

# 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 | JEN HOLDEN



I want you all to know I will be running again as your Commander. I would be honored to have your support and vote. I also ask that you attend the meeting on May 16th to

participate in the nominations and voting for your elected officers.

As my year as your Commander comes to a close I want to say thank you and well done to our Adjutant, Bill Stintzman. He keeps this place running and makes me look like an excellent Commander. Please acknowledge all the hard work he does to keep our Post functioning like a well oiled machine. I commend the Club Room staff for all the work they do to keep our customers and post members happy and comfortable. I don't know if you hear it enough, THANK YOU! The five of you give your all to this post. Last, but not least. They are a small group but without which our Post wouldn't be clean or fit for habitation. Greg, Connie, and Jorge work hard and for little credit. You never look for recognition for your deeds. These things do not go unnoticed by me. Give them a hi five, fist bump, or pat on the back.

To the American Legion Riders Chapter 149, the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 149 and the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 149: THANK YOU for all the things you do to support the Post. The Post could not function without your organizations.



## FIRST VICE | PAUL MCNAMARA

As many of you know, we are staffing a booth at the upcoming Street Faire in May. This is a great opportunity to share the values and benefits of the Legion and its family of organizations, to tell the community about our continued service to the community and as importantly, offer them the opportunity to join if they qualify.

It is not lost on us that we have a 20-year era of veterans who served in the Middle East, but have not recognized what they are missing through association with the Legion. Quite frankly, when we think about it as active members, it is a shame they have not gathered with us, and reaped the benefits of their service. I think we should change that and be more vocal about our great organization. To that end, I am going to ask you to serve our country for 2 more hours at the Faire. How? By signing up for a 2-hour shift. We will need a few folks to help set up and break down at the start and finish. And then we will need at least 2 comrades for each 2 hour shift. I will pass a sign-up sheet around at our next meeting. Please clear your calendars and consider signing up. Thank you.

We have three new members this month! Thanks for all your recruiting efforts.

## SECOND VICE | CLUBROOM MANAGER | STEF HOLDEN



Hello once again to all legionnaires, Sons and Auxiliary!

The Escondido Street Festival will be held May 21st on Grand Ave.

The American Legion will have a booth at the festival and we are

looking for volunteers to man the booth. Please see 1st Vice Paul McNamara if you wish to contribute to this fun event.

The Auxiliary will be hosting a dinner on Friday, May 19th and The Kiwanis Club will be following suit on Friday, May 26th. We hope to see you all come out to support these wonderful organizations!

On Sunday, May 29th, the VFW and the American Legion will be holding our annual Memorial Day Celebration from 1100-1500. Lunch will be served.

I wish to close out the letter to remind you all that Club 149 now host Karaoke every Friday night!

See you all at the 149!

## KEY DATES

See calendar page and flyers for more information.

**MAY 14**

Mothers Day Buffet

**MAY 16**

Post 149 Auxiliary Mtg

**MAY 29**

Memorial Day

Check Calendar for  
FRIDAY Dinner and  
SUNDAY Breakfast  
Schedules

**BUNCO**

Every Thursday 6-8:30 PM

**KARAOKE**

Every Friday 8-10 PM

## POST 149 ADJUTANT | BILL STINTSMAN



OK, folks, let's get some things straightened out here. First: I, the Post Adjutant, DO NOT send out mailed notifications to remind members to pay their dues. Those fancy membership statements you receive in the mail telling you to pay your dues are not a product of the Post, they come directly from The American Legion National Headquarters membership department in Indianapolis, Indiana. Second: once I receive your payment, it gets entered into the national database and takes, on average, three weeks for the membership department to finalize the renewals processed at the post level. This means that even though you paid your dues and received your renewed membership card, National Headquarters membership department is not yet caught up and still mails you more renewal reminders. Third: there are roughly 3 million American Legion members scattered across the planet. Technological advancements in computer programs have allowed the processing of membership to be months faster than it was in years past, but there are still millions of members out there facing the same dilemma as you are when you receive multiple renewal notices over several months. And lastly: if you mail me a second payment for the same dues' year, I will mail that second payment back to you. I can't apply that payment to your next year's dues because the next membership year is not active until June of each year. It amazes me how many problems this causes, and how many members think this is a Post Adjutant problem. I assure you; it is not.

## CHAPLAIN | CHUCK FAUPEL



Mike Frank's (Past Commander/AL rider) Mother Departed this life and went home to be with the Lord on April 17th. You are in our thoughts. Prayers for you and your family.

We did a Celebration of Life for Luke Mahan (Brothers of 6 & Sons of Legion) Service on March 26th. Had a great turnout. Keep their family in your prayers.

Keith Butler (Legionnaire and AL rider) had some health concerns last month. Had two stents put in. Home and recovering.

Information: Memorial Day next month. Memorial Day is a national holiday to mourn and recognize America's veterans who have died while serving in the United States armed forces. The day is observed on the last Monday of May and is marked with parades, services, a moment of silence, or visits to cemeteries and memorials.

It is a day where we remember and grieve for those who died in wars and deliberate on the price of war while also paying tribute to our fallen heroes.

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

—Psalm 19:1-3

## AUXILIARY PRESIDENT | CATHY WATHEN



An update on the closure of Unit 149. After a very long meeting and lots of discussion we have voted to put the Unit in an inactive status. You will still retain your membership but the Unit will not be actively doing any programs and fund-raising meals. It will remain inactive until we can find new members to take key positions. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sunday May 7th our breakfast special will be Chorizo and eggs. Also on the menu is Sausage, ham, eggs any way you like, home fried potatoes, biscuits and gravy with blueberry pancakes, juice and coffee. Come and enjoy a great homecooked breakfast.

Friday May 19th Shannon will be cooking Green and Red Chicken or Beef Enchiladas, rice and beans with mandarin orange cake for dessert. Dinner is served from 5:30 until the food runs out.

Keep the donations coming for Camp Pendleton. Thank You to everyone who has donated to this worthy cause. Canned Tuna, Chicken, Pastas, Rice, box Mac & Cheese, healthy Cereals PB&J these are just a few of items needed. Put all donations in the gray bin in the hall, please no expired items or glass jars can be accepted.

Please try to attend our next meeting on May 16th in the conference room at 6pm.

Till we meet again, Cathy Wathen, President Unit 149, 760-717-1425 Cathywathenwatt@gmail.com

## SAL COMMANDER | KEITH BELL



Our next meeting, being the Annual Meeting on May 10th, will have Second Nominations of Officers and Election of Officers. I want to thank all Officers and Volunteers for helping with events and membership. We have reached our goal of 100% membership by April 15th. With fourteen new members. We need help retaining members. If you know past members, help us stay connected with them.

Our 1st Annual Summer Pro Wrestling will be June

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10th with limited tickets. Posters for the event will be posted with information for purchasing tickets. The 3rd Annual Fall Pro Wrestling is in the planning for October. We still have tickets for the Milwaukee seven tool combo kit worth \$1200.00 and hope to have a drawing at next breakfast. Our next "All You Can Eat" Breakfast will be Mother's Day, May 14th. Hope to see you for meeting and breakfast.

### Service Officer | Kevin Wood



Did you notice the flag was missing? A volunteer was able to fix the top of the pole and your flag is back proudly flying in front of Post 149.

Want to check something off your bucket list? How about riding in a bucket 40 feet off the ground with a view of Escondido and the surrounding area and a paint brush in your hand? The pole still needs to be prepped and painted. We're not asking you to fall on a grenade (some of our members have), just a little help now and then. You too can volunteer for this future project. Or, if something closer to the ground makes you happy let us know. You don't need any special skills or talents, handing someone a wrench when they're in an awkward position is help enough. It's also a chance to get to know other members, we won't send you off to work alone unless you ask for it. Contact Kevin Wood, House Committee Chair at (760) 505-7384

The Post is a Sanctuary for many of our Veterans and their Families ... Help us keep it from crumbling.

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By the way we have several wheel chairs, manual and power, for those in need ... we also have walkers. Call the Post Adjutant Bill Stintzman or Service Officer Kevin wood 760-505-7384

### Display Case Donated

**WANTED!**

War trophies, souvenirs, and military collectables

The post recently received a locking glass display case donated by **re.find OFF MAIN** and is now located in the clubroom.

We are asking the membership of Post 149 if they would like to loan the Post any of their military memorabilia to put on display. We will label each item with its nomenclature as well as who loaned the item.

**NOTE: Please, no firearms or live munitions**

Please contact Mike Frank at 760-315-1330 if interested



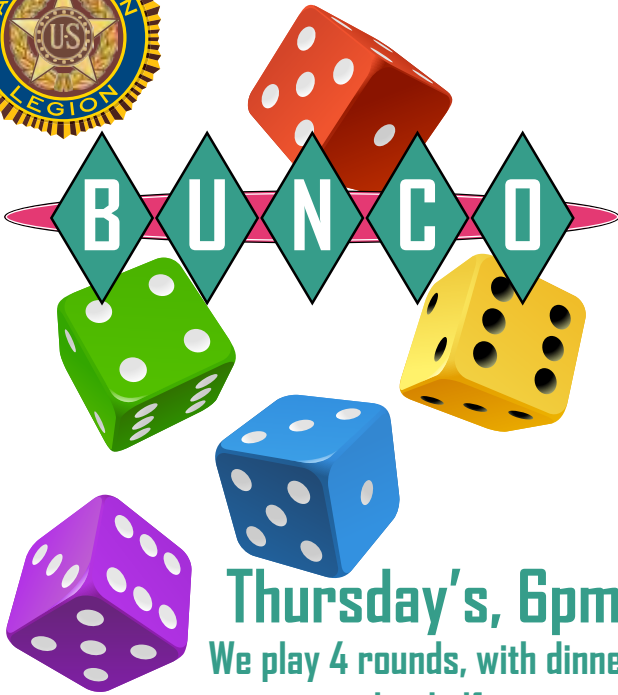
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## 27th Annual Jimmie L Hayes Memorial Police, Fire, & Emergency Services Law & Order Awards Ceremony





J.B. CLARK/POST 149



Thursday's, 6pm  
We play 4 rounds, with dinner served at half-time.

*Let The Good Times Roll!*



J.B. CLARK/POST 149



*Karaoke*  
NIGHT

FRIDAYS  
8PM - 10PM

KJ Alex 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Friday  
KJ Christine 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Friday

We Want To Hear You  
**SING!**

★  
MEMORIAL DAY

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REMEMBER AND HONOR



**29 MAY, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

Memorial Day Ceremony  
Oak Hill Cemetery then at the Post

REMEMBER

**THOSE WHO**

SERVED BEFORE

REMEMBER THOSE WHO

**ARE NO MORE**

**POST MEMBERS FREE BIRTHDAY MONTH BREAKFAST**  
 At the the Post Officers Breakfast in your birthday month - All you can eat buffet!

## MAY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	1	2 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.) 4-5:30 PM Teamsters Local 911 (Hall) 6-8 PM Post 1513 VFW Meeting (Hall)	3	4 6-8:30 PM BUNCO (Hall)	5 8-11 PM KARAOKE (Club Room)	6 1-5 PM Celebration of Life (Hall)
7 8:30-11 AM AUXILIARY Breakfast Corned Beef Hash & Eggs \$12 (Clubroom) 9-11:30 District 22 Meeting (Hall) 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	8	9 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.) 5:30-6 PM Finance Mtg. (Conf. Rm.) 6-7:30 PM E-Board Mtg. (Conf. Rm.) 6-7:30 PM DAV Chapter 70 Mtg. (Hall)	10 6-7:30 PM Sons of the AL Meeting (Hall)	11 5-8 PM Kiwanis of Escondido (Conf. Rm.) 5:30-8:30 PM North County CREIA (Hall) 6-8:30 PM BUNCO (Hall)	12 8-11 PM KARAOKE (Club Room)	13 8:30-1:30 PM Blue Star Moms (Hall) 10AM-12 PM 173 Airborne Assn. (Conf. Rm.) 2-3 PM Guide Dog Training (Patio)
14 8-11 AM SAL Breakfast Mothers Day Buffet \$12 (Patio) 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	15 11 AM - 2 PM TERC (Hall)	16 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.) 6-7:30 PM Post 149 General Mtg. (Hall) 6-7:30 PM Post 149 Auxiliary Mtg. (Conf. Rm.)	17 6-8 PM Vietnam Vets of America (Hall)	18 6-8:30 PM BUNCO (Hall)	19 6-7:30 PM Auxiliary Dinner Enchiladas \$12 (Hall) 8-11 PM KARAOKE (Club Room)	20 8-12 PM Service Academy Student Breakfast (Hall) 8-12:30 PM Sea Cadets (Hall)
21 8-11 AM POST Breakfast Eggs to Order \$13 (Hall) 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	22	23 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.) 6-8PM NC Conservatives (Hall)	24 5:30-6:30 PM ALR Dinner Pulled Pork Sliders (Patio) 6:30-8 PM ALR 149 Mtg. (Patio)	25 6-8:30 PM BUNCO (Hall)	26 5:30-7 PM Kiwanis Dinner Porkchops \$12 (Hall) 8-11 PM KARAOKE (Club Room)	27 11AM-3 PM SCRABBLE Club (Conf. Rm.)
28 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	29 9 AM - 1 PM Memorial Day Ceremony Oak Hill Cemetery then at the Post (Patio)	30 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	31	1	2	3

### Holidays & Observances

- 14 Mothers Day
- 29 Memorial Day

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 !0% 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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