

THE BUGLE



American Legion Post 132, Orange, California NEWSLETTER November, 2017

COMMANDER AL POST 132, JOSE MARTINEZ

As we are preparing to close out the year, things are still looking up at the Post. Our rentals are up, and we are so busy. I would like to thank everyone who has donated their time and helped to get the Post in shape. The clubroom floor has been stripped and re-waxed. Painting of the women's restroom (thank you Dar

and ladies) and columns in the clubroom have also been done, or are getting done. Thanks to Henry, the Post's maintenance/building manager and John Schutz(Executive Committee, (AL Rider and AL Rider Finance Officer) for doing a great job.

The following events will take place in November:

- Several of our Veterans and spouses will be traveling to Portland Oregon for an event "Remembering America's Heros" or "Living History Week". This is a UMAVA event that we have been participating in for about 8 years now. It is hosted by three high schools wherein they welcome, thank, and honor many Veterans and their spouses.
- Upon their return, the Post is having an *Early Bird Dinner* which will be on *November 9, 2017*. This dinner is free for all members who have paid their dues early!
- We will then celebrate the birthday of the worlds finest, the **United States Marine Corps**, at the Friday night dinner on November 10, 2017.
- On Saturday, the 11th of November, we will be joining The City of Orange in celebrating **Veterans Day at Depot Park at 2:00 p.m., on Chapman in Orange,** by the train station. Immediately following the ceremony, a potluck luncheon at the Post wherein everyone is invited. (Donations will be accepted).
- Thanksgiving Day is on November 23, 2017. Please remember our Veterans and their families that will not be able to celebrate with us. I'm sure there are more things going on in November, but I think I got most of them.
- On Dec.11, the American Legion National Commander, Denise Rohan, will visit our Post. Post 132 will help sponsor this event, along with District 29. This is an honor to host the National Commander's visit. Commander Rohan served in the Army. She will visit other Centennial Post during her California tour of American Legions. We will be asking for help in preparing for her visit, so if you are asked to help out, please do.

As usual, please continue to read the bugle for all the updates and happenings at your post...

Semper fi, Jose Martinez Commander AL Post 132 martinezjoseg@yahoo.com (714) 380-2005

Upcoming Events

Early Bird Dinner - 11/9/17; Veterans' Day - 11/11/17; Auxiliary Bus Trip to Pala Casino - 11/14/17; Taco Tues./Bingo - 11/14/17; AL Riders' Breakfast - 11/19/17; Thanksgiving 11/23/17

Bill Siler, III, Adjutant

November 4 & 5, 2017 is the Fifth Area Meeting in District 21, Riverside Post 79, 2979 Dexter Drive, Riverside, CA, 92501.

For those members who pay their dues on-line I have been checking the National Database for P-132. If I see anyone who has paid their dues on-line I will send them their Membership Card.

Submitted by: William Siler III, Adjutant - Post 132; sileriii@aol.com

John Minnella, Judge Advocate

Dear Comrades:

Bylaws. One amended Post Bylaws were resubmitted to the Department of California for approval and should be received, approved, within the next month. Once approved, they take legal effect but not before.

Post 132 hosted a Bylaws and Judge Advocate seminar on October 7 which I attempted to moderate in my capacity as District 29 First Vice Commander. The Department of California Judge Advocate, Jesse JAMES, as well as District 29 Commander Ken George and Immediate Past Department Service Officer Scott MCKEE, were present and participated.

USA Naturalization. I again remind you that if you know of any active or honorably discharged military who are permanent residents but NOT citizens and who 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 and I will help them apply without any charge by me.

DD214. I will also help, without charge by me, any Veterans needing to get their DD214. Have them contact me.

YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS. Help us save the significant cost of mailing the Bugle to you. 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.

Happy Thanksgiving! See you at the Post's "Early Bird" Dinner on Thursday, November 9, at 6:00PM!

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.

John Minnella, Post 132, Judge Advocate





Greetings, Legion family,

Hope everyone is doing well. With the holiday season coming up we have a number of events going on at our Post. Check the calendar and look at our website. We are also going to have our first blood drive on January 7. It is also *Save a Life Day* so plan on donating blood that day. The District will be giving a trophy to the Post that donates the most blood. Let's show everyone what our Post family can do.

As far as membership we are almost at 60%. If you know a wartime Veteran, bring him/her down to the Post so they can see what we are all about.

Thank you Vets & Happy Thanksgiving Victor de la Rosa

1st Vice Commander, Victorplcnt@yahoo.com

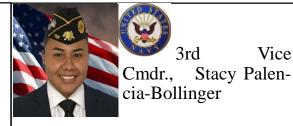


Hello, Comrades: The amount from the 9/18/17 Katella Grill Fundraiser was \$161.23. Thank you all who attended. We do not get many dates there so we have to take advantage of their offer when it comes. I have requested another fundraising date in November there but so far, none has been granted to us.

November 11th is the date set aside for all Veterans. Since 1954 that date has been called Veterans' Day, replacing Armistice Day, which only honored Veterans of World War I. It is not to be confused with Memorial Day, which honors those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms or Armed Forces Day which honors those currently on active duty.

So, Happy Veterans Day to all and Happy Thanksgiving Day, too!

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



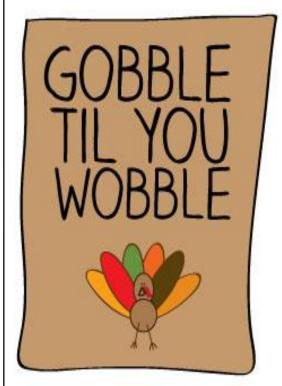
Hello everyone!

I want to thank all of the individuals that helped during the Children's party on October 28th. I personally want to give a special thanks to Carol Martinez for organizing the event and making it a success. The families really seemed to enjoy the festivities. Thank you to the Legion Family: Legionnaires, the Auxiliary, the AL Riders, and the Sons who donated towards the cost for this event.

Happy Veterans Day and Happy Thanksgiving everyone!!!

Very Respectfully,

Stacy Palencia-Bollinger 3rd Vice Commander, Post 132 714-420-6161



Darlene Phillips, Unit 132 President Auxiliary

What's to come? The Season of Giving - I really didn't know what that meant; but being here at Post 132 I think it means giving to our Veterans, and supporting the Mission (Veterans, Community, and Children). What has come of that is meeting and working with wonderful people. Friendships that build a foundation to a lifetime of Trust.

As you know, Alice Pugh, a long time member of our Auxiliary and a dear friend passed this last month. She taught many of us what the *Season of Giving* means. She opened her home and offered friendship and love. She will be missed but her kindness and her love for this Post will live on forever.

We must come together as a Unit and as a Post Family to continue the endeavors that our elders have brought to this Post Family. We need to come into the Post with open eyes and see what it is, that as an individual you too can bring this passion and find something that you enjoy doing with the Post, your Unit, your Chapter, and your Squadron.

As November comes into our lives we MUST be thankful for our abilities to serve. The Auxiliary would like to put out to our membership, friends and community that the **Coat Drive** is here. We will be putting together 50 pack backs for our homeless Veterans that we are hopeful to have that many coats or more for the Winter Season. It is cold out there in the winter and let's try to keep our Veterans that live on the streets warm. Let's remember all Veterans and in November let's gather on Veterans day to make that day even more special.

November 9, 2017, Thursday, is *EARLY BIRD DINNER*. Friday, November 10, 2017 at the AL Riders Dinner we will be celebrating the MARINE CORPS Birthday and then on Saturday, November 11, 2017 is Veterans Day. A Ceremony honoring our Veterans will take place at Depot Park then everyone is invited to Post 132 for an Open House POT LUCK. It is important that before we act we must think about the possible reaction.

I would like to ask that if you have the means to a computer keep the following 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 by US mail, please let the Commander or our Editors, Leo and Esther Ouellette know so they can send I to you via email. This will keep mailing costs down.

God Bless You and God Bless America!

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







Sid is on vacation at this time. He will make up for this month on next month's Bugle.

However, he has requested that all be reminded of the Early Bird Dinner on November 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Post.

Thanks to all that come down and support the Post. All for now. You can call me at (714)371-6247 or email at sidgauna@aol.com

Semper Fi, Sid Gauna Finance Officer

NAVY'S BIRTHDAY (Established in 1775)

Several Navy Veterans celebrate the Navy's Birthday at Post 132 on October 13, 2017. From left: Veterans: Alice LeDoux, Larry LeDoux, Conrad Cepek, Sarah Palencia Bollinger Edward R. Romero and Stacy Palencia Bollinger.



John Bloecher - AL Riders President

Hello Legionnaires, the AL Riders want to thank you all who supported

our dinner, breakfasts, and bingo night. We try to give you a great meal and enjoy servicing our brothers and sisters.

Dinner this month will be on Nov 10th and we will be serving turkey and stuffing plus our always outstanding steaks. Then on Nov 19th we will be serving Spam and eggs. We hope you will join us for both dinner and breakfast in November.

The Rider's did an overnight ride to Morro Bay and for those who went had an awesome time. The route was great and the weather was a little warm but we all made it safe and sound. I want to thank Bill "Digger" Cook for leading us on our journey. Thank you Bill I want to give a special thanks to Melissa and (Flyer) John for putting together the items for our Auction Items that will be auctioned off in Dec. which was previewed at our October dinner. These items will make great Christmas presents. Tickets are on sale now so contact one of the Riders to get your tickets now. There are some awesome prizes that I think you would all love to have any of the items.

I want to thank all my fellow AL Riders who volunteer their time to help put on the events we put on for our fellow Legion Family. We are moving into the holiday season and we wish you all a Happy Veterans' Day, Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Hope to see you all at our November dinner.

John Bloecher President of the AL Riders jb1mf@yahoo.com

> Tommy Dees - Sons' Commander/Clubroom Manager

At this time, I want to thank all the Sons and Auxiliary members who assisted with the Halloween Dance. It was a success and lots of fun. Thank all of you members that continue to support the Sons on the Friday Night Dinners. Your support is very appreciated.

I also wish to thank all the Veterans for their service and a very Happy Thankful Thanksgiving Day to all!

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



Thank you for paying your dues, for supporting the SONS and the American Legion Post, as well

as honoring your Dads. If you haven't sent in your dues for 2018, please take a moment to do so. Did you know that all of you have Early Bird stamped on your card; which means you can come for the **Early Bird Dinner** to be held on Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 6 pm? Please advise Commander Tommy Dees or myself if you will be attending for the Post will need to prepare for all of us. We have over 100 eligible members that could attend.

The Sons/Auxiliary Halloween Party was very successful and a lot of fun. I was happy to see many of you at the party, and all had a good time. Thanks to everyone that helped out.

Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11, starts at 1 pm at Depot Park. There is a luncheon immediately following at the Post. If you can, please bring a dish to share and join in with us for an afternoon of camaraderie.

Next meeting is Tuesday, November 7th at 6 pm. Hope to see you there.

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













LEO OUELLETTE, CHAPLAIN

Get well and condolence cards have been sent out. Please keep your prayers and thoughts for all in need.

Quips to ponder:

Kindness is the oil that takes the frictions out of life.

Spending time with children is more important than spending money on children.

Do not regret growing older. It is a privilege denied to many.

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









EDITORS, LEO & ESTHER OUELLETTE

A BIG THANK YOU to the following helpers with the Bugle: Mary Martinez, Carol Goss Holmes and Mike Holmes, Dot T. Stalter, Chuck Stalter, Jojo Reyes, Carol Martinez and Lorraine Limon. We truly appreciate your help. Thank you all!

Our membership is growing—A Well Done and Congratulations to our Legion Family for all their work!

Quips to Ponder

Common sense is a flower that <u>does not</u> grow in everyone's garden!

There is always the right time to do the right thing!

To love life through labor is to be intimate with life's innermost secrets!

Editors,

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





Dear Members: Thank you for all your positive comments on our Museum. We are proud and thankful for your donations.

Mary Bruno Class recently donated a 1942 -1943 Wave dress and work uniform which is now on display, along with her father's CWO Chief Warrant uniform.

Note: If you have donated items to the Museum and did not submit your name, please contact me so I can attach your name to the item you have donated.

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



November 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 40/8 Mtg Post 555 Mtg 7:30pm Flag Lowering Orange Plaza—6pm	Legionnaires' E-BOARD MTG 7 pm	3 Sons, Fish & Chips/Steaks 6pm-8pm Tropic star 8 pm-12am	4
5 Daylight Saving Time Ends	6	7 ELECTION DAY SONS MTG 6 PM	8 VVA #785 Mtg 5 PM Flag Lowering Orange Plaza— 6pm	9 Legionnaires Gen Mtg 7:00 PM Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 pm EARLY BIRD DINNER! 6 pm	10 AL RIDERS Turkey& Trimmings/Steaks 6pm - 8pm Blue Highway 8 pm—12 am US MARINE Established (1775)	11 8:30 am AL Riders' Mtg VETERANS DAY Ceremony/1pm- Luncheon Potluck 2 pm Signing of WWI Armistice (1918)
12	13	AUXILIARY BUS TRIP TO PALA Leaves @ 9:00 am TACO TUESDA By UMAVA 5:30 PM AL RIDERS BINGO 7 PM	15 VVA CHAPTER #1034 - 6 PM Flag Lowering Orange Plaza 6 pm	16	17 Legionnaires Dinner-/TBD / Steaks 6pm-8pm Midnight Cow- boys Band 8pm—12 am	18 Umava General Mtg 9 am
AL RIDERS BREAKFAST Spam/Eggs 8am-11:00 am	20	21	Flag Lowering Orange Plaza—6pm	Thanksgiving	24 Auxiliary/ Steaks 6 pm - 7:30 pm 5 Star Band 8 pm-12am	25
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BUS TRIP TO THE PALA CASINO

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017

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

BUS LEAVES 9:00 A.M. SHARP!

NOTE: Time change: Please BE THERE BY 8:30 A.M

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

WE MUST HAVE 45 PASSENGERS SIGNED UP TO MAKE THE TRIP





Veterans D

Sat., November 11, 2017 2pm

Veterans Memorial Depot Park 100 N. Atchison Street Orange, CA 92866

Luncheon to follow ceremony at Post 132. All are welcome! Bring your favorite dish to share. Any questions please call Carol at 714-473-2451 orangepost132.com



The Red Cross will be handing out T-Shirts



DATE: January 7, 2018

TIME: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm



At the American Legion Post 132 143 S. Lemon Street, Orange, CA 9

Open to all the Legion Family (Legionnaires, Auxillary, Riders, & Sons)

District Competition

Two traveling trophies will be presented, one for the post with the most donated blood and the other for the highest percentage of blood donated as some posts do or have as many members





For Some Great Prizes

To Support

Raising funds to purchase fleece blankets for Veterans in the Spinal Cord Unit at the Long Beach VA

> Drawing will be November 10th, 2017 Auction Winner does not need to be present to win



There will be Dinner (6 to 7:30 PM Live Music (Starts at 8 PM) Chance Auction Drawing (at 9PM) Steak Dinner only \$12.00 Special Dinner (Italian Meatloaf) for \$8:00 Everyone is Welcome Bring Your Friends No Cover!!!

Visit our Web Site www.chapter132riders.com

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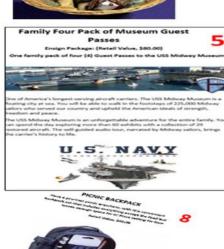
Drawing will be December 8th, 2017















Join Us For Dinner Friday, November 10th

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 - All for Just \$12.00

Turkey Breast with stuffing, Vegetables, and Salad ONLY \$8.00

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SUNDAY MORNING BREAKERST

Please come and Johnus for our Old Tilme Breakfast

> November 19th, 2017 8:00 AM till 11:00 AM

All this for Just \$8.00

> Includes Scrambled Eggs, Spam, and Hash Browns, with Coffee, & Juice

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NOVEMBER 14, 2017 BINGS ALGHT



TACOs will be available for purchase from the from 5:30 to 6:45

Come join the fun from 7 to 9 PM and a chance to win some great prizes!!!

Cards can be purchased for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 (Cards are good for One (1) game)

Prizes will be awarded to the Winners

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BINGO WITH A TWIST

Support Your American Legion Family



Complete the Board Win 2 Rider Dinners & a GREAT Mystery Gift \$50.00 Value)

FREE TO PLAY

Drawing will be held: January 26, 2018

HOW TO PLAY

Ask for a Card from the Bartender. Purchase or Play
one of the events listed. When you do your card will be
stamped for that event. When you complete the Card
there will be a bucket to put your BINGO Card in behind the bar

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HALLOWEEN COSTUME WINNERS

Werwolves-Joe and Laura Sarmiento; Clown- Jessie Valenzuela; and Raggety Ann- Ken Widdall were the winners at the Sons'/Auxiliary's Halloween Party on Saturday, October 21, 2017. Congratulations to all!



AUXILIARY UNIT 132 HELPERS

Following the AL Riders' breakfast on October 22, 2017, with short notice, Auxiliary Unit 132 members gathered dozens of toiletry donations to fill 22 care packages that will be delivered to the VA Resource Center in Santa Ana. Assisting are from left: Stacy Bollinger Palencia, Darlene Phillips, Melissa Willenbring, Esther Ouellette, and Pat Williams.





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