# "Sound Off"

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Next meeting: 0900 (9am) May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016 Come Early Breakfast from 730am to 845am, \$8. Post Pot: The name drawn for April was John Hamilton. John was not at the meeting to win the \$30. Post Pot for May will be \$40.

You must be present to win.

May is our cut off for 2016 Membership for the Convention totals. Please get your dues in today. Look at your current card if it does not say 2016 you are one of the 144 members who has not paid your 2016 dues. Please send your \$45 dues in today or pay on line.

# Happy Birthday to our Brothers and Sisters who were born this month.

# **May Birthdays**

David W. Mazepink
 Phillip DeRoulet
 Burrell Godbolt
 Dan J. Rose
 David Gilson
 Kenneth D. Tomlinson
 Robert F. Murray
 Claudio E. Martinez
 Gary J. Maziarz
 Paul E. Hartman II
 Richard W. Jamison
 Ken Derr
 Rocky Fletcher
 Michael S. Leo

Lee Brunson
 Albert C. Robles
 Albert Mayen
 William N. Woods
 George H. Riebau
 David Smith
 Fidel D. Chavoya
 Walter L. Sterling
 Gale L. Graves
 Larry McElroy
 Jeffery L/ Hart
 John T. Swaile
 Joseph P. Owens

2 Jacque A. Chevrier3 Thomas McGrath5 Julius C. Pettis8 Mark S. Harris Sr.9 Frank Fernandez11 Thomas J. Sawyer14 William James15 Manfred Baehrens17 Charlie Butts1819 Norman M. Graber24 John G. Maloney Jr.2427 Melvin Washington2831 Michael Cistone

2 Victor A. Racette
3 George Foreman
6 Donald Davis
8 James H. Reid
10 Ace R. Santana
12 Rocky J. Chavez
14 John Raymond
15 Murray Fleck
18 Kenneth P. Gardiner
22 Frank C. Richards
24 William P. Patterson
28 Herman T. Guayante
31 Benjamin R. Vanc

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#### Sound Off Via E-Mail or Website

This newsletter is available Via E-Mail or on our Website <u>www.legionpost146.org</u>. 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 <u>adjutant@legionpost146.org</u> and tell him your E-mail address. The newsletter is also available at our Website <u>www.legionpost146.org</u>. 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 <u>www.legionpost146.org</u>. 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 0900 @ La Mesa Post 282, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Come early for Breakfast. Get involved with Post 146 <u>www.legionpost146.org</u> & District 22, <u>http://www.legionsd.org/</u>

### From your Commander



Fellow Legionnaires!

As my term as Commander of Post 146 comes to a close I'm taking the opportunity to reflect back on all that we accomplished over the past 12 months. The Posts financial position has improved substantially, but still has a way to go so that we can invest in projects for our community. Our monthly attendance has grown. We established a Son's of the Legion (SAL) program and they are growing in numbers each month. We hosted a visit from the National Commander that drew a tremendous amount of positive attention to our post and was something we should all be very proud of. We began having monthly breakfasts that further increased attendance at our meetings and provided our members with an opportunity to gather and get acquainted. These were all goals set down by the Board at the beginning of the term and all those that participated should be proud.

As the gavel passes in July to Tony Azares, I ask that you all take a pledge to support Tony and the Post by participating in our activities, turning out at our meetings and events and bringing in new members. It seems to be the same handful of Legionnaires that do all of the work, and that has to change. Tony is on fire for the Post and I am certain he will do a great job, but he can't do it alone. Make a pledge to volunteer for just one committee or one activity and, with your support, Post 146 can continue to grow and thrive!

It's been an honor and a privilege serving with you, Come to our breakfast prior to the meeting and bring a potential new member and get a **free breakfast** for you and your potential new member.

For God and County.

Kevin Johnstone, Commander - Post 146, <u>commander@legionpost146.org</u>

## **Commander Elect on Installation**

As Commander elect, I get to choose the venue and theme for the installation ceremony.

I am going to stray from the norm of an installation dinner because I want the Legion, Auxiliary, Riders and Sons to come together as a Legion Family.

#1 I have opted not to have the 40&8 do the installation, instead, the installation team will consist of Edd Robinson and Frank Zugaj, both past District 22 Commanders. I invite you to also do your installations on this day.

#2 The Installation will be June 12<sup>th</sup> at Heritage Park in Oceanside, time will be 1 to 4 pm, this is going to be a Legion Family affair away from the VANC building and the Post will Provide BBQ chicken and Burgers, All Attending will be asked to bring a side dish for the potluck and it is BYOB. This is imperative as it brings us all together to celebrate and socialize with the other organizations so that we can build an atmosphere of supporting each organization in their endeavors. Terry Ann Larson with the City of Oceanside has reserved the park for us for a total charge of \$0.00 and they will provide the PA system and tables and chairs. This is important as it does not take money away from our organizations for a "party" but allows us to use those monies for our veteran supported programs

Not only are members invited, but also their families as we will have activities for all.

Please let me know as soon as you can who will be the President/Commander of your respective organization for the 2016/2017 fiscal year with their contact information so I can meet with the heads of all respective organizations so we can brainstorm and bring our legion family together and plan for our upcoming year.

If you have any questions, Please give me a call. For God & Country and the Legion Family

# Tony Azares, 760-212-8533

# 1st Vice Commander Membership

Greetings Legionnaires: We have fallen a little short of our goal. We have transmitted 489 members to date which is 93.4% of our goal. We need 34 members to renew their dues. It's time to step up & get your dues in if you have not done so yet. Check your card is it 2016? If not get your dues in or pay on line.

Just to breakdown the Target dates for our membership:

Goal Name	Date	Goal	Members
Children & Youth	4/13	95%	497
Armed Forces Day	5/11	100%	523

I would like to welcome Transfers & new members: Barbara Cogburn, USMC, Persian Gulf; Robert C. McCune, USA, Vietnam; Larry McElroy, USMC, Vietnam; Dennis C. Boyce, USMC, Vietnam; N.B. Foster, USA, Vietnam; to Post 146.

# Thanks for your support. Carl Asher

#### AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 146 Officers

President: Ken Derr Secretary: Brenda Derr Sgt at Arms: Chuck Potter Chaplain: "Pastor" Bob Wilson Vice President: Ken Gardiner Treasurer: Raymond Arnold Ride Coordinator: James Lansberry Historian: Vacant

The Riders have had a busy couple of weeks. On April 17 we did the Camp Pendleton YMCA Poker Run. April 22-24 Brenda, Dave Hamilton and I were in San Luis Obispo for the 9th Annual American Legion Riders convention. ALR Area 5 has 30 chapters and 750 members. Area 5 has the most chapters and most members in the state.

Our next meeting is April 30th. We will have our first round of nominations for new officers. Mays meeting will be on the 28th in the VANC building. We will have the second round of nominations and election at the May meeting.

#### Respectfully submitted, Kenneth Derr, President, ALR 146

#### Recycle

Please note that in addition to bottles, cans, Copper, Brass and aluminum the Post is now accepting used printer and toner cartridges, also used cell phones. These are used to get store credits to help defray the cost of the Post 146 office supplies. You can bring them to the monthly meeting or contact Edd at 760-754-9633 or 760-433-1165 to arrange for a pickup."

#### Edd Robinson, Adjutant

#### **Computer Corner**

On April 14, 2016, the United States Computer Emergency Team (US-CERT) which is part of Homeland Security issued the following notice: Apple will no longer be providing security updates for QuickTime for Windows, and there are currently two known vulnerabilities in that software. Computer systems running QuickTime for Windows are exposed to elevated cybersecurity dangers, such as malicious attacks or electronic data loss. Exploitation of those vulnerabilities could allow remote attackers to take control of affected computers. QuickTime for Windows can be uninstalled using the Control Panel. A note for those of you still using unsupported versions of Microsoft Windows (e.g., 95, 98, ME, and XP), you are vulnerable to other security issues regardless of any anti-virus protection software installed on your computer.

#### Webmaster, David Kauppinen

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A **VOLUNTEER** is – A person who is a light to others, giving witness in a mixed-up age, doing well and willingly the tasks at hand-namely, being aware of another's needs and doing something about **IT**!

The Auxiliary never fails to light my live with all the caring you give. TEAM ALA 146 Warriors walked walked and walked some more. We raised over \$4,000 for the American Cancer Society, and Kim Crone did a great job organizing all of us and keeping us posted on the activities. Thanks go to Kim, Mary & Suzanne for all the Padre STUFF our Silent Auction Basket brought in \$200.00 WOW.

With REPORTS done and the year is winding down we are still very active. May 4<sup>th</sup> we will be at CITY HALL with Mayor Woods to receive our Poppy Proclamation we look forward to seeing all of you with your Legionnaire. May 11<sup>th</sup> we will be at Santa Margarita Elementary School with the 5<sup>th</sup> Graders and Pocket Flags. May 21 we are cooking breakfast for the Legion Family and we will also be holding our Yearly Elections! Those who are cooking/setting up please beat VANC early 6:30 for cooks 7:00 helpers and don't forget we will need clean up help afterwards.

Our Fisher House Beautification committee has met with the Fisher House, and has many Ideas for this project.

As this is the last MEETING of the year I would like to THANK EACH AND EVERY one of you for a special year in my life. You have all done our VETERANS, FAMILIES, AND OCEANSIDE COMMUNITY well.

Mary Thorsten, Proud President of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 146 Oceanside

Super Raffle! Trophies! 50/50 Drawing! Live Auction!	Ith Annual Thanksgiving in Jul C & DOOTCYCLC Presented by North County Warriors Sup Saturday, July 23, 201 Storm 2:00PM	
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	12 <sup>.50</sup> per Meal Ticke	
Come see COOL CARS and cat TURKEY DINNER for a GOOD CAUSE!	Current Enlisted Military & Immediate Families Free	Sa J
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For more information visit: www.ncv		Parking
\$25 Pre-Registration Includes 1 meal	\$30 at the Event (Pre-registration deadline June 30th	Current Enlisted Military & Immediate Families Free
CAR & MOTORCYCLE SHO To pre-register, make check pay NCWS - 603 Seagaze Drive, #965 You may also register online at w	able to NCWS and mail to: 5, Oceanside, CA 92058	Free T-Shirt! Circle your shirt size: S M L XL XXL
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Signature		
Confirmation will be sent via email or USPS. T County Warriors Support and anyone else con	ickets are limited to a first come first served basis. All entr nected with the event from any known or unknown damag	ants hereby release and discharge the Elks Lodge, North ges, injuries, losses or claims that may occur at this event.



VETERANS ASSOCIATION OF NORTH COUNTY An Association for all Veterans

# Join us for a Remembrance ceremony on Memorial Day

# Monday, May 30, 2016, at 10 a.m.

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