



Stevens Creek Post 642 The Ranger Way
November 2023 Newsletter
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Zoom Meeting Info for November 2023 Meeting:
Arturo Thiele-Sardina is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: American Legion Post 642 March Meeting
Time: November 6, 2023 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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Commander's Corner

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

All are invited to our Post meeting which is on November 6th of this month. Remember that we generally meet on the first Monday of the Month at 1800 for socializing and a light meal and refreshments then check out the meeting at 1900. Do give us a heads up, so that we can requisition extra rations versus our regular contingent. Hopefully you and the kids have come down from all of the Halloween candy. COME ON DOWN!

The Post 642 did do a Buddy Check for VA Buddy Check which was based on the current National Post Roster which will be getting edited based on information from the 1st Vice and follow up from the other officers. All Legionnaires should just call up old Battle Buddies for social reasons, but also to help each other and let no "Soldier" be left behind. We were also able to perform the Financial Audit and Report to Department and District at our last meeting with help from some willing volunteers and our Financial Officer Mike O'Meara who was able to submit the report on time. I will be able to reiterate this in the Post Commander Report for the District 13 Meeting on the November 2nd at Post 217 74 West 6th St Gilroy, CA 95020

The 1st Vice Commander Notes has information about Veterans Day Events especially in the Cupertino area that are in the Post's Area of Operations and can use support from our Post, but there is also the San Jose Veterans Day Parade which is said to be the largest on the West Coast and always a good time. We also need assistance and donations to catch up on Wreaths Across America where the Post is trying to have all Veteran's graves at Gate of Heaven Cemetery recognized with a wreath.

Along with some other memorable days during November, we have Thanksgiving which is one of the biggest family gathering days of the year and the day before is still probably the biggest travel day in the US, ala "[Planes, Trains and Automobiles](#)" with John Candy and Steve Martin and still my favorite Thanksgiving Themed movie. Hopefully, you will check out the possible

military connections to National Days and the military history notes that I have listed in the newsletter below. Finally, remember to Fall Back on your clock on the 5th which is the end of Daylight Savings Time for the year, so that you aren't late for the meeting on the 6th. Oddly enough, Britain Summer Time (BST) ends a week later before going back to GMT (Greenwich Mean Time, also known as Zulu Time in military and maritime parlance).

Please remember that if you have Post or Veterans event that you would like on the calendar to get them to Arturo or the District. Please include pertinent information like event information, contacts, address, where to meet, etc.

<https://www.americanlegionpost642.com/site/eventscalendar.php?y=2023&m=3>

If you know of deceased members during the past few months either bring their name and share with our District Chaplain, Jere Bernardoni, or send to him at

Jerep.bernardoni@gmail.com.

Please enjoy the National Day and Month links and Military History below including VA links.

To Comradeship!

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Major Jock Sinclair in "Tunes of Glory":

"Whisky for the gentlemen that like it. And for the gentlemen that don't like it - Whisky."

First Vice Commander Notes

Greetings fellow Legionnaires,

Once again November is here and so is Veterans Day 2023. This year Veteran Day falls on a Saturday and this year Cupertino will be holding a Veterans Day Ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Site at Cupertino Memorial Park, beginning at 1100 hrs. There will be several speakers and our Post will also be there to recruit new members for the American Legion and to let folks know about the Wreaths Across America Ceremony that is sponsored by our Post and will be held on Saturday 16 December. Please attend the Veterans Day Ceremony if you possibly can, as it is one of only a few events held in Cupertino where our Post gets exposure and more importantly as Veterans this is your day to be recognized for the service that each of you performed for our country. I hope to see many of you on the 11th. Additionally Miller Middle School will once again be conducting their Veterans Day Ceremony on Thursday 8 November at 0900 hrs. This event has always been well attended by local Veterans and a handful of Post 642 Veterans.

Membership renewal has slowed down in the past few months, and I must ask those of you who tend to wait until the end of the Legion year (June) to renew, to please reconsider and try to renew your membership by the end of 2023. This will enable our Post to meet the various membership renewal goals set by Department and enables us to focus on getting new members into our Post during the start of calendar year 2024. As always you can renew your membership on line at legion.org/renew or send the \$40 check to American Legion Post 642, PO Box 302 Cupertino, CA 95015.

I will be meeting this week with the De Anza Student Veterans of America rep. Jose Barraza Villa to go over how our Post can support their Veterans group, how we can work mutually to support local Veterans especially at the college level and recruit them into our Post. I will provide an update at our November meeting.

Finally as mentioned last month, we are looking for a new location for our Post monthly meetings. At this time we do not have a site selected however several American Legion Posts near us have offered their facility for our meetings. Once we have made a decision we will let all of you know. As stated earlier we need to find a new location beginning for our January meeting.

Stay safe and have a great Veterans Day and a blessed Thanksgiving!

“Duty First”

Arturo

2024 Membership Report (27 October 2023)

2024 Membership Goal: 68	Total Members: 43/63.6%
Paid Up for Life (PUFL): 16	New Members: 0
Online Renewals: 11	Renewals Pending
Submittal: 0	
Mail Renewals: 16	Members not yet renewed: 25
Post 1000 Transfers: 0	District Rank: 04/12
Newly renewed Members: Robert Pickle 29 years	

Upcoming events for November 2023-January 2023

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2 Nov 1900 hrs.	District 13 Meeting at Post 217 74 West 6th St Gilroy, CA
6 Nov 1900 hrs.	Post 642 Monthly Meeting in Person (Dinner served at 1800 hrs.)
11 Nov 1100 hrs.	Veterans Day Ceremonies Cupertino Veterans Memorial at Memorial Park
4 Dec 1900 hrs.	Post 642 Monthly Meeting in Person (Dinner served at 1800 hrs.)
7 Dec 1900 hrs.	Post Christmas/Holiday Dinner (No-host Cocktails start at 1815 hrs. Blue Pheasant Restaurant 22100 Stevens Creek Blvd, Cupertino
8 Jan 1900 hrs.	Post 642 Monthly Meeting in Person (Dinner served at 1800 hrs.) Location TBD
27 Jan 1900 hrs.	District 13 Meeting at Post 558 347 1st St Los Altos

Membership Contact Updates

With the new Legion year already upon us, now is the time to make sure that your contact information is correct so that you receive your magazine, newsletter and other important information pertaining to the American Legion. We are continually moving towards email as the main communication platform for the Post. You can find your contact information at mylegion.org If you have already registered you just need to log in, if not you can register and then log in. Changes and updates can be easily made by the individual member. If your name appears below that means we do not have a valid email address for you: You can either shoot me an email so I can update your info with your email address or give me a call at 408-838-0375 and provide me with the email address or let me know that you do not have an email address.

- Gary Burton
- Thomas Cribbs
- Herbert Duvernay
- Fenton Hill
- Richard Lee
- Patrick Montijo

- Timothy O'Meara
- MaryAnn Salvatierra
- Chris Snell
- William Tillinghast



Source: [Registration for 19th Annual Pat's Run open \(azfamily.com\)](http://azfamily.com)



THE INFANTRY

IS THE DEVIL



WELL I LIKE GUNS AND I LIKE CAMPING

**AND DRILL SERGEANT SHOWED ME PUSH UPS
AND I LIKE THEM TOO**

Post 642 Monthly Meeting Schedule for 2023-24 Year

Here are the meeting dates for the current American Legion Year, please update your calendars. You can also find these dates on the [Post Website Calendar](#)

6 November 2023

4 December 2023

8 January 2024

5 February 2024

4 March 2024

1 April 2024

6 May 2024

3 June 2024

Need A Ride?

Are you member who hasn't had a chance to attend one of our meetings or activities because you have difficulties driving at night, or no longer are able to drive? If so please feel free to contact the 1st Vice Commander (arturo@cadiz.com) or at 408-838-0375 and let him know. We will arrange to have someone pick you up and drop you off at home. We currently have several members who use this service and will be more than happy to assist others in being able to attend our meetings and activities. It's a great opportunity to get out of the house especially if you are not able to on your own, and meet fellow Legion members and attend our meeting.

COME JOIN US for OUR CHRISTMAS DINNER

Sign up for our annual Holiday dinner on;
Thursday, December 7, 2023
at the Blue Pheasant. 22100 Stevens Creek Blvd. in Cupertino.

No Host Bar/Fellowship 6:15 to 7:00, Dinner served at 7:00 All dinners include mixed green, garden fresh salad, potato or rice (depending on the menu item), fresh vegetables, French bread, coffee, tea and house made desert.

Menu items are:

- Pasta Primavera (for vegetarians) _____
- Broiled Salmon _____
- Breast of Chicken Jerusalem _____
- Prime Rib of Beef _____

For reservations, call Mike O'Meara at (408) 691-8277 or send your request to Mike at 10171 Lockwood Dr. Cupertino CA 95014 or email @momeara47@yahoo.com and tell him how many and what menu choice.

The cost this year will remain \$20 per person.

The Deadline to sign up is November 27, 2023

Please PRINT

Name: _____

Menu Choices _____

Number of Guest _____

Service Officer Cathy Schiavone

VA/DoD Health Affairs

VA & TRICARE Information

TRICARE is the Department of Defense (DoD) health care program for uniformed service members, retirees & their families.

<https://tricare.mil/>

Does VA participate in the TRICARE Network?

- Yes, since 1995, all VA health care facilities have participated as TRICARE Network Providers.
- VA can provide care for Active-Duty Service Members, military retirees, & family members under their TRICARE benefit - on a space available basis.
- Each VA health care facility can serve as primary care manager for TRICARE beneficiaries, but more often TRICARE referrals are used for specialty care.

What VA requirements are there to be TRICARE Providers?

- Care can only be made available to TRICARE beneficiaries on a space available basis.
- No service provided under the agreement will adversely affect the range of services, quality of care, or the established priorities for care provided to the primary/core (Veteran) beneficiaries of VHA.
- VHA USH has certified to VA Sec that caring for TRICARE beneficiaries will not result in denial/delay in providing access to care for any Veteran at that facility.

For TRICARE Information and Assistance

TRICARE eligibility is determined by the military services.

If eligibility questions arise or more information is needed regarding TRICARE eligibility, contact:

- Defense Manpower Data Center:
<https://dwp.dmdc.osd.mil/dwp/app/main>
- Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS): 1-800-538-9552
- TRICARE East Region: Humana Military 1-800-444-5445
<https://www.humanamilitary.com>
- TRICARE West Region: Health Net Federal Services 1-844-866-9378
<https://tricare-west.com>

Meals Roster 2023

November 6th^t: David Han

December 4th: Dan Weishaar (availability?)

January 8th: Mike O'Meara

February 5th: Bill Reichard

March 4th: Bob Devlin

April 1st: Kenneth Klinkowski

May 6th: Jim Barnhart

June 3rd: Vince Guinnane

Adjutant's Advice

Below is a request for veterans to tell their stories to be recorded for future generations. Please participate if you are able.

Hello,

I am following up on behalf of my colleague Lizzie McCarthy, who spoke to you last week regarding the Veterans History Project we are working on. As Lizzie may have mentioned, we would love to do a brief interview with service members so that we can learn from their lived experiences. Please share the invitation below and help us get the word out.

Our target is to interview two hundred Veterans by this summer. We have completed twenty incredible interviews so far and would love your support in helping to get the word out so we can reach our target. Please forward this email to the service members.

Some Details:

- Interview duration: 30-45 min
- Interview can be remote or in person.
- In appreciation of the time, we will provide an amazon gift card.

To set up a time for the interview, please send an email to team@spikeview.com or call/text 510-209-7615.

Please include:

- Date/Time you are available for the interview.
- Email/Phone number where we can contact you.

With much gratitude,
Spikeview Team

Inviting all Veterans!



Do you want to help immortalize history and tell your story?

We would love to do a brief interview with you to catalog your lived experiences and submit them to the library of congress for future generations to view and learn from, leverage your collective stories to spark policy discussion, and explore how to get you connected to helpful resources.



**In appreciation of your support, we would love to gift you an
amazon gift card**

To interview with us, please send an email to team@spikeview.com



National Days and Months:

There is a neat description of November here with regard to the National Days where the rest of these links can be found. <https://www.nationaldaycalendar.com/november>

MILITARY FAMILY MONTH – November to remember our Military Families who may have deployed members that need support. <https://youtu.be/e7Jh6evB1Sw?si=usQ6uu7kR7utGYG1>

PRIME MERIDIAN DAY - November 1 when the location was decided upon as the Royal Greenwich Observatory and where Greenwich Mean Time is derived. <https://youtu.be/kKxKgSGoEbE?si=LcL7UDbA83Y6eAJG>



DAY OF THE DEAD - November 1 The movie Coco is a good one to watch with your children or Grandchildren.

ALL SAINTS DAY - November 1 – If you recall Halloween is All Hallows Eve.

NATIONAL DONUT DAY - November 5 There is still also a Doughnut Day in June which celebrates the Salvation Army Doughnut Girls that served the troops in WWI.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS - First Sunday in November – remember to Fall Back on your clock.

WORLD FREEDOM DAY - November 9 – Berlin Wall Fell. <https://youtu.be/A9fQPzZ1-hg?si=UW72SKcVLv8rgnIP>

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY - November 10 – when the Marine Corps was founded in 1775 and recruiting took place at **recruiting headquarters was in the Tun Tavern on Water Street in Philadelphia also known as the birthplace of the USMC. (It was reformed in 1798 after it was abolished at the end of the Revolutionary War.** <https://youtu.be/4AgvXD7Yduo?si=EpIjJtWCQkBmIYM3>

VETERANS DAY - November 11 – also Armistice Day when Peace declared at the 11th hour of the 11th Day of the 11th month for end of WWI (The War to End All Wars).

https://youtu.be/CqO9J-5y-dk?si=ZHUt_eCCBx0SUpWf

WORLD DIABETES DAY - November 14 – I believe that the PACT Act recognizes this as a presumptive condition with Agent Orange for Vietnam Veterans.

<https://www.va.gov/disability/eligibility/hazardous-materials-exposure/agent-orange/> <https://youtu.be/8qNkMWTmOc8?si=079I0W9WviviHmWk>

WORLD PANCREATIC CANCER DAY - Third Thursday in November - I believe that the PACT Act also recognizes this as a presumptive condition with Burn Pit for Gulf War/Post 911 Veterans.

<https://www.va.gov/resources/the-pact-act-and-your-va-benefits/> https://youtu.be/YyFRSPU084M?si=pmSff1L6iJe_05hv

[INTERNATIONAL CHECK YOUR WIPERS DAY - November 16 – a good idea to remember to replace these if necessary due to Winter Storms for safe driving.](#)

[COMPUTER SECURITY DAY - November 30 – This is a good reminder to remember to be careful of clicking on links from unknown emails and offering them personal information to Nigerian Princes that want to send you large amounts of money if you give them your bank information, etc.](#)

Military History Notes: (A Marine Corps Theme for their Birthday)

Nov. 1

1942: On Guadalcanal, a machine gun section led by Marine Cpl. Anthony Casamento (<http://vwww.victoryinstitute.net/blogs/utb/1942/11/01 /anthony-- casamento-medal-of-honor-citation/>) is hit so badly during the fourth (and final) battle at the Matanikau River that all but Casamento were grievously wounded or killed. Despite his own wounds (he was hit 14 times during the engagement), Casamento single-handedly held his position and repelled numerous enemy attacks. Casamento will be awarded the Medal of Honor in 1980 after surviving eyewitnesses to his actions are found. <https://youtu.be/NtWeZEsN6x4?si=eUiD5ngqhkpmxXW8>

1944: Japan launches the first of some 9,000 hydrogen-filled balloon bombs towards the U.S. and Canada. By war's end, only six Americans would be killed and a small amount of damage is inflicted by the bombs.

Meanwhile, the *Tokyo Rose*, a B-29 "Superfortress" modified for photo reconnaissance, makes the first U.S. flight over Tokyo since the Doolittle Raid in 1942.

Nov. 2

1783: Gen. George Washington delivers his "Farewell Address to the Army" near Princeton, N.J., in which he refers to the Continental Army as "one patriotic band of brothers." <https://youtu.be/9PWuIOA75z4?si=KAawYT-75UnTt9if>

Nov. 3

1783: The Continental Army is disbanded following the signing of the Treaty of Paris. The role of the national defense force returns to state militias, save a regiment on the western frontier and an artillery battery at West Point, N.Y. (which will soon become the U.S. Military Academy). These few "regular army" soldiers will become the Legion of the United States in 1792, and the U.S. Army in 1796.

Nov. 9

2001: During the Battle of Mazar-e-Sharif U.S. Army and Air Force special operations forces ride into combat on horseback - the first cavalry charge by the United States military since 1943. Hundreds of Taliban and al Qaeda fighters are killed during the battle and another 1,500 are captured or defect. Although war planners figured it would take months to capture the strategic city and its airfield, the Taliban withdraw the following day.

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/iscjRK8yBAQ>

Nov. 10

1775: On this day 242 years ago, the Marine Corps is born. The Continental Congress decrees that two battalions of Marines be raised in Philadelphia, consisting of "good seamen, or so acquainted with maritime affairs as to be able to serve by sea when required; that they be enlisted and commissioned to serve for and during the present war with Great Britain and the Colonies." Capt. Samuel Nicholas - commissioned just days before as the first Marine officer - sets up his recruiting headquarters at Tun Tavern.

2001: U.S.-led coalition forces defeat Taliban forces in Mazar-e-Sharif, scoring the first major victory of the war in Afghanistan.

Nov. 11

1918: The armistice is signed, ending World War I.

Nov. 14

1965: 450 soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 7th Cavalry under the command of Lt. Col. Harold Moore are choppered in to assault the communist stronghold in the Ia Drang Valley. Upon landing, the unit is nearly overrun by three battalions (1,600 soldiers) of North Vietnamese regulars, resulting in hand-to-hand combat, but the soldiers hold out for two days before being relieved -inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. The Battle of the Ia Drang Valley is the first major battle between U.S. and NVA forces and one of the only setpiece battles of the Vietnam War.

2004: Nine days after launching Operation Phantom Fury — the Second Battle of Fallujah (Iraq) — U.S. Marines and soldiers (as well as a few British and Iraqi troops) begin the mopping-up phase of what has since been described as the most intense urban combat since the bloody battle for the Vietnamese city of Hue in 1968. It is during the battle for Fallujah, that a radio transmission is intercepted by U.S. forces in which a panicking al-Qaeda insurgent is heard exclaiming to his chief: "We are fighting, but the Marines keep coming! We are shooting, but the Marines won't stop!"

Nov. 19

1863: Four months after the Battle of Gettysburg, President Abraham Lincoln addresses an audience with a brief speech honoring the fallen: "we cannot dedicate. we cannot consecrate. we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. ... we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain — that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom — and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth." Lincoln's Gettysburg Address becomes one of the most famous speeches in American history.

1967: During the Battle of Dak To, Chaplain (Maj.) Charles J. Watters, "with complete disregard for his safety, rushed forward to the line of contact. Unarmed and completely exposed, he moved among, as well as in front of the advancing troops, giving aid to the wounded, assisting in their evacuation, giving words of encouragement, and administering the last rites to the dying. Chaplain Watters was giving aid to the wounded when he himself was mortally

wounded." Chaplain Watters was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor.

<https://youtu.be/1djR7gFrjWU?si=M7ggzv6PWvPdkXr3>

Nov. 20

1918: The 369th Infantry Regiment receives the honor of becoming the first American unit to enter German territory for occupation duty. The famed "Hell Fighters from Harlem" fought with distinction under French command during World War I, spending more time in combat and suffering more casualties than any other American regiment during the war.

1943: A flotilla of over 100 warships, including 17 aircraft carriers and 12 battleships, hammers the Tarawa Atoll as the first of 35,000 Marines and soldiers land in the face of stiff Japanese resistance. Rear Adm. Keiji

Shibasaki, in command of the defenders, stated that "a million men could not take Tarawa in a hundred years." In fact, it will only take 76 hours to secure the islands.

The fanatical defenders will fight almost to the last man in the first heavily opposed U.S. landing in the Pacific. Many of the American casualties were due to low tide conditions that forced Marines to wade hundreds of yards across jagged coral reefs - under withering fire - to reach the shore. The resulting losses inspired the creation of the Navy's Underwater Demolition Teams to provide critical hydrographic reconnaissance and destroy obstacles for amphibious landings - the birth of what will become today's SEAL Teams.

Nov. 21

a 1943: *USS Nautilus* (SS-168) surfaces and disembarks Capt. James L. Jones and his Marine Amphibious Reconnaissance Company off the beaches of Abemama Atoll in the Gilbert Islands. The raiders board rubber rafts and paddle ashore under cover of darkness, spending the next several days wiping out the defenders and capturing the islands along with fire support from the sub. The Marine Corps' modern-day Force Reconnaissance companies trace their roots to Jones' team.

Nov. 22

1963: President John F. Kennedy is assassinated by former Marine radar operator Lee Harvey Oswald while the presidential motorcade travels through Dallas, Texas. Oswald also seriously wounds Texas Governor John Connally in the attack. Both Kennedy and Connally served in the Navy during World — War II - Kennedy as a PT boat skipper and Connally as a fighter plane director aboard aircraft carriers.

Nov. 23

1943: Japanese-held Tarawa falls to American forces despite the boast of its defending commander, Rear Adm. Keiji Shibasaki, that "a million men could not take Tarawa in a hundred years." It takes several thousand Marines and about 76 hours to seize Tarawa. Makin Atoll, 100 miles north of Tarawa, is also declared secure.

1963: Two days after assassinating Pres. John F. Kennedy, former Marine Lee Harvey Oswald is himself shot and killed by Jack Ruby - formerly a mechanic in the Army Air Forces, who served during World War II.

Nov. 25

2001: US Marines of the 15th and 26 Marine Expeditionary Unit land near Kandahar, becoming the first major combat force in Afghanistan.

Nov. 26

1789: Pres. George Washington issues a proclamation declaring 26 November "to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be." This marks the first designated Thanksgiving Day by the United States government. https://youtu.be/R8ZFR_B4ogU?si=aUfd_NBrevoS1czS

American Legion Post 642 October 2, 2023 meeting minutes

Attendance:

Gordon Hall, Vince Guinnane, Wally, Manny, Michael O'Meara, Jim Barnhart, Wally, David, Kenneth, Richard Bessel.

Opening the meeting: Vince, Commander

Prayer by Bill

Pledge of Allegiance

POW empty Chair Ceremony

Preamble to the Legion Constitution

Adjutant Roll Call:

Commander- Vince, 1st Vice- Absent, 2nd Vice-NA, 3rd Vice-absent, Finance-Mike, Chaplain-Wally, Service Officer- Absent, Judge Advocate- Bob, Adjutant- David, Sergeant at Arms-Absent, Historian-absent.

Guests:

Richard Bessel, former US Navy officer, from Sunnyvale, CA

Reading of the Minutes:

Motion: Accepting minutes as written.

Moved: Gordon, Seconded: Bob

Discussion: None

Approval: Unanimous

Officer Reports Updates:

Finance Officer's Report: Mike

Summary: Audited the books today. Wreaths money is starting to come in. CD renewed last month. Rate is better.

Motion: To approve the finance report subject to audit.

Moved: Bob, Seconded: Kenneth

Discussion: None

Unanimous Approval

First Vice Commander: Vince

Summary: We will need to find a new location as our building will be sold.

Discussion: None.

Second Vice Commander's Report: Gordon

Summary: Waiting on updates for who will join us for Christmas dinner.

Discussion: None.

Adjutant's Report: David
Summary: None.

Chaplain Report: Wally
Summary: No update on Arvid Stenstrom.

Post Service Officer: Absent
Summary: None.

Commander: Vince
Summary: Got letter from Wreaths Across America. The website is live.

Committee Reports:
Wreaths Across America: Vince
Summary: Flyers may be here soon.
Discussion: NA

VA BBQ: Mike
Summary: Next year only two VA BBQs.

Christmas Dinner: Mike
Summary: Thursday December 7th. Please see the flyer in the newsletter.

Sick Call Relief: None.

Unfinished business: Navy Birthday

Initiation of new members: None.

New Business: An email will be sent out regarding buddy check resources. A resolution has been made to change the Boys State to Boys and Girls State. Will we support this change? One third of delegates were girls this year at the combined Boys and Girls State.
Discussion: Boys State and Girls State name change vote- unanimous Yes.

District Meeting Updates: Coming up in September for all officers.

Memorial to Departed Post member: Arden Stenstrom

Good of the legion:
Bob Devlin: San Jose State University offers free tickets to veterans when they play military academies.

Chaplain: Bill
POW/MIA chair ceremony
Benediction and Closing