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Post 555 Family

- June 16th Post Dinner will be served by the Auxiliary and will consist of Lasagna with garlic bread and salad for \$8
- June 25th Chili Cook-off with Live Music

THE AMERICAN LEGION **FAMILY**



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Good Day Legionnaires,

Today I want to talk about a great attribute, Loyalty. This is a noble quality in man. It is rare, but a loyal person is a valuable asset to anyone. He is faithful to the lawful body, sovereign or government under which he resides. Loyalty involves obedience, sacrifice and compassion in human character.

We should keep this in mind when we volunteer to do any service for the American legion, to our community or to any organization we choose to help.

Loyalty is a broad term. It may apply to a person, a family, a group, a locality, or a country. A loyal person bears a moral character and disciplined manners. He is honest and brave. He cannot be tempted to deviate from his path or virtue

Think of those that came before us; the loyalty they had for this country if it had not been for that determination and loyalty to this country who knows where we would be. Be true to the American Legion commit your voluntary services and sacrifice to what the American Legion goals are.

Please volunteer, whether it is one hour or 5 hours. Make that commitment to be loyal to our values and our way of life of the American Legion.

God bless you all and God Bless America.

Sincerely,

Commander

Jose A. Amezcua



Hello Legion Families,

As I close out my term as your Auxiliary President and step back from active participation for a while, I want to thank you all for an educational year. I appreciate all of the ladies I worked with and wish them the best.

Please offer President-elect Kay Hamby and her officers your support and helping hands.

Our Poppy fundraiser is going out in the mail, with a self addressed stamped envelope for you to send any donation you feel is right. Please support this effort for the benefit of the Veterans in our community and in our VA facilities.

Our dinner for June is lasagna, salad, and garlic bread.

My best wishes to all the new officers of the Legion, Sons, and Riders. Have a successful year.

Hope to see you soon at the Triple Nickel

Sandy Dashiell





CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

GodMornning men and women of the American Legion Post 555,

The Lord gave us a new day. Let's make a difference. Have you ever read the Bible? Most have but believe it or not there are those that think the world revolves around them and that they make the rules. They don't call it the "Good Book" for nothing. God is the same today as He was yesterday and will be the same tomorrow. I used to be the quarterback. I was bullet proof and I called the shots....after getting gang tackled in life a few times I gave the ball to our Lord and followed him. It was not a cake walk through this life BUT I was so relieved that it was not all about me.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that we may be thoroughly equipped for every good work that we do in the Legion, other service clubs, Family life, etc. I encourage you to read the Bible, learn from it, and trust in God's Word, which helps every believer focus on living God's way for a full, meaningful life. God's Word can be trusted because it is not the mere words of imperfect human beings; it is the truth of the eternal God himself.

Wouldn't it be nice to have an Advocate, Counselor, and Comforter that would be there exclusively for you? Once you accept Jesus in your heart, the Holy Spirit moves into your heart and is there for life. He will lead you into the truth. He will help you serve the Lord and others.

The Apostle Paul describes the Spirit's work as "God-breathed." Just as the Holy Spirit breathed life into the first human being (Genesis 2:7), so the Holy Spirit breathed into the work of the Bible's human authors, making the Scriptures full of life and giving all that we need for faithful living.

In closing for this month, this Bible verse in 2 Timothy 3:16-17 says it all: ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

GOD AND COUNTRY,

American Legion Riders/Son's Chaplain Gary Cordova

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Comrades,



Well June is here and so is the Detachment Convention, which means a very busy time of year. Squadron paperwork to be done, new membership cards and therefore membership dues. The per-capita for the Detachment will be going up to \$8.00 this year, making it a total of \$13.00 due to State and National combined. No need to worry yet, the squadrons dues are still high enough to cover it and I don't see a raise in the near future.

I need to address an issue from last month in which I missed the Squadron meeting, a crucial meeting at that. All I can do is say, is that I didn't realize it was the third Monday and because of that I was assisting with the Boys State dinner in Newport. Fortunately, George was there to take care of matters and while talking with him afterwards, he relayed the concern of some regarding my commitment to the squadron.

I do feel that I should at least make my case in this matter and before I proceed, I want to be clear that I am not responding from anger or hurt feelings. It is understandable to have the question asked, since this year I have missed several meetings due to schedule conflicts and last month's absence was inexcusable. So, I offer the following as an explanation:

Since I was asked to start this squadron near 10 years ago and of those 10 years it has been George and I working the program (thank God for George) and at times we have had others that tried. Unfortunately, either jobs or family situations have caused them to step away. When Marc has a chance to help, he does help us with dinners. I have stayed as Commander and George has stayed as 1st Vice, not because we crave power, but instead because no one wants to do the jobs. It is George and I that take care of the dinners, wrestling when we have it, go to the district meetings and keep the paperwork done. We are fortunate that Marc agreed to be Adjutant, which is a tremendous help

To be clear, I am not complaining about being the commander, but we have close to 90 members and maybe 10 – 15 members are active in the squadron. Comrades I have been and still am a very active member of the Legion family, this year happened to be my year as State commander, and it has unfortunately taken me away from my duties as squadron Commander and that I regret. I must say that this was also because no one has wanted to stay on the path to be squadron commander. (With exception of George and he will tell you he doesn't want it.)

Comrades there are many things that needs to be done in this organization and I will do what I can to make it better. There is Boys State, the Legion School Award, Oratorical, teaching, Ham radio, the Scouts and much more and although the squadron may not be interested in or able to participate, I am and do. My term as State Commander ends in June at Convention and my life will return to what I call normal, which will allow me to focus on the squadron more. I do hope that you understand that passing up the opportunity to improve the program and influence so many people, was an opportunity I had to take.

If the members of the squadron suffered because of it, I am truly sorry and I hope this puts things into perspective.

Thank You,

For God and Country

James Eubanks, Squadron Commander

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**American Legion Riders
 Chapter 555
 Annual Poker Run
 &
 4th Annual Marlene
 Flores Chili Cook-Off**

Please see sign up flyer for
 info - Cook-Off Entry \$25

When:	Saturday, June 25 th 2022
Where:	American Legion Post 555 14582 Beach Blvd., Midway City, CA 92655
Times:	Cookers - Registration 7:00am to 7:30am Cooking - 8am to 12:00pm Riders - Registration 8:30am last bike out 9:30am Tasting 12pm to 3pm or till it's gone



House chili and Cornbread \$8



Live Music by Whiskey Hayride
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 • Vendors • Prizes



Chili Cook-Off Contest Prizes

1 st Place \$150.00	3 rd Place \$50.00
2 nd Place \$75.00	Chapter Challenge \$100.00

High / Low Hand Winners
 \$25 Riders, \$20 Passenger
 \$10 Extra Hand