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COMMANDERS CORNER

It is great to hear that many of you are getting your vaccine shots, at least the first one if not the second one already. I hope that is good news and means we may be back to live meetings sometime soon. I know for many, Zoom is not ideal, but it has allowed us to get together, commiserate (a little), have interesting presentations, and carry-on post business. I would really like to see more of you join us. Meantime, call the VA Martinez for an appointment at 382-8387, selection 4 or 5. Be persistent, you may not get through right away. And keep **wearing a mask and social distance**. Let us do our part and wear them in any public setting.

Our ~~NO-Crab~~ Crab Feed Virtual Auction was a great success; join us at our March meeting for details!

Please give a big shout out to our Auction committee of Mark Heinemann, Bob Landy, Alan Scharlach, and Michelle Lee for their work in managing all the details in conducting the auction. I would also like to recognize all the other volunteers who help with the donation letter and auction processes (Dick Seavey, Gary Soto, Bob Sada, Phil Connolly, Raoul Miranda, Jon Heinson, John Lafrano, Neil Giles, Frank Drayton, and Ed Ott). Thanks, well done!!

We still want to say hi to **Robert Denison, Ken Duley, Ron Farrell, David Horton, William House, Sally Malone, Dr. Conrad Rougeux, Lee Sarty, William Shewry, Bob Wattles, Kenneth Winters, and Richard Zaslove**. We want to make sure you are doing well and ask if you need any assistance. We will keep trying to reach you, but if you would, please give us a call.

We have now reached 92% of members renewed as of 2/18/21! That's 143 out of 156 members that continue support of our post and the Legion. Thank you!! We did not reach our goal of 100% by 31 December, but we will continue to pursue that goal.

Our Boy Scouts are looking for Eagle Scout projects, especially for ones that support veterans. If you have ideas, contact Alan Scharlach directly, 829-9407.

Be sure to see our new website at www.americanlegionpost246.org. Check it out!!

Stay safe and wear your masks!!!

Eric, Commander



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UPCOMING EVENTS

****** Every Saturday 9 to 12**

March 3rd, Wednesday

March 20th, Saturday

April 7th, Wednesday

April 17th, Saturday

May 5th, Wednesday

May 15th, Saturday

May 23rd, Sunday

May 30th, Sunday

May 31st, Monday

June 2nd, Wednesday

June 19th, Saturday

July 4th, Sunday

July 7th, Wednesday

Coffee at the Vets Hall ** Still on hold**

Regular Zoom meeting with speaker, 12:00 pm **TBD**

Executive Committee meeting, 8:30 am

Regular meeting with speaker, 12:00 pm **TBD**

Nominations for Officers/Exec Committee

Executive Committee meeting, 8:30 am

Regular meeting with speaker, 12:00 pm **TBD**

Election of Officers/Exec Committee

Executive Committee meeting, 8:30 am

VMB High School Swearing-in Ceremony

VNVDV Memorial Day Ceremony, **Cancelled**

Memorial Day

Regular meeting with speaker, 12:00 pm **TBD**

In-Person Installation of Officers (TBD)

Executive Committee meeting, 8:30 am

Independence Day, Kiwanis Parade

Regular meeting with speaker, 12:00 pm **TBD**

THE NO CRAB CRAB FEED ONLINE AUCTION EVENT

Always nice if you patronize our sponsors and donors, so please do so. To be sure here is a list:

Ace Hardware Alamo

Ace Hardware Blackhawk

Amici's Pizzeria

Arakelian Wealth Management

AutoTech Tassajara

Bankhead Theater, Livermore

Grill at Blackhawk

Blackhawk Museum

Clementine's

Costco

Country Waffles

Crumbs

Danville Chocolates

Danville Police

Domenico's Deli

Esin

Home Depot

Locanda Ravello

Lowe's

Luna Loca

Lunardi's

Marine's Memorial

On-Fire Pizza

Patrick James

Pete's Brass Rail

Piatti's

Safeway

San Ramon Police

Sideboard

Sloat Garden

Spring Valley Golf

Sprouts Market

Starbucks

The Vine

Trader Joe's

USS Hornet

Harvey's Lake Tahoe

Tell them the American Legion sent you!!!



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MEMBER PROFILE – JAE YOUNG KIM

Jae Yong Kim is one of our newer members. He was a Post delegate to 2016 Boys State from Dougherty Valley High School. He is currently a First Classman at the US Naval Academy and all is well here in Annapolis. He is looking forward to graduation and commissioning on May 28, 2021. He has selected Submarines as his service and will commence submarine officer training after commissioning. He will then report to his first duty station at Nuclear Power School in Charleston, SC. The first picture was taken last winter as a 2nd Class Midshipman and the second picture is his official Midshipman portrait for this year.



POST PHOTOGRAPHER

Still no takers? Like to take pictures with an iPhone or camera? We need YOU!! We are looking for a post photographer(s) to help capture pictures and videos of our post activities. There is a need to attend many our functions. Please give me a call.

FLAG & EMBLEM STORE

The post now has a Tax-Free account with the Flag & Emblem Store. Alan Scharlach is our post “Supply Officer” and is available to order items for individual post members. Go to <https://emblem.legion.org/> to do your shopping; then email Alan with the item number, quantity, color, and any other item details needed to purchase the item you want.

TOWN OF DANVILLE

The Town of Danville website contains links to notices, alerts, news flash, calendar, etc. about all things Danville: <http://www.danville.ca.gov/list.aspx>



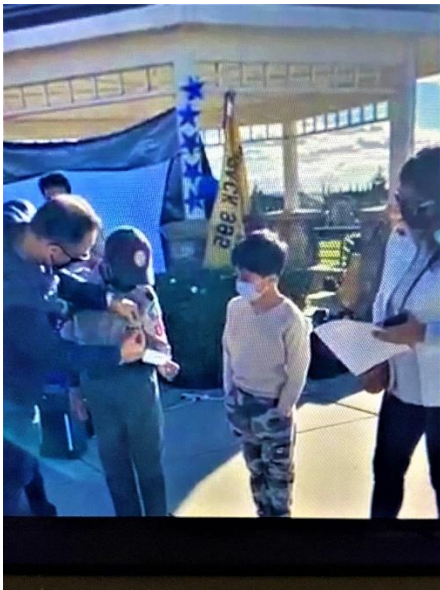
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CUB SCOUT PACK 995 BRIDGING CEREMONY

During this unusual year, 2nd Vice Commander Alan Scharlach attended the Bridging Ceremony of Cub Scout Pack 995 by ZOOM. The event was held in a community park, with all families social distancing in their "bubbles" with masks on. A Bridging Ceremony is the matriculation of a Cub Scout into a Boy Scout unit.

The event started with a Color Guard, the Pledge of Allegiance and the reciting of the Scout Oath and Law. In attendance was our Meridian District Representative Rand Mahoney. Many of the Scouts received their Webelos pins which were pinned on them by their parents in attendance. Several of the Scouts were presented with the highest award a Cub Scout can obtain, the "Arrow of Light" (AOL) Plaque.

This Plaque represents many hours of community service, mastering camping skills, hiking, camping, and mentoring other cub scouts.



Then the transition to Boy Scouts commenced with each Scout crossing over a bridge and being received by a Boy Scout Troop. Troops in attendance receiving Cub Scouts were "our" Troop 888, and Troops 805, 201, 621 and 2001.

Upon crossing the bridge, the Scout receives a new Necktie and slide representing the Troop they have joined.

The Ceremony ended after the American Flag was retired.

AMERICAN LEGION BASIC TRAINING COURSE

Learn about the American Legion in this self-paced online course; go to <https://www.legion.org/alei>.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"I predict future happiness for Americans if they can prevent the government from wasting the labors of the people under the pretense of taking care of them."

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Thomas Jefferson

