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### **POST 555 OFFICERS**

Tim Dusina, Commander
Adam Crawford, First Vice Commander
Len Guillen, Second Vice Commander
Charlie Bates, E-Board
Ed Sedlak, E-Board
Lee Lieberg, E-Board
Andy Timko, Adjutant
Antony 'Doc' Adams, Finance Officer
Jim Sewell, Judge Advocate
James Costere, Sergeant at Arms
Gene Lucier, Assistant Sgt, at Arms
Bill Seibert, Chaplain
Charlie Bates, Historian
Dan Hayden, Service Officer

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Kokoe Estrada, President Kay Hamby, First Vice Yvonne Zweifel, Second Vice Sherrie Fisher, Treasurer Kim Martin-Adams, Secretary Eveline Sifuentes, Chaplain

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James Eubanks, Commander George Willis, First Vice Nick Eustace, Second Vice James Eubanks, Acting Treasurer George Willis, Acting Adjutant Mike Eustace, Sergeant at Arms Not yet appointed, Chaplain Rudy Gonzales, E-Board

### On the Cover: Legion Family Collection

There is an element of every member of the Post 555 Family in this month's cover photo. How many items can you identify on the front cover?

Each of these items depicted

represent the Post 555 Legion Family. Post 555 takes great pride in all that we do, from the activities happening at the Post, the Post Improvement projects, and our on site displays.



### AMERICAN LEGION ALBERT E. SCHWAB - POST 555

Tim Dusina Post Commander

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### Veterans Crisis Line

If you are a Veteran, or know of a Veteran in need, Confidential support is available: Veterans Crisis Line: (800) 273-TALK (8255), (Press 1); Text 838255. A VCL responder will text back; Chat online by visiting Vets.gov Or visit www.veteranscrisisline.net

### **POST 555 PUB HOURS**

MONDAY 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM
TUESDAY 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM
WEDNESDAY 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM
THURSDAY 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM
FRIDAY 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM
SATURDAY 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM
SUNDAY 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM
\*HOURS POSTED EXTEND IF BUSY\*



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Top Row: Newly elected Post officers stand tall, getting ready to be sworn in for the 2017-2018 term. Can you name all of our new officers?; Newly elected Auxiliary officers being sworn in; Chaplain Andy standing next to Andy R. and Martha H., who are installing our officers. 2nd Row ALR Chapter 555 newly elected officers (April 2017); SAL Squadron taking their oaths; Legionnaires watching the installation ceremony. 3rd Row Post officers taking the oath for the 2017-2018 term; Auxiliary 2nd Vice Yvonne Zweifel and Post Asst. Sgt. @ Arms and ALR Sgt. @ Arms Gene Lucier pose for a photo opp. 4th Row Post 1st Annual Rummage Sale; Post donation to the Vietnam Veterans of America—Click here to read more about what VVA does; The Young Marines during the Post Flag Ceremony; Row 5: Charter Member Mick Lorito gives us the 'thumbs up' while he prepares dinner for a Wednesday Night dinner; SAL member Steven Fipp, Chapter 555 Charter Member Marlene Flores, Members Laura, and Kokoe pose for a quick photo during a Thursday Night Dinner event; Young Marines stand proud during the Post Flag Ceremony.

# Marlene Flores INTERIOR DESIGN mtligresint@aol.com 714.848.9774

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### MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER

Fellow Legionnaires, I am both proud and honored to be representing Post 555 as your Commander for a 2nd term. In this 2017-2018 term we continue with our progress on making our Post great again.

We will maintain our momentum on the Post Improvement Project. This includes completion of the Storage Room Project, kitchen reorganization and much needed maintenance, and bar reconfiguration.

We will also keep recruiting new members to join the Legion, and continue to encourage existing members to visit The Post and participate in more of our activities.

This year, I am looking forward to hosting

more Post events, attending inter-post events as well, and including the local businesses and community.

Our new Post Service Officer, Dan Hayden joins the Post Family to provide a valuable service to our post family for (Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation) VA&R. Charlie Bates signs on as our Post Historian and will be helping share and build our Post history.

Congratulations to all of the new and returning Post Officers: Adam Crawford - 1st Vice Commander, Len Guillen – 2nd Vice, Charlie Bates, Ed Sedlak, and Lee Lieberg on the Eboard, Andy Timko – Adjutant, Doc Adams – Finance Officer, James Costere – Sergeant at Arms, Gene Lucier – Assistant Sergeant at Arms, Bill



Seibert – Chaplain, Charlie Bates – Historian, and Dan Hayden – Service Officer

Together with the Post Family, we will achieve all of our goals, making this Post a place that everyone can be proud of!

Tim Dusina Post Commander For God and Country

### Next Meeting: monday, june 12th 7:00 pm

### THE CHAPLAIN'S PULPIT

To start have you ever wondered how fast time goes by? It seems like it was the first of 2017 now were almost half way. Well good news again: we are Blessed at this time of my report we haven't had any member pass on to the Post Everlasting. Like I always have said, I know it is very difficult to get news to others when a Loved one has passed on to the Post Everlasting, and I even have a hard time reporting it. But please if you can let me know so we can Honor that very important Brother or Sister.

Lest we forget they paid the ultimate price they handed us the torch of freedom to carry on. Please don't forget this is very important for us to remember. Let us promise ourselves to do all we can everyday starting today, to express our appreciation for what our fallen and surviving veterans have given us at so great a personal cost. (Amen)

Please reach out and help out any veteran who has fallen on hard times, they need our support it's the lest we can do. (God Bless) God Bless America and the American Legion Family Definitely our great Troops.

For God and Country Please stay Alert and Healthy Amen



Andy Timko Post 555 Chaplain & Adjutant







AMERICAN LEGION POST 555 PRESENTS:

4th THURSDAY

DINNER

NIGHT

Thursday, June 22nd @ 5:30 PM

All proceeds go to Veterans Programs

NO DINNER
THIS WEEK!

SUPPORT YOUR VETERANS - EAT OUT TONIGHT

### HISTORICAL NOTES

Post 555-A brief History

While compiling historical information for the 75th Anniversary event that was held March 23, 2013, I would like to provide a brief history of our Post.

Fortunately, our Post has kept a couple scrap books beginning since the (1938). There is one that provides a chronological history from 1938-1950s. This book is filled with newspaper articles. However, when articles were saved in the scrap book, they failed to include dates. One can get an general idea when significant historical events were occurring. Reading those articles gave a clear

picture of the events which started Post 555. Most significant is a summary of minutes from 1938-1948. This summary showed the struggles and achievements the Post was going through during those years.

There are also complete copies of the "Westminster Gazette".

During those times, communities were growing and the Post was growing with them. The community embraced the Post as a contributor to the community and a place where our returning servicemen would belong and become part of the community. It must have been exciting and challenging to be part

of this history in the making.

Below are highlights of history of our Post. I invite all members to check out the scrap book-it's a treasure.

1938-1940s

Post 555 Midway City was started in February 1938 and became chartered on March 22, 1938. The first Commander was Robert Keller. They began with 18 members, 12 as charter members. At that time without a hall they used the city community center for its meetings.

The Auxiliary was chartered the same year and its first President was

1950's

Robert Keller's wife.

There was a tradition started by the Tustin Post, that any new Post that was started in Orange County would be first considered as a "Baby Post" in which a baby kit was provided; diapers, milk bottle, rattle and safety pins. Seal Beach Post was the first, Costa Mesa Post the second. If

2001

### **Timeline: A Brief History of Our Post**



**1938-1940's** 



On May 30, 1950, the building was officially dedicated as Post 555 American Legion Hall.



Post 555 was renamed Albert E. Schwab American Legion Post 555 after Private First Class Albert E. Schwab, USMC Medal of Honor.

### HISTORICAL NOTES

no other Post started by Jan- The exact date that they Post 555 American Legion uary 1, 1940, the kit would be moved in is not clear. returned to Tustin Post. It turned out it was returned to It was interesting that they Post 555 was renamed Albert Tustin.

In 1946 it was moved in piec- plan. es to its current location. 1950s-Post meetings were held in On May 30, 1950, the buildthe new building after 1946. ing was officially dedicated as Sons of American Legion-

had planned on a complete E. Schwab American Legion recreation center surrounding Post 555 after Private First The current property was the Post; Tennis and handball Class Albert E. Schwab, purchased in 1938. Post 555 courts, horseshoe pits and a USMC Medal of Honor. had purchased a recreation softball diamond all for the 2006-2007 building from Standard Oil of public to enjoy. Not sure In 2006, Chapter 555, Ameri-Huntington Beach for \$500, what happened with that can Legion Riders was

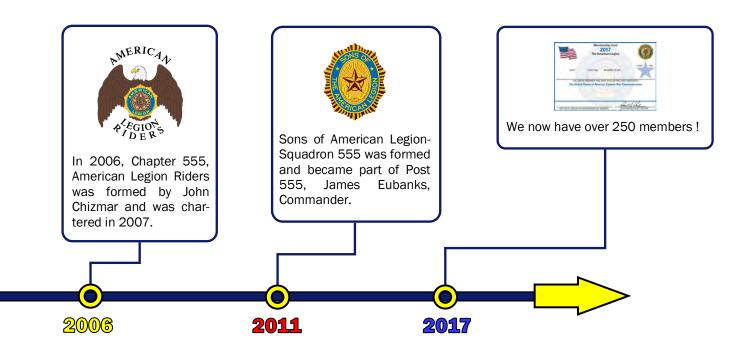
Hall. 2001

formed by John Chizmar and was chartered in 2007.

Squadron 555 was formed and became part of Post 555, James Eubanks, Commander.

We now have over 241 members which exceeds our goal. We all should be proud of this accomplishment and part of the history of this post.

**Charlie Bates** Historian For God and Country





Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

For those of you that I haven't met, my name is Dan Hayden. I joined the Legion in January of this year after giving up 32 vears of continuous membership in the Fleet Reserve Association. I was the past secretary and the youth activities chairman for Orange County Branch 175. When I transferred membership to this post, the post commander asked me if I would be the Post Service Officer, due to my experience and involvement with the FRA. I accepted the assignment and have already supplied some veteran's resources materials for the publications table. There are some of my business cards there also with my cell phone #

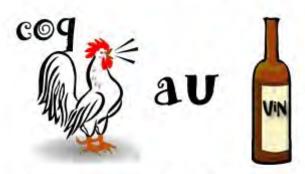
### **PSO's CORNER**

and email address. Feel free to call or email me with any questions you have regarding veterans resources and I will do my best to assist you. I am glad I chose this post and look forward to serving you.

Dan Hayden **Post Service Officer** For God and Country AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 555 PRESENTS:

Chef Marlene's

## Friday Night Special Dinher



Pronounced "Coke aww veeyun":

A Classic French Dish of Baked Chicken & Vegetables in wine



Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM LIVE MUSIC!

### **AUXILIARY UNIT 555**



Hello and Greetings to All,

It is my privilege and honor to serve for a 2nd term as the Auxiliary Unit 555 President. I am proud to say that we had a very successful 2016-2017 year in terms of Girls State, Poppies, VA&R, National Security, Americanism, and especially Membership (113%!). We received awards and accolades for Leadership, and Americanism; recognition from the VA Long Beach's PIER Program, Transition Program, Volunteer Services; St. Jude Hospital, and St. Francis Home. Our unit has worked hard for our accomplishments this past term, and we should be

proud of our achievements!

For this 2017-2018 year, let's continue the teamwork and keep moving forward and upward to achieve our goals. Let us put our differences aside to work towards our mission. Together, we are unstoppable and our accomplishments are limitless.

I would like to fill our many Committee Chairs, and work hard to achieve our goals this year, particularly with VA&R, Children & Youth, Education, Public Relations, and Leadership. Let's continue actively recruiting new members, and engage our existing membership.

Our officers for the 2017-2018 term are Kay Hamby – 1st Vice, Yvonne Zweifel – 2nd Vice, Sherrie Fisher – Treasurer, Kim Martin-Adams – Secretary, Eveline Sifuentes – Chaplain, Naoko Gorsuch – Historian. Samm "Squeaky" Adams will be sworn in as Jr. Auxiliary President at our June monthly meeting. Welcome and thank you for stepping up to keep our unit active and successful.

I look forward to a productive and fun year with the Post Family!

Our 3rd Thursday dinner will be Chicken Bowls with Broccoli Florets. Please stop in for dinner and help us support our veteran programs.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday June 6th at 7:00 pm.

Kokoe Estrada Unit 555 President For God and Country



Auxiliary Unit 555 Preamble

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to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations during 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 participate in and contribute to the accomplishment of the aims and purposes of The American Legion;

to consecrate and sanctify our association by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.









### AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 555



### ALR 555 Preamble

For God and Country, we associate ourselves as members of the American Legion Family, constituting the American Legion Riders for the following 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 participate in parades and other ceremonies which are in keeping with the aims and purposes of the American Legion;

to promote motorcycle safety education programs and to provide a social atmosphere for American Legion Family members with the same motorcycle interests;

To consecrate and sanctify our association by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

This has been a month of activity for the Chapter. We sent a Delegation to Hollister to represent our interests at the ALR/DOC Convention. We'll get a report on what was done at our May meeting. While our delegation was up north, we had our monthly meeting and after meeting ride to Walker's in San Pedro for lunch. A good turn out for both the meeting and the ride.

We had the honor of escorting the mother of a Post family member to her final resting place from Ling Beach to Forest Lawn Cemetery in Cerritos. Funeral escorts are sad, yet fulfilling, knowing that we are showing the families their loved one is honored. The honor is, in reality, ours. Thanks to Sam, Doc and the Roots for joining me.

Chapter 555 was also in attendance at the Flag Retirement conducted at Post 555 by the Young Marines. The young people did a fantastic job, showing honor to the symbol of our Nation as several flags were properly retired. I was happy to see so many Riders at the event, but wish more could have come.

I take this opportunity to reach out to our membership and ask what, if anything, you think can get more member involvement. Not just coming to meetings, but participation in Post events. I was given an excellent suggestion for getting ride participation up. More on that at the next meeting. Bring your ideas and let us know what you want from your Chapter. Congratulations to all the Post, Auxiliary and Son's



Officers who were inducted at the Post meeting in May. I'd like to thank Commander Tim Dusina for the opportunity to introduce our Chapter Officers, who were inducted at our March meeting.

I hope to have information on our Annual Poker Run in next month's article. Keep an eye out for it!

For God and Country Jim Sewell President



## NOOS

Proud possessors of a priceless heritage, we male descendants of veterans of the Great Wars, associate ourselves together as "Sons of The American Legion" for the following purposes:

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America:

to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a true spirit of Americanism;

to preserve the memories of our former members and the associations of our members and our forefathers 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 good will on earth;

to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy:

to consecrate and sanctify our friendship, by our devotion to mutual helpfulness;

to adopt in letter and spirit, all of the great principles for which The American Legion stands:

and to assist in carrying on for God and Country.

### SAL SQUADRON 555

Comrades,

I wish to thank the members for once again choosing me as your Commander, and I want to thanks the returning Officers for their support as well. Anyone who has been in a position of leadership knows all too well that you are only as good as your team and I have a great Team. We made over 100% again this year with over 80 members and I have to say it couldn't have been done without the help of the members and especially without George Willis (Our 1st Vice) running point.

This month marks the first time the Sons will be hosting Wrestling again in some time, and it would be great to see some support from the Sons there. The Wrestling has been a good fund



raiser for the Sons, but if we don't get more support we are in danger of losing this Golden Goose. The turnout has been primarily from the promoter's followers and he has expressed a desire to no longer put on the event here if attendance doesn't improve. So I ask for your support, after all it's a fun time for very little money.

Convention is this month and there will be a

lot of new things coming our way, it should be another good year for the Detachment. I will see you at the meeting in July, since we are dark in June.

Also look for the Wrestling flyer in this month's newsletter, the event is June 3rd.

Thank You,
James A Eubanks
Commander S.A.L.
Sqd.555

### Next Meetings MONDAY, JUNE 19th 7:00 PM



14582 Beach Blvd., Midway City, CA

### Post 555 Proudly Sponsors Boy Scout Troop 314





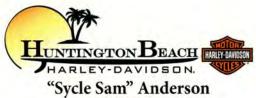
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BELL TIME AT 6PM / PRES-SALE TICKETS ARE \$10 / \$15 AT THE DOOR.

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Want to place an ad? Email 555.marauder@gmail.com

FOR SALE: Genuine Harley-Davidson Mesh jacket.

Medium Ultra lightweight and highly breathable. Includes genuine HD EN1621/1 T-Pro CE Type B armor pads for the shoulders and forearms.

Like new: \$90.00

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FOR SALE: When our Marine Corps League Detachment move into Post #555, we adopted Stella as our Mascot, and I ordered a

custom made Marine uniform for her. Unfortunately, before she could ever wear it, Stella was lost to us. If anyone has a Bull Dog and would like to purchase the uniform it is available. We paid \$135.00 to have it made, but I will let it go for \$100.00. Contact Commandant Gerald D. Hardig, at (714) 538-6063 (Home) or (714) 337-2509 (Cell), or e-mail at gerald.hardig@gmail.com



**FOR SALE:** WE HAVE ORGANIC SPAGHETTI FOR SALE FOR \$1/LB. PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE POST IMPROVEMENT FUND. WEDNESDAYS AT THE BAR. SEE SANDY FOR DETAILS.

**WANTED:** New white socks, for men and women. Looking to send several pair to the patients at VA Long Beach. Also looking to send several pair to unit detachment in Iraq. Also seeking protein, beef jerky, baby wipes, skin so soft spray. Drop box at the Post near POW / MIA table.

### **SELL YOUR ITEMS HERE!**

Want to make a few extra dollars? Looking to buy, sell, or trade? List it all right here - Your post is free, and is a great way to advertise among your post family members and friends!



AMERICAN LEGION ALBERT E. SCHWAB POST 555 PRESENTS

### COMMANDER'S

# STEAK NICHT



SATURDAY, JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 5:00 PM

MEAL INCLUDES: GARLIC MASHED POTATOES - SALAD - DESSERT



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PRESALE \$17 AT THE DOOR

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AMERICAN LEGION POST 555 PRESENTS:

## 5th THURSDAY DINNER NIGHT

Thursday, June 29th @ 5:30 PM



Special Tonight:
The Commander's
Spaghetti & Meat Sauce
With Garlic Bread
And Salad

SUPPORT YOUR VETERANS - EAT OUT TONIGHT

## THE MARAUDER Back

Drop us a line at 555.marauder@gmail.com and we will add you in!



June 2017 (55)								3
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	June 22–25: American Legion 2017 Department of CA Annual Convention Riverside, CA			NATION FLAG W June 11	EEK	ALR 1st Thurs Dinner 5:30 PM	2 ALR FRIDAY Karaoke Night 7:00 PM	SAL 3 OCCW Wrestling 6:00 PM
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	Post 555 Family June Birthdays  Randall Brown Jaxine Martin James Costere Robert McCray Tim Dusina Milton Redding Danny Hansen Donald "Reb" Sand James Heil Stefani Weber—Lag  Happy Birthday!			lers		UPCOMING EVENTS: July 4: Post BBQ Party & Potluck September 30:  UPCOMING EVENTS:  Gre visible  traumadissociation.com  #ptsd #PTSDawarenessmonth		cisible ociation.com
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