

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











COMMANDER | JEN HOLDEN



Welcome to September my fellow Legionaries! First, I want to thank everyone that have been out to the post in recent weeks. The Post has been through some hard

times with the COVID-19 Shutdown in 2020-2021. I am happy to report that while our finances are tight the Clubroom income has steadily increased. We are working diligently to have Friday dinners and Sunday breakfasts. Please come out and have a meal with us!

We have many activities coming up this month that the Adjutant and 2nd Vice Commander will go into detail about. The Post will have a booth at the Grape Day Festival on Sept. 10, 2022 at 10AM-4PM. Then immediately following the Festival the

Post, with support from Brothers of 6 Charities, will be having our Annual September 11th Memorial and BBQ. These events are for everyone in our community. I always say if we want community support then we need to be part of our community.

The District 22 meetings will be held at our Post for the foreseeable future. We love having the representatives from other American Legion Posts and the leadership for our District. Please continue to be your warm, courteous, friendly selves. The District expressed their thanks for our Post's willingness to be their hosts.

I personally thank the District for placing their trust in our ability to support these important events. We look forward to many future visits.

I want to say thank you for all the support and encouragement I have received for so many of you. I will continue to work on what I can to make our Post a home for all Veterans and their families.

FIRST VICE | JOHN SMARTT



Comrades, as we move in to September, I encourage you to check out the Post Calendar for upcoming events. There will be a lot going on in the coming

months and we look forward to seeing you. Along with so many other events, I am promoting the District 22 Thanksgiving Buffet to be held at our Post November. 12th. We chose this date instead of Thanksgiving Day so that our members could be home with their families on the holiday. This event will feature a variety of different foods that I'm sure you all enjoy so come in to the Post for a nice meal. I want to thank all our members that work hard to keep the Post going. It is not always an easy task.

Our Riders Chapter will be hosting a Halloween Costume Party October, 22nd. There will be a costume contest, a band,

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SPECIAL EVENTS

See calendar page and flyers for more information.

SEPTEMBER 5
Labor Day

SEPTEMBER 10
GRAPE DAY Festival

Check Calendar for FRIDAY
Dinner and
SUNDAY Breakfast
Schedules

PUB GRUB by Cheryl Every Sunday 3 PM

PORCELAIN CLUB Every Tuesday 9 AM-1 PM

BUNKO Every Thursday 6-8:30 PM

KARAOKE Every Friday 8-10 PM



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dancing, and a variety of Halloween themed food. Hope to see you there as it's going to be a great time!

SECOND VICE | CLUBROOM MANAGER | STEF HOLDEN



Greetings legionnaires,

Although the upcoming Grape Day Festival taking place on September 10th in Grape Day Park is not an event put on by the

American Legion, several of our members have played a key role in making this historic Escondido event possible. That being said, please join us at Grape Day Park on September 10th from 10AM-4PM for the first Grape Day Festival to take place in Escondido since 2018! Activities include grape stomping, live music, children's activities and games, antique farm equipment, food vendors, local arts & crafts, as well as a wine and beer garden, admission and parking are free!

Immediately following the festival, please join the **Brothers of 6 Charities**, **Inc.** over at the American Legion as they will be holding their annual **September 11**th

Remembrance BBQ. The ceremony will begin at 5PM followed by dinner and live entertainment.

Other events fast approaching are the American Legion Riders Halloween / Costume party combined with an Octoberfest beer tasting that will feature fine craft beers from the Mike Hess Brewery. The 3rd annual Escondido "VetFest" will be taking place on Friday, November 11th.

It is indeed going to be an exciting Fall season.

See you at the 149!

POST 149 ADJUTANT | BILL STINTSMAN



Our total membership now sits at **859 members** assigned to the Post. As of the writing of this article, we have 360 members current for the 2023 dues

paying year. This equates to 41.91 percent of our Post population renewed for 2023. We are only two months into the renewal year, so this is good news; however, I know for a fact that some of you, or your family members, have mistakenly overlooked the renewal notice as junk mail. That's OK, it happens. But you don't need a renewal notice to renew. You can renew your membership online through the Legion.org website, or you can come to the office and renew in person. Our goal is for the remaining 499 members to renew and achieve a 100 percent renewal rate, so don't wait until June of next year to renew your membership for 2023. And don't forget, the "Early Bird" stamp that includes your dinner and an entry into the Department of California drawing for a trip for two to Cancun ends on September 15th, so act now.

Don't forget about our 'eWaste' disposal event. Consolidate that stuff now, clean out those closets, cabinets, and drawers of that unwanted and unused electronic equipment, and bring it to the Post on October 15th. Remember it this way, if you haven't used that old piece of junk in more than a year, you aren't going to use it next year either, and if it's broke, and keep telling yourself that you'll get around to fixing it one of these days, you probably won't do

that either. It's just extra junk in your life,



so let us help you get rid of it. If you have an old hard drive in that pile of junk with personal data on it and you are afraid it will get into the wrong hands, drill several holes through the hard drive disc. Hammers do wonders to hard drives as well, but that makes a bit of a mess. You'll no longer have to worry about recoverable data.

CHAPLAIN | CHUCK FAUPEL



Keeping up to date on our Legionnaire **Keith Porter**. He's doing better. Continuing with Chemo. He's holding steady which is good news. Keith is also back to work doing limited teaching. He teaches R.O.T.C. Brother continue to march. Keeping him and his family in our prayers.

Cathy Wathen shoulder surgery went well. Home recovering. We will be continuing prayers for her.

Keith Butler was taken to the hospital on Wednesday 17^{th} for stomach pain Found out that he has only one kidney. As I am writing this newsletter he is in I.C.U. I will update when I get more info.

Update on Ann Brown. She is 93 years old. I mentioned her in my June newsletter that she had a heart attack. She worked as a public health nurse and served in Vietnam. She recently moved into the Nazareth house. She always came to our Post breakfast.

A boy is selling fish on a corner. To get his customers' attention, he is yelling, "Dam fish for sale! Get your dam fish here!" A pastor hears this and asks, "Why are you calling them 'dam fish.'" The boy responds, "Because I caught these fish at the local dam." The pastor buys a couple fish, takes them home to his wife, and asks her to cook the dam fish. The wife responds surprised, "I didn't know it was acceptable for a preacher to speak that way." He explains to her why they are dam fish. Later at the dinner table, he asks his son to pass the dam fish. He responds, "That's the spirit, Dad! Now pass the dam potatoes!"

SAL COMMANDER | KEITH BELL



It has been a good month with donations and events. We have continued work on the H-O train and track. It turned out to be more work than anticipated. We will be doing the final work on the track and scenic area, and all is looking good. Again, we want to thank everyone for there time and donations. Hope to see you at **Grape Day Park for the Opening Festival Event**

September 10th and stop and see the H-O train in the Santa Fe US Mail Railway Car.

We participated in The Gator Beach Bash August 12th for the Marines that recently returned from deployment and their families. We served pulled pork,

potato salad and donated TV'S. We have been doing this event yearly. It has turned out to be a great event.

Our next event will be **Second Annual** Halloween Wrestling Mania October **29th**. The SOCAL PRO WRESTLING will have information on there web site soon www.socalwrestling.com also look for posters at Post 149. Tickets will go on sale soon there will be a limited number of tickets so get them early. There will be a food vender, Halloween Costume Contest, and a Drone Raffle and more.

The first Friday of the month Roman Burger was a success; thank you to all that ordered burgers. We will continue Roman Burger night on the first Friday each month. Do not forget we have All You Can Eat Breakfast every second Sunday of the month. Hope to see you September 3rd for Roman Burger and September 11th for Breakfast.







1st Vice Commander John Smartt and his wife, Karen hosted a BBQ for our Riders at Guajome Park on August 13 after a ride down to Mt. Soledad.

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT | CATHY WATHEN



I want to thank the ladies who stepped up to do the August breakfast. Thank you too Shannon for shopping, and Sheila, Lori and Connie for cooking and serving breakfast. Everyone said it was delish!!! This is what the Auxiliary is all about, stepping up

when needed.

We did some switching in September and our breakfast will be on **Sunday**, **September 18**th. Chorizo and eggs as our special and of course all the fixins that go along with it.

Friday, September 23rd we will be have a special Girl's and Boy's State Taco Dinner. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy dinner and meet these amazing kids that were chosen for this program. Dinner starts at 6PM and is served until 7:30 or when the food runs out.

Remember we are still collecting food items for Camp Pendleton. The gray container in the hall is waiting for your donations. No glass or expired food items.

Thanks to everyone who supports the Legion Family, our Vet's and their families.

Until next month.

Cathy Wathen, President | cathywathenweatt@gmail.com | 760-717-1425

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY IRENE CLINGMAN | PR CHAIR



Food Challenge – Our latest food donations to military families was on July 5. Donations thus far for 2022 is 650.15 pounds. Our goal again this year is **1,500 pounds** so you can see that our donations are down from last year at this point in time. Before, it was

the Pandemic, now it is inflation and with food, gas, and other goods increasing in price, it becomes a hardship for many. If you know of a member of the post who is facing a food need, please let me know. Also, when you're out shopping, pick up a food item or two to help those in need including our military families and veterans. Thanks!

Girls/Boys State Dinner – Please come and support our Boys and Girls State Delegates who attended this year's

program. The auxiliary will be hosting a special taco bar dinner on the 23rd of September at the post and all delegates and their parents have been invited to attend. We will have a chance to have all the delegates speak about their experience. We have raised a lot of funds to send the delegates, now let's come and support them. Below is a picture of the delegates throughout the county that went to Girls State. The next picture is of our auxiliary delegates. Pictured left to right is *Julianne Martin, Taite Tephobock, Valeria Bernal, Brianne Ramos, Mya De La Rosa, and Cassandra Anderson.*



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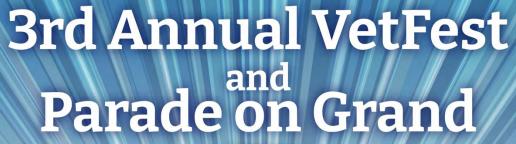
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SAVE THE DATE NOVEMBER 11, 2022

- · Veterans Day Parade on Grand Kicks off at 9:30am
- · Grand Avenue Patriotic Storefront Display Contest
- · Military and VetFest Sponsor Displays at Maple Street Plaza
- · VetFest at American Legion Post 149 beginning at 12:00pm
 - Veterans Day Ceremony
 - Lunch
 - Sponsor and Military Displays
 - Veteran Services Organizations Booths

If you would like to participate, please register at the website below:

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District 22 International Thanksgiving Buffet

THANKSGIUING DINNER

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Family and friends are invited for a buffet style offering from diverse ethnic backgrounds.

Saturday, November 12, 2022 1:00 PM-4:00 pm \$ 15.00 Donation at the door.



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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
08/28	8/29	8/30	8/31	6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	5-8 PM SAL Dinner \$10 (Roman Burger) (Patio) 8-10 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	8 AM-12:30 PM Sea Cadets (Hall) 1-?PM Birthday Party Private Rental (Hall) 5-11 PM Quinceanera Patio Rental
4 NO BREAKFAST 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	5-10 PM Retirement Party Patio Rental	4-5:30 PM Teamsters Local 911 (Hall) 6-8 PM Post 1513 VFW Mtg. (Hall) 9 AM-1 PM Porcelain Club (Conf. Rm.)	7	5-8 PM Kiwanis of Escondido (Conf. Rm.) 5:30-8:30 PM North County CREIA (Hall) 6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Patio)	9 No Scheduled Dinner 8-10 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	8:30 AM-1:30 PM Blue Star Moms (Hall) 10 AM-12 PM 173 Airborne Assn. (Conf. Rm.) 10 AM-2 PM Kiwanis Officer Installation (Patio) GRAPE DAY Festival
8-11 AM Sons Breakfast All You Can Eat Buffet \$12 3-7 PM POLISH AMERICAN Club. (Hall) 3 PM Pub Grub by Cheryl (Clubroom)	12	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)	6-7:30 PM SAL Meeting (Hall)	6-8:30 PM BUNKO (Hall)	5:30-7 PM VFW Dinner \$11 (BBQ Beef Sandwiches, Mac Salad and Dessert) (Patio) 8-10 PM KARAOKE (Club Rm.)	8 AM-12:30 PM Sea Cadets (Hall)
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