

# REVEILLE

AMERICAN LEGION POST 419

Veterans Helping Veterans & Serving the Community Since 1932

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958 Homestead Road, Santa Clara CA 95050

June 2023

## COMMANDERS ARTICLE FOR JUNE 23

Happy Father's Day. All you men can come to the breakfast on 4 June and eat free.

The Post Officer were elected at the May meeting and will be installed on 3 June. Door 5, dinner 6, and installation 7. The installation will not take much time and the whole 419 Legion Family will be installed, Post, Sons, and Auxiliary.

Our Memorial Day services went well. Mayor Gilmore and many of the City Council attended and joined us for Hot Dogs. Thank you to all who attended. It is the least we could do to remember those who fell during war times and since.

Don't be afraid to volunteer a few hours at the post. Honor Guard, Honor Flight, clipping the plants in the yard. Just volunteer. I caught Hell this month for not asking a person if they wanted to take part in an Honor Flight activity. As I have said for the 40 years I have been a member of the Post, I am not a mind reader. We have and support many activities and organizations. If you want to take part in anything, ask or tell an officer. We will guide you to the right person for answers. So again, I will say, "If you want to support a program, have an idea for a new program, or take part in a post activity let us know. We are not a secret society, and welcome all.

The car show is in June and Richard has been working hard with his team to have the best one in years. If you are interested in helping or showing a car, all are welcome. Call or see Richard.

Those that work the yard, kitchen, and club room I want to thank you and ask for more help for you.

See you at the meeting 7 June at 7 pm. We will welcome new members and a surprise finish. Take an hour to join us.

For the last time and your Commander, I THANK YOU ALL FOR THE SUPPORT YOU HAVE GIVEN BE OVER THE YEARS. We have weathered Covid and the loss of club room activities. Last winter's storms and other calamities. Without you and what you have done, Post 419 would not be as great as we are. I am proud to say I am a member of Post 419, a post I consider the best in the Department of California. I am sure you will give Richard the same support you have given me.

Have a good month.

Ralph Jacob

Commander

<https://www.alpost419ca.org>



# AMERICAN LEGION ADJUTANT

## Adjutant Report

This past month has been as busy as usual. We have been having the Car Show meetings to make sure it goes off without a hitch. Planning is going well for the opportunity drawing and the Auction items. We now have the grand prize for the car show and it is the Small Green Egg BBQ.

I sent out a notice to our members who have not renewed for 2023 year and I did receive several thank you for the reminder.

As of June 2nd the Department reported we have achieved 93.28% of our goal for 2023. I feel that is an excellent achievement given the size of our membership. I want to thank all of you who have renewed for 2024.

The Santa Clara Rotary presented Post 419 with a very generous donation to help serve our veterans.

The Post Color Guard presented colors at two functions this past month, one at the Renaming of the Cupertino Main Post Office. They renamed the facility for Navy SEAL Petty Officer Second Class Matthew Axelson (KIA). The second service was for the Safety Officers annual awards ceremony in the City of Sunnyvale. The Honor Guard also rendered Military honors for three veterans this past month.

In June we will be presenting colors at the Zingers Coral Group on June 17<sup>th</sup>. Their program includes a musical salute to our military. This should be quite a good performance.

Post 419 will be very busy on June 4th. We start the day with a 1st Sunday breakfast from 9-11 am, followed with a luncheon for Honor Flight #30 reunion at 1pm to 4pm and hosting the Santa Clara District 13 Legion annual Caucus at 2pm. Keep us in your prayers that we will be able to keep all the balls in the air at the same time. I am sure that we will be able to.

I want to give a big shout out to the folks from Home Depot for their donation and the help that they volunteered gave us with the post parking lot landscape and patio upgrade.

Gene Grundstrom

Adjutant Post 419

**\*\*Go Fund Me,**

Per a story below in the chaplain section a Veteran will become homeless by the end of the month. The chaplain has donated some funds to help him find temporary housing but if you are able to help a go fund me page has been established for a short period of time to temporarily help this veteran. The link is <https://gofund.me/24643a5c>--

# AMERICAN LEGION SONS

Greetings everyone,

Well, here we are at the end of another legion year, and I would on the behalf of our Squadron Commander Jeff Driskell and myself would like to thank everyone who has stepped up and participated this last year. It has been somewhat of a tough year for all of us in trying to get back to an almost normal year.

So, membership has dropped in numbers and part of the reason is that there has been a few individuals who have moved on. It happens, and all we can do is move forward. We do apologize to those members who may not have gotten their cards, addresses may have been forgotten, or maybe you moved, and we weren't notified. We will get all this corrected.

June is busy for us, 1<sup>st</sup> off is the Officer's installation being held on the Saturday June 3rd, hope to see some of you there. Next is the Car show June 10<sup>th</sup>, should be a fun day, lots of cars to check out and good food and for those lucky enough to win, the opportunity drawings. Come on out and, with and enjoy.

Boys State the week before and depending on which student becomes the Boys State Governor. Anyways the Convention is being held in Visalia again this year and we should be getting more information about upcoming state events and all our programs. New Dept officers and hopefully more new squadron officers in place.

Now if anyone has ideas for our fundraisers, please let us know.

Steve Villegas

Squadron Adjutant



# AMERICAN LEGION PARTNERSHIPS

Post 419 received a grant from Home Depot Foundation  
- Landscaping and New Patio Furniture -  
- May 18, 2023 -



# AMERICAN LEGION CHAPLAIN

## The Blessings of June are upon Us

### *Gratitude*

The Sun ... does it shine today ... yes, my love  
The Air ... does it whisper today ... yes, my beloved  
The Water ... does it flow today ... yes, said Life

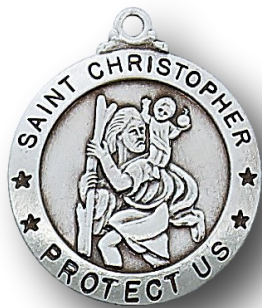
We recognize Life, Love and the Spirit of Summer  
We celebrate the living, mourn the dead and pray for those on knife's edge...  
Thank you for Today

### *Father's Day*

Protect, Provide, Serve  
Love, Laugh, ah what the heck...earn a "belly"  
What a blessing to be called "Father", "Dad", "Pops"

### *Prayer for a Veteran\*\**

A call came from a Marine, seasoned in years  
Can you help me find a place to stay for 21 Days?  
I have a bus ticket home to Georgia but nowhere to stay  
Can you find St. Christopher's Medal for my journey home?



Lord, Bless this Marine, Ronald B.  
With the Spirit of Peace  
With the Spirit of Power  
And With the Spirit of Love  
On this Day and Forever more  
Amen

# AMERICAN LEGION CHAPLAIN

## Memorial Day

It was a privilege to participate as one of the guest speakers at the Mountain View Memorial Day Service at Eagle Park.

Reverend Dr. Elizabeth Boatwright, Stanford Healthcare and I had the honor of sharing our message of Hope, Love & Remembrance.

This Year's theme was "Be The One" and together we can make a difference!



# AMERICAN LEGION CHAPLAIN

## 3 Chaplains ... Leading with Light

### Chaplain Ike Eweama

Command Chaplain, Colonel US Army  
63rd Readiness Division

### Chaplain Daniel R. Petsch

Hospice  
Palo Alto Veterans Affairs

### Chaplain Sunny "Dos" Dosanjh

Chaplain & Service Officer  
Santa Clara Post 419, American & Member of the Royal British Legionnaire



The opportunity to meet **Rabbi Marcus** at the San Mateo Synagogue presented itself so that we can align spiritual care for those of the Jewish faith.

**Pastor Karla Lundin** was also kind enough to discuss the Christian faith at the Church Of the Wayfarer in Carmel By- the-Sea

**Satpal Singh** Nanak Naam also provided insights to the Sikh faith and how to be of service

The following is from Command Chaplain, Colonel Ike for US Army Soldiers

## SOUL FOOD FOR THE WEEK



### **FEAR**

**Life sometimes can be challenging, but thinking about the blessings you already have will help you get through whatever difficulties you are experiencing now**

**We will often find compensation if we think more of what life has given us and less about what life has taken away**  
**- William Barclay**

**"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."**  
**(Isaiah 41:10)**

## We Help All Who have taken the Oath

VA » Health Care » Patient Care Services » PCS » VHA LGBTQ+ Health Program

### Patient Care Services

▶ PCS

▶ More Health Care


#### QUICK LINKS


Hospital Location  
Zip Code  GO

Health Programs

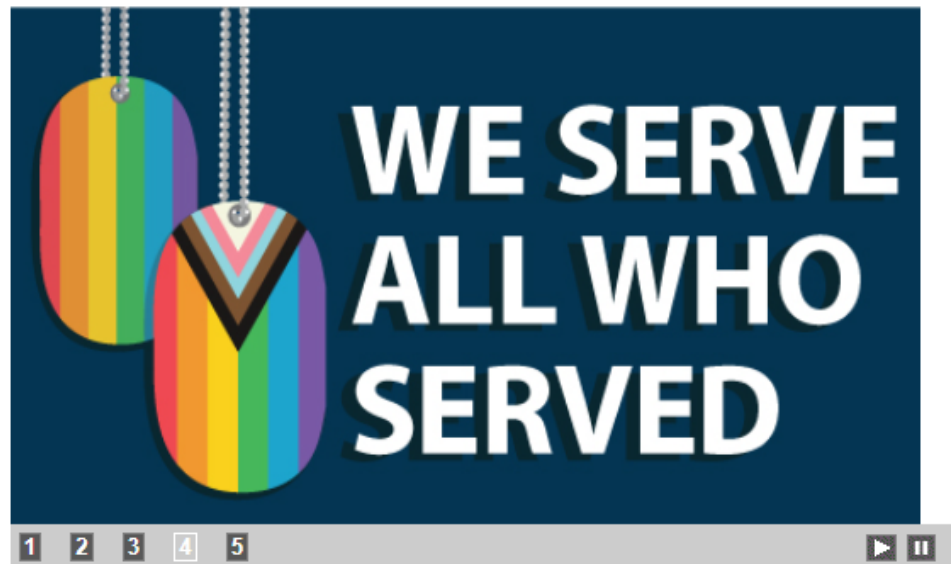
Protect Your Health

A-Z Health Topics

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

 **My healthvet**  
Online  
My Health, My Care: 24/7 Access to VA

### VHA LGBTQ+ Health Program



## LGBTQ+ Veterans

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) welcomes all Veterans, families, caregivers, and survivor beneficiaries, including diverse gender identities and sexual orientations. "LGBTQ+" refers to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer identities. The "+" sign captures identities beyond LGBTQ, including but not limited to questioning, pansexual, asexual, agender, gender diverse, nonbinary, gender-neutral, and other identities. LGBTQ+ Veterans have faced stigma and discrimination, which can affect health. As a healthcare institution, we need to make sure that LGBTQ+ Veterans know that they are welcome at Veterans Health Administration (VHA).

### Vision Statement

LGBTQ+ Veterans will choose VA and receive affirming care and services to achieve optimal health and well-being.





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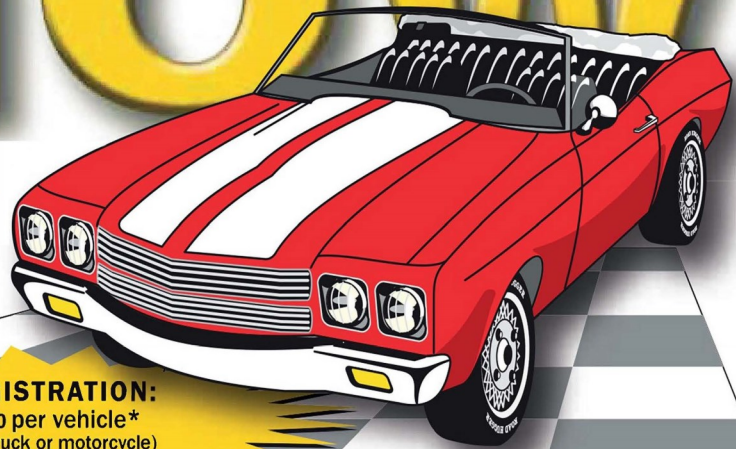
**Annual**

# SCAR SHOW

**Saturday June 10, 2023  
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:**  
\$ 50 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 : \_\_\_\_\_

\$ 50 donation per vehicle (includes 1 lunch). :

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 it's members of any liability for injury and/or damages which may occur as a result of participating in, observing or transporting to and from, the event known as American Legion Post 419 Car Show.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\* Pre-Registration cost per vehicle is \$50.00.



*“The Zingers”*

*Invite you to “Our Tribute to Our Hero’s” Concert*

*Saturday, June 17, 2023*

*4:00 pm*

*Christian Reformed Church 5150 Camden Ave*

*Karen Carter, Director*

*Karen Adkins, Accompanist*

*Veterans & Military we would enjoy seeing you in uniform  
or hat*

*All Patriotic Music*

*Honor Guard, American Legion Post 419*

*“The Zingers” celebrating 50 years of singing*

*Community Benefit Corporation - Complimentary Concert*



**Blood Drive**  
**Rotary Club of Santa Clara and**  
**American Legion Post 419**

at American Legion Post 419 Main Hall  
 958 Homestead Road  
 Santa Clara, CA 95050

**Wednesday, July 19, 2023**  
**11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

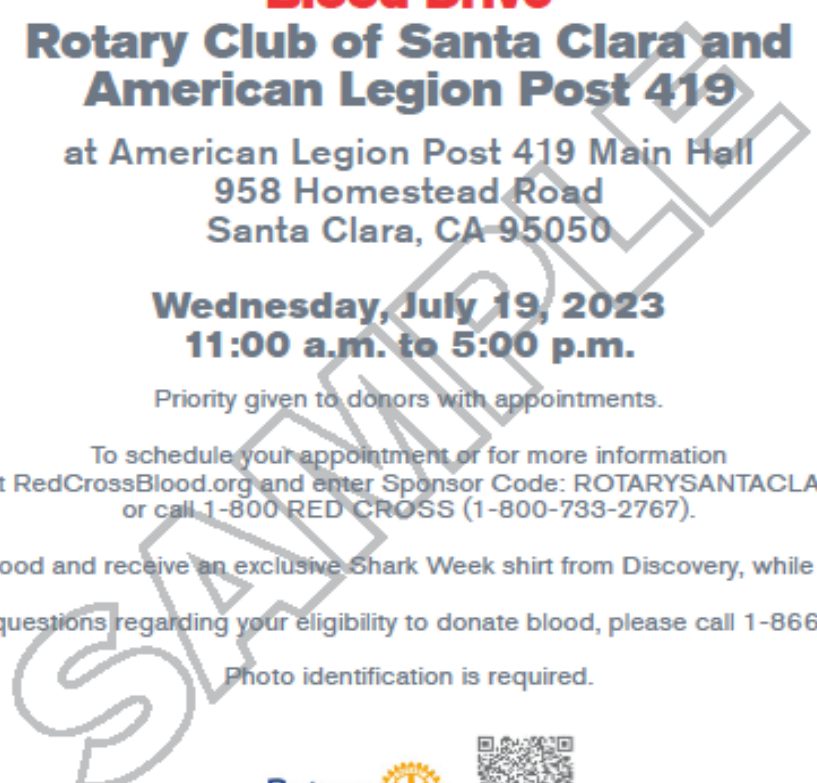
Priority given to donors with appointments.

To schedule your appointment or for more information  
 visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter Sponsor Code: ROTARYSANTACLARA  
 or call 1-800 RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Come give blood and receive an exclusive Shark Week shirt from Discovery, while supplies last!

If you have questions regarding your eligibility to donate blood, please call 1-866-236-3276.

Photo identification is required.



**Be part of something big. Make an appointment.**

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# Vet to Vet Café



## Vet to Vet Café

Every Thursday Morning

9 am - 10:30 am

Hostess: Karen Carter

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# 2023 Calendar of Events

HOST	EVENT	DATE	
SONS	Membership Meeting	1-Jun-23	7:00pm
Post-Sons-Aux	Installation of Officers	3-Jun-23	5:00pm 9pm
Post	1st Sunday Breakfast	4-Jun-23	9:00am-11:00am
Post	Membership Meeting	7-Jun-23	7:00pm
<b>Post</b>	<b>Annual Car Show</b>	10-Jun-23	10:00am-3:00pm
Aux	Membership Meeting	14-Jun-23	7:00pm
Post	Hosting Blood Drive	19-July-23	11:00am-5:00pm

**Important Contact Information - Post 419, Squadron and Auxiliary**  
**General Contact Number:** 408.244.3050 (You may leave message here any time of the day or night)