



AMERICAN LEGION POST-105 SUNRISE NEWSLETTER

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COMMANDER GREETINGS



Romie Bassetto, Commander

Greetings! Hoping all Post 105 **legionnaire members and their families** are doing fine during these challenging times! Wishing happy **Purple Heart Day** on August 7, 2020 to all our post recipient legionnaires – **congratulations and THANKS** for your honorary service! Our post is here to help veteran families and children during their COVID-19 health pandemic. **Our post continues to stay closed and lockdown aligned with their orders, to prevent more COVID-19 infections until further notice. Some progressive recovery phases are starting to open up for local business communities.** Always many THANKS to our **proactive members and comrades** for their ongoing support of our post mission for **God and Country!**

I would like to continually share my gratitude and appreciation to all AL Post 105 members for their contribution, and making a difference in our diversified communities for **God and Country!** Because it is our legionnaire mission in life with **100 plus awesome years** of patriotic services – **STAY SAFE & HEALTHY!!!**



Wishing Happy Birthday, Anniversaries, etc. to ALL Post 105 legionnaire members in **August 2020** and many more to come!!!

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!

Need Veteran Drivers – SamTrans Ride Now Program

Serra Yellow Cab,
195 87th Street, Suite D,
Daly City, CA 94015
Phone Number: 650-550-1010
Website Address: www.serrayellowcab.com

US Postal Service Hiring Veterans

San Francisco Postal Office
1300 Evans Avenue, Suite 300,
San Francisco, CA 94188
Contact Phone Number: (800) 275 – 8777
Website Address: www.usps.com/careers

IMPORTANT RED ALERT: PLEASE CONTACT IDENTIFIED PHONE NUMBER AND/OR EMAIL FOR EACH EVENT TO ENSURE IT'S STILL HAPPENING BECAUSE OF THEREIN COVID-19 HEALTH PANDEMIC.

<p>USS Hornet Aircraft Carrier Operations Tour Tuesday, August 4, 2020 @ 10 AM USS Hornet Museum 707 West Hornet Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501 Phone Number: 510-521-8448 Website Address: www.uss-hornet.org</p>	<p>Veterans Matching Job Alerts Matched Jobs 1968 S. Coast Hwy. #1217, Laguna Beach, CA 92651 Email: alerts@moalerts.matchedjobs.com Website Address: www.matchedjobs.com</p>
<p>Oakley Football Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser Saturday, August 8, 2020 @ 5 PM – 9 PM Veterans of Foreign Wars 757 1st Street, Brentwood, CA 94513 Phone Number: 510-410-2725</p>	<p>Post 105 General Meeting – NEED rsvp for dinner Wednesday, August 12, 2020 @ 7 PM CANCELLED 651 El Camino Real, Redwood City, CA 94063 Phone Number: (650) 365-1337 (FREE DINNER @ 6 PM)</p>
<p>21st Annual Sacramento Virtual Career & Job Fair Thursday, August 13, 2020 @ 11:30 AM – 2 PM Diversity Career Group 9151 Atlanta Avenue, Huntington Beach, CA 92615 Phone Number: 949-253-0062 Website Address: www.diversitycareergroup.com</p>	<p>Redwood City Policing & Racial Equity Sessions Monday, August 17, 2020 @ 6 PM – 8 PM 1017 Middlefield Road, Redwood City, CA 94063 Phone Number: 650-780-7000 Website Linkage: www.redwoodcity.org/racialequity</p>
<p>Veterans Sip & Paint Saturday, August 22, 2020 @ 3 PM – 5:30 PM The Market – ZEAL Events LLC 1355 Market Street, Suite 100, San Francisco, CA 94103 Phone Number: 415-767-5130 Website Address: www.visitthemarket.com</p>	<p>9/11 Virtual Memorial Run & Walk Sunday, August 23, 2020 @ 12 AM Memorial Run Of Remembrance The Virtual Run Challenge Stockton, California (see online map for location) Contact Email: contact@thevirtualrunchallenge.com Website Address: www.thevirtualrunchallenge.com</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 honorable military services by Doug Brentlinger who served in the U.S. Navy as the Machinist Mate. His father also served in the U.S. Navy during WWII and inspired him to serve in the military. He was stationed at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii and served with his comrades on the USS Taylor, and had no problems adjusting to his military life style. He worked closely with his comrades in the machine and engine rooms to ensure everything is working properly. Including atomic bomb testing activities and he will never forget the blasting bombs experience. He worked with his comrades to check and repair boilers with various machines to operate properly.

He learned many different things about life when he was in the U.S. Navy and becoming a civilian thereafter his honorary military services. He worked as a blue color worker thereafter discharging from his military services, and successfully earned his Master of Arts degree in counseling. Including a successful career in software engineering and the U.S. Navy opened many doors for him. He said, "Education is the key for a successful life, and I can't express how much it help me."

THANKS to Kalidev Choudhury for sharing the veterans lost stories on his website www.theloststories.org



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 the post commitment for quality services supporting our veterans and their families – exemplifying by action throughout communities! *(THANKS Bill Jackson Jr. for pictures!)*



Keith, Vern, Dennis, George Silva, Frank, Cliff and veteran friends preparing for 2019 Post 105 July 4th parade.



Bill, Brenda and veteran friend of Post 105 preparing for 2019 July 4th parade.



Chester, Romie, Steve and John preparing for Post 105 barbeque on 2019 July 4th parade.



Romie and Cliff socially conversing and preparing for the Post 105 officers installation.



Post 105 Commander Romie Bassetto and officers installation team.



Steve, Sal and cooking team serving meals for George Silva and other event participants.

- **COVID-19 PREVENTION RED ALERT:** Our Post 105 **continues to remain** closed to uphold therein order for prevention of therein COVID-19, and local opening phases are progressively moving forward with health **protective standards**. The following federal CDC (Centers for Disease Control) and Prevention healthy standards are aligned with local cities and counties, as well as the State of California: **1) Wear Face Coverings, 2) Maintain Social Physical Distancing, and 3) Wash Your Hands**. The identified CDC healthy standards **have been proven** to stop therein COVID-19 virus – just follow thereby **3 protective elements**.
- The AL Post 105 Commander, Romie Bassetto, is requesting letters of support from our membership and/or agencies supporting our Redwood City Station Post Development project. Please contact our post for more information on thereby support letters, and/or contact our commander directly by phone at 650-207-0426 or by email at post105rc@aol.com for clarification.
- Our Post 105 membership drive is coming along well considering our higher goal numbers, versus other district posts with lower goal numbers. The following is our post statistical data information for herein new Fiscal Year 2020/2021: **Total Membership – 257, Paid Up For Life Members – 41, Renewed By Mail Members – 54, Renewed Online Members – 19** with 44% performance. Many THANKS to all members with their membership renewals, and looking forward with a positive effort this year with 100%.
- Many THANKS to our post First Vice Commander, Gorge Smith, for therein progressive membership drive with continual higher percentage. Our post is implementing a project called SAL (Sons of American Legion) aligned with our youth programs. Including the Post Auxiliary and Post 105 Legion Riders as onboard agencies helping our post. Please visit our website www.americanlegionpost105rwc.org for more information with accessible forms. You can also contact our First Vice Commander Mr. George Smith by phone at 650-349-7146 or email at 1stvice105@gmail.com – THANK YOU for your support!



- The post development project title clearance is signed and ready for therein-procedural process for next steps. It's aligned with the post Executive Board approval of therein development DDA (Disposition & Development Agreement) along with two resolutions including the scope of work exhibit aligned with the DDA. The identified resolutions and scope are submitted for review during the process, and the post Executive Board unanimously approved signing the development DDA. The development agency received the DDA for their review, and next steps within the post development work plan – stay tuned!
- Our post member **James L. Parker** has been reported as a Post Everlasting veteran, and our prayers will go out for him and family. 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. Please contact our **Post Chaplain Dennis Lopez** at 650-346-9825 for assistance when necessary regarding logistical matters.
- The COVID-19 health crisis is giving **MANY SCAMMERS** an opportunity to rob veterans and/or stealing personal information. The **HIPAA** (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) federal regulation was established for protection. Please sign the HIPAA form **with your health care provider** for protection – go online to the following linkage: <https://www.calvet.ca.gov/Pages/HIPAA.aspx> for updates.

- **Medical Masks Donation:** The American Legion National Commander, Bill Oxford, accepted 250,000 medical masks donated by Ambassador Bi-khim Hsiao, Taiwan’s Representative during a celebration on July 28, 2020 in Washington D.C. Please copy herein linkage below and go online for more information: [https://www.legion.org/commander/249612/gesture-goodwill-taiwan-donates-250000-medical-masks-american-
legion?utm_source=delivra&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=073020_ALOU&utm_id=39943813](https://www.legion.org/commander/249612/gesture-goodwill-taiwan-donates-250000-medical-masks-american-legion?utm_source=delivra&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=073020_ALOU&utm_id=39943813)
- **The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)** provides outreach information to help veterans with their families and children when necessary. The VA also tries to keep veterans updated with new regulations aligned with eligible veteran benefits. Go online with herein following linkage below to help you with VA claims when necessary: <https://www.calvet.ca.gov/veteran-services-benefits/va-claims>
- **Nutritional Food** for veteran families and children through the CalFresh Program by state and/or county Department of Social Services. The San Mateo County Social Services Office can be contacted at 800–223–8383 or 650–802–6576 and/or email at antorres@smcgov.org for more information. Go online to herein linkage for more information and accessibility: <https://www.cdss.ca.gov/food-nutrition/calfresh> or visit **Second Harvest Food Bank** at following linkage: <https://www.shfb.org/get-food/> for more information. The contact number is 800–984–3663 or text GETFOOD at 408–455–5181.
- **Daly City Partnership** programs to guide veteran families and children during therein COVID-19 challenging times to well-being services. Including food programs and free meals for children, and parents can pickup food for their children at local schools. The partnership social services programs includes COVID-19 health care assistance, and housing assistance programs for veteran families. Copy herein following linkage and on online for access: <https://www.dcpartnership.org/covid19/> or call 650–991–8007 and/or by email at pat@dcpartnership.org for more information.
- We know how critically IMPORTANT to help our veteran comrades and families with many ongoing challenges in life. To find appropriate help for assistance with health, safety, and human services including crisis matters especially during the COVID-19 health crisis – please contact the **Veterans Crisis Hotline** at 1-800-273-8255 or go online to <http://www.knowavet.org> and/or text 838255 for more information.

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. 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: *“Every man must decide whether he will walk in the light of creative altruism or in the darkness of destructive selfishness.”*

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.