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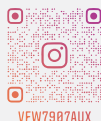
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COMMANDER'S CALL:

To the members of VFW Post 7907,

Thank you for the confidence and trust you have placed in me by electing me as your 2026–2027 Post Commander. I am honored to serve alongside such dedicated veterans and committed members.

We have a lot planned for this year. Starting with a slight change to our newsletter. We are now sending the newsletter on a quarterly basis. This edition covers July-September and the next will cover October-December.

We will be sending monthly calendars and event updates via email so you can see what meals we have planned.

We are also now looking for sponsors to help support our Post happy hour food. If you know a local business that would like to have the opportunity, please have them reach out to Dawn at vfw7907events@gmail.com.

I look forward to working together to strengthen our Post, support our veterans, and continue our mission of service to our community and country.

Thank you again for this opportunity. I am proud to serve as your Commander.

Respectfully,

Henry "Butch" Beltrain



2026-2027 Officers



- Post Commander – Butch Beltrain
- Sr. Vice Commander – Jason Widmer
- Jr. Vice Commander – Zack Walters
- Quartermaster – Tim Ragnar
- Chaplain – Don Biadog, Jr.
- Surgeon – Chuck Grady
- Service Officer – Ed Ozmun
- Adjutant – Paula Jansen
- Judge Advocate –
- Guard – Henry Flores
- 1st Year Trustee – John Schiltz
- 2nd Year Trustee – Bryan Gust
- 3rd Year Trustee – Greg Miller
- House Committee Chairman – Chris Johnson
- Membership Chairman – Deanna Smith
- Officer of the Day – Jim Cook
- Canteen Manager – Vern DuMolt

Auxiliary Officers



- President – LeAnna Brown
- Sr. Vice President – Noel Gilchrist
- Jr. Vice President – Mary Gust
- Secretary – Kacyenne Barber
- Treasurer – Kacyenne Barber
- Chaplain – Christy Schiltz
- Guard – Mike Cobb
- Conductor – Karen Kimble
- 1st Year Trustee – Patty Wolinski
- 2nd Year Trustee – Erin Gilchrist
- 3rd Year Trustee – Carin Ozmun



FROM THE AUXILIARY PRESIDENT:

As I begin my term as Auxiliary President, I am excited to start this new year and look forward to all the great things we will accomplish together in support of our veterans, their families, and our community.

I would also like to thank Dawn for her outstanding leadership and dedication. She has set a wonderful example, and while those are big shoes to fill, I will do my very best to continue the great work she has started. I am grateful for the support of our members and know that, working together, we can make this another successful year for our Auxiliary.

I hope to see everyone at our upcoming events at the Post and at our next Auxiliary meeting on **July 14**. Your participation, ideas, and volunteer spirit are what make our organization so special. Here's to a great year ahead, filled with service, friendship, and continued support for our veterans.

We will be continuing our Auxiliary Dinners on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month so please consider spending that time with us in support of our programs. We are also looking for new and fun fundraising ideas for the Auxiliary so if you have any ideas bring them to the meeting!

Be sure to **SAVE THE DATES** on your calendar for these and other upcoming events:

- July 4th – Car show & Community Events
- July 11th – District School of Instruction 11AM at American Legion 460
- July 24th- July 30th – VFW National Convention in Reno, NV
- August – Kick off to fundraising for Shelter to Soldier
- August 2nd – District 1 Auxiliary Meeting 9AM at VFW 1774 The ship in La Mesa
- September 19th – Department & District POW/MIA Ceremonies
- September 19th – State Commander (Post 7907 Member) Paula Jansen's Homecoming

Hope to see you all around the Post and at our meeting on July 14th.

LeAnna Brown

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VFW Post 7907 – First Quarter Events (July–September 2026)

I'm excited to share that I've agreed to help Commander Butch with our fundraising events (and maybe a few fun activities too!). While the title is unofficial, I'll continue serving as your **Events Coordinator** and look forward to another great year at the Post.

Our fundraising goal this year is **\$10,000 for Shelter to Soldier**, and we'll kick things off with two exciting raffles:

Summer Raffles

- **Igloo Party Bar Cooler** – Drawing moved to **July 4**
- **65" Samsung 4K Mini LED Smart TV** – Drawing on **August 28**
- **100% of raffle proceeds benefit Shelter to Soldier.**

JULY

July 3 (Friday) – No dinner will be served; **July 4 (Saturday)** – 5th Annual Joe Crutcher Car Show & America's 250th Celebration featuring **FREE burgers and hot dogs**; **July 14 (Tuesday)** – Auxiliary Meeting, 6:00PM (No food); **July 16 (Thursday)** – Post Happy Hour with food sponsored by Community Chiropractic, 6:00PM; Post Meeting, 7:00PM; **July 26 (Sunday)** – Breakfast, 10:00AM–12:00PM

AUGUST

August 11 (Tuesday) – Auxiliary Meeting, 6:00PM; **August 20 (Thursday)** – Post Happy Hour sponsored by KIC, 6:00PM; Post Meeting, 7:00PM; **August 22 (Saturday)** – Cooties Meeting, 3:00PM; **August 23 (Sunday)** – Breakfast, 10:00AM–12:00PM; **August 28 (Friday)** – Country Crossovers, plus the 65" Samsung TV raffle drawing

SEPTEMBER

September 7 (Monday) – Closed for Labor Day; **September 8 (Tuesday)** – Auxiliary Meeting, 6:00PM; **September 17 (Thursday)** – Post Happy Hour, 6:00PM; (Food sponsor needed); Post Meeting, 7:00PM; **September 19 (Saturday)** – POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony, 11:30AM; **September 26 (Saturday)** – RIBAPALOOZA! Rib pickup from 12:00–3:00PM; **September 27 (Sunday)** – Breakfast, 10:00AM–12:00PM

Looking Ahead...

October 3 (Saturday) – **Casino Night!**

- Food served at 5:30 PM
- Gaming tables open at 6:00 PM
- Table sponsor: KIC
- Additional sponsorship opportunities are still available.

Please note: Event dates and times are subject to change. Be sure to watch your email and check information posted at the Post for the latest updates.

Dawn Ragnar



I WANT YOU FOR THE SATURDAY MORNING WORK PARTY

Each Saturday at 8:00AM at the Post
For more info contact Tim Ragnar
timragnar@gmail.com

Greetings to all.

As you are probably aware, there are several "Cool Zones" around Poway, but did you know your Post is a cool zone for our members and their guests? It hasn't gotten really hot yet, but late July thru early October (historically) will get hotter.

If alcohol isn't your cup of tea (pun intended), we're still able to keep you hydrated with non-alcohol drinks such as water, tea (unsweetened or sweetened), juices, and sodas (regular, and diet or "zero"). Also, if you have a dog and don't want to leave it at home, and it's well behaved, your welcome to bring it along (don't forget the leash). Please note however, the meeting / dining hall is off-limits to other than service dogs, but we have plenty of cool floor space in the Canteen for your buddy to relax on, and we'll provide cool fresh water.

Also, FIFA World Cup Matches; USA vs Bosnia and Herzegovina will be played July 1st 5PM. I'll be working the evening shift, and will stay open for the whole game. The last two games we opened early or stayed late so members could cheer for the U.S. and make noise as needed. So, come in and cheer for USA!!

Thank you for your support!

Vern DuMolt



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250TH

ON JULY 4TH!



★ TIME: AFTER 11AM CEREMONY AT VETERANS PARK ★

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CAR SHOW



FREE
HOT DOGS
— AND —
BURGERS



★ DRINK ★
SPECIALS



★ HONORING OUR PAST ★ CELEBRATING OUR FUTURE ★

Proud to be a part of **AMERICA'S 250TH!**

2026 Going on Mission – Philippines

I had the honor of leading a team of thirty-six motivated volunteers—eight of them proud U.S. and Philippine veterans whose courage and quiet strength anchored our mission. Together we formed a unified, high-impact ministry that stretched from the crowded streets of Metro Manila, through Taguig and the coastal town of Ternate in Cavite, across the rugged coastlines of Zambales, and deep into the heartlands of Panay, Negros Occidental, Negros Oriental, and Iloilo. Each province carried its own rhythm, its own stories, its own needs. Yet in every place, our team moved with one heartbeat and one purpose: to serve, to encourage, and to bring the hope of Christ to communities across Luzon and the Visayas. What began as a simple call to go became a tapestry of shared labor, shared faith, and shared transformation—woven by volunteers who gave not only their time, but their hearts.

After days of preaching, traveling, serving, and pouring out strength for the mission, the Lord closed our final full day with a bow of blessing, stretched over Pasay City like a divine benediction.

To God be the glory for this rainbow of grace.

Don Biadog, Jr.



Going on Mission team joined with 300 volunteers during the placing of the 34,000 flags on the resting places of WW-II veterans on Saturday May 23, 2026, Manila American Cemetery, Taguig, Philippines.



1st Lt Clebe McClary (USMC Vietnam Veteran), BGEN (Jojo Cenabre (PhilMar) and Don Biadog prayed for the families of veterans buried at the Manila American Cemetery.



Two U.S. Marines and two Philippine Forces color guards and the U.S. Navy Petty Officer perform during the opening of the Memorial Service. U.S. Marines and U.S. Navy sailor pose for a photo next to memorial flowers donated by VFW Post 7907.



Clebe McClary (Right) during the meet and greet with U.S. Marine Security Guards.



June 2, 2026, as rain and sunshine covered the IMAX Theater at the Mall of Asia, God painted a beautiful rainbow across the sky—His signature reminder that His promises never fail.

August Happenings



COUNTRY CROSSOVERS BAND

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28TH

COUNTRY CROSSOVERS
playing 7PM – 9PM

JOIN US FOR
DINNER AT 6
— and stay for —
DANCING!

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RAFFLE DRAWING



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★ THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SHELTER TO SOLDIER! ★

Around The Post

Congratulations, Paula!



Congratulations to Paula Jansen on becoming our VFW Department of California State Commander!

Military Order of the Cooties



Congrats to the newest Pup Tent 7907 for the Military Order of the Cooties.



POW★MIA CEREMONY

— SATURDAY —
SEPT 19TH

— **JOIN US** —
IN HONORING OUR
MILITARY POW/MIA
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Sept. 26th

'RIBAPALOOZA'

TAKE HOME DINNER

100% of proceeds go to
SHELTER TO SOLDIER

★ DINNER FOR 2 ★

- ✓ Full rack of bbq ribs
- ✓ Bill's Baked Beans & slaw
- ✓ Rolls & butter
- ✓ Ole Fashion Peach Cobbler

≡ **\$40** ≡

[dinner for 1 is 1/2 rack for \$20]

≡ **Saturday, 9/26** ≡

≡ pick up 12pm - 3pm ≡

TICKETS ON SALE

★ **AUG 1ST** ★

Pick up at **VFW POST 7907**
12342 Old Pomerado Rd, Poway, CA 92064





★ **VFW POST 7907** ★
 — ANNUAL FUNDRAISER —



CASINO *Night*



★ **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3** ★

 **ADMISSION DONATION** ★

\$40 | **\$45**

PRE-SALE | AT THE DOOR

— **YOUR ENTRY INCLUDES:** —

-  **HEAVY HORS D'OEUVRES**
-  **ONE DRINK COUPON**
-  **\$200 IN PLAYING CHIPS**

★ **ADDITIONAL BUY-IN CHIPS AVAILABLE** ★

TABLES SPONSORED BY
 ★ **KIC** ★

EVENT SCHEDULE

-  **CANTEEN OPENS: 4:30 PM**
-  **HEAVY HORS D'OEUVRES SERVED: 5:30 PM**
-  **CASINO TABLES OPEN: 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

★ **ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR POST'S VETERANS IN NEED.** ★





JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING EVENING OF CASINO GAMES, GREAT FOOD, AND FUN— ALL WHILE SUPPORTING LOCAL VETERANS!



JULY 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Happy Birthday! To all our Post and Auxiliary Members who have a birthday this month. Come on down to the Post and celebrate with us!</p> 			<p>1 11:00AM-6:00PM 11:30AM-12:30PM Enchilada casserole, rice and beans 12.00</p>	<p>2 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>3 3:00PM-6:00PM No Dinner – Join Us Saturday for Independence Day on Saturday</p>	<p>4 11:30AM-3:00PM 8:00AM Saturday Work Party 11:30AM-3:00PM Car Show & Independence Day Celebration</p> 
<p>5 Canteen Closed</p>	<p>6 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>7 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>8 11:00AM-6:00PM 11:30AM-12:30PM Beef Stroganoff 12.00</p>	<p>9 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>10 3:00PM-9:00PM 6:00PM-7:30PM Baked spaghetti, garlic bread & salad 12.00</p>	<p>11 3:00PM-6:00PM 8:00AM Saturday Work Party</p>
<p>12 Canteen Closed</p>	<p>13 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>14 3:00PM-6:00PM 6:00PM Auxiliary General Meeting</p>	<p>15 11:00AM-6:00PM 11:30AM-12:30PM Teriyaki Chicken, rice broccoli 12.00</p>	<p>16 3:00PM-6:00PM 6:00 PM VFW 7907 Post Members Only Happy Hour Sponsored by Community Chiropractic 7:00 PM VFW 7907 Post Meeting</p>	<p>17 3:00PM-9:00PM 6:00PM-7:30PM Burgers, corn on the cob 12.00</p>	<p>18 3:00PM-6:00PM 8:00AM Saturday Work Party 10:00AM-1:00PM Vietnam Veterans Meeting</p>
<p>19 Canteen Closed</p>	<p>20 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>21 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>22 11:00AM-6:00PM 11:30AM-12:30PM Pork roast, mashed potatoes & veggies 12.00</p>	<p>23 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>24 3:00PM-9:00PM 6:00PM-7:30PM Roast beef sliders, macaroni salad 12.00</p>	<p>25 3:00PM-6:00PM 8:00AM Saturday Work Party</p>
<p>26 10:00AM-1:00PM 10:00AM – 12:00PM Eggs to order, biscuits & gravy, sausage, bacon, potatoes, pastries & fruit; French toast sticks & pancakes for the kids 12.00</p>	<p>27 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>28 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>29 11:00AM-6:00PM 11:30AM-12:30PM Spaghetti & meatballs 12.00</p>	<p>30 3:00PM-6:00PM</p>	<p>31 3:00PM-9:00PM 6:00PM-7:30PM Pizza casserole 12.00</p>	

Please Note: We make an effort to list the meals accurately. However, menu items may change. Please check the Post menu board or call the Post to verify.

★ All Gave Some. Some Gave All. ★