



## Post 555 Newsletter

### September 2023



#### Commander's Corner

Hello fellow Legionnaires & Post Family,

Our Post clean-up day was a success. When you see our volunteers that made this happen, please make sure you say "thank you" to them for the hard work they did for our Post. These hard-working volunteers are Bob T, Ed Sedlak (Spicy), Andy, Russ, Brad, Debbie W, Charlie, Maria W, Shirley, Allyson, Evan, Dennis, Maria H, Rita, Elise, and Harvey. It was



#### Rider's/Sons Chaplain Corner

No-one gets out alive.....rough words but true. This is why we take life a day at a time and we do the best we can. It's always good getting rid of the me, me, me song and focusing on putting into action how we can serve others. Yes, sometimes it is challenging because a basic trait we all have as humans is to focus on ourselves. Jesus came to serve not be served.

good to see all the families represented at our Post Cleanup day.

The Luau was a huge success do to the all the hard work put In by our Post family, Kanaka Hekili and Pacific Savages. Good things happen when we work together. I'd like to thank everyone for their help as it exceeded my expectations for our first event of this type together. The day of the event we had several volunteers that helped set up, worked the event and stayed to help tear down and clean up. Thank you to each and everyone of you. Hope you all were able to attend and have a good time too. We profited for the day of Luau event about \$4,600 and with the help of Maria Horton we received \$3,450 In donations prior to event. We also received a another \$1,324 that other members brought in for a total success of \$9,374. We will be having a follow-up opportunity meeting to talk over lessons learned for any future Post events for family board members (TBD), but if you have any opportunities you would like mentioned please email me.

Membership and Recruiting: One of our goals this term is to not only continue recruiting new members, but to also get our existing memberships to be more involved. I would love to see our Post 555 Legionnaires attend our monthly meetings, dinners, and other events. There are many activities to get involved within and there are opportunities to be part of the Post Family everywhere you look.

All post families are now collecting 2024 dues. Please go to your next meeting and pay in person especially if you live locally and get possibly get your card the same day.

Randy Jones  
Post Commander  
Semper Fi

Upcoming Events to look forward to:  
• Quartermania (Auxiliary) – Sept 16th,  
12:30pm

For me and others, August was a tough month. A wonderful Celebration of Life for Don Stevenson (Leadfoot) 555 Rider, successful brain surgery completed for a long time friend's wife, riding to be with a riding brother that is fighting stage 4 cancer, funeral services for a long-time Bellflower Noon Lion friend and a couple other situations that I forgot already.

Remember, we are all part of God's story. We can live and be role models to our Children, Families, Friends and others. It's your call.

In closing, one of my favorite verses in the Bible - Ecclesiastes 3: 1 - 8

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.

Grace and Peace to you

Chaplain Cordova

- 4th All American Car & Truck Show (Post Event, Administered by Corvettes of So Cal) – Oct 8th, 9am – 2pm
- Oktoberfest (ALR) – Oct 28th, 12pm to 5pm
- Veteran’s Day Dinner – Nov 11th, Time TBD



**Legion Rider's Corner**

Hello All,

The Riders said their final goodbyes to our fellow rider Don Stevenson at his resting place at Riverside National Cemetery on August 18th. You will never be forgotten my brother.

A Celebration of Life for Don will be held on Saturday, September 9th at 2 PM in the Triple Nickle Club Room. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Riders got their storage shed installed in August. Thanks to our Westminster Home Depot with a grant that they provided. Now it’s just a matter of organizing it.

Post 555 Triple Nickle T-shirts are always for sale at the bar. Buy yours today.

Oktoberfest is right around the corner on the 28th of October. It will be a great event as always.



**Auxiliary's Corner**

Hello Everyone,

The Auxiliary calendar for September.

Tuesday, September 5th We will be having a Special Auxiliary Meeting at 5:30 PM. Our four Girl State Delegates and their parents are joining us, and each girl will be sharing their experiences. This will be a wonderful opportunity for you to come and learn more about this amazing program and see how the Auxiliary plays a positive role for the girl’s future.

Thursday, September 7th - We will be serving our tasty Tostada Bowl at 5:30 pm

Monday, September 11th - Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance. We will pay tribute with flags and candles at the Post to the heroes and victims who lost their lives that day and we recommit ourselves to the spirit of unity, patriotism, and service that carried our Nation through in the days that followed.

Saturday, September 16th - QUARTERMANIA is a cross between an auction, and a raffle! Guests “bid” to win items donated from various businesses. “Bids” can range from 1 to 4 quarters only. There are usually 40 – 60 items up for Bid! Something for Everyone, Young & Seasoned can play! No age limit

The Riders now have new challenge coins available for purchase. You can view them in the bar in the glass case.

See ya at the Post.

Brad "Earp" Wade  
Director Chapter 555

to this FUNdraisier! Grab your Family and Friends and your Quarters. Got to Be in It to Win!! (See flyer for more information)

Thursday, September 21st - Join us for dinner 5:30 pm. Reuben sandwich, tater tots and dessert. When you purchase any meal, you get a raffle ticket and a chance to win a future dinner.

September 24th - Gold Star Mother's Day honors the mothers, fathers, and families of fallen military service members.

Looking forward to seeing you at some of these events!

Regards,  
Kay Hamby, President

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