

El Dorado American Legion Family

El Dorado Post 119

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
FOR GOD, COUNTRY AND COMMUNITY

July 2018

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American Legion Auxiliary

Hi Everyone,

Our June dinner was very tasty. I would like to thank our great cook crew for the barbeque chicken.

The post conducted an Installation of our new Post and Auxiliary officers. I will still be your President this year, First Vice is Rebecca Marty, Second Vice is Carol McLaughlin, Treasurer is Joyce Reynolds and Secretary will be Suzy Bergin.

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

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to our Poppy fundraiser.

There will be no dinner or meeting in July because the first Wednesday is July 4th.

The membership has decided to have a bake sale at the American Legion Riders Poker Run on July 14th. If anyone is interested in baking for the sale please contact Rebecca Marty at 530-677-4423. If you wish to come and support them, the hall will be open by 8:00 AM. If you wish to participate in the run, registration starts at 9:00.

Thank you!

Janie Bandera, President

Cake List for July: No Cake

Cake List for August: Rebecca Marty, RoseMary Lewis, Betty Butcher, Joyce Reynolds, Janie Bandera, Suzy Bergin

Cake List for September: Jackie Schmidt, Janie Bandera, Sue Coffey, Pat Nerwinski, Joy Krahn, Carol Muller

There will be **NO** Meeting on July 4th, Enjoy the 4th

On July 4th come out to the Vets hall and help put up the flags on Highway 50. Meet at the Vet's hall by 7am. Put the flags up on the road then we can all go to breakfast at the waffle shop.

“Democracy is the government of the people, by the people, for the people.” — Abraham Lincoln

PREAMBLE

We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.



“In free countries, every man is entitled to express his opinions and every other man is entitled not to listen.” — **G. Norman Collie**

“Democracy ... is a system of self-determination. It's the right to make the wrong choice.” — **John Patrick**

American Legion Riders

President's Corner

Membership: Dues for 2018 - 2019

The 2019 membership dues for the Legion are due and payable 01 July, 2018. Also the 2018 - 2019 dues for the riders are \$20.00.

To be in the riders group you must be **current on your (2018 - 2019) dues to The American Legion, The Auxiliary, and The Sons**, before renewing with the American Legion Riders.

At the July riders meeting (July starts the Fiscal Year of 20 19) and thereafter when you renew your American Legion Riders membership you must fill out the ALR Application / Wavier that asks for information on you and your motorcycle.

For example: You must have the **M -M1 endorsement on your DL**; If you are a beginning motorcyclist you will have a **Permit # with an expiration date; proof of insurance; and current registration on your motorcycle**. This is so our chapter is in compliance with the Department of California mandate.

If you have any questions concerning this DOC Mandate, please bring your question to the meeting so it can be clarified, there may be others who may have the same questions but are reluctant to ask.

Let's start out the 2018-2019 ALR year on the right foot and have a Healthy and Safe riding year. Also bring some suggestions on places to go or events that you want to do that will bring the American Legion Riders from Post# 119 into the limelight with the rest of California.

In the truest sense, freedom cannot be bestowed; it must be achieved.—**Franklin D. Roosevelt**

Liberty means responsibility. That is why most men dread it.—**George Bernard Shaw**

True independence and freedom can only exist in doing what's right.—**Brigham Young**

“The most courageous act is still to think for yourself. Aloud.—**Coco Chanel**

“Ask not what the Post can do you, Ask what can you do for the Post”
- **Dick B.**

The Beer Tree at the El Dorado County Fair is one of the biggest fundraisers for the Post. At the time of this writing I don't have any numbers but I would have say the results are promising. A new item this year at the Beer Tree was “We Survived the Beer Tree” T-shirts. For a cool \$20.00 you got the nice USA shirt and a ticket to win a gas BBQ donated by Home Depot. The 6pm drawing of the winning ticket for the BBQ. The winner was a Mr. Sutton. Barbara called him and left the message that he was the winner. If you have never volunteered at the Beer Tree during the Fair I recommend that you give it a try some year. It is a ton of fun, you get to chat with other members you don't see often and the best part is the people around the Beer Tree. Oh and you get a free meal. Thank you to all that helped out this year.

“Too many people expect wonders from democracy, when the most wonderful thing of all is just having it.” — **Walter Winchell**



Sam Bradley, Gordon Vicini, Barbara Riley and Mike Schiavone.

Chuck Brasiel, new Exec Committee Member: 530-409-8400. I was 119 commander during the construction of our new Greenstone building and then became our District Commander the following year. For a retired guy, I had a lot of community activities; too much in fact, which have since been reduced. I am glad to be back working with MY post.



“I confess that there are several parts of this Constitution which I do not at present approve, but I am not sure I shall never approve them. For having lived long, I have experienced many instances of being obliged by better information, or fuller consideration, to change opinions even on important subjects, which I once thought right, but found to be otherwise.”

— **Benjamin Franklin, 1787**

“The Constitution, on this hypothesis, is a mere thing of wax in the hands of the Judiciary, which they may twist and shape into any form they please.” — **Thomas Jefferson**

“I consider the difference between a system founded on the legislatures only, and one founded on the people, to be the true difference between a league or treaty and a constitution.” — **James Madison**, at the Constitutional Convention, 1787

Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom, must, like men, undergo the fatigue of supporting it.—**Thomas Paine**

Veteran Presidents

George H.W. Bush

The United States formally entered World War II in December 1941, following Japan's surprise attack on Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. Six months later, Bush enlisted into the US Navy immediately after he graduated from Phillips Academy on his eighteenth birthday. He became a naval aviator training for aircraft carrier landings and takeoffs on the USS *Sable*. After completing the 10-month course, he was commissioned as an ensign in the United States Naval Reserve at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi on June 9, 1943 (just three days before his 19th birthday), which made him the youngest naval aviator to that date.

In September 1943, he was assigned to Torpedo Squadron (VT-51) as the photographic officer. The following year, his squadron was based on USS *San Jacinto* as a member of Air Group 51, where his lanky physique earned him the nickname "Skin". During this time, the task force was victorious in one of the largest air battles of World War II: the Battle of the Philippine Sea.

After Bush's promotion to Lieutenant (junior grade) on August 1, 1944, *San Jacinto* commenced operations against the Japanese in the Bonin Islands. Bush piloted one of four Grumman TBM Avenger aircraft from VT-51 that attacked the Japanese installations on Chichijima. His crew for the mission, which occurred on September 2, 1944, included Radioman Second Class John Delaney and Lieutenant Junior Grade William White. During their attack, the Avengers encountered intense anti-aircraft fire; Bush's aircraft was hit by flak and his engine caught on fire. Despite the fire in his aircraft, Bush completed his attack and released bombs over his target, scoring several damaging hits. With his engine ablaze, Bush flew several miles from the island, where he and one other crew member on the TBM Avenger bailed out of the aircraft; the other man's parachute did not open. Bush waited for four hours in an inflated raft, while several fighters circled protectively overhead until he was rescued by the lifeguard submarine USS *Finback*. For the next month, he remained on *Finback* and participated in the rescue of other pilots. Several of those shot down during the attack were executed, and their livers were eaten by their captors. This experience shaped Bush profoundly, leading him to ask, "Why had I been spared and what did God have for me?"

In November 1944, Bush returned to *San Jacinto* and participated in operations in the Philippines until his squadron was replaced and sent home to the United States. Through 1944, he flew 58 combat missions for which he received the Distinguished Flying Cross, three Air Medals, and the Presidential Unit Citation awarded to *San Jacinto*. Bush was then reassigned to Norfolk Navy Base and put in a training wing for new torpedo pilots. His final assignment was as a naval aviator in a new torpedo squadron, VT-153, based at Naval Air Station Grosse Ile, Michigan. Bush was honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy in September 1945, one month after the unconditional surrender of Japan brought the war to an end.

John F. Kennedy

Lieutenant John F. Kennedy receives the Navy's highest honor for gallantry for his heroic actions as a gunboat pilot during World War II on this day in 1944. The future president also received a Purple Heart for wounds received during battle.

As a young man, Kennedy had desperately wanted to go into the Navy but was originally rejected because of chronic health problems, particularly a back injury he had sustained playing football while attending Harvard. In 1941, though, his politically connected father used his influence to get Jack into the service. In 1942, Kennedy volunteered for PT (motorized torpedo) boat duty in the Pacific.

In July 1943, according to the official Navy report, Kennedy and the crew of PT 109 were ordered into combat near the Solomon Islands. In the middle of the night on August 2, their boat was rammed by a Japanese destroyer and caught fire. Several of Kennedy's shipmates were blown overboard into a sea of burning oil. Kennedy dove in to rescue three of the crew and in the process swallowed some of the toxic mixture. (Kennedy would later blame this for chronic stomach problems.) For 12 hours, Kennedy and his crew clung to the wrecked hull, before he ordered them to abandon ship. Kennedy and the other good swimmers placed the injured on a makeshift raft, and then took turns pushing and towing the raft four miles to safety on a nearby island.

For six days, Kennedy and his crew waited on the island for rescue. They survived by drinking coconut milk and rainwater until native islanders discovered the sailors and offered food and shelter. Every night, Kennedy tried to signal other U.S. Navy ships in the area. He also reportedly scrawled a message on a coconut husk and gestured to the islanders to take it to a nearby PT base at Rendova. On August 8, a Navy patrol boat picked up the haggard survivors.

On June 12, 1944, while he was in the hospital recuperating from back surgery, Kennedy received the Navy and Marine Corps medal for courage, endurance and excellent leadership [that] contributed to the saving of several lives and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, to assure the survival and success of liberty.—**John F. Kennedy**

Service Officer Corner

1. Vietnam. Three Distinguished Flying Crosses. A good man. Really true blue and wanting to serve. Graciously called me his Honorary Veteran. Lots of time on the phone. Favorite movie? Lilies of the Field.

One day, the family called. There will be no more phone calls.

Don't know how or why, but I know untreated PTS(D) is lethal.

2. WWII. Biggest regret? The W.A.V.E.S. were segregated on a separate deck. So close, yet so far. Biggest honor? Maybe being close enough to General MacArthur on Phillipines Independence Day for a close up of him and the first President of the Phillipines.

His final duty? Advocate for me at the Pearly Gates.

3. Not a bad soldier. In spite of his OTH discharge, could have been worse. A year of enforced sobriety, but all he wanted was to get drunk as soon as he got out.

Was he good to the last drop? Not my call.

4. Young. Iraq. Obeyed orders. A good man. Moral injury.

Could not reconcile what he did to his moral compass.

Too many ghosts.

He is gone.

Pray for them. Only in death is their war over.

Until then...

Carry on.

Freedom has its life in the hearts, the actions, the spirit of men and so it must be daily earned and refreshed - else like a flower cut from its life-giving roots, it will wither and die.

Dwight D. Eisenhower

Plea for help.

I will sooner more than later retire from being Post Service Officer.

Here are some of the tasks that need to be taken over:

Handing out Judicial Council form, MIL-100, to out of custody arraigned Veterans. Mondays, 7:45 a.m., bottom floor, Building C. Lasts no more than 45 minutes.

Get trained on transporting inmate workers. The training lasts a couple hours. Pick up workers, four p.m., at jail. Transport to Legion. Return workers around 8:30 p.m. First Wednesday of the month.

Get live scanned and accepted by the jail to visit Veteran inmates. They are sober, focused and grateful. You will be able to connect them to county VA services, the Veteran Justice Outreach Specialist at Mather, help them with discharge planning, connect them to the Veterans Treatment Court staff, and connect them to Only Kindness for mental health related financial services. Plan a few hours per week.

Attend Veterans Treatment Court. This is light duty involving a bit more than an hour per month, second Monday, from roughly 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. You may be able to offer support as needed, connecting them to services. For example, realizing that the Veteran was obligated to pay for DUI classes, but could not afford them, you might find a way to cover the cost.

Learn how to assist with applications to Victory Village or State Veterans Homes.

If you want to make a bigger commitment, and receive a bigger sense of satisfaction, you can visit inmates in South Lake Tahoe, and attend Veterans Treatment Court. This involves at least a monthly, all day commitment.

I would be happy to provide training or support.

David Zelinsky
Service Officer
American Legion Post 119
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My God! How little do my countrymen know what precious blessings they are in possession of, and which no other people on earth enjoy!

Thomas Jefferson

Action of Second Continental Congress,

July 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,

WHEN in the Course of human Events, it becomes necessary for one People to dissolve the Political Bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the Powers of the Earth, the separate and equal Station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent Respect to the Opinions of Mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the Separation.

WE hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness—That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed, that whenever any form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its Foundation on such Principles, and organizing its Powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient Causes; and accordingly all Experience hath shewn, that Mankind are more disposed to suffer, while Evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long Train of Abuses and Usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object, evinces a Design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their Right, it is their Duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future Security. Such has been the patient Sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the Necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The History of the present King of Great-Britain is a History of repeated Injuries and Usurpations, all having in direct Object the Establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid World.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public Good.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing Importance, unless suspended in their Operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the Accommodation of large Districts of People, unless those People would relinquish the Right of Representation in the Legislature, a Right inestimable to them, and formidable to Tyrants only.

He has called together Legislative Bodies at Places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the Depository of their public Records, for the sole Purpose of fatiguing them into Compliance with his Measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly Firmness his Invasions on the Rights of the People.

He has refused for a long Time, after such Dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative Powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the Dangers of Invasion from without, and Convulsions within.

He has endeavored to prevent the Population of these States; for that Purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their Migrations hither, and raising the Conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary Powers.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the Tenure of their Offices, and the Amount and Payment of their Salaries.

He has erected a Multitude of new Offices, and sent hither Swarms of Officers to harass our People, and eat out their Substance.

He has kept among us, in Times of Peace, Standing Armies, without the consent of our Legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil Power.

He has combined with others to subject us to a Jurisdiction foreign to our Constitution, and unacknowledged by our Laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For quartering large Bodies of Armed Troops among us:

For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from Punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:

For cutting off our Trade with all Parts of the World:

For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:

For depriving us, in many Cases, of the Benefits of Trial by Jury:

For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pre-tended Offences:

For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighboring Province, establishing therein an arbitrary Government and enlarging its Boundaries, so as to render it at once an Example and fit Instrument for introducing the same absolute Rule into these Colonies:

For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the forms of our Governments:

For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with Power to legislate for us in all Cases whatsoever.

He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our Seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our Towns, and destroyed the Lives of our People.

He is, at this Time, transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to complete the Works of Death, Desolation, and Tyranny already begun with circumstances of Cruelty and Perfidy, scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous Ages, and totally unworthy of the Head of a civilized Nation.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the Executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

He has excited domestic Insurrections amongst us, and has endeavored to bring on the Inhabitants of our Frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known Rule of Warfare, is an undistinguished Destruction, of all Ages, Sexes and Conditions.

In every stage of these Oppressions we have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble Terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated Injury. A Prince, whose Character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the Ruler of a free People.

Nor have we been wanting in Attentions to our British Brethren. We have warned them from Time to Time of Attempts by their Legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the Circumstances of our Emigration and Settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and Magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the Ties of our common Kindred to disavow these Usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our Connections and Correspondence. They too have been deaf to the Voice of Justice and of Consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the Necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of Mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace, Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World for the Rectitude of our Intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly Publish and Declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be, FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES, that they are absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political Connection between them and the State of Great-Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which INDEPENDENT STATES may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm Reliance on the Protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our fortunes, and our sacred Honor.

**American Legion El Dorado Family
Leadership Team 2017-2018
Post 119 American Legion**

Commander	Roger Reynolds	(530)
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“Democracy is good. I say this because other systems are worse.” — **Jawaharlal Nehru**



July Birthdays

Albert	Freitag	Gerhardt	Burk
James	Maxey	Richard	Solomon
James	Campini	Samuel	Ferguson
Clifford	Schmidt	Steven	Tracy
Edgar	Quint	Daniel	Murphy
Kenneth	Ball	John	Smith
Ben	Collins	Donald	Carlson
Leonard	Miller	Kurt	Luther
William	Bradley	Daniel	Barnes
Michael	Toop	James	Wassner
Louie	Kraushar	Michael	Muetz
Ken	Mikulecky	Cal	Krueger
William	Strader	Kurt	Taylor
John	Dale	Royce	Carr
Jeffery	Lee	Jamie	Gulley
Edwin	Digesti	Richard	Lucy
John	Davis	Raymond	Hyder
George	Hooper	James	Murray
Robert	Craven	Dedrie	Flowers
John	Barrentine	Harry	Norris
Lee	Sanders	Robert	Graham
Angela	Hastings	Louis	Gagne
Robert	Young	Johan	Lai

New Members

Donald Cook	Melvin Kelley
Phillip Finley	Ray Russell
CMSgt. Merwin Butler	Robert Misch

The Flags Promise To Veterans

The cloth that covers our fallen comrade,
This honored banner that we fold,
The emblem of our Nation to who we pledge,
An oath that each of us must hold.

Our Flag now speaks of gratitude from all of us,
Pay homage to what it has to tell,
Thank you for defending me,
Good Bye my friend, sleep well.

And when you are asked by spirits of the past,
Have we been forgotten yet?
Please tell them that I honor them,
And pledge never to forget.

Though memories of your service,
May seem to fade and lag,
I'll forever be here to say Farewell,
That is the promise of your Flag.

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 40&8 Voiture 1119 5:30pm	3	4 4th of July No Activity at Post 119	5	6 Happy Hour 5pm-9pm Chow by Leo	7
8	9	10 Primary Elec- tion—Polling Location: 6am	11 SAL: 5:30 Riders: 6:30	12	13 Happy Hour 5pm-9pm Chow by Leo	14 ALR Chapter 119 Poker Run 8:30am
15	16	17	18 Bartenders: 5pm E-Board: 6pm	19	20 Happy Hour 5pm-9pm Chow by Leo	21
22 Beer Tree	23	24	25	26	27 Happy Hour 5pm-9pm Chow by Leo	28
29	30	31				

Calendar of Meetings

July 2: 40&8 5:30 pm
July 4: **NO MEETING**
July 11: Sons 5:45 pm
Riders 6:30 pm
July 18: Bar Meeting 5:00 pm
Exe Meeting 6:00 pm
All Legion Members welcome.

As Mankind becomes more liberal, they will be more apt to allow that all those who conduct themselves as worthy members of the community



are equally entitled to the protections of civil government. I hope ever to see America among the foremost nations of justice and liberality.—**George Washington**

Many politicians are in the habit of laying it down as a self-evident proposition that no people ought to be free till they are fit to use their freedom. The maxim is worthy of the fool in the old story who resolved not to go into the water till he had learned to swim. **Thomas Macaulay**

The preservation of the sacred fire of liberty, and the destiny of the Republican model of Government, are justly considered as deeply, perhaps as finally staked, on the experiment entrusted to the hands of the American people.

George Washington

This land is your land, this land is my land
From California, to the New York Island
From the redwood forest, to the gulf stream waters
This land was made for you and me - **Woody Guthrie**

Let freedom never perish in your hands. **Joseph Addison**

We on this continent should never forget that men first crossed the Atlantic not to find soil for their ploughs but to secure liberty for their souls.—**Robert J. McCracken**

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.

All meeting's at American Legion Post 119, 4561 Greenstone Road, Placerville, CA 95667

* Happy hour subject to prior rental.

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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