

“Sound Off”

The Family Newsletter for
American Legion Post 146
1617 Mission Ave
Oceanside, CA 92058-2734
Phone 760-754-9633
FAX 760-433-1046
Vol. XXVIII, No.7, January 2018
Website: www.legionpost146.org

Return Service Requested

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
OCEANSIDE, CA
PERMIT 207



”For God and Country”

Next meeting: 0900 (9am) January 20th, 2018.

Come early for a Great Breakfast prepared by our SON's 0730 to 0830, for \$8. **Post Pot:** No Name drawn in December. Post Pot for January 2018 will be **\$30, You must be present to win.**

From time to time we lose track of a member. Does anyone have a current address for **Victor L. Bothmann**? His mail is being returned undeliverable. Help! Edd 760-754-9633

Please take a moment to look at your membership card if the date on the card is not 2018 your membership has expired. Dues are now due for 2018 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 January.

2 Ron Emerick	2 William Cooley	3 Nicholas Salerno	5 John C. Coddington
5 Ruben Isa Gastelum	6 Ray Seibold	6 Douglas Gudgeon	6 Howard L. Arnold
6 Christopher LaLiberte	7 Jack Duffie	9 Robert Brasher	10 Lorenzo C. Paringit
11 Norman Everhart	12 Robert Taieno	13 David M. Brahms	14 Bill C. Brunner
15 Rick Lewis	15 Arsenio Onsurez	17 Joseph S. Hildreth	18 Steven R. Medina
18 Darin S. Selnick	18 Floyd A. Gaskins	18 Arthur H. Greiser	18 Bernard Tuchtenhagen
19 James Coleman	19 John Meyer	19 Mario D. Alamares	19 Marc A. Manor
19 Kathy E. Hamman	22 Bill Holloway	22 Harland P. Fazardo	23 James L. Greer
23 Ronald Burton	24 Patrick D. Marier	25 Tommy N. Taylor	26 Gene Bradford
26 Brian R. Nielsen	27 Chilton A. Mahin	29 George D. Barrante	29 Leah L. Talley
30 Nelson Agudelo			

American Legion Post 146 Officers

Commander	Anthony (Tony) Azares	760-212-8533	commander@legionpost146.org
1 st Vice Commander	Dave A. Pines	760-207-6794	davepines@mac.com
2 nd Vice Commander	Ken Derr	760-272-5941	capndirt1@cox.net
Judge Advocate/ Service Officer	Charles T. Atkinson	760-941-4712	catkinsonE9@gmail.com
Sgt.-At-Arms	Rudolph (Rudy) J. Caron	760-473-6156	caronrj7@cox.net
Adjutant/Finance Officer/Editor	Edd Robinson	760-754-9633	adjutant@legionpost146.org
Chaplain	Jack W. Moreno	760-855-7996	jackwmoreno@aol.com
Historian	Vacant		
3 Yr. Executive Committee	Gordon R. Hill	760-936-6440	GRH2000@hotmail.com
2 Yr. Executive Committee	Robert E. Noble	760-806-4886	brbuds3@att.net
1 Yr. Executive Committee	Lee Brunson	760-586-2897	leepaulabrunson@gmail.com
Jr. Past Commander	Kevin Johnstone	760-801-9000	kevinjohnstone@mac.com
Webmaster	David Kauppinen	760-639-0728	subvet346@cox.net
Harbor Days Chair	Ken Derr	760-272-5941	capndirt1@cox.net
Boys State/School Medals/JROTC/Blood Chair		760-721-5621	Frank Zugaj

Postal Compliance Notice: “Sound Off!” Is published monthly. It is the official newsletter of American Legion Post 146 Family, an incorporated nonprofit organization. Issue number & date are on the front page. Distribution is to the members of the Post, Riders, Auxiliary & SAL’s VIA e-mail or on the Web Site. Direct all inquiries concerning this publication to the “Sound Off!” Editor at: 1617 Mission Ave.; Oceanside, CA 92058-2734 or adjutant@legionpost146.org. **Anyone wishing to add articles Please send in word format.**

Sound Off Via E-Mail or Website

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 adjutant adjutant@legionpost146.org 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 Adjutant to add you to the list.

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, FAX (760) 433-1046. Volunteers needed to transport members who cannot drive to meetings.

District 22 meets February 11, 2018 @ 0900 @ Linda Vista Post 731, located @ 7245 Linda Vista Road, S.D.. Come early for Breakfast. **District 22**, <http://www.ald22.org/>

Get involved with Post 146 www.legionpost146.org We next meet on January 20th, 2018 @ 0900, breakfast 0730 to 0830 for \$8. 1617 Mission Ave, Ocsd.

Post 146 Member Classified Ads

For sale Mahogany spinet piano for sale. \$500.00. Please call 760-630-7379 Norma Lamascus.

If you have something to sell, then this is the place to do it. Limit 2 items per issue. Send your ad in by the 25th of the month to adjutant@legionpost146.org. The add will appear in the next month's issue of "Sound Off".

American Legion Post 146 Membership

If you do not have a 2018 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.** 1617 Mission Ave, Oceanside, CA 92058

Edd Robinson, Adjutant/Finance Officer

American Legion Auxiliary Officers

President	Kim Crone	1975kcdc@gmail.com	760-415-8126
Secretary	Cassie Sczerba	cassieszczerba@yahoo.com	760-807-5112
1st Vice	Elaine Piltzecker	gepiltz@outlook.com	760-529-5819
2nd Vice	Carolyn Byers	carolyn57.cb@gmail.com	760-685-6571
Treasurer	Mary Thorsten	ala146oside@gmail.com	
Chaplain	Miriam Corbin	ls71252@gmail.com	760-547-5427
Historian	Maureen Kauppinen	movinloot2@cox.net	760-639-0728
Sgt. @ Arms	Lorna De La Cruz	dlc-ohana@hotmail.com	757-771-4413
Marshall	Nancy Anderson	nma49@cox.net	760-757-1143
Executive Committee:	Suzanne Brewer	suzbrewer1@hotmail.com	760-536-3384

Sandee Brookins, Girls State Chairman, 760-966-1587

Auxiliary Unit 146 Sew 4 Vets continues meeting every month to make goods for our veterans and schools. They made and delivered Holiday ribbons to North Terrace School and Christmas stockings to be filled for veterans.

Our unit played Elf this month starting with the decorating of Fisher House, donating socks to the La Jolla VA and toys and commissary cards to ASYMCA.

Wreaths Across America at Mira Mar Cemetery was attended by our Post, Sons, and Auxiliary and our Riders with the Patriot Guard were given a special thank you.

Wishing you all a very healthy & Happy New Year & look forward to seeing you at the January 20, 2018 meeting.

Yours in Service Kim Crone, President ALA Oceanside 146

Toys for tots



Auxiliary Unit 146 Sew 4 Vets



Wreaths Across America





VETERANS STAND DOWN CLOTHING DRIVE

JAN 6th, 2018
Escondido City Hall
8:00AM TO 11:00AM

We will happily accept ALL clothing donations but need the following items most

Used items we are in need of....

Jackets, Sweatshirts, Shoes, Towels and plus size clothing

New Items we are in need of....

500 pair of mens underwear and socks
50 pairs of womens underwear and socks.



Have questions?
Contact Bonnie Maloney
760-613-6889

SAL Squadron 146 Commanders note

I write this in hopes all had a good Christmas. We are on the cusp of a new year with all the treasures and challenges that it will hold.

First things first. Breakfast is back! Bring your appetites and friends and let's start the new year off together.

The Squadron was present at the Pearl Harbor Observance. It was very dignified and well attended. A report has been filed and appears elsewhere in the "Sound Off".

The Squadron once again participated with Post, Riders and Auxiliary members in the laying of wreaths on the graves of Veterans at Miramar National Cemetery. Each year the attendance grows as well as the number of wreaths donated. This year there were over 8000 wreaths. Also this year a special area was set up for the Patriot Guard and they were acknowledged for the respect and service they provide to the passing Veteran and their families. The Viet Nam veterans were also called out from the crowd and were given a special lapel pin in appreciation of their service.

If you haven't renewed your membership 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.

Yours in Service David Crone, Commander, Squadron 146

SAL Squadron 146 Officers

Commander	David Crone	760-415-8127	salcmdr@legionpost146.org
1 st Vice Commander	Dave A. Pines	760-207-6794	davepines@mac.com
2 nd Vice Commander	Sam Brookins	760-966-1587	shb46@cox.net
Adjutant/Finance Officer	Edd Robinson	760-433-1165	adjutant@legionpost146.org
Sgt-at-Arms	Ken Derr	760-272-5941	capndirt1@cox.net

I had the pleasure of attending the Pearl Harbor Observance at the Oceanside Harbor's little pier with fellow members of the Post Bob Noble and Dave Kauppinen. Chuck Atkinson was introduced as well as Acting Mayor Chuck Lowery, Councilmen Jerry Kern and Bob Feller.

The pier was full as many came to pay their respects. The ceremony was led by Linda Dudik, President of the WWII Experience.

The Navy provided a Color Guard from ACU-5, the Swift Intruder unit on Camp Pendleton.

After the presentation of the Colors, Linda provided a short historical perspective and then introduced the three Pearl Harbor Survivors that we were honored to have in attendance.

They were:

Joe Walsh, USMC, 98 yrs old. He was on Ford Island at the time of the attack.

John Quier, USN, 97. He was on the repair ship USS Dobbins in harbor at the time of the attack.

Adolph Kuhn, USN, 96. He was also on Ford Island at the time of the attack.

Each man spoke a moment and was recognized.

Linda introduced Rocky Chavez who gave a brief speech.

After that Taps was played by Michael Timson of Bugles Across America and the ceremony concluded with sprinkling of flowers into the harbor.





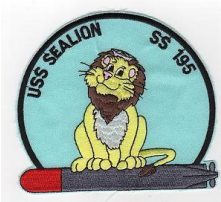
USS Sealion (SS-195) - Perpetuating the Memory

by David Kauppinen

The USS Sealion (SS-195) was a Sargo Class submarine commissioned November 27, 1939 at Groton, Connecticut, with Lieutenant J. K. Morrison, Jr. in command.



After shakedown, the Sealion was attached to SUBDIV 17 and transited to the Asiatic Fleet based at Cavite Naval Station, Phillipines, in August 1940. After taking part in Navy exercises over the next 16 months, LT. CDR. Richard G. Voge took command and the submarine commenced an overhaul at Cavite in December 1941.



On December 10, three days after the Pearl Harbor attack, Cavite was attacked by 54 Japanese Navy Bombers. Upon seeing the attacking planes, the C.O. ordered all hands below. A few minutes later, two bombs hit Sealion, one aft of the conning tower, destroying the machine gun mount, the main induction, the battery ventilation, and the conning tower bulkhead. A fragment from this bomb pierced the conning tower of the adjacent USS Seadragon (SS-194) and killed Ensign Sam Hunter who became the first submarine casualty of the war. The second bomb penetrated the maneuvering space at the rear of the after engine room killing 4 crew members; Sterling Cecil Foster EMC(SS), Melvin Donald O'Connell EMC(SS), Vallentyne Lester Paul EM3(SS), and Ernest Ephrom Ogilvie MM1(SS). Subsequently, the stern sank with 40% of the deck under water, and she took on a 15 degree starboard list. Since the Naval Station was destroyed in the attack, repairs to the Sealion were impossible. Consequently, all useful equipment **such as gyro, radio, and sound equipment was removed, and she was** scuttled on Christmas day 1941, becoming the first American submarine lost during World War II.

At the time of the Sealion attack, Eli Thomas Reich was the Executive Officer and Engineer. Subsequently, he became the C.O. of the second USS Sealion (SS-315) in March 1944. On November 21, 1944 on her third war patrol, the Sealion II encountered an enemy convoy moving through the Taiwan Strait containing 3 battleships, a cruiser, and 6 destroyers. She fired 9 torpedoes at two of the ships and ended up sinking the battleship Kongo and a destroyer.

Karma - during WWII, it was a customary for torpedomen to mark a name on the head of each torpedo as it was loaded into a tube. Usually these were the names of wives, girlfriends, factory employees, and other significant individuals. However, on November 21 four of the Sealion fish fired at the convoy carried the names Foster, O'Connell, Paul, and Ogilvie, the crewmen lost in the bombing of Sealion I three years earlier.



Dear American Legion, Here is a quick update on our pack this month. Our scouts just had our annual Christmas party celebration. We had a big potluck, and each family brought a delicious meal to share from their heritage. It was a night filled with laughter, games, and memories. Santa Claus also came by and made a special appearance! Every year, our pack plans out a "Big Adventure". For this year's Great Adventure, we took each family out to watch Star Wars: The Last Jedi in motion seats. It was such a great way to end the year! Lastly, we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Sincerely, Cyrul Gervacio, Committee Secretary, Cub Scout Pack 7146

SNAPSHOTS FROM 2017



Foster, NCSDVSD Director



Tom Cowan, Public Relations



Hester, Fund Raising



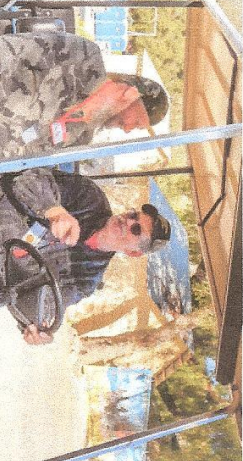
Guest



Guest



Guest



Mike Frank, Director of Operations & Guest

4 DAY EVENT

25 thru 28 January, 2018

A FOUR DAY EVENT in a serene, wooded retreat setting for our homeless Veterans to enjoy cabin living, catered dining, indoor VA services, medical, dental, legal aid, clothing distribution, housing assistance, other Veteran and homeless assistance and services, entertainment and more!

This is the ideal setting to assist a Veteran needing to enjoy a respite from the streets and alleys of our County. Most of all, it is our goal for them to feel the respect and dignity absent from their lives.

Serving ALL Homeless Veterans,

Homeless Veterans, Veterans in need, & their dependent family members.

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

To Register a Veteran, please go to:

www.registerncvsd.org

To Volunteer, Please go to:

www.volunteerncvsd.org

INTRODUCTION TO:

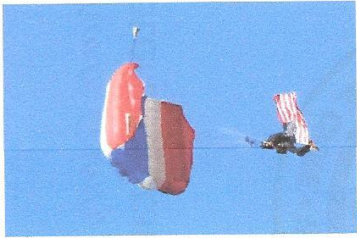
North County San Diego
Veterans Stand Down



230 East Park Avenue • Escondido CA • 92025



OPENING CEREMONY



GENERAL INFORMATION

YOU CAN HELP!

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

NCSD Vets Stand Down

And mail to:

230 E. Park Ave.

Escondido, CA 92025

Tax Deductible Receipts will be issued.

More information and donation procedures can be found at:

<http://ncstanddown.org>

To Volunteer, Please go to:

www.volunteerncvsd.org

We are looking for caring, patriotic, and motivated individuals and groups who wish to take part in this worthy endeavor.

Please go to our website for information on available positions and schedules.



North County San Diego Veterans Stand Down (NCSDVSD) is designated a Tax Exempt Organization under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 501(c)(3) by the IRS. NCSDVSD is also classified as a Public Charity under IRC Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v). All Donations and Contributions made to NCSDVSD are TAX DEDUCTIBLE under IRC Section 170. All bequests, Devises, Transfers, and Gifts presented to NCSDVSD are also TAX DEDUCTIBLE under IRC Sections 2055, 2106, or 2522.

ATTENDING AGENCIES

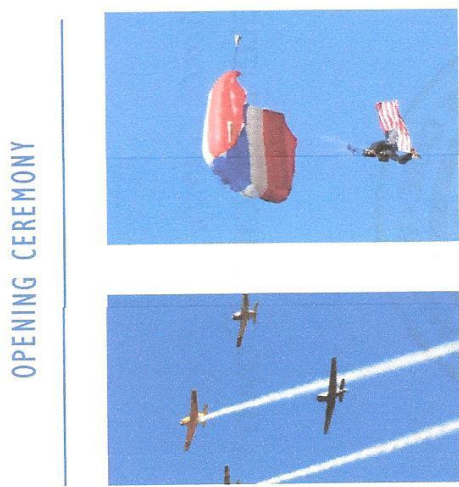
- ◆ VA Health Care Services
- ◆ Interfaith Council
- ◆ V.F.W.
- ◆ American Legion
- ◆ AMVETS
- ◆ Vista Community Clinic
- ◆ DAV
- ◆ US Navy, Marine Corps, & Air Force Reserve
- ◆ Army & Air National Guard
- ◆ Dr. Leslie Bonar, DDS
- ◆ Dr. Bronner's All-One Magic Soaps

SERVICES PROVIDED

- ◆ Housing Assistance
- ◆ Medical & Dental Exams and Treatment
- ◆ Legal Assistance and Veterans Court
- ◆ Clothing & Hygiene Kits
- ◆ Showers & Haircuts
- ◆ Mental Health Counseling
- ◆ Residential Cabins & Hot Meals
- ◆ Veterans Benefits Counseling
- ◆ Nutritional Counseling
- ◆ Spiritual Guidance
- ◆ Entertainment
- ◆ Free Transportation
- ◆ Veterinary Services for Service Dogs



Homeless Court



Col Jones & Arie DeJong





In 2009, Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day was signed into California law, and is to be celebrated annually on March 30. We celebrate [today] to give Vietnam Veterans the "Welcome Home" they didn't receive when they returned.

A search has begun to locate and interview Vietnam Veterans, and to record their comments about their time in "Nam" - where they were, what they did, how they survived day to day, etc. High school students have been chosen to interview the Veterans, and their video's will be played before the start of the Welcome Home ceremony on March 30. Call the number below to sign up as an interviewee



Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day
March 30, 2018
1617 Mission Avenue, Oceanside
RSVP & information - - - 760 • 722 • 1277

(I-5 North, Mission Ave East exit, corner of Barnes St & Mission Ave)

American Legion Post 146

1617 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, CA 92058-2734

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 Edd Robinson, Adjutant Post 146, at 760-754-9633, or email: adjutant@legionpost146.org

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS, CHAPTER 146 Officers

President	Dave Hamilton	760.583.5312	dhamilton9@cox.net
Vice Pres	Dan Rose	760.419.5737	drose1243@yahoo.com
Secretary	George Christensen	773.547.5571	George.t.christensen@gmail.com
Treasurer	Raymond Arnold	760.433.5576	Raymond.Arnold@yahoo.com
Sgt at Arms	Chuck Potter	760.415.6650	cpotterpi@cox.net

ALR 146 Report

Happy New Year! As we come in to our centennial year as an organization, we have to continue on our original mission to support our veterans. Our push has been membership for both the Post and Riders. The riders this year had an increase for 400 riders and 11 chapters in California. Membership is what will keep our organization alive.

We had a fun Christmas Party with plenty of good Christmas spirit and joy. We hope everyone had a safe holiday season.

We have a big year coming up for our Chapter. We have the annual DOC convention coming in April. Our next planning meeting is Jan 11th. We hope to put on the best convention yet.

We will have many rides coming up with many benefiting various veterans' programs outside of the Legion.

We have our social hour on the 9th @ 6pm at the Lumberyard.

YIS, Dave Hamilton, President ALR 146