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” For God and Country”

Next meeting: 0900 (9am) April 20th, 2019.

Post Pot: Juan Villa-Senor’s Name was drawn.

Juan was not present so the Post Pot for April will be **\$30.**

You must be present to win.

Please take a moment to look at your membership card if the date on the card is not 2019 your membership has expired. Dues are now due for 2019 please mail them to the Post or pay on-line @ <http://www.legion.org/renew>; Today!

Happy Birthday to our Brothers and Sisters who were born in the month of April.

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| 1 Thomas G. Calabrese | 1 Vernon McGee | 1 Christopher Perrins | 3 David C. Burwell |
| 3 Ricardo A. Dogue | 3 Thomas Holton | 3 Ricardo S. Pulvera | 3 John Giernet |
| 4 Paul J. Markowitz | 6 Ronnie L. Hill | 7 Robert A. Pickrel | 7 Gordon Hill |
| 8 Barbara Cogburn | 8 Anthony C. Huebner | 8 Edward A. Langer | 10 Clarence H. Johnson |
| 10 Eduardo Ayala | 12 Thomas E. Mitchell | 13 Pete Nares | 14 Duke Stroud |
| 14 Dr. Jimmie Allen | 15 John M. Jennings | 15 Simone Marsac | 16 Gerald K. Holtzen |
| 16 John T. Meyers | 16 George T. Christensen | 17 Gary Pearce | 17 Douglas Taylor |
| 18 James M. Brubeck | 19 Bill P. Morrow | 19 Elliot Schroeder | 19 John R. Todd |
| 21 Douglas Daily | 21 Paul M. Guerra | 22 Clifton Towler | 22 John Wilson |
| 23 Richard D. Bell | 25 George Britton | 26 Michael A. Nave | 27 William R. Miller |
| 28 John G. Hook | 28 Martin Villarreal | 28 Emanuel M. Winocur | 28 George Young |
| 29 Michael L. Foster | 29 Jason P. Lundy | 29 John W. Hegeman | 30 Valhik Hacopiannik |
| 30 William E. Peaker | 30 Lynn LePage | | |

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This newsletter is available Via E-Mail or on our Website www.legionpost146.org. We will be E-mailing it to any member who wishes to receive it. If you wish to receive Sound Off via E-mail call the post or better yet E-mail the Editor Sam Brookins at shb46@cox.net and tell him your E-mail address. The newsletter is also available at our Website www.legionpost146.org. This service will be FREE to all Post Members who wish to use it. Snail Mail is still available. You need to notify the Editor to add you to the list.

Meetings

Post 146 meets every 3rd Saturday of the month in our new home in the Elks Lodge, 444 Country Club Lane. Oceanside, CA. 92054-3441. Meetings start at 0900. For Post 146 information go to our Web page at www.legionpost146.org. The Post 146 phone number is (760) 754-9633. Volunteers needed to transport members who cannot drive to meetings.

District 22 meets April 14th, 2019 @ 0900 @ Linda Vista Post 731, located @ 7245 Linda Vista Road, S.D.. **District 22**, <http://www.ald22.org/>

Get involved with Post 146 www.legionpost146.org We next meet on April 20th, 2019 @ 0900, 444 Country Club Lane, Oceanside

From Your Post Commander

Greetings comrades:

With our 100th anniversary upon us we will be having a centennial celebration at the Elks Lodge on June 15.

We are raffling 2 weapons:

Springfield Armory 1911.45 ACP and a Mossberg 500 shotgun 12 gauge combination kit.

I am encouraging all of you to please see me and get ticket books and sell some tickets so we can raise the necessary funds so that we may fund all of our programs for the upcoming year.

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 20 at 9AM. This is an important meeting as it will include the first round of officer nominations for the 2019-2020 year.

It has been my honor to serve Post 146 as your Commander of the past year. However, I will not be available to serve in this capacity or any other capacity for the upcoming year. As the seasons change so do our lives and it would appear that there is change in the wind for Michelle and I which would entail our leaving Southern California.

Yours in Service

Tony Azares, Post Commander

American Legion Post 146 Membership

If you do not have a 2019 Membership card your membership has expired. Please send in your \$45 dues as soon as you can or renew on line today. <http://www.legion.org/renew>

Please note: Active Duty or National Guard members, your dues are \$35 **you must mail your check to the Post to get your discount.** P. O. Box 1085, Oceanside, CA 92051-1085

Dave Hamilton, Adjutant

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As our Auxiliary year starts to wind down, I must say it's been a pleasure serving you wonderful ladies as your President. In the upcoming year all the Officer and Chairman positions will be available. I hope some of you will consider stepping up and serving your Unit. Our Unit has lots of wonderful ladies who are very willing to help you be successful. The Unit has so many ladies with lots knowledge. We are a team and are will help anybody who is interested in an Officer or Chairman positions. I could not have done the President position without the help of all of you. So, give it some thought of what you might like to do this coming year for the Unit.

Please come out and support American Cancer Society Relay for Life on, April 6-7, 2019 at Mira Costa College it is for a wonderful cause. Our team the ALA 146 Warriors will be out there in full force.

Yours in Service, Sandee Brookins, President Oceanside Unit 146

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SAL Squadron 146 Commanders note

The Law and Order Banquet has come and gone. It was a great affair and Kevin Johnstone was his usual entertaining Master of Ceremonies. The Honorees represented the best of their communities and organizations. A big thanks to the Elks Lodge and all the donors and volunteers who helped make this possible.

And speaking of the Elks, our own Sam Brookins was awarded Officer of the Year for the Lodge. Sam is a SON, Rider and Post Member, holding offices in those as well. How's that for multi-tasking? Congratulations Sam!

It is with regret that I must inform you I will not be available to serve as an officer in any office for the coming year. I will continue to serve as a member as time is available. I wish to thank all who have worked so hard to make this Squadron successful for all your efforts and forbearance during my 3-year tenure.

It is my sincerest hope that by announcing this early, one of the members will take this opportunity to serve in this capacity.

If you haven't renewed your dues please do so as soon as possible. Your dues keep our programs going to serve our Veterans and community.

As always, please keep the SAL's in mind when you are talking to your eligible relatives and friends. We have increased our Roster, but still need more members who can participate in activities supporting the Post, Veterans and our community.

SAL Squadron 146 Commanders note

Yours in Service, David Crone, Commander, Squadron 146

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ALR 146 Report

Hello Riders, as the season of spring is upon us and we are now getting back to a heavy riding season. Last month we donated \$500 for the Wounded Warrior Home and \$250 for the Sgt. Ruiz Golf Tournament as a course hole sponsor for Chapter 852 Temecula.

This last week, Capt. Michael Potter (USNRet), brother of our Sgt. at Arms, Chuck Potter was laid to his final resting place at Mira Mar National Cemetery, for which, our riders provided escort.

We will be hosting a Riders Skills Refresher Course on June 1st at the Elks Lodge parking lot. The hours to yet be determined. We also we be planning on going to the ALR convention the 1st weekend of May in Hollister. For those not going to Convention, we have a ride to the Veterans Home that weekend to bring much needed supplies for their programs.

We have other rides coming up to support many veteran and community causes in the near future. Ride safe and have a great month.

YIS, Dave Hamilton, President ALR 146

Adjutant's Message

My Fellow Comrades,

April brings upon us one of the most important events of our calendar year, ELECTIONS. The 1st round of nominations for Post officers for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. We have many positions open for election this year, they are Commander, 1st Vice Commander, 2nd Vice Commander, 3 Year Executive Committee, 2 Year Executive Committee positions. Next month we will have the 2nd round of nominations and after the closing of these nominations, the vote. This is your opportunity to voice your official support for both leadership and Post.

Also, we will be having the 1st reading of the changes needed to our by-laws in the operation of our Post. This is very important as this document is the governing document on the legal operations of the Post. This is also your opportunity to have your voice in this matter. The 2nd reading will be next month. At the completion of this meeting we will place our votes.

As I have just finished Department of California American Legion College, I am going to bring back to our Post the information about the direction of what both National and Department would like to see from all Posts.

This course had a huge guidance on how to implement some of these programs. I learned an awful lot and hope we have some of our comrades come to meetings to help support these endeavors.

We will be at the Welcome Home Veterans Ceremony @ the Army Navy Academy this Sat. March 31st and will be at the Oceanside Military Appreciation Day on May 18th in downtown Oceanside. A flyer was sent out to volunteer. Please inform that Commander of your sign up.

YIS, Dave Hamilton, Adjutant

Wanted – New Post 146 Webmaster

After 8 years as the Post 146 Webmaster, I am retiring from that position by June 30, 2019, preferably sooner. The Post needs a volunteer to take over this important responsibility. The website usually requires only minimal edits each month. In addition, the webmaster also sends out Post 146 bulk emails 2-3 times per month. The total monthly commitment time is about 5 hours. The job does not require extensive knowledge of website coding. If you know how to use a computer and have a desire to learn something new, then this is your opportunity. The required software is free, and I will assist on getting the new volunteer up to speed. I can be contacted at webmaster@legionpost146.org or 760-639-0728

Blood Donations

If you have donated blood in the past month or two, or plan to donate, please contact Frank Zugaj at 760-721-5621. This information gets relayed to District each month under Volunteerism for the Post.

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Membership Application

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Please use a checkmark for the applicable eligibility date(s) and branch of service:

August 2, 1990 – present – Persian Gulf		U.S. Army
December 20, 1989 – January 31, 1990 – Panama		U.S. Navy
Aug 24, 1982 – July 31, 1984 – Grenada/Lebanon		U.S. Air Force
February 28, 1961 – May 7, 1975 – Vietnam		U.S. Marines
June 24, 1950 – January 31, 1955 – Korea		U.S. Coast Guard
December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946 – WWII		Merchant Marines - December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946 – WWII (only eligibility dates)
April 6, 1917 – November 11, 1918 – WWI		

Former Legion member ID: _____ N/A

I certify that I served at least one day of active military service during the dates marked above, and I was honorably discharged, or am still serving honorably.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Name of Recruiter: _____

Annual membership is \$45.00. (\$35 if current member of the U.S. military or National Guard. Include a copy of your current I.D. card.) Please fill out this form and send it to the address above with a check for that amount payable to "American Legion Post 146". If you have any questions, please contact Dave Hamilton, Adjutant Post 146, at 760-583-5312, or email: adjutant@legionpost146.org

Have you seen your Legion Family at the VA Clinic in Oceanside?



Legionnaire Kris Thorsten ALR James Lansberry

Everywhere you look in the **Oceanside VA Clinic** you should see a member of the American Legion Family working side by side to better serve the veterans. The clinic opened in May 2010 and the Legion FAMILY began volunteering in July 2011. To date we have volunteered 19,367 hours equaling \$445,429 of FREE LABOR. Between the American Legion Post 146, Auxiliary, Riders & Sons, it is truly a Family Affair.

We can be found driving the Shuttle in the parking lots picking up Veterans and taking them to the front door of the clinic and then picking them up and taking them back to their cars. You can find us at the Front Desk

assisting veterans with their needs. We love to serve our Snacks & Coffee to those veterans who are waiting for an appointment or just stop by the clinic for a bit of hospitality. The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 146 purchases/donates the Coffee & Snacks for the daily coffee program. Unit 146 donates Lap Blankets, Walker Bags, and Socks for our VA Healthcare programs.

Check out the beautiful plants! Yes, we water them and keep the Clinic beautiful. Your American Legion Post 146 & American Legion Auxiliary Unit 146, American Legion Riders Chapter 146 & Sons of the American Legion are committed to our VETERANS.

Please contact Mary Thorsten, Lead Volunteer at the Oceanside VA Clinic to see how you can make a difference.

You can email her at Mary.Thorsten@va.gov
or call her at (760) 645-4609



**Paula & Gloria
Auxiliary Sisters serving coffee on TUESDAYS**



**Aleta Whitehead & Ruth Osborn
Auxiliary Legionnaire**



Snacks

Address: 1300 Rancho Del Oro Dr, Oceanside, CA 92056

Hours:

Monday-Wednesday-Thursday-Friday	6:30AM-5:30PM
Tuesday	6:30AM-4PM
Saturday-Sunday	Closed

Phone: (760) 643-2000