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Never Forget

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FROM THE COMMANDER

Comrades,

I would like to congratulate the incoming Officers on their election. Bill Morrison, our Commander-Elect wants to hit the ground running and with the support of the Post, we can have a very interesting, fun and profitable year.

Some of you may have noticed a few changes around the Post, we can thank our Jr. Vice Commander/House Committee Chairman Bill Kimble for a lot of work in a short time. Another change is the cable service, we are now using Direct TV and saving about \$200.00 per month and we will get the NFL Sunday Ticket package in the Fall (free the first year.)

Many of you might have heard that the Auxiliary is under suspension. This is due to some administrative procedures that are a little off what National needs. This is NOT, I repeat, NOT due to any theft or malfeasance on the part of anyone. This whole matter should be cleared up by next month.

As always, I hope to see you at the Post.

Bob

Notification of proposed amendments to Post 7907 bylaws

Our bylaws committee has been hard at work. I am notifying you that the final draft is now available for your review. Any comments you have, should be provided in writing via email to Tom Behrle, tbehrle@gmail.com not later than Wednesday 9 May. Hard copies of the final draft are available at the post.

Thanks,

Tom Behrle



Have an article for *The Patriot*?

Please submit your articles no later than the 21st of each month. Send your submission to VFW7907@gmail.com with *Newsletter Submission* in the subject line.

Editor: Sara Salazar

Saluting veterans and flag image in masthead supplied by ©iStockphoto.com/LifeJourneys

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering;
- *Colossians 3:12*

As a Post, each April we nominate and elect the officers who will serve for the next 12 months. As we move forward with our elected leaders, let us, in one accord, lift up each person in prayer and ask God for opportunities to serve with humility and meekness.

Father God, we give thanks to You for our daily bread. We forgive the trespasses made against us and ask Your forgiveness for ours. We ask for Your Divine guidance for our journey, and that in all that we do, let our words and deeds reflect Your love. Let us be last so that those we serve for You may be first. Amen.

Semper Fi,

Gunner

Flag Retirement Report

We currently have 123 flags to retired.

1,886 flags have been retired by the Post to date.

1. Please pass on to all your members, fellow Veterans and friends to simply place the flag box.
2. Our flag retirement program is set up to serve the residents of the community of Poway and our Veterans that live in the surrounding communities. If a group brings in to the Post or gives a large bag of flags to a member, please DO NOT accept them. We are not set up to receive and retire other service organizations flags that they have collected.

Next flag retirement will be 23 June (0730) at Camp Pendleton. To join with us for this event, please contact the Joint Honor Guard Adjutant at JHG7907@aol.com.

VA Hospital Visit

Awesome trip to the La Jolla VA hospital on April 21, 2018. Eleven members of the Auxiliary and VFW attended and gave goody bags to the hospitalized vets that had playing cards, sudoku and crossword books, and baseball caps. Priceless moments were the warm conversations with our hospitalized veterans. I want to humbly thank those who donated and especially those who gave up their Saturday morning for this worthy endeavor.

We also donated shoes, jeans, tee shirts, socks and underwear, sweatpants and 20 reading glasses for the Veterans homeless and drug/alcohol programs. Anything donated will be shared with the Aspire Program, an inpatient program for drug and alcohol rehabilitation.

Mary Ann

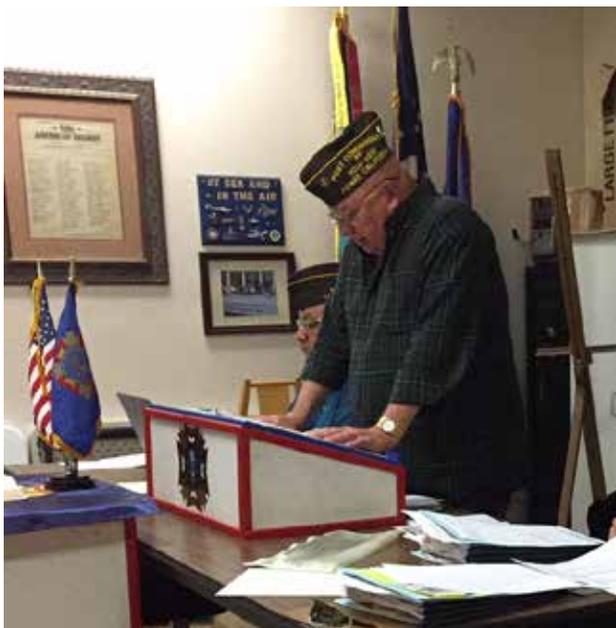


(L to R) - Wyatt Vaineharrison, Michele Vaineharrison, MaryAnn Lapating, Dulce (staff from Volunteer office), Alex Grosch, Lulu (staff from volunteer office), Sam LaManna, Patty Grosch, Gunner Vaineharrison & Ed Lapating



Around the Post

Images from General Meeting, 19 April.



Joint Honor Guard

The Joint Honor Guard conducted three missions and one operation since last report.

The JHG was contacted by the family of LTJG Clyde Beauline, US Navy, World War II, and asked to provide a rifle salute at his interment on 30 March at Miramar National. The Honor Guards assigned were SrA Sam LaManna, SP4 Alan Davies, SGT Ron Clement, Eagle Scout Wyatt Vaineharrison, Skipper Michele Vaineharrison and Gunner Vaineharrison.



About our Veteran: LTJG Beauline was an Engineering Officer and served in the Pacific Theater of War for four years. One ship in which he served was the LST (Tank Landing Ship) 683.

Thank you for so much for being there for all appreciated it, especially my grandkids!

- Susanne, Daughter of LTJG Beauline

The JHG was contacted by the family of CPL Ezequiel “Zeke” Leos, US Army, Korean War, and asked to provide a rifle salute at his interment on 04 April at Miramar National. The Honor Guards assigned were SrA Sam LaManna, SP4 Alan Davies, 1stSgt Rick Andersen and Gunner Vaineharrison.



About our Veteran: CPL Leos was assigned to 31st Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division as a Light Weapons Assault Crewman, that was holding the left of the Division line in North Korea at an outpost (OP) called Dale overlooking the Chorwon Valley, which was adjacent to Pork Chop Hill. The bitter struggle over OP Dale was part of a larger effort of the so-called Battles of the Outposts that ran roughly from July 1951 until the armistice that halted the fighting in the Korean War was finally signed in late July 1953.

Thank you, Sir, for making our Ceremony So Special. Blessings,

- Lori, Daughter of CPL Leos

Joint Honor Guard - *continued*

The JHG conducted Color Guard Training with Trail Life Troop CA3743 and AHG Troop CA 4114 on 13 and 27 April.



The JHG was contacted by the family of US Navy Veteran PR3 David Bear and asked to provide honors at his services at St. James Parish on 14 April. The Honor Guards assigned were SrA Sam LaManna, SP4 Alan Davies and Gunner Vaineharrison.

About our Veteran: David joined the Navy in 1990 enlisting in Detroit, Michigan. After graduating boot camp at NTC Great Lakes, he was sent to his "A" school where he was rated as a Air Crew Survival Equipment Specialists and rose to the rank of Petty Officer 3rd Class. After completing his enlistment, David continued his government service with USPS.

With heartfelt gratitude, thank you for your generous service and tribute to our brother, in honor of his service to our country's Navy. We know you freely and generously volunteer in the service of others, veterans and their families. We personally are profoundly touched and enriched, beyond the adequacy of words, for your selfless gift to David and our family. Thank you!

- Elisabeth Mojica, sister of David Bear

The Joint Honor Guard (JHG) is an all-volunteer group composed of Veterans and Citizens in Poway. Our primary mission is to honor the Veterans of the community of Poway by providing, when able, a rifle salute during their final honors.

For more information about the JHG, please contact the Joint Honor Guard Adjutant at JHG7907@aol.com



Dear friend, you are faithful in what you are doing for the brothers and sisters, even though they are strangers to you. They have told the church about your love. Please send them on their way in a manner that honors God.

3 John 1:5-6



Happy Mothers Day

Sunday, May 13th
 9:00 am–1:00 pm

Moms come enjoy a fabulous breakfast of Eggs Benedict & potatoes.

❁ Free to Mothers ❁
 \$7.00 Donation for others

MEMORIAL DAY 2018
Monday, May 28 ★ 11:00 AM
Dearborn Memorial Park, Poway

They came from all walks of life and regions of the country but they all had one thing in common—love of and loyalty to country. Join us in honoring our fallen comrades at this year's Memorial Day Ceremony.



★ *All Gave Some. Some Gave All.* ★



This month's dinner winners are Emma P. & Don Stonecipher.

Join us for
Cinco de Mayo & Derby Day
 Saturday, May 5

Come on down and enjoy \$3.00 Margaritas and beer specials

Sandy & Crew Breakfast
 Sunday, May 6th & 20th

Come enjoy French toast & eggs-to-order for a \$7.00 donation.



Dickie Boys Breakfast
 Last Sunday of each month

Come enjoy an omelette or eggs-to-order; bacon, toast, & hash browns all for an \$8.00 donation.



MAY 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 11:30 AM Chicken & pork adobo, mixed veggies & rice <i>Ken & Amy</i> Donation: \$7.00	3 7:00 PM American Legion Post 479 General Meeting	4 5:30 PM Burger, beer & chips <i>House</i> Donation: \$7.00	5 Cinco de Mayo / Derby Day \$3.00 Margaritas & beer specials
6 9:00 AM French toast & eggs-to-order <i>Sandy & Crew</i> Donation: \$7.00	7 11:30 AM–1:30 PM Call Post for menu	8 6:30 PM VFW Auxiliary Meeting	9 11:30 AM Open-faced pork roast sandwich, mashed potatoes, gravy & green beans <i>VFW Crew</i> Donation: \$7.00	10 6:00 PM Post Officers Meeting	11 5:30 PM Burger, beer & chips <i>House</i> Donation: \$7.00	12
13 9:00 AM Mother's Day Eggs Benedict & potatoes <i>Sandy & Crew</i> Moms free; Donation \$7.00	14 11:30 AM–1:30 PM Call Post for menu	15	16 11:30 AM Call Post for menu	17 7:00 PM Post General Meeting	18 5:30 PM Burger, beer & chips <i>House</i> Donation: \$7.00	19
20 9:00 AM French toast & eggs-to-order <i>Sandy & Crew</i> Donation: \$7.00	21 11:30 AM–1:30 PM Call Post for menu	22	23 11:30 AM Lasagna – Venetian style, – side salad <i>Alan Donovan</i> Donation: \$7.00	24	25 5:30 PM Burger, beer & chips <i>House</i> Donation: \$7.00	26
27 9:00 AM Omelettes or eggs-to-order, bacon, toast & hash browns <i>Dickie Boys</i> Donation: \$8.00	28 11:00 AM–12:00 PM Memorial Day Dearborn Memorial Park	29	30 11:30 AM Brats & potato salad <i>VFW Crew</i> Donation: \$7.00	31	Please Note: We make an effort to list the meals accurately. However, menu items may change. Please check the Post menu board or call the Post to verify.	

Canteen Hours*: Mon: 10:00 AM–8:00 PM | Tue-Fri: 10:00 AM–9:00 PM | Sat: 11:00 AM–7:00 PM | Sun: 9:00 AM–9:00 PM

*Closing hours subject to modification based on activity