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We look forward to seeing you
Back at Post 555 Soon !



Greetings Members,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support last year. Hope you all had a wonderful year. I want to also thank you for the kind words and flowers during this tough time of losing my mother-in-law. As most of you who know me, I am not a negative person. I don't want to start on a negative note. Let us not divide the families, we are all in this together. There is so much division in this world now. The American Legion is to promote unity. We are here to support each other and help each other.

We will be adding events during this year, like Casino Night. I am going to try to get more live bands, and make this a fun place again. I will need your help and support. Please volunteer as a Bartender or just come in and help clean up on occasion. This is our house, let's take care of it.

Best Regards,
Commander,
Jose Amezcua



Hello Legion Families,

"And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown." And he replied "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way."
George VI Christmas speech 1939

These past two plus years have been to politely say difficult. We have lost friends and family to this horrible sickness called Covid 19. Some are suffering still and now we have this new variant to contend with. To say nothing of those who want to use the virus to cause divisions between us As Jeff Dunham's character "Walter" would say "WTH"

I firmly believe, for all our sins, the United States of America is a God blessed country. We have overcome many obstacles from George III, Adolph Hitler, and the Great Depression. We will continue to overcome we do not let our differences of opinion get in the way, even the Founding Fathers did not always agree and look what they started!

I close with one of my favorite Bible verses Matthew 28:20 "Behold I am with you, always"

Please come see us soon at the Triple Nickle!

Sandra Dashiell
President ALA Unit 555

We have veterans that are suffering and may be considering suicide. Please check at the Post for information on resources to help.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

February 2022

GodEveing – I hope things are going well for you and your Families. In the wild wild West we just take it a day at a time. The Good Book says take it a day at a time...tomorrow has its own worries. I like what Forest Gump said, you never know what your going to get in that box of chocolates. Life is kind of like that...one day it comes and another it don't. I'm just glad that I'm not in charge...I leave it to God.

Our American Legion Post 555 is getting better, little by little. We are getting more participation but need you to step up some and stop by with or without your crew every now and then.

These verses in Ecclesiastes say it all:

1 There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven:

2 a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot,

3 a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build,

4 a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance,

5 a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain,

6 a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away,

7 a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak,

8 a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.

In closing Lord, a verse from John 14:27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. AMEN

Chaplain Gary



WHAT MAKES THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY GREAT?

by James Eubanks | Jan 1, 2022

Have you ever given any thought about what makes The American Legion a great organization? If I was to list all the accomplishments and accolades of this organization, you would be amazed.

I'll get to the basics of what makes this organization what it is today.

This organization owes its greatness and success to its members — members that give up countless hours of their time to see that the job gets done. Regardless of their affiliation, Legionnaire, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of The American Legion, Legion rider or whether retired or still working, these amazing individuals always find the time to serve a greater good.

There is no task too small or too big for our members, there is always someone to see that the task is done. Do not underestimate the importance of a single member, whether they just pay their dues or are active within the post. Without membership dues, it would not be possible to support our programs. We all have a part to play and no one member is more important than another.

The mission of this organization is vastly misunderstood by those outside of it, but I can tell you those we help understand us and are grateful for that helping hand that was extended during their time of need. With the recent disastrous tornadoes in the Midwest, the [Legion's National Relief Fund](#) is a life saver. All of the families this Christmas that have received assistance thru our many Christmas assistance programs: Secret Santa, Toys for Tots to name a few understand what we stand for. There are many more programs, too many to mention.

It is the membership of the Legion family that makes it possible to have these programs and in turn, it's the membership that make this organization great. Thank you to all our members and I am grateful for all your hard work, you make me proud to be a Legion Family member.

James Eubanks is commander of the Sons of The American Legion Detachment of California 2021-2022.