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Post 555 Family

* April 21st Post Dinner will be served by the Auxiliary and will be Chicken Enchiladas, Rice and Beans with Desert for only \$8

* ALR Chili Cook-Off has been rescheduled to May 14th

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Hello Legionnaires,

I want to take this time to wish all a Happy Easter may God be with you and your families. You'll have to forgive for not writing an article as I've been busy getting the post ready for the Area 5th meeting.

Remember volunteering is one of our duties. Now the American Legion and your community need your service. Let us congratulate ourselves for the success of our past dinners. Please participate in our dinners, it is our way to fund raise and support the Post financially. Feel free to invite family members and any friends to a magnificently prepared meal. The more the merrier.

Have a wonderful month, let's us always serve the American and it programs

God Bless America,

Commander José Amezcua

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Aloha my American Legion Ohana! (Ohana means Family in Hawaiian) Just got back from the Islands. Took mama for her birthday. God's creation is magnificent...the ocean, the volcanoes, the greenery and the people. We here in Cali are spoiled....we have the weather, beaches, landscape and much more. When we focus on the creation, we can appreciate what our Lord has given to us. At times it is difficult to focus on the creation because our agendas are overflowing.

I thank the Lord daily. I ask him to guide me through the desert of life. With the power struggles that are going on, our economy, our children (grandkids and great grandkids), the desire for control, power and money....and the list goes on. There are many concerns But our Lord wants us to Trust in Him. Have Faith that he will get us through the desert. Beware of the dark side, he will tempt you with worldly things that seem good but he will take control of you. Stay the course, follow the Shepherd, Jesus. Psalm 23 will be you GPS (God Positioning System).

1 The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures,

he leads me beside quiet waters,

3 he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths

for his names sake.

4 Even though I walk

through the valley of death,

I will fear no evil,

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff,

they comfort me.

5 You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me

all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord

forever.

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Hello Legion Families,

Thank you, to all of you who supported our St. Patrick's Day Dinner!!
Special thanks to Mrs. Lynch and the Young Marines for their help. I really appreciate every time I get to work with them.

We are having our Taco Thursday on 4/7/2022. Thanks for all the positive feedback and your support.

Speaking of food, my son-in-law, Chris Wallace (go Pittsburg Steelers) will be making his chicken enchiladas, along with rice and beans. If you haven't met him, come by the window on Taco Thursday and say hello.

It's getting to be that time of year, elections for officers for the Auxiliary are in June. We start taking nominations in April and again in May. So, please come to the meetings April 5th and May 2nd.

We are in early planning stages for some fun activities. We are going to try and schedule a Hawaiian Luau and American Legion Post 555 night at Angeles Stadium. We need to get them on the calendar and get things set up. Any help would be appreciated.

We are going to have a bake sale at the Marlene Flores Chili-cook off on May 14th. We will need donations of baked goods and assistance at the sales table.

We will, also, be doing a poppy fundraiser for the benefit of Long Beach VA Hospital programs and services. Watch for it at the Post.

If there is a common theme here, it is help and assistance. The Legion families' activities are staffed by volunteers. Putting together a meal or activity takes time, energy, coordination, and bodies. If you can help for an hour or two several times a month, it would greatly be appreciated.

See you soon,
Sandy Dashiell
President ALA Unit 555



Comrades,

It is time for a monthly update for the Squadron, so let's take care of any business first and we will move on to the fun stuff. We are still barley keeping up with membership goals and that's not due to lack of trying from our 1st Vice George, it's because some members just won't take the time to take care of it. I do know that it's possible that it's due to affordability, with the shut down and now rising prices it's not easy for anyone and when it comes to deciding on where you must spend the money, it's understandable that family comes first. There are ways that I have seen other Detachments and/or squadrons deal with these things in my travels. I will be bringing these idea's up at our April meeting for discussion. We can't get so focused on serving the veterans, that we forget our own members.

As it stands right now, we will be hosting Wrestling on the 16th of April, and I hope to see more of you there this month. We always need volunteers for the events and diners and so far, it is primarily George and I that cover them. I ask that you give us a few hours of your time to assist us occasionally. If we can get just a few more volunteers, no one would have to put in very much time I don't believe we ask very much of our members, but as Sons we have a responsibility to assist the Post in what manner we can. I should also mention Marc and his efforts in assisting us as well as the Post.

In December we donated \$90.00 to the Child Welfare Foundation and because we donated \$1.00 per member, we received a ribbon to put on our Flag, so we will be putting that on in April as well. I do wish to let you know that I have not been as attentive towards the Squadron as I should have and that I have let the responsibilities of being Detachment Commander pull me away. Although I believe I have stayed on top of the squadron needs, there is always more that can be done and for this I owe you an apology.

I do want to remind you that our 1st Nominations for Offices will be during our April meeting and all members in good standing are eligible to run for an office. To update you on what has been happening as Detachment Commander. The Department has implemented a Child Protection Policy that requires individuals that interact with Minors to have background checks. I am in the process of determining the criteria for the Sons, but as a squadron we will be under the direction of the Post. As the Legion District JAG, I am determining what the Posts will be need to do to comply with what is now also a State law, so it is still on going.

Comrades I want to thank all of you that participate, thank you and I want to encourage those that can participate to please do so.

Thank You,

James Eubanks, Squadron Commander



4th Annual Marlene Flores chili cook off/poker run on May 14th. We are welcoming anyone that wants to cook home made chili onsite. Cooking is from 8am - 12pm.

Our monthly Burger Burn is the 2nd Friday of the month.

As with ALL of our events, It is ALL about the Vets. These events are open to the public. Please spread the word.

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Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

Lots of dinners and other activities coming up in April, so please remember to continue to visit our Post 555 website: <http://www.americanlegionpost555.com> as well as our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/AlbertESchwabPost555> for all our Post 555 updates. I keep our Social Media sites updated every week, so please visit them when you have time.

I'm in the post several times a month mainly for Taco Thursday and Post Dinners, so if you see me at the Triple Nickle Club Room, please stop me and say "HI".

I'd love to know what you think about what I've been doing to help the post go Digital.

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