



# The One Forty Niner

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

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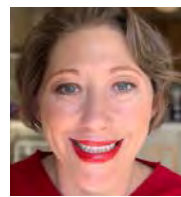


Comrades, our 2nd Vice Commander, Stef Holden, Finance Officer, Art Lubben, and Adjutant, Jeff Dodds, SAL member, Bill McNaughton and I have been working very hard in

preparation for this year's VetFest and Veterans Day parade. We had a very successful first-time event in 2019 but had to cancel last year because of COVID. This year's parade and VetFest at the post will be held on Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. I am asking all our Post members and their families and friends to come out and show your support for our Veterans and our Post. We will have a special Veterans seating area along the parade route at the corner of Grand and Broadway. There will be 50 chairs there for you and your family to sit and enjoy the parade. We will also have a small float featuring our Local Veterans. There will be seating on the float for 18 of our Veterans. The float will be parked on Grand near Orange St. Please put on your old uniform (if you can still fit in it) or just wear your Legion cap or military t-shirt. Everyone who participated in 2019 had a wonderful time. This will be on a first come, first served basis so please try to get there before 8:00 to reserve a seat. If the seats are full when you get there, just head over to the Veterans seating area at Broadway. Just after the parade will be the VetFest event at our Post with a special ceremony, food, a Veterans art show and sale, displays, live music, etc. Please come out and support our Post. Thanks.



**FIRST VICE | JEN HOLDEN**



**In Flanders Fields**

*By John McCrae*

*In Flanders fields the  
poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row  
on row,*

*That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,  
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:*

*To you from failing hands we throw*

*The torch; be yours to hold it high.*

*If ye break faith with us who die*

*We shall not sleep, though poppies grow*

*Flanders fields.*

As Veteran's Day approaches this poem written about the First World War comes to mind. I learned this poem in high school and it has moved my heart. I want to thank all our members and other veterans for their service. This country is only made possible by the men and women who serve.

**God bless America**



## SPECIAL EVENTS

See calendar page and flyers for more information.

NOVEMBER 11  
VETERANS DAY

NOVEMBER 12  
VFW Dinner

NOVEMBER 13  
VetFest

NOVEMBER 15  
Auxiliary Dinner

NOVEMBER 20  
Early Bird Dinner

NOVEMBER 28  
VFW Gourmet Breakfast

BUNKO  
Every Thursday 6 PM

KARAOKE  
Every Friday 7 PM



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## SECOND VICE | CLUBROOM MANAGER | STEF HOLDEN



My Fellow Legionnaires.

As we move ever closer to the Escondido Veterans Day Parade (VetFest), I cannot begin to tell

everyone what a privilege it has been to serve as a Co-chair for this exciting event. All are highly encouraged to join us on November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 in the morning to view the parade happening up and down Grand Ave. As you view the parade, be sure to check out the various patriotic storefront displays as well as visit the military and sponsor displays at the Maple Street Plaza.

The VetFest celebration at the American Legion Post 149 starts at 12:30pm, There will be a Veteran's Day Ceremony, 3 different lunch vendor options, Sponsor and Military Displays, a veteran art show, auction and sale, wine tasting provided exclusively by the Cheval Winery, Veterans Services organizations booths as well as live music provided by "The Jesse Cox Syndrome". Please come out and be a part of this epic event as so many of your Legion family have invested countless hours in order to make this the spectacular VetFest celebration that it is sure to be!

## POST 149 ADJUTANT | JEFF DODDS



November is upon us.  
Holidays coming up.

Unfortunately, the Post 149 Thanksgiving Dinner tradition has fallen victim to the rising food prices

and supply chain shortages. Due to forces beyond our control, we will not be putting on a Thanksgiving Day dinner this year. Please take a look at our calendar and support the meals we will be hosting.

November 11<sup>th</sup> will be the last day to get your Earlybird stamp on your 2022 membership card. And I'm sure the Sons of The American Legion are planning another assume Earlybird meal, so it is well worth the early dues payment.

My office hours are 1000 to 1400 Monday through Thursday. Friday by appointment. Please stop by to say hello and join me for a cup of coffee.

### Actions of Post 149 E-Board

10/13/2021

- ◆ To enter into a contract with the Kiwanis Club of Escondido-Hidden Valley, which will meet in the Conference Room the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month from 5:00PM to 8:00PM, with an annual donation of \$500.00.
- ◆ To retain the \$200.00 security deposit paid by the Ezpirita Party rental on 09/25/2021. The \$200.00 will be divided, \$100.00 each, to the two bartenders that worked the event.
- ◆ Post member Bill Stintsman was ratified as the chair of the newly formed Grant Committee.

## CHAPLAIN | CHUCK FAUPEL



We lost (2) of our Mentors to Post Everlasting. Department of California 5<sup>th</sup> area Vice Commander Harry Woods and (Past Commander) Ed Grimsley

on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021. We are mourning the loss of our friends who made an impression on everyone. You are in our Prayers as you pass through this dark valley.

Sal member Luke Mahan Mother (Paula) went to be with our Father. Our deepest condolences go out to you and your family.

Jim Botts had heart surgery on October 11<sup>th</sup>. He's home and doing very well. Prayers for a fast recovering.

Tony Azares fell and broke his knee cap. He will be going to the hospital for abdominal surgery because they finally found out when they removed his gallbladder, they left parts of the bile duct with stones in between his pancreas and liver. I promise we won't pretend that we can cook for you. How's take out sound.

*What did Jonah's family say when he told them about what happened before reaching Nineveh? "Hmm, sounds fishy."*

*What was Moses' wife, Zippora, known as when she'd throw dinner parties? "The hostess with the Moses."*

*Why couldn't the Israelites initially enter the Promised Land? It wasn't the Pinky Promised Land.*

*What did the classmate say when asked why they kept walking next to the same person at school? "I was told I'm supposed to walk by Faith!"*

*Which Bible character was super-fit? Absalom*

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## AUXILIARY PRESIDENT | CATHY WATHEN



I find it hard to believe 2021 has gone by so fast!!

Thanks to all the ladies who attended the Auxiliary meeting on Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. Lots of things to discuss for the upcoming holiday season.

Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> will be our monthly breakfast. Our special this month will be omelets cooked just the way you like them. Gloria will be making pumpkin pancakes for the holiday season. The usual ham/sausage and eggs cooked any way you like with home fries, biscuits and gravy, coffee and juice are all on the menu. What a deal for \$10.00, hope to see you!!

**Friday, November 15**, Shrimp Linguini, bread sticks, salad and dessert served from 6 to 7:30pm.

The Children's Christmas Party is on the schedule for **Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup>** from 1pm to 3pm. A sign-up sheet is available in the hall and clubroom; the deadline for sign up is November 30<sup>th</sup>. All Legion Family members' children, grandchildren and family members' ages infant to 10 years old are invited. Please remember to include their gender and age on the sheet. Lunch will be served before the arrival of

Santa, who will deliver presents for all the kids. **YOU MUST SIGN UP TO GET A GIFT FROM SANTA!!**

Ladies we have a bake sale planned for our breakfast on **Sunday December 5<sup>th</sup>**. If you would like to donate some of your favorite baked goods for the sale please contact me for a time to bring them by the Legion. Everyone's favorite smoked pork chops and pumpkin pancakes will be served along with our regular menu. We hope to see everyone!

A reminder to all, **our ongoing FOOD CHALLENGE TO ALL THE POST MEMBERS, RIDERS, SONS, DAV AND VFW MEMBERS** needs your help. Irene's hard work has paid off and she reported that we have collected over 1300 lbs. so far this year. Please put your donations in the gray bin in the clubroom, remember to put your name and group on the bag so we can credit your organization. Let's see who will win the Challenge this year!! We are asking for stuffing, yams, pumpkin pie mix or any other holiday dinner items. Remember no expired items or glass jars can be accepted. Thank you all for your continued support.

We are still looking for ladies to become more active in the Auxiliary. It lots of fun and you get to meet wonderful people.

Once again thank you for your support. Unit next month!!

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Commander Mike Frank and Harold Olson presenting Briana Elfolson from Escondido Charter High School with a certificate and \$150.00 check for winning our annual Oratorical competition.

## SAL COMMANDER | BRUCE WAY



October was a busy month. I hope everyone had the opportunity to come out and join in the activities at Post 149.

The Sons, again, will have the honor of hosting the **Earlybird Dinner** for those American Legion Family members that paid their membership dues early. We plan to have another Saturday BBQ type event on the back patio. So, plan to be here on **November 20<sup>th</sup>** for that.



## AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY IRENE CLINGMAN | PR CHAIR



**Food Challenge for Military Families.** On Tuesday, October 5th, I attended the military food distribution drive-through event with our food donations. The event was held at the Melba Bishop Recreation Center on River Road in Oceanside. From June 30

through October 4, we generated 229.06 pounds of food along with non-food items such as a wristwatch, stick vacuum, chafing dish set, baking dish with metal rack, a TV sound bar, diapers, and a stainless steel steamer pot. Final food donations thus far since January 2021 equals 1,339.24 pounds. For the last few years my hopes were that we would reach a goal of 1,500 pounds of food and we may meet that goal this year. Thanksgiving and Christmas will soon be here and at the present time our country is facing difficulties with transportation issues with ships sitting outside loading docks with no clear plans to move ahead and get ships unloaded and to move shipments to their shipping locations. While food is still available in many places, we may be facing a shortage of food, electronics, and toys for the holiday season. Let's make sure we meet the needs of our military families and veterans as we shop by picking up some items appropriate for holiday meals such as canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, mashed potato packets, canned meat, canned vegetables, and bakery items to bake such as cake mixes, brownies, etc. Again, a special thank you to all who donate. We welcome large and small donations of food and/or cash donations. Reminder, no glass or outdated

items. Donations can be dropped in the food bin which is located at the Legion's Hall or in the bar area.

### Donations from the Ladies In-Stitches Group of Madrid

**Manor** – Once again, we have received very beautiful handmade items from this group. This time we received 3 baby blankets, 15 blankets of various sizes that included 14 crochet blankets and 1 fleece blanket; 5 burp cloths, 1 baby hat with matching scarf, 1 adult hat with matching scarf, 1 medium size hat, 16 adult size scarves, and 3 beautiful quilts that were handmade and stitched. Our Post serves as the collection and distribution of these items on behalf of the ladies and I distribute the items according to their wishes.



The above stated items were delivered to Interfaith Community Services with the exception of the adult scarves which will be distributed to cancer patients via Ann Marie and Diane. Items from the ladies have been distributed to military families, veterans at the VA Hospital, an Escondido Preschool, and Interfaith

Community Services in the past. A special thanks to the In-Stitches Ladies who create beautiful items to help meet the needs of our community.

**Poppy Committee** – In September we received poppy supplies to create those beautiful red poppies to remind us of the sacrifices and blood shed during times of war. The poppy has been designated as one way we can serve our veterans. Each year, the month of May has been designated as National Poppy Month and we offer poppies and gratefully accept donations in which all funds donated goes back to the needs of veterans. There are no administrative fees except each auxiliary post must pay for the materials to make the poppies. Our Poppy Committee is down to three people with Arlene Cox and myself making the poppies



and Barbara Burwell attaching the labels to the poppies. Last month, we generated 3,000 poppies and last Monday I received another supply to make an additional 4,000 poppies. This is only the beginning process and by the time we finish usually no later than mid-April, a total count of more than 60,000 + will have been made. Our auxiliary works together with Lois Cornish who manages this project for District 22. Lois works with military members at the WAVE Center in San Diego who actually make poppies as part of a rehabilitation program which helps to graduate these members back into the social and work life with many graduating into a paid position. For every poppy our committee makes, it generates **10 cents per poppy** with the funds being paid to those military members in the program. We actually worked with an individual suffering with PTSD who stated that making poppies helped to calm him down and that before he never thought creating craft items would have that beneficial effect on him. In the past, we had an actual committee of 10-15 members. Now we are looking for volunteers to join our committee. Once trained, you may work from home! It's really easy work to make and we are hoping that you might like to join our cause. Contact me with your desire to help! [iclingman@cox.net](mailto:iclingman@cox.net), or see me at the post.




**EARLYBIRD** **BBQ**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>**  
**4:00PM TO 7:00PM**

**\$10.00 DONATION**


**FREE FOR LEGION FAMILY WITH AN**



**ON THEIR 2022 CARD**  
**EARLYBIRD**

**PULLED PORK**  
**BBQ CHICKEN**  
**COLESLAW**  
**BEANS**  
**AND DESSERT**





**CHEF MARK**  
presents dinner brought  
to you by  
VFW Post 1513  
Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 P.M.

## Menu

### *Homemade Chicken Pot Pie*

*Individually made flaky crusted pie.  
With chunks of light & dark meat chicken,  
carrots, celery, onion, green beans,  
and corn, in a rich, thick  
roasted chicken gravy.*

**SERVED WITH**  
*Potato Leek Soup, and  
a baby green salad*

**FOR DESERT**  
*A warm chocolate fudge brownie  
with vanilla ice cream.*

**\$10**

# 2nd Annual VetFest and Parade on Grand



## SAVE THE DATE NOVEMBER 13, 2021

- **Veterans Day Parade on Grand - Kicks off at 9:30**
- Grand Avenue Patriotic Storefront Display Contest
- Military and VetFest Sponsor Displays on Maple Street Plaza
- VetFest at American Legion Post 149 beginning at 1:30
  - Veterans Day Ceremony
  - Lunch
  - Sponsor and Military Displays
  - Veteran Art Show, Auction, and Sale
  - Kids' Zone
  - Veteran Services Organizations Booths

[www.escovetfest.org](http://www.escovetfest.org)

**JB Clark American Legion  
Auxiliary Unit 149**

**230 E. Park Ave, Escondido**

**November 15<sup>th</sup> from 6 until 7:30**

**Shrimp Linguini**



**Bread Sticks, Mixed Green Salad**

**And Dessert \$10.00**

**All Proceeds go to support  
Veterans and their families**





## Chef Mark Presents

Breakfast brought to you by  
VFW Post 1513

Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 – 11:00 A.M.

### BREAKFAST MENU

Each breakfast comes with your choice of a homemade crispy fried hash brown patty or a serving of potatoes O'Brian, a serving of fresh cut seasonal mixed fruit, serve yourself coffee, tea, and toast or biscuit.

***Biscuit & Gravy: \$8*** Two eggs any style, with a fresh baked buttermilk biscuit split and topped with a large serving of homemade sausage gravy.

***The Traditional Breakfast: \$9*** Two eggs any style, two bacon or sausage, and two buttermilk pancakes.

***The Sweet Thing: \$10*** Two eggs any style, two bacon or sausage, a serving of blueberry cheesecake French toast casserole, with blueberry compote topping.

***The South of Border: \$11*** Breakfast quesadilla with eggs, cheese, ranchero style black beans, spinach, mushrooms, salsa, avocado, sour cream, and two bacon or sausage.

***Chef Mark's Special: \$12*** A Crab Cake Benedict, with two large, homemade, real crab, crab cakes served on a toasted English muffin with melted Monterey Jack cheese, poached eggs, and hollandaise sauce.

*Potatoes O'Brian are cubed potatoes crispy fried then mixed with fried red and green bell peppers, onions and seasoning.*

**All breakfasts are made to order, and should be served within 15 minutes.**



# Santa

is Coming to Post 149

Saturday, December 4th

1 PM to 3 PM

Gifts for children, ages infant to 10 years old

Burgers, Hot Dogs, Mac and Cheese

Jello and Juice free for the kids.

REMEMBER to SIGN UP your children

BEFORE November 30th

Sign-up sheets will be posted on the  
bulletin boards in the HALL and CLUBROOM.

(Children MUST be signed up by November 30, 2021

to receive a GIFT from Santa)

Merry Christmas to All!!!

**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
<b>10/31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 4-5 PM Teamsters Local 911 (Hall) 6-8 PM VFW Post 1513 Mtg. (Hall) 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	<b>5</b> 7-10 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 8-11 AM Auxiliary Breakfast Eggs to Order \$10 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)  DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS	<b>8</b> 6-7 PM EVC Meeting (Conf. Rm.) 7-8 PM VetFest Meeting (Conf. Rm.)	<b>9</b> 5:30-6 PM Finance Mtg. (Conf. Rm.) 6-7:30 PM Post E-Board Mtg. (Conf. Rm.) 6-7:30 PM DAV Chapter 70 Mtg. (Hall)	<b>10</b> 6-7:30 PM AL Sons Meeting (Hall)  ★ USMC Birthday	<b>11</b>  5-8 PM Kiwanis of Escondido (Conf. Rm.) 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	<b>12</b> 5:30-7 PM VFW POST 1513 Dinner (Chicken Pot Pie) \$10 (Patio) 7-10 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	<b>13</b> 8:30 AM-12 PM Blue Star Moms (Patio) 10 AM-12 PM 173 Airborne Assn. (Conf. Rm.) VETFEST 1:30- (Hall and Patio)
<b>14</b> 8-11 AM Sons Breakfast All You Can Eat Buffet \$10 3-7 PM Polish Club (Hall) 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 6-7:30 PM Post General Mtg. (Hall) 6-7:30 PM Auxiliary Mtg. (Conf. Rm.) 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	<b>17</b> 6:30-8 PM VFW Auxiliary Mtg. (Conf. Rm.) 6:30-8 PM LRC (Patio)	<b>18</b> 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	<b>19</b> 6-7 PM AUXILIARY Dinner (Shrimp Linguine) \$10 (Hall) 7-10 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	<b>20</b> 4-7 PM EARLY BIRD Dinner (Free with Early Bird stamp) \$10 Pulled Pork, BBQ Chicken, Coleslaw, Beans (Patio)
<b>21</b> 8-11 AM Post Breakfast Buffet with Eggs to Order \$10 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	<b>22</b> 6-7 PM Post 149 House Committee Mtg. (Patio)	<b>23</b> 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	<b>24</b> 5:30 PM Dinner on the Patio (Chicken Tacos, Rice and Beans) 6:30-8 PM Post 149 AL Riders Mtg. (Patio)	<b>25</b>  NO Post 149 Thanksgiving Dinner	<b>26</b> 7-9 PM GAME NIGHT (Patio) 7-10 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	<b>27</b> 9-10 AM We Clean Escondido
<b>28</b> 8-11 AM VFW Breakfast Gourmet Breakfast \$8-\$12 (Hall) 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	<b>12/1</b>	<b>12/2</b> 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	<b>12/3</b> 7-10 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	<b>12/4</b>

**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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Commander Mike Frank, Sgt-at-Arms Jim Botts joined Rafael Del Vecchio, Penu Pauu, Tony Azares, Roland West, and several others for the escort home of US Marine Lance Corporal Nikoui in Ontario last month.

**The Golden Egg Omelet House**  
Fundraiser 10% of Food & Beverage Contributed to Organization  
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