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Col Bill Carroll honors

May 11, 2018



Photo by Ed Doitteau

Attention!!!!

If you do not drive and need a ride to a meeting or any Legion function, please contact any Legion team member and we will arrange transportation for you.

JUNE SOTOYOME POST MEETINGS

American Legion & SAL: June 14th @ 6:00 PM

Legion Board Meeting: Monday June 4th @ 6:00 PM

Auxiliary: June 14th @ 6:00 PM

Auxiliary Board Meeting: Monday June 4th @ 6:00 PM

All meetings at Villa Chanticleer Annex in Healdsburg

Legion Riders: Tuesday June 5th @ 6:00 PM

Mary's Pizza Shack, Safeway Shopping Center, Windsor

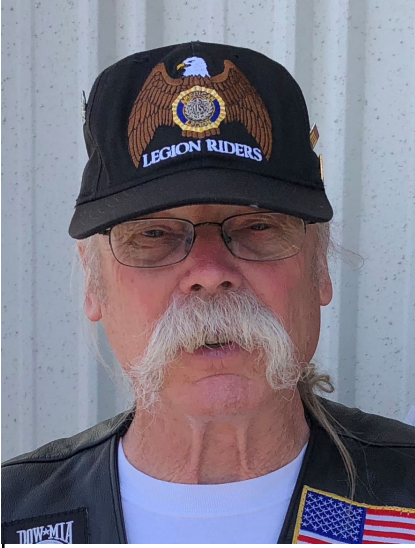


THE AMERICAN LEGION

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

INVITE SOMEONE TO JOIN THE
SOTOYOME AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY

Commander Tim Madura



I had the pleasure of attending the Mattie Washburn Elementary School Patriotic Appreciation Day on Friday, May 25th. The students are all in either Kindergarten or first grade. They performed songs about the United States and our flag. Also, they honored Veterans who are parents or grandparents of their students. Members of our honor guard had the honor of unfolding the American Flag in front of the students, who let out sounds of surprise when they saw how large it was. As the flag was refolded, **Frank Jerins** read what each of the 13 folds means. It was great to see this school teaching these young minds the meaning of, and respect for, our American Flag and the United States. Maybe if more schools taught this our flag would get more respect at public functions.

Three days of AL Auxiliary Poppy Days sales at Walmart brought in needed money for Veterans. One hundred percent of the money will be used to help Veterans. Thank you to all of you who gave of your time to ask people entering and leaving Walmart for donations. As always, next year we could use more help, and not the “STP”. The more people who can be at all the doors means more money for this fund-raiser. Members, your presence there means so much. People really do want to ask questions and thank you for your service.

For all of you who did not see Ron Collier being honored on CBS News (5/23/18) with their Jefferson Award, you missed a great message about the MIAP, Missing In America Program. Ron volunteers a lot of his time for this program, helping to provide the final farewell and burial for the many (approximately 70,000 nationwide) unclaimed Veterans’ cremains, which have been sitting on shelves in mortuaries across the country. Ron deserves this award for his hard work. Please thank him when you see him.

The June 14th meeting at 6 PM is going to be for the installation of new officers. Please try to attend and support the work that the officers do for the good of your American Legion Post 111.

The Father’s Day breakfast will be held the morning of June 17th. Please look for the sign-up sheet to help. We need helpers in the kitchen, for set-up, serving, and clean-up. The breakfast is open to the public and is an American Legion Sotoyome Post 111 tradition. The success of this breakfast is based on the support that comes from within the Post. It brings in some money and gets our name out to the public for future donations and support for our functions. Let’s have some new “STP” members provide some needed help and see how much fun we have working together.

Always look for new members for our post. Please send in your dues for the year if you have not done so. There are a some of you who have not paid, and we need to make it to the **required** 100% figure. Please make sure payment is mailed to P.O. Box 281, Healdsburg, 95448.

~Tim

Auxiliary 1st Vice, Shirleen Perry



May is a busy month for all of us. On May 10th we elected our new Auxiliary Officers for our 2018-2019 year. Our new Officers will be installed at our June 14th Meeting. Our new Officers will be as follows: President - **Eddie Sauers**, 1st Vice-President – **Linda Clary**, 2nd Vice-President **Mary Matthews**, Treasurer/Secretary – **Shirleen Perry**, and our Executive Committeewomen will be **Nancy Evers**, **Linda Karnstedt** and **Helen Sager**.

May 11th was our first Friday at Walmart collecting for Poppies
May 12th our Unit hosted our District 5 Girls State Luncheon

with 144 in attendance, including Delegates and Alternates from Units 21, 101, 111, 113, 179, 194, 199 and 313.

May 18th was another successful Poppy day. Thank you to the Post for coming out on these Poppy days. Having our guys there really gives a visual creditable validation to our collection efforts. Hope to see you on our last day at Walmart, May 25th 10am to 1pm.

Last note: June 14th is our Installation /Pot Luck dinner at 6pm. Please bring a main dish and one side (feeding 8) to share. **We will provide dessert.**

~Shirleen



Honors Team Coordinator Eddy Sauers



Well, May is almost over except for another week and a half. Those days are a count down for all of us. Coming up is the FFA Parade on May 24th, Mattie Washburn Patriotic Day on the 25th, a Military Funeral on the 26th, Flags out at Oak Mound Cemetery on the 27th, Memorial Day in Healdsburg, Geyserville and Windsor on the 28th, and Flag pick up at Oak Mound Cemetery on the 29th. I'd say that's a full week of things that have got to be done.

Of course the HONOR TEAM has been busy prior to this time. We started off on May 5th doing Honors for a Veteran in Santa Rosa, the following week in Healdsburg and then back to Santa

Rosa for two Military Honors for Veterans,

We've also have been helping the Army with Veteran Honors because their soldiers are tied up with drills this month. The Sergeant was very pleased with us for stepping in and helping them.

Our uniforms change the end of May to short sleeve white shirts for our HONOR TEAM. Also don't forget we do Thursday only from 3 to 4:30 p.m. for flag and rifles practice. The month June has a few things lined up: Our installation on JUNE 14th is also FLAG DAY, Father's Day on the 17th is also the PANCAKE BREAKFAST, and of course in JULY is our FIREWORKS. I shall sign off and everyone have a safe and wonderful MEMORIAL WEEKEND and I'll see everyone in JUNE. Also a little note, all fathers have great FATHER.S DAY.

~Eddy



ALR President Ron “Campy” Dillow



Well, this coming Tuesday is going to be my last meeting as President. I would like to thank all of you that made it possible and want to say that it has been my honor to have been

President for Chapter 111 for the past several years. You are the best, all of you. I've been trying to think

about all that we have done over the years for so many, but it's way too much to put down on paper.

It makes me feel so proud to have lead such a group of loving and caring people that have giving up so much of their time to help others deal with the loss of loved ones, and to welcome home loved ones back from war.

So many life's we have touched to let them know that we do care. and all the other things that we have done for others

I hope that all of you feel as good as I do for all we have done. And lets all keep on caring and helping for many years to come.

~Campy



Photo by Ed Doitteau

On May 26th, seven ALR, friends and family, attended Chris Gathercole's remembrance ceremony at his gravesite at Santa Rosa Memorial Park

ALR Vice President Ron Krudop



Since May is the beginning of riding season, I want to touch base on group riding and riders safety. On a ride in April we had a member fall out of the group only to pass everyone to get behind the ride leader. This type of riding is unacceptable. As a nation-wide group, we must demonstrate safe riding skills. On May 5th, Gary Greenough led a group of riders followed by one cage to the USS Hornet, and gave a great tour of the ship. On May 19th, a group of five left Bad Ass Coffee for a ride to Gunninks HD in Ukiah, where we met up with ALR Chapter 96 Fort Bragg members and Area I VP Fred Branson.

Our group joined ALR #96 to help recruit potential members. There was a great BBQ lunch, raffle prizes and bike games. A good time was had by all.

~Ron



POST ELECTION RESULTS

2018-2019 officers

Post

Commander-**Tim Madura** 1st Vice-**Dave Meyers** 2nd Vice-**Terry Perry**
Finance Officer-**Bob Taylor** Sgt at Arms-**Tony Grado**

Board Members:

Bill Nay, Frank Teuschler, Harold Bagdonas, Ken Cody, Doug Newton,
Frank Jerins

Auxiliary

President-**Eddy Sauers** 1st Vice-**Linda Clary** 2nd Vice-**Mary Matthews**
Secretary/Treasurer-**Shirleen Perry**

Executive Committee: **Nancy Evers, Linda Karnstedt, Helen Sager**

Sons of the American Legion

Commander-**Ken Cody** 1st Vice-**Ed Doitteau** 2nd Vice-**Mitch Laing**
Sgt at Arms-**Terry Perry** Board: **Tim Madura, Tom Garske, Gary McLerran**

American Legion Riders

President-**Ron Krudop** Vice President-**Bill Nay** Treasurer-**Steven Bowne**
Road Captain-**Gary McLerran** Sgt at Arms-**Terry Perry**

The Flag is flying and the end of a 2-year project is completed. It has been 2 years since I started to try and replace the old flag pole for the Civil War Memorial at Oak Mound Cemetery in Healdsburg.

I could not start the project without the permission of the owner and that took some time as this was put in place in 1922 by a group called the GAR. And, no one could give me any direction to even contact someone from that organization, since most have passed on.

Until one day in Raley's I ran into a fellow AL member by the name of **Don Arata** (retired FF from Healdsburg) who has family from the Civil War that are buried at Oak Mound. OMG the door opened within two days it led me in the right direction. Turns out, it was transferred to the Sons of Civil War in 1957 and in a small world setting, the Commander lives in Windsor, so off to his house and move forward with the project.

I received written permission and dropped it off at the cemetery and received the go ahead with the project when the Post provided proof of insurance to the Cemetery.

And then, the construction crew went to work or I should I say **Ken Cody** went to work. Ken as the only crew member dug out the old pole setting it aside and digging a new hole 28" D by 36" in diameter in one day. The next day Ken mixed 15 bags of concrete by hand to complete the base around the pole. I guess he wanted to make sure this pole didn't blow over in a wind storm.

Ken left for a family emergency at 10:30 with the pole set just waiting for the flags to fly. So at 3PM **Eddy Sauers** and I hung the flags and watched them fly in the wind.

This project is complete and turned over to the Sons of the Civil War for the future maintenance of this project. A personal thanks to **Ken Cody** for all his work on the flag pole projects that have been done. One last thing, just don't get in his way when he's doing a project.

Submitted by **Ron Collier**

Civil War Monument repair at Oak Mound Cemetery



On May 1, 2018, Ken Cody and Ron Collier replaced the flag pole at the Civil War Memorial at Oak Mound Cemetery.

American Legion Sotoyome Family Leadership Team 2017-2018

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JUNE BIRTHDAYS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

4th—Paul Madura

5th—Dave Schleeter

6th—John Erla, Jerry Jenson

7th—Terry Fry

10th—Frank Falero

13th—Ronald Bryant, Ed Robbins

14th—Jacqueline Nelson

15th—Ken Marshall

16th—Michael Duvall

19th—Andy Devilbiss

20th—Sam Wattles

21st—Mike Stevens

22nd—Russell Hagenhoff

25th—Charles Taylor

26th—Bill Beckstrand

29th—John Blackburn

30th—Harry Morse, Richard Simondi

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Oak Mound Cemetery Clean-up
3 SAL District 5 meeting Petaluma	4 Post/Unit Board Meeting 6 PM	5 ALR Meeting 6 PM	6	7 VFW 6 PM	8	9 Flag ceremony Cloverdale
10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day Post meeting 6 PM Annex	15	16 Veterans Appreciation Expo, Cotati 12:00-4:00
17 Father's Day Breakfast	18	19	20	21 Honors Team 3 PM Annex	22 American Legion Convention Sacramento	23 American Legion Convention Sacramento
24 American Legion Convention Sacramento	25	26	27 United Vet Counsel 7 PM SR	28	29	30

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

American Legion Boy's State 2018

A participatory program in which students become part of the operation of local, county and state government, Boys State was founded in 1935 to counter the socialism-inspired Young Pioneer Camps. American Legion Auxiliary sponsors a separate but similar program for young women called Girls State. American Legion, department of California, Boys State program is held at the University of California Sacramento in June. The course is one week.

Approximately one thousand high school juniors from throughout California attend boys

state every year. District 5 sends 85 high school junior boys this year. This is the largest class District 5 has sent.

The boys roll play vying for governing positions from city level to state level.

They campaign for the office they want. Elections held then situations are presented to solve. It is presented as close to real situations as possible.

At the end of the week the councilors judge each boy, how he faired in his part of the program. Two boys are selected to go to Boys Nation.

Boys Nation, Arlington Virginia in August, is also one week. Forty-nine states take part in Boys State. Hawaii does not participate due to its geographical location.

American Legion Post 111 has a youth recognition dinner at the October meeting to hear the boys and girls share their experience.

Submitted by **Harold Bagdonas**, Boys State Chairman



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On May 23rd, **Ron Collier** was highlighted on KPIX Channel 5 in San Francisco, as a recipient of the **Jefferson Award**.

There was a viewing party of 27 people composed of Legion, Sons, Auxiliary and several friends at the Annex in Healdsburg to witness the telecast along with Ron.

We are all very proud of Ron receiving this prestigious award.



MEMORIAL DAY 2018



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ALR Ride to USS Hornet in Alameda May 5, 2018



l to r: **Duke Callahan, Ron Collier, Ed Doitteau, Bill Nay, Tony Grado, Eddy Sauers, Mark Archambault, Tim Madura, Sue Madura, Reuel Miller, Mary Cody, Doug Newton, Gary Greenough, Ron Krudop, & Steven Bowne**

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Healdsburg FFA Parade
May 24th



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