

AMERICAN LEGION POST 419 REVEILLE

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August 2020

Here we are in August. Post still closed for most meetings and club room. We are having the Sunday Breakfast this month. I want to thank Rick and Gene for chairing the meeting I had to miss.

Join us for the Regular meeting on ZOOM, 5 Aug. 7PM. Find out how we are doing and what plans we are allowed to make.

The solar power should be finalized this month it will save on electric if we get to open.

A special thanks to those who have made donations to help keep the post open. Kevin is trying to keep all expenses down and all bills current.

I also want to thank those people who have volunteered to keep the yard clean and in shape.

Pray in your own way for the health of our members and families. Thank those who have helped keep us out of harms way. Those called essential workers never get the extra thanks. If you go out for a dinner or pickup think about an extra dollar tip to the workers. They may not be called essential but without them you'd be eating your own cooking every day.

Hope we have better news next month. Gene makes sure to send e-mails when something special is coming up. Take care. God Bless. Register to vote.

Ralph Jacob

Post Commander

Unless otherwise directed by the County of Santa Clara, City of Santa Clara, or the State of California we WILL be serving breakfast outside on Aug 2,2020

WELCOME BACK

We have missed all of you at our First Sunday Breakfast and at all of our American Legion Post 419 and family events.

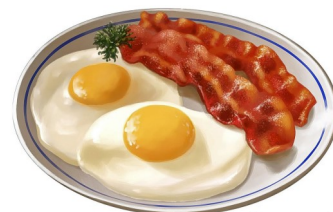
As the State, County and City start to come back to life, Plan to bring back our First Sunday Breakfast on August 2, 2020 from 9:00am – 11:00am. We will be serving the usual bill a fare of pancakes, french toast, hash brown, sausages, bacon, orange juice and fruit cocktail and coffee/tea of course. Our procedures for serving breakfast will be vastly different from before. So please bear with us and understand that we have to meet all the requirements from the state, county and city regulations concerning social distancing and Covid19 ordinances. The first thing to think about, is how about breakfast on the patio, yes, the dining will be outside.

Due to the lack of revenue for the last several months and the cost of food supplies, the cost of the breakfast has been raised to **\$10.00** (No Credit/Debit Card or ATM available).

We would like to say, a big Thank You to all the members and friends who made donations and helped keep us afloat at this time.

We are all looking forward to seeing you again.

American Legion Post 419 Officers and Volunteers





Santa Clara Unit 419 Newsletter August 2020

Membership E-Meeting from Home – August 12, 2020

Installation is here! Join us to officially install Cheryl Rafferty as Auxiliary President!

Our next E-meeting is August 12th with social time at 6:30 p.m. and meeting start at 7 p.m. Join us by home phone, computer, smartphone, or tablet/ipad. There is no cost to you and no need to provide personal info, thanks to Maggie's employer Kickfire. The Zoom meeting details are below. Maggie & Cindy are tech support – see contacts below.

Join Zoom Meeting:

By Phone: 1-408-638-0968

By Computer (click on link below): <https://kickfire.zoom.us/j/799421628?pwd=VStWOXYOL1FNRzI2RFdLdkZFVStUUT09>

Meeting ID: 799 421 628

Password: 4192020

SAVE: Same Meeting ID and Password Every Month!

Volunteers Needed for September to Clean Tables



**Help Us Build a List to Rotate Volunteers
Can't do it?
Ask a Family Member or Friend
to Serve In Your Place**

Put Some Normal Back Into Family Life! Come to First Breakfast Outdoors Sun. Aug. 2 - 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Come Inside to Order and Pick Up Food
Bar Drinks Available With Food Order Only
Patio Seating - Masks Required Unless Eating
Take-Out & Car Service Available

Eggs, Bacon, Sausages, Hash Browns,
Pancakes, French Toast, OJ, Fruit, Coffee/Tea
\$10 Cash or Check Only (No ATM, CC, DC)
County Social Distancing Protocol Approved
Volunteer to Help at First Breakfasts - Call 408-244-3050
Aug. 2; Sept. 6; Oct. 4; Nov. 1; Dec. 6, 2020

Over the last month, our members have continued doing community service. Brenda and Jay Manley are *still* sewing thousands of masks and cooking comfort and nourishing food for others. Some of us are helping veterans with grocery shopping, VA care, and other needs. We all do what we can considering that we are still sheltering in place (except for that essential toilet paper!) Cheryl Rafferty is working full time and taking on the role of President! Maggie Taylor is busy working full-time from home and raising her young son Charlie (any pictures?). Others of us are either not working or laid off, and now looking for jobs in other fields. ***If anyone knows of job openings, please contact Cindy Newman below and we can get the word out!***

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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

HONORING OUR MILITARY VETERANS WWII, KOREAN AND VIETNAM

Honor Flight Bay Area Foundation — 598 Veterans Honored with trip to Washington, D.C.



Honor Flight Bay Area Foundation is preparing for its 6th year of operation in 2020. Since organizing in 2014, we have flown 598 veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit their war memorials. This is an all-expense paid trip for the veteran and our way of thanking them for their service and sacrifice.

If you are a WWII, Korean or Vietnam war veteran who has not been to D.C. and seen your war memorial, you are invited, encouraged, to participate in this trip of a lifetime. Applications are available at www.honorflightbayarea.org. Full details of the trip and information about Honor Flight Bay Area is available at our Web site.

2020 Flight Schedule Update

All 2020 flights have been cancelled. Stay tuned for 2021 schedule.

ALERT — COVID-19. The continued public health situation requires the cancelling of all 2020 flights. Honor Flight Bay Area is planning to schedule flights in 2021. For those veterans who have already submitted applications, please follow updates on the Honor Flight Web site and join us on FaceBook.

The health and well-being of our veterans and all participants is critical to us. Honor Flight Bay Area encourages everyone to follow the guidelines provided by the CDC and local public health officials in combating this virus.

Note that we are continuing to accept applications during this situation and encourage all veterans interested in an Honor Flight to submit your application. Once this situation is behind us, our practice of reviewing applications and screening applicants will continue as in the past.

As we have done in the past, prior to each flight we will conduct an orientation meeting for all participants. This gives you the opportunity to meet your fellow travelers and learn about the trip itinerary. A few weeks after each flight we hold a reunion where participants can share their experiences from the trip. All of this is a truly memorable experience... for the veteran, the guardian and our volunteers.

Many of our senior veterans are concerned with health issues and the ability to make this trip. Let us help you evaluate your situation before you disqualify yourself. Part of the application process involves a private conversation with an Honor Flight Bay Area health professional.

Guardians, escorts, are also needed to assist our veterans. If you are interested in volunteering as a guardian, you can obtain an application at www.honorflightbayarea.org. Or, if you just want to volunteer to help Honor Flight Bay Area with the logistics and work required to organize each flight, an application for volunteers is available at the Web site.

A huge thank you to Post 419 and to all of the members and volunteers who have helped to make our honor flights a success.

I look forward to everyone's continued support for our 2020 honor flights and to working together to safeguard our veterans and communities at large.

Don Newton

Co-Founder and Director, Honor Flight Bay Area Foundation

2020 Calendar of Events

Host	Event	Date
Legion	First Sunday Breakfast	Sunday August 2, 9 - 11am
Legion	First Sunday Breakfast	September 6, 2020 9 - 11am
Legion	Surf City Dinner/Dance	Saturday September 26, 2020
SAL	First Sunday Breakfast	October 4, 2020 9 - 11am
Legion	Halloween Dinner/Dance	Saturday Oct 31, 2020
Aux	First Sunday Breakfast	November 1, 2020 9 - 11am
Legion	Annual Craft Faire	Saturday November 7, 2020
Legion	Veterans Day	Wednesday, November 11, 2020
Legion Aux SAL	Thanks for Giving Dinner	Thursday November 19, 2020
SAL	First Sunday Breakfast	December 6, 2020 9 - 11am
Legion	Legion Family Christmas Dinner/Dance	Saturday December 12, 2020
Aux	New Years Eve Party	Thursday December 31, 2020
Legion	First Sunday Breakfast	January 3, 2021 9 - 11am
Legion	First Sunday Breakfast	February 7, 2021 9 - 11am

Important Contact Information — Post 419, Squadron and Auxiliary

GENERAL CONTACT NUMBER — 408-244-3050 (You may leave messages here any time of the day or night.)

Post Adjutant email contact — www.americanlegionpost419@comcast.net (excellent means for sending information and/or requests to Post officers).

