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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

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News From The Commander

VFW Family,

I want to personally thank our wonderful volunteers who make our Post possible! You rock. Keep up the strong work. Also, I've noticed more members bringing in their families. It's good to see the young faces and it reminds me of my experience growing up in the local VFW. I truly believe our Post is a second home for our membership, Auxiliary, and their families.

A few admin notes. Keep up your recruiting efforts. We are at 99% towards our goal of 102%.

Last month I briefed that our post would be inspected by District. The inspection date changed to November 16th. I will brief everyone on the result in the next newsletter. November 5th is election day. I encourage everyone to vote. Also, don't forget to set back your clocks on November 3d.

I was very happy to congratulate Jeremy Burks on earning Eagle Scout last month. On the same day we hosted the local non-profit MIL-TREE for a book reading. We observed the Navy Birthday! Thank you, Anne Lear for suggesting, and initiating a plan to do this and then spearheading the effort to support our Sailors and Seamen. Also, thank you to everyone who was able to come out and celebrate Floyd's birthday! Happy 99th Birthday Floyd; here's to many more.

We have a few significant holidays this month. November 10 we will celebrate the Marine Corps Birthday! Come out and toast the Corps from 4-7 PM. The next day, November 11, at 11:11AM we will commemorate Veterans Day in front of our Flag Pole. Finally, Thursday, November 28, from 2-5 PM Past Commander John Pellior has volunteered to host a Thanksgiving Potluck at the Post. Thank you, John!

I want to wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving! I'm thankful for our VFW family!

Our calendar is subject to change so please keep up to date by following us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/VFW7264]T.

If you require or if you know anyone who requires any assistance, please contact the Post at 760.366.2717.

The next Post meeting is November 2 at 10AM and the Auxiliary meeting is October 12 at 10AM.

Sincerely, Frank



Frank Clark, Commander

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OFFICERS

Commander: Frank Clark
Sr. Vice: Earl Childs
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3 Year Trustee: Ed Shimko

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Ben Lawless (Chair)
Kory Rivera
Anne Lear
Commander
Sr. Vice
Quartermaster
President

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Kari Smith Jessica Voightlander Meagan Karstensen Frank Clark Kacy Dalton - Bar Manager

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President: Dani Taylor
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VA NEWS

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San Bernardino

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M - Fri: 8am - 4pm

Victorville

15095 Amargosa Road, Suite 107, Victorville Ca 92394

M - Fri: 8am - 4:30pm

Temecula

40935 County Center Drive, Temecula, CA 92691

M-Th: 8am - 8:30pm Friday: 8am - 6:30pm

VETERANS CLINICS

Blythe:

1273 Hobson Way, Blythe, Ca 92225

M-F: 8am - 4:30pm

Corona:

2045 Compton Avenue, Suite 101, Corona, CA 92881

M-Th: 8am - 5pm Fri: 8am - 2:30pm

Murrieta:

28078 Baxter Road, Suite 540,

Murrieta, Ca. 92563 **M-Th: 8am - 5pm**

Fri: 8am - 2:30pm

Palm Desert:

72700 Dinah Shore Dr. Palm Desert, CA 92211

M-Th: 8am - 5pm Fri: 8am - 2:30pm

Rancho Cucamonga:

8599 Haven Avenue,

Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

M-Th: 8am - 5pm Fri: 8am - 2:30pm

Victorville:

15456 W. Sage St #201 Victorville, CA 92392



Submission Deadline: 25th of month **Submit To:** Ben Lawless

Articles for submission will be reviewed with Post Commander and the editor reserves the right to edit articles for space and content.

Thank you!



House Committee - Ben Lawless

Happy November VFW Family!

The House Committee will report in the November meeting that it expended \$59.70 for screen door screen and spline, two bags of quikcrete, and rebar. The screen on the patio screen door has been replaced and several blocks have been installed along the south fence line. As this is being written (Oct. 22) we should have our memorial bricks in place around the flag pole before Nov. 11! A huge thank-you to Jeff Brummer and Miles for all of their hard work on this project.

I will not ask the House Committee for any additional funding this month or schedule more projects until we catch up on currently planned ones. On deck is to continue shoring up the South fence line, and rebuild the water heater enclosure and the water relief enclosure.

I want to recognize Roger Smith who has joined us the last few weeks to clean the post on Tuesdays from 9-11 AM. Thank you Roger, your help is greatly appreciated!

Also, thank you to the post member who wishes to be anonymous but donated a huge smart TV that we will hang behind the bar.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this month, I'm thankful for our wonderful Post and its members.



Come Join Us!

Open to the Public

Wed. Tacos

11 - Flag Ceremony

16 - Bike Rally

16 - Spaghetti Dinner

22 - Fish Dinner

24 - Boy Scout Breakfast

2, 9 & 23 Burgers



Auxiliary NEWS

Dani Taylor - President

During the October meeting we made a donation to Loma Linda VA Hospital and the Christmas Party. A big thank you for Andy's donation toward our Trunk and Treat event. On Wednesday *Nov 27th* the Taco Belles will be dark. Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

All new applications will be reviewed at the next monthly meeting on the second Saturday of the Month. Welcome to the pending new members.

As the holiday season begins, the Auxiliary and the Taco Belles will collect items between *Nov 20 and Dec 18* to give to the animals at the No-Kill Shelter and Animal Action League. Blankets, towels, toys, and pet beds are especially welcome. *Please no toys with eyes, buttons or decorations that can be bitten off and swallowed.*

Happy Birthday, Anniversary, and Good Health to All!



Bike Rally

November 16th - 12 to 5pm

Details to follow on Facebook



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VFW Run Club

Folks, dust off your go-fasters and PT gear. This month we would like to highlight our brand new *Run Club* that the Auxiliary and Post have sponsored for a Spartan Race 5K Obstacle Course at Castaic Lake, Ca. on *December 7th*. We can't wait to hear how they do! Below is an introduction to the race team from its organizer and Auxiliary member, Mallory.

"Welcome to the VFW Run Club! This group is open to all Veterans and Auxiliary looking to connect with others through physical movement. Our goal is to create awareness of the physical, mental and emotional health issues within these communities and build meaningful relationships to work through and overcome these struggles together. We look forward to growing our ranks and seeing you at the finish line! #VFWRunClub"

Photos in order: Mallory Mason, Joel Buchannan, Amy Sanchez, Greg Sanchez, and Jessica Tinajero.











Mallory Bio: Running and working out has been a source of mental health for me for years but this will be my first Spartan Race. As a lifetime VFW Auxiliary member and having had family in every military branch, I live to serve my veterans. I believe this is the start to something big for the VFW community and I'm excited to be a part of it.

Joel Bio: 53 from LA. I entered the US Army May 1988 completing Basic training at Fort Sill, OK and AIT at Ft Lee, VA before becoming a search and recovery specialist in Desert Storm. I re-enlisted six years after my first contract as a 68W medic and served three tours in Iraq. Since retiring in 2011 I worked as a paramedic and am now a full time student completing a dual Masters in Linguistics and Microbiology.

Amy Bio: My name is Amy, I'm 22, and have been an avid runner for many years. As an active marine spouse and studying to be a surgeon, running and staying active helps me through deployments and the daily grind. I'm glad to have found a team that understands military life and builds a community of support.

Greg Bio: My name is Gregory and I'm 22 years old from Rancho Cucamonga. I grew up loving sports, working out, and competing. I'm a proud family member to many former and retired service members and am doing this race to not only challenge myself but also as a thank you for all the hard work and training of all who have served.

JESSICA Bio: I'm Jessica, 33 and I started running as mental therapy earlier this year. I have not always been big into fitness but I love to challenge myself. My uncle is a retired marine and helped instill that in me as well. I'm excited to be a part of this team of veterans and auxiliary!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Notice! Bar/Pub Grub Available daily Check Facebook or Call the Post to learn what's					1	House Committee 9am Post Meeting 10 am Burgers: 11:30 - 1:30 Single \$6/Double \$8
3	4	5 Election Day	6	7	8	9
End of Daylight Savings	Boy Scouts @ 6pm	Volunteer Post Cleanup 9 - 11 am	Taco Belle's 11am - 1pm (Open to Public)		Karaoke/Pizza \$ 5 - 7 pm	Auxiliary Meeting 10am Burgers: 11:30 - 1:30 Single \$6/Double \$8
Happy Birthday U.S. Marine Corps Dinner: 4 pm	11 Veteran's Day 11:11am Ceremony At the Flagpole (Open to Public) Boy Scouts @ 6pm	Volunteer Post Cleanup 9 - 11 am	Taco Belle's 11am - 1pm (Open to Public)	14	15	16 Veterans Bike Rally 12 - 5 pm & Amore Spaghetti Dinner (Open to Public)
17	18 Boy Scouts @ 6pm	Volunteer Post Cleanup 9 - 11 am	Taco Belle's Chicken Tacos 11am - 1pm (Open to Public)	21	Fish Dinner 5 - 7 pm (Open to Public)	Burgers: 11:30 - 1:30 Single \$6/Double \$8
Pancake Breakfast Served: 9 - 11 am Bar not open (Open to Public)	25 Boy Scouts @ 6pm	26 Volunteer Post Cleanup 9 - 11 am	NO Tacos	Potluck 2 - 5 pm	29	30

Post Hours: 11 AM till Closing.

LIMITED daily Bar/Pub Grub - check Facebook or call Post to see what's cooking





Tuesday Cleanup



Roger lending a hand

Anne, Sue & Bill presenting Navy Birthday Cake



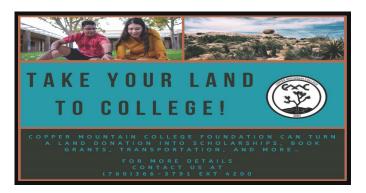


Floyd says Thank You and God Bless on his 99th Birthday!

Commander Clark Recognizing



Jeremy Burks
On attaining Eagle Scout

















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Calendar Events

Mondays - Boy Scouts Troop 77 meets @ 6 pm
Tuesdays - Volunteer Post Cleanup 9 - 11 am
Wednesdays - Taco Belle Tacos - 11 am to 1pm (Open to Public)
Saturdays - Burgers 11:30 am - 1:30 pm 2, 9 & 23 (Open to Public)
Bar/Pub Grub available daily - check Facebook or Call the Post to see
What's cooking!

2 - House Committee Meeting @ 9 am

2 - Post Meeting @ 10 am

3 - End of Daylight Savings

5 - Election Day!!

8 - Karaoke & Pizza \$

9 - Auxiliary Meeting @ 10 am

10 - Marine Corps Birthday - Dinner @ 4pm 11 - Veteran's Day - Flag Ceremony @ 11:11am (Open to Public)

16 - Veterans Bike Rally 12 - 5 pm (Open to Public)

Details to follow on Facebook

16 - Amore Spaghetti Dinner 5 - 7 pm (Open to Public)

22 - Fish Dinner 5 - 7 pm (Open to Public)

28 - Thanksgiving Day

24 - Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast 9 - 11 am (Open to Public)

27 - **NO** Tacos

28 - Thanksgiving Potluck 2 - 5 pm

Carryout and Outside Patio dining available

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United We Stand

Newsletter Submission Deadline: 25th of the month

Submit to:

Ben Lawless

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Editor: Linda Sande



Or Current Resident

All of Us Gave Some...Some Gave All Remember and Honor, our KIA, POW, MIA & Wounded

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