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The 2nd Annual Cioppino dinner benefiting the Sotoyome Junior Shooters Club was a resounding success. This event would not have been possible without the selfless support of many people contributing both time, energy and money. Commander **Reuel Miller** took the lead on this production and the results yielded a better than expected bounty.

Honorable mentions:

Frank and Carol Teuschler spent hours of their time promoting the dinner and raffle, cooking, serving, cleaning, and making sure the attendees had a great time.

Chef **Roy Caporale** did an outstanding job ensuring the Cioppino was seasoned to perfection.

Frank Jerins and **Jeanette Bell** applied their hospitality talents bartending.

Without the domestic skills of **Mitch Laing** and **Susan Aguilar**, food service would have been painfully slow.

Ron Collier kept the kitchen operating smoothly.

Eddy Sauers, **Shirleen Perry**, **Linda Clary** & **Linda Karnstedt** were instrumental with set-up, serving, cooking, and clean-up.

Jim Campbell and **Matt Foreman** had a significant impact on rifle ticket sales. Sotoyome Jr Shooters President **Tom Kemper** made sure most of the people who attended the event actually paid for the dinner.

There were many more individuals responsible for the success of this event than are listed above, and their efforts and hard work are very much appreciated and will not be forgotten. SB



Ballenger family enjoying the Cioppino dinner



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Sotoyome Post 111 Family:

Christmas and New Years is behind us and we are looking forward to another year in which we can help many more Veterans and also have some fun doing it. Get your dues in and help us meet our membership goals.

We are in the process of updating our newsletter mailing list. Please contact me so we can take you off the “snail” mailing and add you to our email list. It is costing too much to do the mailing and would like to cut it down substantially.

The photos are pretty darn nice in color in the emailing and you can actually see them. The Junior Shooters will be headed to the Ukiah Gun Club on January 23rd. If anyone is interested in going, contact me.

Stan Shusda was recognized for all his unselfish work with the Windsor Hometown Heroes Banner program. Great job Stan. The Post is very proud of you.

We got a few businesses that support the American Legion into the newsletter last month. Please support these businesses and let them know you found out about them through our newsletter. If you want to get your business card in the newsletter contact me at reuelmiller@comcast.net.

There will be a presentation on the Oak Mound Cemetery at the February 11 General meeting. Everyone is invited.

We are getting closer to pouring the foundation on the ALA Building next to the Annex. If you are looking to donate to something, now is the time as we could use the money to finish off this project. As a 501(c)19 Veterans Service Organization, we can provide you with a tax receipt.

~Reuel

1st Vice Commander Lance Ballenger 707-396-1331



Monday the 14th was the Junior Shooter's 2nd annual, and my families first, Cioppino Crab Feed. The food was exceptional and plenty of it for all the guests. Naturally the kitchen and dining room was buzzing with the familiar faces of our Posts Riders, Sons, Legion and Auxiliary Volunteers that make all of our events a success. Special thanks goes out to **Shoberg Gun Works** of Ukiah for bringing down the Winchester .280 Rifle that was won by **Tamara Evans**. **James Shoberg** also donated a 22 LR Bolt Action Youth Rifle that was raffled off for the kids in attendance and won by **Katie Terra**.

James Shoberg also brought down his laptop for the transfer of both of the rifles to save everyone a trip up to Ukiah. Thanks to all our Sponsors once again, to include: **Santa Rosa Hydromantic, Friends of the NRA, Midway USA Foundation and Ahlborn Structural Steel.** **Roy Caporale** and his crew arrived early in the afternoon to create the amazing Crab Cioppino, Salads and Garlic Bread. If you missed this years Feed, be sure to put it on your calendar next year as this is an event you don't want to miss out on. Again thanks to our driven leaders **Reuel Miller** and **Steve Bowne** for all their efforts and support. Undoubtedly the Kids are gaining a tremendous amount of experience for safety, marksmanship, respect and ability with the Shooting Sports. ~Lance

ALR Chapter President Mitch Laing 707-975-1541



American Legion Riders Chapter #111 was honored to participate in Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance in Santa Rosa, Wreaths Across America in Cloverdale and Sonoma, and to Escort WWII Veteran, D-Day Paratrooper and Battle of the Bulge Participant Don Clouston from Santa Rosa to Sonoma with six Fire Departments sending Engines and Crews to honor Don with a 90th Birthday Luncheon and Celebration. ALR members also participated in USMC Toys 4 Tots ride from Santa Rosa Armory to Sonoma and the annual Cloverdale Lions Toy Run.

ALR is always honored when requested to participate in Welcome Homes for our Active Military and Honors for our Veterans, our Warriors of the Past.

In January we will participate in the quarterly honors at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery honoring Veterans without Families as they are laid to rest with their brother and sister warriors who passed before them.

ALR Chapter #111 meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at Mary's Pizza in Windsor. 6 pm meeting start, arrive early for Happy Hour Specials. Next meetings are Tuesday Jan 5th and Tuesday Feb 1st. ~Mitch

Squadron Commander Matt Foreman 707-340-0315



The Healdsburg Sons in conjunction with the Chapter 111 American Legion Riders were involved with the Polk House Christmas Party at the Yountville Veterans Home on December 11th. The event was coordinated by **Al Delsid**, Sons 5th District Commander and attended by members of Squadron 293 of Cloverdale and Squadron 113 of Napa. The residents were treated to a BBQ lunch and received gifts donated in part from the Chapter 111 American Legion Riders and a great time was had by all. On December 12th, members of the Sons participated in the Wreaths



Across America ceremonies in Cloverdale and Sonoma along with the American Legion, AL Riders and Auxiliary Post 111 members. **Al Delsid** and **Frank Coster** were instrumental in bringing that honor to Cloverdale. With the coming New Year, I would like to see membership in the Sons increase along with more adult participation. It is imperative that this Squadron remain viable through the development of our own projects as well as working with other Squadrons and the Post to ensure meaningful services to Veterans. Help increase membership by recruiting potential members through your personal and professional contacts. Happy Holidays, ~Mattman





Well, here we are winding the year down and looking forward to a better New Year. I want to give a SPECIAL THANK YOU to **Virginia Hawley, Thelma Frey, and Virginia Wallace** for getting the newsletters ready for mailing. You three did a great job and we appreciate you stepping in to help.

Also want to thank the ladies, my daughter **Cathy** and **Tom Grimes** for stepping up and helping with the Raffle Baskets. The Ladies did a great job on them and they looked very professional. Our raffle went very well this year. You can start looking for things for next year and get them in. Don't forget gift certificate work well too.

I sent 17 quilts to Yountville that **Anne Thomas** made for the Veterans there. Thank you for all your hard work and know that a Veteran is keeping warm because of you. Anne asked me to let people know she is always in the need of material and scraps. Christmas Dinner went great this year. Want to thank the cooks, **Warren Luke** and **Ron Collier** for the delicious and moist turkeys and the hams, and also the group that setup the tables, chairs and completed the decorating. You are awesome.

Another thank you to our **Santa** who brought special gifts for the children who attended. Even the adults got to talk to Santa Claus and have their picture taken with him. Glad he took a moment to stop by before his long journey on delivering gifts for Christmas. See ya next year Santa.

Oops, almost forgot about our dishwasher operators, they came in like a flash of lightning. Thanks to **Ron Collier** for keeping up washing while doing the cooking. That meant less items to wash at the end. I'll tell Santa to put in a extra gift for you guys this year. I know he will if I tell him. Hee hee.

Just a quick memo that our Auxiliary membership is not moving very well. Let see if we can get dues in between now and New Years.

Hope some of our members got to go to Yountville for the Holiday Party for the Veterans on December 13. I shall close with a Merry Christmas and Great New Year. Remember our Board Meeting is January 4, 2016. And regular meeting January 14, 2016.

As always, your President, ~**Eddy**

Auxiliary 1st Vice Shirleen Perry 707-838-9790



Thanks to All of you Early Birds who have renewed your Auxiliary membership for 2016, we are currently at 57%.

Just a friendly reminder to the rest of you "Please bring your \$21.00 dues to our January 14th Post meeting or mail it to our Treasurer Melanie Taylor at 457 Muscat Drive, Cloverdale, CA 95425.

Thank you. See you at our meetings, ~**Shirleen**

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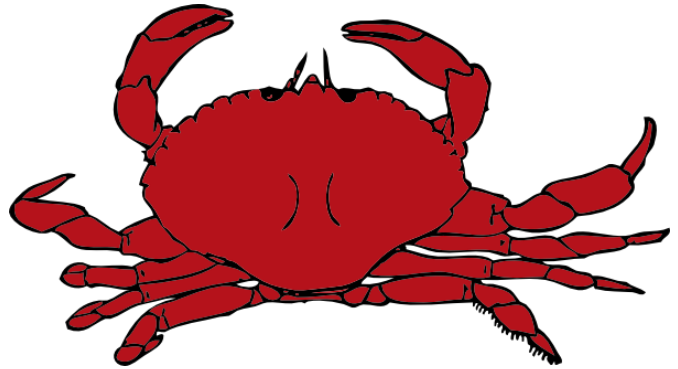
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2016 Annual Crab Feed



Saturday February 6th

Serving Fresh Crab, Salad & Garlic Bread

No Host Cocktails

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No Host Bar Opens at 3:00 PM

Serving from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

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for tickets (707) 431-2328 or any Board Member
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Post/Unit Board Meeting 7 PM	5 ALR Meeting 6 PM Windsor	6	7 VFW 6 PM	8	9
10	11 PP Card Party 12 Noon Jr Shooters 6-8 PM	12 Newsletter Input due	13	14 Post meeting 6 PM	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Honors Team 7 PM Annex	22	23 Jr Shooters Ukiah Gun Club
24/31	25	26	27 United Vet Counsel 7 PM SR	28	29	30

February 2016

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	1 Post/Unit Board Meeting 7 PM	2 ALR Meeting 6 PM Windsor	3	4 VFW 6 PM	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Post meeting 6 PM	12	13
14 District 5 meeting Santa Rosa Vets Hall 10:00	15 Jr Shooters 6-8 PM	16 Newsletter Input due	17	18 Honors Team 7 PM Annex	19	20
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Wreaths Across America ceremony Cloverdale Cemetery 12/12/2015



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Polk House at Yountville Veterans Home
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Christmas party.

Hosted by Cloverdale Squadron 293,
Napa Squadron 113, and Healdsburg
Squadron 111,

Gifts also provided by Chapter 111
American Legion Riders.

**I to r: Steven Bowne, Ethan Flick,
Al Delsid, and Gary Murray.**

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