

# ROLL CALL

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## VFW POST 3783

### POST COMMANDER



We are on third base and looking at the home plate for this VFW year. We have already elected the starting lineup for next year's Post teams and they are all charged-up and ready to rock and roll. The new officers are listed in this newsletter. What makes me smile even more is

that we have new faces in our elected positions. New members are stepping up to the plate. Life is good Comrades because we are not just maintaining but we are growing.

May is a triple play month with, Pig Roast, R-town Parade and Memorial Day. Your fun meter should be spinning off the wall the next 30 days. In the case of the smaller events Monday Night Iron Chief and Monday Night Game Night will also continue as usual. The Blackout Bingo winner was De'bora Yates and bowling tournament was won by the car guy.

Our Buddy Poppy Czar, George Little, is back on watch and he has 50 three hour time slots to fill for the Poppy campaign. The tactical strike here is for us to fill all the available time slots. If all slots are filled then the veteran relief money will flow from our highly supportive Ramona community. The challenge is on the table for the Post members to fill 33 slots, Ladies Auxiliary members to fill 13 slots

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### AUXILIARY PRESIDENT



Elections were held last month for all 3 organizations of this Post. Congratulations and thank you to all incoming officers for the ensuing year. I hope to see all of you at Mass Installation on Saturday, May 12th at the El Cajon Post.

I will try and cover those items that haven't been mentioned in the other articles of this newsletter. Flags will be placed at Nuevo Gardens on Thursday, May 24th, call Post for time. We will be holding our Memorial Day Services on Monday, May 28th, starting at 10:00 am at Nuevo Gardens with the WWII Service to follow and then the Vietnam Service will follow it. Our picnic will probably start around 1:00 pm. As you can see, our morning will be very busy. I understand that the Brass Band will be entertaining us at the picnic. I'm hoping to see a lot of you at all these events. Don't forget to get your Buddy Poppy.

We are all wishing Gloria Frayer a speedy recovery. She was/is at Pomerado Hospital, not sure when she was being released. I understand that Cricket and Angie S. have been under the weather. Both of you hurry up and get better.

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### MAUX

Our officers are set, our agenda clear. Growth, community support, commitment to Post 3783, and unity. That is what your Men's Auxiliary will focus on in this upcoming year. I believe we have the pieces in place to move forward and take this organization to the next level. We added yet another member to our club, lets all welcome Ben Hine to Post 3783's Men's Auxiliary. With new faces come new ideas which equates to new challenges. And believe me when I tell you, that's what growth is all about.

Dates to put on your Calendar: Chicken Dinner May 10, 2012, it's a bargain at only \$7.00 per meal. Baby Back Ribs May 26, 2012. Remember to check the Post monthly calendar for any menu changes. The Men's Auxiliary thanks you for your support.

#### Battles leading to Saratoga:

The British wanted to take control of the Hudson River Valley to cut off New England from the other colonies. General Burgoyne with 7,700 troops approached Albany, New York, from Canada. On his way, Burgoyne defeated American forces at Fort Ticonderoga.

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## POST COMMANDER

and Men's Auxiliary members to fill 3 which is based on each membership count. The group who achieves the highest percent participation will be awarded a kitchen chip for their effort. Side bet challenges have already been made between me and both Presidents. As you all know Buddy Poppy fund raising is a core function of the VFW. What is collected gets rolled over to veterans in need. The number of veterans in distress has steadily been increasing over the last 3-4 years. The true cost of the War on Terrorism is coming home to roost. The VFW attempts to fill the gap between what VA and DOD provide and what service members need.

As mentioned previously, the Post is in track to earn All State and All American honors. Now that does not happen on its own. In addition to Robert Yates, who makes sure food continues to come out of the swinging door, three other amigos, Frank, Doug and Harry all mounted their quarter horses this year, road them hard at full gallop and made things happen. Well done cowboys!

The weekly and daily drawing is now topping off around \$650 each. Come in on Friday to win 100% of the take. For all our new members, do not forget our dance in the dirt Pig Roast (free to active duty, invite all you know) and our Memorial Day picnic (free to all members) so stop in and be a part of the biggest little VFW Post in San Diego County; "where every day's a holiday, every meeting a family reunion and every meal is a feast."

John "Pontiac" Hine, Post Commander

## AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Thanks to all of you who sent cards, food, well wishes and phone calls. All was appreciated. I am doing so much better, still in pain, but better. Thanks.

Rose Busang, Auxiliary President

## MAUX

Another group of troops, led by Lieutenant Colonel St. Leger, were to join him from Canada. General Howe also was to join him from New York. Together they were to attack the American troops.

Unfortunately for Burgoyne, St. Leger's troops ran into Benedict Arnold and his American militia. St. Leger and his troops were forced to retreat back to Canada. Even worse, General Howe's forces were fighting with Washington at the Battle of Brandywine and then the Battle of Germantown. This kept him from joining Burgoyne.

General Burgoyne's forces attacked General Gates' American forces at the Battle of Oriskany, but he was driven back. He attacked again at the Battle of Bennington, and was again driven back.

Patrick Bell, President Men's Auxiliary

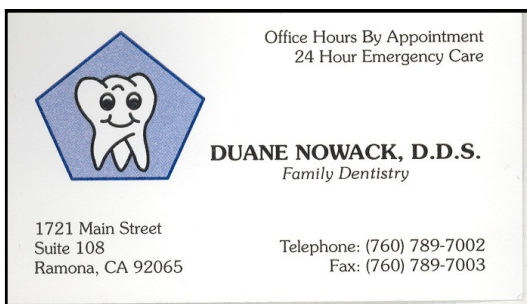
## POST CHAPLAIN

William Gifford had a stroke in April and is now convalescing in a recovery home in San Marcos. Our thoughts and prayers go to the families of Don Cole and "Damn'it" Jim for their recent losses.

Harold Krohne, Post Chaplain



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## QUARTERMASTER

Well, YOU did it! Thanks to everyone for your superb recruiting efforts which have resulted in the Post achieving a 105% membership goal and recognition as an All-American Post. Let's now work on keeping those new members active in Post affairs. Many are young with children so let's solicit their ideas and suggestions in planning our future projects and programs.

We received the first check for the new jukebox and games. For 41 days, the gross was \$1,542. Post portion was \$682 (jukebox brought in \$356 and games \$326). A big "Thank you" goes out to those music lovers and gamers who have been pumping their hard earned earnings into the new machines.

Finally, I wish to express my appreciation to the officers and members who have been so helpful in teaching me the ropes as a new Quartermaster. Pontiac, Doug and Madolyn deserve special mention, and Quartermasters at Chula Vista and Alpine provided great insight. Department Quartermaster/Adjutant Jim Rowoldt gave invaluable advice whenever I called. And the National Staff helped me sort out innumerable membership issues. Through all this, I learned help is usually there when sought.

If you would like to advertise in the "Roll Call", contact the Newsletter Editor, Rose Busang or myself via the Post at 760-789-7888.

Wi-Fi is also available at Post 3783. See bartender for Password.

Frank Uram, Quartermaster

## BUDDY POPPY

**BUDDY POPPY CAMPAIGN FOR MEMORIAL DAY 2012** is scheduled as follows:

Kick off—9:00 am Friday 25 May to continue thru Sunday 27 May. There will be 3 shifts per day at Stater Bros, both doors, 3 shifts per day at Albertson's, both doors, 3 shifts per day at Kmart, main door and 3 shifts per day at the Villager Store, San Diego Country Estates. Schedules are posted, sign up early to reserve your spot.

I need to fill 50 shifts from the Post, and both Auxiliaries. Now is the time to be a hero and participate in the largest FUNFRAISER of the year for our veteran's programs. We need new people as we have lost a few, be it death, moving or just aging.

George Little, Buddy Poppy Czar,

## THANK YOU

Thank you Comrades and Sisters of Post 3783 for providing me with a wonderful Homecoming. You are all much appreciated. Special thanks to Gene, Gary, Jim and the Ladies Auxiliary crew for the great food.

Dale Smith, 1st District Commander

## AUXILIARY SR. VICE PRESIDENT

I just wanted to thank all of you who came to support Dale and Ellie at their Home Coming last month. It's been a great year for us and we thank all of you for your support. Also I want to thank all the Auxiliary sisters that brought food and helped with our Celebration of Life for Jane McGee and Connie Cole. I think we did a great job as usual. We had our elections last month and I again would like thank all who took an office. Most of the time it's a thankless job, but without volunteers we wouldn't have an Auxiliary so thanks again.

Marla Smith, Sr. Vice President

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		Every Tuesday is <b>TACO TUESDAY</b> 12 till gone <sup>1</sup>	<b>FRENCH DIP</b> <sup>2</sup> THAT's WHAT's FOR LUNCH ON WEDNESDAYS	<b>BURGERS &amp; FRIES</b> <sup>3</sup> By "Damn'it" Jim & Doug 	<b>FISH &amp; SHRIMP</b> <sup>4</sup> by "The Yettis"	<b>PIG ROAST</b> <sup>5</sup> Dalemar Ranch
<sup>6</sup> <b>BUFFET</b>	<sup>7</sup> <b>IRON CHEF CASSEROLES</b>	<sup>8</sup> <b>AUXILIARY MEETING</b> 7:00 PM <b>TACO TUESDAY</b>	<sup>9</sup> <b>FRENCH DIP</b>	<sup>10</sup> <b>MAUX's FRIED CHICKEN DINNER</b>	<sup>11</sup> <b>FISH &amp; SHRIMP</b> by "Dianne"	<sup>12</sup> <b>LIVER &amp; ONIONS</b>
<sup>13</sup> <b>MOTHER's DAY STEAK &amp; EGGS</b>	<sup>14</sup>	<sup>15</sup> <b>MAUX MEETING</b> 7:00 PM <b>TACO TUESDAY</b>	<sup>16</sup> <b>Commander in Chief visit</b> 11-12:30 pm POST Meeting 7:00 pm	<sup>17</sup> <b>BURGERS &amp; FRIES</b> <sup>17</sup> By "Damn'it" Jim 	<sup>18</sup> <b>FISH &amp; SHRIMP</b> by "Jim D."	<sup>19</sup> <b>STEAKS</b>
<sup>20</sup> <b>CHICKEN FRIED STEAK</b>	<sup>21</sup> <b>VFW GAME NIGHT</b>	<sup>22</sup> <b>TACO TUESDAY</b> 	<sup>23</sup> <b>FRENCH DIP</b>	<sup>24</sup> <b>BURGERS &amp; FRIES</b> <sup>24</sup> By "Damn'it" Jim & Doug 	<sup>25</sup> <b>FISH &amp; SHRIMP</b> ===== <b>BUDDY</b>	<sup>26</sup> <b>BACK RIBS</b> ===== <b>POPPY</b>
<sup>27</sup> <b>PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH ALL THE FIXINGS</b> ===== <b>SALES</b>	<sup>28</sup> <b>MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES</b>  <b>PICNIC</b>	<sup>29</sup> <b>TACO TUESDAY</b> 	<sup>30</sup> <b>FRENCH DIP</b>	<sup>31</sup> <b>BURGERS &amp; FRIES</b> <sup>31</sup> By "Damn'it" Jim & Doug 	<b>RSVP for Saturday night dinners @ 760-789-7888 6 PM &amp; 7 PM</b>	

## FROM THE CLUBHOUSE

Another month has gone by and we are still not seeing a lot of our old friends stop by. Sure do miss you. On the other hand we have a lot of new members coming in and they are quite nice, so come on in and meet them and make some new friends.

May is here and with this a whole lot is going on. MOSTLY it's Memorial Day and the picnic, and of course Buddy Poppy Sales. Come out and help support these worthy causes.

I would like to thank my bartenders for their continued support of the Post. Also a big thank you goes out to all the people who made the Easter Egg hunt a big success.

Free dinners drawn for May. 2012  
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Lynn  
To be used in the month of May. only.

Madolyn Gifford, Clubhouse Manager

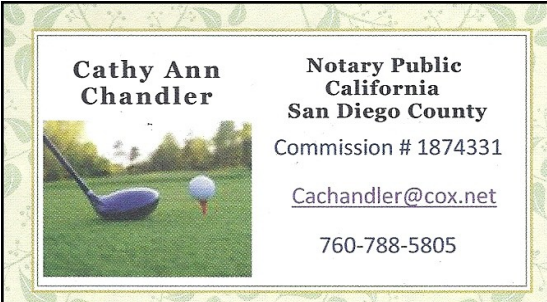
## FROM THE EDITOR

Articles for March's Newsletter will be due by noon on **Saturday, MAY 19th.** Please e-mail them to me at [mymygma@aol.com](mailto:mymygma@aol.com).

When giving me your e-mail address, please also write you name down. I need both.

Thank you,

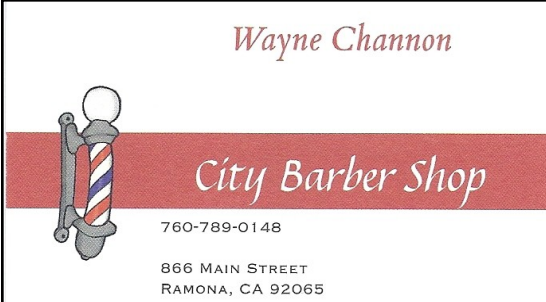
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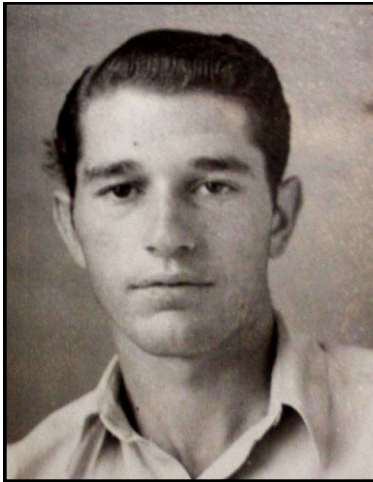
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