



American Legion Auxiliary Unit 512 Carmel, CA
Presidential Report for September 18, 2022
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Membership Report: 2 Juniors, 37 Seniors = 39 members total @ 84.78%
As a quick note, 10 New members were collected from our July 4th Open House, a Carmel Chamber of Commerce Function, and most importantly the welcoming feeling from the various members of our Unit and Post.

We have discussed with the Legion Post, the Sons of the American Legion, and our wonderful Auxiliary Members; how to reach out to everyone who has a question about the Post and remind them of the work we do with the Veterans. This includes those within our town, county, adjoining counties, the VTC, and all Veteran projects within the area. The majority of the conversations start with, "I had no idea that we have a Legion here in Carmel!", to which the Auxiliary reminds them that there are 10 Units within Monterey County. These comments have been reported to me from our Post Open Houses, Veteran related events in Carmel's Davendorf Park, and the Thursday Carmel Farmers' Market. Our reach into the community has been wide and accepted positively.

Part of our positive outreach is due to Robin Falkenberg, who while becoming Grand-ess-ma part two in August, has represented our unit at all the Workshops, Conventions, Installations, and important meetings; of which, many of our officers were unable to attend due to medical issues. We thank you, Robin, for always representing our Unit and making us look good.

In addition, Robin Falkenberg will be the Chair the Project Hero and the Ride-To-Recovery event on Oct 17, 2022 at the Mission Inn Carmel. Our unit will be represented; and Sons of the American Legion, Paul Martin, will be providing tables and tents for food service. Our Unit looks forward to this event every year, and will be in full force to make sure Robin and the event participants see our love for our Veterans.

The Love for our Veterans continues with Veteran of the Year Awards ceremony is on October 28, 2022. Followed by, the 12th Annual Heroes' Open Golf Tournament at Blackhorse Bayonet for the United Veterans Council of Monterey County, which will be on October 29, 2022. We have one (possibly more) of our local Veteran in the running as the Veteran of the Year. This will be a fun and lovely event. For further information, please visit <https://uvc-mc.com/> to buy tickets to the ceremony or play in the golf tournament.

Future events: Our Post Commander has planned the November 11, 2022, Veterans' Day Celebration in the Carmel's Davendorf Park and open house with BBQ at Post 512. This will be followed by a weekend-long Plein Air Art Show, 12-13 November 2022.

For our final part of the Presidential Report, we will mention the passing of the father of our Past President Melanie Barney. She sends her love to all of you, and requests condolences to be on hold as the family decides how to observe his passing.



Thank you,

President Michele Lynch
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