



BEACH NEWS

September



2022



AMERICAN LEGION HUNTINGTON BEACH POST 133

**Next meeting is
September 14th
6:30 PM social,
7:00 PM meeting,
at the Lake Park
Clubhouse
Lake and 12th
Street**



Commander Russ Dohrmann

Post 133 has over five hundred registered members but only a handful of you show up to our once-a-month meeting or to the various social events that we sponsor. I fully Understand that the Pandemic might have kept you from attending, it negatively impacted all of us, but our Post is back up and running and the Pandemic has subsided, at least for the most part. Beginning with our September general meeting on September 14th we will re-establish our social gathering at 6:30pm before the meeting start time 7pm. Coffee, water and treats will be provided so we can have a few

minutes to visit, catch up and maybe even meet a few people that you haven't seen before. Come to the meeting and enjoy the company of your friends. These meetings are interactive, and your input is very important to the success of our ongoing commitment to our fellow Veterans and the communities we serve. For the summer months dress as you please for the meetings but **you must wear your legionnaire cover, if you have one**, which is Legion protocol. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Here's a few things that your Post has recently sponsored, in addition to our regular coffee gatherings, where "a good time was had by all."

August 13th Our 1st car show. We had one hundred classic cars on display and many visitors commented on how well the show went off. Thank you, Woody Woodworth and Robert McClish for organizing and energizing this event.

August 14th Our annual WWII Veteran's appreciation day. We celebrated this special occasion with four WWII Veterans and three Korean war Veterans. Thirty people were in attendance at Marie Callender's to celebrate and hear their stories. Thank you Bud DeWees for organizing this event.

WWII attendees – Caroline Bats, Paul Herold, Bob Spellmire, Simon Zeller.

Korean war attendees – Bob Davis, Harlan Price, Flavio Dominguez

The owner of Marie Callender's, Laura, and her staff treated Post 133 like royalty, and gave us the deal of the century on some great food as a bonus!

Upcoming September events: Our Labor Day picnic will be held on Monday at 11:30AM, September 5th at Lake Park, with fish provided and prepared by our own man of the sea Bill Siddall and sides by our own Auxiliary. There will be hamburgers and hot dogs too.

Be on the lookout in our newsletters and on our website to get the latest updates for these and other events.

In closing I'd like to share a favorite quote, it goes like this. "A **GENTLE** word, a **KIND** look, and a **GOOD-NATURED SMILE** can work **WONDERS** and accomplish **MIRACLES.**" By William Hazlitt.

September 11th ceremony will be held at city hall at 4:00 PM this year.

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UNIT 133 AUXILIARY NEWS Tina Bauer President



END OF SUMMER CELEBRATION The American Legion Family Huntington Beach 133 will have their annual Labor Day Picnic this year, on Monday, September 5th, 2022, at Lake Park, from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm. We will be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers and have side dishes and deserts. Our 2022 Girl's State Delegates and our 2022 Boys State Delegates are joining us to share their experiences. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet and talk to these young women and men that our American Legion Auxiliary Unit 133 selected for the 2022 Girls State Session and the American Legion Post 133 selected for the 2022 Boys State Session. Please RSVP to Tina Bauer by September 1st; families are welcome.

Our 2023 membership renewals early in the process have been strong this year. Thank you for your promptness. To date we have 32 members who have submitted their membership dues out of 160 total members (20%) and we welcome 14 new members. **Our current membership year is July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. Remember, if your card does not say 2023, it is time to submit your dues.** National sent renewal notices via email to your email address on record, if you did not receive an e-mail renewal notice, please check your computer email SPAM folder. Renewal notices were also sent via mail to many members. You may pay online at the National American Legion Auxiliary website with a credit card. To pay by check, please make your check payable to **American Legion Auxiliary HB 133** and send your \$30.00 payment for Senior or \$5.00 payment for Junior members via mail today to American Legion Auxiliary HB Unit 133, P.O. Box 133, Huntington Beach, CA 92648. HB Unit 133 members if you need to submit 2021 and/or 2022 past dues please contact me directly as it will be simple to bring your membership current through 2023.

ATTENTION ALL POST 133 Legionnaires, we would like to extend an invitation to join our Unit your spouse (female or male) and your relatives including daughters, granddaughters, sisters, mothers, and grandmothers. **We also welcome any women veterans to our Unit,** you can have dual membership. Please contact me if you would like a membership application.

One of the terms we reference with members and our community is the Huntington Beach American Legion Family. You may ask yourself who is involved? The HB American Legion Family is comprised of The American Legion Huntington Beach Post 133 (established in 1919); the American Legion Auxiliary Huntington Beach Unit 133 (re-established in 2002 with a new charter after disbanding in 1981 after more than 30 years in the community); the American Legion Riders Huntington Beach Chapter

133, (established in 2018) and The Sons of the American Legion Huntington Beach Squadron 133 (established in 2021). While members of The Huntington Beach American Legion Family are individually unique, collectively our membership is a powerhouse of caring advocates and volunteers dedicated to service.

Huntington Beach Unit 133 has many fundraisers throughout the year to support all our programs for Veterans and their families, care packages for our troops, education, children and youth, Girls State and our community. For the fall and winter our fundraisers are patriotic and holiday scarves for donations; each satin scarf is 14 x 60 and 100% polyester "silk feel"; and



the annual Holiday Wreath Fundraiser. We realize this is early to think about holiday wreaths, we will need to place orders mid-October for delivery after Thanksgiving. If you would like to order something from the catalogue; we can email you a PDF; all items for local delivery you will pick up when they arrive, or you can have them mailed direct from the company throughout the United States to family, friends and colleagues All wreaths are fresh/hand-made from a company in Minnesota who grows, assembles, and ships all the products .



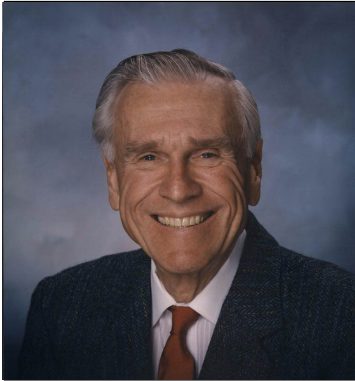
Please contact Tina Bauer for more information about supporting HB Unit 133 fundraisers.

Wishing all our members who have birthdays in September – a very happy and special day celebrating

The HB Unit 133 September 14th, 2022, meeting will be held at the Murdy Park Community Center, 7000 Norma Drive, Huntington Beach, 92647 at 6:45 p.m., the regular meeting lasts about 1 hour. Join us to meet new friends, learn about our activities, programs, and volunteering. As a reminder we are meeting at a different location than Post 133. Please let me know if you need a ride to the meeting.

Tina Bauer, phone 714-655-7333 or

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Ralph Bauer, Post 133 member and past mayor of Huntington Beach passed away.

Post 133 Honor Guard will be performing military honors.

August 14 Post 133 held our annual WWII lunch to honor our WWII members.

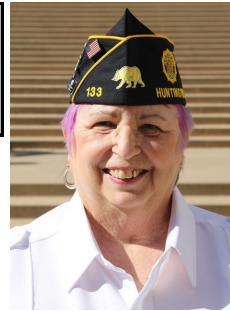


Veterans Resource Center Special Event:
 "Support Services for Aging"
 General Public Welcome.
 Tuesday September 13, 2022
 6:00pm - 7:00pm
 at the HB Central Library - Talbert Room

Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Squadron 133

You should be receiving your 2023 dues notice. National has raised dues by \$2; however, our dues will remain the same. Squadron 133 will be receiving the 2023 membership cards soon, and will be mailing them to those who have paid their 2023 dues.

1st Vice Commander Elaine Parker

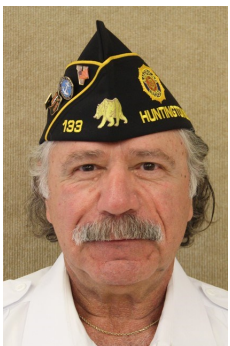


MEMBERSHIP:

2023 membership fees of \$45 (July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023) are now due. You may renew online at www.legion.org/renew or by check. Make your check payable to American Legion POST 133 and mail to: American Legion Post 133, P.O. Box 133, Huntington Beach, CA 92648.

NOTE: National has put member since 2022 on all dues notices!

2nd Vice Commander Frank Passarelli



SOCIAL CALENDAR:

Coffee: 9:00 AM September 2 & 19 at McDonald's, Goldenwest north of Yorktown.

Lunch: 11:30 AM September 28 at StoneFire Grill

Labor Day picnic September 5 at 11:30 AM at Lake Park clubhouse, Lake and 12th street.

AMERICAN LEGION HUNTINGTON BEACH RIDERS 133

American Legion Riders Chapter 133 organizes local rides throughout the month. Please check our website and Facebook page for all our upcoming events. If you are interested in joining us on any rides, or becoming a member of the Riders please email ALRchapter133@gmail.com or call (714) 393-1904 www.alrchapter133.com



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