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

COMMANDER | JEN HOLDEN



Happy New Year Legionnaires! I am anticipating great things in 2023. I want to say thank you to you all. You have made my first six months

being Commander a pleasure. I look forward to continuing to serve you all.

We need your help! The Post needs members to join the House Committee and Clubroom Committee. If you aren't sure what these things are here is a brief description of each. The House Committee is responsible for doing day to day maintenance of the Post building. The Committee does things like changing light bulbs, preventive maintenance, and assessing when professionals need to be brought in to address issues with the Post building. The Clubroom Committee is responsible for working with the Clubroom Staff by decorating for holidays and planning events. Things like the Halloween Party, Christmas Party, and other events are supposed to be planned and executed by this committee. The Post needs your support to continue to keep the Post functioning and keeping it flourishing.

The Post is looking to hire a new Rental Agent. The job consists of the following:

- Completing rental agreements with Renters*
- Showing the Post to potential Renters*

Negotiating pricing for the rental based on Post guidelines

Receiving emails and phone calls regarding the renting of the Hall or Patio

Communicating effectively with the Adjutant and 2nd Vice Commander

Paid by the event

Coordinate security and Post Representatives

Advertising the Post by handing out flyers or posting on social media

The Post is looking for Post Representatives for rentals! We need a whole list of people!

Pay \$25/hour

Doing a pre/post event checklist with the Renter

Providing aid to Renters (i.e., giving access to the tables and chairs)

Answering questions of Renters (i.e., need toilet paper, need a broom, etc.)

Ensuring Post Property is taken care of.

Being helpful to our renters

The Post needs new blood! We need younger members to support our experienced members in keeping the Post running. Talk about your membership at the Post to people. There are so many currently Active-Duty Service Members that do not even know about the Legion and our purpose! This organization is meant to provide community, camaraderie, and support. We are still serving by supporting our communities and our fellow Legionnaires. Please share the Legion with other Veterans so that they can benefit from our community. **Thank you for what you do for the Post!**



KEY DATES

See calendar page and flyers for more information.

JANUARY 1
NEW YEAR'S DAY

JANUARY 7
SAL Burger Day

JANUARY 9
DIGNITY Memorial Briefing

Check Calendar for FRIDAY
Dinner and
SUNDAY Breakfast
Schedules

PUB GRUB by Cheryl
Every Sunday 3 PM

BUNKO
Every Thursday 6-8:30 PM

KARAOKE
Friday 8-11 PM



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FIRST VICE | JOHN SMARTT



Legionnaires,
Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. The holidays are a time for celebrating with family and friends and that's what our family will be doing. I hope this past year has been full of blessings for you and your family and I wish you a healthy and prosperous new year. I want to thank all of you for your continued support of our Post and I hope to see you next year. Stop by for a meal or maybe a few smiles at the bar. Post 149 belongs to you, the members, so stop by and enjoy it when you have time. I especially want to thank all of our Post officers for their unwavering commitment and hard work throughout the second half of this year and it's been a pleasure to serve with you. Much of your work behind the scenes goes unnoticed, however it keeps our Post open and available for the membership. Hope to see you all in 2023.

SECOND VICE | CLUBROOM MANAGER | STEF HOLDEN



Like many of us, I look upon this time of year as a time for reflection and personal growth. As I enter my 5th year serving as your Club 149 manager, I'm going to offer you all a confession. When I began this job in the Fall of 2017, I felt as though my career had taken a step backward and the job was beneath me. I quickly learned nothing could be further from the truth. Performing the duties of being the Club 149 Manager is about so much more than just managing a club. THIS JOB is about offering camaraderie and

friendship with that veteran who lost his spouse years ago and now all he wants to do is come to a place where he can socialize with like-minded friends until it is time for him to join his beloved wife once again. THIS JOB is about taking that tattered American flag away from a person who was not sure they were in the right place to take a flag for proper retirement. THIS JOB is about taking a phone call from a despondent woman who just lost her Korean War Vet husband who has no idea how to go about arranging burial services. In these moments such as this I'm reminded that Tom Brokaw was so correct when he said "You are educated. Your certification is in your degree. You may think of it as the ticket to the good life. Let me ask you to think of an alternative. Think of it as your ticket to change the world.". Serving as your Club 149 Manager has opened so many doors and opportunities that I never imagined. I can assure you many more great things are on the horizon for both me and our great Post. I thank each one of you for giving me the chance to run your outstanding club!

Happy New Year and God Bless!

POST 149 ADJUTANT | BILL STINTSMAN



Happy New Year! It's time to retrain the brain to write and say 2022, oops, I mean 2023 on everything. January of 2023 also means that if your membership card says 2022, you are not just late, your membership has actually expired. Let's get the renewals paid and membership off your list of things to do. On a different topic, J.B. Clark Post 149 needs your participation in Post events. We have breakfast and dinner

events sponsored by various entities within our community, now we need participation at those functions. The quality of the food is good, and the price is great. These meals are, by far, the best dollar value for a meal you'll find in our community, so why are you going anywhere else? Plus, it helps keep us in business. Your local veteran service organizations can't function without you being involved. Thanks for your continued support, and here's to a prosperous 2023.

CHAPLAIN | CHUCK FAUPEL



I have (1) Post member that have been transferred to Post Everlasting:

Bob Reiley went to join our loving Father on Tuesday, December 13th. I text him on Tuesday which was our e-board meeting to see how he was doing. He texts back and

said he had his cardiologist appointment today. I received a call from his wife Kathy the next day and mentioned that he had passed. That was a shock! I took that hard. Bob and his wife have done so much for our Post and Riders. He supported breakfast and dinners even with his pain. He showed up at Post meetings and elections. On **January 14th at 2:00 PM** I will be doing the **Memorial service** for his family. On **January 17th at Miramar National Cemetery**, we will have his service at **1:30 PM**. **Keep his family in your prayers.**



Announcement: Myself and our Post Commander will be performing the Four Chaplain Service in **February, the 19th at 11:30 AM**, which will be the post breakfast. Come out and enjoy a great buffet and stay for the service. Put it in your calendar.

On this New Year, may you change your direction and not dates, change your commitments and not the calendar, change your attitude and not the actions, and bring about a change in your faith, your force, and your focus and not the fruit. May you live up to the promises you have made and may you and your loved ones have the happiest New Year ever.

As we flick the calendar to a new year, we come face to face with the fact that our days on earth are numbered. As the Psalmist wrote, ***“Teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.”*** No thoughtful person can approach New Year's Day without some introspection. We are reminded of the brevity of time. We also look back over

SAL COMMANDER | KEITH BELL



Well, we made it through the year 2022. I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year's Eve. We sold all the Christmas Cash Drawing tickets in time to have the drawing on December 20th. The two \$500.00 winners have received their cash before Christmas.

Our next raffle will be a joint effort with the Brothers of Six. This opportunity drawing will be a 1942 Colt .45 Marked "Property of the US Government" and a Waterproof CMP case worth between \$1,800.00 to \$2,200.00. Watch for flyers and tickets. The next raffle will sbe an 18-volt Milwaukee combo tool kit (6-tool) worth \$1,178.00.

We are planning to have burger and fries on **Saturday, January 7th, starting at 11 AM**. This will be a 'build your own burger' event with your choice of four cheeses and sautéed mushrooms and onions, fresh tomato, lettuce, onion. We will also offer hot dogs and chili. Do not forget our **All You Can Eat breakfast** on **Sunday, January 8th** starting at 8 AM.





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DIVISION 37 KIWANIS DINNER

FRIDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 27, 2023

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For a donation of \$12 | Any questions call Dave at (760) 802-3945

All proceeds go to support buses for the Rose Float

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
1 	2	3 4-5:30 PM Teamsters Local 911 (Hall) 6-8 PM Post 1513 VFW Mtg. (Hall) 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	4	5 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	6 8-11 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	7 11 AM-2 PM SAL Burger Day (Hall)
8 8-11 AM SAL Breakfast 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	9 9:30-10:30 AM Dignity Memorial Briefing (Hall)	10 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)	11 6-7:30 PM SAL Meeting (Hall)	12 5-8 PM Kiwanis of Escondido (Conf. Rm.) 5:30-8:30 PM North County CREIA (Hall) 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Patio)	13 8-11 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	14 8:30 AM-1:30 PM Blue Star Moms (Hall) 10 AM-12 PM 173 Airborne Assn. (Conf. Rm.) 2-3 PM Guide Dog Training (Patio) 2-4 PM (Hall) Robert Reiley Memorial
15 8-11 AM POST Breakfast Eggs to order \$12 (Hall) 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	16 11 AM-2 PM TERC (Hall)	17 6-7:30 PM Post General Mtg. (Hall) 6-7:30 PM Auxiliary Mtg. (Conf. Rm.) 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	18 6-8 PM Vietnam Vets of America (Hall)	19 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	20 6-7:30 PM Auxiliary Dinner Event (Chicken + Dumplings) (Hall) \$12 8-11 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	21 8 AM-12:30 PM Sea Cadets (Hall)
22 VACANT 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	23	24 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	25 5:30-6:30 PM ALR Dinner (Burgers, beans, chips and dessert) \$12 (Patio) 6:30-8 PM ALR 149 Mtg. (Patio)	26 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	27 5:30-7 PM KIWANIS Dinner (*see flyer) \$12 (Hall) 8-11 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	28 11 AM-3 PM SCRABBLE Club (Conf. Rm.)
29 8-11 AM RIDERS Breakfast Eggs to order \$12 (Hall) 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	30	31 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	2/1	2/2 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	2/3 8-11 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	2/4

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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