



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 – Mike Frank



Our Historian, Jim Botts, and I just returned from an 11 day, 4,089 mile journey through 9 states to Yellowstone on our Harley's. We averaged 600 miles per day there and back with 4 days of local riding. We traveled through 120 degree desert heat, thunderstorms, high mountain passes with dirt and mud roads, and dodged wild buffalo. As amazing as this trip was the one thing that stood out the most was our treatment everywhere we went in Montana, South Dakota, and Wyoming. This was a pleasant surprise. People were displaying their patriotism everywhere you looked with signs, flags, and deeds. We spent 4 nights in a town just outside Yellowstone called Silver Gate. We went daily to a local ice cream parlor/country store and we could not pay for our ice cream or drinks. All 4 veterans in our group (Jim and I met up with some friends of his from Wisconsin in Deadwood) were treated to our snacks by the owners in appreciation of our military service. Not just once, but every time we went there. We did however give them our business for items such as food and souvenirs that we were allowed to pay for. What an amazing feeling to be honored in this way by patriots of our fine country who really appreciate those who served.



There has been another change to our Rental Agent program again. Ryan had to step down and our 2nd Vice Commander, Daleen Moore, has taken over along with Lorraine Ulrich. Please refer all inquiries into Post rentals to them. Procedures for renting our facilities have been rather lax recently and Daleen is getting us back on track. The main purpose of Post rentals is to generate funds for the Post, not to just break even. Daleen will be addressing rental procedures and requirements soon.

We had two excellent 4th of July celebrations this year. The Allied Vets Council, led by VFW Post 1513 Commander Matt Foster, along with our Chaplain Chuck

Faupel and myself, gave a patriotic presentation at Grape Day Park. We had a guest speaker and musical presentations as well. After that, Daleen, Ken Boyd, Lorraine, Jim Botts, Elliott, Manny, Renee, Mark, Jeff, and Sherrie organized an excellent patriotic family BBQ at the Post. Attendance was great and fun was had by all.

1st Vice - Mick Sobczak



July is when you will start to see renewal notifications coming in the mail from The American Legion. Until you renew your dues, you will receive these notices every three months. To avoid them, you can pay your dues one of two ways. First, you can stop by the Post and pay them there. The second and easier way is to pay online. You can go to the website www.mylegion.org, create an account, and pay your dues there. Once the Post has received notification of payment, we will mail you your membership card. If you pay your dues before September 30th, you also qualify for the free Early Bird Dinner in October.

This year, we are also having a membership challenge. For every Post meeting you attend, you will receive an entry in a raffle to be held during the June 2019 meeting. Three names will be drawn and the winners will have their membership dues paid for the following year. Be sure to sign in at the meetings, which are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6 pm, because the names for the raffle will be taken from that list. If you are a Paid Up For Life member, you will receive the cash equivalent of the annual dues.

Did you also know that as a member of The American Legion, your wife, sisters, daughters, and granddaughters are eligible to become members of The American Legion Auxiliary and your sons and grandsons are eligible to become members of The Sons of The American Legion? There is no minimum age requirement and it is a great way to share your service to this nation and our community with them. They supported you while you served; now you can support them as members of these fine organizations.

Thank you for your service to this great nation and I hope to see you at this month's meeting.

2nd Vice – Daleen Moore



Hello, everyone! We had an amazing 4th of July BBQ here at the Post! Over 100 meals were served and we were thrilled to have so many patriotic kids enjoying our grass area! Thank you to all that attended and made it such a great day.



Please mark your calendars for WE CLEAN ESCONDIDO on Saturday, August 18th at 8 am. I would love to see some new faces as we help keep our city clean. We provide you with the vest, trash picker, bag, etc. All you have to do is meet us at 8 am in front of the Post!

The House Committee will be holding an End of Summer Bash on Saturday, September 1st, complete with food and a DJ. Please see the flyer in this newsletter for more details and I hope to see you there!

Unfortunately, I must report that our rental agent, Ryan Anderson, has resigned due to family commitments. I have officially accepted the position as Rental Agent, so you are welcome to contact me at by phone at (760) 855-5635 or via email at escol legion149@gmail.com for any rental needs.

On a similar note, I must remind all members that entering a rental event, whether in the hall or on the back patio, is not allowed. Even though signs have been posted in several locations, we are still being notified that some members are involving themselves in rentals by asking if they can help, wandering into the party area to look at food, etc. The ONLY time a member is allowed to enter a rental event is if allowed by the RENTER. Rentals are vital to our survival folks, so please respect a renter's privacy. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Semper Fi!

Adjutant – Jeff Dodds



Membership renewals for 2019 have started. If you get yours in by September 30th you'll get the early bird stamp. Besides bragging rights and showing it off to your friends, it will also entitle you to eat free at the "Early Bird Dinner," normally given by the SAL in October. So come on down and see me. You can also pay on line or at the Clubroom bar after my business hours.

My office hours are still 0900 to 1200 Monday – Thursday. Please stop by and say hello. I'll even treat you to a cup of coffee.

Actions of Post 149 E-Board 7/10/2018

1. To add the following guidelines to Standing Rule E.3 "Rentals & Kitchen," in regards to definition of a Post member for purposes of renting the hall or patio:

a. The renter must be a member, in good standing, of JB Clark Post 149 for a minimum of one year.

b. Member Rates are only available for the qualifying Post member and his/her immediate family such as wife, husband, son, or daughter.

c. If the event is for an immediate family member, the Post member must be present during the event.

d. Extended family members such as cousins, aunts, and uncles do not qualify for member rates.

e. Members of the VFW, DAV, Sons of the American Legion, or the Auxiliary do not qualify for members rates.

2. To allow the San Pasqual band of Mission Indians utilize the Post conference room and patio/grass area as temporary Tribal headquarters in the event of an emergency which requires evacuation of their reservation.

3. To approve Commander Frank's appointments for the 2018/19 non-elected positions as follows:

Adjutant – Jeffrey Dodds, Judge Advocate – Brian Turpin, Chaplin – Charles Faupel, Historian – James Botts, Service Officer – Harold Olson, House Committee Chair – Manual Gonzalez

Chaplain: Chuck Faupel



On this side of the grass, we need to take care of ourselves, if not for us, then for our family. The weather is hot, that means we dehydrate, means lots, lots of water. Reminder from the Commander, we are family; we need to respect each other. We are veterans; we take care of our own.

Yea, the Lord shall give that which is good; and our land shall yield her increase. —Psalm 85:12

The great economic and material prosperity we are enjoying in the United States today is a gift of God's hand. The Bible tells us that the very goodness of God should lead us to repentance. All of these material blessings are gifts from God, given in order that we might humble ourselves, fall upon our knees before Him, and call upon His name. We should thank God, too, for the spiritual blessings that are beyond the power of the human tongue to describe.

Here in North America we still have freedom of

Special Events

See calendar page and flyers for more information

August 4 Top Hatters/Riders Poker Run
September 1 End of Summer Bash

worship. In many parts of the world believers cannot assemble together; they cannot speak of their religious convictions because of totalitarian power. Here in North America we have Bibles everywhere. We have the opportunity to preach. God has blessed us with a thousand and one spiritual blessings. In days of uncertainty and confusion, such as we are now passing through, these are gifts that go beyond our power to understand; and yet they are gifts of God.

**American Legion Auxiliary
Cathy Watt - President**



As usual the month of August is going to be a very busy month for the Auxiliary.

I am sad to say membership in the Auxiliary has been on a decline due to members moving and deaths. We need new faces to keep the Auxiliary strong. We welcome new members interested in learning about the Auxiliary and what we do. Come to our meeting on the third Tuesday of the month at 6pm and see what we are all about.

Saturday, August 4th, we are helping the Rider's and the Top Hatter's with a cook your own steak fund raiser/poker run for the Warrior Built Foundation. Hope to see everyone there.

Sunday August 5th our breakfast special will be chorizo and eggs. Enjoy our cook to order breakfast for only \$8.00.

The Auxiliary's annual yard sale is scheduled for Sunday, August 12th. Enjoy a Buffet Breakfast with the Son's and shop for second hand treasures. Due to limited storage space we will not be accepting donations until after August 6th. Please remember that only usable/clean items will be accepted.

Friday August 17th the Auxiliary is serving everyone's favorite dinner, Howard's Swiss Steak. Yes, we have his secret recipe!!! Dinner is served at 6pm with Doug's Karaoke and dancing in the clubroom to follow at 7pm.

We continue to take donations for our yearly food challenge to Mom's. Put all items in the gray bin in the hall. No expired items or glass jars can be accepted.

My thanks to everyone who supports the Auxiliary and everything we do for our Veteran's and their families. 760-717-1425 cathywathenwatt@gmail.com

**American Legion Auxiliary
Irene Clingman, PR Chair**



On Wednesday, July 11, I met with Megan Correa, Director of Mom, and RP2 Adjo Awoudia, who is with Unit 111 Marine Battalion Headquarters at Camp Pendleton to deliver food, baby items, children's books, new kitchen cooking and baking sets, electric egg cookers, clothing BBQ tools, and other assorted items donated by Post 149 to the Mom Warehouse at Camp Pendleton. All items will be distributed to military

families on base through the Military Outreach Ministry (MOM) organization. As of July 10, a total of 621.85 pounds of food donations have been collected and our goal for 2018 is 1,500 pounds. Pictured below are Adjo and Megan with donations and in front of the MOM Warehouse.



In July, Linda Milford presented another \$200 check from the Auxiliary to the Aspire Center in support of their Rehabilitation Treatment Incentive Program for veterans. This is the third donation from the Auxiliary in support of this program which rewards patients when they achieve a goal. Partnering with the Aspire Center is the California Bean Company. Pictured left to right

are Morgan Fransk, Owner of the California Bean Company, Linda Milford, Escondido Unit 149 Auxiliary Chair of VA&R, and Community Relations, and Carl Rimmele, Chief, Aspire Center.



Linda Milford, Unit 149 Auxiliary Chair Community Relations, and VA&R, presented a \$400 check to staff at Operation Homefront in support of their Back to School Brigade Program. New backpacks filled with new school supplies will be presented to military children on August 18 and our Auxiliary members are invited to assist at the event. Linda is awaiting further information as to details.

Pictured left to right is Michelle Hagge, Program Manager, Linda Milford, Escondido Unit 149 Auxiliary Chair, and Sarah Adams, Senior Director, Region 6.



Sons - Jeff Flynt – Adjutant



The Sons are getting their new year underway with the same people running the Squadron as last year. We are still doing the 2nd Sunday breakfast at the Post and still need help cooking and cleaning during the meal. Please help if you are able or at least get some breakfast and see what we're up to. We are doing the 4th Friday night dinners regularly now and have meatloaf on the menu for August. As always, help in the kitchen is needed and appreciated. We are still clearing up membership issues and have not gotten our cards for the upcoming 2019 year due to delays beyond our control. However, Jeff Dodds (Post Adjutant and SAL Advisor) has offered to handle our memberships out of the Post Adjutant's office and will hopefully be up and running at the beginning of August. Stop by to say hi and get any of you membership issues resolved. Be sure to update your contact information and get back into the system as we get more modernized and keep you guys in the loop to what is going on in the Squadron. Thanks for your patience as we get up and running strong again.

760-803-5080 or sal149jeff@aol.com.

American Legion Riders – Dennis Dalbey, President



The Riders are starting off the month of August with a Poker Run, on Saturday the 4th.

We will be Co-hosting the event with the Top Hatters MC. Proceeds will go to the Warrior Built Foundation. There will be music, raffle prizes, 50/50, and if you purchase a poker

Auxiliary Unit 149 is having a Rummage Sale



**Sunday, August 12th
7:30am until 1pm**

**Lots of Clothes, household items
and more!
Enjoy Breakfast with the Son's
and shop too!!**



hand card you get a “cook your own steak” dinner. If you are not riding the Run, the event starts at 12:00 Noon.

Clubroom Manager – Stef Holden



The club room would like to recognize and welcome our newest member to the team, Ms. Audrey Duey. Audrey is new to the bar business but possesses an enthusiastic attitude and outgoing personality. She is sure to be an outstanding addition to our post. Please stop by Monday thru Thursday to meet her and introduce yourselves.

Be sure to join us for the Top Hatter Poker Run being held at the Post on Saturday, Aug. 4th as well as the End of Summer Bash that will be taking place on Saturday, September 1. The party will be kicking off at 6pm! Hope to see you all there.

HELP WANTED - Bookkeeper

Duties involve 3 to 5 hours one morning a week using Quickbooks to pay bills, enter deposits. and some other duties. Contact Art Lubben at financepost149@gmail.com

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25% off the purchase of one Honor & Remembrance Memorial Wall Tile. Purchase a 2nd tile for only \$50 if purchased the same day!

OFFER EXPIRES AUGUST 31, 2018

Purchasers will be notified by mail of tile installation date and/or installation ceremony as determined by the Post Commander.

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. Just mention when you get the bill that you are there to support the “American Legion Post 149”, have them write it on the bill.

It is located at 316 W. Mission Ave. #101 behind McDonalds and Arby's in Escondido

They are open 7am-2:30pm, Daily.

Post Members Free Birthday Month Breakfast

At the Post Officers Breakfast in your birthday month - 3rd Sunday of the month - All you can eat buffet

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
July 29 Riders Breakfast	July 30	July 31	1 6 PM Game Night LRC	2	3 6 PM Boy Scouts Lasagna 7 PM Doug Johnson Karaoke	4 7AM-5PM Top Hatters Poker Run 5-11 PM Private Party In Hall
5 8-11 AM Auxiliary Breakfast \$8.00 9 AM - 2 PM VFW in Hall	6 6 PM Allied Vets	7 6 PM VFW	8 1 - 5 PM Baker Electric In Hall	9	10 6 PM House Comm. Cook your own Steak 7 PM Open Juke Box	11 .10 AM 173rd Airborne
12 8-11 AM Sons Breakfast All you can eat Buffet \$10.00	13	14 6 PM DAV 5 PM Finance Comm. 6 PM E-Board	15 6 PM VFW Auxiliary	16	17 6:00 PM Auxiliary Howard's Swiss Steak 7 PM Doug Johnson Karaoke	18 8 AM We Clean Escondido 9-AM - Noon Blue Star Mothers
19 8-11 AM Post Officers Breakfast All you can eat Buffet \$10.00	20	21 Meeting night 5 PM SAL 6 PM Post 6 PM Auxiliary	22 5:30 PM Riders' BBQ 6:30 PM Riders Meeting	23 9 AM - 2 PM DAV in Hall Mobile Van	24 6 PM Sons Meatloaf 7 PM Open Juke Box	25
26 40-8 Breakfast	27 6 PM House Comm.	28	29	30	31 6 PM Riders Spaghetti & Meatballs 7 PM Doug Johnson Karaoke	Sep 1 House Comm. End of Summer Bash See Flyer
Sep 2 8-11 AM Auxiliary Breakfast \$8.00	Sep 3 LABOR DAY	Sep 4 6 PM VFW	Sep 5 6 PM Game Night LRC	Sep 6	Sep 7 6 PM Boy Scouts Baked Fish 7 PM Doug Johnson Karaoke	Sep 8 .10 AM 173rd Airborne 9-AM Blue Star Mothers

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August 2018



End of Summer Bash!



When: Saturday, September 1, 2018
Where: American Legion Post 149 Patio
230 E. Park Ave., Escondido
Time: 6:00 pm 'til ?

Join us for food and fun! Your choice of (2) carne asada tacos OR (2) chicken tacos, with rice and beans, chips & salsa for a \$7 donation.

First come, first served. No substitutions.



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