

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











### COMMANDER - MIKE FRANK



Post elections are just around the corner. The new year will bring us some new officers and fresh ideas from our membership. Let's all

work together to improve our Post and support our Veterans. New members are showing up every month and many are looking for ways to get involved. When you spot someone new, please take the time to introduce yourself and make that person feel welcome.

Our Post is always looking for members to join our various committees such as the House Committee or the Club 149 Crew. This Post can't survive without active involvement from our membership.

I usually try to recognize those folks who go out of their way to help out the Post or participate in Veteran or community support activities but this time I would like to touch on a subject that may be a little sensitive to some. When someone decides to join our Post and wants to get involved in the good work we do as well as partake in our social functions and events, sometime they are not quite sure how to proceed. They may decide to attend the meetings, join a committee or group like the Riders. Sometimes a new person becomes very enthusiastic

at first when joining our organization and has a lot of ideas and suggestions however, they may feel slighted when their ideas are either discounted or ignored. They may even be concerned that they just don't quite fit in. Some new members take a different approach. They usually sit back a bit and observe the dynamics of each group before becoming active. This approach also allows a person to learn the dynamics of the group, observe the interactions of all those in the group, and give you the tools to better fit in. Most Post members develop personal relationships and friendships at the Post. Some do this rather quickly and others need more time. It is unreasonable to expect that a new member would fit right in to a group who have known each other for many years or even months. This should not be taken as a reason for concern. It is quite natural for a group to take some time to learn all there is about a new member. Everyone will be courteous and friendly, as expected, however, true friendship takes a little time. The point of all this is quite simple. Be patient. It takes time. When I first joined this Post around 15 years ago, I stopped coming around because I had only met two individuals in 11 months who I struck up a friendship with. I didn't feel like I fit in. Everyone else at the Post knew each

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### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

See calendar page and flyers for more information.

MAY 1 LCR Game Night

MAY 12 Mother's Day

MAY 18 Crawfish Fry

MAY 27 Memorial Day Ceremony at Oak Hill Memorial Cemetery

SAVE THE DATES | Club 149

June 8 Steak Night

July 27 Luau



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other and I was the outsider. About 5 years ago I decided to try it again, but this time, I decided to make the effort to meet more people and get involved in the operation of the Post. I have met many wonderful people and the Post is my second home now.

### **POST 149 ADJUTANT - JEFF DODDS**



May is upon us.

Springtime and all is right in the world. At the April meeting we had first nominations for Post Officers. May meeting

will see second nominations and elections. So please come out and participate in your post's democratic process. And if you think you'd like to get your feet wet and have a way to get your ideas heard, we have a couple of E-Board positions to fill. My office hours are still 0900 to 1200 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 04/09/2019

- Set rent for DAV and VFW to \$100.00 a month as of 07/01/2019.
- 2. The Commander will create a committee to concentrate on fundraising for Post 149. Interim chair is Stef Holden.

### CHAPLAIN - CHUCK FAUPEL



Our first Vice Mick Sobczak will be going in and having neck surgery on May 6<sup>th</sup>. The human body is amazing in its ability to heal. We pray

that your healing after surgery is quick.

Keep him in your payers. For a speedy recovery.

And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind . . .

-Mark 12:30

Our Lord touches every area of our lives. He touches our minds and we are transformed by the renewing of our minds. God invites people to use their minds, "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord" (Isaiah 1:18). We are told in Scripture not to be like the horse or mule, "which have no understanding" (Psalm 32:9). Our Lord declared that we are to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, strength, and mind. We are told to fear God, to love our Lord, and to hate sin. Fear, love, and hate are emotions. Dr. Leslie Weatherhead, preaching at the City Temple in London, said, "What is wrong with emotion? Christianity is falling in love with our Lord. Has anyone ever fallen in love without emotion?"

### SERVICE OFFICER - HAROLD OLSON



As many of you know our post is taking part in "HELMET FOR HEROS" program. I Have placed several helmets around town. I would encourage

all post members to put your loose change in these helmets.

Here are the current locations of the helmets: Post clubroom; Post patio; E&C Springs; Villa Madeira Mobile Park Clubhouse; Swami's; Andy's Barber Shop; Rosie's Café; Escondido Auto Tech; Charlie's Resturant. If you want more information on the program or the address for any of these location feel free to call me at 442-237-1233.



### AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY | CATHY WATHEN | PRESIDENT



Not much is happening in May for Unit 149, I have to say ever since November 2018 we have been pretty busy. A slow month sounds good to all of us.

Sandy Cline is gearing up for Poppy month, look for your poppy in the mail. The number one goal of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support Veteran's and their families. Please give to

this worthy cause and wear your poppy with pride. Any donation is appreciated!!

Sunday May  $5^{\text{th}}$  our breakfast special will be Chorizo and eggs. Gloria will be making her famous blueberry pancakes along with our usual cook to order menu. We were honored to have 19 gentlemen from the Armory come for breakfast last month; we serve all active duty military breakfast for \$5.00. Come and enjoy a great home cooked breakfast and a cup of coffee with friends.

Friday May 17<sup>th</sup> is Cook your own Steak with all the fixins for \$13.00. Hope to see you all there.

May 21<sup>st</sup> is our monthly meeting in the conference room at 6pm. We welcomed Amber Korstad at our meeting on April 16<sup>th</sup>. So happy to meet April and thanks to her Mom Karen Turpin for bringing a fresh young face to the Auxiliary.

Everyone remember our food collection for military families at Camp Pendleton is not doing well, only 165.7lbs. collected so far. Your food donation is needed. Our ongoing collection for young military families who don't make enough money to feed their families. These wonderful people, who serve our country so we all can be safe need our help, please remember to give to this great cause. Put all items in the gray bin in the hall. No expired items or glass jars can be accepted.

May 27<sup>th</sup> is Veteran's Day; the Auxiliary will be serving burgers, dogs and all the fixins for a \$5.00 donation at noon. See flyer for information on the ceremony at Oak Hill Cemetery.

My thanks to everyone who supports the Auxiliary and everything we do for our Veteran's and their families.

Cathy Wathen, President Unit 149 | 760-717-1425 cathywathenwatt@gmail.com

### **CLUBROOM MANAGER - STEF HOLDEN**



As myself, the Clubroom Committee and the bar staff continuously look for ways to improve your Club 149 experience, a couple of new additions have been made. On the Friday nights there is no dinner served in the hall, Shannon will be doing "pub grub" in the club. Free pool is now offered every Thursday and on post meeting nights when the Sons are unable to provide a lite dinner after the meeting, Club 149 will ensure there are refreshments once

the meeting is adjourned.

Please remember to stop in and see bartender and quite the good cook Cheryl every Sunday as she is always serving up some great "pub grub" as well.

May 1<sup>st</sup> the club will be hosting game night and on the 15<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting trivia night.

Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting a membership drive complete with a crawfish boil and Monday May 27<sup>th</sup> is our Memorial Day remembrance and celebration. Details to follow so be sure to check the "Club 149" Facebook page often.

As always, on behalf of the Clubroom Committee and the staff, thank you for your continued support of Club 149!

Club 149 Crew information and events can be accessed at the following:

Instagram: @AL\_club149 |
Twitter: @AL\_club149

You can contact the Club 149 Crew at: Email: info.club149@gmail.com

### SQUADRON ADJUTANT – JEFF FLYNT



The Sons will be having a special breakfast for Mother's Day, May 12th. Mothers will eat free and there will be plenty of items available for all to enjoy. Also, the Sons will

have a "Crawfish Boil" on Saturday, May 18th on the back patio. Details will be announced later at the Post. So come on down and enjoy a meal with us in May. We are having nominations and elections of Officers for the 2019-2020 year at our May 15th meeting, please join us as we get the Squadron started for another year of service to the Post and community. Afterward, we will be cooking chicken wings for an evening dinner before the trivia night returns. We hope to continue cooking before the trivia night at the Post, so come and catch our meeting, have a little dinner and join in the fun at trivia night. Anyone who hasn't gotten their

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2019 membership card must see Jeff Dodds (Post Adjutant and SAL Advisor) to get your membership squared away. Otherwise, see the bartender to fill out a new membership form for us or mail in your payment to the Post and we will call or email you if we need anything else. Make sure to include your contact information (Mail, email and phone number) so we can get our database current. Thanks again for your participation in our Squadron.

Jeff Flynt, Squadron Adjutant 760-803-5080 or sal149jeff@aol.com.

## MEMORIAL LAW AND ORDER AWARD DINNER CO-CHAIRS | PENU PAUU JR | DAVE GEARY

Greeting Comrades,

On Saturday, March 30, 2019 the American Legion Post 149 hosted the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Jimmie L. Hayes Memorial Law &



Order Dinner to honor the first responders for the City of Escondido. We honored a total of twelve, seven from the Escondido Police Department and five from the Escondido Fire Department. A hearty congratulation to each of our 2019 honorees and their families!

The American Legion awards were augmented with awards from our districts representatives. Following dignitaries or their representatives were present at the dinner: Congressman Duncan Hunter was represented by Don Burgett, District 3 County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar and her Senior Police Advisor Christi Knight, Assemblywoman Marie Waldron; State Senator Brian Jones was represented by Aaron Andrews, and Escondido Mayor Paul "Mac" McNamara. Former City Council

We're proud to say that almost every Post Officer attended and supported the effort. Two were not able to attend due to illness and work. In attendance were: Post Commander Mike Frank and wife Joanie, 1st Vice Mick Sobczak and wife Shelley, 2nd Vice Daleen Moore (and E-BOD Ken Boyd), Adjutant Jeff Dodds and wife Louisa, Sgt. @ Arms Jim Botts, Judg Advocate Brian Turpin, Chaplain Chuck Faupel and wife Ellie and Finance Officer Art

member Ed Gallo also attended.

Lubben. E-Board members attending were Denny Papo and wife Jackie, Dennis Dalbey and Ken Boyd.

A very special "thank you" to President Cathy Wathen and the AL Post 149 Auxiliary ladies for the fabulous meal that evening, the members of the Orange Glen HS NJROTC who provided excellent wait service and to the Civil Air Patrol Skyhawk Composite Squadron 47 (Camp Pendleton) for the presentation of the colors.

Overall, the number of guests attending was 65. Including the servers and our color guard, we provided dinners for approximately 80.

Donations prior to the event and collected at the door totaled \$715.00. To provide the dinner, the Auxiliary expended \$510.00. That equates to \$205.00 positive.

Donations were received from every Post Officer and E-Board member. In addition, Oceanside Post 146
Commander Tony Azares (and wife Michelle), Past Post 149 Commander Bob Hamm, Lorraine Ulrich, Bob Reiley (and wife Kathleen) and Post 149 Legion Riders gave generous donations! Finally and certainly not the least... thank you to my co-chair Dave Geary and "Dave's Computer Repair and Sales" for again sponsoring the programs.

Thank you all for making the 2019 Jimmie L. Hayes Memorial Law & Order Dinner another successful Post 149 event!!

### 2019 CHILDREN'S EASTER PARTY

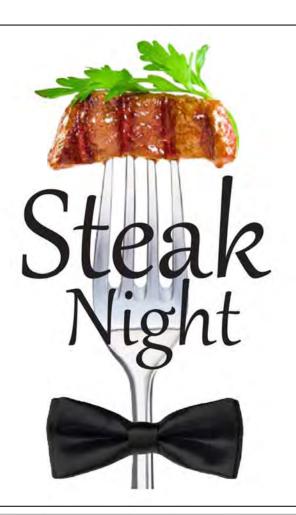


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At the Post Officers Breakfast in your birthday month - 3rd Sunday of the month - All you can eat buffe

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
APRIL 28 40 et 8 Breakfast 12 Noon— 40 et 8 Mtg. (Hall) *Open Pool Table in Clubroom *	APRIL 29 2:30-5:30PM TEAMSTERS RENTAL (Hall)	APRIL 30	5:30–9 PM Treasure Seekers (Hall) 7–9 PM LCR Game Night (Patio)	6 PM Bunko (Hall)	6 PM Dinner by Boy Scouts Spaghetti	3–9 PM Boudreau Rental (Hall)
8-11 AM Auxiliary Breakfast \$8.00 *Open Pool Table (Clubroom)*	6	7	8	Noon—4 PM Escondido Arts Assoc. (Hall) 6 PM Bunko (Hall) 6 PM Club 149 Crew Mtg. (Patio)	10 NO DINNER 7-10 PM KARAOKE (Clubroom) NO COVER CHARGE	10 AM 173rd Airborne (Conference Rm.) 9 AM—Noon Blue Star Moms (Hall)
8-11 AM Sons Breakfast All You Can Eat Buffet \$10  *Open Pool Table (Clubroom)*	13	1–5 PM Baker Electric (Hall) 5:30 PM Post Finance Mtg. 6 PM Post E-Board Mtg.	6:30 PM 15 VFW Auxiliary (Conference Rm.) 6:30 PM Wing Night by SONS 7–8 PM Boy Scouts (Hall) 7–9 PM TRIVIA NIGHT (Clubroom)	6 PM 6 PM Bunko (Hall)	6 PM Auxiliary Dinner Cook Your Own Steak 7 PM Dealer's Choice Poker Fundralser (Patio)	8 AM We Clean Escondido SONS Crawfish Fry (Patio) 1PM TIL IT'S GONE!
8-11 AM Post Officers Breakfast All You Can Eat Buffet \$10 *Open Pool Table (Clubroom)*	6 PM House Committee (Patio)	21 5 PM SAL Mtg. (Conference Rm.) 6 PM Post General Mtg. (Hall) 6 PM Auxiliary Mtg. (Conference Rm.)	5:30 PM Riders BBQ 6:30 PM Riders Mtg.	6 PM Bunko (Hall)	NO DINNER 7-10 PM KARAOKE (Clubroom) NO COVER CHARGE 6PM VFW Event/POTLUCK (Patio)	25 5 PM–10PM Stickler Private Rental (Hall)
26 40 et 8 Breakfast 12 Noon– 40 et 8 Mtg. (Hall) Clubroom *	MEMORIAL DAY Ceremony at Oak Hill Memorial Cemetery 10AM BBQ Following Ceremony Auxiliary (Patio)	28	29 7–9 PM TRIVIA NIGHT (Clubroom)	30 6 PM Bunko (Clubroom)	31 6 PM Dinner by Riders Spaghetti and Meatballs	JUNE 1  Noon-PM Rosas RENTAL (Hall)

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### **MARKET MALL**



There are several of these helmets in the Clubroom. By placing your spare change in them, you are donating money directly to the American Legion Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Foundation. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



### **BUSINESS AD SPECIFICATIONS**

**Business Card Ad** (3-1/2" wide x 2" high) - \$15 per month (minimum 3 month advertisement cycle required)

**Business Ad** 4" high x 3-1/2" wide - \$25 per month (minimum 3 month advertisement cycle required)

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