



The Bugle Call



February 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

Feb 2: Groundhog's Day
 Feb 4: USO Birthday
 Feb 14: Valentine's Day
 Feb 15: Presidents Day
 Feb 19: Coast Guard Reserve Birthday
 Mar 3: Navy Reserve Birthday
 Mar 4: Mardi Gras
 Mar 11: Daylight Savings Time Begins
 Mar 17: St. Patrick's Day
 Mar 25: Medal of Honor Day

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Commander's Corner

--Dave Ehlers
 Commander

4th of July is just around the corner or at least it will be here before we know it, so we better get started planning for our Community 4th of July celebration. We will host another spectacular Cambria 4th of July. To be successful, it takes the combined efforts of our organizations. Our first 4th of July planning meeting is Feb 19th from 5 – 6 pm before the Burgers and Brew dinner and EBoard meeting. If you volunteered in the past, we need you and if this is new for you, we need you. We need everyone to assist in some way, big or small. Come to a planning meeting or send me a note and let me know you are willing to assist with our Community 4th of July. This will be another spectacular show as our organizations come together to celebrate the 4th of July with the community.

Our Post is hosting the District 16 meeting on Feb 25th. Many of the District Leadership, both Legion and Auxiliary, and representatives from posts in our District will descend on Cambria

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Saturday evening to enjoy dinner on the town followed by wonderful desserts in our Club. We will host a breakfast Sunday morning prior to the District meetings. The SALs will host a BBQ lunch. Please volunteer to assist with setup, the breakfast, the BBQ, or breakdown. Stop by the Club Saturday evening to welcome our guests.

We also need someone, who thinks Toys for Tots is a worthwhile project for our community's children and our organization, to step up to run the program this coming year. You are not on our own. Training is provided. Terry Farrell is a great resource and very knowledgeable and can answer your questions and provide guidance. This opportunity is available to a Post, AUX, or SAL member. If no one is willing to step up, we will no longer be able to provide this vital program to our community. The kids are counting on you so talk to Terry Farrell, 924-1814

Thank you to those who have sent in their membership dues. If you need to pay your 2018 dues, please send them in or see Jim Hollingshead. If you know of a Veteran who is not a member, reach out to them and invite them to join us. It is through the strength of our membership that we are able to give voice to Veterans and support our community. Your membership card should say 2018. If not, let's get it fixed.



Auxiliary Briefing

--Shelley Woeste,
President

Wednesday, February 14, the Auxiliary is inviting you to our Valentine's Dinner. This is not just a couple's dinner. Mary and Cindy will be cooking Steak Diane and the fixings including Cherry Cheesecake. Come and let the Auxiliary serve

you a delicious meal. Tickets are available down at the legion after 5:00 or you can call Shelley at 927-2544 for tickets. We are limiting the dinner to 65 servings, so get your ticket early. See the flyer in the Bugle for all the details.

Thursday Night Dinners are going good. Cindy has been doing a fabulous job with finding cooks and assisting when needed. We have a number of new cooks starting to cook, so be sure to come out and give them a try. The attendance is still all over the board. We would like to see those numbers more stable, but we will take what we can get.

The District Meeting will be at our post in February. The District Auxiliary is planning on doing Leadership Workshop on Saturday, February 24 from 9 am – 3 pm. This will go over all different kinds of procedures. If you are interested in attending this, let me know. I have sign up forms. We had about 5 ladies sign up at our general meeting in January. Then the District meeting will be held on Sunday, February 25 from 9 - ? Everyone is invited to attend.

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Auxiliary Membership dues are past due but it's not too late. 2018 dues are \$25 and can be made out to A.L.A. and mailed to P. O. Box 732, Cambria, CA 93428. Remember we run on a fiscal year so June - July. If you have any question on whether you are up to date, call Lesli at 423-4856.

**SALS**

--Ted Ashlock

Greetings, from an undisclosed bunker, Post # 432 SALS,

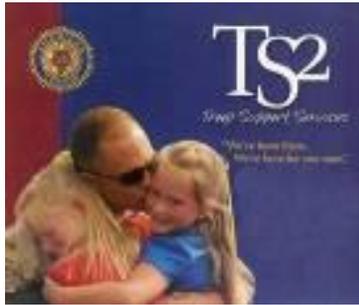
Happy February 2018. Sometimes looking at the calendar can be a shocker. A bit of personal news, many of you know my in-laws and wife, Jerry

McKinnon, Kathleen and family. Well we arrived back from Jacksonville, Florida late last night on a trip that was supposed to be a visit for an engagement party. Instead it turned out to be a wedding, Kathleen's daughter Shannon married her boyfriend from the past couple years, Donnie. We are all thrilled and happy to share that fun news.

In the category of fun news, this year's SAL Cruise Give Away and BBQ on the NFL's Conference Championship Sunday was long-time SAL participant, Cambrian and person with an extra \$1000 in his wallet, Bob Wright. Cool beans!!! "Bob's wallet" was a wonderful location for the prize money to go. The SALS would as always like to thank all of you who supported the fundraiser. Also on that

busy January Sunday 1/21/18, we would like to thank the SAL Squadron members, the usual suspects that helped pull together another successful BBQ and Fundraiser. The SALS would like to give the big special thanks to our gal pals, the auxiliary, for all the nice things that get accomplished down at the club and patio. There is a metamorphous taking place within the club and patio that needs to be acknowledged. Thank you, and thank you to Lesli and crew at the club. As it has been stated before, and it applies now; it takes a village to put together a successful BBQ and fundraiser. Thank you to all.

Speaking of the mega fundraisers, upcoming on the February calendar is a drive through Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for SAL, Native Son, local and CUSD coach and employee Rocky Fordyce. This event is scheduled concurrent with the February meeting on Wednesday 2/21/18. Rocky is recovering from a lung transplant that took place at UCSF. He needs special medical attention, financial help, love and care. A spaghetti drive thru dinner is just an expression for all the feelings we would like to share with Rocky. The drive thru and club are planned to be open from 4 pm to 9 pm. Yes the club will be open on that night, so if you are not in a hurry and want to come along to enjoy a sit down meal and take a load off, the club will be open. Please put this event on your calendar and volunteer or come out and support Rocky. SALS please be in contact with the event planners, so we can coordinate our meeting and organize another successful fundraiser at the same time. Thank you and I'll see you all at the Rocky Fordyce fundraiser.



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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
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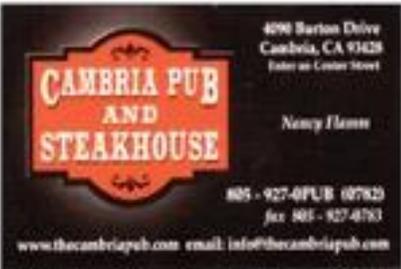
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**Come be the
Auxiliary's Valentine**

**Wednesday, February 14
6:00 pm**

**Special Dinner prepared by Mary and Cindy
And served by the Ladies Auxiliary**

- Steak Diane
- Caesar Salad
- Fancy Garlic Mashed Potatoes
 - Side Vegetable
 - Cornbread
- Cherry Cheesecake

♥♥ \$15.00 ♥♥

Dine in or Take Out

(bring your own take out container or purchase a reusable Bento Box for \$1)

Limited to 65 dinners

**Tickets available at the American Legion Bar Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri after 5:00
p.m. or call 927-5010.**

*Win this overnight stay at
 Ragged Point with dinner
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 Winner will be drawn on Wednesday the 14th during
 The Auxiliary's Valentines Dinner*

*1 Ticket \$1 *** 20 Tickets \$10 *** 30 Tickets \$20*



*Winner need not be present
 Club 432 Thanks you for your support*

American Legion Regular Post Meeting Minutes

John F. Ehlers, Adjutant
DATE: 3 January 2018

OFFICERS:	6
MEMBERS & GUESTS:	15
TOTAL:	21

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Commander Ehlers with the usual opening ceremonies.
2. Bob Johnson was nominated and elected as Service Officer.
3. Our speaker tonight is Jim Bahringer. He gave a comprehensive history and status of the Cambria Water resources and facilities.
4. December Meeting Minutes and Eboard Minutes were approved as published.

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

1. Each of our 28 TS2 troops received two \$25 gift certificates this year.
2. We put 346 wreaths on graves in the cemetery from Wreaths Across America. It was thought we had enough for all veterans in the cemetery, but a new survey showed we were 118 short. Help disposing of the old wreaths is requested for January 13 at 9 AM.
3. Toys for Tots distributed toys to 220 children in 147 families. Each kid got 3.4 toys. Auxiliary did the hard job of distribution.
4. District 16 Meeting will be held here on February 24 and 25.
5. Chuck McMillan has the Blue Star Monument in storage at the Hardware

Store. It will be dedicated on Memorial Day.

6. The pancake breakfast will be held on January 20th. Hiway cleanup will also happen on that day. Volunteer! It's kind of neat walk with a view.

OFFICER REPORTS

First Vice: Current paid membership is 179 versus our goal of 231.

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

LEGISLATIVE REPORT:

Committee Passes Legislation to Improve Veterans' Access to Care

Washington, December 19, 2017 | Tiffany Haverly (202-225-3527)

Today, Chairman Phil Roe, M.D. (R-Tenn.) released the following statement after the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs passed legislation to streamline VA's community care accounts into one veteran-centric program that replaces the Choice Program, removing the current 30-day, 40-mile requirement to give veterans more timely access to community care:

"For the last eleven months, the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs has worked tirelessly on behalf of our nation's heroes. We've held more than 50 public hearings, visited numerous facilities around the country and worked together to tackle the tough issues. I'm pleased my legislation, the VA Care in the Community Act, has been sent to the full House for consideration. This legislation is cosponsored by every member of the committee – Republican and Democrat –

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so you can imagine my disappointment in the members of this committee who walked back their commitment to moving this bill.

“When I give someone my word, I keep it. My commitment to doing the right thing for our nation’s veterans has never faltered. I am a conservative Republican, but every time I walk into the hearing room or into a meeting with my friends across the aisle, I do so with an open mind. I work to find consensus and try to move legislative proposals we can all support without asking any member of this committee to compromise their principles, even when there are differences. The fact is that every member of the committee signed their name to this legislation, but only one side showed up to do the hard work that needed to be done today. With that said, if my friends on the other side of the aisle choose to move the goal posts and walk back their support for a bill they agreed to cosponsor, we’ll move forward without them. That’s what we’ve done today, and I thank the members who voted to give veterans the health care choices they deserve.

“Moving forward, I realize the Senate Committee has also moved legislation to reform VA’s community care programs, and I am confident we’ll be able to come to a bicameral agreement to expand veterans’ options for care. This process will undoubtedly continue in the second session, and I hope the Democrats on this committee will return in January and negotiate in good faith to give veterans the health care they deserve.”

H.R. 4242: The VA Care in the Community Act

The VA Care in the Community Act would consolidate VA’s existing community care programs into one cohesive program and would modernize VA’s medical claims processing system to ensure that community providers can expect to be paid on time for the care they provide to veterans on VA’s behalf. It would further require VA to conduct periodic local capacity and market assessments to identify how gaps in care can be addressed through improvements to both internal and external capacity, standardize the rates VA pays to community providers and authorize VA to enter into provider agreements for needed care when contracts are not available or achievable. This legislation is cosponsored by every member of the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

**American Legion Post 432
Executive Board Minutes**

Compiled by John F. Ehlers, Adjutant
DATE: 15 January 2018

The meeting was called to order by Commander Ehlers at 7:00 PM with a quorum present.

Officers Present: D. Ehlers, J. Ehlers, Farrell, Waltman, Hollingshead, Lackman, Griffin, Angel, Wood, Wilson, Johnson, Hollingshead

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Officers Absent: None

COMMANDERS COMMENTS

1. The Square POS is in operation. Hopefully, the Sons NFL Championship fundraiser will be well attended. There will be a special Valentine dinner in February.
2. Jerry Bodine won \$3000 in Harry Neal's dice game cashout. He donated \$300 to the club.
3. Jerry McKinnon suggested that we reinstitute the card program that gives access to the club. He thought it would stimulate interest in the club.
4. Jerry Suggested that John Aparicio, outreach coordinator for the SLO Service Office as speaker at a regular meeting.
5. Our 2018 paid membership is 179 versus our goal of 231.
6. Toys for Tots after action report has been submitted. Cathy Wilson has expressed some interest in taking over the program next year.
6. Fourth of July planning meetings will be starting in February.
7. Wreaths were picked up at the cemetery last Saturday. Tim Carr took the wreaths to Templeton at no cost.
8. The Blue Star Highway plaque has arrived. It will be dedicated on Memorial. Approval by the Coastal Commission is required.
9. The position of Post Historian is still open.
10. The District Meeting will be held here on February 25th.
11. Pancake breakfast will be held on January 20th.

12. It was moved to have Tim Carr will haul the junk away for a cost not to exceed \$150.

13. New email address for Post 432 business is

CambriaLegion432@gmail.com.

Second Vice: The fellowship dinner for the February may be pizza.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 PM.



CALENDAR

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Thursday Dinner First Come, First Served, Max 65				1 Dinner 1800 \$8 Pat & Cindy's Meatloaf with Mac & Cheese	2 Hot Dogs \$2	3 Club Closed
4 Super Bowl Sunday Club Open @ 1500	5 Burgers & Brew 1800 \$8 BUNCO 1900	6 Tacos, Tacos \$7 1800 Pool Tournament 1900	7 POST General Mtg 1800 Dinner 1900 Mtg. ALA Mtg 1900	8 Dinner 1800 \$8 Mark's Jamaican Grill	9 Hot Dogs \$2	10 Club Closed
11 Club Closed	12 Burgers & Brew 1800 \$8 BUNCO 1900	13 Tacos, Tacos \$7 1800 Pool Tournament 1900	14 Valentine's Dinner 1800 \$15	15 Dinner 1800 \$8 Cheri's Fritos Tacos	16 Hot Dogs \$2	17 Pancake Breakfast 0800-1100 Club Closed
18 Club Closed	19 Burgers & Brew 1800 \$8 Club Committee 1700 E-Board 1830	20 Tacos, Tacos \$7 1800 Pool Tournament 1900	21 SAL Meeting 1800 Rocky Fordyce Spaghetti Drive Thru 1600 - 2100	22 Dinner 1800 \$8 Sandy & Sarah's Molasses Baked Chicken	23 Hot Dogs \$2	24 Club Closed
25 Club Closed	26 Burgers & Brew 1800 \$8 ALA Executive Board Meeting 1800	27 Tacos, Tacos \$7 1800 Pool Tournament 1900	28 Native Sons Dinner			

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