



**WORLD WAR II POST MEMBERS,
THANKS FOR
SAVING THE WORLD**

The formal surrender of Japan, ending World War II, took place 65 years ago, on September 2, 1945. Post 77 is proud that many of our members served in World War II as part of the team that successfully prevailed in the downfall of a tyranny that otherwise would have taken over the world.

If we have forgotten to mention it recently, ladies and gentlemen, congratulations for winning World War II.

Al Castillo, Commander



The recipients of the third annual Special Congressional Recognition awards by Congressman Wally Herger at Post 77 include World War II veterans and Post members Herb Chandler (l.), Bob Griffith and Margaret Nicolson. Congressman Herger is in the black jacket. Other Post members receiving the Congressional award were Ed Lynch, Al Ramirez and Jose Hernandez, who fought in the Korean War and David Newman, Vietnam War combat veteran.



**Remember 9-11
Patriot Day
Put up a U.S. flag.
It has been
9 years.**

**IT HAS BEEN A FINE SEASON FOR POST 77
AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL**

The Post's Junior Legion baseball team (ages 17 and under), which plays in Davis, won the American Legion District 6 (Yolo and Sacramento counties) baseball championship. The team took its last three games in the District 6 tournament with shutout victories. Junior Legion baseball coach Bob Creely explained the success formula. "Our pitching and defense were excellent and [at the plate] they started staying inside of the ball, being patient and moving runners over."



The team went on to the Area 1 northern California Junior Legion championship. The team got to the final game, in which they lost by just one run. That was an excellent season.

The Post 77 Senior American Legion baseball team (ages 19 and under), which plays at Clark Field, got close to winning the District 6 title. The players played hard, but came up a little short in the next to the last game of the District 6 championship tournament.

Frank Eakle, Post Baseball Committee chair

**WISE WORDS FROM
GENERAL GEORGE S. PATTON**

"Freedom is something people enjoy without thinking. Soldiers will pay the price for freedom without thinking."



- Albert Castillo, Commander
- Marty Bernavage, 1st Vice Commander
- Manuel Estrada, 2nd Vice Commander
- Gary Leach, Adjutant
- Edward Trautt, Immediate Past Commander
- Corbin Smith, Finance Officer & Assistant Adjutant
- Steve Waldeck, Treasurer
- Vince Olvera, Sergeant-at-Arms
- Mike Phillips, Chaplain
- Zeke Plocher, Service Officer
- Frank Eakle, Athletic Committee Chair
- Larry Schapiro, Historian
- Dave Kauderer, Judge Advocate
- William Allardice, Legislative Advocate
- Dan Cameron, Executive Committee
- Delbert Guise, Executive Committee

MISCELLANEOUS GOINGS-ON

Dan Cameron has been elected to a seat on the Post Executive Committee, opened with Executive Committee member Mike Phillips moving to the position of Post 77 Chaplain.... We are happy at the Post to pass on that West Sacramento VFW Post 8762 Commander Gary Reason is a member of American Legion Post 77. Gary has done outstanding work in West Sacramento as VFW Post Commander for the last four years. That indeed is quite awhile. Commander Reason served in combat in the Vietnam War.... The Post 77 color guard opened two State Senior Softball tournaments held in Woodland, August 13 for ages 60 and over and on August 19, teams with members 45 to 60. As Ed Sullivan used to say, "And for the youngsters" Post 77 presented the colors for the July 17 opening of the State Babe Ruth baseball team championships for 14 year olds held at Clark Field.... For a second consecutive year, Post Adjutant Gary Leach has lost the American Legion pie eating contest held in August at the Yountville veterans retirement home. Gary, it was a nice try, but the pies do not count in the contest that you said you would eat when you get home. But Gary is definitely in first place for the outstanding job he has been doing as American Legion Area 1 commander. Area 1 covers all the northern California American Legion Posts from Lodi to the Oregon border. Helping out are Vince Olvera, serving as Area 1 Sergeant at Arms, and Larry Schapiro, Area 1 Historian.... Besides pie-eater Gary Leach, also in attendance for the American Legion August 1st picnic at the VA's Yountville veterans home for the retired veterans were Past District 6 American Legion Auxiliary President Mary Cogburn, Post member Dave Kocsis, and past Post 77 Auxiliary Commander Sharon Kocsis. Districts 5 and 6 put on the picnic each year. Mary Cogburn has always taken on important roles in making sure the picnic is done just right. This year, Mary Cogburn was busy all that weekend in Yountville undertaking such tasks as filling 250 bags of toiletries, snacks and other items as gifts for female and male veterans living at the Yountville veterans home, decorating the picnic tables, meeting with the female veterans, etc.... Post member Billy Wagster was named this year's Veteran of the Year by the Yolo County Veterans Coalition. Congratulations, Billy.... Another veteran of the Vietnam War, perhaps a victim of the war, has died. Although the coroner's report states that Juju Sands' father had cirrhosis of the liver, she says she knows the real cause of his death -- the Vietnam War. In her recently published book, "War Dad," Sands writes about how her father's post-traumatic stress disorder ravaged not just his life but her childhood. She is not alone. Most Vietnam War veterans and others know of friends who went to Vietnam whose lives were never the same upon their return. Let us hope we do better for those who have and will be coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan.... The Post has purchased 100 new chairs for the meeting room. We got our monies worth from the old chairs. A newspaper photograph of the inside of the Post hall, published May 28, 1964, shows those very same chairs, 46 years ago.... Post members Billy Wagster and Larry Schapiro are representing Post 77 on the Yolo County Veterans History Project Steering Committee. The Committee's goal is to videotape local war veterans' stories for the Library of Congress.... The gas at the Post hall is now supplied by Tiger Natural Gas, with an expected savings of approximately 10 percent.

Vince Olvera, Sergeant-at-Arms

EVENT CALENDARS

SEPTEMBER 2010

- 2nd 7:00 p.m. Yolo County Veterans' Coalition meeting at West Sacramento VFW
- 8th 6:00 p.m. Swiss steak dinner, \$10
- 10th 5:00 p.m. Post members serve dinner to homeless at Wayfarer Center that Post cooks earlier in the day
- 11th 6:30 a.m. Post members to put up flags on Main St., Woodland for Patriot Day – 9/11 Day
- 4:00 p.m. Members take down flags from Main St.
- 11th 6:00 p.m. Post 77 Sons of the Legion BBQ Your Own steak dinner, \$11
- 11th All day Legion Area 1 meeting at Chester Post 664
- 12th All day Legion Area 1 meeting at Chester Post 664
- 14th 7:00 p.m. Post 77 meeting to hear experiences of students sent to Girls and Boys State
- 22nd 7:00 p.m. Post Executive Committee meeting
- 28th 7:00 p.m. Post 77 membership meeting

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- 7th 7:00 p.m. Yolo County Veterans' Coalition meeting at Post 77
- 8th 5:00 p.m. Post members serve dinner to homeless at Wayfarer Center
- 6th 6:00 p.m. Baked potato and salad bar dinner, \$10
- 20th 7:00 p.m. Post Executive Committee meeting
- 26th 7:00 p.m. Post 77 membership meeting
- 29th 7 to midnight Halloween Party, including costume contest

NOVEMBER 2010

- 11th 11:00 a.m. Post 77 Veterans Day program at the Yolo County Courthouse

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

- September 8 7:00 p.m. Sons Membership meeting
- September 11 6:00 p.m. Grill Your Own Steak dinner, \$11
- October 13 7:00 p.m. Sons Membership meeting

Carl Prutch, Commander, tel. 669-7975; Robert Roe, Adjutant

AUXILIARY

SEPTEMBER 2010

- 7th 7:00 p.m. Regular meeting
- 25th 7:00 p.m. Pork Loin dinner, \$10

OCTOBER 2010

- 5th 7:00 p.m. Regular meeting

Auxiliary officers:

Christine Rogers, President • Maria Lopez, First Vice President
Lorraine Childers, Second Vice President • Arlene Sandoval, Secretary
Maria Hernandez, Chaplain • Mary Cogburn, Sergeant-at-Arms

If you have any questions about the Post 77 Auxiliary or would like a ride to an Auxiliary meeting, please call Christine Rogers at 908-5686 or Mary Cogburn at 662-0624.

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM NOVEMBER 11

For another year since the Post first started to do so in 1919, Post 77 will present Woodland's Veterans Day program on Nov. 11. The main speaker for Veterans Day this year will be Air Force Col. James Crump (ret.), western United States president of the Tuskegee Airmen association. Music will be by the Woodland Community Band, Nadine Salonites, and the Douglass Middle School Choir. Also a part of the program will be the winner of the Post 77 student essay contest on the topic of "What America Means To Me," who will read what the Post judges the best essay from entries submitted by all the juniors at Woodland High School.



In this 1999 photo of Veterans Day in front of the Yolo County Courthouse, Jordan De Knikker gives one of his American flags to Bob Dahl, commander of the Post 77 firing squad. Other members of the Firing Squad were (l. to r.) Zeke Plocher, Warren Meyer, Doyle Gasperson, Ted Blann), Frank Lucchesi, Dave Kocsis, and Bob Lavarico. Eleven years later, Jordan will be part of this year's Veterans Day program. As a member of Post 77-sponsored Troop 68, he will present to Yolo County the results of his Eagle Scout project, a permanent black granite bench in front of the County Courthouse, inscribed in the honor of Staff Sgt. William C. Shinn, (MIA, Vietnam, 1970), who received his Eagle scout award in Woodland on Veterans Day, 1966.

THAT MAKES A MAJORITY

With the current condition of county governmental finances in California, it seems to be hard to get a majority of supervisors for anything. But in Yolo County, Post 77 has a majority on the Board of Supervisors. Three of the five supervisors are members of the American Legion. Supervisor Mike McGowan served in Vietnam and Matt Rexroad in Iraq. Now after almost 50 years since he entered the National Guard and later the Army Reserves, Supervisor Duane Chamberlain has joined the American Legion.

Two members of Post 77 serve on the Woodland City Council, Jeff Monroe and Bill Marble.



Post members Val Mata (l.), Pam Huston and Jack Santos find that helping with Fair parking is fun. Many Post members came to the rescue and assisted Aug. 18 – 22 with the Post's biggest fundraiser of the year.

THANK YOUs

Big thanks are again needed to the many Post members who helped this year with the annual August Fair parking fundraiser. It is not the easiest of volunteer assignments. So your work is very much appreciated.

Post member Ruben Ramos has done it again, helping to fix up the Post hall. Ruben recently installed two new sinks in the ladies' restroom. On top of that, his company, AP Plumbing and Fire, paid for the sinks and the plumbing pipes.

Chefs Jim Webber, John Benedict, Phil Tapia and Frank Lucchesi were back again at their stations in the Post kitchen cooking the food for the annual Post 77 baseball banquet. The task of cooking was made easy, since teenage boys will each just about anything.

Dan Cameron, Post Executive Committee

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION SQUADRON 77 PRESENTS

GRILL YOUR OWN STEAKS

Saturday, September 11, 6:00 p.m.

THE STEAKS ARE PROVIDED. BBQ
THEM TO YOUR LIKING.

We'll provide the SALAD,
BAKED POTATOES, ROLLS, & DESSERT

All for \$11.⁰⁰

Woodland, CA – Bush St. - Home of the American Legion Hall



Yolo Grocery
Grand Opening 1937
Now a Mexican restaurant
south of Morrison's



The Purity Store built 1938 Now the All Action Awards



East plaza before the meeting hall was added.
Reverend Herndon Ray – Armistice Day 1939



The Elks Club - The big snow of 1937

Copyrighted photos by Legionnaire Paul W. Hollingshead (1896 – 1974)
Photos courtesy of Edward and Legionnaire Bill Hollingshead

VA EXPLAINS WHAT TO DO FOR EMERGENCY NON-VA MEDICAL CARE

For those who are entitled to medical care through the Veterans Administration, the VA lets us know about the rules for emergency care in non-VA facilities:

For emergency care, “When it is not possible for you to go to a VA medical center, you should go to the nearest hospital that has an emergency room. Q. Do I need to notify the VA after an ambulance takes me to an emergency room, or when I am treated and released? Yes. You, your family, friends or hospital staff should contact the nearest VA medical center as soon as possible – preferably within 72 hours, so you are better aware of services the VA may limit payment for.

“If the [emergency room] doctor wants to admit me to the hospital, must I obtain advance approval from the VA? If the admission is an emergency – No, although prompt notification of the VA is necessary.

“If a VA bed is available and I can be safely transferred, do I have to move to the VA hospital? Yes. If you refuse to be transferred, the VA will not pay for any further care.

“If I am admitted to the hospital as a result of an emergency, how much will VA pay? This depends on your VA eligibility. The VA may pay all, some, or none of the charges. Ask your local VA medical center’s patient benefits counselor about what is allowed under non-VA emergency care programs: * For service-connected conditions. *For non-service-connected conditions.

“How long do I have to file a claim for reimbursement for emergency medical care? File your claim with the nearest VA medical center quickly. Time limits of 90 days usually apply.”

TAXING YOUR PACEMAKER? “Health care reform has produced some collateral damage for America’s veterans: a new tax on prosthetic limbs, pacemakers and other vital medical devices. Proponents claim the tax could raise \$20 billion over the next 10 years, yet it contains no exemptions for the nation’s 22 million veterans.” (The Washington Times, July 12, 2010)

DUST? “According to the Department of Veterans Affairs, the number of veterans who are having trouble breathing and sleeping is on the rise.” After noting that health experts “said over the past two years, the number of sleep apnea patients receiving disability benefits from the VA has risen 61%,” the KREX website added, “A sleep expert at the VA said the vets’ exposure to dust and smoke in places like Afghanistan and Iraq is to blame for the rise.” (KREX-TV website, Grand Junction, CO)

Zeke Plocher, Post Service Officer

THE OTHER WWII D-DAY IN FRANCE

After the Normandy landings in June 1944, it became apparent that the Allies needed additional port facilities on the French seacoast. The result was the Allied invasion of southern France on August 15, 1944. Initiated by the U. S. Seventh Army, with support of a fleet of more than 50 cruisers and destroyers, seven escort aircraft carriers, five battleships and land-based fighter planes from Corsica, more than 94,000 troops and 11,000 vehicles landed on the first day. A major attack by French Resistance fighters helped drive German forces back from the beachhead in advance of the landing. This second invasion of France was a success, with a 20-mile penetration on day one. As a result, one third of the Allied supplies for the Allied advance into Germany came through this route, which included the port at Marseille. This second D-Day, called Operation Dragoon, is largely forgotten. But now you are reminded.

Larry Schapiro, Post Historian



Post 77 member Billy Wagster (center) has been recognized by the Yolo County Veterans Coalition as Yolo County veteran of the year. Billy is Veterans Services Officer for Yolo County. The Veterans Coalition is made up of all the veterans service organizations in Yolo County. Presenting the award were Post 77 Commander Al Castillo, who is also Commander of the Veterans Coalition, and member of the State Assembly, Mariko Yamada.

VETERANS DO NOT HAVE TO PAY BUSINESS LICENSE FEES

Want to get or renew a business license in California? Honorably discharged veterans do not pay business license fees where

- The veteran is sole owner of the business or co-owner with a spouse
- The business sell goods, not services
- The business does not sell alcoholic beverages (California Business and Professions Code section 16001.7)

This law applies to city and county business license fees. Thanks to Post member Ed Schmauderer for pointing this out to us.

**BEFORE SHIPPING OFF AFTER TRAINING,
NAVY RECRUIT SEAMAN CHRISTIAN DE
KNIKKER JOINED THE AMERICAN LEGION.**



Navy Seaman Christian De Knikker at Post 77's 1993 Memorial Day program with Dad, Past Commander Cal De Knikker. By the following year, Christian was helping place 18-inch American flags on veterans' grave sites. Over the last seven years, Christian attended Post 77 activities.



Just about the time that Navy OASN Christian De Knikker learned to walk, he began attending American Legion Post 77 events. Year after year, his father, Post 77 past Commander Cal De Knikker, brought him to Legion functions, big and small. Seaman Christian De Knikker can be found in many Post 77 photos, first standing about waist high to the veterans and then growing each year. Even after becoming an Eagle Scout and being able to make his own decisions as to where to spend his time, Christian continued to help on Post 77 activities.

Thus, it was no surprise to many that one of Seaman De Knikker's first acts after recently enlisting in the Navy was his decision to become an American Legion member. "I am proud to be a part of one of the best organizations in the U. S. The Legion helped me become a better person as I grew up. Now, even while I am deployed, I know the American Legion will be there for members of the Armed Forces and veterans."

Christian has finished Operations Specialist "A" School in the top 1% of his class of 400, obtaining the rank of Operations Specialist Seaman. Seaman De Knikker is now assigned to the USS Nimitz. He is the fourth generation of his family to serve in the Armed Forces.

We salute you, Seaman.

Manuel Estrada, Post 77 Second Vice Commander



As part of providing requested funeral services for any veteran in Yolo County, the Post makes flag presentations to the family of the deceased veteran. Here, on Aug. 13, after folding the casket flag, Vince Olvera salutes Corbin Smith, who afterwards handed the flag to Frank Lucchesi (r.) for presentation to Yvonne Peters, the widow of Past Commander Arlin "Pete" Peters.

**CORBIN SMITH TAKES CARE OF THE
POST HALL AND MUCH OF
EVERYTHING ELSE**

In addition to the duties of Corbin Smith's positions of Post Finance Officer and Assistant Post Adjutant, those are just part of what he does for Post 77. He is at the Post for hours a day, at least five days a week. Corbin has taken care of the needs that arise at the hall from checking cleanliness to making sure everything in the hall is in operating condition. If a repair is needed, he gets it done. Questions and problems are his daily staple. On top of that, throw in the alarm system, working with city agencies, taking care of the mail, assisting on membership, and sending out bills for day time rentals of Post parking spots. Corbin logs in incoming checks and pays the Post's bills. Importantly and emphatically, he lets the Post Executive Committee and members at monthly meetings know what is available to spend or, in many cases, not spend. This all adds up to a "wow" for the work Corbin Smith does for Post 77. As accolades are few for most any volunteer, we should all thank him for his amazing performance. And he will most likely be at the Post when you look for him.

Delbert Guise, Post 77 Executive Committee

**FIRST GULF WAR COMMENCED
20 YEARS AGO**

Veterans of the First Gulf War remember the start of Operation Dessert Shield commenced 20 years ago this August with the arrival of the first U. S. forces in Saudi Arabia after Iraq invaded Kuwait. The Navy mobilized two naval battle groups, the aircraft carriers USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, USS Independence and their escorts, to the area, where they were ready by August 8. A total of 48 U.S. Air Force F-15s landed in Saudi Arabia, and immediately commenced round the clock air patrols of the Saudi-Kuwait-Iraq border areas to discourage further Iraqi military advances. The U.S. also sent the battleships USS Missouri and USS Wisconsin to the region. Military buildup continued from there, eventually reaching 543,000 American troops.

IN MEMORIAM
ARLIN "PETE" PETERS
Post 77 Commander, 1966-67
FRANK RAMOS
"Farewell, My Comrades."

WELCOME, NEW POST 77 MEMBERS

- Jaime "Rene" Roman, Army, 1979 – 2007, Colonel, sent by the Army throughout South America and Germany.
- Albert Rimoldi, Army Air Corps, World War II, including serving in Japan after the surrender.
- Willie James, Air Force, 1966-86, served overseas for 12 ½ years, including Vietnam, Korea, Germany and Newfoundland.
- Christian De Knikker, currently serving as a Seaman in the Navy on the aircraft carrier USS Nimitz.
- Duane Chamberlain, Army, National Guard and Reserves in the 1960s.
- Richard Hagarty, Army, Navy and Air Force, 1952-74, including serving in the Cuban Blockade, Italy, France and Japan.
- Wallace Hunter, Army 1969-71, 82nd Airborne and Air Force Reserves flying in C-5s.

Marty Bernavage, First Vice Commander

POST AUXILIARY SERVES THE COMMUNITY

The Post Auxiliary will continue to be active on Post 77's community programs. This includes the luncheons on Veterans Day and Memorial Day, in addition to ironing over 2,000 flags placed Memorial Day weekend on the grave sites of veterans buried in the Woodland Cemetery. The Post 77 Auxiliary helped put on the annual August American Legion picnic for veterans living at the VA's Yountville Veterans Home. By the way, there are more and more women veterans in the Yountville Home over recent years.

The Auxiliary would like to send students from each Yolo County high school to Girls State this year. It is an outstanding week-long program. To enable us to send them, please attend our monthly dinners throughout the year.

Christine Rogers, President, Post 77 Auxiliary

POST 77 WINS NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION AWARD

You have not been reading just any newsletter. You are reading the Post 77 newsletter, winner of a second place award for best newsletter by the National American Legion among all the American Legion Posts in the country. The newsletter award was announced at the annual August National American Legion convention, held this year in Milwaukee. Post 77 is in the 250-750 members category, having a little over 500 members. With Post 77 members doing so much, there is a lot to write about.

WANT YOUR MONTHLY POST 77 NEWSLETTER IN COLOR?

Each issue of the Post 77 newsletter can be emailed to you rather than mailed through the U. S. Postal Service. The emailed version comes in color. The mailed newsletter is in black and white.


If you would like your Post 77 newsletter by email rather than through the mail, send us your name and email address at optout@yolopost77.com.



COME TO THE POST 77 HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR



Friday, Oct. 29,
7 p.m. until the
witching hour of midnight.

Do not miss the Fright Room.
There will be a band, snacks,
and a no-ghost bar. 
Costume contest with prizes.

All for \$5.

"Let there be fun."

THE OLD POST 77 ARMORY USED BY THE HOME GUARD DURING WORLD WAR I

After the National Guard unit in Woodland left for service in World War I, the Woodland Armory (purchased by Post 77 in 1919) became home during the war to the Woodland unit of the California Home Guard. With much of the U. S. Armed Forces overseas or training for World War I duty, the Woodland Home Guard (called the 6th Company), along with about 100 Home Guard units throughout California, was ready to step in, if needed, for the Army. The official War Department records state, "The [California] Governor and Adjutant General headed a State Defense [Home] Guard of men 30-50 years of age." The California Home Guard was eliminated in 1920.

The California Home Guard News wrote the following about Woodland's Home Guard unit, as follows, in its December 22, 1917 issue:

"This company is very fortunate to have as their Commanding Officer, Major W. H. Curson, retired, N. G. C. For over twenty two years he has served in the National Guard, Volunteers and in military work, so that he well understands the needs of such an organization. He is well assisted by Lieutenants Fox and Rawson, and First Sergeant Hiddleston, all men of experience. Drills are held weekly in the Woodland Armory, with a large turn out. Davis and Dixon, nearby companies, also fall in with the Woodland company, and this creates a great deal of enthusiasm. Arrangements have been completed for arms and uniforms, and the company will soon be ready for any duty. What we need and want is the proper support from our State officials."

Larry Schapiro, Post Historian



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EDITORIAL: THE FEDERAL APPEALS COURT DECISION SAYING THERE IS NO HARM WHEN PEOPLE FALSELY CLAIM TO HAVE BEEN AWARDED WAR MEDALS THEY NEVER EARNED IS ITSELF HARMFUL

A three-year-old federal law that makes it a crime to falsely claim to have received a medal from the military is unconstitutional, a U. S. appeals court panel in California recently ruled. The case overturned the conviction, under the U. S. Stolen Valor Act, against a person who lied about receiving the Congressional Medal of Honor. Two judges on the court panel issuing the decision, who apparently are not veterans, ruled that individuals making false claims of having been awarded war medals do not harm anyone. No harm to anyone? Tell that to family members of the soldier, sailor, pilot, or Marine who died in war actions or to veterans who carry wounds from their heroic efforts as they watch a liar hoist a fake medal.

There is no harm in one sense. The unscrupulous and dishonest know that no harm will come to them under the Stolen Valor Act because of that court decision. That is not the type of “no harm” that judges should be supporting. This holding by the United States Court of Appeals in San Francisco encourages those fakers to lie

about the military accomplishments they never achieved and the medals they did not earn.

One writer got it correct: “The harm is to a nation that calls upon its young people to sacrifice for their country, with the promise that their wounds or deaths will mean something concrete to society, and that their actions are honorable and worthy.”

We hope the United States Supreme Court will see this ruling to be as outrageous and repugnant as it is to those in our Armed Forces, veterans and, indeed, all patriotic Americans, and overturn this bad court decision.

Mike Phillips, Post Chaplain

HAVE A FRIEND JOIN POST 77

Do you have a friend or relative who has served in the U.S. Armed Forces, including the National Guard or Reserves? Please ask them if they would like to become a member of the American Legion, which would help support the Legion and Post 77’s patriotic and community activities.

As you can see in this newsletter, past issues, and in local newspapers, there is a lot a vet can be proud about in joining the American Legion. If I can help you with that, give me a call, Marty Bernavage at (530) 219-2237. Thanks.

Marty Bernavage, First Vice Commander