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From the COMMANDER:

Greetings everyone,

July has been a great month so far. Post 66 hosted the District 16 Meeting this past Sunday.

I was proud to see our post members shine while hosting the event and working diligently behind the scenes to provide a wonderful breakfast and lunch service. Post 66 received a formal recognition certificate of appreciation from the District committee at the meeting for the outstanding accommodations given.

Bravo Zulu to a job well done by all.

Very Respectfully,

**Stephanie Paige
Commander**

From the 1st VICE COMMANDER:

Hello fellow Legionnaires.

Make sure the following events are on your calendar!

DAV Family Fun Day. Saturday, August 10th: DAV has invited all Legion Members to attend their Fun Day activities at the American Legion. Food and games for the kids to be provided - 11:00am until 3pm

Vets Pork Chop Dinner at SLO Elks 322 - Friday, August 30th - 5:30p til 7:30p. Reservations required. Contact me to reserve your spot. See next month's newsletter for more fun stuff.

Post Tri-tip Fundraiser: Saturday, 14th - See flyer in this newsletter!

For God and Country

**Yvonne Hampton
1st Vice Commander**

ADJUTANT'S NEWS

Happy Hot August Nights. Here's hoping the fires across the State are brought under control soon. Please clear the vegetation around your home and stay safe.

Members should have received your dues reminder a couple of weeks ago. And PUFL's (Paid Up For Life) members should have received their 2025 membership cards. To stay current, please send in your membership fee of \$50 as soon as you can. For those who still owe for 2024, please stay up to date so you don't end up with a break in your years of membership.

Please visit the Legion.org website using this link: <https://www.legion.org/> to read about valuable Legion membership information. And as always, your renewals, transfers, and new memberships are appreciated. Please notify me of any member experiencing illness, hardship or if you know of anyone who has passed away. We want to be able to reach out to them or their families to offer assistance as expediently as possible and your assistance would be invaluable in that regard. Thank you.

Sick Call: Randy Arseneau, John Archuleta, John Buckley, and Herb Filipponi.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Monday Night Socials and our monthly Membership BBQ's!
Stay happy, healthy, and in touch!

**Nora O'Donnell
Post 66 Adjutant**

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FROM THE AUXILIARY

Hello Legion Family,

As the new year has started the Auxiliary would like to congratulate the new post Commander Stephanie Page. The Auxiliary has voted in the same officers as last year.

Laurie Richards, president and Janice Somers as the Secretary.

Our big fundraiser to raise funds for our programs, our biggest is Girls State will be held in November. The raffle and silent auction will be held at the regular members dinner the second Wednesday of the month. We are collecting new to almost new items for the silent auction. We will have 4 or 5 very nice raffle prizes. Also, there will be some surprises for the dinners who are attending. If you have items, please bring to the post.

Looking forward to the new year and working with the Legion Family..

**Laurie Richards,
Auxiliary President, Unit 66**

From the Sons of the Legion:

Hello all Sons and Legion Members,

July was a quiet month, except for the Fisher Crew Wednesday night dinner and Monday Social Dinners. Sons did not have a meeting in July, but we're back on track for August 5th at 6pm in the Post meeting room.

**Bobby Evenson
Sons Commander**

POST 66 - OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

Commander - Stephanie Paige

Adjutant - Nora O'Donnell

Finance Officer - Jim Irwin

1st Vice Commander - Yvonne Hampton

2nd Vice Commander - Roger Janukus

Junior Past Commander - Nora O'Donnell

Executive Committee:

Mario Perez, Fred Hampton, Rick Pushies

AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY

Auxiliary Unit 66, President - Laurie Richards

Auxiliary Unit 66, Secretary - Janice Somers

Sons, Squadron 66, Commander - Bob Evenson

Sons, Vice Commander - Ken San Filippo

Sons, Squadron 66, Adjutant - Aaron Rodriguez

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Bar Manager - Jim Miller

Bar Manager, Assistant - Thom Dimmitt

Booking Manager - Yvonne Hampton

Chaplain - Vacant

Chaplain Assistant - Vacant

Facilities Committee Chair - Mario Perez

Finance Committee Chair - Jim Irwin

Food Service Committee Chair - Betty Bristol

Investment Committee Chair - David Glidden

Judge Advocate - Robert Bettencourt

Sons Advisor - Greg Somers

Media & Communications Committee Chair -
Rick Pushies

Membership Committee Chair - Roger Janukus

Post Service Officer - David Glidden

Sergeant at Arms - Vacant

Sergeant at Arms Assistant - Vacant

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Member Orientation Videos @ <https://post66slo.org/orientation/>

By Media & Communications Committee

The Post 66 American Legion Family strives to be friendly to each other and our guests.

A good understanding of the who, what, when, where, why and how of how our Post 66 American Legion Family works together as a family, helps us work together better and this makes it easier for Post 66 to be a happy family.

Our Membership Orientation Videos are a good place to start our journey of understanding.

When Post 66 is a friendly place to visit, our Legion Family members are happier.

Keeping the members of our American Legion Family happy is not always easy. It takes the dedication of all the members of our American Legion family to keep Post 66 a friendly place.

We hope our Member Orientation Videos, Part One and Part Two, will be watched by everyone in our American Legion Family.

Using Artificial Intelligence (AI) to generate the audio was an especially interesting part of the video development.

Our Member Orientation Videos are considered so important, that we have agreed to give (bribe ☺☺) every member who completes both Part 1 and Part 2, of our Member Orientation Videos with a Post 66 logo lapel pin and a free dinner at a Monday Night Social (A \$10 value!).

To collect these rewards, please complete our REWARD FORM on the video webpage to receive your Post 66 logo lapel pin and free dinner.

Remember, the most important things in The American Legion are not things.

POST 66 RENTALS:

Do you have a special occasion or event being planned in the next few months?

If so, consider using the American Legion as a venue.

Contact Booking Manager, Yvonne Hampton for more information: (805) 459-4015

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August Schedule of Events:

- 8/2** - Friday Night Social - 4:30pm. Games & pool table available.
- 8/5** - Monday Night Social - 4:30pm. BBQ Tri-tip sandwiches, salad, chips & dessert
 - Sons Mtg. 6:00pm
- 8/7** - Auxiliary Mtg. 5:00pm
 - Membership Mtg. 6:30pm
- 8/9** - Friday Night Social - 4:30pm. Games & pool table available.
- 8/12** - Monday Night Social - 4:30pm. Enchiladas, refried beans, rice, salad & dessert.
- 8/14** - Membership BBQ - 4:30pm. Dinner served at 6:30pm.
 - Pork Loin, beans, salad, garlic bread, cake
- 8/16** - Friday Night Social - 4:30pm. Games & pool table available.
- 8/19** - Monday Night Social - 4:30pm. Hamburgers, plus fixin's, dessert
- 8/23** - Executive Committee Meeting - 3:30pm.
 - Friday Night Social - 4:30pm. Games & pool table available.
- 8/26** - Monday Night Social - 4:30pm. Baked Potatoes, salad & dessert.
- 8/30** - Friday Night Social - 4:30pm. Games & pool table available.

Volunteers are needed to help with Monday Social dinners and Monthly Barbecues. If interested in hosting the creation of a Monday social meal, please contact Betty Bristol (559) 362-2455 for more information.

**Many Hands Make Light Work!
Be a Post 66 Volunteer!**





AMERICAN LEGION POST 66 BARBECUE DRIVE-THRU!

**This fundraiser is to support the American Legion
Post 66 Medical Equipment Program**

**We provide re-furbished mobility scooters,
walkers, wheelchairs and other equipment;
in addition to occasional emergency financial**

**PRE-ORDER A FAMILY DINNER FOR FOUR
AND PICK UP YOUR MEAL ON
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024
FROM 1 - 4pm**

\$65

Dinner includes:

**Whole Tri-Tip, beans, loaf of garlic bread
and salad for four people**

PRE-ORDERS ONLY!

**CALL (805) 459-4015 OR (805) 295-3190
TO PLACE YOUR ORDER BEFORE THE**

AMERICAN LEGION POST 66 - CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023/2024

Updated: 6/30/24

NOTE: Monthly Legion membership meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm, and are open to all Legion members in good standing. Auxiliary membership meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 5:00pm and are open to all Auxiliary members in good standing. Sons membership meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 6:00pm and are open to all Sons members in good standing.

January 2024	
1/1	New Years Day - Post closed
1/5	Friday Social
1/8	Monday Social
1/12	Friday Social
1/15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - Post Open
1/19	Friday Social
1/22	Monday Social
1/26	Friday Social
1/29	Monday Social

February 2024	
2/2	Friday Social
2/5	Monday Social
2/9	Friday Social
2/11	Superbowl Party - No host bar
2/12	Monday Social
2/16	Friday Social
2/19	Presidents Day - Post Open!
2/23	Friday Social
2/25	District 16 Legion Meeting (Post 66, SLO)
2/26	Monday Social

March 2024	
3/1	Friday Social
3/4	Monday Social
3/6	Member Meeting
3/8	Friday Social
3/11	Monday Social
3/11	Member BBQ
3/15	Friday Social
3/18	Monday Social
3/22	Friday Social
3/25	Monday Social
3/29	Friday Social

April 2024	
4/1	Monday Social
4/3	Member Meeting - Nominations
4/5	Friday Social
4/6	Fundraiser - Peddler's Fair
4/8	Monday Social
4/10	Member BBQ
4/12	Friday Social
4/13	Member Orientation
4/15	Monday Social
4/19	Friday Social
4/22	Monday Social
4/26	Friday Social

May 2024	
5/1	Member Meeting - Nominations
5/3	Friday Social
5/6	Monday Social
5/8	Member BBQ
5/10	Friday Social
5/13	Monday Social
5/17	Friday Social / Set up for Craft Fair
5/18	Craft Fair / Car Show
5/19	Craft Fair/Pancake Breakfast
5/20	Monday Social
5/24	Friday Social
5/25	Place flags at cemeteries
5/27	Memorial Day Ceremony / Pick up flags at cemeteries
5/31	Friday Social

June 2024	
6/2	District 16 Meeting
6/3	Monday Social
6/5	Member Meeting - Elections
6/7	Friday Social
6/10	Monday Social
6/12	Member BBQ - New Officer Installation
6/14	Friday Social
6/17	Monday Social
6/21	Friday Social
6/24	Monday Social
6/28	Friday Social

July 2024	
7/1	Monday Social
7/3	Member Meeting
7/5	Friday Social
7/8	Monday Social
7/10	Member BBQ - New Officer Initiation
7/12	Friday Social
7/15	Monday Social
7/19	Friday Social
7/21	District 16 Meeting
7/22	Monday Social
7/26	Friday Social
7/29	Monday Social

August 2024	
8/2	Friday Social
8/5	Monday Social
8/7	Member Meeting
8/9	Friday Social
8/10	DAV Family Day
8/12	Monday Social
8/14	Member BBQ
8/16	Friday Social
8/19	Monday Social
8/23	Friday Social
8/24	Post Tri-Tip Fundraiser
8/26	Monday Social

September 2024	
9/2	Labor Day - Post Closed
9/4	Member Meeting
9/6	Friday Social
9/8	District 16 Meeting
9/9	Monday Social
9/11	Member BBQ
9/13	Friday Social
9/16	Monday Social
9/20	Friday Social
9/23	Monday Social
9/27	Friday Social
9/30	Monday Social

October 2024	
10/2	Member Meeting
10/4	Friday Social
10/7	Monday Social
10/9	Member BBQ
10/11	Friday Social
10/14	Columbus Day - Post Closed
10/16	Project Hero
10/17	Monday Social
10/18	Friday Social
10/21	Monday Social
10/25	Friday Social
10/28	Monday Social

November 2024	
11/1	Friday Social
11/4	Monday Social
11/6	Member Meeting
11/8	Friday Social
11/9	Place Flags at Cemeteries
11/11	Veterans Day Community Event/ Remove flags from cemeteries
11/13	Member BBQ/Auxiliary Auction
11/15	Friday Social
11/18	Monday Social
11/22	Friday Social
11/25	Monday Social
11/28	- Thanksgiving - Post Closed
11/29	Rental - SLO High School All Class Reunion - Post Members invited

December 2024	
12/2	Monday Social
12/4	Member Meeting
12/6	Friday Social
12/9	Monday Social
12/11	Member BBQ
12/13	Friday Social
12/16 thru 1/6/25	- Post Dark for Holidays