

The One Forty Niner

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY, WE HELP AMERICA WORK – SERVICE TO COMMUNITY, STATE, AND NATION

Monthly Newsletter of The American Legion, J.B. Clark Post 149, Escondido, California



COMMANDER | MICK SOBCHAK



Welcome to September. This is normally a busy month for The American Legion, but with the Coronavirus still restricting our ability to perform some

functions, we may have to downsize some events.

SEPTEMBER 11th is the 19th anniversary of the attack on America. We ask that everyone remember all who lost their lives on this solemn day.



SEPTEMBER 16th is the American Legion's 101st birthday. We will have a birthday cake at our Post meeting on Tuesday, September 15th. The oldest and youngest Legionnaires in attendance will receive the first two slices of cake.



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th is **POW/MIA Day**. We will be holding an event at 7 PM in conjunction with the Friday night dinner. The names of all San Diego County POW's and MIA's from all wars will be read and attached to balloons which we will release in their honor. If you are a WWII, Korea, or Vietnam veteran, you will be given priority to release a balloon.

Finally, we were able to use Zoom to allow members to attend our Post meeting via their computer or telephone. This worked out extremely well and we will continue to use this after the mandated lockdown ends. It will allow members who cannot attend to listen in and participate in the meetings.

Until next month, stay safe and remember to wash your hands.

1ST VICE | JOHN SMARTT



Members, our Post is moving forward in the face of adversity and we need your assistance in doing so. We all share a responsibility to the success of our

organization and there are many ways to serve. If you have not paid your yearly dues, please do so, as we are currently at only a 50% renewal rate at this time.

I encourage you to attend meetings when you can and participate in functions as well. The Post, Riders, Auxiliary, and Sons have been providing **DINNER** and **BREAKFAST** so please come in and enjoy a meal with us.

SPECIAL EVENTS

See calendar page and flyers for more information.

SEPTEMBER 7
LABOR DAY

SEPTEMBER 11
19TH Anniversary
"Never Forget"

SEPTEMBER 16
POST 149 101st Birthday

SEPTEMBER 18
POW/MIA Tribute

PLEASE NOTE:
The Clubroom is now OPEN
and Sunday breakfasts have
commenced.

CHECK the CALENDAR
for other POST 149
ACTIVITIES!



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2ND VICE | CLUBROOM MANAGER STEF HOLDEN



As we are moved off the County COVID-19 watch list, I'm optimistic that we will soon be able to open **Club 149**. The post continues to serve meals on Friday nights, Saturday from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Have an upcoming event? Contact our own **Club 149** Head Bartender Ms. Shannon White. She is also our Post events rental agent. We would love to add your special event to our calendar.

I and the entire staff hope to see you all very soon.

POST 149 ADJUTANT | JEFF DODDS



Summer is winding down and we are all trying to stay busy. The House Committee is remodeling the clubroom. If you have suggestions or a desire to help come on down or give me a call and I'll point you in the right direction. This is your post and your clubroom. Please share your thoughts.

Our Friday night meals and Sunday breakfast are back in full swing. And our back patio is big enough to accommodate everyone's social distance. And don't forget about paying your "Early Bird" 2021 membership dues. The SON's are already planning a special Early Bird Dinner.

My office hours are 0900 to 1300, Monday through Thursday. If you have some need to conduct business at the post outside of my office hours please let me know in advance so I can make arrangements.

Actions of Post 149 E-Board 08/11/2020

- ➔ To place the Clubroom remodel under the auspice of the House Committee.
- ➔ Remove Michael McGuire as the Post Service Officer due to his correspondence informing the Commander that he will no longer be attending meetings.
- ➔ To continue the post meals on **FRIDAYS**, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. **SATURDAYS**, 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. and **SUNDAYS**, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for an additional 30-day trial period.

CHAPLAIN | CHUCK FAUPEL



As you are reading this newsletter, we had a Celebration of Life for Shannon's (bartender) mom Kim. Wednesday the 19th. She passed away at the age of 63. Way to young. God has plans for all of us, we just don't know when. Shannon we all appreciate everything you do for us. You go way above what we expect of you. Prayers for you and your family, if you need anything, we are here for you. God bless you.

As you are reading this newsletter, Denny Papo's wife (Jackie) had a stroke, she came home on the afternoon of Tuesday the 18th. Jackie, we pray for a healthy recover. God bless you. We are for you.

I will be conducting the Memorial Service in the hall and the Celebration of Life outside on the patio on Saturday August 29th. Gathering from 2:00 -3:00. We will start the Service at 3:00 for Leion Dix. Retired Navy (1975-1995). Renee's

Gonzales Her Father passed away June 6, 2020 It will be held at Post 149 Escondido.

Bill Beatty Legionnaire/American legion rider, his wife passed away on August 2nd, 2020.

Prayers for you and your family. God bless you brother.

Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord.

—Lamentations 3:40

Our modern philosophy of self-reliance and self-sufficiency has caused many to believe that we can make the grade without God. "Religion," they argue, "may be all right for certain emotional people, but you can't beat a man who believes in himself." But this self-confident generation has produced more alcoholics, more dope addicts, more criminals, more wars, more broken homes, more assaults, more embezzlements, more murders, and more suicides than any other generation that ever lived. It is time for all of us to take stock of our failures, blunders, and costly mistakes. It is about time that we are putting less confidence in ourselves and more trust and faith in God.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY | CATHY WATHEN PRESIDENT



Once again, we conducted our monthly meeting without a quorum, only 6 in attendance. We are researching the possibility of conducting our meeting via Zoom. The District Auxiliary meeting was on Zoom and it had 24 members attend.

With COVID 19 still putting restrictions on almost everything this may be the answer!! Watch you e-mail for updates.

During our round table discussion we voted to donate \$350 to Homeless Vets of San Diego to sponsor 5 Vets, the Salvation Army \$200 to feed the homeless and \$200 to the Auxiliary Backpack program. An e-mail was sent to all members for approval. Thanks to everyone who responded.

With Thanksgiving and the Children's Christmas Party right around the corner we're not sure what will happen. As they get closer we will be making final decisions. Everyone pray for this virus to stop spreading and our lives get back to some sort of normal.

Since the Legion is allowed to serve meals we will still be serving breakfast on the 1st Sunday and dinner on the 3rd Friday of the month. September menu is as follows;

Sunday, September, 6th our special will be Chorizo and eggs plus our usual eggs to order, ham, sausage, biscuits and gravy or blueberry pancakes. Everything cooked to order. It is a time to get out our house and enjoy a great breakfast.

Friday, September, 18th we will be serving our famous **Cook your Own Steak BBQ** with all the fixins, baked potato, corn, rolls, salad and dessert. What a great way to end the summer!!

Thanks to all the members who have sent in there Auxiliary dues. Karen Turpin is busy processing them, with a new company handling the renewals it is easier to monitor the payment process. You may pay \$30.00 by check to ALA Unit 149 or you may now pay online. If we receive your dues before November you will be entitled to a free early bird dinner. So pay early and get that bird stamp on your 2021 card.

My thanks to everyone who supports the Auxiliary and everything we do for our Veteran's and their families.

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY IRENE CLINGMAN | PR CHAIR



Auxiliary Donates \$200 Check, Food, and New Kitchen Items to **Helping Hand Worldwide** for Military Families

On Tuesday, August 11, Helping Hand Worldwide held a food distribution for military families at San Clemente High School. Due to

the COVID-19 virus, we are unable to travel onto base at Camp Pendleton; however, military members and families are allowed travel off base. As a result, this organization set up off site locations in San Clemente to serve the north area of the base and in Oceanside to serve the south areas of Camp Pendleton. All food is delivered by volunteers into the trunk of the vehicles so there is no personal contact. Military families are required to sign up ahead of time and then ID's are checked as vehicles move through the lines.



Helping Hand Worldwide



Pictured left to right: accepting check is Sita Helms, Executive Director Helping Hand Worldwide and Irene Clingman, Chair of Public Relations and Food Challenge



LABOR DAY TRIVIA

Peter J. McGuire, a carpenter and labor union leader, was the person who came up with the idea for Labor Day. He thought American workers should be honored with their own day. He proposed his idea to New York's Central Labor Union early in 1882, and they thought the holiday was a good idea, too.

On this date, President Grover Cleveland signed S. 730 into law declaring Labor Day a national holiday. Since 1882, Labor Day had been celebrated at the local and state level. From 1887 to 1894, 23 states enacted a Labor Day holiday.

CLUBROOM COMMITTEE CHAIR | KEITH RICHTER



As we still navigate through this new type of world that we live in, a lot has been accomplished with the Club Room. Personally, I want to thank all who have contributed to the renovations that have taken place thus far. First and foremost, I

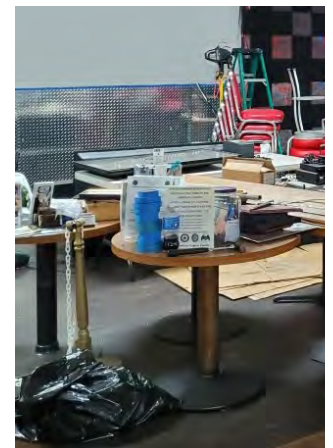
would like to apologize to anyone one who was offended by my article in the August addition. My comments were directed towards the clubroom only not the post as a whole.

So with that said a lot has been taking place behind the scenes. We have been working to acquire live entertainment, with five bands waiting in the wings wanting to play. We are still waiting for the updated word from the county so that we are compliance with all guidelines set fourth.

There has been comments about my lack of participation when it comes to volunteering. Some may be aware that my wife is three years post-op from a liver transplant and has a compromised immune system. As a result, my participation in volunteering is very limited, but that doesn't mean I cannot contribute in some way when I'm able.

Thank you for your understanding as we move forward in making our clubroom an enjoyable experience for all to share in.

CLUBROOM RENOVATIONS...



POST MEMBERS FREE BIRTHDAY MONTH BREAKFAST

At the Post Officers Breakfast in your birthday month - All you can eat buffet

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
AUGUST 30 AL RIDERS Breakfast (Steak and Eggs) 11 AM-4 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	AUGUST 31	1 1-5 PM Baker Mtg. 6 PM VFW Mtg. (Hall)	2	3	4 6 PM KEY CLUB Dinner Pork Loin, Scalloped Potato, Green Beans and Icecream (Hall)	5
6 8-11 AM Auxiliary Breakfast Eggs to Order \$9 11 AM-4 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	7 	8 5:30 PM Post Finance Mtg. (Conf. Room) 6 PM Post E-Board Mtg. (Conf. Room)	9	10 Noon-4 PM Escondido Arts Assoc. Mtg. (Hall)	11 6-8 PM BROTHERS 6 BBQ (Hall) 	12 9 AM - 2 PM Area 5 Vice Commanders Mtg.
13 8-11 AM Sons Breakfast All You Can Eat Buffet \$10 9 AM - 2 PM Area 5 Vice Commanders Mtg. 11 AM-4 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	14	15 6 PM Post General Mtg. (Hall) 6 PM Auxiliary Mtg. (Conf. Rm)	16 	17	18 6 PM Auxiliary Dinner COOK YOUR OWN STEAK (Hall)  7 PM Honoring POW/MIA	19 8 AM We Clean Escondido
20 8-11 AM Post Officers Breakfast All You Can Eat Buffet \$10 11 AM-4 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	21 6 PM House Committee Mtg. (Patio)	22	23 5:30 PM Dinner on the Patio 6 PM AL Riders Mtg. (Patio)	24	25 6 PM KIWANAS Dinner Lasagne, Corn, Salad and Dessert (Hall)	26
27 40 et 8 Breakfast (Steak and Eggs) (Hall) 11 AM-4 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	28	29	30	OCTOBER 1	OCTOBER 2	OCTOBER 3

AMERICAN LEGION FUNDRAISER Hosted by: THE GOLDEN EGG OMELET HOUSE

When you go to The Golden Egg Omelet House and enjoy a meal, the American Legion Post 149 can earn 10% of all food and beverages purchased. Mention that you are there to support the American Legion Post 149 and have them write it on the bill.

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