

# El Dorado American Legion Family

## El Dorado Post 119



### MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR GOD, COUNTRY AND COMMUNITY July 2019



Visit our Website at <http://www.legionpost119.org/>

#### Commander's Corner

The first time I was Commander of Post 119 was approx ten years ago during construction of our new building on Greenstone Rd. It was quite a challenge for us. We had enough money in the bank to get us a habitable shell (with a lot of effort and luck). However, by leaving the County Veteran's Memorial Bldg at the fair grounds, it meant we no longer had free stuff; free rent, free maintenance, insurance, taxes, utilities, etc.. We now had to exist without all the free stuff, meaning our annual budget would take a huge hit. Yes, there were sometimes (oftentimes) issues we needed to deal with. But, the amazing thing is that we all banded together, even contractors and Non-Legionaires volunteered their time and money for the cause - all for some free beer, free food and the camaraderie of just being part of the project. It was absolutely amazing to see it come together on time and within budget. Thanks to so many who only gave us their first names.

Now, as your new 2019 Commander, I have an appointment to sit down with Mike Schiavone, who has been our Finance Officer for the last five years, where he is going to show me that we are now 100% debt free and totally in the BLACK. PG&E is also buying electricity from our self supporting solar panels too. I thank Mike for his time and expertise and so many members who have helped rent & run the post and bar to the community. Barb, our Bar Manager and the bartenders work for tips only. Be sure to thank your hard working bartender at your next visit to the post.

How about that new sign we just put up at the street next to our driveway? Pretty cool, huh? The size of our building fits a niche that is needed in our county. And let me thank our El Dorado county citizens who have come to us for their needs and of course - their money. I believe it is a marriage made in heaven.

I have been asked what changes I plan on making. Are you kidding? I might be dumb, but I'm not smart. Ha! I do not want to rock the boat. It appears to be well charted at this moment. Thanks to our Past Commanders and Executive Committee.

I do have this one thing: Our Legion Motto is, "God and Country." God is first for a reason. Therefore, Edgar 'Bud' Brown, an Ordained Minister, has agreed to be our Post Chaplain this year and to spend time with God alone to bring us a couple more minutes of prayer at our meetings. He will be doing this first and then the pledge will immediately follow. We covet God's blessings.

I want to thank the Ladies Auxiliary for singing our anthem at our dinner meeting, and wish them to continue this practice until I begin hearing dissent. Maybe I will finally be able to learn it.

Last but not least: When you're near the kitchen, thank Matt Warden and the cook crew for the excellent hot food that continues to be tasty and on time. And, I also want to thank our Building Committee.

Until next time,  
Chuck Brasiel, Commander

530-409-8400 cell

Discover the best breakfast deal in El Dorado County:

Adults \$6.00, Children \$3.00

1st Sunday, 0700-1100, Fleet Reserve Association 275;

AND

2nd Sunday, 0700-1100, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10165.



T-Shirts above are pre-sale and can be yours for \$20

Pullover sweatshirts below are pre-sale for \$30,

Zippered hoody is pre-sale \$33.

Contact Bill Bryant at 530-409-8414 to order one today.



# **Come Join Us for a Beautiful Ride through Gold Country**

**American Legion Riders Chapter 119**

**Saturday, July 13, 2019**

**70th Annual Poker Run**

**Live Rock and Roll by The Fabulous Liars'  
Wagon of Booze Grand Raffle Prize**

**High / Low Hands**

**50/50**

**Raffle**

**Vendors and food (served from 12-2:00 Raffle 2:00)**

**Registration 9-11:00 \$25/\$35 2-up includes Lunch**

**Biscuit & Gravy \$5.00 while it lasts**

**Post 119 American Legion Hall**

**4561 Greenstone Rd., Placerville, CA.**

**More Info: (530) 626-3956**

## American Legion Auxillary News & Notes

Hi Everyone,

The Legion preformed an installation for elected officers with the help of Court Bradbury. I also swore in all elected Auxiliary officers.

Your dues are payable as of July 1<sup>st</sup>. Please remember the dues have gone up to \$35.00.

Do not forget I am looking for volunteers for the posts open house on November 8<sup>th</sup>. I need ideas for the Auxiliary to help with the celebration.

Please remember to bring your donations for our monthly raffle. Everyone is welcome to donate members or not. Remember the raffle helps keep the Auxiliary afloat.

Thank you!

Janie Bandera, President  
(530) 677-4423

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

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

**From your Editor:** Please send me items of interest for your Legion Post....If you are interested, someone else is too!

As veterans we know the importance of training. As Legionnaires, the benefit of training is that it helps prepare us to better serve our veterans, their families and our community

**FYI: Setting up a recurring way to pay your dues is pretty straightforward thru the MyLegion.org site. First visit the [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org) page and click on the MyLegion.org link near the top of the page (in the blue bar area). Once you create your account, you can edit your profile, print out a membership cards, update address, etc. You can also subscribe to their newsletter, and set up automatic online renewal of your membership dues. Helps you stay current with your membership and saves us having to send reminder emails.**

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

## Service Officer's Spotlight

24 hours:

Tough cases:

1. Refusing help. Threatening violence. Public health menace. Had to call police. Filed report with APS. Briefed teammates.
2. Terrorizing family. Dementia. In mental health lockdown. Discharge plan? Bring him back? No way! Try this social worker. Or this one. Or this one. Note to self. He needs LPS Conservatorship.
3. He is back. In a motel. How is that possible? He is supposed to not be ambulatory. Cannot transfer. Refused appropriate placement. He wants to talk to me? What can I do?

But then...

Piece of cake:

“I know he is hard to deal with...”

Are you kidding? Compared to the rest of the day?

Maybe Victory Village. Maybe SVRC. Maybe Salvation Army. Maybe SSVF or HUD-VASH (VA paid for housing programs).

Finally. Someone I can help.

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

### *The Adjutant's Round File*

*No report*



**How to begin a budget meeting**

**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 pool cues. Come out & have some fun and chat w/ other members.



Happy Birthday!!! Enjoy your special day!

**Executive Team**

*Commander Chuck Brasiel*

(530) 409-8400

1st Vice Stephanie Carlson

(530) 409-9716

2nd Vice VACANT

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Adjutant Roger Reynolds

(530) 350-7740

Finance Mike Schiavone

(530) 409-2710

Sgt At Arms Milt Bandera

(530) 677-4423

Past Commander Roger Reynolds

(530) 350-7740

Chaplain Edgar "Bud" Brown

530-677-4135

Judge Advocate Ken Vogeles

(530) 642-9523

Bar Manager Barbara Riley

(530) 409-7746

Building Manager Roger Reynolds

(530) 350-7740

Veterans Service David Zelinsky

(530) 919-8488

Membership Joseph Rendon

(530) 672-1161

Historian Mike Raffety

(530) 626-8020

Executive Bd. Jim Ayers

(916) 739-9421

Bud Brown

Sam Bradley

John Krahn

**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

(530) 350-7740

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

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

**Calendar of Meetings**

*July 3 : Dinner 7:00 PM -NO MEETING*

July 1: 40&8 5:30 pm

July 10: Sons 5:30 pm ALR 6:00

July 17: Bar Meeting 5:00 pm & Exec. 6:00 pm

*All Legion Members welcome.*

**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.**

**Chapter 119 American Legion Riders**

President Joe Rendon (530) 672-1161

Vice President Carlos Navarette

(916) 204-6038

Secretary Gary Coverdale

Treasurer Jane Ferguson

(530) 409-7487

Sgt at Arms Jim Maxey

(530) 622-1961

Membership

Critter Springer-Maxey

(530) 622-1961

Chaplain Robert Flowers

(530) 417-5802

Run Coordinator Sam Ferguson

(530) 409-7489

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

**July 17, 1925**

The Legion creates the American Legion Baseball program. *Today, more than 50 percent of Major League Baseball players are graduates of the program. About 82,000 youths play on Legion-sponsored teams each year.*

**July 9, 1954**

The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation is formed. *Today, more than \$11 million has been awarded to youth organizations and projects designed to help America's children.*

**July 21, 1983**

The Legion announces its sponsorship of an independent study on the effects of exposure to Agent Orange on Vietnam War veterans. Congress receives the results of the "American Legion-Columbia University Study of Vietnam-era Veterans" in 1989.

**July 2016:** The Legacy Scholarship is expanded to children of post-9/11 veterans who have a combined VA disability rating of 50 percent or greater.

**July 2019**

Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
	<b>1</b> Voiture 1119 40 & 8 5:30 PM	<b>2</b> Young at Heart 9:00 AM	<b>3</b> <a href="#">Post 119 &amp; Auxiliary Unit Social, Dinner &amp; Mtgs</a> 6:00 PM	<b>4</b> Independence Day	<b>5</b> Diane Wilkinson Catering 9:00 AM Post 119 Happy Hour 5:00 PM	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Young at Heart 9:00 AM State of Jefferson 4:00 PM	<b>10</b> Sons of the American Legion Meeting 5:30 PM Chapter 119 Legion Riders Meeting 6:00 PM	<b>11</b> Quiet Birdmen Hanger 6:00 PM	<b>12</b> Post 119 Happy Hour 5:00 PM	<b>13</b> Chapter 119 Poker Run 8:00 AM HAM Radio Test 9:00 AM
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Young at Heart 9:00 AM	<b>17</b> Bar Committee & Executive Committee 5:00 PM	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Post 119 Happy Hour 5:00 PM	<b>20</b> Family Reunion 12:00 PM
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Young at Heart 9:00 AM	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Post 119 Happy Hour 5:00 PM	<b>27</b> 30th Anniversary 5:00 PM
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

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**[www.legionpost119.org](http://www.legionpost119.org)**

**All Meetings At:**  
**American Legion El Dorado Post 119**  
4561 Greenstone Rd, Placerville CA 95667  
**(530) 626-3956**  
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