

**SOTOYOME AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY
HEALDSBURG- GEYSERVILLE - WINDSOR**



**THE SOTOYOME NEWSLETTER
MARCH 2015**

Post 111, Squadron 111 and Legion Riders Chapter 111, PO Box 281, Healdsburg, CA 95448
Unit 111, American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 174, Healdsburg, CA 95448

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

2015 Membership Renewals

Post 111	Unit 111	Sgd 111	Legion Family	ALR 111
90.9%	85.6%	68.9%	86.7%	90.3%

Crab Feed 2015

Thank you to Frank and Carol for another great Crab Feed.



Aniela Cadd, Nancy Evers and Jan Shusda working the serving line. Below is SAL member Cassius Zapalski serving bread. These are just four of the volunteers who helped make the evening a success.

Thank you to everyone who helped make 52nd annual crab feed a success.

Remembering...



Since the last newsletter we have said a final goodbye to the following members of our American Legion Family.

Wilbur Monez, US Army, WWII

Please let your Chaplain know when you become aware of the death or illness of one of our Legion family members. You can also let one of the board members know and they will pass the word.

Don't forget to make your reservations for dinner on Saturday, March 14th.

Complete and mail the form with your payment before March 4th.

Update from a Proud Grandfather

Post 111 Member Sgt Kristie Scinto, USMC, has graduated as a 2nd Lt at Marine Corps Officers Candidate School in Quantico, Virginia. Lt Scinto will next go to USMC Flight Training School at Pensacola, Florida.

Kristie is the granddaughter of 50 year Legion member Kurt Hahn and Past Auxiliary President Joandell Hahn. Lt Scinto served for 4 years at Twentynine Palms and was after that activated twice overseas with the Maine Corps Africa Command. She is a graduate of the University of San Francisco.

We welcome short articles about our members, Please email to coachtom.grimes@gmail.com. They will be published on a space available basis.

Riders at Yountville District Meeting



\$10 Country Breakfast \$10

SATURDAY, March 21st

9am to Noon

Join us at the Villa Annex

Invite your neighbors and friends.

Non member Veterans are FREE

\$4.00 for children under age 12

**Support the programs of
Sotoyome Post 111, The American Legion**

Unit 111, Linda Karnstedt, President

By the time you read this, the wonderful crab feed will be history. We had a packed crowd and everyone enjoyed themselves

and was nice the rain held off.

Our March meeting on the 12th will "host" our own District 5 President, Nancy Evers. Please make every effort to attend that night to show her how proud we are of her taking on that role.

The annual Legion family birthday dinner will be Saturday March 14. If you haven't paid your 2015 dues this will be a great opportunity to do so. For those of you that may have neglected to pay your 2014 dues and still want to keep your years of membership up, then you will also need to pay for 2014 as well. Please please, let the Auxiliary know if there is a financial hardship for you to pay your dues and we can see what options may be made available. We'd like to honor your long standing commitment to the programs our American Legion Auxiliary supports with support to our members too.

As I mentioned before, we are going to have our "Christmas dinner" on April 9, our regular meeting night instead. So ham and turkey and stuffing are on the menu. We are asking everyone to bring a side dish or salad. We will be providing the dessert as well. Remember all those raffle items you were going to bring at Christmas?? Well bring them in April as the funds we collect will support the Pathway Home in Yountville. See you all at the March meeting on the 12th and then the dinner on the 14th.

Got yarn or fabric lying around that you want to find a new home for? We have a few that knit & crochet and make lap robes & scarves for our Veterans at Yountville. So if you or your friends have yarn or fabric that you would like to part with, you can call me at 473-8124 or Rose Sandoval at 838-7068 or you are welcome to bring it to a meeting, also looking for large pieces for backing which are 45" wide and the length of a twin bed. It like throw for the Veterans to take a naps.

A reminder from 1st Vice Eddy Sauers. A thanks to everyone who paid their 2015 dues. Not sure if you have paid? Check your membership card. If it says 2015 you are paid up.

Our Past Commanders and Past Presidents

*You are Invited to our **American Legion Birthday Dinner**
Saturday, March 14, 2015 Villa Chanticleer
6:00 pm Cocktails & 7:00 pm Dinner*

The American Legion's 96th Anniversary and the 95th Anniversary of Sotoyome Post and Unit 111
5th Anniversary of SAL Squadron 111 and ALR Chapter 111

We will recognize our former and current Honors Team members.

Enjoy a marinated Tri-Tip Dinner
\$10 for members of the Sotoyome American Legion Family. \$20 for Guests
Questions: Call 707-894-0857 or Email: sotoyome111@aol.com

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American Legion Birthday Dinner
Saturday, March 14, 2015 Villa Chanticleer

6:00 pm Cocktails and Appetizers & 7:00 pm Dinner

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Number of Sotoyome American Legion Family Members ___ x \$10.00 = \$ _____

Number of guests _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Yes, I am a Current Former Honors Team Member
Please Mail to Bob Taylor, 457 Muscat Drive, Cloverdale, CA 95403



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if I have your phone number is
wrong or if there is a better
number to reach you.**

March 2015 Sotoyome American Legion Family, Healdsburg

1	2 Post/Unit board mtgs 7pm	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 Past Presidents Card Party Noon	10 ALR Meeting 6pm, Windsor	11	12 SAL: 6:30pm Post/Unit 7pm	13 Newsletter Input Due	14 Commanders & Presidents Dinner 6 pm Cocktails 7 pm Dinner
15	16	17	18	19 Honors Team 7pm Annex	20	21 Country Breakfast Annex
22	23	24	25	26	27 Sotoyome Social Pot Luck 6:00pm Bingo following	28
29	30	31				

April 2015 Sotoyome American Legion Family, Healdsburg

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Post/Unit board mtgs 7pm	7 Legion Riders Meeting 6pm, Wind	8	9 SAL: 6:30pm Post/Unit 7pm	10	
12 District Meeting Konociti Post 437	13 Past Presi- dents Card Party 12 Noon	14	15	16 6:30pm Honors Team Practice Annex	17	18
19 Spring Fling Yountville	20	21	22 United Vet Cncl 7pm SR	23	24 Sotoyome Social Pot Luck 6:00pm Bingo	25 5th District Meeting Post 28 Petaluma
26	27	28	29 Legistrative Day Sacramento	30	31	

Squadron 111, Mitch Laing, Commander

Calling All SAL members!

Squadron #111 will have an important Meeting at 1830 hours (6:30pm) just before the Post Meeting Tuesday March 12th.

All local members of SAL Sotoyome Squadron 111 are asked to attend and express your concerns and thoughts on the Squad itself and doing more for the Post Family and Community. We will also nominate officers for the 2015-16 program year.

Looking forward to seeing you Thursday March 12 at 6:30pm at Villa Annex.

Sotoyome Post 111, Tom Grimes, Commander

The remodel of the Annex appears to be on track to be finished

by the end of February. New front doors have even installed, matching the doors on the Villa.

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ALR Chapter 111, Mitch Laing, President

We have selected Saturday June 6 as the date for our Fallen Warrior Memorial Ride and BBQ. This year we honor Chris-

topher Gathercole, US Army, KIA 26 May 2008 in Afghanistan. The BBQ and Raffle will be at the Villa Picnic Grounds and this is an Open Event, so please pass the word and plan to attend. All Motorcycles Riders can participate in the ride too! We are looking for Donated Items to Raffle and Volunteers to Help at The Villa Picnic Grounds.

As usual we are out Showing Our Colors and Honoring Veterans who have passed, this includes services in Sonoma and Lake Counties, as well as when called for honors in Napa, Marin and Solano or SVNC.

District 5 ALR met at Yountville and had a combined ride after the District Meeting, and we participated in a Charity Gathering at Post #208 Dixon at the end of February.

Officer Elections is looming on the horizon and ALR, like the Post, Auxiliary and Squad, is always looking for members to step up and participate more.

ALR is open to Members in Good Standing (2015 dues are paid) of the Legion Family who ride a 650cc motorcycle or larger and wish to support and honor our Active Service Military Members, Families and Veterans as well as our Community. ALR Chapter #111 meets monthly at Marys Pizza in Windsor at 1800hrs, 6pm. The next meetings are Tuesday March 3, and Tuesday April 7 (the first Tuesday)