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*“Noisy” 19th District
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*Norwalk Post 359 DINNER
11986 Front Street
Norwalk, CA 90650*

562-864-9021

Regular Meeting Starts At 7:30 P.M.

19th DISTRICT OFFICERS FOR 2010-2011

OFFICER	POST	NAME	PHONE
Commander	352	William Perry	310-218-7628
1 st Vice Commander	134	Gilbert Palmer	562-464-8809
2 nd Vice Commander	496	Bill Miller	562-425-3879
3 rd Vice Commander	723	Wade Murdoch	626-852-0780
Adjutant	314	Bert Ladre	310-542-6549
Asst. Adjutant	359	Jim Potter	562-417-3137
Scribe	359	Jim Potter	562-417-3137
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Asst. Finance Officer			
Chaplain	359	Richard Benninger	562-864-7796
Asst. Chaplain			
Historian	496	Virgil Atkins	562-425-3568
Asst. Historian			
Judge Advocate	270	James T. Higuera	626-852-0780
Asst. Judge Advocate	496	Skip Clark	562-948-2186
Service Officer	314	Johnny T. Brown	310-715-6728
Asst. Service Officer			
Sergeant at Arms	51	Patrick Dowd	562-946-5355
Asst. Sgt. At Arms	51	Robert Sainz	626-336-1861
Asst. Sgt. At Arms			
Hospital Chairman	723	Wade Murdoch	562-413-6348
LACC Vice Commander	51	Art Castro	562-652-5923
LACC Exec. Committee	352	Robert Mitchell	310-625-6096
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DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Randy Parker	411	270, 272, 323, 411	562-254-3992
Eli Espinoza	272	326, 359, 477, 496, 804	323-376-1367
Bert Ladre	314	51, 184, 187, 314	310-542-6549
Robert Mitchell	352	465, 560, 688, 719, 833	310-625-6096
Dennis Radcliffe	134	27, 120, 134, 341	323-237-6064
Robert Boyd	352	170, 287, 352, 723	310-503-9644.

God Bless All Those Who Serve Our Country

**No Article
Submitted by:**



**19th District Commander
William Perry**



**1st Vice Commander
Gil Palmer**

The American Legion Department of California District standings as of 4/15/11, the 19th District is 80.54% with 3,701 members and 3,104 paid membership, our goal is 4,595. Great job, To all members recruit one person for membership. Thank you.

For God and Country
Veterans helping Veterans

palmergibby@gmail.com



**2nd Vice Commander
Bill Miller**

Hey everyone! Hope you are still having a great Legion year and enjoying the springtime in Southern California. I just wanted to again thank you for the opportunity to serve as your 2nd Vice Commander these past several months. I'd also like to thank everyone that came out to support the recent DEC in early March. What a great turnout and what a great success story for Post 496, the 19th District, and the 4th Area. We really stepped up to the plate. I'd also like to update you on VA&R. I initially reported that we made almost \$3000. I'm proud to say that is not true. After I made (what I thought was?) my final turn in, we had \$600 in donations roll in! What a nice surprise! Thanks again to everyone that supported this great cause! Finally, I'll reiterate once again that the Department Convention is just around the corner. We need your help – simple as that. Whatever you can do to help the hospitality room would be greatly appreciated. Any/all donations will be accepted. That's it. Until next time, God Bless you and God Bless America – Mildew



3rd Vice Commander Wade Murdoch

Comrades, By the time June is over, the incoming newly elected 3rd Vice Commander will work the L-1 Ward Bingo with Snacks. I wish him/her well and I asked that you continue to have your Post involved. "The incarcerated PTSD Patients" are in this Ward to heal their battle scarred veteran minds. By your service, it helps for them to relate to people from outside the Ward.

I have enjoyed serving you as the 3rd Vice Commander and will cherish the memories gained during my service. I strongly believe that Honor, Courage and Commitment is shown by the Posts that take a Bingo/Snack date to bring joy to these Patients.

We can all thank the almighty God that these medical services are available today for those returning home from harms way. *This is the Honor Roll for the Posts that took pride in going out to Long Beach Hospital L-1 Bingo. Whittier Post 51, City of Paramount 134, Montebello 272, Gilbert W. Lindsey 352, Norwalk 359, Lakewood 496, & Hollydale 723. Remember that as a Legion Family we are a chain and are only as strong as our weakest link.*

I will assist the incoming 3rd Vice Commander, the first visit to the L-1 Ward. By sharing knowledge we make our 19th District chain stronger. I wish to thank Gil Palmer, 1st Vice Commander for taking me out to show me the way around. Also, a big thank you to our Commander Bill Perry for being there on my first bingo-snack night and also my Nancy has been out and played bingo with her Auxiliary Unit 723. Bless you all for caring about these hospitalized veterans & participating in the 19th District L-1 Bingo Program. *All have my thanks & God Bless all of you for going to the L-1 ward during the months of March & April showing that you care. Bravo, Bravo to you all.*

We only have the month of June left open in this District 19 year for a Post to take a bingo date.

May 2011 Bingo Dates

May 14th Post 134
May 28th Post 51

***April 30th 19th District Barbeque (all District officer's)

June 2011 Bingo Dates

June 11th Post 134
June 25th Needs a Post

Take a date for your Post, three members can easily run the L-1 WARD Bingo. Remember service to veterans is an Honor for those that have made it back in one piece. Don't let your Post be a weak link in the 19th District Chain.

Call for one of the last Bingo date (562) 413-6348

For God and Country

**2011 Ontario Convention
June 23-26, 2011
Best Western Ontario Airport
Brian Franklin, Convention Housing Chairman - 562-277-2497
Convention Corporation President**

Comrades,

With a little over 2 months to go before convention, housing is coming along well.

As of April 6th, we have sold our block of 70 rooms, and there are still members requesting rooms. Our hotel is working with us to accommodate additional requests for room.

If any rooms are available after that, the deposit amount is \$100.00.

Lots of planning and fundraising is being conducted to make this convention a success.

Speaking of fundraising, the Convention Corporation is holding a fundraiser drawing of its own to raise seed money – a Loser’s Night Drawing on Saturday, June 4th at 6:30 pm. Bert S. Crossland Post 170 will host the event. Post 170 has held several of these drawings and they are lots of fun and bring in lots of money. Please support the drawing. Thanks for your support and see you in May and June.

befofranklin@gmail.com

**19TH DISTRICT
GUIDE TO YEARLY DOCUMENT REQUIREMENTS**

Document Requirement	When Due <i>(If applicable)</i>	Amount <i>(If applicable)</i>	WHO GETS WHAT?!				
			Department of <i>California</i>	4th Area	19th District	LA County <i>Council</i>	Post
District Per Capita	June 1, 2011 (prior to District Elections)	\$0.50 ¹ per post member			Original check		Copy of form
Consolidated Post Report	June 1, 2011		Original form		Copy of form		
<u>Outstanding</u> Dept. Obligations <i>(Post Consol. Report, etc.)</i>	June 1, 2010 (prior to District Elections)	check or form	Original		Copy		
Department Convention Delegates	<u>AT LEAST</u> 20 days prior to Department Convention	\$10.00 ² per delegate	Original form and check		Copy of form and check		Copy of form

Legend:

1. Member Post District Per Capita is \$0.25 per member based on the total members reported at the regular district meeting in May. (If your Post had 400 members by the time the regular district meeting in May took place, the amount would be: \$100.00).
2. Each Post is entitled to two (2) delegates and two (2) alternates in their own right (for their charter), and one delegate and one alternate per each 50 Post members or major fraction thereof (Department of California By-Laws, Article IX, Section 2). (Money is only paid for delegates; not for alternates.)

SPECIAL NOTES:

1. It is always acceptable to submit your documentation and/or dues requirements EARLY.
2. ALWAYS keep copies of what you submit, including copies of checks (especially cancelled checks OR receipts for cash payments).
3. Always submit documents to the Adjutant; NOT the Commander. If desired, give your post's forms to your assigned 19th District Executive Committee representative.
4. If a requirement shows up as not turned in, bring copies of what you submitted to the Adjutant at the next regular District meeting (2nd Wednesday of each month).

**19th District Convention Corporation
Loser's Night Fundraiser Drawing**

WILL YOUR TICKET WIN YOU

\$2,500.00?

**19th District Convention Corporation
Loser's Night Fundraiser Drawing**

**Bert S. Crossland Post 170,
1109 Van Ness Avenue,
Torrance, CA 90501**

Saturday, June 4, 2011

5:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

(Dinner: 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.)



Reservations for Dinner needed by 5/28/11

\$2,500 will be awarded to the holder of the winning ticket
All net proceeds will be used by the Convention Corporation to support and
facilitate annual convention operations.

Loser's Night Rules

1. 249 tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis for \$25.00 each.
Plus 1 WILD CARD ticket which will be raffled the night of the drawing.
2. Donations will be refunded if at least 200 tickets are not sold.
3. The LOSER'S NIGHT WILD CARD ticket will be Ticket No. 1.
4. The WILD CARD ticket will be raffled at \$1.00 per raffle ticket.
5. Only persons in attendance may purchase raffle tickets for the WILD CARD.
6. The WILD CARD plays and pays as any other \$25.00 raffle ticket sold.
EXCEPT: A) This ticket is a minimum \$25.00 automatic winner.
B) This ticket starts play after 150 tickets have already been drawn.
C) The name of the WILD CARD winner will be drawn at the end of the game.
7. Drawing for all other raffle prizes will be held after dinner, throughout the evening Saturday, June 4, 2011, at American Legion Post 170; the **Grand Raffle prize will be a new color TV or other comparable product.**
8. Winners are not required to be present, EXCEPT FOR THE WILD CARD DRAWING.
9. Dinner ticket not required to enter or attend drawing or raffles.
10. All the numbers will be drawn, and the LAST TICKET drawn will win the grand prize of \$2,500.

11. The tickets drawn in the following order will win the indicated amount:

DRAWING BEGINS	80 th\$25.00	160 th\$25.00	240 th\$25.00
10 th\$25.00	90 th\$25.00	170 th\$25.00	246 th\$25.00
20 th\$25.00	100 th\$25.00	180 th\$25.00	247 th\$50.00
30 th\$25.00	110 th\$25.00	190 th\$25.00	248 th\$75.00
40 th\$25.00	120 th\$25.00	200 th\$25.00	249 th\$100.00
50 th\$25.00	130 th\$25.00	210 th\$25.00	250 th\$2,500
60 th\$25.00	140 th\$25.00	220 th\$25.00	WILD CARD...\$25.00
70 th\$25.00	150 th\$25.00	230 th\$25.00	Losing Tickets (2) \$25.00 each

12. At the completion of the raffle, all losing tickets will be placed into the hopper and the first two (2) tickets drawn will receive \$25.00 each.
13. The 19th District Convention Corporation and American Legion Post 170 will not be splitting any of the prizes. The name on the purchased ticket will be the sole payee.
14. A spaghetti dinner will take place before the drawing. Dinner will be served from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
15. Dinner is \$6.00 per person.
16. No host bar.
17. Drawing will begin after dinner – approximately 6:15 p.m.
18. Decisions of the 19th District Convention Corporation and American Legion Post 170 as to the winners or interpretation of the rules are final
19. THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE 19TH DISTRICT CONVENTION CORPORATION AND AMERICAN LEGION POST 170 (Host Post).
20. **GOOD LUCK TO ALL PARTICIPANTS.**

----- *Please print all information* ----- *Tear here* -----

Name(s) on Wall
Card _____

Address _____
City, State,
Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

**DINNER RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED. PLEASE RSVP BY MAY 28th 310-320-8060
SO THE POST CAN MAKE SURE TO COOK ENOUGH.**

**WE NEED SUPPORT FROM ALL THE POSTS, FRIENDS, AND FAMILIES TO MAKE THIS A
SUCCESSFUL NITE. FOR TICKETS OR ANY OTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT
BRIAN FRANKLIN 562-277-2497 OR GEORGE NEWALL 310-982-8985.**

Documents
Received



Bars 'N No Bars

2010-2011 Legion Year	Post	Cert. Of	Post	District	Per	District	C.C.	C.C.
Updated on 4 -07-11	#	Officers	Audit	Delegates	Capita	Dues	Dues	Delegates
ARTHUR L. PETERSON	27							
WHITTIER	51							
BELL MAYWOOD	120							
CITY OF PARAMOUNT	134							
BERT S. CROSSLAND	170							
SOUTH BAY	184							
GARDENA VALLEY	187							
DOWNEY	270							
MONTEBELLO	272							
WILMINGTON	287							
HAWTHORNE	314							
ALBERT F. MAZZIE	323							
SAMUEL THOMAS	326							
LELAND A CUPP	341							
GILBERT LINDSAY	352							
NORWALK	359							
RIVERA	411							
CLYDE F. HAGER	465							
SUNSHINE ACRES	477							
LAKEWOOD	496							
HOUGHTON PARK	560							
MAYON	688							
SGT. WALTER TUCKER	719							
HOLLYDALE	723							
EUGENE A, OBREGON	804							
LINCOLN VILLAGE	833							

If you do not show documentation, please present a duplicate copy to the Adjutant.

**PLEASE GET ORIGINALS OR COPIES TO THE ADJUTANT ASAP
THIS IS AN ACCURATE ACCOUNTING OF ALL DOCUMENTATION**

Please be advised, if your Post does not have everything turned in, they will not be allowed to vote at State Convention in Ontario!

District Dues: \$5.00 LACC Dues: \$15.00 Per Capita 50 cents per member

FLASH DEADLINE

Any officer or member of the 19th District who would like to have their Post's events announced in the FLASH, please contact me by email:

flasheditor@earthlink.net or call 310-618-1198.

All articles for the June Flash MUST be at my house

either by email, snail-mail or hand delivered to:

20930 Doble Avenue

Torrance, CA 90502-1758

no later than 8:00 p.m. Friday, May 6, 2011

The deadlines for the Flash will be enforced.

Enforcing deadlines is the only way to assure the members of the Noisy 19th that the Flash will be mailed in a timely manner.

Sorry, I only type and edit the articles, I do not write them.

I'm sorry, but any articles, flyer etc. received AFTER the due date WILL NOT be included in that month's issue.

FUTURE FLASH DEADLINES

The article you write in May is for events of the month of June

June 3 For July Issue

**Thank You!
Wilma Miner, Editor**

Legion Family Calender

**Looking for a night out that won't cost
an arm and a leg? Look no further!
Good Food, Good Fun, Good Times!**

June 4 Post 170
23-26 Ontario, CA

19th District Convention Corporation
Loser's Night Fundraiser Drawing
2011 Convention

Save \$\$\$ by supporting each other's functions/events

Scheduled Meeting Dates & Locations for the 19th District



May 11, 2011

Norwalk Post 359
11986 Front Street
Norwalk, CA 90650

562-864-9021

June 8, 2011

Lakewood Post 469
5938 Parkcrest Street
Long Beach, CA 90808
562-420-1014

When your Post makes the reservations - Your Post pays for the meals.

All meetings will be on the **2nd Wednesday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.**
Dinners are at 6:30 p.m. if offered. **Reservations are a MUST for dinner.**

Include your post number and the amount of dinners to be served to your post.

Please make your reservations early so the host Post will know how many meals to prepare.

All Executive Board meetings will be held at the Norwalk Post 359 first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Please call Norwalk Post 359 regarding dinner reservations at **562-864-9021** for the May 11, 2011 meeting.

All dinner reservations must be made **at least one week in advance** when dinner is being served at the meetings.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT PAST COMMANDERS

*A. B. Waddingham	1927	*Casper C. Rea	1971
*Charles C. McGonegal	1928-29	*Robert A. Okeson	1971
*Lawrence Klinker	1930-31	*Floyd W. Schultz	1972
*Ray Hoskins	1932	Daniel M. Castillo	1973
*Art Bliley	1933	* John Hudak	1974
*Stephen M. Cope	1934	*Thomas G. Jaurez	1975
*Lawrence M. Windle	1935	Elbert W. Ralston	1976
*Arthur Longnecker	1936	J. W. McCormick	1977
*John C. Dunn	1937	*Donald R. Carter	1978
*Charles F. Walter	1938	*John E. Mummert, Sr.	1979
*Charles S. Warren	1939	*Robert R. Hart	1980
*Tracy C. Hicks	1940	*Raymond F. Borucki	1981
*Richard J. Myerscough	1941	*Patrick M. Reese	1982
*Ray F. Tucker	1942	*Lauro J. Jaime, Jr.	1983
*Raymond E. Jones	1943	Werner E. Wolf	1984
*Walter E. Mueller	1943	*Thomas Vincent	1985
*Merl W. Horn	1944	*Fernando Soto	1986
*J. E. Child	1945	Louis R. Gomez	1987
*R. Y. O'Shaughnessy	1946	Gary McCracken	1988
*Robert L. Rossier	1947	*Frances F. Borucki	1989
*Joseph F. McCann	1948	*Carl F. Shasha	1990
*Emerson C. Miller	1949	*Malcolm A. Jeffris	1991
*Ralph E. Smith	1950	*James W. Wysong	1992
*Henry S. Wilson	1951	Ray Curry	1993
*Al Kaiser, Jr.	1952	*Albert B. Clugston	1994
*W. Devore Walden	1953	James T. Higuera	1995
*Leonard G. Cross	1954	Ralph W. Shipley	1996
*H. Ed Hissey	1955	LeRoy "Lee" Spann	1997
*J. Vincent Walker	1956	John H. Holloway	1998
*Ray Kimberlin	1957	Rudy Moreno	1999
*Albert F. Mazzie	1958	Johnny T. Brown	2000
*Fredrick J. Pelletier	1959	James Potter	2001
*Thomas Pope	1960	Brian Franklin	2002
*William H. Gilmore	1961	*James Drew	2003
*Nathan Sommer	1962	Richard Benninger	2003
*Christian A. Akeo	1963	*Henry Pacheco	2004
*Maynard E. Norquist	1963	Joe Gonzales	2005
*H. Gordon Gregson	1964	Bill Musser	2006
Kenneth L. Van Sant	1964	*Frank Duddleston	2007
Marvin Jones	1965	Robert Mitchell	2008
*J. U. MacCartney	1966	Gil Soto	2009
*Raymond R. Pfluger	1967	Art Castro	2010
*Roy W. Grimwood	1968		
*Guy F. Millburn	1969		
*Clifford R. Bell	1970		
*Deceased			