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”For God and Country”

Next meeting: 0900 (9am) January 19th 2019

Post Pot: Ralph Gonzales

was drawn. Ralph was not present. Post Pot for January will be **\$100. You must be present to win.**

Your membership cards are in for 2019. Now is the time to send in your \$45 dues for 2019 Please send in your dues today.

Please note: Active Duty or National Guard Members, your dues are \$35 you must mail your check to the Post to get your discount. 1617 Mission Ave, Oceanside, CA 92058

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

2 Albert Manuel	2 Andre Brown	3 Rudy Gonzalez	4 Salvador Martinez
5 Richard P. Dong	5 Robert M. Kinsey	6 Gerald D. Sullivan	7 Clay Leaf
8 Daniel S. Gelinis	9 Charles Linderman	10 Wolfgang H. Fleck	10 Walter L. Washington
10 Nicholas Szczerba	12 Leonard Foley	12 Ray R. Raino	15 Roy J. Perkins
16 Jerry D. Galbreath	17 Russell E. State	17 Rudy Valentin	18 Craig Arterburn
18 Tom Basham	18 Israel E. Camacho	20 Joseph F. Cacciola	20 James A. Martin
20 Michael S. McGraw	21 Raymond J. Striler	22 Thomas A. Healy	24 Joseph E. Miller
24 Stanley L. Peterson	24 Allan R. Herfurth	26 Nancy K. York	26 Thomas M. Bruner
27 Geraldine W. Norem	27 Robert Noble	27 Jerrell Borup	28 Thomas A. McLuckie
28 Ralph D. Gonzales Jr.	28 Edward E. McCall	29 Russell J. Bezette	29 Roger L. Whiteaker
29 David J. Kauppinen	29 John R. Kaitangian		

Get involved with Post 146 www.legionpost146.org We next meet on January 19th, 2019 @ 0900. Meeting held at 1617 Mission Ave, Ocsd.

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Meetings

Post 146 meets every 3rd Saturday of the month in our new home in the VANC building, 1617 Mission Ave. Oceanside, CA. 92058-2734. Meetings start at 0900. Please park in the back of the building. 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 January 9th, 2019, 0900@ Linda Vista Post 731, located @ 7245
Linda Vista Road, S.D. Come early for Breakfast. **District 22**, <http://www.legionsd.org/>

From the Post Commander

As I look back over these past few months, I know that it has been about as full a year as I can remember. But Christmas itself still remains a time for reflection and a focus of hope for the future.

All great organizations have times of renewal, moments to take stock before moving on to face the challenges which lie ahead.

The Christmas celebrations are joyous occasions, but they also seem to evoke something more lasting and profound – a sense of belonging and pride in country, town, or community; a sense of sharing a common heritage enriched by the cultural, ethnic and religious diversity of our comradeship.

These celebrations also give opportunities to recognize the valuable work undertaken by so many people in service of their communities. It is a time to remind ourselves, as the Christmas story does every year, that we must never forget the plight of the disadvantaged and excluded, that we must respond to the needs of those veterans who may be in distress or despair.

I know just how much I rely on my own faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning, I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God.

Like others of you who draw inspiration from your own faith, I draw strength in the Comradeship of this great organization.

Fortified by this and the support you have given throughout the last few months which has meant so much to me, I look forward to the New Year, to facing the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead, and to continuing to serve you to the very best of my ability each and every day.

A Merry Christmas to you all.

Tony Azares
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It's been a busy year for the Auxiliary, and I want to thank everybody for your hard work. We will not have a meeting in December but we'll be back, January 19, 2019.

We are decorating Fischer House on, December 3rd @ 9:30. Please let Mary know if you can participate. They are carpooling from the VANC at 9:00 a.m. Also, Wreaths Across America is, December 15, 2018 at Miramar National Cemetery starting at 9:00 a.m.

In the new year we will start our interviews for Girls State. If you are interested in participating in the interviewing process please contact, Kim Crone. North County Stand Down is February 7-10, 2019 and they still need volunteers.

In a few short months it'll be time to start thinking about new officers. Please start thinking about what position you want to do to help the Auxiliary. You all are able to take any position and do it well.

I wish everybody a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Yours in Service
Sandee Brookins, President Unit 146

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ALR 146 Report

Happy Holidays Riders. As we enter this month, we have our fellow Americans that are in need from the recent fires up north and those still recovering from the hurricanes back east. As well as, those that are locally homeless or in need of other services to help their lives be better. Please be generous this season in giving what you can whether with your labor or financially, if possible, and for us to count our blessings for our families and our health.

For those that want to assist for the fire victims, Post 149 is collecting pre-paid Visa/MC or gift cards to distribute to those that need help.

This month the Riders will be participating in the Wreathes Across America on Dec 15th @ Miramar National Cemetery. They have a one hour service and then all in attendance spread across the grounds and lay wreaths on all the appropriate graves. We will also be having our monthly social and gift exchange on Tuesday Dec. 11th@6PM @ the Junkyard Bar & Grill.

Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year!

**Yours in Service,
Dave Hamilton, ALR146 President.**

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In this time of family and friends, it is time to also remember those who served. We have donated to and will be placing wreaths at Miramar Memorial Cemetery on the Saturday Dec 15th.

If you haven't sent in your dues for 2019 please do so as soon as you can. Every paid member contributes to the programs the SON's support.

Also, it will soon be time to choose our officers. Please consider serving as I think there will be a number of positions open.

Many thanks to those who help serve and cleanup for the pre-post breakfast. Thanks to all that came and supported it. We will be dark in December and it has not been determined if we will be serving breakfast next year. We'll keep you posted.

The Squadron continues to have volunteers at the VA clinic to serve our Veterans.

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.

Yours in Service, David Crone, Commander, Squadron 146

Post 146 Adjutant's Report

Legionnaires, this month is our big push for membership renewal. If you have not paid your 2019 dues, please do so immediately either by the letter you received from National or www.legion.org/renew

We will be having our membership committee call those members who are in arrears to please renew promptly. If you are in any need, please contact adjutant@legionpost146.org. District wants us to be @ 75% renewed members by 12/12. We are only @ 61% as of 11/28.

This month district is having district Post Officer training on the 1st. Also, the District meeting is on the 8th @ Post 731 @ 0900. All are welcome to attend.

We will not have a meeting this month.

Have a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year!

Yours in Service
David Hamilton, Adjutant

COFFEE MAKER FOR SALE



For sale: Farberware Model L1360 automatic coffee maker, 12 to 36 cups. Excellent condition. Great for family and friend gatherings. \$35.00

Contact David Kauppinen at 760-639-0728 or subvet346@cox.net

If you have something to sell, then this is the place to do it. Please limit to two items per newsletter issue. Send your ad by the 25th of the month to Editor Sam Brookins, at shb46@cox.net