



AMERICAN LEGION POST-105 SUNRISE NEWSLETTER

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COMMANDER GREETINGS



George Smith, Commander

Hoping all our AL Post 105 Family **legionnaire members and their families** are doing fine. Our post continues to help veterans and their families during these tough pandemic times. Sharing my gratitude and appreciation to all **African American** veterans, as well as all veterans of our post for their honorary contribution to assist diversified communities – honoring **Black History Month** of February 2022! Our post is here to help veterans and their families when necessary – **please let us know!** Always many THANKS to our **proactive membership and comrades** with their ongoing support of our mission in life serving our local communities for **God and Country** – strengthening America!

Encouraging our Post 105 members to join our membership meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 6 PM. The meeting veteran participants can enjoy a FREE dinner meal and possibly WIN a cash monetary prize! The winner MUST be present at therein general membership meetings requirement, to personally accept thereby cash monetary prize from the raffle tickets drawing.

Because our freedom in America is NOT free like it appears within our social environments, and many THANKS to our military veterans for their services! It is our post legionnaire mission in life with **100+ years** of patriotic services for **God and Country** with the ability to strengthen America. Our Post 105 family team is always WELCOMING **new veteran legionnaires** for our post mission! **STAY SAFE & HEALTHY!**



Happy Valentines Day, Happy Birthdays, Happy Anniversaries, etc. to ALL legionnaire members in February 2022 and many more! Enjoy and have fun at your celebrations – **STAY SAFE & HEALTHY!**



POST EVENTS & INFORMATION SHARING



There is always one more thing we can do to make a difference. It's not just what we do, it is who we are!

<p>Hiring Local Veterans Diddams Party & Toy Store, 1940 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94403 Phone Number: 650-235-8448 Website: www.diddams.com</p>	<p>Hiring Veterans Michaels, 2925 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94403 Phone Number: 650-513-8189 Website: www.locations.michaels.com</p>
<p>Diehards Baseball & Softball Crab Feed Saturday, February 5, 2022 @ 6 PM – 11 PM Brentwood Veterans Memorial Hall, 757 First Street, Brentwood, CA 94513 Phone Number: 925-787-8087</p>	<p>MIS Historic Learning Center Self-Guided Tour Sunday, February 6, 2022 @ 12 PM – 5 PM 640 Mason Street, San Francisco, CA 94129 Contact Phone: 415-921-5007 Website: www.njahs.org</p>
<p>Post 105 General Meeting – NEED rsvp for dinner Wednesday, February 9, 2022 @ 7 PM American Legion Post 105, 651 El Camino Real, Redwood City, CA 94063 Phone Number: 650-365-1337 (FREE DINNER @ 6 PM) Website: www.americanlegionpost105rwc.org</p>	<p>Veterans Job Fair Wednesday, February 9, 2022 @ 10 AM – 2 PM America Works of California Inc., 275 5th Street, Suite 307, San Francisco, CA 94103 Phone Number: (415) 552-9676 Website: www.americaworks.com</p>
<p>Veterans Erotic Mixer Saturday, February 12, 2022 @ 6:30 PM – 12:30 AM Veterans Memorial Hall, 968 23rd Street, Richmond, CA 94804 Website Linkage: http://veterans-hall-richmond.edan.io</p>	<p>VA Departmental Advantage Seminar Thursday, February 17, 2022 @ 4 PM UC Berkeley Evans Hall, University Drive, Berkeley, CA 94720 Phone Number: (510) 642-9104 Website: www.ucberkeley.edu</p>

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The veterans can contact American Legion Post 105 and/or American Legion District 26 with information below, for assistance with veteran’s resources regarding how to secure appropriate assistance when necessary. The American Legion Post-105 and/or District-26 will align veterans with available resources for supportive services.

<p>American Legion Post 105 651 El Camino Real, Redwood City, CA 94063 Contact Phone: 650-365-1337 Website: www.americanlegionpost105rwc.org</p>	<p>American Legion District 26 1159 Bush Street, San Carlos, CA 94070 Contact Phone: 650-349-7146 Website: www.ALDistrict26.org</p>
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MEMBERSHIP VETERAN STORIES

Post membership and/or all military veterans can share stories about the war (*all wartimes*) during their veteran services, community services to help veteran families, etc. and many THANKS to veterans for sharing.



The newsletter veteran story this month is about our honorary military services comrade John Albertson who served in the U.S. Army. He was an E-5 Sergeant who worked in the motor pool to supervise vehicle repairs, and to ensure vehicles are ready for the battlegrounds transportation. He was deployed to Munich Germany and returned to Ford Hood, Texas where he completed his military services and retired. His platoon works closely with the supply center to order and provide appropriate vehicle parts to properly repairs combat vehicles. He works closely with Medivac vehicles to transport injured soldiers from the battlefield, and making sure combat vehicles are prepared with proper equipment to target the enemy.

His military service really helped him learn how to make decisions in life, and believes in helping veterans within communities. He believes in military services and strongly feels American citizens have to serve their country, and because it is your duty to become a citizen in your country by defending it. He is very proud and grateful for serving his country and feels he successfully completed his mission in the military.



POST EVENTS PICTORIAL LAYOUT

The Post 105 participates in various local and state veteran events for supportive services for veterans and their families. The following pictures illustrating examples of Post 105 supportive services for veterans and their families during an event in local communities. It's our post commitment for quality services supporting our veterans and their families – exemplifying by action throughout communities! *(THANKS to all photographers for pics)*



AL Post 105 Family unit members at the Commanders Coffee event on Wednesday, January 26, 2022.



Bill and Leo at therein 2021 Veterans Holiday Luncheon at Harry's Hofbrau.



Participants at the USS Hornet Veterans Day Celebration on November 11, 2021.



Golden Gate Young Marines at the Veterans Day Celebration in Redwood City on November 11, 2021.



Cliff, Pat, and Linda at the 2021 Veterans Holiday Luncheon at Harry's Hofbrau.



ALR Post 105 Family members during a Flag Retirement Ceremonial event on November 6, 2021.



American Legion Auxiliary POST 105

January & February Events



COMMANDER'S *Coffee Day*

Wednesday, January 26, 2022
9am - 12noon
651 El Camino Real, RWC

MyLegion.org

- > learn to navigate website
- > check your membership status
- > meet officers & members



American Legion Auxiliary Social

All Post Family Members
Welcomed to Join Us!

Sunday, February 6, 2022

2:00pm



San Mateo Performing Arts Center
600 N. Delaware St., SM

Groups of 10+: \$16pp or \$12 for seniors/students
RSVP by January 28 to AuxUnit105secy@gmail.com

➤ **From the desk of the Commander**

Wishing you and your families good health and may 2022 be the best year ever!

The last Wednesday of the month is Commander’s Coffee from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Come down and join us for coffee and pastries, post officers will be there to answer any questions you might have. Last month on January 26, 2022, we highlighted MyLegion.org and how to use it. If you have anything you’d like to see on the list of things to do for the Commanders coffee, please let me know, CommanderPost105@gmail.com

George

Commander Post 105

- Our EBoard continues to keep up with our post updates with therein post development status, and therein comprehensive DDA/Development Agreement (“Agreement”) has been signed appropriately by all involved parties and moving forward for next steps – **development status letter** was sent to our post membership. The next steps may take two years because of development permits and/or assessments for therein project. Our post development status is going through the permits process, and a Building Committee has been meeting to consider what is best for our post development situation – stay tuned!
- All our **AL Post 105 Family** units have been proactively participating with local activities to support veterans and their families last month during January 2022. Including partnership activities with **Blue Star Moms** in our diversified communities to support veterans and their families. As well as youth leadership activities to help and support veterans in the future with their family needs when necessary. Including flag retirement ceremonies, rifle-firing detail events to honor our everlasting comrades, etc. Needless to say, our AL Post 105 Family units have completed a greater number of volunteer hours with community services to help our veterans and their families. Including previous escorting details for the AL National Commander and **ALA Department President** will visit our Post 105 during a luncheon event session on April 2, 2022. Our Post 105 Family ALR unit members will coordinate and schedule an escorting detail for thereby Department of California honorary official. The table to honor our MIA/POW veteran comrades are in place at our family post because **they will never be forgotten** – love you fellow brothers and sisters!
- Our membership is coming along well with early bird membership renewals and **1 member** is eligible for 60 years membership, and **4 members** are eligible for 50 years membership certificates. The First Vice Commander, Mr. Tom Day of our AL Post 105 Family, is recommending to have a special recognition event for therein **5 exceptional legionnaire members** of our Post 105.

Department of California Reporting Data – 1/28/2022						
Total Members	Membership Goal	New Members	Transfer Members	PUFL Members	Paid To The Post	Current Percentage
173	233	6	3	45	119	74%

Many THANKS to renewal members and **your membership dues** that will go directly to help veterans and their families. Please visit our website www.americanlegionpost105rwc.org for more membership access and informational forms. You can also contact the First Vice Commander Mr. Tom Day by email at thomas.day505@gmail.com and THANK YOU for your support!



- The **American Legion Riders Chapter 105** membership and colleagues shared herein following progressive activities. American Legion Riders Chapter 105 has participated in many missions supporting veterans and their families, and participated in **more than 6 missions** and rifle firing details. The ALR105 rode **more than 565 miles** and donated **more than 69 volunteer hours** since last month. Including an escort ride scheduled for the National Commander in California on December 10 and 11. The new ALR105 President, Andrew Trapani, will take over his new position role. The ALR105 chapter raised **\$3700** during therein **Suicide Prevention** ride with monetary contribution for the VA Palo Alto Hospital. Also, raised **\$410** and donated therein monetary contribution to **Wreaths Across America**. If you own a freeway legal motorcycle, are a member of the American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of the American Legion and would like to join us, please email at ALRChapt105@gmail.com or call me at 650-349-7146.
- The **SAL Unit 105** Commander, Andrew Trapani reported previously another new member joined and elevated their membership numbers to 17. The AL California Department identifies SAL Unit 105 with **80% membership** retention versus their membership goal. The SAL Unit 105 participated in **5 Final Hours Details** during rifle-firing details to honor our veterans, and with **105 participants** and more details are scheduled for February and March 2022. The SAL Unit 105 donated **\$100** for the Veterans Day Celebration and they contributed **28 hours** of volunteering time with **239 miles**. We are constantly **looking for new qualified members**, and veterans can also join the Sons of The American Legion. The following are eligibility qualifications for SAL Unit 105: A male descendants adopted sons, and stepsons of members of The American Legion, and such male descendants of veterans who died in service during the period of April 6, 1917. Through November 11, 1918, or any time from December 7, 1941, to date, who served honorably, as set forth in Article IV, Section 1, of the National Constitution of The American Legion, or who died subsequent to their honorable discharge from such service shall be eligible.
- The AL **Auxiliary Unit 105** President, Carol Rael continues to meet with their unit in-person at Post-105 on the second Wednesday @ 6pm. The Auxiliary completed our gift donations to Bldg. 331 of VA-Menlo Park. Our own Arlene Muller, District 26 VA&R Deputy, has been organizing the District-wide gift program for several years now. We volunteered at Golden Gate National Cemetery for the annual **Wreaths Across America**. The VA resumed the **Toys for Vets** program; we volunteered to wrap the free toys for veterans. Looking towards 2022: All are welcomed to join the Auxiliary for an afternoon of camaraderie & great entertainment–San Mateo High School’s production of “Crazy for You.” Enjoy memorable Gershwin tunes like “I’ve Got Rhythm” and “They Can’t Take That Away From Me.” Tickets are ~\$10 for the **Sunday 2pm, February 6** showing. RSVP by January 26 to AuxUnit105secy@gmail.com.
- Our Post 105 has a calendar identifying **daily** and/or **monthly events** as well as specified holidays, and other national calendar dates for your review, etc. Please visit herein following linkage below to review our <https://americanlegionpost105rwc.org/calendar> calendar of events and for more information.
- Please contact our post if anyone else of our **Post 105** membership is aware of any other Everlasting Post members, and/or anyone in the hospital because of his/her illness – **will keep our members** in our prayers. Please contact our post administrative office at **650-365-1337** for assistance when necessary regarding logistical matters, and/or visit our website at www.americanlegionpost105rwc.org for more information.



- The County of San Mateo Veterans Services Office in partnership with VA Loans of California is offering a free VA Home Loans Webinar session on **Wednesday, February 2, 2022** at 6 PM. Please go online to herein linkage <https://smcgov.zoom.us/j/92378448780> for more information and/or joining therein webinar session.
- We know how critically **IMPORTANT** to help our veteran comrades and families with many ongoing human service challenges in life. Because many veterans may not be able to find appropriate help for assistance with **health, safety, suicide and human services** including crisis matters. If a veteran is NOT sure where to start looking for help, please contact the **Veterans Crisis Hotline** at 1-800-273-8255. Copy and click online following linkage <http://www.knowavet.org> and/or text 838255 for more information.
- In fact, youth suicide rates are continually increasing at family households in America, and don't forget **veterans and their families**. The CDC (Centers for Disease Control) and Prevention reported that suicide was the second leading cause of death among people ages **10 to 34 years old** – the pandemic is not helping.
- The VA also tries to keep veterans updated **with new regulations** aligned with eligible veteran benefits. Go online with herein following linkage <https://www.calvet.ca.gov/veteran-services-benefits/va-claims> for more information. Needless to say, therein pandemic is impacting communities with affect of our veterans and their families, and **appropriate health care services**. Including appropriate suicide prevention elements to eradicate **issues of concern** for our veterans – protecting veterans and their family **is an essential matter!**
- The **Blue Star Moms** have been an exceptional partnership agency with our AL Post 105 Family, and having a fundraising effort during Valentines Day 2022. Please go online to herein linkage to help and/or support https://www.yumraising.com/secure/sanmcb_san_mateo_county_blue_star_moms_valent66/candy?h=Amy_Wal4401&c=em6727 therein fundraising. You can contact Brenda Ternullo at email bsmavolunteer@gmail.com for more information – THANKS for your support!
- Our veteran families and children needs **discount programs** during these challenging times with therein pandemic. Please go online at www.legion.org/benefits for all essential **discounting programs** to help local veterans and their families. Especially with health and dental discounting programs as well as financial assistance with medical bills for veteran families and children.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NOTICE

Our post newsletter is offering this opportunity to reach out and work closely with our membership legionnaires and all veterans! The post members can provide future newsletter articles and/or “appropriate” newsletter posting information, and posting information can be verbatim if necessary. Including stories and comments about post activities, veteran's insight views and information sharing, pictures, etc. Please send information by email mfcpalesoo@gmail.com or phone call at 650-365-1337 for informational message.

American Historical Quote: *“We celebrate the past to awaken the future!”*

President John F. Kennedy