

AMERICAN LEGION  
ALBERT E. SCHWAB  
POST 555



FOR GOD AND COUNTRY WE  
ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TO-  
GETHER FOR THE FOLLOW-  
ING PURPOSES:

- To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;
- To maintain law and order;
- To foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism;
- To preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the Great Wars;
- To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation;
- To combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses;
- To make right the master of might;
- To promote peace and goodwill on earth;
- To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;
- To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

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JULY 2016

**MESSAGE FROM YOUR COMMANDER**

Just wanted say thanks once again to all those who voted for me. There are going to be a lot of post activities in the coming months both for the Veterans, Veterans' programs, and for the Post itself. I hope each and every member will show up and support our post, because we need your support and participation to be successful as a post.

I would like to introduce our new officers:

- Adam Crawford – 1st Vice
- Tony Amezcua – 2nd Vice
- Finance Officer –  
Antony Adams
- Adjutant – Andy Timko
- Assistant Adjutant – Ed Sedlak
- Sergeant at Arms –  
Mike Sternisha
- Assistant Sergeant at Arms –  
James Costere
- Judge Advocate – Jim Sewell
- Eboard – Charles Bates,  
Lenard Guillen, Ed Sedlak

**Upcoming Event:**

The July 4th All Post Party

will start at 2:00 PM on the 4th, and this is the first of many Post Family events in the coming year. Legionnaires, Auxiliary, Sons, and ALR and families are all invited to celebrate Independence Day, and the beginning of a new and successful year.

**Save this Date:**

The Commander & Officers' Steak Night, an All Post Event, will be on August 6th starting at 3:00 pm. Dinner will consist of a 12 oz. rib eye, baked potato, green beans, and garden salad all for only \$12.00 pre-sale, no TO-GO orders for this event, please.

There will be a limited number of tickets available starting July 14th - see any officer or buy tickets at the bar.

**One Post - One Family.**

This year is a significant year because this is the year that Post 555 comes together as one post family. The Legionnaires, the Auxiliary especially,

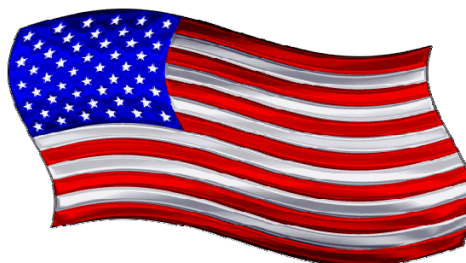


the ALR, and the Sons are all in this for the greater cause: the Vets. This is the time where we all need to leave our differences at the front door and pull together as a group to achieve the greater good. Together we can make this post great again.

Respectfully,

**Tim Dusina**  
**Post Commander**  
*For God and Country*

**Post 555**  
**Proudly Sponsors**  
**Boy Scout**  
**Troop 314**



**HOME**  
**OF THE**  
**FREE**  
**BECAUSE**  
**OF THE**  
**BRAVE**

## THE CHAPLAIN'S PULPIT

Just like last July, 2015, we are blessed that we haven't had any Legion member that passed on to the Post Everlasting. As a reminder please let me know as soon as possible if you have a loved one that passes on so we can honor that special member.

**More information on our great Post 555 the Triple Nickle Albert E. Schwab, Midway City:**

As they were getting started, it was interesting that they had planned on a complete recreation center surrounding the Post. This would include tennis courts, handball courts, horseshoe pits and a softball diamond all for the public to enjoy, but whatever happened with that neat plan, it didn't happen.

In the 1950s, actually on May 30, the building was officially dedicated as Post 555 American Legion Hall. (Pretty Neat)

How many of you members that have been around knew that in 2001

Post 555 was renamed Albert E. Schwab American Legion, named after a brother of all of us, Private First Class Albert E. Schwab, USMC Medal of Honor. (God Bless Him)

Then in 2006-2007 the American Legion Riders was formed by Mr. John Chizmar and was Chartered in 2007. What a great addition to our Post. (To be continued)

If anyone hasn't paid their 2016 dues, get in the right mood to be a possible good ongoing member. Remember, we are family.

God Bless America and the Legion Family and definitely our Great Troops.

For God and Country. Stay healthy and very alert. (Amen)

**Andy Timko**  
**Post 555**  
**Chaplain & Adjutant**



## THE PURPLE HEART BEAT



The National Convention for The Military Order of the Purple Heart will be held in Virginia this year in August. Each Department (one from each State) sends a delegation, and Chapters send additional members as well. There are 23 active Chapters in California, and we will send approximately 50 members to represent California.

This annual convention will elect new officers; Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Jr. Vice Com-

mander and others. This is pretty standard within the Veterans community as each Veterans organization is also holding Annual Conventions.

If you have never had the opportunity to go to your Veterans group National Convention, you should put it on your bucket list.

**Jim Pinnix, Adjutant**  
**Purple Heart Chapter 752**



Hello Everyone,

**MEMORIAL DAY:** It started out with the Legion, Auxiliary, Sons, & Riders participating in a beautiful Memorial Day ceremony at Westminster Memorial Park and each group presenting a commemorative wreath.

After the ceremony everyone went back to the Post for a potluck gathering. There were two cakes and cupcakes left over so Mary Yerigan took them to the V.A. Pier Center the next day. Also, I took four of the wreaths to the VA Hospital and put one in the ER Department, one in the Spinal Cord Unit that the Auxiliary visits 1-2 times a year, one in the west wing, and the other in the east wing of the Rehab Center to visit with one of our Legion members, Mike Eustace, who has been there since December, and his wife Ana, who is our Auxiliary's Historian.

The veterans in each area were very thankful of the flowers and it was a real pleasure to just sit and talk with so many of them. Another veteran was so excited when he saw me putting one wreath up he asked if they were for them in his area. He then came over in his wheelchair and with tears in his eyes said "Oh my goodness. They are real and so beautiful. Thank you. Thank you." It was a very emotional moment!

## AUXILIARY UNIT 555



**POPPIES:** I want to give special thanks to Joan Teston, Lil Perez, Les & Mary Goldberg, the Leader and some scouts from Troop # 314, and my great niece Hannah Harmon who joined me to help distribute poppies at Sam's Club in Stanton for 3 days. Also, special thanks to Mary Yerigan, Cheryl Seifert, Linda McKeever and Sue Hofeditz who took poppies and distributed some on their own. With all of everyone's efforts, we were able to raise \$1,500 for the Auxiliary Poppy Program.

### **GREAT JOB EVERYONE!**

**This is the most we have ever raised.**



**TACOS:** Tacos will resume on July 7 and will continue on every Thursday. We are now adding corn on the cob to our menu as it is in season.

Many of you have told us what a fun night it is to just come in to get great food for such a good price, be able to sit and chat with friends and meet new people and enjoy some music. We are glad to see so many people join us. Sometimes it does get backed up, especially when we have an extremely large order to fill for one or two customers. We do not always have a full staff in the kitchen and we make all the tacos fresh by order and it takes longer to fry the shells, so we really appreciate your understanding and patience when it takes a little longer.

**FOR GOD AND COUNTRY**  
**Kay Hamby**  
**President Unit 555**



# Post 555 OFFICER INSTALLATIONS 2016



**Post 555  
OFFICERS  
2016-2017**





# AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 555



**3rd Annual Poker Run  
is Sept. 24  
See Flyer Insert  
For Details**

**ALR CHAPTER 555**

**TIM & KOKOE**

**PRESENT**

**DINNER & SUDS**

**EVERY FRIDAY**

**AT THE**

**TRIPLE NICKLE BAR**

**TIPS & DONATIONS WELCOME**

**BAR HOURS**

**2PM TO CLOSING**

**DINNER TIME: WHEN IT GETS THERE**

## POST 555 SPONSORS 3 LOCAL STUDENTS FOR 'GIRLS STATE'

BY LES GOLDBERG

MIDWAY CITY, Calif., May 31, 2016 – Three local high school students have been selected as delegates to the American Legion Auxiliary's annual Girls State leadership program.

Tammy Van of Bolsa Grande High, Ashley Lindsay of Garden Grove High and Kathy Le of Santiago High will join more than 500 fellow juniors from throughout California for a week-long camp at Claremont McKenna College June 27-July 2.

To be selected for the honor, the young women must be high school juniors who demonstrate academic excellence and be recommended by their teachers and counselors. In the case of Tammy Van and Kathy Le, both aspire to become a surgeon and pediatrician, respectively. Ashley Lindsay wants to enter politics and

“become the mayor of Garden Grove.”

According to Kay Hamby, president of the Albert E. Schwab American Legion Auxiliary Unit 555, Girls State “is designed to increase awareness and knowledge of governmental processes while learning about the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities of citizenship. The delegates also gain a greater appreciation of the American flag and of the sacrifices made by our veterans.”

During the Girls State event, two girls will be selected to attend Girls Nation in Washington, D.C. where they will be part of a national government training program in which they will hold mock political campaigns, learn how legislation is passed and meet key members of Congress

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# FIESTA

# TACO THURSDAYS

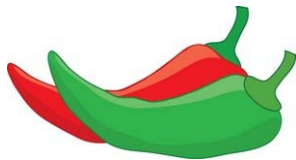


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5 - 7pm

\$1



Beef, Chicken, Veggie Tacos  
Nachos, Corn on the Cob,  
Salad, Slice of Pie  
Only \$1 each

**By Post 555  
Auxiliary**



# BIG BAND

~ **FREE Admission** ~  
**Open to the Public**  
Come Enjoy a Fun Night of Dancing,  
Big Band Music & PIZZA!  
**BRING A FRIEND!**

**Every 4th Monday  
7:30-9:30pm**

Upcoming Dates:  
July 25     August 22  
Sept. 26     Oct. 24

**Bar will be open!  
Drink Specials &  
~ Pizza \$1.50 / slice ~**

**LOCATION:  
American Legion Post 555  
14582 Beach Blvd.  
Midway City, CA**

# **BLASTS** ...from the Past!!!

(This section will be included in The Marauder periodically when I have pictures to share. Please send me your "vintage" pictures so I can include them in future issues.)



## **CAN YOU GUESS WHO THIS IS???**

He is one of our Veteran members who is retired from the U.S. Air Force.

To the first 3 people who guess correctly, see me when I'm bartending, and your first drink is on me! (Sandy)

Note: Featured member and their family are not eligible for the free drink. :)

Previous months' Blasts from the Past:

May: Rudy Gonzales

June: Lenard Guillen

Airman Jones was assigned to the induction center, where he advised new recruits about their government benefits, especially their GI insurance. It wasn't long before Captain Smith noticed that Airman Jones was having a staggeringly high success rate, selling insurance to nearly 100% of the recruits he advised. Rather than ask about this, the Captain stood in the back of the room and listened to Jones' sales pitch. Jones explained the basics of the GI Insurance to the new recruits, and then said, "If you have GI Insurance and go into battle and are killed, the government has to pay \$200,000 to your beneficiaries. If you don't have GI insurance and you go into battle and get killed, the government only has to pay a maximum of \$6000. Now," he concluded, "which group do you think they are going to send into battle first?"



## **Military Trivia Facts**

(11-15 of 15)

- 11. The Marine Corps motto, "Semper Fidelis," was adopted in 1883 as the official motto. It is Latin for Always Faithful.
- 12. The nickname "Leatherneck" originates from the stiff leather stock that early Marines wore around their necks, probably to protect their jugular vein against saber blows.
- 13. The English Bulldog, also known as "Teufel-hunden," or "Devil Dogs," is the unofficial mascot that symbolizes the ethos of the Warrior Culture of the U.S. Marines. The U.S. Marine Corps earned this unofficial

- mascot during World War I, when many German reports called the attacking Marines "teufel-hunden," meaning Devil-Dogs. "Teufel-hunden" were the vicious, wild and ferocious mountain dogs of German Bavarian folklore.
- 14. The U.S. Army was in charge of exploring and mapping America. The Lewis and Clark Expedition was an all Army affair. Army officers were the first Americans to see such landmarks as Pike's Peak and the Grand Canyon.
- 15. The Air Force's F-117 fighter uses aerodynamics discovered during research into how bumblebees fly.

## **BAR HOURS REMINDER:**

Bar stays open till **AT LEAST** 9pm when Sandy, Tim & Kokoe are tending bar & of course on Taco Night!



Contact the Editor at [sandyvcsr@gmail.com](mailto:sandyvcsr@gmail.com)

# "3rd Monday" Dinner

**Bring Family & Friends!**

**WHEN?  
Monday,  
July 18  
5:30 p.m.**

**Amazing!  
Tri Tip  
Sandwich  
Only \$6.<sup>95</sup>**

**Spicy BBQ or Regular BBQ Sauce**

**Proceeds  
benefit Post 555**

Dinner prepared & donated by:  
**BEACH ST. BAGEL**  
DELI & SANDWICHES  
12505 Beach Blvd., A-3  
Stanton, CA 90680



**LOCATION:  
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## GIRLS STATE

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and possibly the President at the White House.

The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors the room and board of Post 555's delegates to Girls State and this year was helped by a donation from Garden Grove Elks Lodge #1952 and a fundraising campaign that included an artistic painting session in Garden Grove's Old Town

During a recent ceremony at Post 555 at

14582 Beach Blvd. in Midway City, Larry Hudson, the Elks Lodge social,

community and welfare chairman, presented a sponsorship check to Hamby, who is the auxiliary's unit chairperson.

Also there to offer their support were Angie Balius, a Garden Grove Unified



School District specialist and Girls State counselor, and Christopher Phan, Garden Grove city councilman. Phan, who is an officer in the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps, also serves as Orange County Deputy District Attorney and a university law professor.

Students who will be juniors in 2017 can learn more about the program at [www.girlsstate.org](http://www.girlsstate.org) or from their high school counselors. Post 555 can be contacted by phone at (714) 893-9525 or email at [americanlegion-post555@gmail.com](mailto:americanlegion-post555@gmail.com).




**TRIPLE NICKLE**

**HOURS:**

WEEKDAYS 2PM - AT LEAST 7PM\*

SATURDAY NOON - AT LEAST 6PM\*

SUNDAY CLOSED



**CHALLENGE A FRIEND TO A FUN GAME OF DARTS!!**



**WINE & SPIRITS**

**Our Post 555 Bartenders are all Volunteers, giving of their time. Please tip accordingly.**

**\* HOURS POSTED WILL BE EXTENDED DUE TO LEGION FAMILY NEEDS.**

**\*\*OPEN TILL AT LEAST 9PM\*\* WHEN SANDY, TIM & KOKOE ARE BARTENDING & ON TACO NIGHT WITH ED**

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH



Paul Bosse  
Patrick Coponiti  
Walter Hughes  
John Ryan

Rita Smith  
Swan Soderlind  
Mike Sternisha  
William Thorn

George Ursini  
Mary Yerigan

Come on in to the Triple Nickle for a FREE Birthday Beverage of your choice.  
(Not listed? Contact the Editor and give her your date of birth!)



JULY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> <b>ALR</b> Dinner & Suds Opens at 2PM	<b>2</b> Bar Opens at Noon Sat.
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Independence Day - BBQ &amp; Potluck</b> Begins at 2pm	<b>5</b> Auxiliary 7pm	<b>6</b> 40/8 - 7pm	<b>7</b> <b>Taco Night</b> 5 to 7pm	<b>8</b> <b>ALR</b> Dinner & Suds Opens at 2PM	<b>9</b> Bar Opens at Noon Sat.
<b>10</b> Pinochle 1PM	<b>11</b> Post E-Board 5pm Post 555 Mtg 7pm	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Marine Corps League 7:30pm	<b>14</b> <b>Taco Night</b> 5 to 7pm	<b>15</b> <b>ALR</b> Dinner & Suds Opens 2PM	<b>16</b> Bar Opens at Noon Sat.
<b>17</b> Pinochle 1PM	<b>18</b> <b>3rd Monday Dinner</b> 5:30PM Sons (SAL) E-Board 6:30pm Sons Mtg 7pm	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Taco Night</b> 5 to 7pm Hunters Gun Club 5pm	<b>22</b> <b>ALR</b> Dinner & Suds Opens at 2PM	<b>23</b> Bar Opens at Noon Sat. ALR 8:30am MOPH 11am
<b>24</b>	<b>25 Big Band</b> Music, Dancing & Pizza 7:30-9:30pm	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Taco Night</b> 5 to 7pm Corvette Club 7:30pm	<b>29</b> <b>ALR</b> Dinner & Suds Opens at 2PM	<b>30</b> Bar Opens at Noon Sat.

**Upcoming Events - Mark your calendar:**

August 6 - Commander's & Officer's Steak Night  
August 15 - "3rd Monday" Dinner  
August 22 - Big Band Music & Dancing  
September 24 - 3rd Annual Poker Run

**THIS MONTH'S EVENTS:**

July 4 - BBQ & Potluck  
July 18 - "3rd Monday" Dinner 5:30pm - Tri Tip  
July 25 - Big Band Music, Dancing & Pizza  
Taco Thursdays 5-7pm, Every Thursday

**POST 555 OFFICERS**

Commander:	Tim Dusina	Finance:	Antony Adams
First Vice Commander:	Adam Crawford	Judge Advocate:	Jim Sewell
Second Vice Commander:	Tony Amezcua	Sergeant at Arms:	Ed Sedlak
E-Board:	Charlie Bates	Asst. Sgt at Arms:	James Costere
	Len Guillen	Chaplain:	Andy Timko
	Ed Sedlak	Editor:	Sandy Sutton
Adjutant:	Andy Timko	Service Officer:	
Asst. Adjutant:			



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 555 OFFICERS**

President:	Kay Hamby	Sergeant at Arms:	Bonnie Seibert
First Vice:	Rita Smith	Historian:	Ana Eustace
Second Vice:	Linda Earnest		
Treasurer:	Kokoe Estrada		
Secretary:	Lil Perez		
Chaplain:	Eveline Sifuentes		



**AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 555 OFFICERS**

President:	Jim Sewell
Vice President:	Len Guillen
Secretary:	Charlie Bates
Treasurer:	Kokoe Estrada
Sergeant at Arms:	Tony Olson
Road Captain:	Antony Adams
Chaplain:	Jeff Gallagher



**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**

Commander & Acting Treasurer:	James Eubanks
First Vice & Acting Adjutant:	George Willis
Second Vice:	Nick Eustace
Sergeant at Arms:	Michael Eustace
Chaplain:	Francisco Paras, Jr.





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Garden Grove (714) 894-0606**

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Stanton (714) 827-2605**

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10501 Knott Ave  
Cypress (714) 826-6261**

**Stater Bros.  
11085 Warner Ave.  
Fountain Valley (714) 775-6343**



**ALL POST 555 FAMILY**

**& FRIENDS INVITED**

**4<sup>th</sup> OF JULY ANNUAL  
BBQ PARTY  
& POTLUCK**

**STARTS AT 2:00 PM**



**FEATURING:**

- ★ **HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS** ★
- ★ **ICE CREAM** ★
- ★ **BEAN BAG TOSS** ★
- ★ **MUSIC** ★
- ★ **\$2 DRAUGHT BUD LIGHT** ★

**SHARE A DISH!**

- ★ **MAIN DISH** ★ **SIDES** ★ **APPETIZERS** ★
- ★ **SALADS** ★ **DESSERTS** ★
- ★ **PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT YOU ARE BRINGING!** ★
- ★ **POTLUCK SIGN-UP SHEET IN BAR** ★



Please join us by being a sponsor, donating raffle items, be a vendor and most important: RIDERS



High/Low Hand  
Winners  
50/50 Raffle  
Lunch by:  
Joe Josts

## American Legion Riders Post 555

# 3rd Annual Poker Run

Sept 24th, 2016

Registration 9 am

14582 Beach Blvd, Midway City, CA 92655

For more information contact TJ: [tjconway82@gmail.com](mailto:tjconway82@gmail.com)

Live Music by:

Proceeds to benefit:  
Our Heroes' Dreams

With a mission to improve the lives of our warriors and their families, by helping them to accomplish their dreams.





# COMMANDER & OFFICERS' STEAK NIGHT

**Saturday,  
August 6th  
3pm**



**All Post Family  
are Invited!**

**Presale begins  
July 14th**

**Limited dinner  
tickets available**

**Purchase tickets from  
any Officer or at the Bar**



**12 oz. Rib Eye  
Baked Potato  
Green Beans  
& Garden Salad**

**Only \$12  
Presale**

**\* No TO-GO orders \***

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