

El Dorado American Legion Family El Dorado Post 119



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR GOD, COUNTRY AND COMMUNITY February 2019



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Commander's Corner

I would like to thank the cook crew, my fellow officers, and the executive committee for a great 1st half year. Looking forward to a great crab feed, moving forward on getting a sign for the post is progressing. Friday night happy hour is expanding. The rentals are beginning to show signs of increasing as we are already receiving repeat bookings for December. Also yearly contracts are being signed. If you have ideas on generating more revenue or more activities please feel free to contact myself or any of the officers or executive committee members.

We look forward to helping more El Dorado veterans in the coming year.
Thanks, Roger

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. Adults \$6.00, Children \$3.00

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.

The Adjutant's Round File

There are many people involved in the annual Post Crab Feed. One of the important parts of the event are the donations for the raffle. Bring items for the raffle. Baskets, gift cards, what ever you think would be fun and nice to win. A successful crab feed has a big, fun raffle. The "I want a crab ticket" phone number is 530-626-3956. Leave a message or call Mon, Wed, Fri between 0900 and 1100. On another item we are starting the preparations for the annual Peace Officers Awards night. This will be March 6. No Post or Aux meeting. Corn Beef and Cabbage and awards for Officer of the Year for the Placerville Police Department, El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, The Placeville Office of the California Highway Patrol and the El Dorado County District Attorney's Office. Be there and show support for our Law Enforcement Community.

See you around the Post. *Mike Muetz, Adjutant.*
El Dorado Post 119, American Legion



February 2019

| Su | M | T | W | Th | F | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 Post 119 Happy Hour 5:00 PM | 2 |
| 3 | 4 Voiture 1119 40 & 8 5:30 PM | 5 | 6 Post 119 & Auxiliary Unit Social, Dinner & Mtgs 6:00 PM | 7 | 8 Post 119 Happy Hour 5:00 PM | 9 El Dorado Chapter NSDAR 9:00 AM |
| 10 | 11 | 12 State of Jefferson 4:00 PM | 13 Sons of the American Legion Meeting 5:30 PM Chapter 119 Legion Riders Meeting 6:00 PM | 14 Quiet Birdmen Hanger 6:00 AM | 15 Crab Feed Set up 9:00 AM Post 119 Happy Hour 5:00 PM | 16 2019 POST 119 CRAB FEED 5:00 PM |
| 17 | 18 Presidents Day Holiday | 19 | 20 Bar Committee & Executive Committee 5:00 PM | 21 Voiture 1119 Luncheon for NCPA 11:00 AM El Dorado Mineral and Gem Society 7:00 PM | 22 El Dorado Co. Sheriff Awards 6:00 PM | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | | |

American Legion Auxillary News & Notes

Hi Everyone,

Great January dinner. Pasta and meatballs were had by all. Great with a little red wine.

I would like to thank Judy Muetz for volunteering to take on the Treasurer position. Judy worked very hard cleaning up our books because we have been without a Treasurer for 10 months. Rebecca Marty, Carol Mclaughlin and myself met with Judy prior to the dinner and completed a audit of our records.

At our meeting we mostly discussed the Audit.

Below I have included my January Newsletter article for reprint because it was attached to the very end of the last Newsletter after all the Officers. I felt it may have be overlooked.

Joy has been our chief of cutting all the cakes and putting the desserts out. I would like to thank her for helping us out so much at all the dinners. Joy could use a helper. If you would like to help please talk to Joy.

I not sure everyone knows this but the El Dorado Post 119, American Legion is turning 100 next year. On November 8, 2019 the post would like to host an event for the entire community. It would be an all-day affair. I would like to see the Auxiliary pitch in and help out. I know it is early but we need to plan. Get your thinking caps on and let me know your ideas. If you have access to a company that could sponsor us please check into it. We need to help out the Post. Please let me know where you can help. Call me at 916-524-5300 or 530-677-4423.

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

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

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

Founded in 1919, the American Legion Auxiliary is the world's largest women's patriotic service organization. The American Legion Auxiliary's mission is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad.

Service Officer's Spotlight

Veterans Court:

South Lake Tahoe:

At this moment, only one Veteran is on the docket for January. He should graduate, and, hopefully, Bob Sweatt will be there to represent the Veteran community. This is a big, miraculous deal. The Veteran attributes his success to the VA hospital in Palo Alto, which he says is the best hospital on the planet. February, an ongoing case is scheduled for hearing. Not sure why that Veteran is missing January.

Placerville:

10 are scheduled for hearing on January 14, in Department 1. Some are headed for amazing success. Some are having trouble getting out of the starting gate.

Alternative solutions:

Last Veterans Court, one of the Veterans was set for a flash incarceration. Failure to keep close enough tabs with his Probation Officer. Problem: His car would be impounded. Solution: Have him follow me to the Veterans Memorial Building. Leave the car for the week in the parking lot. Clear it with the building managers. Drive him to jail. Judge orders it. After a week, took him back to his car. Went smooth as silk. And he still owns his car.

Parolee reviolated. Just got him into Recovery, but when it was discovered that he had MRSA, out he went. However, Mather gave him antibiotics, and his wounds had healed. In theory, Recovery still has a bed for him. So, talked to Public Defender's office. Perhaps, instead of six months to a year in jail, the judge will release him to me to haul back to recovery, if and when a bed opens up. Done it before. Worth a shot.

Long term homeless Veteran. So many issues. PTSD. Substance abuse. Occasional bouts in jail. Just not making it. Good guy, but not the sharpest knife in the drawer. Mia Ehsani is a VA qualified fiduciary. We are handing him off to her. She can be his mommy. We will help her help him. Hope it works.

Just got a call from dad. Veteran, multiple deployments. Now in jail. History of violence. Normal VA programs do not want him due to history. Mather VJOS is checking out a post deployment program in Martinez that might work. Otherwise, through Only Kindness and EDVR we can offer Tree House Ministries, New Beginnings, U-Turn for Christ and Kokopelli Ranch as possible options, as long as they are on notice about the possibility of violence.

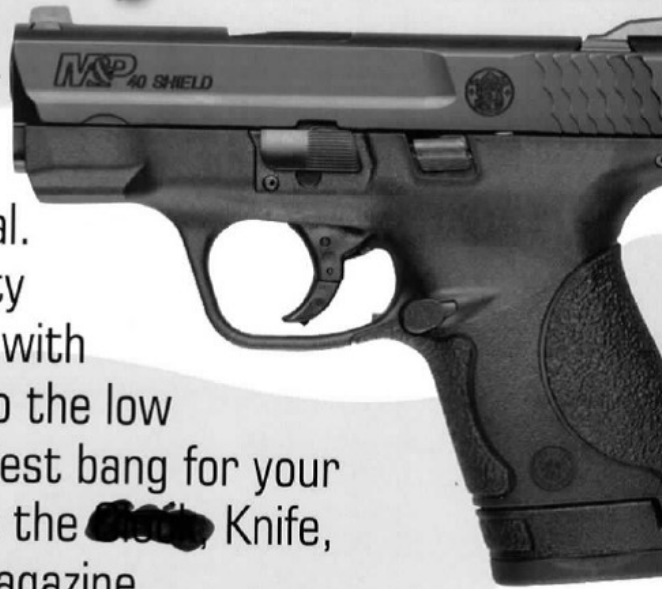
David Zelinsky
Service Officer
American Legion Post 119
530-919-8488

Sons of The American Legion Post 119



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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

From your Editor: Hope you enjoyed this issue! Sorry I missed the January dinner, hope to see you all this month. As always, feedback is welcome as this is YOUR newsletter.

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

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



February Legion History from their [website](#):

February 2010

The entire Legion family bands together and wins \$250,000 for Operation Comfort Warriors (OCW) in PepsiCo's Refresh Everything Project, submitting the most votes in an online contest and beating out hundreds of other groups and charities to take first place in the contest's first month. A big part of getting the word out was the *American Legion Online Update* e-newsletter. This is an early example of the still growing power of online and social media to augment everything the Legion does.

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

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 Legion 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 pong table. On occasions we are doing different things during happy hour. Since we have a nice projector we occasionally will watch a movie. Come on out and have some fun and chat with other members.



Leadership Team 2017-2018 Post 119 American Legion

Commander Roger Reynolds (530) 350-7740
1st Vice Joseph Rendon (530) 672-1161
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Unit 119 American Legion Auxiliary

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Run Coordinator Sam Ferguson
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The Auxiliary Meets on the First Wednesday of each month.

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 OPEN
Chaplain Robert Flowers (530) 417-5802

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

Calendar of Meetings

January 2 : Dinner 7:00PM
Jan. 7: 40&8 5:30 pm
Jan. 9: Sons 5:30 pm
Jan. 9: ALR 5:30
Jan. 16: Bar Meeting 5:00 pm & Exec. at 6:00 pm
All Legion Members welcome.



Happy Birthday!!! Enjoy your special day!

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**MEMBERS' SPOUSES ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT
OUR DINNERS ON MEETING NIGHT.**

The office at the Post will have someone present between 9am and 11am, Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. (Closed on Monday Holidays).

Membership Dues New and Renewing Members

When you receive your renewal statement from National for American Legion Dues, please pay it through Post 119. If you make your payment this way, 15% of it will go to support our post. Your direct payment to our post benefits in two ways: first, you are making a 15% contribution; and second, you will not make the mistake of double payment. If you receive a second notice from National, check with our post first. The 1st Vice has information on when your membership expires,

Dues for 2018 is \$45.00. The increase put in place last year was due to a per capita expense increase to the State American Legion. Joe Rendon 1st Vice