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PROTECTING YOUR FAMILY STEVE THOMAS

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Over the last year Post 650 has lost several members to Post Everlasting. In July alone we lost two members. The Retired Activities Office has a good article on the making of wills. The following is a summary of the article.

When you die state law will determine what happens to your property if you do not make a will or use some other legal method to transfer your property. Generally, it will go to your spouse and children or, if you have neither, to your other closest relatives. If no relatives can be found to inherit your property, it will go to the state. In addition, in the absence of a will, a court will determine who will care for your young children and their property if the other parent is unavailable or unfit to do so.

There are just a few technical requirements a will must fulfill:

The will must be signed by at least two witnesses. The witnesses must watch you sign the will, though they don't need to read it. Your witnesses, in most states, must be people who won't inherit anything under the will. You must date and sign the will.

You do not have to have your will notarized. In many states, though, if you and your witnesses sign an affidavit (sworn statement) before a notary public, you can help simplify the court procedures required to prove the validity of the will after you die. You do not have to record or file your will with any government agency, although it can be recorded or filed in a few states. Just keep your will in a safe, accessible place and be sure the person in charge of winding up your affairs (your executor) knows where it is. A lawyer does not have to write a will, and most people do not need a lawyer's help to make a basic will -- one that leaves a home, investments, and personal items to your loved ones, and, if you have young children, that names a guardian to take care of them. Creating a basic will rarely involves complicated legal rules, and most people can create their own will with the aid of a good software program or book. But if you have questions that aren't answered by the resource you're relying on, or your situation is unusual, it may be worth it to see a good lawyer.

Special Points of Interest:

- *Unit Meeting 1st Wednesday 7:00PM*
- *Post Meetings 2nd and 4th Wednesday 7:30PM*
- *Post 650 Breakfast Aug 17th*
- *Post Website—www.calegionpost650.org*

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COMMANDER'S CORNER
HENRY MENDOZA

To all My Comrades,

Hoping all is well and your health is good, I recently went to Linda Robles Bennet's funeral service as she was a member of our post. It was sad to loose her and we will miss her at the Post. She was given full honors by our Firing Team at Hillside cemetery everything was coordinated beautifully and she went to our Post everlasting with dignity. Well we have had two meeting since I became Commander and we have started to adjust our programs and start a new year of membership, **HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES YET!** If not please do so, we need your support.

If you weren't in formed and I apologies if you did not know but 2nd vice Alex (Shamu) Torres and his lovely wife Mary served a breakfast at the Post on Sunday it was a fundraiser. it was delicious, hope you can come to the next one. August is our Membership drive lets all make an effort to make our goals by paying your dues and recruiting some new members. Comrades we need your help! I hope to see you all at our meeting and at our clubhouse.

Best Wishes to all.

FIRST VICE COMMANDER
STEVE THOMAS

Comrades,

We are off to a great start in membership this year with over 125 renewals already received in July. We are planning an Early Bird Breakfast in November free for all members who renew their membership during the Early Bird season. If you have not received your renewal notice from National or maybe misplaced it, use the form on page 7 of this newsletter,

Second Vice Commander Alex Torres, Shamu, has a lot of great plans for Post 650. He asked me to mention there will be monthly Breakfasts, Dances, and Holiday Parties this year. So come out and enjoy the Post Activities whenever you can.

Post 650 is also being recognized in the District. The Post has been asked to host a District Meeting and the District Past Commanders Club also wants Post 650 to host one of this years meetings.

We are well on our way to rebuilding Post 650's Great Reputation. We need your help in all these efforts. As a start we need your Membership Renewals as soon as possible. Also if you know of other Veterans who are not American Legion Members let's try to recruit them into our Post. This can be a great year for Post 650 and all its members.

Let's all have a great year.

DO YOU KNOW THIS LEGIONNAIRE?

He is a native California.
 He graduated from Newark High School.
 He enlisted in the Air Force in 1965.
 He graduated from Troy State University in 1979.
 He was commissioned in 1979.
 He served in NATO for over 5 years.
 He retired from the Air Force in 1989.
 He was a Scout leader for over 20 years.
 He was awarded the Silver Beaver as a Scout leader.
 He is a member of the American Legion National Legislative Council,
 He is President of CALPA, CA American Legion Press Assoc.
 He is the 25th District Scribe and Webmaster
 (Answer at the top of the Calendar on page 7)



POST OFFICERS

Commander: Henry Mendoza
 1st Vice : Steve Thomas
 2nd Vice: Alex Torres
 Adjutant: Norm Cosme
 Finance Officer: Larry Reeves
 Judge Advocate: Ralph Serrano Sr.
 Chaplain: Ed Chacon
 Service Officer: Ray Becerra
 Historian: TBA
 Sgt at Arms: John Vindiola
 Asst Sgt at Arms: Paul Ramirez
 Executive Board:

Larry Holguin
 George Eisenauer
 Chuck Rodriguez
 Joe Ruiz

Board of Directors:
 Richard Alcantar
 Alex Garcia
 TBA

Members Transferred to Post Everlasting



Linda Bennett
Refugio Barbo

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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Silvia Alcantar

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President

Silvia Alcantar

1st Vice

Dolores Mendoza

2nd Vice

Virginia Reiss

Secretary

Becky Aranda

Treasurer

Linda Navarro

Chaplain

Shannon Mendez

Parliamentarian

Jean Eisenauer

Sgt At Arms

Angie Viveros

Marshall

Carolyn Sanchez

Auxiliary News: As we start a new year I want to thank all the ladies that have taken an office this year.

Our condolences to Julio Martinez & his family in the loss of his beloved wife Florence, a 40 plus year member of our Auxiliary.

Friday nite dinners are well attended by members & friends. Every 3rd Friday we have a delicious steak dinner w/all the trimmings. This will help us pay for all of our obligations to Dept., District & programs for our Veterans & their families.

If you know of any military families in our community we would like to offer our help. Also if you have a family member's serving in the military we would like to put their name up w/a Blue Star Flag.

A reminder that your 2008-09 Auxiliary dues are due now! No notice from National will be mailed out until late Oct. Please get your dues to Dolores Mendoza @ 720 Ardmore Ave, Rdls 92374.

Our first District Meeting (Auxiliary only) will be Aug 17th @ 10.00 A.M.. We will meet @ The Highland Senior Center next to Patton Sate Hospital, first building on your right.

The District Organizational meeting was well attended. Our theme for this year :We Stick Together" honoring the 5 Sullivan brother who went down on the USS Juneau. The District is The USS Sullivan. Pres. Barbara special project is "Cystic Fibrosis".

We look forward to seeing you all @ our meetings we have a lot to accomplish this year & we would like your input. Please keep our military men & women in your prayers.

Newsletter Club

Acero, Donald	2008	Holguin, Larry	2011	Sepulveda, Ben, CM	2008
Acosta, Joe	2010	Hietala, Howard	2009	Serrano, Ralph	2008
Araujo, Marcos	2016	Leivas, Richard	2010	Serrano, Ralph Jr	2008
Chacon, Ed	2011	Lopez, Fred	2010	Thomas, Steve	2011
Chavez, Manuel	2010	Lozano, Rudy	2010	Torres, Tony, CM	2010
Cosme, Christopher	2009	Macias, Victor	2009	Venegas, Freddie	2010
Cosme, Norm	2009	Madsen, Norman	2009	Villapando, Ben	2010
Cosme, Robert	2009	Mendoza, Henry	2008	Vindiola, John	2010
Cosme, Chris	2009	Ortega, Gilbert	2010	West, Richard	2010
Eisenauer, George	2009	Padilla, John	2011	Wild, Ruben	2010
Dixon, Ennis	2010	Ramirez, Lorenzo	2008	Wilson, Henry	2008
Garcia, Alex	2009	Ramos, Daniel	2013	Zavala, Pete	2008
Gonzales, Ed	2008	Rivera, Ernesto	2013		
Gonzales, Nellie	2010	Rowles, Mike	2010		
Gonzales, Frank	2008	Salazar, Joe	2008		

Post 650 Hall Rentals

Open Rentals

Sun. thru Fri.	\$350.00 Deposit \$200.00
Sat.	\$600.00 Deposit \$200.00
Memorials	\$200,00

Member Rentals

Sun. thru Fri.	\$150.00 Deposit \$200.00
Sat.	\$275.00 Deposit \$200.00
Memorials	\$75,00

There is a \$100 Security Charge on all Rentals for your safety and the safety of the Post.

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Drop Off Site

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**DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA LEGION BENEFIT
STEVE THOMAS**

Do you know that as an American Legion Member in the Department of California. You are eligible for \$1000.00 of Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance for free? The only thing is that you must sign up for it. You can sign up for the insurance on the Department website, www.calegion.org. You can also mail in an application to Department. I will have the application for the insurance at the post and we can make copies for all members who want to sign up.

This is another little known benefit of being a Legionnaire in good standing.

2009 ANNUAL AMERICAN LEGION MEMBERSHIP FEE IS NOW DUE

Renew now at \$30.00.

Please make check payable to: American Legion Post 650 and mail to:

American Legion Post 650, P O Box 413, Redlands, CA 92373

NAME: _____ MEMBER NO. _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY _____
ZIP _____

Thank You for your kind attention to this matter

2009 ANNUAL AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP FEE IS NOW DUE

Renew now at \$20.00. Juniors renew at \$4.00

Please make check payable to: Auxiliary Unit 650 and mail to:

Deloris Mendoza, 720 Ardmore Ave, Redlands, CA 92374

NAME: _____ MEMBER NO. _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY _____
ZIP _____

Thank You for your kind attention to this matter

August 2008

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			Do you know this Legionnaire? Steve Thomas, 1st Vice Commander		1	2 Operation Desert Shield 1990
3	4 US Coast Guard Est. 1790	5	6 Auxiliary Unit 650 Meeting 7:00PM Hiroshima 1945	7 Purple Heart Medal Est. 1782	8	9 Nagasaki 1945
10	11	12 Battle of Bunker Hill 1952	13 Post 650 Meeting 7:30PM	14 Japanese Surrender 1942	15 Allied Invasion of s. France 1944	16
17 Post 650 Breakfast 8:00 - 11:00AM	18	19	20	21	22	23 Rock-a-Thon Pig BBQ Post 106 -3PM
24	25	26	27 Post 650 Meeting 7:30PM	28	29	30
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