exciting news - - the Wheel of Opportunity is over \$1,400.00 so come to our dinner on Sept 14th where we will be serving awesome tri-tip sandwiches and our famous steaks. Remember come early because our steaks usually go quickly and I hate for you to miss out.

We will be hosting Bingo on Sept 18th after the taco ladies serve their wonderful tacos. Breakfast will be on Sept 23rd and there will be \$2.00 mimosas and \$3.00 bloody Mary's. So come on down and enjoy some good food and comradeship with fellow Veterans, the best people in the country. The AL Riders will be meeting on Saturday, Sept 8th, and riding to Bishop for an overnight ride. As always I want to thank all our Legion brothers and sisters who support our events so we can help our Veteran community. Also a big THANK YOU to my fellow AL Riders who, I hope everyone has a wonderful month and keep cool.

### **HAPPY LABOR DAY/ PATRIOTS' DAY**

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



## Tommy Dees - Sons' Clubroom Manager

Hi, Comrades,

When football season starts, the Post will show the: Sunday, Monday and Thursday Night games and food will be included. So, please, come join us and watch the games with us. There will not be a charge for the food but donations will be accepted. For God and Country,

### **HAVE A SAFE LABOR DAY AND REMEMBER OUR PATRIOTS ON PATRIOTS' DAY!**

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



## Mike Holmes, Adjutant/Finance Officer

Hi to all Legion Family:

Did you know that the SONS of the American Legion support the military, our Veterans, and their families? We also work with and support the programs sponsored by the Legionnaires, the Auxiliary, and the AL Riders. We are of all ages, and a part of a great patriotic Organization, where we feel great pride and honor; and proud to be an American.

With that being said, we would like to recognize Junior Members: Jason Johnston and his sister Sara Johnston, who will be carrying the Flag of those who lost their lives on 9-11. Jason is one of our youngest members; and Sara is a member of the American Legion Auxiliary Juniors. Ceremony will start at 6 pm, on Tuesday, 9-11. Hope to see you there.

Thank you to ALL Members who have paid their dues. If you haven't sent in your renewal fees of \$15.00 and \$8.00 for SONS under 18, please take a moment and make a check to the SONS of the American Legion. Please mail to: Mike Holmes, 425 S Lilac Ln, Orange, CA 92868 or take it to Tommy Dees at the Post.

Unfortunately, our Commander, Jeff Ruvalcava, resigned his office on August 16th. As a result, an emergency meeting was called on Saturday, August 18th at 2 pm. There was no meeting due to the lack of a quorum. The meeting was rescheduled for Thursday, August 23, 2018 at 6 pm.

Remember, raffle tickets for the Angel's game for September 15 are on sale from any SON member or at the Post. Tickets are a \$225 value for each of the 3 seats, right behind the home plate; and also includes free parking, along with a basket of goodies. Valued over \$700.00 for someone to win. Drawing will be September 7, 2018 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 tickets for \$20.00. Winner need not be present.

For God and Country,  
Mike Holmes, Adjutant – Squadron 132  
Mike7335carol@yahoo.co.uk  
714-803-0851

### **HAVE A GREAT LABOR DAY! REMEMBER OUR PATRIOTS ON PATRIOTS' DAY!**



## LEO OUELLETTE, CHAPLAIN

Several requests for Thoughts and Prayers have come in. Please keep the following members in your prayers: Lt. Col., Bob Mitchell and Roma Ernst for a speedy recoveries from their medical setbacks.

### Quips to ponder:

The tongue of the wise useth knowledge correctly.

Pleasant words are a honeycomb sweet to the soul and healthy to the bones.

Time management is not about clock watching, it's about making the most of the time we have.

Leo M. Ouellette  
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## EDITORS: LEO & ESTHER OUELLETTE

Hello, American Legion Family. Unfortunately our effort to pass on the Editor's responsibility to another did not work out. So, here we are again as Editors.

Thank you all for your patience regarding the Bugle. We are making every effort to get it back to normal until we come across someone else who will assume the responsibility.

Thank you to all the volunteers who help us get it off to be mailed. We appreciate your assistance.

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



## LEO OUELLETTE, CURATOR

Dear Members, Just for your information, I thought I was under paid:

### New Bill Would Up Pay of Army's Enlisted Men

Washington, March 4 (UP)—A senate military affairs subcommittee today approved a bill to increase the pay of army enlisted men from a minimum of \$21 a month to \$42.

The increases in other grades follow:

First class privates, from the present \$36 to \$48 monthly.

Corporals, from \$54 to \$60.

Sergeants, from \$60 to \$78.

Staff sergeants, from \$72 to \$96.











Technical sergeants, from \$84 to \$114.

Master sergeants, from \$126 to \$138.

(Date this was printed is unknown)  
Leo Ouellette, Curator  
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# September 2018

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2 CITY OF ORANGE STREET FAIR  Blue Highway  V-1 Day; Japan Signed Formal Surrender (1945)	3 LABOR DAY! 	4 UMAVA BOARD MTG 6 PM	5 40/8 Mtg Post 555 Mtg 7:30pm  Flag Lowering Orange Plaza— 6pm	6 7 pm Legionnaires' E-BOARD MTG 7 pm 	7  Sons, Shrimp, fish, fries/Steaks 6pm-8pm  DJ Sommer 8 pm-12am	8 Auxiliary Cookie Bake for 1st Responders  9 am AL Riders' Mtg 
9	10 Veterans' Town Hall Meeting 6 PM  Rosh Hashanah US Naval Sea Cadet Corps Inc. (1962)	11 PATRIOTS' DAY Ceremony 6 pm 	12 VVA #785 Mtg 6 PM  Flag Lowering Orange Plaza— 6pm	13  AL General Mtg 7 pm  ALA Meeting 7 am	14 AL RIDERS Tri tip Sandwich- es/Steaks 6pm - 8pm  DJ Sommer  Star Spangled Banner Written by Francis Scott Key (1814)	15 UMAVA General Mtg 9 am Potluck! 11 am  1st Calvary Mtg 9 am
16	17  US Constitution Approved (1787)	18 AUXILIARY PALA BUS TRIP 9 AM TACO TUESDAY By UMAVA 5:30 PM AL RIDERS BINGO 7 PM  US Air Force Est. (1947)	19 VVA CHAPTER #1034 - 6 PM  Yom Kippur  Flag Lowering Orange Plaza— 6pm	20	21 Legionnaires Dinner-/TBD / Steaks 6pm-8pm  Midnight Cow- boys Band 8pm—12 am  POW/MIA Recog- nition Day	22
23  AL Riders' Breakfast 9 am—12 pm  First Day of Autumn	24	25	26  Flag Lowering Orange Plaza— 6pm	27	28  Auxiliary Hot turkey sand- wich w/Mashed Potatoes/ Steaks 6 pm - 8 pm  5 Star Band 8 pm-12am	29
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# ON SALE NOW!



## OPPORTUNITY TO WIN ANGLE TICKETS

A Baseball baskets of goodies will be raffled off on Friday night Sept 7th, at 7:30 pm. Winner need not be present.

Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. The tickets are right behind home plate with a value of \$225 each; for Sept 15 starting at 6:07 pm. Angeles vx Seattle Mariners and it includes FREE Parking .

Tickets are on sale behind the Bar or from any Squadron Officer.  
All Proceeds are to go towards Veteran Programs.





## Friday Night DINNER

September 13th  
6:00 to 7:30 PM

*Live Music & Dancing Starts at 8:00 PM*

**Succulent Steak with Baked Potato,  
Vegetables, and Salad - All for Just \$12.00**



OR

**Tri-tip and Fries  
For Only \$8.00**



**We will also have our Opportunity Drawing  
and Wheel of Opportunity**

**SUPPORT YOUR American Legion Riders  
Chapter 132 - 143 S Lemon St, Orange, CA 92866**



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

**TUESDAY**

**September 18, 2018 - 7 to 9 PM**

Cards can be purchased for \$3.00 per sheet  
or 3 sheets for \$5.00

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



## Breakfast

AT THE LEGION - SEPTEMBER 23, 2018  
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

**JUST  
\$8.00**



**Eggs in a Blanket, Sausage,  
Hash Browns, Coffee, & Juice**

**Have Breakfast and Enjoy the Camaraderie  
of Fellow Veterans**

**American Legion Riders - Chapter 132  
Post 132 - 143 S Lemon St, Orange, CA 92866**

*Please join us for our*  
**NEW YEAR  
Celebration**

**MONDAY DEC 31ST AT 7:00 P.M.  
AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 132**

**JUST \$10.00 PER PERSON**

**THERE WILL BE  
MUSIC, DANCING, POTLUCK,  
AND JUST A LOT OF FUN**

**143 S, LEMON STREET, ORANGE, CA 92866**



# **BUS TRIP TO THE PALA CASINO**

**TUESDAY, September 18, 2018**  
**LEAVE FROM: AMERICAN LEGION POST**  
**143 S. LEMON**  
**ORANGE**

**PARK IN AMERICAN LEGION POST PARKING LOT -**  
**On the North or South side of the building**

**NOTE: Time change: Please BE THERE BY 8:30 A.M**  
**BUS LEAVES 9:00 A.M. SHARP!**  
**FEE IS \$11.00 PER PERSON**  
**WHICH INCLUDES TIP FOR BUS DRIVER**  
**PAY at time of BOARDING**  
**RECEIVE \$10.00 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**

**WE MUST HAVE 45 PASSENGERS**  
**SIGNED UP TO MAKE THE TRIP!**





# WE REMEMBER

Join us to honor those that perished on **9/11**.

## *Patriot Day*



★★★ **Tuesday, September 11, 2015** ★★★  
**Ceremony 6:00 PM**

★★★ **At The American Legion Post 132** ★★★  
**143 S. Lemon Street, Orange, CA 92866**

★★★ <http://www.orangepost132.com/> ★★★





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## BUGLE



## SEPTEMBER 2018 ISSUE

### 2018 / 2019 Post 132 American Legion Officers

Legionnaires	Auxiliary	Sons	AL Riders
Commander Jose Martinez <u>1st Vice Commander</u> Victor de la Rosa <u>2nd Vice Commander</u> Bill Stringfield <u>3rd Vice Commander</u> TBD <u>Adjutant</u> John Minnella <u>Finance Officer</u> Isidro "Sid" Gauna <u>Executive Board</u> Mike Maldonado John Schutz David Kulcinski Bob Von Rehder <u>Service Officer</u> TBD <u>Building Manager</u> John Peralta <u>Judge Advocate</u> John Minnella <u>Chaplain</u> Leo Ouellette <u>Sgt. at Arms</u> David Maldonado <u>Historian</u> Sid Gauna	President Darlene Phillips <u>1st Vice Pres.</u> Kathy Kulp <u>2nd Vice President</u> Dolores Aguilar <u>Secretary</u> Carolynn McMahon <u>Treasurer</u> Carol Goss Holmes <u>Chaplain</u> Diane Gallo Cook <u>Sgt. At Arms</u> Sheila Madrid <u>Marshal</u> Virginia Martinez <u>Historian.</u> Carol Martinez <u>E-Board .</u> Susie Flores Dreama Vinyard Diane Saucedo Martha Maldonado	Commander TBD <u>1st Vice Cmdr.</u> Brett Jackson <u>2nd Vice Cmdr.</u> Ray Alvarado <u>3rd Vice Cmdr.</u> Tom Flynn <u>Adjutant/Finance</u> Mike Holmes <u>Sgt. at Arms</u> Mario Beltran <u>Chaplain</u> Pierre Duco <u>Historian</u> Gilbert Flores <u>E-Board</u> Dave Jimenez John Shores Vince Olea	President John Bloecher <u>Vice President</u> Ray Wells <u>Treasurer</u> John Schutz <u>Secretary</u> Melissa Willenbring <u>Sgt. at Arms</u> Bill Cook <u>Road Captain</u> Chip Williams <u>Asst. Road Captain</u> Brian Johnson <u>Judge Advocate</u> TBD <u>Historian</u> Frances Schuster <u>Chaplain</u> Darlene Phillips <u>Web Master</u> TBD

**POST 132 HOURS: (Closed Mondays) Open: T,W,TH – 3 PM - 8 PM; Fri, 12 PM -12 PM;  
 Sat. & Sun -12 PM - 7 PM**