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”For God and Country”

Next meeting: 0900 (9am) October 21st, 2017.

Please Note: **“No meeting in September.”**

Come Early for a Great Breakfast from
0730 to 0830, for \$8 in October. **Post Pot: No**
name drawn for September. Post Pot for October
will be **\$20. You must be present to win.**

From time to time we loose the address for a member or two. Does anyone have a current address for George Melnechuk? His mail is being returned undeliverable. Help! Edd

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

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| 1 David W. Noland | 2 Steven D. Miller | 2 Jonathan Moore | 2 Lewis Leach |
| 2 Wilfred Archuleta | 3 Richard Brydges | 4 Lindamarie Zugaj | 5 Patrick K. Connors |
| 5 Edward L. Robinson | 5 Mark M. Kozina | 6 Thomas L. Poel | 8 David Nydegger |
| 8 Richard J. Roberts | 8 Jeffrey Johnson | 9 E. Charles Adams | 10 Richard Wozniak |
| 10 Marcella Carter | 11 John F. Jennings | 12 Philip J. Morales | 12 Paul K. Robb |
| 13 Ron Des Rosier | 13 Leif K. Thorsten | 13 William White | 14 Laurence H. Peterson |
| 14 Stephen D. Norton | 14 Christine Gow | 15 James Gilligan | 16 Bill Lewis |
| 21 Paul A. Zeigler | 22 Frederick O. Snyder | 22 Allen M. Stevens | 22 Felipe Rodriguez |
| 23 Walter K. Thompson | 24 Duncan Preston | 25 LaVern Root | 25 Jack Bennett |
| 26 Jennifer Armstrong | 26 Frank J. Paldino | 26 Conrad L. Vickery | 27 Tom Basham |
| 27 Barbara J. Barrett | 29 David Dyson | 30 Eric O. Williams | 30 Bianca E. Wylie |
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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, FAX (760) 433-1046. Volunteers needed to transport members who cannot drive to meetings.

District 22 meets October 8th, @ 0900 @ Linda Vista Post 731, located @ 7245 Linda Vista Road, S.D.. Come early for Breakfast. **District 22**, <http://www.legionsd.org/>

Get involved with Post 146 www.legionpost146.org We next meet on October 21st, 2017 @ 0900, breakfast 0730 to 0830 for \$8. 1617 Mission Ave, Ocsd.

From the Post Commander

Thank you, Thank You, Thank You to all volunteers who helped make Harbor Days a success once again.

Special thanks goes to Ken Derr for his hard work and dedication as the chair for Harbor Days. He organized the Sons, Auxiliary and the Riders, assigned tasks and kept the morale high during the event and even danced a little jig for us.

One of our Legionnaires Bob Noble is enjoying his time in our Nations Capitol and will be returning from his Honor Flight this coming Sunday 80 WWII veterans will be coming home from their "Tour of Honor" on Honor Flight San Diego. Let's give these heroes the homecoming they may not have received in the 1940s!

Bring the kids, teams, boy scout/girl scout troops, wear red, white and blue and wave American Flags. You can meet these WWII veterans at Terminal 2 baggage claim to thank them for their service and welcome them home. The American Airlines flight is scheduled to arrive at 8:30 pm but you will want to be there early in case the flight arrives early - you don't to miss this. Anyone who would like to go, I have room for 3 people, I will be leaving the VANC building at 6pm on this Sunday October 1st, call me at 760-212-8533

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Post 146 Member Classified Ads

For sale \$10 fundraiser tickets sponsored by the US Submarine Veterans of San Diego. First place is a two-day fishing trip for 2 with a 3 night stay at the Old Mill Hotel in San Quintin, Baja, California – includes breakfasts and dinners. Second place is \$500, and third place is \$100. Drawing will be held when a maximum of 300 tickets are sold or on December 2. For tickets contact David Kauppinen at 760-639-0728 or subvet346@cox.net Hotel link: <https://www.eucaliptorestaurant.com/home>

If you have something to sell, then this is the place to do it. Please limit to 2 items per newsletter issue. Send your ad by the 25th of the month to adjutant@legionpost146.org

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

9/22/2017

Earlier today, Commander Heinisch appointed Marc D. Jenkins to serve as our new Department Service Officer. While this interim appointment requires ratification by the DEC at its next meeting, Marc's appointment fills our current need for an experienced Service Officer with proven leadership and executive ability.

As Director of Veteran Services for the Los Angeles County Council (LACC), Marc handled the VSO duties at the West Los Angeles VA Hospital and was responsible for two other Certified Service Officers serving the Long Beach VA Hospital and Sepulveda VA Ambulatory Care Center.

Marc is always ready for a new challenge. He is a retired Army First Sergeant, a 10-year member of American Legion Van Nuys Post 190 and Past Commander of the 20th District. He is now in the process of wrapping up his service at LACC to focus on his new position with the Department of California. Please continue to direct all questions regarding the VSO office and personnel to Doc Bart until Marc is fully onboarded.

I know you will join us in welcoming him to our team.

Robert Heinisch, Commander

John "Doc" Bart, Adjutant

American Legion Post 146 Membership

The 2018 Membership cards are in. 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

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I would like to start by thanking all of our members and their families for all they do to support us in our mission to assist our Veterans and Community.

Oceanside Unit 146 has been busy, volunteering at the VA, Sewing for Vets, 9/11 Flag Raising, Wounded Warrior, and Harbor Days, WOW! We have even delivered 10 filled backpacks to the Oceanside Boys & Girls Club. Members continue to work in our communities, both in Oceanside as well as in South Dakota and Utah. One of our Unit 146 founding members, Tammy Nielsen, recently moved to Tennessee and although we miss her and our other ladies, we appreciate them continuing as our auxiliary sisters.

Membership is currently at 18 renewals and one new member, you may send your dues to Chairman Elaine Piltzecker, ALA Unit 146, PO Box 2877, Oceanside , Ca 92051.

The Department of California Workshop will be held from 9-3 on Saturday September 30 at VANC. The cost is \$10 with lunch being included. November 5th is Toys for Tots at Kennedys Cycle Shop and the Girls State Golf Tournament will be held on November 19 at Emerald Isle Golf Course. Please see flyer. All of these Oceanside businesses support the American Legion Family. Our next meeting is 9am, Saturday October 21, 2017 at the Veterans Association of North County (VANC) building, 1617 Mission Ave, Oceanside.

Yours in Service Kim Crone, President ALA Oceanside 146



American Legion Auxiliary Golf Tournament

Location: Emerald Isle Golf Course

660 South El Camino Real, Oceanside, 92057

Date: Sunday, November 19, 2017

Time: 8:30am registration, 10am shotgun start

Cost: \$60 includes green fee, cart, lunch, drink ticket, contests, player gift & 5 raffle tickets.

Non-golfers are welcome for lunch and raffle - \$25/pp

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Type of Sponsorship	Quantity Available	Cost	Sponsorship Includes
Lunch Sponsor	2	\$500	Name / Logo on tables at reception, signage on course
Beverage Sponsor	4	\$150	Name / Logo on all beverage tickets, signage at lunch reception
Hole Sponsor	18	\$100	Signage on tee box, Opportunity to set up at the hole on the course during the tournament
Hole Contest Sponsor (Closest to the pin)	18	\$50	Name/Logo on the contest marker, Name/Logo listed on the rules sheet

REGISTRATION

- Foursome - \$240** (Include email for confirmation of each player)
 Individual Golfer (includes lunch) - \$60

1st Player: _____ Email/Phone: _____

2nd Player: _____ Email/Phone: _____

3rd Player: _____ Email/Phone: _____

4th Player: _____ Email/Phone: _____

Lunch Only - \$25/pp Name: _____ Email: _____

I can not participate but would like to donate Amount: _____

*All Proceeds go to ALA 146 Girls State Program

* More info: 760-212-6180 or 760-415-8126

***Payment Information

My check for \$_____, payable to the **American Legion Auxiliary Unit 146** is enclosed.

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A few pictures from Harbor Days September 16 & 17 and the set up on the 15.









As you can see Ken Derr our Harbor Days Chair had things well in hand with several volunteers for set up on Friday and mostly good coverage over the weekend. Great job Ken. Our Sgt.-At-Arms Rudolph (Rudy) J. Caron spent the weekend doing public relations and explaining why people should become members of the American Legion to passersby. Great Job Rudy. A Big Thank You goes out to all of our volunteers. You make it work.

From our Flag Chairman

I filled-in for Matt McLuckie and delivered a Flag Etiquette/Instruction to AHG American Heritage Girls Troop 0605, in Vista. It is Church oriented and they are the sponsor for the Troop....ages 5 thru 18 subdivided be age blocks. I spoke to the ages 6-9 this week. I'll be returning to train four of the age 12 girls in the Color Guard procedures (following USMC standards). This trained foursome will in turn train the younger girls as they grow tall enough to handle the flag and staff as a Color Guard. I considered this appropriate for my position as Post Flag Chairman and follows the American Legion "4th Pillar," - Youth and Children.

I am Letting you know, briefly, how things went at the AHG session. It is a great group of adults and an amazing Troop of young ("ladies") girls. I followed their outline of Flag Etiquette topics, tossed in the "one nation under God" without the comma from the Pledge of Allegiance, and some basic Flag handling and presentation guidelines. My class of 8-10 year old girls, showed signs of boredom by squirming inter seats, and I ended lecturing quickly.

I watched their opening ceremony with the National Colors and their Organization Flag. Made some suggestions for the future for their meetings, flag-wise, and have agreed to return for training of a select foursome of Color-bearers + Guards. Once trained, they will become the instructors of the younger Troop members for the future. I probably will now get other requests for similar lectures from related groups. ..you know how word gets spread around. I consider it a part of being the Flag Chairman for the Post, and it is in the spirit contained in our Legion "Pillar" as applied to "Youth & Children."

Regards, Bob Noble

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ALR 146 Report

The riders had an active last two months. Our last meeting in August we have our Area 5 VP visit and speak to us about the Area 5 passport book challenge. This challenge is to visit all 31 Area 5 posts with a ALR chapter. This is to get Legion members to visit other posts to visit other legionnaires and see how they do things different. It was commented that most legionnaires only visit the Post they are a member of only. This passport book is \$20 and 50% of the proceeds goes to the Legion of the Silver Rose. This organization is to help veterans afflicted by Agent Orange in Vietnam.

Speaking of other Posts, on my travels last month, I visited 4 posts. 2 in Pittsburgh and 2 in upstate NY. They do things a bit different there. Posts 77 and 565 in Pittsburgh and 1757 in Sackett's Harbor and 904 in Ilexandra Bay, NY. When visiting it was like going into a speak easy. You rang the bell and a person would come to the door, you had to show you AL membership card and then they would let you in. Had some nice conversations with many at all of the posts. Three of the Posts were strong in membership and activities. However, one Post 77, located in suburb of Pittsburgh, Aspin wall, not so well. They had a full bar room and meeting hall which was huge in size, but only a membership of 5 veterans. When Ana and I visited 4 of the 5 members were there. It is sad as this post is one of the original posts of the legion chartered in 1919. They don't know if they will make the 100th anniversary, they are having a hard time getting active members that would help in getting the post back to a healthy position.

On to our activities we participated in the escort of the "Remember our Fallen Exhibit" which is the floating wall of all the veterans who gave all from the state of California since 9/11/01. There are over 850 names on that wall. We participated in the Harbor Days booth with quite a few members present, as well as, visitors from several different posts. We had our monthly social on the second Tuesday of the month at Lumberyard, with a very good turnout. We visited several posts on their fundraisers. We just had the ALR State Rally in Indio 9/22 -9/24 it had the largest turnout in many years. They even had a golf and shooting competition.

Upcoming events we have our ALR Convention meeting on the 5th, our monthly social on the 10th. We have the Legion of the Silver Rose Ceremony on the 7th of October. There are several other Area 5 fund raising events we plan to attend, as well as, our annual Toys for Tots campaign coming up November 5th. We hope many legionnaires can help or come by and donate a toy. There will be music, and a raffle of prizes. This will be held at Kennedy's Cycle on San Luis Rey Rd. We hope to see you all there.

YIS, Dave Hamilton, ALR146 President.

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The Squadron had the pleasure of supporting the 9/11 flag raising ceremony at El Camino High School. The flag was raised by members of the El Camino Marine ROTC. The flag that was raised was flown in Iraq and given to a member of the Auxiliary with the caveat it be flown every year on September 11. It has been flown and used as a reminder and learning tool for the students every year since, except one. That year the 11th was a weekend and the flag was flown at Fire Station # 7.

Harbor Days was great fun! We had a lot of volunteers from all our groups for set-up, tear-down and working the booth. A big shout out to Ken Derr for organizing as well as to all the people who turned out to make it a big success. And to Rudy for all the time spend recruiting new members and spreading the word about our Legion Family.

The Squadron again assisted the Warner Springs and Oceanside Auxiliaries serving dinner to the recovering Marines of the Wounded Warrior Battalion on Camp Pendleton.

There were fewer Marines than usual. I can only hope that is a good sign.

I hope you all worked on your appetites during the month we were dark. We will be serving breakfast before the meeting and look forward to seeing you there.

Any help with cooking or cleanup will always be much appreciated.

If you are bringing in a potential new member, their breakfast is free.

The Squadron continues to have volunteers at the VA Clinic in Oceanside.

The Rider's Toys for Tots event is coming up on November 5th at Kennedy's Cycle Center. It is one of the Rider's signature events. Let's all get out and make it the best one ever. Contact Ken Derr to volunteer to help.

The Women's Auxiliary is having their Girls State fundraiser golf tournament again. It is on November 19th. Last year was a tremendous success and great fun. I hope to see you all there. For information contact Sandee Brookins or Kim Crone.

It's membership renewal time. Thanks to all of you who have renewed already. Your dues keep our programs going to serve our Veterans and community.

Please be sure to renew as soon as you can,

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



Our Scout Pack 7146 is on Camp Pendleton selling popcorn on the weekends at Pacific View Exchange or the Main Side Exchange. We would love a visit from our sponsors to come say hello. The fundraiser is to support the boys for their next camp out in November and an overnight on the USS Midway museum early next year. Also the Pack will do three camp outs and sent the boys to summer camp with the money they raise.

Thanks Eddy Ferguson Cubmaster



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As active duty, we never left our brothers and sisters behind. Thank you for joining us in this continued mission.

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Visit <http://www.vnnusa.com/content/vetresource.html> and view or download your personal **Veteran Resource & Savings Guide**. Or, ask the Commander to see the hardcopy version at your Club. Contained in your Club's guide you will find Federal and State Veteran Benefit information at your fingertips, and a list of all local businesses that honor your service with **Great Savings** on everything from Real Estate & Mortgage to Auto Repairs. How cool is that!

20% from this project goes directly to all participating Veteran Organizations, like your Club. So, if you need anything from a home repair to a discount on a meal check out the listed businesses first – or simply call these fine folks and thank them for supporting Veterans. Your participation will help ensure the continued success of the project.

If you know of any local business that you believe deserves inclusion in the directory, please contact me anytime. We always welcome any suggestions and advise on how to make this project better.

Contact me at (800) 863-2541 ext.162. My hours are 8:00 am to 3:00 pm (ET).

Adam Moore, *Project Consultant*, US Navy Veteran, 1982-1987

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