

November 2008



Homeland Post 878 Newsletter



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Membership Meeting

November 1st Fun & Games
November 11th Community Bar-B-Q at 1 pm
November 15th Membership Meeting at 11 am.
November 27th Post Closed
Happy Thanksgiving

Yard Sale is the 1st and 2nd Saturday of each month from 9 am to 3pm.

Up Coming Events

Saturday, **November 15**, 2008
6:00 PM 760-325-6229
Prime Rib Dinner and Dan Damion Show 🎪
Palm Springs Post 519 (*the night before the 5th Area meeting*)
Dec. 20th District 21 3rd Vice Commander Fred MacKinsey to visit Homeland Post 878

FROM THE COMMANDER

Dear Legionnaires,

ITS TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP, DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!!!

I would like to thank Truett and Helen who had helped during our **Heritage Teen Time** in Oct, Misa for her help with the Yard Sale and donations, Dennis our Scribe and all of the officers who helped.

Our 2nd and 3rd Vice Commanders which you elected are working hard; they need your help and support.

The 21st District 2nd Vice Commander will attend the Dec. 20th General Meeting and the 21st District Commander will attend the Feb. 21st General Meeting. Hope to see you at the meetings.

The following is from the Sep – Dec 2008, **ARMY ECHOES:** “LAW CHANGE---RETIREEES NOW SALUTES FLAG

Retired Soldiers are Still Proud! Still Serving! Congress has put Still Saluting into law for Retired Soldiers and other veterans. The 2008 National Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 110-181) changed Sect. 9, Title 4, U. S. Code, which covers ‘Conduct during hoisting, lowering or passing of flag’. Following is that section of the U. S. Code, as reworded by the law change. Please share this information with veterans and other retired military that don’t get Echoes publication.



‘During the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the flag or when the flag is passing in a parade or in review, all persons present in uniform should render the military salute. Members of the Armed Forces and veterans who are present but not in uniform may render the military salute. All other persons should face the flag and stand at attention with their right hand over the heart, of if applicable, remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Citizens of other countries present should stand at attention. All such

Notice to Post 878

Legionnaires:

The next Newsletter due around the first of December will be for two months. This should satisfy the needs of Post 878. If members have any comments, please contact Commander Frank



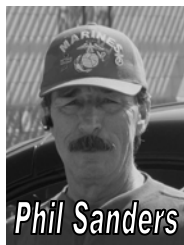
conduct toward the flag in a moving column should be rendered at the moment the flag passes'." — Frank ✱

FROM THE 2ND VICE COMMANDER

All of us need to support our Post. We have had a lot of good fundraisers, if you did not attend, shame on you. In Nov we will have our annual FREE COMMUNITY VETERAN DAY BAR-B-Q, 2 pool tournament, a Fun & Game Night, Yard Sales and Heritage Teens Time. Come and support your Post. By our fundraisers, we can pay our bills and provide programs for the youth, community and veterans. Our Post needs your help. — Bill ☺

FROM THE 3RD VICE COMMANDER

In Sept., our Post had provided a half-time program at Heritage High School first home football game; it was outstanding. We carried an American Flag and marched around the football field with a lot of veterans from the stadium stands (which were family members of Heritage HS students); we had veterans from WWII, Korea, Viet Nam, Desert Storm and Iraq.



In October, Homeland Post presented a 30' x 50' American Flag to the **Heritage HS Band**, which will be used by the band in competitions this year and in future years. Our Post also presented a 5' x 8' American Flag and a 5' x 8' California Flag to the high school to be displayed in the gym. I like to thank everyone who helped with the fundraisers to purchase the flags. We also help provide a Color Guard for Heritage HS at their 3rd home football game and during the Heritage HS Inland Empire Field Competition at Heritage HS.



Every Sunday from **12:00 - 4:00** in **Nov**, we are opening our Post for the students of Heritage HS to play free pool, darts, horseshoes and to watch the big screen TV. For a donation, we will have sodas, water, chips and hot dog with all the fixings available.

I would like to get more help in the future from our members, I could sure use it. — **Phil** 👍

Members Transferred to Post Everlasting: None, Thank God



Post 878 Officers

CDR –Frank Whitfield
1st Vice-Charlie Gargargo
2nd Vice— Bill Flanagan
3rd Vice –Phil Sanders
Scribe – Dennis Martin
Adjutant — Jill Baguley
Sgt. at Arms- Anna Waganer
Chaplain— John Berg
Advocate- Open
Historian — Open

District 21st Meetings:

January 11, 2009

American Legion Post 595, 600 S. D St.,
Perris Ca. 92570
951-657-6275

March 8, 2009

American Legion Post 53, 124 N. Ramona
St., Hemet Ca. 92225
951-658-2436

June 7, 2009

American Legion Post 848, 312 E. Main
St., San Jacinto Ca. 92581
909-487-1664

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<http://www.cdva.ca.gov/AboutUs/VeteransBoard.aspx>

Members of the Board

Alice Astafan, Major General (Ret), Chairperson - *Member since 2006*

Thomas J. Moran, Vice-Chair - *Member since 2007*, Vernon Chong, M.D., Major General (Ret) - *Member since 2004*, Jake I. Alarid - *Member since 2006*, Edward Olson - *Member since 2008*

Thomas Richards, Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) - *Member since 2008*

Some General Knowledge about the California Veterans Board

1. There is in the Department of Veterans Affairs a California Veterans Board consisting of seven members appointed by the Governor, subject to the confirmation of the State Senate. All Board members shall be veterans. **Reference:** *California Military and Veterans Code 64, 65 and 66*
 2. The Board reports to the Legislature annually regarding the activities, accomplishments and expenditures of the Board during the preceding fiscal year. **Reference:** *California Military and Veterans Code 69.5*
 3. The Board shall determine the policies for all operations of the department. **Reference:** *California Military and Veterans Code 72*
 4. Any person deeming himself or herself a veteran and who applies for benefits may appeal any decision made by a division of the department to the Board. **Reference:** *California Military and Veterans Code 86*
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