



# Welcome to The American Legion

The World's Largest Veterans Organization

## El Dorado Post 119

### Commander's Corner

Greetings Everyone,

I hope everyone enjoys the holidays, stays safe and I will you all the best in the coming year. Please enjoy the follow in the spirit of the season.

"Sharing the holiday with other people, and feeling that you're giving of yourself, gets you past all the commercialism"  
Caroline Kennedy

"Come, woo me, woo me, for now I am in a holiday humor, and like enough to consent." - William Shakespeare

"The joy of brightening other lives, bearing each others' burdens, easing others' loads and supplanting empty hearts and lives with generous gifts becomes for us the magic of the holidays." - W. C. Jones

"The holiest of holidays are those kept by ourselves in silence and apart; The secret anniversaries of the heart." - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

**Dont forget the price of the dinner will increase to \$6 at the Jan 2019 dinner meeting.**

*Thanks. Roger*



### 2019 CRAB FEED WILL BE SATURDAY FEBRUARY 16.

DETAILS:TICKETS ARE **\$40.00 EACH**, CONTACT THE POST 530-626-3956

**ALL TICKETS ARE PRESALE-NO WALK-INS**

DOORS OPEN AT 5PM

SEATING IS LIMITED TO 300

TICKET HOLDERS MAY PLACE NAMES AT SEATS/TABLES THE DAY BEFORE, AFTER THE TABLES ARE SET.

NO PUTTING CRAB INTO BAGS, PURSES ETC.

IF YOU BRING YOUR OWN WINE, THERE IS A CORKAGE FEE OF \$5.00 BOTTLE.

THE RAFFLE IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THIS FUND RAISER. IF YOU CAN DONATE RAFFLE ITEMS THEY WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. BRING RAFFLE ITEMS TO THE POST IN FEBRUARY.

#### Discover the best breakfast deal in El Dorado County,

1st Sunday, 0700-1100, Fleet Reserve Association 275; 2nd Sunday, 0700-1100, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10165. Ad \$6.00, Children \$3.00

#### ***The Adjutant's Round File***

I hope you have a safe and good Holiday Season this month.

The Post Christmas Dinner is on for the Post 119 Legion Family on Dec 5. No charge for the dinner- you might do instead to the Helmets or Honor Guard cans on the bar. Thank you to the local Daughters of the American Revolution chapter for setting up a Christmas tree for all to enjoy.

Building rentals are happening in December. As a result there is only one Happy Hour Friday on December 21st 1 month.

Planning for the 2019 Post 119 Crab Feed is progressing. Saturday February 16th is the date. All tickets are pre-sold no tickets at the door. Remember, we always sell out. We do need raffle prizes for the Crab Feed. Bring them to the

Post in February before the 16th.

The look of our Post website is different as we have upgraded to a newer version. If you have info or photos you would like to have put on the website, send them to me at the Post.

Looking ahead to our 100 Anniversary Day next year on Nov 8, 2019.

Commander is looking for a third person to help with the Post Building admin and maintenance.

Thank you to all the members of the Legion Family that help keep all the moving parts going.

See you around the Post. *Mike Muetz, Adjutant.*

El Dorado Post 119, American Legion

## Service Officer Corner

A short note:

It's not just us.

From Canada:

Ottawa fessed up to having shortchanged vets by at least \$165 million in lost pension and disability payments from 2002 to 2010 due to an accounting error. The mistake impacted 272,000 veterans, of which 175,000 have since died. (CBC News)  
And a longer read...

Redemption

First met him at the Nomadic shelter at Green Valley. Was supposed to pick up someone else, but he was too drunk and orner to cooperate, so I asked if they had a higher functioning Veteran available.

So, that's how I met Cat.

Marine. Hard worker. But, sadly, OTH discharge, and good at sabotaging himself.

Still, service connected, and had a VA card for those disabilities.

In other words, redeemable.

Over the next few years, numerous incarcerations.

Sometimes we would visit. Sometimes he was too upset to see me. Sometimes he just wanted to manipulate.

This time, it feels different.

He proposed to his on again, off again, girlfriend, and she said yes.

She is the widow of a Marine. Daughter of a Marine. Sister of a Marine.

What does he want from me? He just needs a friend, someone he can trust, to talk to.

That's all.

A friend is housing them for now. Has work plans for Alaska, where he can make money, and has no way to spend it.

Seems like a plan.

Where there is life, there is hope.

*David Zelinsky*

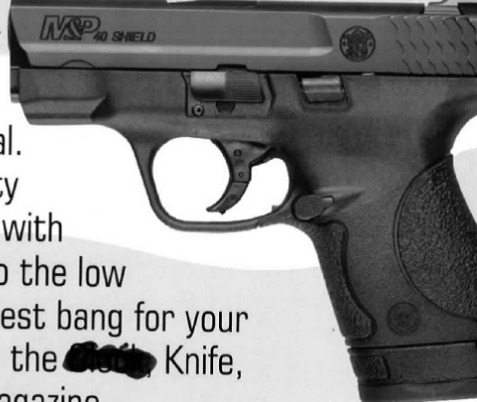
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*American Legion Post 119*

*530-919-8488*



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## Only \$10 per ticket

Contact Bill Bryant to purchase your tickets at 530-409-8414

Drawing will be held March 13, 2019

Winner has 2 weeks to pick-up and submit paperwork



"How about if I just follow you  
on Twitter instead?"



The American Legion Family

### Leadership Team 2017-2018 Post 119 American Legion

Commander Roger Reynolds  
(530) 350-7740  
1st Vice Joseph Rendon  
(530) 672-1161  
2nd Vice Stephanie Carlson  
(530) 409-9716  
Adjutant Mike Muetz  
(530) 626-3956  
Finance Mike Schiavone  
(530) 409-2710  
Sgt At Arms Milt Bandera  
(530) 677-4423  
Past Commander Sam Bradley  
(530) 626-3956  
Chaplain Robert Flowers  
(530) 417-5802  
Judge Advocate Ken Vogele  
(530) 642-9523  
Bar Manager John Shetler  
(530) 672-6805  
Building Manager Mike Muetz  
(530) 919-7866  
Veterans Service David Zelinsky  
(530) 919-8488



### Birthdays

Happy Birthday!!! Enjoy your  
special day!

#### Unit 119 Sons of the American Legion

Commander Robert Flowers  
(530) 417-5802  
First Vice CURRENTLY OPEN  
Adjutant Bill Bryant  
(530) 409-8414  
Treasurer Bill Bryant  
(530) 409-8414  
Membership Bill Bryant  
(530) 409-8414  
Sgt at Arms Mike Ross  
(916) 747-7637  
Historian Don Leddy (530) 644-3581  
Chaplain Robert Flowers  
(530) 417-5802

See Photo Below for  
Rob Blum, owner of Ace Hardware in  
Cameron Park CA, donating \$150.00 to  
VA and R. to Bill Bryant of Squadron 19  
Placerville CA  
Thanks !

Membership Joseph Rendon  
(530) 672-1161  
Historian Mike Raffety  
(530) 626-8020  
Executive Bd. Jim Ayers  
(916) 739-9421  
Diane Beastron (530) 622-1524  
Chuck Brasiel (530) 409-8400  
Seth Reeb (530) 559-1621  
Bob Russell (530) 626-5533

**Unit 119 American Legion Auxiliary**

*President Janie Bandera*  
(530) 677-4423  
1st Vice Rebecca Marty  
(530) 677-4423  
2nd Vice Carol McLaughlin  
(530) 642-2153  
Secretary Suzy Bergin  
(530) 644-7806  
Treasurer Joyce Reynolds  
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Chaplain Dolores Wadsworth  
(530) 677-1255  
Sgt At Arms Joy Krahn  
(530) 677-6356  
Marshall Joyce Reynolds  
(530) 350-7740  
Exe Committee Judy Muetz  
(530) 622-9133

Hi Everyone,

Our Buck Stew dinner was very tasty.  
I would like to thank our great cook  
crew.

Your dues are payable as of July 1st.  
Please remember the dues have  
gone up to \$30.00.

Our District President, Joanne  
Shope, visited us. We had a good  
meeting and visit with Joanne.

There was a successful District  
meeting conducted in September. My  
thanks to Rebecca and Joyce for  
overseeing everything in my  
absence. Thank you for all that  
contributed the food for the lunch.

Due to numerous reasons we have  
lost quite a few cake volunteers. If  
you would like to help us out and  
volunteer to bring cakes for our  
monthly dinners, please let me or any  
of the officers know.

Cake List for December: Janie  
Bandera, Sue Coffey, Joy Krahn,  
Betty Butcher, Carol Muller, Rebecca  
Marty

Cake List for January: Jackie  
Schmidt, Rebecca Marty, RoseMary  
Lewis, Dolores Wadsworth, Marybea  
Varvel, Joyce Reynolds

Thank you!  
Janie Bandera, President  
(530) 677-4423

**The Auxiliary Meets on the First  
Wednesday of each month.**

**The Squadron meets on the SECOND  
Wednesday of each month,  
MEETING STARTS AT 5:30 PM.**

**Calendar of Meetings**

December 5 : Dinner 7:00PM  
Dec. 3: 40&8 5:30 pm  
Dec. 12: Sons 5:30 pm  
Dec. 16: Chapter 119 Dinner 5:30  
Dec. 19: Bar Meeting 5:00 pm & Exec. at  
6:00 pm

*All Legion Members welcome.*

**Chapter 119 American Legion  
Riders**

President Joe Rendon (530) 672-1161  
Vice President Carlos Navarette  
(916) 204-6038  
Secretary Gary Coverdale  
Treasurer Jane Fergason  
(530) 409-7487  
Sgt at Arms Jim Maxey  
(530) 622-1961  
Membership Ellen Maxey  
(530) 622-1961  
Chaplain Robert Flowers  
(530) 417-5802  
Run Coordinator Sam Fergason  
(530) 409-7489

**NOTE:**

American Legion Riders from Chapter  
587  
Foresthill will be honoring Vietnam Era  
Veterans  
(1 Nov 1955 to 15 May 1975) in a United  
States  
of America Vietnam War Commemoration  
Lapel  
Pin Ceremony. Ceremony will be  
conducted  
prior to the Monthly dinner.







**December Legion History from their [website](#):**

Dec. 15, 1943

Past National Commander Harry W. Colmery starts to write in longhand, on Mayflower Hotel stationery in Washington, the first of what will later become the "GI Bill of Rights" – considered the Legion's single greatest legislative achievement.

Facts:

- 20.4 million living veterans in the US in 2016, representing less than 10% of the population
- 7.1 million living veterans who served in the Gulf War era (1990 to present)
- 6.8 living veterans who served in Vietnam
- 771,000 living veterans who served in WWII
- 1.6 living veterans who served in Korea
- 77% of living veterans who served during wartime
- 9% of living veterans who are women

The link below is to the movie "Medal of Honor" produced by Netflix. It will be available to watch November 9th.

[https://www.google.com/search?rlz=1C1CHBF\\_enUS726US726&ei=yqfkW6HXOYGg8AOspZAY&q=medal+of+honor+Netflix&oq=medal+of+honor+Netflix&gs\\_l=ab.3..019.1022.3816..4147...0.0..0.108.806.4j4.....0...1..gws-wiz.....0i71j0i67j0i20i263.09jnj8\\_jy8Y](https://www.google.com/search?rlz=1C1CHBF_enUS726US726&ei=yqfkW6HXOYGg8AOspZAY&q=medal+of+honor+Netflix&oq=medal+of+honor+Netflix&gs_l=ab.3..019.1022.3816..4147...0.0..0.108.806.4j4.....0...1..gws-wiz.....0i71j0i67j0i20i263.09jnj8_jy8Y)

**From your Editor:** Hope you enjoyed this issue!

**Dinner at the Post Meal will be \$6 effective January 2nd, 2019.**

If you have suggestions, you can reach me at Steph2472@yahoo.com Steph Oh, and we have an official [FaceBook](#) page now too

**For upcoming events/calendar, [click here](#)**

**December 2018**

Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
						<b>1</b> PG&F Party 5:00 PM
<b>2</b> El Dorado Chapter NSDAR Tree Set UP 10:00 AM	<b>3</b> Vulture 1119 40 & 8 Holiday dinner 5:30 PM	<b>4</b> Gold Bug Quilters 5:30 PM	<b>5</b> Post 119 Legion Family Christmas Dinner 6:00 PM	<b>6</b> Snowline Party 5:00 PM	<b>7</b> Farrel Design 5:00 PM	<b>8</b> El Dorado Chapter NSDAR 9:00 AM El Dorado Chapter NSDAR SOCIAL 11:00 AM Birthday party 2:00 PM
<b>9</b> Home Depot 5:00 PM	<b>10</b> UAL Retiree's Luncheon 11:00 AM State of Jefferson 5:00 PM	<b>11</b> Laborer's #185 5:00 PM	<b>12</b> Gilmore Heating and Air 5:00 AM El Dorado Co. Sheriff Explorers Post 457 Awards 6:00 PM	<b>13</b> Shining Stars Productions 4:00 PM Quiet Birdman Hanger 5:00 PM	<b>14</b> Sierra Riders 5:30 PM	<b>15</b> Friends of Cameron Airpark 5:00 PM
<b>16</b> Chapter 119 Holiday dinner 5:30 PM	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Remax 1:00 PM	<b>19</b> Bar Committee & Executive Committee 5:00 PM	<b>20</b> Shining Stars Productions 4:00 PM El Dorado Mineral and Gem Society 7:00 PM	<b>21</b> MORE Holiday luncheon 9:30 AM Post 119 Happy Hour 5:00 PM	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Shining Stars Productions 4:00 PM	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Intergroup District 22 1:00 PM					

**Friday = Happy Hour at the Post**

Don't forget Friday happy hour. Food by Leo and a nice adult beverage and the best part is spending some time with your Leg comrades. Pool table is available along with new pool cues. If the balls are not lost we have a net and paddles for the ping pon table. On occasions we are doing different things during happy hour. Since we have a nice projector we occasionally will watch movie. Come on out and have some fun and chat with other members.

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