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AMERICAN LEGION POST 419

Veterans Helping Veterans & Serving the Community Since 1932

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958 Homestead Road, Santa Clara CA 95050

February 2024

Greetings,

Happy Birthday to all who celebrate their birthdays on February 29!!!!

February brings a lot of opportunities to come to the Post and enjoy friends and family.

Ground hog day, legend has it if Phil, the name of the Ground hog, sees his shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter weather, if not there will be an early spring.

We will honor the Four chaplains on Saturday February 3rd, at 10 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Saint Frances Cabrini Church. This year marks eighty-one years since those four Chaplains sacrificed their lives giving others a chance to survive when the USAT Dorchester was hit by a torpedo and quickly sank. I hope many of you will be able to join us.

On the 3rd is the Auxiliary Valentine dinner and dance.

Come enjoy Vets to Vets Café. Every Thursday 9 – 11 at the Post.

First Sunday breakfast is, well, the first Sunday of the month 9 - 11.

Membership is holding steady, but renewals are once again biting at our heels. For those who have already renewed thank you. A low membership trickle-down effects local post as well as American Legion representatives in Executive Government.

I was asked how I see the future of the American Legion...

Serving all Veterans with the desired respect. While honoring those who fought and sacrificed all.

Creating and sustaining a welcoming environment for all who enter our Post.

Leaving Veterans Organizations, a better place for future Veterans.

Please consider joining an American Legion or renewing your membership.

Respectfully,

Richard Peralez

Commander

American Legion Post 419



AMERICAN LEGION ADJUTANT

To the members of Post 419. Thank you for your membership and continued support of veterans and their families. I know I have only been a member a short time in comparison to some of you but I did join with the same drive as most of you did and I think I have given all I can. I am not one to overly hound people to do something but I am asking again for a member to step up and take on the job of the Adjutant for Post 419. I know I do a lot more here and I will still help when I can. The primary job is described in the Officers Manual and the manual for the Post Adjutant. This is a very important job in order for any post to operate. With all the new computer (AI) work it will take several meetings to get you trained and up to speed to take over as of July 1, 2024, so PLEASE let the Commander or me know. Leave a message on our email - americanlegionpost419@comcast.net

Gene Grundstrom Adjutant Post 419

AUXILIARY REPORT

EVENTS

Mark your calendars! Our Red, White, and Love Valentine's Dinner/Dance will be held on Saturday, February 3rd. Doors open at 5 pm. There will be music/dancing, Games & Prizes and Golden Harvest is catering the event. Tickets are \$35 per person. **Please see flyer below.**

THANK YOU all who made our New Year's Event a success! It was a high energy and fun evening had by all!

There are many programs we support including Children & Youth, VA&R, Poppy, Legislative, Americanism, & Girls State/Education. Outreach is an important function for membership. Keep in mind family & friends that might be eligible & would love to join our Post and support our Veterans. Invite them to an event!

We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Our social time is 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Our meeting begins at 7:00 pm and ends at 8:00 pm. *(There will be NO meeting in February 2024)*

Respectfully submitted by,
Patricia Brickman, ALA Unit 419, President



AMERICAN LEGION SONS

Greetings everyone,

Looks like the month of January has sped by for us. So, what's going on in the Squadron, our monthly meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of each month, time being 6:30. We would like to have a few more members come to the meetings and supply us with ideas for upcoming events or even changing up an event or two. Our squadron's next event is going to be in April, and it will be our Socks for Vets dinner/dance. Flyers will be coming out at the first breakfast in March.

Boys and Girls State is coming up and we have already been contacted by students and a councilor. This does show us that there is a lot more interest in our programs than we may have thought.

We have already started getting emails from students inquiring about the program. Looks like we are ahead of the game, so stay tuned for further news. We are as you know an active post and are very proud of that.

Membership, as you all know it is the lifeblood of our organization. If you know of any of our members who haven't renewed, there is still time. And then if you know someone who is a male descendant of a veteran, just ask if they would be interested in joining.

The newest members to join the squadron are William Klein, Keil Jantzch and Terry Kirwald.

We are a very active squadron within District 13. We do many things to support the community, invite them to a 1st Sunday breakfast, or any of our events. Remember that we are supposed to be a family and support each other as well as the community.

Remember the 1st Sunday breakfast is coming up. A good breakfast for the price and of course a good time to visit with members, and there are some members from other posts who do come down to participate, of course we welcome the community.

Steve Villegas

Squadron Adjutant

AMERICAN LEGION CHAPLAIN

Hello all,

May the Spirit of the Almighty find you in good graces.

The month of February is welcomed in more ways than one.

For some, it may bring a smile of what once was.

For others, it is a passage of time to reflect on how far we have journeyed.

Know this.

We are Loved and in each of our moments...we reflect God's Grace.

Life is not always easy ~ we as Military Veterans and our Families, know how true it is.

We Serve, We Sacrifice and once in a while ... We get to Smile!

And if you find a moment...a precious moment...where you can smile, then I offer this...

The sky is kind of blue today with a whisper of white clouds

The birds are a chirping and the squirrels are a scurrying

The grass is refreshed from the rains

The Heavens are opened for you to make a wish...

Smile, you're alive...make a wish!



Once we were Four.

Sacrifice we did.

Faith, many was ours.

Love, one was ours.

Sacrifice, we did.

Remember us,

Four Chaplains.

AMERICAN LEGION CHAPLAIN

Blessed are we who live, love, laugh and if required...to sacrifice

The Higher Calling was Blessed upon the Four Chaplains

As Americans, As Veterans, As Family...We Honor Them

Lt. George L. Fox, Methodist Minister

Lt. Alexander D. Goode, Jewish Rabbi

Lt. John P. Washington, Roman Catholic Priest

Lt. Clark V. Poling, Dutch Reformed Minister



Sunny Dosanjh, Chaplain, Honor Guard Captain & Service Officer



AMERICAN LEGION HONOR GUARD

It's a humble honor to serve as the current American Legion Post 419 and District 13 Honor Guard Captain.

It's a responsibility that I do not take lightly.

1986, New Hampshire, Portsmouth...winters day.

Rain is falling, WW1 Veteran...we carry the casket, render honors, flag presented, tears fall.



To our American Brothers who fought and died in WW1

We Salute You.



To our Brothers in WWII

From all backgrounds and color...

We Salute You.



To our Brothers and Sister in all Wars

In our modern day Honor Guard

May We Salute You.

Sunny Dosanjh, Chaplain, Honor Guard Captain & Service Officer

AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE OFFICER

Be the One the first day of every month

Download and use these promotional materials for Be the One day the first of every month.

[DOWNLOAD HERE](#)

TODAY'S HEADLINES

New Hampshire Legionnaire brings Be the One awareness to department's Mid-Winter Conference

VA housed more than 46,000 homeless veterans in 2023

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(1-844-7378-838)

Veterans Crisis Line
DIAL 988 then **PRESS 1**

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INVITES YOU TO

RED, WHITE, AND LOVE



Valentine's Celebration

Come dressed in your best red, white, and blue attire to
honor the service of our veterans!

SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 3rd | DOORS OPEN @ 5PM

American Legion Post 419
958 Homestead Road, Santa Clara

Music & Dancing | Golden Harvest Catering | Games & Prizes

Ticket Information: \$35 per person
Legion Post 419 (408)244-3050
(Bar x3, Adj x2, or Cmdr. x5) or stop by Post Bar
Email - alaunit419santaclara@gmail.com



AMERICAN
LEGION
AUXILIARY



*Kindness is
in your blood*

Blood Drive

**Sponsored by
Rotary Club of Santa Clara
and American Legion
Santa Clara Post 419**

Main Hall
958 Homestead Road
Santa Clara, CA 95050

**Wednesday, February 7, 2024
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**



American
Red Cross

Blood Drive @ Post 419 Feb 7, 2024

Registration link:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=rotarysantaclara>

A hand holding a black whistle against a green background. The hand is positioned on the left side of the frame, with the fingers wrapped around the whistle. A black cord is attached to the whistle. The background is a solid, vibrant green color. The overall image is framed by a thin black border.

MAKE THE
RIGHT CALL...
JOIN US FOR OUR

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY

11 FEB 3 PM DOORS OPEN

ON THE BIG SCREEN
POST 419 BAR LOUNGE

DRINK SPECIALS SNACKS FOOD SPECIALS



Dinner and Dance Saturday

March 16, 2024

Doors Open at 5pm Dinner at 6 to 7 pm

Dancing 7:00pm until 9:30pm

Cost \$35.00

Menu

Corned Beef and Cabbage

and all the Fixins

Place: American Legion Post 419

958 Homestead Rd

Santa Clara CA 95050

Department President Visitation

Glenda Schultz



Sun March 17th 10am-1 pm



Lunch \$15 RSVP & Pay By March 11

Santa Clara Unit 419
958 Homestead Road
RSVP website: alpost419ca.org
Aux DP Visit

Cindy 650.219.1041 before 3/15
Cece 408.709.9092 after 3/15



RSVP QR CODE

Vet to Vet Café



Vet to Vet Café

Every Thursday Morning

9 am - 10:30 am

Hostess: Karen Carter

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Santa Clara

Complimentary Coffee, Donuts & Conversation

| HOST | EVENT | DATE |
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| 2024 | | |
| Aux | Valentine Dinner / Dance Date changed | Sat Feb 3, 2024 5 to 9 pm |
| Legion | 1st Sunday Breakfast | Sun Feb 4, 2024 9 to 11 am |
| Legion | Membership meeting | Wed Feb 7, 2024 7 to 8 pm |
| SONs | Membership meeting | Thurs Feb 8, 2024 6:30 to 7:30pm |
| Aux | Membership meeting | Wed Feb 14, 2024 6:30 to 7 pm |
| Legion | Super Bowl Party | Sun Feb 11, 2024 3pm - Game over |
| Legion | 1st Sunday Breakfast | Sun Mar 3, 2024 9 to 11 am |
| Leigion | St Patrick Day Dinner/Dance | Sat Mar 16, 2024 5 to 9 pm |
| Aux | Aux Department Presidents Lunch | Sun Mar 17, 2024 10 am to 1 p;m |
| SONs | Sock for Vets Dinner/Dance | Sat Apr 20, 2024 5 to 9 pm |
| SONs | May the 4th Be With You Dinner/Dance | Sat May 4, 2024 5 to 9 pm |
| Legion | Annual Car Show | Sat June 8, 2024 10 am to 3 pm |
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Flight #33 - 04/11/2024 - 04/13/2024 (COVID Vaccinations not required, masks strongly encouraged.)

Orientation dates:

Santa Clara American Legion Post 419: 03/24/2024

Roseville American Legion Post 169: 03/26/2024

Reunion date: American Legion Post 419: 04/28/2024

Flight #34 05/16/2024 - 05/18/2024 (COVID Vaccinations not required, masks strongly encouraged.)

Orientation dates:

Santa Clara American Legion Post 419: 05/05/2024

Roseville American Legion Post 169: 05/07/2024

Reunion date: American Legion Post 419: 06/01/2024 (Saturday)

Flight #35 09/19/2024 - 09/21/2024 (COVID Vaccinations not required, masks strongly encouraged.)

Orientation dates:

Santa Clara American Legion Post 419: 09/08/2024

Roseville American Legion Post 169: 09/10/2024

Reunion date: American Legion Post 419: 10/06/2024

Flight #36 10/24/2024 - 10/26/2024 (COVID Vaccinations not required, masks strongly encouraged.)

Orientation dates:

Santa Clara American Legion Post 419: 10/13/2024

Roseville American Legion Post 169: 10/15/2024

Reunion date: American Legion Post 419: 11/10/2024