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FOR GOD AND COUNTRY we associate ourselves together 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 consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.



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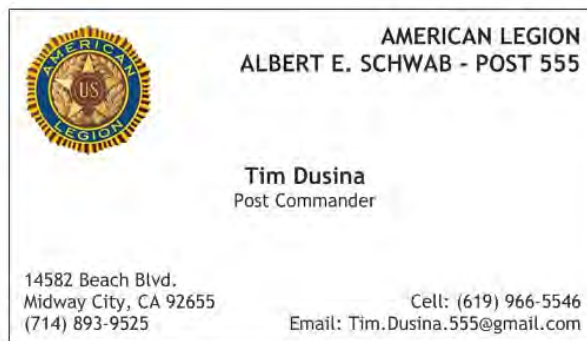
## On the Cover: #Post555Family

Shown on the cover are Post 555 Commander Tim Dusina, Auxiliary Unit 555 President Kokoe Estrada, ALR Chapter 555 President Jim Sewell, and SAL 555 Squadron Commander Jim Eubanks. Together they repre-

sent the four branches of the American Legion Post 555 Family, or **#Post555Family**.

What is that hash tag prefix you ask?

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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](http://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 - 7:00 PM

THURSDAY 2:00 PM - 9:00 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\***

REMEMBER TO TIP YOUR  
**VOLUNTEER**  
 ♥ BARTENDERS ♥

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## What's news at The 555?



**Top Row:** The progress in the bar: flooring; Kevin explains the new bar configuration to Wayne; the bar expansion: that used to be the wall where the store room, popcorn machine, and stage was! **2nd Row:** Post 555 Family at the 9/11 Candlelight Vigil; Live Band Frenzy playing rock & roll; Post Finance Officer and ALR Charter Member Doc Adams receives a Quilt of Valor. **3rd Row:** Legionnaires Rudy, Marlene, and Andy pose for a photo opportunity on Rudy's birthday; Post Family Photo: SGM, Andy, Commander Tim, Rudy, Shayne, and Matt; Legionnaires at the September monthly meeting **Row 4:** The Elks Gang, Wayne, Lee, Debbie, Timmy, Vivian, and Ed hangin' tough in the Annex; Auxiliary 2nd Vice Yvonne and Chaplain Eveline pose for a quick photo. **Row 5:** Auxiliary 1st Vice Kay and the Girls State delegates; Commander Tim shaking hands, making friends; ALR Charter Member and Post 496 Lakewood Past Commander Jim Larson and Post 555 E-Board Member Ed at the 11th Annual ALR 555 Poker Run.



## MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER



### Rusty's Island Chips



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Fellow Legionnaires,

Work continues on the Bar Project and we are getting closer to finishing. This month we have our dry-wall up, bar configuration built, counters installed, some of the new flooring in, and a solid layout for the area behind the bar. This includes a walk in cooler, beer taps, and 'bag in box' soda dispensing system. We now have recessed lighting, and lots of granite counter space for our post family to enjoy. Dish network has installed four receivers for our televised enjoyment.

The interim bar in the Annex is gaining popularity during construction. We have had several bands in there playing live music, as well as several parties and karaoke nights. The post members have created a nice ambiance in the Annex with the tall round table and bar stools, fans, neon signs, Bluetooth speaker, internet connection, popcorn, and even DirecTV. It looks like everyone is getting comfortable with the Annex! What is everybody going to do when the bar reopens? I guess we will just have to wait and see -- I can't wait!

And speaking of 'can't wait' – Our Commander and Officers' Steak Night is coming up on Saturday, October 14th. Don't forget to get your tickets early, because we only have a limited supply of Ribeyes. Where else can you find a 12 oz ribeye, a loaded baked potato, salad, and dessert for \$14? Right here, only at the 555!

If you like food, each of the 4 Post Family branches cook dinner every Thursday. I encourage the entire post family to enjoy dinners on Thursdays. We always offer a good quality, tasty menu line up for a great price. Plug for Legionnaires: 4th Thursday Dinner this month will be Go-Fiesta Night! Come on down and let us do the cooking.

Speaking of food, if you got your dues in already, Early Bird Dinner is on Monday, October 16th. Dinner is FREE to Legionnaires with the 'Early Bird' stamp, Auxiliary, and SAL members who are paid in, and ALWAYS FREE for PUFLs. Spouses and guests are \$5.

With the holidays approaching, the Post 555 family has once again joined forces with the



Long Beach VA Transition Program for their annual fundraiser, Thanksgiving for Veterans & Families. Last year we were able to raise enough funds to provide \$50 grocery gift cards (enough for a Thanksgiving Dinner for a family of four) for 23 families. I would LOVE to meet, or even EXCEED this goal for 2017. We have a Go-FundMe account set up for those that are comfortable with web donations:

<https://www.gofundme.com/tgforveterans555>

In closing, I am looking forward to the Grand Re-Opening of the Main Hall, and Commander's Steak Night. Hope to see you there -

**Tim Dusina**  
Post Commander  
For God and Country

**Next Meeting:**  
**MONDAY, October 9th 7:00 PM**

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The hashtag is the social media means of categorizing content that is posted. When a hashtag is used, it makes this content searchable or discoverable. This method of content categorization is useful for networking with people, businesses, and enables people to come together based on a common theme or interest.

What do you find when you look up #Post555Family and #Legion Family?

On the Right: Post 555 Official Instagram Profile Picture



Instagram





OUR CHAPTER 555 PRESENTS:

# 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday DINNER

Thursday, October 5th  
5:30 PM – till we're out!

**SUPER NACHOS  
MEGA  
PLATE O NACHOS  
W/ ALL THE FIXINS** **\$5**

Includes chips, cheese, meat, sour cream,  
tomatoes, jalapeños, more cheese, beans,  
olives, onions, lettuce, guacamole

ONLY AT POST 555 - 14582 BEACH BLVD

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO VETERANS PROGRAMS

Sons of the American Legion present:

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday Dinner!

Thursday, October 12th  
5:30 PM

**MAC & CHEESE  
DINNER**

Traditional homemade mac & cheese  
just like mom used to make!

# \$5

All proceeds go to Veterans Programs

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 555 PRESENTS:

# 3<sup>RD</sup> THURSDAY DINNER NIGHT

Thursday, October 19th  
5:30 PM

# \$6

*Mom's* **TURKEY  
DINNER**

Why wait until Thanksgiving? Get your turkey fix today!  
Served fresh with stuffing, mashed potatoes & gravy,  
cranberry, and veggies

SUPPORT VETERANS PROGRAMS

AMERICAN LEGION POST 555 PRESENTS:

# 4<sup>TH</sup> THURSDAY DINNER NIGHT

Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM

 **\$6**

El Comandante Tim's  
**FIESTA NIGHT**

**2 Tacos with cheese, lettuce, tomato, sour cream  
and tortilla chips, salsa, ensalada (salad)**

SUPPORT YOUR VETERANS – EAT OUT TONIGHT



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## Thanksgiving for Veterans



It's that time of year again where we kick our fundraisers into high gear! Our Thanksgiving project is Thanksgiving for Veterans and Families, which is a program under the Transition Program at the Long Beach VA. The purpose of the Transition Program is to help those returning from deployment to integrate back into civilian life. Our goal is to provide \$50 grocery store gift cards for dinners for 22 families this year.

Thank you for your support!

Show your support by going to this link  
<https://www.gofundme.com/tgforveterans555>

**American Legion Post 555 Family Presents:**

# EARLY BIRD DINNER



**Monday, October 16th  
5:00 PM**

**Paid Legion Family and PUFL**

**FREE  
All Else \$5**

**All proceeds go to Veterans Programs**





# I WANT YOU

## to be a Legion Family member

### To Learn More, Contact:

**American Legion**  
**Albert E. Schwab Post 555**

14582 Beach Blvd.

Midway City, CA 92655

(714) 893-9525

<http://www.americanlegionpost555.com>

### Eligibility Dates

Gulf War/War on Terrorism Aug. 2, 1990 — present*	Korean War June 25, 1950 — Jan. 31, 1955
Panama Dec. 20, 1989 — Jan. 31, 1990	WWII Dec. 7, 1941 — Dec. 31, 1946
Lebanon/Grenada Aug. 24, 1982 — July 31, 1984	WWI April 6, 1917 — Nov. 11, 1918
Vietnam War Feb. 28, 1961 — May 7, 1975	* if currently serving on active duty today, you are eligible.





## THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (Phone) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ (Street) \_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

(Membership ID# Former Member)

(Email)

(Post #)

(Date)

**Please check appropriate eligibility dates and branch of service below:**

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> WWI (4/6/17-11/11/18)   | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WWII (12/7/41-12/31/46)   | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Navy  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Korea (6/25/50-1/31/55)   | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Air Force   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam (2/28/61-5/7/75)  | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marines   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada (8/24/82-7/31/84)                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Coast Guard                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Panama (12/20/89-1/31/90)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (12/7/41-12/31/46 - Only Eligibility) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War/War on Terrorism (8/2/90 until cessation of hostilities) |   |

I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

Signed By Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Recruiter \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed application to The American Legion National Headquarters Attn: Internal Affairs. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current department address, go to [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org).

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### DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Received From \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Dues

Recruiter's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Recruiter's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Recruiter's Phone # \_\_\_\_\_



## SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Detachment of \_\_\_\_\_ Squadron No. \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ Recruited by \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ (Street) \_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip) \_\_\_\_\_ (Phone) \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran through whom eligibility is established \_\_\_\_\_

(a) Above is a member in good standing of Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ Department of \_\_\_\_\_

OR (b) Above is a deceased veteran who served honorably from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Relationship of Applicant to Veteran \_\_\_\_\_

Has applicant previously been a member of the SAL? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby subscribe to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion and apply for membership.

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Transmit \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for 20 \_\_\_\_\_ annual membership dues

Signed By Applicant (or Parent) \_\_\_\_\_ Eligibility certified by \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed application to Sons of The American Legion department/state headquarters. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current detachment address, go to The American Legion department/state headquarters, or visit [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org).

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### DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Received From \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Dues

Squadron No. \_\_\_\_\_

Department of \_\_\_\_\_



## AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (M.I.) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Unit # and Location \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Birth - 17 ☐ 18 and over

Have you been a member previously? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature of Applicant (or legal guardian if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed application to American Legion Auxiliary department/state headquarters. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due.

For current department address go to: [www.ALAforVeterans.org/contact/state\\_headquarters](http://www.ALAforVeterans.org/contact/state_headquarters). Dues include a yearly non-refundable allocation of \$3.40 for American Legion Auxiliary magazine.

Membership pending approval of application.

### ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Eligible through / name of veteran (if living, must be American Legion member) ☐ Living ☐ Deceased

American Legion Member ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran's American Legion Post Name \_\_\_\_\_ Post # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

**Veteran served: (check all that apply)**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> WWI (4/6/17-11/11/18)               | <input type="checkbox"/> WWII (12/7/41-12/31/46)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (12/7/41-12/31/46) | <input type="checkbox"/> Korea (6/25/50-1/31/55)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam (2/28/61-5/7/75)            | <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada (8/24/82-7/31/84)                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Panama (12/20/89-1/31/90)           | <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War/War on Terrorism (8/2/90 until cessation of hostilities) |

**Applicant's relationship to the veteran:**

- |                                      |  |  |                                 |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mother      | <input type="checkbox"/> Wife          | <input type="checkbox"/> Daughter            | <input type="checkbox"/> Sister |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grandmother | <input type="checkbox"/> Granddaughter | <input type="checkbox"/> Great-granddaughter | <input type="checkbox"/> Self   |

I certify that the above named individual served at least one day of active duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or is still serving honorably.

Post Adjutant/Officer Membership Verification \_\_\_\_\_

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Date \_\_\_\_\_



### DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Received From \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Dues

Recruiter's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Recruiter's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Recruiter's Phone # \_\_\_\_\_



### Community Honor Roll-1944-?

To honor those serving our Country within the communities of Midway City, Barber City ( within Westminster), Huntington Beach, twice each day Mrs. Gale Dunston of Midway City would raise and lower the flag at Post 555, Legion Park (Beach Blvd and Roosevelt St) in front of the Community Honor Roll.

The American Legion Post 555 dedicated honor roll included names of men and women within the communi-



ty as well as members of Post 555 that have served or continued to serve our nation's Military. At that time over 336 names were on the honor roll. Mrs. Dunston's only son, Lt. Charles "Billy" Dunston of the Naval Reserve was also on the roll.

This made such an impact within the American Legion that this photo with article appeared in both the California and National American Legion publications. This particular photo and article was published in the Westminster Gazette, April 20, 1944. It is unknown when Mrs. Dunston ended her daily ritual, but it serves as a reminder how proud she was as well as others of our men and women that were serving our Country.

It's no wonder that this was America's Greatest Generation. In light of current events, we must continue to respect and honor the men and women who are serving and Veterans that have served and continue to serve. And, our flag most importantly repre-



sents this great country and the freedoms we all hold sacred and should be respected by all those who call this country their home.

Regards,  
**Charles Bates**  
**Albert E. Schwab, Post**  
**555, Historian, E-Board Member**  
**Chapter 555, American Legion**  
**Riders, Member**

## PSO's CORNER



Hello Post Brothers and Sisters,

I am writing this short article while I am here in Durham North Carolina visiting my brother (LCol H Thomas Hayden USMC Ret.) and his family. He is currently having health problems and is being allowed to use the VA program for outside medical treatment in association with his Medicare and other insurances. This allows him care virtually cost free. He was exposed to Agent Orange

and is eligible for service connected disability coverage. If you are in the category of Agent Orange exposure, check with the VA to see what you are eligible for.

Having a good time but will be back for October meeting.

Respectfully,  
**Dan Hayden**  
**Post Service Officer**  
**For God and Country**

## ADJUTANT'S REPORT

Hello everyone I hope you all are doing fine this is an update on membership as of the end of September. As of October 1st we have 84 Paid members, 45 PUFL's, 21 On-Line and 2 Transfers. for a total of 152 for 2018. (We are at 54%)

As I mentioned before If you haven't renewed or know that some of your friends that didn't please remind them we would love to be back to back 100%

Side note, one of our PUFL's Passed on to the Post Everlasting.

God Bless America and the American Legion Family, Definitely Our Troops

**For God and Country Stay**  
**Alert and Healthy**  
**Andy Timko Post 555 Adjutant**  
**and Assistant Chaplain**







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**Make \$ ~ Spend \$ here!**

**ANNOUNCEMENT: THANKSGIVING FOR VETERANS** is right around the corner! The Transition Program for veterans at the Long Beach VA is starting its annual Thanksgiving Gift Card Program. Last year we raised money for Thanksgiving dinner for 23 veterans and families. Let's do it again this year! <https://www.gofundme.com/tgforveterans555>

**WANTED:** Your photos for the Marauder! If you have taken photos at any of our Post 555 events, and would like to share them with the Post Family, please email your photos to us! Please keep it clean ☺ Thank you. [555.Marauder@gmail.com](mailto:555.Marauder@gmail.com)

**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.

**WANTED:** Raffle prizes for Bingo Night with the Auxiliary. If you have any items, questions, or suggestions please email us at [Unit555ALA@gmail.com](mailto:Unit555ALA@gmail.com).

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM AT 555?** Contact us: [555.Marauder@gmail.com](mailto:555.Marauder@gmail.com)

**DO YOU LIKE TO COOK?** Post 555 is interested in serving lunch and pub grub. Contact Post Commander Tim for details. [Tim.Dusina.555@gmail.com](mailto:Tim.Dusina.555@gmail.com)

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Post 555 needs your help today  
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Hello and Greetings to All,

This past September was a busy month at the Post, and I want to thank our Auxiliary members for being both instrumental and vocal in our Post Family's success and synergy. The core group of the Auxiliary is the backbone of our organization, and for that we are blessed.

News: September's Thursday Night Spaghetti & Meatballs Dinner was a hit! If you enjoy a good home cooked meal, this month we are serving up a home cooked Turkey Dinner, with mashed potatoes, stuffing, cranberry, veggies, and gravy for only \$6.

We are starting our fund-

raiser for the Long Beach VA Transition Program:

Thanksgiving for Veterans. Last year the Post Family raised enough to provide 23 families \$50 grocery store gift cards for Thanksgiving dinners. This year I would like to meet or even exceed that goal. I challenge each of the Post Family to pitch in even \$5 each. With even the 65 members in the Unit, we can potentially feed 6 families. Imagine what the 300 + members of the Legion, SAL, and ALR could raise!

Get involved: There are many opportunities for Auxiliary members to show support, participate, organize, lend a helping hand, and recruit. Commander's Steak Night is on Saturday, 10/14; ALR Oktoberfest is on Saturday 10/28. Post Family Early Bird Dinner is on 10/16, and Auxiliary members that are paid up early (or PUFL) are invited to enjoy dinner for FREE. All else are \$5. Veterans Day is right around the corner, as well as Thanksgiving. All of these events would benefit from Auxiliary support.

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](mailto:unit555ALA@gmail.com).

Recruiting: The ALA is always looking for new members! If you are a female, have a relative who served on active duty during one of the membership eligibility dates, and who is 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**  
**Unit 555 President**  
**For God and Country**



#### Auxiliary Unit 555 Preamble

For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:

To uphold and defend the constitution of the United States of America;

to maintain law and order;

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to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations during the Great Wars;

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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.



*Next Meeting:*  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7th @ 7:00 PM**





## 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.

October is here and the weather will cool down. Perfect weather for us to gather together and ride!

The month of September began with anticipation of our Chapter's 11th Annual Poker Run. As of the time of this writing, the anticipation is still growing. I hope that we have as much, or better yet, more success than last year. As you read this, the Poker Run will have just passed, or, perhaps, is right around the corner on Saturday, September 30. In either case, I hope you did...or will...support the ride. As usual, if you attend, I guarantee you either did....or will have a good time!

Our first ever Beach Party was held in September. What a great party! I wish more of our Chapter members had attended. The food was great, the band was great, the friends were great, and the weather was fantastic! We will do it

again and I urge you to all come!

Myself, Bob Trudeau, Kat Sullivan and Michelle D3 La Cruz (Chapter 838), had the solemn duty of representing our Chapter at the funeral of Donald (Reb) Sanders on Friday, September 15. We met at the Post and rode out to the Riverside National Cemetery for the service. Reb's sons and family were there as well as several members of his American Legion and Elks organizations. We will miss Reb at the Post.

On a happier note, the 2nd Annual Chapter 555 Oktoberfest will be on Saturday, October 28, 2017. Come join us for a good old fashioned Bierfest! German bier, food, music, and games. This event is all about having fun and maybe making a few bucks to put in the bank to be able to have funds available for donations and general operating costs.



In closing, I'd like to thank everyone for all you do for our Chapter. Of course, your Officers always go above and beyond the call of duty to make sure our Chapter is an organization one can be proud of. Forgive me if I miss a few, but the non-officers of our Chapter that always step up, TJ, Kat, Charlie, Root, are always there to pitch in. I know that everyone does what they can in support of our mission and I truly appreciate everything everyone does,

**FOR GOD  
AND COUNTRY,  
Let's Ride!**

**Jim Sewell  
President**

**Next Meeting:  
SATURDAY, November 25th  
@ 08:30**



**Top Row:** ALR Chapter 555 Kat and SGM Trudeau, with Chapter 838 Michelle Delacruz attending Reb Sanders' Funeral at RNC.  
**Bottom Row:** September 2017 monthly meeting; ALR Summer Party chefs Jim, Len, and Lloyd cooking up a fantastic lunch!



# POST EVERLASTING

*Donald 'Reb' Sanders*



## *Dedicated to Reb*

*People influence our lives wherever we may go  
Whether it be good or bad Only Time Will Show.*

*Reb is a man who has become our good friend.  
We think of him as one of those whom we can depend.*

*In the Marines, he served our country with honor and pride.  
To disrespect our country's flag, he would never abide.*

*Seattle Seahawks is the team that he will always toast.  
Their ring he wears is one of those that he will proudly boast.*

*The Elks are very blessed to have a member such as he.  
Fixing this and repairing that as Mr. Invisibility.*

*There is more good in him than anyone could ever say.  
I am honored to have written this for him as his Lady J.*

*By  
Judy Nowakowski  
March 2017*





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**AMERICAN LEGION - ALBERT E SCHWAB POST 555 PRESENTS:**

**COMMANDER & OFFICERS'**  
**STEAK**  
**NIGHT**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14th, 2017**

**MEAL INCLUDES: 12 OZ RIB  
EYE STEAK LOADED BAKED  
POTATO - SALAD - DESSERT**

**4:00 PM**

**\$14**

**PRESALE**

**\$17 AT THE DOOR**

**TICKETS ON SALE**

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## October 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2	3 YOM KIPPUR Begins at Sunset AUX E-Board 6:00 PM AUX Meeting 7:00 PM 	4 40/8 7:00 PM 	5 ALR 1st Thurs Dinner 5:30 PM	6 ALR FRIDAY Karaoke Night 7:00 PM	7 DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2018!
8 Pinochle 12:00 PM	9 COLUMBUS DAY POST E-Board 5:00 PM Post Meeting 7:00 PM		11 Marine Corps League 7:30 PM 	12 SAL 2nd Thurs Dinner 5:30 PM	13 US NAVY 242nd BIRTHDAY ALR FRIDAY Karaoke Night 7:00 PM	14  COMMANDER & OFFICERS' STEAK NIGHT 4:00 PM
15 Pinochle 12:00 PM	16 Post 555 Family Early Bird Dinner 5:30 Bring your stamped cards! SAL E-Board 6:30 PM SAL Meeting 7:00 PM	17	18 Review Us!	19 Hunters' Safety 5:00 PM AUX 3rd Thurs Dinner 5:30 PM	20 ALR FRIDAY Karaoke Night 7:00 PM	21  ALR Monthly Meeting 8:30 AM MOPH 11:00 AM
22 Pinochle 12:00 PM	23 	24  Instagram	25 DAY OF THE DEPLOYED Corvette Club 7:30 PM POST 4th Thurs Dinner 5:30 PM	26	27 NAVY DAY ALR FRIDAY Karaoke Night 7:00 PM	28 ALR OKTOBERFEST MUSIC & FOOD 12-4 EVERYONE WELCOME
29 Pinochle 12:00 PM	30 	31  HALLOWEEN				

### POST 555 THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER SPECIALS DON'T MISS OUT!

10/5 ALR: \$5 Supreme Nachos Mega  
10/12 Sons: \$5 Mac & Cheese Dinner  
10/19 Aux: \$6 Turkey Dinner  
10/26 Post: \$6 Fiesta Night

Starts @ 5:30 until sold out!

### POST 555 FAMILY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Vince Agor  
Sam Anderson  
Michael Canfield  
Jim Cartwright  
Ronald Faucett  
William Fry  
Naoko Gorsuch  
Lenard Guillen

Bettie Hudson  
Aaron Hafer  
James Kinnu  
James Lewis  
Peter Lofthus  
Linda McBride  
Dianne Michell  
Charles Mitchell Jr.  
Loann Nguyen-Rull

Ronnee Rathkey  
David Rodriguez  
Brieon Russell  
Cheryl Seifert  
Duane Spain  
Tim Waterhouse  
Duane White  
James Woodyard  
Ralph Yore

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Don't see your name?

Drop us a line at [555.marauder@gmail.com](mailto:555.marauder@gmail.com) and we will add you in!