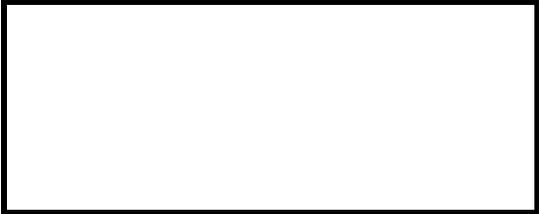


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Tom Wilkie
2nd Vice Commander
Virgil Swope II
3rd Vice Commander
Gil Flores
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TBA
Adjutant
Pierre Duco
Finance Officer
Pierre Duco

POST HOURS
Wednesday Through Monday Open 12:00 Noon

COMMANDER'S NOTES



“What’s Happening?”

This marks the end of my year in office. Like the opening credits say “What’s Happening?”

There have been so many high lights this year I have to go back to what I call my Commander’s Log to remember all of them. We have seen a Huge turn around at the Post.

A lot of changes have occurred. Some very good, some good and some we would rather not talk about. But as my Grandmother use to say, nothing ventured nothing gained. I learned a long time ago that looking back does nothing for you. It’s the challenge of what lies ahead that makes life exciting. But there are some folks that I would like to publicly acknowledge for their contributions to what ever success we have had this year. The first one is the Post Adjutant. You have heard the saying about a woman’s work never being done. That’s the Adjutant. Membership, reports, recording keeping , recording of Post events and that is only the tip of the iceberg. Until you have walked a mile in Jerry’s shoes, you can’t really have an appreciation for the job he has done. Jerry is stepping down as Adjutant next year due to health concerns. He will be sorely missed. Our Finance Officer is another one who goes above and beyond the call of duty. Not only has Sid kept the Post afloat financially, but he has been an astute keeper of the Post funds. Thank You Sid for a Job Well Done. Sid has agreed to continue as Post Finance Officer. Another Post Member that is stepping down is Phil Petek, our Chaplain. Phil stated that, after ten years in the position, it is time for new blood to step in. I have only known Phil as Chaplain and he will also be sorely missed. Gil Flores, Bill Hancock, the entire Executive Committee as well as the 1st Vice Commander have made this a very successful year. Finally but not leastly is our 2nd Vice Commander and Building Manager. Keeping the Banquet Room rented out (a major source of Post income) to maintaining of the property to overseeing our rental agreements with our various tenants, Virgil has given his best effort to get the job done. A valuable member of the total team effort that made this year a successful one. A hearty Thank You for a very grateful Commander!

By the tune you read this, election of Post Officers will have been held and we will be preparing for installation on Thursday, June 2nd. Installing Team for the Legion will be members of the Legion Honor Society, 40&8 members from Orange Voiture 527. This will be an open meeting. Spouses and/or guests are welcome to attend. The Auxiliary will be serving dinner from 6 to 7 PM and the festivities will start upstairs at 7:30 PM with installation of the Ladies Auxiliary Officers for 2011- 2012 followed by the SALS and completing the program with Orange Post installation. Please, join us for this important event.

That’s 30 for this time, but remember.

“Keep the faith

Oliver Taylor
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1st VICE-COMMANDER

(Membership)

Hi, I'm Tom Wilkie
Last year's 2nd Vice-Commander
And Past 3rd Vice-Commander



Another year has passed, but your officers have remained in their same positions to better serve you and our post.

We ended this year with about 90% of our members having paid their dues. This includes 38 new members!

Your post has had many improvements made to it this year and you need to come in and see them for yourself. My listing them doesn't seem to have enough impact to get you to come in.

You should know by now that each of us is a member of Post 132's membership team. So ask every veteran friend or neighbor you have to join with you become a member of our post— you'll be glad you did.

Tom Wilkie, 1st V.C.

(714) 283-8660

2nd VICE-COMMANDER

Virgil Swope, II



Heading into June we have a lot of open dates for rentals in our main hall. I'm hoping this will give us the time to get the floor back to its natural color, that is the plan anyway. We are going to need help to do that so please give me a call and let me know what day and time you have to help. The church will have a group of volunteers so we need to be there as well. It is our building and they are just tenants. I am still looking for affidavits from any one that has knowledge our rentals upstairs. Please, include the type of party approximate number of guest and date, as far back as you can remember. Anyone having knowledge of the old building association and its members, please, let us know. Are any of the board members still around? We need to get information from them. I am concerned how everyone remembers we always did it that way but no one remembers the important things with any detail. Please- we need the detail as best as you can give it to us. As the building manager I need all the help I can get, but before you make a commitment please let me know what you are doing and how much it will cost.

Until next month when I have more time to get on my soap-box be safe and God Bless!

CALL ME !!!!!!!

Virgil Swope II
Second Vice-Commander

3rd VICE-COMMANDER

Gil Flores



SUNDAY, 6-5-11

THURSDAY, 06-16-11
TO SUNDAY, 6-19-11

DISTRICT 29 MEETING AT POST 132 (TIME-TBD)

VIETNAM VETERANS "TRAVELING WALL THAT HEALS" DISPLAY,
CITY OF ORANGE (55 FWY T CHAPMAN AVE)

SATURDAY, 6-18-11

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST (9:00 AM – 12:00 PM)

BUS TRIP TO THE PALA CASINO TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2011

LEAVE FROM: AMERICAN LEGION POST

143 S. LEMON ORANGE

PARK IN AMERICAN LEGION POST PARKING LOT

BUS LEAVES 10:00 A.M. SHARP,

PLEASE BE THERE BY 9:30 A.M

FEE IS \$11.00 PER PERSON

WHICH INCLUDES TIP FOR BUS DRIVER

PAY AT TIME OF BOARDING

You Will Need A Valid Drivers License, I D Card or Passport

YOU MUST CALL ALICE OR CAROL FOR RESERVATIONS:

Alice Pugh: 714-532-5984 Carol Goss: 714-978-2161 Cell 714-473-2451

WE MUST HAVE 45 SIGNED UP TO MAKE THE TRIP

ADJUTANT'S CORNER

(Jerry Hoosier 714 997 3337)

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I want to acknowledge some members who have donated their time and money towards the Veterans Hospital and the youth programs. SALS member, Albert Walraven, donated \$57 to the children's Easter party. Gil Flores donated \$50 to Boys State. And Bob and Catherine Boland donated to the VA Hospital visits. My wife has accompanied me to the VA hospital more than any other member this year and I want to thank her for that. Now I'm sure there are many more who should be recognized, but these are the ones I can readily recall. If I should have mentioned you, please, let me know because recognizing those who have been generous is the part I enjoy the most.

This is my swan song. I have been Adjutant for as long as I've been a Legionnaire. And just when I've learned to pronounce Leo Ouelette's name.

I leaving while the leaving is good. By that, I mean before I do irreversible damage. I have enjoyed working with you. The officers are well intentioned and do their best to serve you. Get acquainted with them. Remember that Tom Wilke is deaf and the Commander is always under stress, usually for something he didn't do. I have really been impressed with the Building Manager and the 3rd Vice Commander. Both have done outstanding jobs. I'm sorry to see Jesse Valdez step back from the Executive Board and want to commend him for the job he did on the by-laws revisions. I couldn't go without mentioning all the help and support Sid has given. The time and effort he puts into keeping the finances for the post is not unappreciated. If Phil and Mrs. Petek will still dine with us from time to time, all is not lost.

My biggest concern is the VA hospital visits. I promised the past Commander that I would keep it going, but alas I have run out of gas and my wife is expressing displeasure.

Thank you all for your support.

Jerry Hoosier

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Clubroom Manager says:



No article this month.

Bill Hancock

Clubroom Manager

Wanted

Orange Post 132

is in urgent need of Post Members

to fill the following Post Officer Positions.

ADJUTANT

CHAPLAIN

SARGENT AT ARMS

HISTORIAN

If you have a desire to be part of a changing Post, contribute to and serve your fellow veterans, won't you please contact the Post Commander? As previously stated these are critical position that we must fill to be successful. Won't you please help?

Oliver Taylor
Commander

Auxiliary President's Message



Good day, everyone:

Well, we made it through April and we are well into May. The following events are or have taken place:

DISTRICT 29 MEETING:

The Auxiliary District 29 end-of-the-year meeting was held at Post 555 in Midway City on Saturday, May 7, 2011. Carol Goss, Harriett Mattos and I attended the meeting. Many issues were covered and certificates awarded. A memorial service was performed to honor all Auxiliary members that are no longer with us.

GIRLS STATE LUNCHEON:

On Saturday, May 14, 2011, Orange Unit 132 hosted the Girls' State Luncheon. It was very successful. Approximately 150 were in attendance. The delegates chosen for this event will be spending a week at a college wherein they will learn about our government and the role it plays with respect to the military and our veterans. Thank you, Carol Goss, Harriett Mattos, Susan Dinsmore, and Susie Beltrano for assisting with the preparation of our contribution - the mixed fruit. Jenny Guajardo, you did a wonderful job with the cake and pastries. Nadine Bales was chair person in Rachel Arias' absence. Robert, you are our Superman. Thanks for all your help. And thank you legionnaires for assisting with setting up the tables and chairs.

NEW ELECTIONS:

The second nominations and election for President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer were held at our May 19, 2011 meeting. The elected officers will be posted in next month's Bugle.

SCHOLARSHIP:

Interviews for the Virginia Gunter Scholarship are taking place at Orange High School on Tuesday, 5/17/11. Any inquiries re: the results can be addressed to the attention of Carol Goss at (714) 473-2451.

AUXILIARY DONATIONS:

The Poppy letters have been mailed. The poppy is the symbol that reminds everyone of our Veterans and the sacrifices they made to provide our nation with the freedom we all share. If you have received poppies in the mail, please do not hesitate to wear them proudly in memory of all veterans. Any and all donations as a result of the Poppy are earmarked specifically for assisting the Veterans. *The Auxiliary would like to thank all of you for your donations to this wonderful worthy program.*

MEMBERSHIP:

The new Membership Chairman for the 2011- 2012 term is Beatrice Valdez. Please direct any questions with regard membership renewals/applications and/or transfers to Bea at (714) 538-4634. Our membership renewal total at this time is 88 members. Our goal is to make it 100 members. If you know of anyone interested in joining, please direct them to Bea.

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Auxiliary President's Message

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 30, 2011 is Memorial Day. The Auxiliary will be attending memorial service at the Santa Ana Cemetery at 10:00 a.m. for those interested. It is requested that white be worn for the service.

Also, the annual Auxiliary Convention is scheduled for June 23-26, 2011 at Ontario wherein newly elected department officers will be installed. Anyone interested in more details, please contact Carol Goss at (714) 473-2451

VIRTUAL FOOD DRIVE:

Orange Post 132, the SALS, and Orange Unit 132 Auxiliary have come together to assist the Orange County Food Bank in replenishing its shelves for many families suffering from the economical difficulties at this time. Many of these families, no doubt, have veterans. Therefore, we are asking everyone to please go through their shelves periodically and donate any canned goods or non-perishable food items and/or any financial donations to assist this organization in their endeavors to help the public. A little donation goes a long way. Any and all donations can be delivered to Orange Post 132. **This Virtual Food Drive will be ongoing from May 2011 to December 2011.** So, every time you come to the Post, remember to bring a donation with you. Please relay this to your families and friends. Every little bit helps. Thank you all.

That's it for now. May the Lord bless and keep us all healthy and safe so we may continue our endeavors to support our Veterans.

Esther V. Ouellette
American Legion Auxiliary
President

Editor's Remarks

There was no "flag" picture submitted this month, but If you fly your flag 24/7 and would like to have it shown in the Bugle, please, send me a picture of it at waltmcbride@socal.rr.com and I'll see that it gets in the newsletter. I believe flying the American flag all day night is a very patriotic gesture which is worthy of a place in our Bugle. Thank you for your patriotism. And thank you for your service.

I have changed the deadline for my receiving articles for the Bugle from the 2nd Thursday of each month to the 3rd Thursday of each month as of June. I believe this will allow me enough time to complete it and get it folded, labeled and mailed before the 1st of the next month.

Walt Mc Bride
Bugle Editor

JUNE 2011

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
			1	2 Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7:30 P.M. Installation of officers	3 Texas Renegades Spaghetti & Meat Balls	4
5 VA Hospital Visit Leaves post at 6:30 PM District 29 Meeting Post 132	6	7	8 USMC League 7 PM-9 PM	9 Executive Board Meeting 7:00 P.M.	10 Bounty Hunter Meat Loaf	11
12	13	14 Pala Bus Trip 10:00 A.M.	15	16 Post Meeting 7:30 P.M. Bugle Deadline!!!	17 Tropic Starr Beef Brisket	18 Fathers Day Breakfast 9:00 A.M- Noon
19 VA Hospital Visit Leaves Post at 6:30 PM	20	21	22 Folding & Labeling Newsletter At Post 10:00 A.M.	23 Orange Historical Society 5:30 PM-7 PM	24 5 Star Band Burritos	25
26	27 Tri-state Memorial Day Services Santa Ana	28	29	30		
						