



The Bugle Call



June 2023

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jun 6: D-Day
- Jun 14: Army Birthday
- Jun 14: Flag Day
- Jun 18: Fathers Day
- Jun 23: Coast Guard Auxiliary Birthday

- Jul 4: Independence Day

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Commander's Corner

--David Ehlers
Commander

Thank you to all who attended our Memorial Day observance and those who help with this annual event to remember and honor those who have gone before and paid the ultimate price for each of us and this great Country. Our speaker, Robert Tolan Jr, is a leader of Welcome Home Military Heroes and Honor Flight Central Coast California. We must thank Molly Pasutti for honoring us with the singing of our National Anthem. Mel honored our Legion Auxiliary as the Merchant of the Year. Our Auxiliary deserves so many thanks for all they do for our Post and our community. We also remembered five of our members who passed on to Post Everlasting. Thank you to those who setup and broke down the event, our local 4H who assisted throughout, and our Sons of the American Legion and Auxiliary who prepared and served an outstanding BBQ lunch. As we go forth and Memorial Day fades into the past, may we always remember those who have departed and care for their families who sacrificed so much.

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At our general meeting on June 7, we will be accepting the final nominations for Post Officers and then voting on Post officers. We will be doing the installation of Post and Auxiliary officers during the meeting. Please attend the meeting, vote, and participate in the installation of your officers.

4th of July is a month away and planning continues. We need the support of our members to make this event successful. Please sign up to assist, as there are many fun ways to participate in this community event. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board in our Legion Patio. Come enjoy a fun-filled day and evening of Fireworks!



Auxiliary Briefing

--Shelley Woeste,
President

I am hopeful that everyone has received their poppy in the mail. Thank you to everyone who has donated money to our poppy fund. This money is strictly used to help Veterans in our local areas. It is not too late to

donate if you are still thinking about it.

In the last meeting we voted on the new Executive Board members. The following will be the ladies running your Auxiliary for the next year. President- Shelley Woeste, First Vice- Mary Woeste, 2nd Vice- Karen Chrisman, Secretary- Cindy Pierson, Treasurer- Nancy Carr. The

appointed executive members are Chaplain- Bambi Fields, Historian- Mindy Reed & Jade Meichtry, Sergeant at Arms- Teri Salerno, Parliamentarian- Gwen Kellas, Musician- Jade Meichtry, Marshal- Jackie Hogan, and Executive Committee Woman- Tala Romero. Thank you to all these fine women for stepping up.

BINGO will be on Wednesday, June 14 at the legion. The attendance is really getting good, which means the winnings are getting bigger. Make it a point to come down and have a good time with us. See the flyer for more information.

The 4th of July is right around the corner. We will be needing help on the last two shifts from 3:30 – 6:00 and from 6:00 – 8:30 for the food booth. Please, please, please, if you can help, sign up on the sheets at the legion. We will also be shucking corn on July 3 at 5:00 at the Legion. Come on down and help if you are available.

Our next General Meeting will be Wednesday, June 7 at 7:00 pm in the Vet’s Hall. I hope to see you all there.



SAL Briefing

--Ted Ashlock

The monthly SAL meeting was hosted on 5/17/2023 with an early start time. The pre-meeting discussion was planning with the representatives of the Cambria Fire for the Will Stewart benefit. The plans are a 5/31/23 drive thru spaghetti feed. Prep will take place at the Sea Chest on 5/30/23. Following the Will Stewart fundraiser the meeting moved along to old business.

The SALS have been inundated with a large number of requests for fundraisers and assistance for neighbors who are commonly facing medical challenges. The group as a whole has a soft heart and would like to support everybody, but that is not always possible. When one listens to the discussion the SALS are very willing to pitch in and help Cambria and Legion families. Sometimes the calendar does not allow enough suitable days to fit the events in. That being said the run down is: a motion passed to donate \$1,500 to Scott and Leah, Don will follow up with Shawn and Claudia during the next month to understand their needs and Chris will follow up with Jeff Smith.

New business focused on the Memorial Day celebration and Flags on Main St. The plan of action is to survey the holders on or before 5/26. Flags go up on 5/26. Order firewood. Steve or Smokey to shop. Meet at 9 AM on 5/29 to get set up for Memorial Day.

SAL Liaison John Ehlers shared important Legion news with the meeting. Installation of Officers will be on 6/7 at 7pm. The SALS need to formalize our election of officers prior to the installation dinner. John also extended the invite to his 90th birthday party on Tuesday 5/23. Hence fourth the expression ninetieth-palooza has officially been coined.

The June meeting will be hosted on 6/21/23 in the patio starting at 5:30. It should be expected that there would be a pre-planning meeting for the Fourth of July. Don and Doug have been the SAL representatives at the Fourth of July meetings. SALS: block out on your calendars 7/3 to 7/5. All hands on deck are required for the annual Fourth of July celebration. Thank you and I'll see y'all at the Memorial Day celebration, Installation Dinner and the 6/21 monthly meeting!



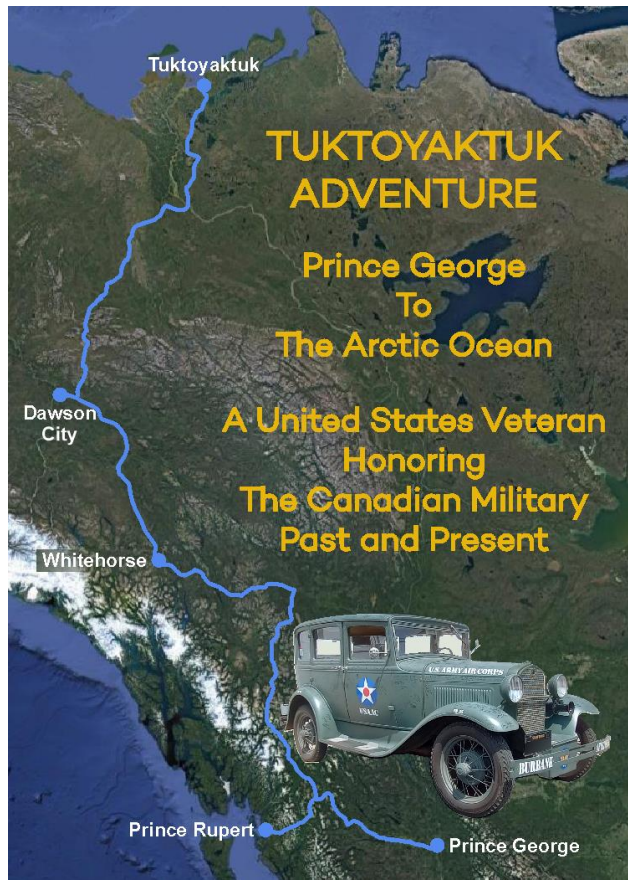
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The May breakfast served 28 customers. All breakfast proceeds go to our Charity account. The volunteers were: Bev Steventon, Stacy Baker, Dave Ehlers, Joetta Forkner, and Debbie Johnson.



May Hiway cleanup was cancelled because traffic was snarled due to the Iron Man competition.





Hello, my name is Jay Burbank. I am a Vietnam veteran, Post 432 member, and a car collector.

On September 11, 2001, we were driving our Model A through Germany on a three-week tour, with the Model A, Touring Club, through the countries of Liechtenstein, Austria, Switzerland, and Italy. Since then, we have traveled with our 1931 Model A to 18 countries, including driving across the Nullarbor Plain in Australia.

In 2019, I painted my 1931 model A slant window town sedan and turned it into a 1931 Army Air Corps General's staff car. This was all done to be able to drive the car in a 2019 re-creation of Captain Eisenhower's convoy of 200 men and 20 trucks that he led on the drive across

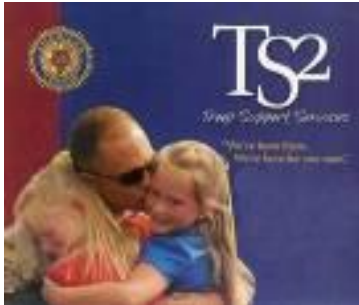
America on the Lincoln highway from Washington DC to San Francisco California. On the trip I was told a story by the son of a World War II veteran about him being wounded on the Invasion of Iwo Jima and surviving two days on the black sand beach with the Japanese killing the Marines at night. It was an amazing story and I asked Tully to sign Maxi the Model A for his dad. Since then, I have had hundreds of Veterans sign Maxi. What is the most incredible thing? The stories I'm told by those Veterans.

This year, my plan is to drive Maxi from Prince George to Tuktoyaktuk above the Arctic Circle, on the arctic ocean and back. Maxi has a special place for Canadian veterans to sign her on my trip thru Canada. I will be towing the vehicle from Southern California and, as a safety measure, my tow vehicle and trailer will follow.

In addition to honoring the Canadian Military, I am using this trip to raise money for our American Legion Post Scholarship fund. Donations can be made directly through this link: <https://legionpost432.com/jay.htm>.

Contact information.

Jay Burbank,
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Phone and text: (805) 215-3257



Troop Support Services Active Duty Roster

| Last | First | Branch |
|-----------|---------|-----------|
| Azevedo | Will | USMC |
| Baldwin | Nathan | Army |
| Barbosa | Dillyn | USMC |
| Cartmill | John | Army |
| Cuevas | Emily | Navy |
| Fernandez | Carlos | USMC |
| Harsh | Aaron | Navy |
| Mislant | Rozel | Air Force |
| Myers | Alex | Army |
| Potter | Justin | Air Force |
| Schmidt | John | Army |
| Taron | Zachary | Army |

American Legion Post 432

Club opens at 5:00 pm
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri

Dinners served at 6:00 pm
Except Friday (5:00)

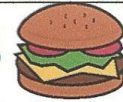
Members & guests

June

Food and Drink



MONDAY BURGERS & BREW \$8



Get your favorite drink and a grilled burger with all the fixins'!



TUESDAY TACO FIESTA BAR \$9



All you can eat taco bar! Best deal in town!



THURSDAY AUXILIARY DINNER \$10



Something unique each week!

- 6/1: Mary/Cindy: Chicken Fried Steak, mashed potatoes, vegetable
- 6/8: Mary/Cindy: Individual Chicken Pot Pie, salad, and roll
- 6/15: Natalie: Lasagna, Caesar salad, garlic bread
- 6/22: Tala/Jackie: Chicken Chow Mein w/Asian salad
- 6/29: Cindy S/Karen: Fried Chicken, Au Gratin Potatoes, Fresh Green Beans

Thursday Dinners: To-go meals available. Tickets on sale at 5:00 pm at the back door; dinner served at 6:00 pm.

FUN DAY FRIDAY AT THE CLUB! \$8

Food ready at 5:00 when the bar opens.
Menu to be announced and posted each Monday.
Come relax and enjoy a cold one with your friends!

1000 Main Street; Enter at the back of the Vet's Hall inside Club 432 entrance

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These are the major donors to our July 4th 2022 Picnic in the Park

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Dennis Frahmman
Robert Tieman
Milan Wukadinovich



CAMBRIA AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY POST 432

PRESENTS

**14TH JUNE
WEDNESDAY**



DOORS OPEN 5:00 PM | FIRST GAME AT 6:00 PM

HEY BINGO FANS, LET'S PLAY



**COST: \$1.00 PERSON, INCLUDES 1 BINGO
CARD, POPCORN AND WATER**

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American Legion Regular Post Meeting Minutes 3 May 2023

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| Officers: | 9 |
| Members: | 15 |
| Total : | 24 |

The meeting was called to order at 1900 by Commander Ehlers.

Our speaker was Morgan Boyd, SLO County Veterans Service Officer. He addressed his background and described what his office does for SLO County veterans. The VSO is not a department of the VA.

Moved and passed that the minutes of the April General Meeting and the April EBoard Meeting be accepted as published.

COMMANDER’S COMMENTS

Memorial Day ceremony is coming up on May 29.

4th of July planning meeting is scheduled for 18 May at 4:45 PM.

The next pancake breakfast is scheduled for May 18th.

About 35 pancake breakfasts were served in April.

American Legion birthday and Past Commanders dinner had nearly 100 attendees. Wayne Gerhardt and Chuck McMillen were honored for their service of 60 and 70 years, respectively. Fallen comrades were remembered in the Post Everlasting ceremony.

Easter Egg hunt was done with Rotary this year.

OFFICER REPORTS

Finance: The Post Account is in good shape. Please donate to the Poppy drive.

Service Officer: Rob changed his name to his original family name of Mastrantonio.

Sgt-at-Arms. Talked about Michael Novak.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

1,500 Troops Head to Southwest Border as US Braces for Migrant Surge

The Pentagon is sending 1,500 active-duty troops to the southwest border as federal immigration agencies and local communities brace for the expiration of pandemic-era restrictions used to quickly send migrants back to Mexico.

The troop deployment was authorized Tuesday by Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin for 90 days. They will work monitoring the area, doing data entry and manning warehouses amid an expected new influx of migrants and asylum seekers, even as the U.S. immigration system groans under record-high border crossings.

The service members will not be involved in law enforcement activities, the Pentagon said, a responsibility that would raise a range of legal complications.

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Military forces, composed mostly of National Guard troops, have been continuously deployed to states along the Mexico border since 2018 under an order from former President Donald Trump. That's on top of a string of National Guard deployments that have been approved by governors, including a Texas mission that faced repeated issues with troops getting paid on time and substance abuse.

About 2,500 National Guard troops on federal orders are already working at the border as the so-called Title 42 public health order that had allowed immigration agencies to immediately remove migrants from U.S. soil is set to expire May 11.

"I think we will see these troops arrive as early as May 10," Brig. Gen. Pat Ryder, the top Pentagon spokesman, said Tuesday during a public briefing.

The 1,500 troops will come mostly from the Army and Marine Corps, and will support the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, under the Department of Homeland Security. But Ryder said the Pentagon may replace some of the active-duty forces with National Guard troops during the three-month deployment.

"Calling up reserve component forces involves some time associated with that," he said. "And so by tasking the active-duty forces, we're able to meet this request very urgently and support DHS." Military deployments to the southwest border have been ordered up by every president since Ronald Reagan in the

1980s. The orders have often included thousands of troops. But deployments and border security also often mix with politics of the day.

President Joe Biden originally requested the border force last week to assist with anti-drug trafficking efforts -- shortly after announcing he will run for reelection in 2024 and amid widespread criticism on the political right over his treatment of border crossings and smuggling contributing to the fentanyl epidemic.

Trump drew widespread criticism when he surged 5,200 troops to the border days before the 2018 midterm elections, claiming that migrant "caravans" were threatening the U.S. The majority of migrants who were traveling to the U.S. at that time either chose to return home or file asylum claims waiting in line at one of the border crossings with Mexico, according to reporting from the El Paso Times.

Both presidents have used Title 42 to subvert asylum protections for migrants who come to the U.S. to flee violence or oppression in their home countries. The Trump administration began widespread use of the program during the COVID-19 pandemic, claiming migrants could not stay in the country while seeking asylum due to the risk of transmitting the virus. Instead, migrants have been quickly sent back to Mexico as the Biden administration has continued the program.

But concerns are mounting that the expiration of Title 42 next week will

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trigger a rush of migration for those hoping to find safe haven or remain inside the U.S. while asylum claims are weighed.

The Texas border town of El Paso has declared a state of emergency ahead of the expiration, according to the Texas Tribune. The declaration was issued by the mayor, and the city is preparing to open two temporary shelters as asylum seekers gather just across the border in Ciudad Juarez.

The DHS said Monday that it has been planning for the end of Title 42 for a year, has set up a new federal coordination center, and has run tabletop exercises. The increased number of migrant "encounters at the Southwest Border will increase as smugglers spread disinformation, which will place a strain on our immigration system, our communities and our dedicated workforce," the agency said in the release.

NEW BUSINESS

Officer nominations were:

- Commander Dave Ehlers
- 1st Vice Maureen Wilson
- 2nd Vice Brian Griffin
- Finance Phil Kispersky
- Judge Advocate Jerry McKinnon
- Chaplain Chuck McMillen
- Servicer Office Rob Mastrantonio,
- Terry Sheppard
- Executive Comm David Lackman

New members inducted were:

- David Sassaman
- Terry Camp
- Gabrielle Doraig
- Brian Hacker
- Mike Thomas

Meeting was adjourned at 2050.

American Legion Post 432 Executive Board Minutes 15 May 2023

The meeting was called to order by Commander Ehlers with a quorum present.

Officers Present: D. Ehlers, J. Ehlers, Griffin, Kispersky, McKinnon, Mastrantonio, Robles-Wilson, Sheppard, Tiwana

Officers Absent: Lackman, McMillen

Finance:

All of our forms are current and have been filed.

Jerry McKinnon donated an additional \$2,000 for the 2023 scholarships.

Commander:

The fire suppression system in the patio is to be replaced. Also, the hood and exhausted motors need to be replaced.

Memorial Day planning is underway. There will be a rifle volley. The speaker will be Robert Tolan, Jr.

June meeting will have officer nominations closed, vote taken, and installation of officers.

May 20th will be the pancake breakfast and highway cleanup.

Phil Kispersky will do pancake breakfast on June 17.

The assisted listening device is available for Memorial Day.

We inducted five new members last month.

First Vice:

Dave Pierson and Mike Silvas were elected to Academic Support and Awards

committee. Jerry McKinnon turned over responsibility for the School Awards to this committee.

Second Vice:

Spaghetti and meatballs will be our fellowship dinner for the June meeting.

Adjutant:

The new business license has been applied for.

Service Officer:

Rob thanked Jerry McKinnon for all the work he has done on the Memorial.

Meeting was adjourned at 2020.

CALENDAR

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| Thursday Dinner First Come, First Served, Max 65 | | | | 1 Dinner 1800 \$10 Mary & Cindy's Chicken Fried Steak | 2 Fun Friday \$8 1700 | 3 Club Closed |
| 4 Club Closed | 5 Burgers & Brew 1800 \$8 | 6 Taco Fiesta Bar \$9 1800 | 7 POST General Mtg 1800 Dinner 1900 Mtg. ALA Mtg 1900 | 8 Dinner 1800 \$10 Mary & Cindy's Chicken Pot Pie | 9 Fun Friday \$8 1700 | 10 Club Closed |
| 11 Club Closed | 12 Burgers & Brew 1800 \$8 | 13 Taco Fiesta Bar \$9 1800 | 14 Club Open 1700 Bingo 1800 | 15 Dinner 1800 \$10 Natalie's Lasagna | 16 Fun Friday \$8 1700 | 17 Pancake Breakfast 0800 -1100 Hiway Cleanup 0900 Club Closed |
| 18 Club Closed | 19 Burgers & Brew 1800 \$8 ALA Board 1800 EBoard 1900 | 20 Taco Fiesta Bar \$9 1800 | 21 Club Closed SAL Meeting 1730 | 22 Dinner 1800 \$10 Tala & Jackie's Chicken Chow Mein | 23 Fun Friday \$8 1700 | 24 Club Closed |
| 25 Club Closed | 26 Burgers & Brew 1800 \$8 | 27 Taco Fiesta Bar \$9 1800 | 28 Club Closed | 29 Club Dinner \$20 Cindy & Karen's Fried Chicken | 30 Fun Friday \$8 1700 | |

AMERICAN LEGION

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| 2nd Vice Commander | Brian Griffin | 924 - 1085 |
| Adjutant | John Ehlers | 400 - 4056 |
| Finance Officer | Phil Kispersky | 471 - 0455 |
| Service Officer | Rob Mastrantonio | 909 - 8164 |
| Exec. Committee Chair | David Lackman | 909 - 7664 |
| Chaplain | Chuck McMillen | 927 - 4650 |
| Judge Advocate | Jerry McKinnon | 927 - 8280 |
| Sergeant-At-Arms | Karina Tiwana | 927 - 1638 |
| Bugle Editor | John Ehlers | 400 - 4056 |
| Historian | Jacob Rooker | 927 - 4186 |
| Webmaster | John Ehlers | 400 - 4056 |

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

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| Commander | Smokey Drew | 909 - 9773 |
| 1st Vice Commander | Don Dockstader | 835 - 9087 |
| 2nd Vice Commander | Steve Kniffen | 927 - 3266 |
| Adjutant | Ted Ashlock | 782 - 9076 |
| Finance Officer | Don Dockstader | 835 - 9087 |
| Chaplain | Alan Fields | 927 - 1353 |
| Sergeant-At-Arms | Doug Davis | 909 - 0212 |
| Historian | Phil Novoa | 927 - 3048 |

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| President | Shelley Woeste |
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| Musician | Jade Meichtry |
| Chaplain | Bambi Fields |
| Sergeant-At-Arms | Dixie Walker |
| Historian | Dawn Montgomery |
| Parliamentarian | Gwen Kellas |
| Marshall | Karen Chrisman |