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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OCTOBER 2016

MESSAGE FROM YOUR COMMANDER

Fellow Legionnaires,

September proved to be a productive month: we got the sinkhole in the parking lot patched and finalized. We got bids for and made our selection for a pest control company. We got bids for the ceiling repair, cleaned out the alley between the main hall and the annex, moved the shed to the northwest side of the annex, and made several needed repairs around the post. Thank you all for your continued support. Riderst the annex and the support. Riderst the annex and made several needed repairs around the post. Thank you all for your continued support. Riderst the annex and post. Thank you all for your continued support. Riderst the annex and post. Riderst the annex and made several needed repairs around the post. Thank you all for your continued support. Riderst the annex and post the annex and made several needed repairs around the post. Thank you all for your continued support. Riderst the annex and post the annex and post the annex and made several needed repairs around the post. Thank you all for your continued support. Riderst the annex and post the annex and post the annex and post the annex and post the annex and made several needed repairs around the post the annex and post the annex and

The Post Improvement Fund is up to just over \$5500! Our GoFundMe website (https://www.gofundme.com/ post555) is always online if you want to make a donation or tell a friend!

All of the Post Family gathered for our 9/11 Ceremony, which made this event all the more special. We had a Meatloaf Dinner on the 19th, which sold 34 dinners and earned the Post Improvement Fund \$285. A big Thank You **Upcoming** Monday, Octowill be having dinner. Dinner on the 19th, which sold 34 dinners and earned the Post Improvement Fund \$285. A big Thank You

goes out to Tony & Karen Rizollo, and Skip for donating time and food, and for cooking! Thanks to our volunteers as well.

News. The Post is The Place to Be on Fridays! ALR Friday – is our Happy Hour and Potluck Night – everyone is always invited! Stop in and enjoy a few with your favorite Riders!

Karaoke is in the Main Building on Friday Evenings at 7:00 PM – Stop in and sing a few songs and have some fun! I would like to introduce Line Dancing which is happening in the Annex also on Fridays. If you are interested in learning, there are **FREE LESSONS** starting at 6:30 PM, regular line dancing to follow.

Upcoming Events. On Monday, October 10th, we will be having our Early Bird dinner. Dinner is Free for PUFL and early dues payment (bring your post ID) and \$7 for all others.

On Saturday, October 15th For God and Country



the Riders are having a 10th Anniversary Oktoberfest – with live music, German beer, and bratwurst! All the Post Family is invited – let's show our support for our brothers and sisters!

On Saturday, October 29th, we are having a Post Halloween Costume Party – so get your spooky, creative, and spectacular costumes ready for some drinks, dancing, and fun!

Tim Dusina Post Commander For God and Country



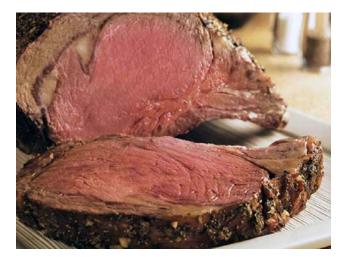
Special Dates Observed in October: Oct. 3 - Rosh Hashanah Oct. 10 - Columbus Day Oct. 12 - Yom Kippur Oct. 13 - Navy Birthday Oct. 26 - Nat'l Day of the Deployed Oct. 31- Halloween



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Post 555 Prime Rib Dinner Saturday, Nov. 19 5:30 PM

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ALL POST FAMILY are invited!

Location: Albert E. Schwab Post 555 - 14582 Beach Blvd., Midway City, CA

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AUXILIARY UNIT 555



Hello, and Greetings to All,

This past September was a special month because on 9/11 the Post had its first truly All Post Family Event. The Legionnaires, Auxiliary, Sons, and the ALR worked together to put forth a very touching ceremony for all Halloween Party on 10/29, 3rd Monto enjoy and be a part of. I would like to thank ALR 555/Unit 295's Kim and Squeaky for being a big part of making this event successful!

News: Taco Thursdays concluded at the end of September 2016. We had a good run, but are ready to try out something new - stay tuned. I'd like to give a shout out to the Taco Thursday crew regulars and special guests: Kat, Kay, Naoko, Rita, Allene, TJ, Debi, Kim, Squeaky. Thank you for all your hard work and team spirit each week making Thursdays a success!

Get involved: This month I would like to focus on working effectively as part of the Post Family. There are several events happening



like to see Auxiliary member support both behind the scenes (organizing, coordinating, helping out where needed), and also in attendance & having a good time at these events.

ALR Oktoberfest on 10/15, All Post day dinners every month... these are just a few of the upcoming events that will benefit from Auxiliary support. Remember, this is our post, and we are all in this for the same reasons. Member participation is what makes Post 555 successful - Let's get out there and make ourselves known!

Memberships: It's time for membership renewals - let's get our renewals in on time so we can meet our 2017 membership goals! If you have any questions, please contact any officer or send us an email at unit555ALA@gmail.com.

The Auxiliary is always looking for new members as well! If you are a female, have a relative who served on active duty during one of the mem-



also a member of The American Legion, you may join the American Legion Women's Auxiliary. If the qualifying Veteran is deceased you may still join the Women's Auxiliary, even if the qualifying Veteran was not a member of The American Legion when living. Speak with any officer for details about signing up!

Kokoe Estrada **President Unit 555**



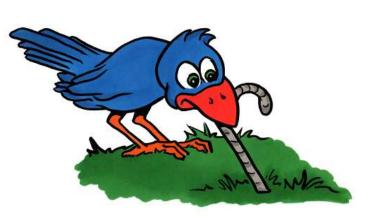
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Post 555 Early Bird Dinner

Monday, Oct. 10 5:00 PM

FREE for PUFL & all who have paid 2017 dues!! (Bring your Post 555 membership card.)



\$7 IF YOU HAVE NOT & IF NOT WHY NOT?

Location: Albert E. Schwab Post 555 14582 Beach Blvd., Midway City, CA

POST 555 THANKSGIVING DAY Dinner Thurs., Nov. 24





Location: Albert E. Schwab Post 555 14582 Beach Blvd., Midway City, CA Turkeys will be provided by George & Maureen

Proceeds will be donated to Alzheimer's Research and could be helping one of our own VETERANS HELPING VETERANS



American Legion Riders CHAPTER 555

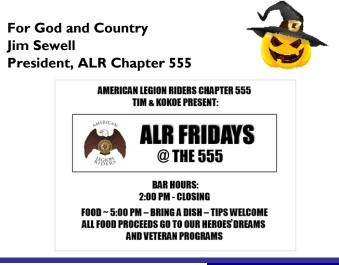


It has been a busy month for Chapter 555. On Saturday, August 27, we had a Tri-Tip BBQ and invited our Post family. The BBQ was a "Thank you" to the Post for our ten-year partnership in veteran affairs. There was no charge for the event, but thanks to the generously filled donation jar, the cost was covered, and we might have actually put a couple bucks in the bank. I want to thank all of our Chapter members who pitched in to help out. Nothing can be done without volunteers.

On Sunday, September 11, several members met at the Post for a day of riding to various 9/11 events in the County. Our first stop was at HB Harley Davidson, the start point of a ride put on by a First Responder Firefighter motorcycle club. We did not participate in the ride, but did want to say hello and offer a little support. From there we rode to the City of Placentia and visited the Global War on Terror Memorial Wall. You may remember the wall in our Post parking lot for the 75th Anniversary celebration of Post 555. It is always a moving experience. Sadly, many more names have been added since the weekend it was at Post 555. We then headed back to the Huntington Beach Civic Center for the dedication of the city's 9/11 memorial. The dedication was very well done and included the raising of a flag that had flown over the new WTC I building, speeches, a flyover of several Orange County Department helicopters, solo bagpipe playing "Amazing Grace" and concluded with echo taps. It was a highlight of our day, and I am so happy it was on our ride plan that our Vice President Len Guillen put together. Our final stop was back at the Post for our ceremony in remembrance of that terrible day fifteen years ago. We gathered at the flag pole and then to the curb where we stood, flags and candles in hand, many of the passing motorists honking their horns in support. When we returned inside, our Post Commander, Tim asked me and Jim Eubanks from the Sons of the American Legion to say a few words. Jim read the poem, "Daddy's Day." Please look it up and read it yourself. Cake was served and our long day in the saddle was over.

On Saturday, September 24, we started our meeting early. We had two new members to bring into the Chapter, Bill Bousema, a Son from 291, and Ed Sedlak, a well known Post 555 Legionnaire. Both are welcome. Ed has been a friend of the Chapter for a long time. It's nice to have him finally join. Jeff and Steve now have another Goldwing buddy. After the meeting, the big event of the year, our Annual Poker Run was a huge success. TI Conway headed the event and did a fantastic job. I think I can safely say, everyone in attendance had a good time. All of the run stops were great hosts. Lunch from loe lost's was really good. We had a ton of raffle prizes and many happy people walked away with some good stuff. Sandy was busy in the bar serving cold beverages to many thirsty riders all day. I'll not disclose here the amount we will be giving to the Our Heroes' Dreams organization, but I will say I think they will be pretty happy. I am very much looking forward to calling TJ up on stage when we present the check to them at the 10th Anniversary Oktoberfest on October 15th. Low hand winner Charlie Bates donated his winnings back, as did 50/50 winner TJ Conway!

As just mentioned, our Chapter's 10th Anniversary Oktoberfest celebration will be on October 15th. Join us and just have some fun!















CAN YOU GUESS WHO THIS IS??? He is one of our Veteran members.

See Sandy when she's bartending and submit your guess! The first 3 correct guesses WIN A FREE DRINK!!!

Featured member & family are not eligible for the free drink. :)

<u>Previous months' Blasts from the Past:</u> August: James "Woody" Woodyard September: Gene Lucier



SAVE THE DATE

The 4th Annual

Cook Of

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Live Music & Dancing Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place Chili **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** All Chili Chefs Welcome!

"3rd Monday" Dinner

WHEN? Monday, Oct. 17 5:30 p.m.

Proceeds benefit Post 555 Building Improvement Fund

> **Dinner prepared &** donated by: EACH ST BAGEL NOWICHES 12505 Beach Blvd., A 3 Stanton, CA 90680

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EVERY SATURDAY South parking lot of LOCATION: Post 555

Post 555 14582 Beach Blvd. Midway City, CA \$5 from every car wash will be donated to the AMERICAN LEGION POST 555



CHALLENGE A FRIEND TO A FUN GAME OF DARTS!!

HOURS:

WEEKDAYS SATURDAY SUNDAY

2PM - AT LEAST 7PM* NOON - AT LEAST 6PM* CLOSED



Post 555 Bartenders are all Volunteers, giving of their time. Please show your appreciation.

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

<u>OPEN TILL AT LEAST 9PM</u> WHEN SANDY, TIM & KOKOE ARE BARTENDING & ON TACO NIGHT WITH ED

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BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Vince Agor Sam Anderson Michael Canfield Jim Cartwright Ronald Faucett William Fry Aaron Hafer James Kinnu James Lewis Peter Lofthus Charles Mitchell Jr. Loann Nguyen-Rull David Rodriguez Brieon Russell Duane Spain Tim Waterhouse Duane White James Woodyard Ralph Yore



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!)



OCTOBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Pinochle @ 12	3	4 Auxiliary 7pm	5 40/8 - 7pm	6	7 ALR Night, Karaoke, Line Dancing, Happy Hour & Potluck	8 Bar Opens at Noon Sat.
9 Pinochle @ 12	10 Early Bird Dinner 5pm	11	12 Marine Corps League 7:30pn	13	14 ALR Night Karaoke, Line Dancing, Happy Hour & Potluck	15 Bar Opens at Noon Sat. Oktoberfest 12-Close
16 Pinochle @ 12	17 Spaghetti & Meatballs 5:30PM Sons (SAL) E-Board 6:30pm Sons Mtg 7pm	18	19	20 Hunters Gun Club 5pm	21 ALR Night Karaoke, Happy Hour & Potluck No Line Dancing	22 Bar Opens at Noon Sat. ALR 8:30am
23 Pinochle @ 12	24 Big Band Music, Dancing & Pizza 7:30-9:30pm	25	26	27 Corvette Club 7:30pm	28 ALR Night Karaoke, Line Dancing, Happy Hour & Potluck	29 Bar Opens at Noon Sat. Halloween Party
30 Pinochle @ 12	31 Halloween			THIS MONTH'S SPECIAL EVENTS: Oct. 10 - Early Bird Dinner		
Upcoming Events - Mark your calendar: November 19 - Prime Rib Dinner November 24 - Thanksgiving Day Dinner			Oct. 15 - Oktoberfest Oct. 17 - "3rd Monday" Dinner - Spaghetti & Meatballs Oct. 24 - Big Band Music & Dancing Oct. 29 - Halloween Party! NEW!! Karaoke Fridays & Line Dancing!!			

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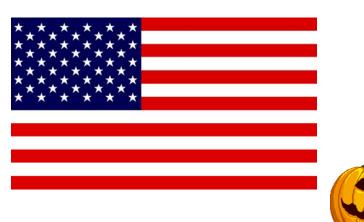
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