



# The Bugle Call

May 2018

*A Monthly Publication for Members of the American Legion Post 432, Sons Squadron 432, and Auxiliary Unit of 432 of Cambria, California*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

May 8: VE Day  
 May 13: Mothers Day  
 May 18: Armed Forces Day  
 May 28: Memorial Day  
 Jun 6: D Day  
 Jun 14: Army Birthday  
 Jun 14: Flag Day  
 Jun 17: Fathers Day  
 Jun 23: Coast Guard Auxiliary Birthday  
 Jun 27: PTSD Awareness Day

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### Commander's Corner

--Dave Ehlers  
 Commander

Mark your calendar. Monday May 28th at 11 am, we will be holding our Memorial Day observance ceremony in the parking lot at the Veterans Memorial at the Veterans Hall. Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday in May and is a time to commemorate American military personnel who died in all wars. Originally called Decoration Day following the American Civil War, it was established to honor the fallen soldiers for both the Union and the Confederate armies. Over time, it was expanded to honor all our fallen veterans. As stated by the American Legion, it is a day for us to remember the promise President Lincoln made to "care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan." This year, thanks to Brian Griffin, our Memorial Day speaker will be Air Force Brigadier General Dana Hessheimer, Director, Joint Staff, California Military Department in Sacramento, CA. We will also be unveiling the new Blue Star Memorial

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Highway Marker which honors all men and women that serve in the United States Armed Services.

We have been assured by Shana McCormick that the Memorial beautification landscaping along Cambria Drive will be complete by Memorial Day. Watch for progress.

4th of July planning continues the third Monday of each month from 5 – 6 pm. Thank you to those who have let the planning team know where they would like to help. There is still plenty of help needed so come on by Monday May 21st or send me an email. The 4th of July is only 2 months out.

What a fun evening we had Apr 18th when we celebrated the American Legion 99th Birthday. We had a great turnout with members from all our organizations. Thank you to our Legion and Auxiliary members for setting up and decorating for the event. Nan from Cambria Café catered the delicious dinner and we provided two cakes for dessert. Terry Farrell was recognized for his years of service to our organization and the community with the Ernie Wheeler Award and Mary Woeste received the Horses Ass Award from Lesli and Susie Bassetti for all her contributions including the meals she hosts and the outstanding job driving the patio remodel. Congratulations to Terry and Mary, we couldn't do it without you! John Ehlers and John Angel led a Post Everlasting ceremony which touched many in attendance. It was a great time to come together and celebrate our comradeship.

We need all who are able, to attend the meeting on Wednesday May 2nd. Nominations opened at our last meeting and we will be voting for the officers to lead our Post for the upcoming year. If you feel called to serve our Post, raise the nomination at our meeting on the 2nd. We will be voting for Commander, First Vice-Commander, Second Vice-Commander, Finance Officer, Historian, Sergeant-at-Arms, Chaplain, Judge Advocate, Executive Committeeman, and Service Officer. The Commander appoints the Adjutant. Your vote counts so please attend and place your vote. So far, Jerry McKinnon said he would be the Commander if no one else steps up. This is not a position he feels he should hold again but he will do it as our Post is too important to die out because no one younger is willing to take command. The Executive Board is there to guide our Post forward. It requires the active participation of our members to fill the Board positions. The other person is not going to do it. Step up and say, "Our organization is important to veterans and our community, I will dedicate a little time each month to its success." Jonathan Wilson is considering 1st Vice, Brian Griffin is considering 2nd Vice, Bob Johnson is considering Finance Officer, Roland Soucie is considering Historian, and I will move to Junior Past Commander. John Ehlers is willing to continue as Adjutant. Your Legion needs you to voice your intent to accept the position of Commander, Service Officer, Chaplain, or Sgt-At-Arms. You are not alone but part of a team!



**Auxiliary Briefing**

--Shelley Woeste,  
President

I would like to wish all of you mothers a Happy Mother's Day. I hope this special day is filled with love and laughter for all of you.

The Legion Birthday Dinner was great. There was a nice turn out of Legion Family members. Congratulations to Auxiliary Treasurer Mary Woeste for receiving the "Horses Ass" award again, and to Terry Farrell for receiving the Ernie Wheeler award. These awards could not have gone to two better people.

The 4th of July planning is well under way. We will be looking for you to assist us in the food booth this year. It takes a great deal of people to make this event happen, so please help if you can. There are signup sheets posted in the patio area or you can email me at [swoeste@sbcglobal.net](mailto:swoeste@sbcglobal.net) if you would like to help that day.

At the May meeting we will be nominating and electing officers for the Executive Board positions for the 2018-2019 year. Please come to the meeting at 7:00 pm on May 2 upstairs in the Vet's hall and join us. You don't have to sign up for a position to attend, just attend and see what we are up to and how you can help.



**SALS**

--Ted Ashlock





### Troop Support Services Active Duty Roster

Last	First	Branch	Stationed
Azevedo	Will	USMC	Camp Pendleton, CA
Balderama	Alexis	Army	Ft. Steward, GA
Balderama	Anthony	Army	Ft. Stewart, GA
Baldwin	Nathan	Army	Ft. Benning, GA
Brewer	Brendan	USMC	Camp Pendleton, CA
Burres	Robert	Army	Ft. Lewis, WA
Cartmill	John	Army	75th Ranger Regiment
Correa	Ernie	Navy	San Diego
Cuevas	Emily	Navy	Fort Gordon, GA
DeRose	Brian	USMC	Camp Lejeune, NC
Dewey Jr.	Ronald	USMC	Cherry Point, NC
Estrada	Scott	Air Force	Elemendorf-Richardson AFB, AK
Ewers	Michelle	Army	Kentucky National Guard
Gomez	Timothy	Army	Lewis-McChord, WA
Guidi	Robert	Army	Fort Bliss, TX
Harbeson	David	USMC	Camp Pendleton, CA
Harsh	Aaron	Navy	Coronado, CA
Matteson	Morgan Rose	Air Force	South Ogden, UT
McGhie	James	Army	Ft Drum, New York
Mislang	Rozel	Air Force	Tinker AFB, OK
Myers	Alex	Army	Fort Lee, VA
Patrick	Anthony	Army	Germany
Perez	April	USMC	Westover Air Reserve Base, MA
Potter	Justin	USAF	Minot AFB, ND
Schmidt	John	USA	Fort Gordon, GA
Taron	Zachary	Army	Ft. Belvoir, VA
Torell	Jake	Air Force	Misowa AFB, Japan
Vialpando	Dylan	Army	Fort Leonard Wood, MO

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**American Legion Post 432\*\*ALL WELCOME!**  
Club opens at 5pm \*\* Behind the Vet's Hall

## **MAY**

**Monday's....Burgers & Brew**

**\$6.00 Burgers and fixins'** 

**Tuesday's....Taco Bar \$7.00**



**All you can eat Tacos!**

**Thursdays.... \$8.00 Auxiliary Home Cooked Dinners**

**May 3<sup>rd</sup> .....Italian Sausage and Shells (Cindy)**

**May 10th.....Chicken Parmesan (Cindy)**

**May 17th... Pork Schnitzel (Ron & Kitty)**

**May 24th...Chicken Fried Steak (Mary)**

**May 31<sup>st</sup> ....CLUB DINNER Lesli's Lasagna  
(Vegetarian option available also)**

**Friday.... Hot Dogs\*\*\$2.00**

## American Legion Regular Post Meeting Minutes

John F. Ehlers, Adjutant  
DATE: 4 April 2018

OFFICERS:	7
MEMBERS & GUESTS:	12
TOTAL:	19

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Commander Ehlers with the usual opening ceremonies.
2. Gerry Gruber was our speaker. He is the General Manager of the Cambria Community Service District, and manages 48 people. CCSD has a full service fire department. Their waste water treatment plant can handle about 1 Million gallons per month, and it is staffed with 5 people. The water department has four full time people, and are responsible for the San Simeon and Santa Rosa wells. All the wells are currently almost full at this time. The administrative department has about 9 people. The facilities and resources department take care of the Vets Hall and the Fiscalini ranch. The sustainable water facility is being geared up to run by September. This requires a means to dispose of the brine.
3. Duffy Burns from the Coastal Discovery Center spoke to us, requesting docents for two three hour tours per month. Benefits are free tours of the Castle and access to state parks.
4. March Meeting Minutes and Eboard Minutes were approved as published.

### COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

1. The Boys State candidate has been selected.
2. 4th of July meetings are coming along. Next meeting will be April 16.
3. About 600 eggs were colored for the Easter Egg Hunt. There were about 75 kids that participated.
4. Ron Waltman spoke on the dire situation of Robert Tolan, founder of Welcome Home Military Heroes.
- 5 The American Legion 99th Birthday dinner will be held on April 18. Tickets are \$15
6. The pancake breakfast will be held on April 21st. This will be in concert with the Chili Cookoff car show.

### OFFICER REPORTS

First Vice: Current paid membership is 187 versus our goal of 233.

Second Vice: Our Fellowship dinner tonight was Lasagna and Salad. Brian Griffin is attempting to get Salud Carbojal to speak to us at our May meeting about veterans issues.

Finance Officer: Come to the meeting to see the financial report.

Chaplain: Terry Farrell has had a stroke and is in Sierra Vista hospital.

### LEGISLATIVE REPORT:

#### **VA Announces Changes to Improve Delivery of Specialty Rehabilitation and Prosthetic Services**

WASHINGTON — With a commitment to ensure Veterans receive quicker access to specialty rehabilitation services and equipment, the U.S. Department of

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Veterans Affairs (VA) recently implemented a rapid response team to expand staffing and training, increase communication directly with Veterans and improve processes to reduce and eliminate the backlog of pending requests for prosthetic items and services.

To improve Veterans' access to specialty rehabilitation services, enrolled patients at VA medical centers can now schedule appointments directly with amputation care and wheelchair clinics, without having to first see a primary care provider.

This means Veterans will not have to make an extra appointment and travel to a VA facility for a referral. Direct scheduling is currently available at 137 VA facilities for amputation care and at 124 VA facilities for wheelchair clinics. Additionally, same-day access for orthoptist/prosthetist clinical services is available at 141 VA facilities.

"The dedication and support of the multidisciplinary team of VA employees who are implementing these improvements demonstrate their commitment to do the right thing for our Veterans," said Robert Wilkie, Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs. "We are focused on implementing the best solutions to modernize how we deliver rehabilitation and prosthetic services across all VA medical centers — ensuring Veterans nationwide are receiving timely and integrated health care and support." As the largest and most comprehensive provider of prosthetic devices and

sensory aids in the country, VA Prosthetics and Sensory Aids Service currently averages 638,000 new requests monthly across its health-care system for such items. The service provides a full range of equipment and services to Veterans, including artificial limbs and bracing, wheeled mobility and seating systems, sensory-neural aids (e.g., hearing aids, eyeglasses), implants and devices surgically placed in the Veteran (e.g., hips and pacemakers), and home respiratory care.

VA is working to ensure Veterans are receiving their medical items, equipment and supplies sooner. Since June 2017, the total number of requests for prosthetic items pending for more than 30 days has been reduced by 72 percent. As VA continues to look for modern, simple ways to improve care for America's Veterans, additional process improvements for prosthetic and specialty rehabilitation services will be fully implemented at all VA medical centers in 2018.

**Committee Leaders Introduce Bipartisan Bill to Stabilize VA's Purchasing of Medical Supplies- March 29, 2018**

Today, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Chairman Jack Bergman (R-Mich.), along with House Committee on Veterans' Affairs members Rep. Scott Peters (D-Calif.), Rep. Jim Banks (R-Ind.), and Rep. Neal Dunn (R-Fla.) introduced legislation to correct problems with the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA's) system for purchasing medical supplies.

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"Guaranteeing our Veterans top quality health care means strengthening every aspect of how the VA does business," said Bergman. "Unfortunately, the system for purchasing medical and surgical supplies has gone off track because unqualified administrators were deciding which products physicians get to use. Our legislation will put medical experts back in charge and prevent the VA from making the same mistakes again."

"Our veterans deserve the highest quality care, which includes medical professionals, not administrative personnel, making decisions on the type of medical and surgical supplies they use to treat our nation's heroes," said Banks. "This legislation will ensure that the implementation of MSPV is done right so that VA doctors and nurses decide what instruments they use and have them available when they need them."

"The VA is riddled with wasteful spending and disorganization that has led to diminished care for our veterans," said Dunn. "Medical professionals should be making decisions about medical and surgical supplies – frankly they know more about caring for our veterans than bureaucrats in Washington. This legislation is crucial in fixing the medical-surgical formulary and puts medical supply decisions into the hands of those providing the care. I commend Chairman Bergman for taking the lead and working to fix this flawed purchasing system." The Veterans Affairs Medical-Surgical Purchasing Stabilization Act The Veterans Affairs Medical-Surgical Purchasing

Stabilization Act directs VA to correct the problems with their medical-surgical formulary using input from medical professionals with relevant expertise rather than administrative staff. This legislation would also prevent VA from outsourcing the creation of the formulary.

**GOOD OF THE LEGION.**

The Memorial Day speaker will be Brig. Gen. Hessheimer.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

It is time for nominating committee. There are many positions open and available.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

## **American Legion Post 432 Executive Board Minutes**

Compiled by John F. Ehlers, Adjutant  
DATE: 16 April 2018

The meeting was called to order by Commander Ehlers at 7:05 PM with a quorum present.

Officers Present: D. Ehlers, J. Ehlers, Hollingshead, Wood, Johnson, Angel, Waltman,

Officers Absent: Griffin, Wilson, Lackman

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### **COMMANDER'S COMMENTS**

1. The club is doing well. The last Thursday of this month will be a potluck dinner with the proceeds to benefit the club.
2. Current 2018 paid membership is 187.
3. The SAL organization is showing some positive improvement.
4. The 4th of July planning meeting was held earlier today.
5. Moved and passed that \$500 be donated Robert Tolan.
6. Moved and passed that Post 432 support the Vets Express Shuttle Benefit Concert.
7. Memorial Day speaker will be Brigadier General Dana A. Hessheimer.
8. Pancake breakfast will be this Saturday. This will be a big one because of the car show.
9. The speaker for the May meeting will be Salud Carbajal. The June speaker may be Ted Siegler.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

Judge Advocate: Paul Turner is now in Bayside and is doing better.

# CALENDAR

<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="display: flex; gap: 10px;">    </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>The Bugle Call</p> <hr/> <p><b>May 2018</b></p> </div> <div style="text-align: right;">  <p>AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS</p> <p>Cambria Post 432 www.LegionPost432.com</p> </div> </div>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Thursday</b> Dinner First Come, First Served, Max 65</p>		<p>1 Tacos, Tacos \$7 1800  Pool Tournament 1900</p>	<p>2 POST General Mtg Dinner 1800 Meeting 1900  ALA Gen. Mtg 1900</p>	<p>3  Dinner 1800 \$8 Cindy's Italian Sausage &amp; Shells</p>	<p>4 Hot Dogs \$2</p>	<p>5 Club Closed</p>
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<p>27 Club Closed</p>	<p>28 MEMORIAL DAY Club Open 1100  ALA Executive Board Meeting 1900</p>	<p>29 Tacos, Tacos \$7 1800  Pool Tournament 1900</p>	<p>30 Club Closed</p>	<p>31  Dinner 1800 \$8 Lesli's Lasagna</p>		

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