



**American Legion  
Post 272 Montebello**

# “I Am The AMERICAN LEGION”

## Newsletter for all Legionnaires

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### From the Desk of the Commander

August 17,2021



Greetings Comrades,

We are now in our 7th week of the post's opening. There have been several functions, both in the lounge and the hall, that have been very productive and well attended.

But, as this pandemic continues, it has affected our normal lively hood and altered how we now proceed with our daily lives. Someone, 9 days from the time of this writing, was present at the Post and days later experienced Covid symptoms and tested positive. The rumor mill has placed the origin of the illness as Post 272. In speaking with the affected person, it was brought out that the person contracted the virus in the City of San Diego, during a family outing. Contrary to those exaggerators or rumor mongrels, they are incorrect in saying our Post was the cause. Our Post remains Covid free and disinfectant procedures have been put in place to combat this situation. We take our member's and visitor's health seriously. So, come by and enjoy the Post's hospitality and enjoy the functions that we have to entertain you and share comradeship with others.

The Post's next planned event will be Casino Night which will be held in the first week of October. Come and support this event as the money raised is utilized to purchase gifts for the annual Children's Christmas Party.

In closing, I hope everyone remains safe and takes advantage of the free Covid vaccinations being offered. Regardless of your personal beliefs, as a society, we need to overcome this deadly virus and return to a normal lifestyle.

Semper Fi,



Richard Muñoz  
Post Commander

From the Desk of the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander



Dear Comrades,

Good Day's Ahead, as you all probably know the post is now open. I would like to thank everyone who helped with the remodeling of our post. Whether you provided money donations or your physical labor. This spring I hope to get started on painting the outside of the post building with the paint that Home Depot donated to us. Also new plants and restriping of the back parking lot. I want to say welcome to the new Legionnaires that signed up this last month, Gilbert Solis, Ray Acevedo, Pete Garcia, Robert Ocampo, Christin Robles, Alex Rodriquez and Genoveva Cervantes, Welcome to all of you! what a way to start off with a Bang. Congrats to the Auxiliary for approx. 10 new members, as you can see this post is on its way up. I'm asking all members to please come and join in on all the new Events at the post. Also, we are having a "New Year's" Dinner and Dance. Thanks to Carlos Larios and Anthony Curz 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice, they were able to book one of the top bands around Southern CA, "Impuse" will be performing at our post. Please get your tickets early.

For 2022 membership cards:

Every year are post is in the top 6 post in the 19<sup>th</sup> District, it would be great to see us #1 at the top. Please if you can pay early. We also now take Visa, Mastercard for your payment. Let's make 2021-2022 the best we possibly can. It has been an honor to serve as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander for the last 7 years. I want to make my last year as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice the best for are members and post.

I do have 2022 membership cards now available,

I also have a new contact phone number Keith Kuba 1<sup>st</sup> Vice (909) 561-0279

The Best to all,  
Semper Fi,



Keith Kuba -USMC/USARMY  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander

From the Desk of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander



Hello Legionnaires,

We have had a tremendous first couple of months this year. I hope everyone has had a chance to enjoy our new hall and bar. As well as meet our newest bartenders, Mariah and Marisa. The Post generates a good portion of our funds from member participation at our dances and events. We have our monthly dances on the first Sunday of the month\* that greatly needs member support and participation. Casino night is right around the corner, and we need sponsors and prize donations. If you can donate anything that can be raffled off it would be greatly appreciated. We have plenty of events to keep everyone busy; so please come down and enjoy yourselves.

\*September dance is on the 12th.

GO NAVY!



Anthony Cruz  
2nd Vice Commander

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From the Desk of the 3rd Vice Commander



Greetings Legionnaires,

As the newly elected 3rd Vice of Post 272, I would like to thank you for your support and encouragement in taking on this position. I have also been elected as the first Female Captain of the Honor Guard for our Post. I take both roles seriously and I am honored to continue to serve our community with my fellow Veterans.

The Post will be hosting a breakfast on August 29th. Spread the word and join us for some home cooked Menudo along with an All-American Breakfast. Any food donations are welcome. We are also in need of volunteers to help set up and serve. Please contact me if you can help participate. I can be reached at 626-230-1249

Sincerely,

Danielle Romero  
3rd Vice Commander

From the Desk of the Adjutant



Greetings fellow Legionnaires!

We are well underway into the 2021-2022 Legion year. Our Post is finally open once again and we are excited to have all our members, their families, our friends & guests to be able to visit and enjoy a newly renovated building with a more comfortable atmosphere. Our improvements during the COVID shutdown were made possible by many volunteers that donated time, money, and materials. The entire new flooring from the main entrance into the bar office, the bar/lounge and the new commander's office was installed by none other than our own 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Keith Kuba. He has spent countless hours in this renovation project as well as with many other Post needs. For this, we are extremely grateful. He is one truly dedicated Legionnaire! Thank you, brother Keith!

Elected Leadership for the 2021-2022 Legion Year

Commander – **Richard Munoz**

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander – **Keith Kuba**

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander – **Anthony Cruz**

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Commander – **Danielle Romero**

Board of Directors:

**Carlos Castaneda**, Terry Ehlers, **Paul Garcia**, Kenneth Gonzales, **Oscar Guerrero**, Mark Gutierrez, **Gordon Johnson**, Rick Mayer, **Tino Olvera**, Luis Parocua, **Reuben Trujillo**, **Rudy Trujillo**

If you have any questions feel free to email us at [ALEGIONPOST272@gmail.com](mailto:ALEGIONPOST272@gmail.com) also, visit our official webpage at [www.AmericanLegionPost272.net](http://www.AmericanLegionPost272.net) to get up to date information on what is happening at Post 272.

Let's continue to work together to keep us moving forward in a positive direction.

Thank you for your support!

Respectfully,



Carlos Larios  
Post Adjutant

From the Desk of the Finance Officer

Comrades,

As your newly appointed Finance Officer for the Legion (fiscal)Year 2021/2022 I would like to introduce myself. My name is Dan Vasquez, a member for 54 years and a past commander of our Post 272. I have been appointed finance officer by our Post Commander Richard Munoz and it gives me great pride to serve you and our Post in this most important position.

Now for the July financial report:

The July financial report was presented, reviewed, and approved by the Board of Directors on August 9th.

The ending balance for July 31st was \$45,218.23.

Please keep in mind \$33,000.00 is from an SBA loan from the government and

The funds can only be used for Post emergencies (Taxes, Insurance, etc.) with the approval of the Board of Directors and the membership.

The balance is income derived from membership, hall rentals, donations, and special events.

The funds are shared within 16 accounts (line items) such as Administration, Building Fund, Children's Christmas Party and Veteran's Rehab Fund to name a few.

Most of the Post income comes from membership, hall rentals and special events.

So, your support is needed and appreciated in any way, like donations, paying your membership dues, attending post events. Just as all bank balances fluctuate, so will the Post balance.

Sometimes up and sometimes down. Keep your eye on it. Better still, attend the post meeting, hear it for yourself, and ask questions.

This is your/our post be a PROUD member of 272.

Looking forward to seeing you at the post.

In Comradeship,

Dan Vasquez  
Finance Officer

**Please help us keep you informed by providing your email address. Send us a message at [ALegionPost272@gmail.com](mailto:ALegionPost272@gmail.com)**

**If you have any questions, feel free to contact:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Keith @ (909) 516-0279**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Anthony @ (562) 794-8854**

**Adjutant Carlos @ (562) 756-4163**

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If so, please update your address with this form and mail it to:

**American Legion Post 272**

Attn: Membership

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