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Monthly Newsletter of the American Legion, J.B. Clark Post 149, Escondido, California

COMMANDER | JEN HOLDEN



February is upon us, and with it comes some exciting events and opportunities to strengthen our American Legion family. As always, I want to thank each of you for your dedication and continued support of JB Clark Post 149. Here's what's happening this month:

Super Bowl Potluck & Watch Party – February 9

Are you ready for some football? Join us on Sunday, February 9, for our annual Super Bowl Potluck and Watch Party at the post! Kickoff is at 3:30 p.m. Sign up to bring a dish with one of the bartenders. Bring your favorite dish to share and come cheer for your team with your Legion family. Whether you're here for the game, the commercials, or just the great company, this is always one of our most popular events—don't miss it!

District Meeting – February 9

This month's District 22 meeting will be held in the Hall on Sunday, February 9, at 9:00 a.m. during the Sons breakfast, which will be held on the patio. These meetings are an excellent way to stay informed about what's happening in our district and to share ideas with fellow Legionnaires.

Bring a Member to the Post Meeting – February 18

Our February general membership meeting is on Tuesday, February 18, at 6:00 p.m. Our 1st Vice Commander made a challenge for us to reach out to a member you know and ask them to come to the Post Meeting. If you know someone who's eligible to join or a member who hasn't been to a meeting in a while, bring them along! It's a great opportunity to connect, share ideas, and build our Post's future together.

Post Breakfast

The Post is the sponsor of the Sunday breakfast on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Our Post has held breakfast on Sunday mornings for decades. We need members to step up and come help cook and serve because we cannot provide this service without manpower

Heartfelt Thanks

I want to take a moment to thank all of our volunteers who make these events and activities possible. Your time and efforts are what keep our post strong and active. If you'd like to get involved, there's always room for more helping hands. Let's keep the momentum going in 2025. Remember, the strength of our post lies in the commitment of its members. Together, we can continue making Post 149 a beacon for veterans and our community. Do we want to be the organization that would be missed if our doors closed tomorrow? I know I do. We need to do better.

I look forward to seeing you all at our events this month. Stay safe, stay engaged, and let's make February a month to remember! For God and Country!









FIRST VICE | GEORGE CHRISTENSEN



My name is George Christensen and in December I accepted the position of 1st Vice Commander of Post 149, it is my personal privilege to serve the Post. I transferred from Post 146 in Oceanside to Post 149; after moving to San Marcos. I am a Past Commander of Post

146, and a Past President of the American Legion Riders Chapter 146. The First Vice Commander's Responsibilities:

- Membership Engagement: Recruiting new members and ensuring current members feel welcomed and involved.
- Supporting the Commander: Stepping in when the Commander is unavailable and providing crucial leadership support.

Recruiting will be my primary concern as First Vice. I am not limiting my effort to just recruiting new members to the Legion and Post, but also a reinvigoration or our current membership to provide opportunities to members to participate in Post activities, and community service.

To accomplish this the post needs your aid. I will be working with our Commander to start a "Buddy Check" campaign, I have the materials from National on how to get started.

Our theme is every member brings in a member. Every member who knows a member who we haven't seen or heard of for awhile invites that member to a general meeting, or something as simple as joining for a Post breakfast to share some camaraderie

SECOND VICE | CLUBROOM MANAGER | STEF HOLDEN



Club 149 invites you all to join us on Sunday, February 9th for our annual Superbowl Pot-luck. The day will consist of good food, friends and fun as well as the rematch of Kansas City Chiefs and Philadelphia Eagles from two years ago is going to prove to be an exciting game indeed!

An opportunity drawing featuring many different items will be held at Halftime. We look forward to seeing you all on the 9th. Signup sheets are available inside Club 149.

On a final note, gentleman remember Valentine's Day is Friday, February 14th. Cards, flowers and chocolates are to be the order of the day. Please come join us for a very special Valentines Day karaoke evening. Once again, an opportunity drawing will be held that night. Take care and God bless.

POST 149 ADJUTANT | CODY YORK



As we head into February, there are plenty of exciting activities and important updates happening at the post. Please take a moment to read through this information and consider how you can get involved.

Membership Renewals

We're now a month into the new year, and approximately 125 members still need to renew their membership. Letters have been sent to those who are at large, but we encourage you to

renew as soon as possible. You can renew by mail or by visiting the post and speaking with the Adjutant.

Let's also get into the habit of monthly "buddy checks." Reach out to fellow members, check in on how they're doing, and offer support. Some members may be facing health challenges, family struggles, or difficulty visiting the post. As a family of veterans, it's important that we look after our brothers and sisters in arms.

New Memberships

Our new membership numbers are down, and we need your help! If you meet a young veteran, take a moment to introduce them to the American Legion. Share what we're about and invite them to visit the post—let them know the first beer is on us for potential members!

Fundraising Committee

We are actively seeking members for a new fundraising committee. This team will brainstorm ideas for fundraisers, organize opportunity drawings, and put plans into action. Once established, we'd like to hold monthly opportunity drawings to support our post. *If you're interested in joining, please contact the Adjutant* at: **Adjutant149@gmail.com | (760) 208-5775**

February Dinner

Our February dinner will take place on Saturday, February 15th at 5:00 PM. We're serving an all-you-can-eat soup bar featuring *Clam Chowder, Split Pea Soup, Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, Green Chile Chicken Soup.*

The cost is \$16 and includes soup, salad, and bread or rolls. Don't miss this delicious event!

Breakfast Volunteers Needed

Last month, we had to cancel our breakfast due to a lack of volunteers. Breakfast is not only a great community event, but it also generates important revenue for both the post and the clubroom.

We need your help! If you're able to volunteer, please contact the Adjutant. Once we have enough volunteers confirmed, we'll notify everyone about resuming breakfasts.

For February, the Brothers of 6 Breakfast will take place on Sunday, February 16th.

Super Bowl Sunday Party

Get ready for an exciting Super Bowl Sunday Party on February 9th at the post! This year's party will feature:

- Opportunity drawings, including a chance to win a 75" Smart TV. Tickets are available in the clubroom—ask the bartender.
- Potluck dinner: The Sons will be deep-frying two turkeys and serving smoked brisket.

If you'd like to contribute to the potluck, please sign up. If you're not bringing a dish, we kindly ask for a \$10 donation.

Super Bowl parties at the post have always been a fantastic time, so don't miss out!

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to the post. Let's make February a great month for all Legionnaires.

For any questions or to get involved, reach out to the Adjutant: Adjutant149@gmail.com | (760) 208-5775 KEY DATES See calendar page and flyers for more information.

> FEB 9 Super Bowl Party

> > FEB 11 DAV Meeting

FEB 12 SAL Meeting

FEB 15 Post Dinner

FEB 17 Presidents' Day

FEB 18 Post Meeting

FEB 26 ALR Meeting

Check Calendar for SUNDAY Breakfast Schedules

BUNCO Every Thursday 6-8:30 PM

KARAOKE Every Friday 7-11 PM

Post Dinner

February 15th - 5PM All-you-can-eat soup bar featuring:

• Clam Chowder

- Split Pea Soup
- Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup
- Green Chile Chicken Soup

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POST MEMBERS FREE BIRTHDAY MONTH BREAKFAST At the the Post Breakfast in your birthday month - All you can eat buffet!

FEBRUARY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2 8 - 11AM (Hall) DAV Breakfast - \$14 4 - 7PM (Hall) Escondido Little League Board	3	4 9AM - 1PM (Conf Room) Porcelain Club 4 - 5:30PM (Hall) Teamsters Local 911	5	6 6 - 7:30PM (Conf Room) Gamblers Anonymous 6 - 8:30PM (Hall) BUNCO	7 7 - 11PM (Hall) KARAOKE	8 8AM - 1:30PM (Hall) Blue Star Moms 10AM-Noon (CR) 173 Airborne Assn. 2 - 3:30PM (Patio) Guide Dog Training
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Holidays & Observances

14 Valentines Day

20 Presidents Day



AMERICAN LEGION FUNDRAISER Hosted by: THE GOLDEN EGG OMELET HOUSE

When you go to the Golden Egg Omelet House and enjoy a meal, the American Legion Post 149 can earn !0% of all food and beverages purchased. Mention that you are there to support the American Legion Post 149, and have them write it on the bill.