



## Post 555 Newsletter

March 2024



### Commander's Corner

Good day Fellow Legionnaires.

Welcome to March,

March 1 – 7 is invest in Veterans week, Let's come down to the Post and invest in ourselves. Let's get together celebrate our Family, Friends that have gone through the deployments with Us.

February was a good month; we had some good times and good dinners with our family and friends.



### Squadron's Corner

Greetings,

Well February turned out to be a good month for us regarding fund raising, but not such a good month for renewals. I want to start off with the good news and that is that we had a successful Wrestling event (a packed house). When we have a full house, the bar generally does good and this way we both benefit. We also had a very successful Thursday night dinner, thank you to the Sons that put it on. I

March the weather will start warming up. Which means more outside activities, like BBQs and picnics with family and friends. Remember to check our BBQs before use, they have been sitting outside all winter.

The first day of Spring is usually the 20th day of March. Come on down to the Post and enjoy the first spring dinner with Tostadas made by the Auxiliary ladies.

March 17th is St. Patrick's Day, and national corned beef day. I am opening the Post Club House at 10am to celebrate the day.

For God and Country.

Randy Jones  
Commander

“As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands — one for helping yourself, the other for helping others.” — Audrey Hepburn

Coming event: Marlene Flores, Memorial Chili Cookoff - May 11, 2024



## Auxiliary's Corner

Hello Everyone,

The Ides of March is upon us, let us look forward to all the exciting things that will be going on with the Auxiliary:

The ALA Leprechauns want to wish everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day, so get your Green

was unable to attend due to a family emergency, but they handled it very well.

Now the only bad news is for those that haven't renewed their membership, as of February 1st your membership is considered to be expired. What does this mean for you? It means you no longer have access to the Social Quarters; you are no longer covered by the supplemental insurance that the Legion provides, you may no longer file a claim for the Legion Emergency Relief Fund in case of an emergency. What this also means is that you are in danger of losing your continuous years and if the Squadron so choose you could be made to apply for membership all over again.

My intent is not to threaten you, but as a member you need to know the consequences of your failing to renew your membership. I encourage you to renew as soon as you can, we wish to still have you as a member, you are valuable to us.

This month is going to be a busy month, the Department has their Executive Committee meeting in Santa Maria on the 17th through the 19th. The Area 5 meeting is being held at 555 on the 23rd and 24th and it will include VSO training and Parliamentary classes held on Saturday. Also, the Post is planning on doing some house cleaning and building maintenance and they have asked for some assistance. I will put the word out as soon as I know the dates and scope, I hope to see some of you there lending a hand.

As always, stay healthy and be prosperous.  
For God and Country,

James Eubanks  
Squadron 555 Commander

on Ladies.

Interviews continue in March for Girls State/Nation, we will be interviewing the (eligible high school juniors) from La Quinta H.S., one of the three schools we are sponsoring.

The California Auxiliary Dept. President **Glenda Schultz** is possibly coming to our district in April, details to follow. Also coming in April is the "Month of the Military Child". All ideas to support and celebrate military children and their parents during "Month of the Military Child" are welcome.

We really appreciate all of you who always come to support us for our dinners. We welcome every member to join us and participate in the kitchen once in a while to help prepare, cook, or serve. These dinners are our way to helping our veterans.

**Tuesday, March 5, 2024**

\* Auxiliary Meeting - 6:00 pm

**Thursday, March 7, 2024**

\* Dinner - Tostada Bowl - 5:30 pm

**Thursday, March 21, 2024**

\* Dinner - Meatball sandwich, potato salad, pickle and dessert - 5:30 pm

For God and Country,

Kay Hamby  
Auxiliary President



### **Legion Rider's Corner**

Hello All,



### **Rider's/Sons Chaplain Corner**

GodMorning, Spring is knocking on the door and Summer Time is right behind it. I hope you are all doing well in this Chapter of your lives.... Remember, the Bible says take one day at a time. And one Ride at a time.

How many of you worked with the earth at one time of your life? There is a lot of greenery out there from trees to plants to veggies, etc. Have you ever heard of the Devine Gardner? He is our Creator. This passage in John 15:5 says it all: "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing".

I hope you understand that verse. Feel free to call me if you would like to discuss this or anything else. If you or someone or something needs a prayer, this is what I do.... please call, text or email me.

Our 555 has been slowly but surely growing. Our Karaoke night was a full house, the food and drinks were plentiful. Our 555 Riders 1st Breakfast was a huge success! We served over 80 hungry individuals. The meal was well worth \$10. Our next Breakfast will be even bigger and better and it will be coming in April.

I am working on getting an Awesome Band over here soon. You'll be hearing about it in the near future. Music, Dancing, Breaking bread together and having a beverage = Joy. We welcome any suggestions or ideas you may have to gather us together.

The Riders had their first Saturday breakfast at the Post. We had a great turnout. I would like to thank the Riders who helped, as well as their better halves. Stay tuned for further dates posted on Facebook and possible flyers.

The Riders Chili Cookoff/Poker run is May 11th. If you are interested in helping out or cooking chili, please see one of the riders. Chili must be cooked on site.

Rider T-shirts and challenge coins sold at the bar. Oh, and remember to support one another. That's why we are here.

Nominations/elections are coming up, so get involved.

See you at the Post.

Brad "Earp" Wade  
ALR Director



May our Lord be with you, guide you and keep you in the Light.

God Bless America,

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## Webmaster's Corner

Greetings Post 555,

Lots of great dinners coming up in March, so plan on joining us.

Please visit our Post 555 website:

<http://www.americanlegionpost555.com>

and 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.

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Post 555 Webmaster