The Tradition

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From the Commander

Ed Krug

Welcome back to the Ladies Auxiliary, Riders, and Sons of AMVETS, including all new members who joined over the summer. Hopefully everyone enjoyed their summer vacations and found some place cool to relax. Keep your eyes on the bulletin boards to stay in the know about all the great meals and activities the fall season brings.

In September the Color Guard Chili dog lunches resumed on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays monthly. You can come into the Club between 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. and get a chili dog or just a bowl of chili. The donations collected help the Color Guard maintain uniforms and equipment.

Richard Bryant, Post Quartermaster, is doing a great job. Our display cabinets located in the pool table area are full of AMVETS merchandise available for purchase. He has been able to expedite shirt orders quickly and found new styles of polo shirts. If you are interested, get in touch with him by contacting any officer of the Post or Kim in the office.

Annual Post members, if you have not paid your dues, your door card will not work and you will not have Club privileges. Annual Post Memberships expired on August 31, 2019. Renewal cost is $45. There is someone available at the Club Monday through Friday between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to help you with renewing. Please avoid taking care of this type of business during the busier evening hours.

Post member's, the next General Membership meeting is October 4th at 10:00 a.m. E-Board meetings are the Wednesday before the monthly general meetings at 9:00 a.m. The Ladies Auxiliary meets the 2nd Sunday of the month and the Sons Of meet on the 1st Monday of the month. These meetings are very important as this is the opportunity to share ideas and have discussions that lay the ground work for the upcoming year.

Thank you to our loyal volunteers who work tirelessly to maintain and keep our Clubhouse clean. Your efforts are recognized and appreciated. Our volunteers have been instrumental in our reopening after the COVID19 shutdown. This entire membership (Post, Ladies and Sons) has stepped up and fulfilled the obligation of checking symptoms of members entering the Club. This is a trying task to find enough help to follow through with. David Johnson, 2nd Vice, has reported that we are the only AMVETS in the country checking symptoms at the door as a means of operating during the pandemic. I cannot thank you members enough for devoting your time and energy to help us continue moving towards success.

From The Ladies Auxiliary President

Elaine Owens

First Regular Auxiliary meeting of the year is Sunday October 11th at 9:30 am.

Continue to check the menu board for the Saturday meals the Auxiliary puts on. Thank you for your continued support.

HALLOWEEN – Chili Cook Off – Saturday 10/31/2020. MARK YOUR CALENDERS. Sign-up sheet to bring your BEST Chili WILL be up on the Coke machine Oct 1st. $5.00 entry fee. It will be limited to 10 entries. I need to know approximately the first three ingredients and whether it is Mild, Medium or Hot based upon the general standards (not necessarily your taste buds). Crockpots should be about 3 quart or larger. They are to be here Saturday 10/31 after 12pm but no later than 12:30 pm. Judging will take place at 1:00 from our selected judges. From 1– 3 pm the members and their guest will be able to purchase a sample for $0.50 or a bowl for $3.00 (knowing the first three ingredients – and temperature). Competitors do not need to provide cheese, onions or crackers as they will be provided by the Auxiliary. The top three BEST Chili's will be awarded a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize respectively. Proceeds will be divided among the 5 programs (Child Welfare, Community Service, Americanism, Hospital and Scholarship). This is a great way for all members to help out our programs. We encourage you to dress up, even though at this time we are not having a costume contest. From 3-5 pm on Saturday, Oct 31st, our Community Services program will be providing Brats with all the fixins for a $7.00 donation. What a way to top off the day after having delicious samples or a bowl of your favorite chili.

Reminder of the walk - "HELP US UNLOCK ALS IN TUCSON" by doing a real walk or a virtual walk on November 14th. To sign up go to WalkToDefeatALS.org. Click on Donate. Search for the Team - John's Warriors. Team Leader is Deborah Bailey. You may join the team or donate to a walker. Fill out the donation form including the payment information. Thank you for your support to defeat ALS.

We are still in need of a Hospital chairwoman and an Americanism chairwoman. Contact me for more information.

WITHOUT OUR VETERANS WE WOULD NOT BE FREE. WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS WE WILL NOT SUCCEED.

Elaine Owens 520-576-6712 - Texting is best. Give me your name or phone calls; if you are unable to text (please leave me a voice mail as I do not answer my phone when it is an unknown number).
Stay Well!
Thank you!

From the Public Relations Officer

Valerie H. Davis

Newsletter: The next newsletter will be the November 2020 newsletter. All articles are due to me no later than Thursday, 15 October 2020. Electronic articles are greatly appreciated. Articles need to be written in Word and sent as an attachment to an email. Photos for the newsletter are also accepted when sent as an email attachment. Articles received after the deadline will **not** be published in the November newsletter. If you have any questions, you may call me at 908-0774.

Business card advertising: If you have a business and would like to advertise it in the newsletter, please give Kim Herrera or Val Davis a copy of your business card and $25 for a calendar year (1 Jan to 31 Dec 2021) of advertising in the newsletter. It is $5 a month, if you chose to advertise monthly.

UPCOMING VETERAN ACTIVITIES:

Honor Flight Of Southern Arizona: Due to the coronavirus, Honor Flight of Southern Arizona suspended its spring flights. If you are a WW II or Korean War veteran that has not been on an Honor Flight, please think about filling out your application now and submitting it to Honor Flight of Southern Arizona. Since so few Korean War veterans have applied, Honor Flight of Southern Arizona has opened up applications to Vietnam era veterans. This is a trip that you will remember for the rest of your life!! There will probably be a flight in the fall. Get your application in so you can be put on the waiting list. **Veterans with terminal conditions do have priority**. If you are iffy about anything, you can always cancel. You can also go to www.honorflightsaz.org and fill out an application on-line, or pick up an application at the Post. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Post and leave a message for me.

Wreaths Across America: Wreaths Across America will be on Saturday, 19 December 2020, at 10 am. There are six cemeteries in the greater Tucson area that hold services. They are:

Veterans' Memorial Cemetery Marana
Evergreen Cemetery
East Lawn Cemetery
Holy Hope Cemetery
South Lawn Mortuary & Cemetery
Southern AZ Vets' Memorial Cemetery, Sierra Vista

Please consider donating a wreath. An individual wreath is $15. If you cannot afford to donate, please consider volunteering your time at one of the above cemeteries to help place wreaths on the graves of veterans.

October: Official Days To Fly The Flag

Monday 12 October – Columbus Day.

October Dates Of Interest

Tuesday, 13 October – 245th anniversary of the establishment of the US Navy.
Friday, 16 October – 58th anniversary of the Cuban missile crisis.
Monday, 19 October – 239th anniversary of the surrender at Yorktown.
Friday, 23 October – 76th anniversary of Leyte Gulf.
Tuesday, 27 October – 13th anniversary of AMVETS Post 770 moving into the new building.