

# AMERICAN LEGION POST 419 REVEILLE

Veterans Helping Veterans & Serving the Community Since 1932

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958 Homestead Road, Santa Clara CA 95050

April 2024

Hello everyone,

Spring has sprung, the grass is growing, and birds are singing.

With the winter behind us, what a good time to contact a friend, neighbor, or Veteran that you haven't heard from for a while and invite them to the Post.

Let me recap the activities at the post for March.

- Our first Sunday breakfast was well attended, for only \$12, it's always crowd pleaser.
- Vets to Vets every Thursday at 9:00 A.m.
- American Legion District 13 had it's meeting at the Post 419.
- St. Patrick's dinner and dance was well attended, and the food was great. Good time had by all.
- Auxiliary Department President visit to our Post.
- American Legion Area 2 also met at our Post.

Great to see our Post getting noticed. The people I had talked to say this Post is one on their best venues.

**April:** The Sons of the American Legion will have the Socks for Vets Dinner and Dance, come and have a great time.

Please consider bringing a pair( s) of new Socks to donate to our Vets. (Men and Women)

Membership numbers are up and stable, your renewals are making it happen. Thank you.

New members are signing up. Word of mouth and reputation are paying off.

Now April starts our Elections for Post Officers, as well as Executive Committee. This year I've accepted three resignations, hopefully the positions of Finance Officer, and Adjutant will be filled by Legion's year end (two months).

I hope to see most of you at our General Membership Meeting, Wednesday 3rd at 7:00 P.M.

Have a great April, stop in and say hello, we'll like to see you.

Vets helping Vets,

Richard Peralez

Commander

American Legion Post 419



## AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR PAST

Hope you had a good Easter season and are ready for the last 3 months of the Legion Year.

Nominations and elections for delegates and officers to serve for the next year will take place at the April membership meeting. Want to go to Department Convention in Visalia in June let us know?

Delegates also have a voice at district meetings.

Remember, Adjutant and Finance officers have served the post many years and are leaving at the end of the year.

Need new Volunteers, PLEASE.

If you have knowledge of Quick Books and are willing to spend a few hours a month teaching "Old Dogs New Tricks", please let us know. We want to get good reports delivered at post meetings and are really struggling to understand what we have.

Ralph Jacob

Junior Past Commander

## AMERICAN LEGION ADJUTANT

To the membership of American legion Post 419. I want to thank you for your support and continued membership in the American Legion.

It has been an exciting and interesting 13 years as your Post Adjutant, (Service Officer and Commander.) The word LEARNING EXPERENCE is the key to being in this position. But it is time to put the Adjutant manual and the Officers guide on the shelf and return to being a member who oversees what is going on. If for whatever reason you are unable to take on a leadership role you still need to keep in touch with, and on top of what is happening at your post. Plan on attending a meeting at least once a quarter if not every month. Get your ideas and suggestions known.

For the longest time I have been trying to get **YOU** involved in the organization you have dedicated yourself and monies to belong to and appreciate the work we do with so few people. As I have stated before, not much can be accomplished with so few active people, which means the basic operations and programs is all we can support. Support for a lot of the legion programs can mostly be accomplished from home with occasional meeting to report the progress of that program. Take a look at the list of program committees and see if you can take on one or two which can be a help to our veterans and their families. I have attached a list to this email.

Gene Grundstrom Adjutant Post 419

# AUXILIARY REPORT

Greetings from the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 419

## EVENTS

- On Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, District 13 hosted a visitation/lunch. We were honored to have our Department President, Glenda Schultz, at Post 419. It was a pleasure meeting Glenda and spending time getting to know her. She is from the Sacramento area. Seeing many new faces, it was enjoyable getting to know so many and learning about events that other ALA's put on. We were honored to have two Commanders attend. District 13 Commander Larry Maggio, and Post 419 Commander Richard Peralez. Kudos to Brenda for the wonderful lunch she provided. There were many compliments to the chef! See attached pictures with Glenda Schultz and Commanders.

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 6:30pm to 7:00 pm. Our meeting begins at 7:00 pm and ends at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Patricia Brickman, ALA Unit 419, President



# AMERICAN LEGION CHAPLAIN

Hello all,

I hope that this note finds you in a moment that finds you and yours in a state of grace.

May your days in the month of April be filled with the blessings from the Almighty. We are blessed to celebrate the many faiths that comprise our Veteran family. In the past month we had Holi, Ramadan and Easter to name a few of the religious observances that our members recognize.

In the coming month of April, additional holy days such as Passover and Eid-al-Fitr provide our members an opportunity to get together and observe their respective faiths.

We also pray for those who are suffering, those who are alone and those who have lost all hope. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

May the light of the divine, within each of us, shine bright this Easter Sunday as we recognize the resurrection of Christ. May God Bless Us All.

For our fellow Veterans who have passed onto Post Everlasting...May they Rest in Peace.



Sunny Dosanjh, Chaplain



# AMERICAN LEGION HONOR GUARD

Our Post 419 Honor Guard team members participated as part of the District 13 Honor Guard team for several Military Honor services this past month of March. Our team members conducted services for **Carl Austin, US Air Force** and **Randall Bernsten US Army**.

I also appreciate the US Air Force Honor Guard Detail coordinating the service with our team members: Don Brown, Mike Roosevelt, Stan Ferro, John Quinn and John Boyles. The following images are from the service for **Lawrence Cooper, US Air Force**.



Members of our Post, Mike Roosevelt, John Quinn, Erich Hogan as well as David Han from Post 642, also participated as part of the District 13 Color Guard team at the National Vietnam War Veterans Day Service conducted at Oak Hill Memorial. Please contact Karen Carter for the official images and I've posted a few images from the event. It was well attended and [Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 201](#) (Darwin J. Thomas Memorial Chapter) President Warren Finch gave the remembrance speech. The local Vietnamese Veterans Community provided a scarf to every Veteran who served in the Vietnam War. The scarf has both the American and Vietnamese flags as worn by John Quinn and Mike Roosevelt. We remember all who died, were MIA or POW and those who never were welcomed home.



Sunny Dosanjh, Honor Guard & Color Guard Captain **To all Vietnam Veterans: WELCOME HOME!**

# AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE OFFICER

As a fellow Veteran, I am grateful for the services provided by the [San Jose Vet Center](#). Throughout the 8 years that I have received their services, they have provided confidential help for anyone who requires counseling in a non-medical setting. They focus on Combat Veterans and spouses of Veterans. The services they provide include counseling for needs such as depression, PTSD, MST (military sexual trauma) and those who faced life and death situations.

This past month on March 4th, we had the honor of surprising one of our Veterans, Mr. Skelly on his 95th birthday. "Skelly" as we affectionally call him, served in the US Navy during *WWII, the Korea War and the Vietnam War*. He was jovial, in a great mood and was quite surprised that we had setup the conference room for his birthday celebration.

## Happy 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday "Skelly"



### San Jose Vet Center

#### Main Location

5855 Silver Creek Valley Place  
Third Floor 3A  
San Jose, CA 95138

[Get directions on Google Maps](#)

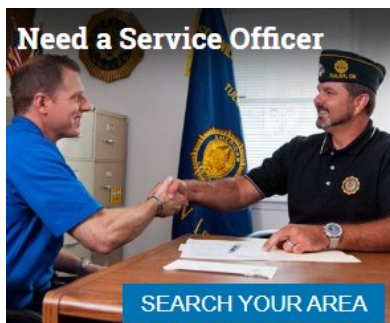
#### Direct line

[408-574-9200](tel:408-574-9200)

#### Hours

Mon. 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Tue. 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Wed. 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Thu. 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Sat. Closed  
Sun. Closed

We appreciate all members at our Post who help in their own way. From setting up tables for events, to food service & clean-up and general maintenance of our facility, Thank You!!!



Sunny Dosanjh, Service Officer



# Socks for Vets Dinner Dance

## Date: April 13, 2024

Donate a new pair of Socks for Veterans in need.



Dinner: Baked Ham & Chicken.

Cost \$30.00 Per Person

Entertainment by DJ

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Opportunity Drawings

American Legion Post 419

958 Homestead Rd

Santa Clara, Ca

Tickets contact Frances Borg @ 408) 243-5832

Or Post 419 @ (408) 244 - 3050 Ext 5

Doors open at 4:30pm Dinner at 5:30pm Dancing 7:30-9:30pm



# Sons of the American Legion Post 419

958 Homestead Road, Santa Clara

(Additional Parking – across the street of Homestead Road)



## Saturday, May 4, 2024

### “May The 4<sup>th</sup> Be With You”

### Prepared for

### Cinco de Mayo

#### Doors Open

5:00 pm

#### Dinner

6:00 pm

#### Dance

7:30 – 10:00  
pm

#### Menu:

Beef & Chicken

Fajitas

Spanish rice

Refried beans

Salad

Dessert

Music by: DJ

#### Ticket Information:

**\$25.00 per ticket**

(Reserved tickets only – cash or checks  
payable to 'The American Legion Post 419')

Frances Borg @ 408-243-5832

The Post @ 408-244-3050 x 2 or 5

Post's Bar – Wed thru Friday

3:00 pm - 7:00 pm,

Sat 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

#### Boys and Girls State

American Legion Post 419 will sponsor 4 to 5 Santa Clara County high school students to participate in the California American Legion's educational programs in Sacramento. This is a one week of hands-on, realistic experience in civic responsibilities. The students will learn to become part of the operation of local, county and state government in legislative sessions and court proceedings.

Proceed from the post dinner/dance will help with the expenses for these students with aspirations to be our leaders of tomorrow. As always, your support is appreciated.



# American Legion Post 419

VETERANS HELPING VETERANS AND THE COMMUNITY 958 HOMESTEAD ROAD, SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA

**Annual**

# CAR SHOW

**Saturday, June 8, 2024**

**10 am to 3 pm**

Come join us for a fun day of Music, BBQ, Drawings, and some terrific Vehicles

Lunch: \$15

Call 408-244-3050



**REGISTRATION:**  
\$35 per vehicle\*  
(car, truck or motorcycle)



**NET PROCEEDS BENEFIT POST 419'S VETERAN SUPPORT PROGRAMS.**

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## REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Year \_\_\_\_\_  
 Make & Model of Vehicle : \_\_\_\_\_

\$35 donation per vehicle. :

Additional lunch tickets @ \$15 each. Number of lunches: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: American Legion Post 419**

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail registration form and checks to:  
 Legion Car Show, 958 Homestead Road, Santa Clara, CA 95050**

**Check-in: 8 - 9:30 am**

I understand that by signing below, I am absolving The American Legion Post 419 of Santa Clara and its members of any liability for injury and/or damages which may occur as a result of participating in, observing, or transporting to and from, this event known as American Legion Post 419 Car Show.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\* Pre-Registration cost per vehicle is \$35.00. No day of the event registration

# Vet to Vet Café



## Vet to Vet Café

Every Thursday Morning

9 am - 10:30 am

Hostess: Karen Carter

Sponsored by

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American Legion Post 419

958 Homestead Rd.

Santa Clara

Complimentary Coffee, Donuts & Conversation

# April

# Lunches AT AL Post 419

# 2024

Lunches 11:00 to  
2:00pm  
10.00

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 MeatLoaf Hamburger Cheese Burger	5 Chicken PotPie Hamburger Cheese Burger	6
7	8	9	10 Enchilada Casserole Hamburger Cheese Burger	11 Backed Ham Hamburger Cheese Burger	12 Socks for Yet Dinner Dance 35.00	13
14	15	16	17 Sloppy Joes Hamburger Cheese Burger	18 Beef Chille Hamburger Cheese Burger	19	20
21	22	23	24 BBQ Pulled Pork Hamburger Cheese Burger	25 Clam Chowder Hamburger Cheese Burger	26	27
28	29	30				

HOST	EVENT	DATE
	<b>2024</b>	
Legion	Membership Meeting	Wed Apr 3, 2024 7:00 pm
SONs	Membership Meeting	Thur Apr 4, 2024 3:30 pm
Legion	1st Sunday Breakfast	Sun Apr 7, 2024 9 to 11 am
Auxiliary	Membership Meeting	Wed Apr 10, 2024 7:00 pm
SONs	Sock for Vets Dinner/Dance	Sat Apr 13, 2024 5 to 9 pm
Legion	Membership Meeting	Wed May 1, 2024 7:00 pm
SONs	Membership Meeting	Thur May 2, 2024 3:30 pm
SONs	May the 4th Be With You Dinner/Dance	Sat May 4, 2024 5 to 9 pm
Legion	1st Sunday Breakfast	Sun May 5, 2024 9 to 11 am
Auxiliary	Membership Meeting	Wed May 8, 2024 7:00 pm
Legion	1st Sunday Breakfast	Sun June 2, 2024 9 to 11 am
Legion	Membership Meeting	Wed Jun 5, 2024 7:00 pm
SONs	Membership Meeting	Thur Jun 6, 2024 3:30 pm
Auxiliary	Membership Meeting	Wed Jun 12, 2024 7:00 pm
Legion	Annual Car Show	Sat June 8, 2024 10 am to 3 pm



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: 06/02/2024 (Sunday)

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: 10/12/2024 (Saturday)

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

Gate Access Pass

[Click here to obtain a gate access pass if you would like to send off your veteran from SFO or greet them on the return home!](#)

[\(Send-offs are at 5:30am on the day of travel and 7:00pm on the day of return.\)](#)