The One Forty Niner

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COMMANDER | GEORGE CHRISTENSEN

Greetings Comrades



We are raffling a 10-pound box of various cuts of grass-fed beef from Mariposa Ranch. This is a post fund raiser, and the proceeds will go to support Veteran and Community Programs. Tickets are $10 and available from the bartenders, or me. If you want to sell tickets to friends and relatives see Cyndie August, she will set you up. Only 149 tickets will be sold, and you don't have to be present to win.

Commander's Breakfast

The Commander Breakfast goes the third Sunday of each month from 9:00 to 11:00. We have lowered our price to an unbeatable $10 a plate. I am there along with past commander Jen Holden, to answer questions and concerns, and just share some camaraderie.

Post Renovations and Repair

Our renovations are coming along. Recently with the help of Kevin Wood our House committee chair, and J&W Lumber and Local 619 of the carpenter's union the pergola's in the backyard were rebuilt, the outside hot water closet was rebuilt, and the Ladies restroom in the hall was repaired and will soon be open. There is more to be done, but Kevin made great progress in a short amount of time. I asked the membership, those that could afford to, to donate $100 one-time to the renovation fund. I have continued my monthly pledged to donate $100 each month. My thanks to all who have donated, and I continue to ask those who have not to give one time to upgrade our post.

VetFest

Vetfest was an outstanding success. My thanks to all who gave of their time and volunteered to help with this premier event put on by the Brothers of Six and our American Legion Family. There are too many folks to mention but key players included Past Commander Jen Holden, 1st Vice Commander Mike Frank, 2nd vice Commander Stef Holden. Also the Legion Riders and Auxiliary put on a great luncheon.

Fun, Fun, Fun

The Army-Navy Game is December 12th, kickoff is at 1:00 PM Pacific time. The American Legion is involved in sponsoring the game, and is marketing apparel to support. Our Post Christmas party is the same day so there are two fund events pick the one you want to attend and come on down to the post and enjoy!

The Cornhole tournament is on the calendar for March 13th. Think about sponsoring a team. We will be challenging other posts, Rider chapters, Sons Squadrons and Auxiliaries to sponsor teams, as well as community members. This will be a lot of fun and it is a tournament so cash prizes will be awarded.

Happy Holidays

By the time this newsletter comes out Thanksgiving may have passed, if so I hope everyone had a chance to share with family and friends this year. I want to wish each member a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year! Or as the Danish say: **"Glædelig jul og godt nytår!"**

Yours in Service, George Christensen
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SECOND VICE | CLUBROOM MANAGER | STEF HOLDEN



As we close the books on our most successful North County VetFest to date, I would like to take a moment to thank the Club 149 bartenders who handled the monumental task of taking care of the hundreds of guests in attendance at the Post on Veteran's Day! Maggie, Thomas, and Amanda more than stepped up to the plate and ensured our very busy day went off with no complications. Ladies and Gentlemen, JOB WELL DONE!

While we are on the subject of VetFest, I want to thank Commander George Cristensen, Past Commander Jenifer Holden, 1st Vice Commander Mike Frank and Brothers of 6 Charities Inc. President Bill McNaughton for their amazing efforts in the planning and organizing of this colossal event. Making this year's VetFest happen on a level of success yet to be seen was nothing short of remarkable! I look forward to working with you all for many years to come! A special nod of thanks goes out to all Legion post officers, Sons officers as well who had a hand in being involved in the event. Last but certainly not least, a big thank you to all of our participants and sponsors. To you all, without your contributions to North County VetFest, this very special happening would not have been possible! THANK YOU to each and every one of you!

Anyone wishing to serve as a Post Rep for the many rentals we have booked during this holiday season, please do not hesitate to contact myself or our Rental Agent, Bob Anshcick. We would greatly appreciate your help in making all of our upcoming events a success.

Please take not the Club 149 will be closed on Friday, December 25th as we observe Christmas Day. A New Years Eve party is in the works. Stay tuned for more details. Have a Merry Christmas!

POST 149 ADJUTANT | CYNDIE AUGUST



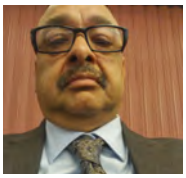
Hello Legionnaires, It's hard to believe that the year is nearly at an end—where has the time gone? Throughout 2026, we've faced many challenges and obstacles, but with the support and dedication of our members, we've navigated and overcome them together.

Now, as we move forward, we need your help more than ever. Volunteerism is the lifeblood of our Post, and there are many ways you can contribute. We can tailor opportunities to suit your abilities. Please reach out to the Adjutant to learn about areas where your help is needed.

As members, we take great pride in our Post, but without volunteers stepping up, we risk losing the very foundation of what keeps us thriving. If you are passionate about supporting the Post, consider running for an officer position, inquiring about appointed roles, or joining the Executive Board.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy holiday season.

CHAPLAIN | THOMAS CRUZ



Hello From Chaplain Thomas Cruz. For those of you that have not met me, I'm the New Post Chaplain. I served in the United States Army with the Chemical Corps and Mortars. I have been running sick call, locally. I have been to visit Hugh pettigrew a few times, brought him to the legion and Parade. Anyone in need of chaplain services do not hesitate to reach out to me.Im also the New Chef at All Breakfasts.

Yours Truly, Thomas Cruz



KEY DATES

See calendar page and flyers for more information.

DEC 1
DAV Chap 70 Meeting

DEC 5
Auxiliary Meeting

DEC 9
SAL Meeting

DEC 12
SAL Meeting

DEC 15
Post Meeting

DEC 25
Christmas - Clubroom Closed

DEC 31
New Year's Eve

Check Calendar for SUNDAY Breakfast Schedules

COUNTRY LINE DANCE
Every Monday 6:30-8 PM

BUNCO
Every Third Thursday
6-8:30 PM

KARAOKE
Every Friday 7-11 PM

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A wonderful holiday season filled with

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

DECEMBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	**1** 4 - 5:30PM (Hall) Teamsters Local 911 6 - 7:30PM (Hall) DAV Chapter 70 Mtg	**2** 10AM - 3PM (Hall) Celebration of Life 6 - 7:30PM (Conf Room) Gamblers Anonymous	**3** 8AM - 4PM (Hall) Lifeline Screening 6 - 8:30PM (Clubroom) BUNKO	**4** 7 - 11PM (Clubroom) KARAOKE	**5** 10AM - 12:30PM (Patio) Bof6 General Meeting 10AM - Noon (Hall) AL Auxiliary Mtg Noon - 8PM (Hall) Gamers 7 - 11PM (Clubroom) KARAOKE
6 9 - 11AM (Hall) DAV Breakfast - $14 9AM - Noon(Hall) District 22 Meeting	**7** 4:30 - 6:30PM (Hall) America's Youth After School Program 6:30 - 8PM Country Line Dance Lessons	**8** 5:30 - 6PM (Conf Room) Finance Mtg 6 - 7:30PM (Conf Room) E-Board Mtg	**9** 6 - 7:30PM (Conf Room) Gamblers Anonymous 6 - 7:30PM (Hall) SAL Meeting	**10** 5 - 8PM (Conf Room) Kiwanis of Escondido	**11** Noon - 1PM (Hall) Senior Anglers 7 - 11PM (Clubroom) KARAOKE	**12** 10AM - Noon (Conf Room) 173 Airborne Assn. 3PM – 8PM (Hall) Post 149 Christmas Party
13 8 - 11AM (Hall) SAL Breakfast - $14 11:30AM - 1:30PM (Hall) Country Line Dancing 4 - 7PM (Hall) ELL Board Meeting	**14** 4:30 - 6:30PM (Hall) America's Youth After School Program 6:30 - 8PM Country Line Dance Lessons	**15** 6 - 7:30PM (Hall) Post 149 General Mtg	**16** 4 - 7PM (Conf Room) Vietnam Vets of America 6 - 7:30PM (Conf Room) Gamblers Anonymous	**17**	**18** 6 - 7PM (Patio) Bof6 Eboard Mtg 7 - 11PM (Clubroom) KARAOKE	**19** 2 - 4PM (Clubroom) Fly Boys Band
20 8:30 - 11AM (Hall) Commanders Breakfast - $14 1 - 6PM (Patio) More Than Apples 1 - 3PM (Hall) MHF 3 - 6PM (Hall) Polish-American Club	**21** 4:30 - 6:30PM (Hall) America's Youth After School Program 6:30 - 8PM Country Line Dance Lessons	**22**	**23** 6 - 7:30PM (Conf Room) Gamblers Anonymous	**24**	**25** CHRISTMAS Clubroom Closed	**26** 11AM – 3PM (Conf Room) SCRABBLE Club
27 8 - 11AM (Hall) Brothers of 6 Breakfast - $14 11:30AM - 1:30PM (Hall) Country Line Dancing	**28** 4:30 - 6:30PM (Hall) America's Youth After School Program 6:30 - 8PM Country Line Dance Lessons	**29** 11AM - 6PM (Hall) Celebratino of Life	**30** 9:30AM - 5:30PM Red Cross Blood Drive 6 - 7:30PM (Conf Room) Gamblers Anonymous	**31** NEW YEAR'S EVE	1	2

Holidays & Observances

25 Christmas
31 New Years Eve

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Family Holiday Party

Saturday, December 12th, 2026 • 3–7 PM

230 East Park Ave. Escondido, CA



3:00–3:30	Check-in and Socializing
3:30–4:00	Sing-Along and Announcements
4:00–4:50	Dinner and Dessert
5:00–5:30	Santa and Gifts for Kids
5:30	Adult Gift Exchange Game
6:30	Socializing until Closing

- Photos with Santa
- Holiday Sing-Along
- Full Homemade Holiday Dinner & Desserts
- Drink Specials
- Gift Exchange (~$25)
- Free Gift for the first 20 kids age 10 & under

Tickets Limited — Reservation Sign-Up at the Bar

Suggested $25 Donation per Adult Taken at the Door

Hosted by your Auxiliary, the Sons and the Riders.

Climb for Heroes 2026 was a great success. I'm proud to share that, with my husband's help and support, I raised $5,655 for this incredible cause.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed, supported, and cheered us on. Every donation, every step, and every act of kindness makes a difference.

We climbed for those who served, those who sacrificed, and those who continue to inspire us every day.

Happy Veterans Day to all who served! Your courage, sacrifices, and dedication will never be forgotten. We are forever grateful.

Today and every day, we honor **YOU!**







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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.