

 AMERICAN  
LEGION

AUXILIARY

Unit 66

\*\*\*\*\* ANNUAL RAFFLE \*\*\*\*\*

Wednesday November 13, 2024

Raffle immediately after dinner.

**“Monthly Members Dinner”**

**Post 66 Famous Pork Chop Dinner 6:30 pm**

**Attendance is Not Required to Win**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize:** Bucket of SLO - gift cards Valued over **\$300.00**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize:** Smoker donated by Home Depot Valued **\$250.00**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize:** Fire Pit donated by Home Depot Valued **\$225.00**

**4<sup>th</sup> Prize:** Ring donated by Hamilton Estate Jewelry Valued **\$165.00**

\*\*\* Plus, door prizes for those in attendance! \*\*\*

**Tickets are \$5.00 each or booklet of 6 for \$25.00**

Your donations help support:

Emergency Funds for Local Veterans Families - Honor Flight –

Welcome Home Military Heroes - Veterans in Need –

PTSD Camps for Local Veterans - Toys for Kids –

Back to School Items for local schools –

and the ***Girls State Program.***

*Thank You for Your Support!!!*

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# Posts from



## From the COMMANDER:

Hope this newsletter finds everyone healthy and in good spirits.

Here are the activities we had in October:

**10/5** - Veterans Fishing trip and BBQ in Avila. This was so much fun. Between Elks and Legion we had 16 sign up (5 were no shows). Everyone caught their limits, seas were very calm considering they were about 3 miles out, fishing in 400ft of water. Upon their return they were served a lunch of tri-tip, garlic bread, salad, beans and dessert. (Lunch was provided by Legion barbecuers and paid for by Elks)

**10/12** - DAV Pancake Breakfast. Legion members volunteered to cook pancakes, and bacon. DAV extended their "thank you" for cooperation and assistance.

**10/15** - Quarterly county/vets meeting. I brought up to county about our concern about the trees growing over and endangering our facility and members. They, as well as Legion agreed to check into it. We got a really reasonable estimate on work and we're hoping the county picks up the tab.

**10/16** - Patriot Riders. Legion hosted a Lunch of BBQ Tri-tip sandwiches, potato salad, green salad, fresh fruit, cookies, pickle juice etc. The riders expressed their gratitude by rewarding Legion members with challenge coins. A police escort accompanied them thru downtown. Thank you Legion Volunteers for making this successful.

**10/18** - Dodie Williams celebration of life. This was attended by many Legion members. Dodie and Bob Williams were long-time members of the Legion.

Lastly Stephanie Paige, Chaplain, is taking the lead in our buddy check of Legion members. All officers are going to assist with contacts. Thanks Stephanie.

## Upcoming events:

\* Please help us to place flags on Veterans graves at San Luis Cemetery and Mission Cemetery on Saturday, November 9th. Flags will be picked up at 3pm on Veterans Day, 11/11.

\* Wreaths across America is almost here. Please help us out with contributions and/ or help volunteering to lay wreaths on our Veteran graves on December 14th. Contact me for more information.

\* Christmas for our troops and their families and veterans confined to hospitals/nursing homes. We are calling on our legion to help us by contributing new clothing: sweat pants, sweat shirts, t-shirts, underwear, socks, etc. for the troops and veterans from Camp SLO and Camp Roberts and local hospitals and nursing homes. We are planning to have a Christmas tree with names of members/families and lists of items requested. Please consider helping out by choosing a member/family and make their wishes come true.

For God and Country,

**Yvonne Hampton**  
**Commander**

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## From the AUXILIARY

Hello from the ALA. Coming up is the Girls/Boys State dinner to recognize the delegates who attended the program. Always a treat to hear from the young ladies and young men.

We are working very hard on getting our annual Raffle and Silent Auction ready for November. The raffle gifts are always a big hit. We also have some really wonderful items for the silent auction. Christmas is coming up so think about that when you come to the November Wednesday members dinner, and our fundraiser.

This year we are going to have door prizes too. Great pork chop night too. Once this is over we start to work on The Family Christmas party. Remember to bring a gift/gift card worth about \$25.00 to put on and around the Christmas tree.

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

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# Posts from



## From the SONS of the LEGION:

Happy Thanksgiving Legion members. Don't forget Son's meeting on Monday, November 4th at 6pm. Come early for another good dinner. Thanks,

**Bobby Evenson**

**Sons Commander**

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## ADJUTANT'S NEWS

Here is my monthly reminder to send in your dues for Member Year 2024/2025. 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. Fees went up from \$45/year to \$50/year; so if you still owe for the 2024 year, you would still only pay \$45, but \$50 for the most recent dues notices sent. Most cards for those that have already sent in their renewals have been processed and mailed. Thank you! If you have not received your card by the end of the first week of October, please reach out to me as soon as possible.

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! Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours!

**Nora O'Donnell**

**Post 66 Adjutant**

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### Member Orientation Videos

**Just a reminder that our** Membership Orientation Videos are a good place to start your journey of understanding of what the American Legion and Post 66 is all about.

The Member Orientation Videos have two parts and we encourage all Legion family members to watch them. To encourage participation, everyone who watches both parts will receive 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 that presents at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> part. Remember, the most important things in The American Legion are not things.



<https://post66slo.org/orientation/>

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# Posts from



## **POST 66 - OFFICERS & COMMITTEES**

Commander - Yvonne Hampton  
Adjutant - Nora O'Donnell  
Finance Officer - Jim Irwin  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander - Mario Perez  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander - Roger Janakus  
Junior Past Commander - Nora O'Donnell  
Executive Committee:  
David Glidden, Fred Hampton, Bill Fieldhouse

## **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 Filipo  
Sons, Squadron 66, Adjutant - Aaron Rodriguez

## **APPOINTED POSITIONS**

Bar Manager - Jim Miller  
Bar Manager, Assistant - Thom Dimmitt  
Booking Manager - Maggie Glidden  
Chaplain - Stephanie Paige  
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 - Mario Perez  
Media & Communications Committee Chair - Vacant  
Membership Committee Chair - Roger Janakus  
Post Service Officer - David Glidden  
Sergeant at Arms - Vacant  
Sergeant at Arms Assistant - Vacant

## **October Schedule of Events:**

- 11/4** - Monday Night Social - 4:30pm. Veterans Appreciation (Central Coast Paralegal Association) preparing meal - free to all Veterans. Lasagna, garlic bread, salad, dessert
- 11/6** - Auxiliary Mtg. 5:00pm  
Membership Mtg. 6:30pm
- 11/8** - Friday Night Social - 4:30pm. Bar Open to members and guests. Games & pool table available.
- 11/11** - Veterans Day Monday Night Social - Post Closed. All are welcome to join Post members at the Elks Lodge for their Veterans recognition ceremony. Double bone pork chops, scalloped potatoes, green beans, green salad, Waldorf salad, apple sauce and cake for dessert.  
Free to Veterans with valid ID. Guests/Spouses - \$20
- 11/13** - Membership BBQ - 4:30pm. Dinner served at 6:30pm. Auxiliary Fundraiser Silent Auction and Prize drawing.
- 11/15** - Executive Committee Meeting - 3:30pm.  
Friday Night Social - 4:30pm. Games & pool table available.
- 11/18** - Monday Night Social - 4:30pm. Enchiladas (chicken in green sauce/beef in red sauce), rice, beans, salad and dessert
- 11/22** - Friday Night Social - 4:30pm. Bar Open to members and guests.  
Games & pool table available.
- 11/25** - Monday Night Social - 4:30pm. Beef Stew, biscuits, salad and dessert
- 11/29** - Friday Night Social - Cancelled. Rental of Post for Annual San Luis Obispo High School All Class Reunion - all Legion members welcome to attend!

# Post 66 Workday

Hello Legion Family! It's time once again to gather the troops and clean up the Post. There are several projects to be completed, including painting the Mess Hall.

## Coffee & Donuts will be served!

Join us on Saturday, December 7th beginning at 9am  
All Legion Family members are encouraged to help out for as much time as you can, doing whatever you are capable of doing.

Jobs of all kinds; dusting, vacuuming, window cleaning,  
outside work as well.

You choose how much you can do, but please show up to help in any way you can. We all enjoy the Post for meals and social time, so let's all work together to get our Post shipshape as we head into a new year!



# 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
9/11	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/Auxilliary 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