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Flag line @ Sgt. Raymond Burnside Memorial, February 14, 2016 Petaluma.
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THE AMERICAN LEGION

WAR-TIME VETERANS AND MILITARY MEMBERS DEDICATED TO A STRONG NATIONAL SECURITY, COMPASSIONATE CARE FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES; COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND THE WHOLESOME DEVELOPMENT OF OUR NATION'S YOUTH.

**INVITE SOMEONE TO JOIN THE
SOTOYOME AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY**

CHAPLAINS CORNER

**Need someone to talk to?
You or someone in the family ill?
Know of a Veteran who needs help?
Start with a phone call to your Chaplain.**

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The Crab Feed was a HUGE success. Thanks to all for making this the event it is. A very special thank you to **Frank** and **Carol Teuschler** for their tireless commitment to Sotoyome Post 111.

I would like to recognize Army Veteran and Sotoyome Post 111 Board member **Tricia Lay** for her unbelievable job in handling almost every box of crab on her own on the dock at the crab feed. A loud Hooyah! from this Sailor. A warm welcome back to Past Commander (1976-1977) **Tom Jones**.

We also had 2 members participating in their first meeting. Welcome aboard **Tim Madura** and **Ron Krudop**. Both are ALR members and contribute mightily in helping Veterans.

The Oakmound Cemetery presentation by **Jim Driesback** was enlightening and **Tony Grado** has stepped forward to be our liaison with the Healdsburg Museum Restoration Committee.

The Board voted to install a Flag pole at the Post. This will be a long awaited improvement.

It's Boys State interview time. Chairman **Harold Bagdonas** will be accompanied by **Frank Teuschler** and **Ken Cody** on February 29th at Healdsburg, Windsor, and Geyserville High Schools. We have 6 slots to fill. Each student costs upward of \$700.00, all of which is provided by the Post. Any and all donations are appreciated. Send checks to Sotoyome Post 111, P.O.Box 281, Healdsburg, CA 95448.

Our first Golf Tournament is set for Friday April 29th in Healdsburg. Get your foursomes together. It will be \$100.00 per player. Hole sponsors are also needed. All information will be forthcoming.

Also put the All American Car Show on your calendar for July 10th from 9:00-3:00 at the Villa. Only 75 spots are available with 40 already taken. **Ken Cody** has been doing a phenomenal job here.

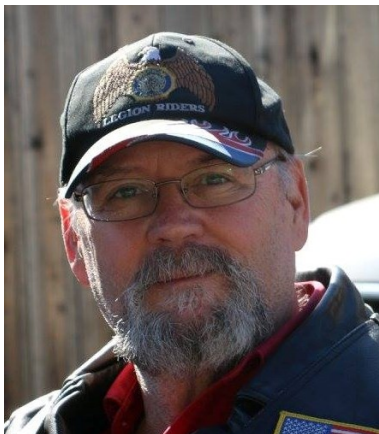
The Northern CA Friends of the NRA has approved our Grant request and sent it on to National. If approved by National, the Junior Shooters will be adding Shotguns so we can begin teaching Trap.

There is room for 4 more business card ads in the newsletter. \$100.00/year.

On a side note, I will not be moving up the chairs in the 5th District. It is my decision that I can better serve Veterans locally. I have enjoyed my tenure as District 5 Sergeant at Arms.

Never Forget, Never Quit, and Keep Charging. ~**Reuel**

ALR President Mitch Laing 707-975-1541



American Legion Riders Chapter #111 came out for The Citrus Fair Parade in Cloverdale and also honored a Warrior of the Past from Cloverdale who passed away.

Sadly we also honored a young Veteran who was unable to overcome his PTSD. Unfortunately an average of 22 Veterans are lost every day from PTSD and inability to cope with life after their return to civilian life. **Sgt. Ray Burnside** aged 30 is just one, but he was a local kid, raised in Sonoma County and left behind loving family and friends, many of whom tried to help Ray get thru his issues and seek help.

The movie Project 22 is coming to Summerfield Cinemas (Santa Rosa) Thursday March 10 and it's follows two Veterans who rode their motorcycles coast to coast 6500 miles, meeting and interviewing Vets about life after service. This movie

brings awareness to unchecked PTSD, Homeless Vets and their feeling of Helplessness.

Join our ALR Riders as we are always ready to honor and visit our Veterans, stand with flags for them after they have passed and Escort to Graveside Services when requested.

ALR #111 meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at Mary's Pizza on Brooks Rd in Windsor. 6 pm Start, arrive early for Happy Hour Specials.

Next meeting Tuesday March 1, 2016 followed by Tuesday April 5, 2016. ~**Mitch**

Auxiliary President Eddy Sauers. 707-838-9429



My goodness how the months are going by already. We had a great Crab Feed with Windsor High School students from the Culinary class helping us. They were so great. So we are having them to help serve for the Commanders & Presidents Dinner on March 12th. Talking about the Commanders & Presidents dinner, please get your reservation in soon. Everyone should have received a reservation form and return envelope. Also don't forget to reply if you want the newsletter to come either as an email or through regular mail.

Judy Chavez received our order of poppies. We are going to need help selling poppies this year. Please call her or me if you can help, this also includes the Post, Sons and the Riders. As we will need to make more poppy wreaths, it would be very appreciated if additional people would volunteer to

help. We will make sure to get the poppies and foam ring to you. HELP! HELP! Pretty please! The dates we have set aside are May 6th & 7th; May 13th & 14th; and May 20th & 21st from 11:00 am to 2 pm.

If you have no transportation, we will make arrangements.

Thelma Frey has informed me that all the Girl State interviews has been completed. The interviewers were **Thelma Frey, Melanie Taylor, Nancy Grimes, and Judy Chavez**. Thanks ladies. We will host the luncheon on May 15th at the Healdsburg Villa Chanticleer. Further information will follow in our next newsletter.

There are some members out there that haven't paid their membership dues. Please get them in. Do you ladies like hearing my same old song every month? It is getting frogs, I think. Hee,hee.

Anyway, hope everyone had a great Valentine's Day. Hope to see a lot people at the COMMANDERS and PRESIDENTS DINNER. As always, your President, ~EDDY

Auxiliary 1st Vice Shirleen Perry 707-838-9790



Just another friendly reminder that Auxiliary dues are due each year between September and December. Please stay in Good Standing by mailing your renewal dues of \$21.00 to our Auxiliary Treasurer **Melanie Taylor** at 457 Muscat Drive, Cloverdale, CA 95425.

We have 129 paid members out of our goal of 184 for 2016. That's 70.11% of goal.

See you at our meeting on March 10th at 7 p.m. ~**Shirleen**

Sotoyome Honors Team @ Kenny Allen Memorial, Oak Mound Cemetery, Healdsburg



Crab Feed February 6, 2016



American Legion Sotoyome Family Leadership Team 2015-2016

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Flag Retirement Ceremony

**There will be a flag retirement ceremony at
the Cloverdale Airport on May 22nd.**

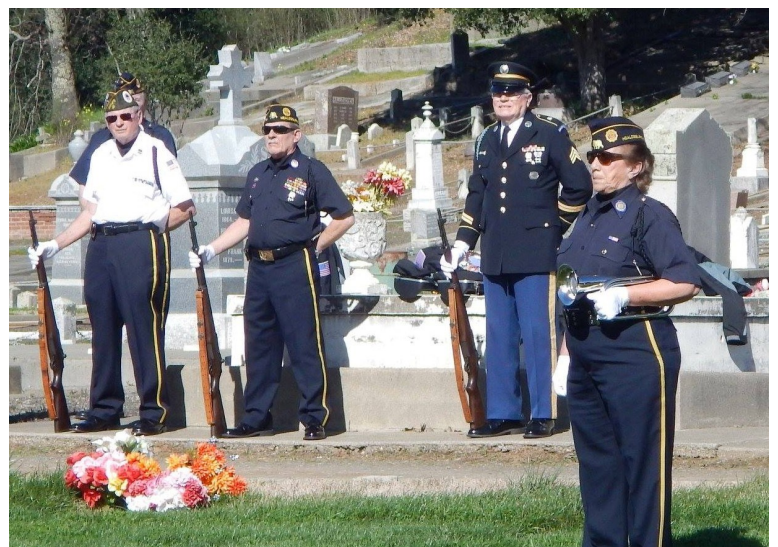
**The Son's will take the lead on this event in
cooperation with Post 293.**

Start collecting retired flags now.

Cloverdale Citrus Fair Parade



Kenny Allen Memorial, Oak Mound Cemetery



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 ALR Meeting 6 PM Windsor	2	3 VFW 6 PM	4	5
6	7 Post/Unit Board Meeting 7 PM	8	9	10 Post meeting 7 PM	11	12 Commanders Ball/Dinner
13	14 Jr. Shooters Annex 6:00 PM	15 Newsletter Input due	16	17 Honors Team 7 PM Annex	18	19
20	21	22	23 United Vet Counsel 7 PM SR	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

April 2016

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
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Sgt. Burnside Memorial



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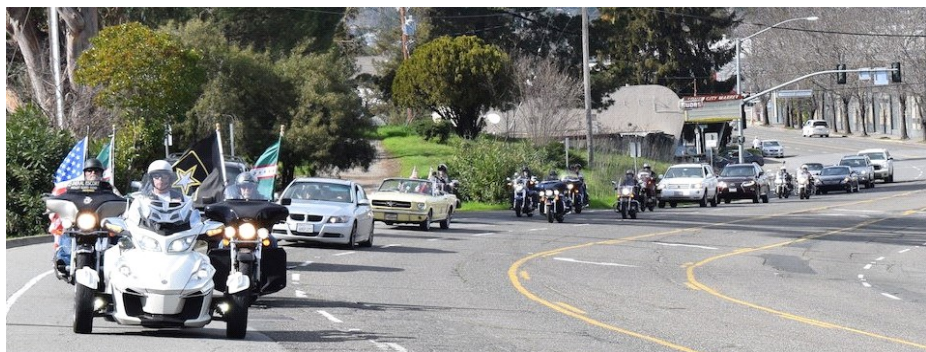
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