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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 fun parties 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 is our new Quartermaster, and he 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.

Annual Post members, if you have not paid your dues, your door card will not work and you will not be served when you come into the Club. 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.

Live entertainment starts up again in October on the 2nd Friday monthly. Bands are scheduled to play from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. Come in and enjoy the music.

Also coming October 19th is Nam Jam at Reid Park. Post #0770 will have a booth at the event, if you have time to donate speak with Dave Johnson about volunteering to spend an hour at the table providing information about AMVETS to those in attendance. Flyers are posted on the Post bulletin board in the hallway.

Congratulations to our latest Queen of Hearts Raffle winner Rick Schmidt and Hugh. Don't forget to come in on Saturdays from 3:45 – 5 p.m. to participate. The raffle is open to all AMVETS. Please remember you will need to show your membership card and State ID or Driver's license to purchase tickets.

Post members, the next General Membership meeting is October 6th at 10:00 a.m. E-Board meetings are the Wednesday before the monthly general meetings at 9:00 a.m.

Thank you to our loyal volunteers who work tirelessly to maintain and keep our Clubhouse clean. Your efforts are recognized and appreciated.

Commander Krug swearing in a new Post member at the September meeting.

From The First Vice

Keith Evans

AMVETS Post #770 Membership as of 14-Sept-2019; 110 annual members, 215 life members, 325 annual & life Post members, 118 Sons of and 305 Ladies Aux, for a total of 748 post members.

List of new members sworn in for Aug – 2019; Louis E. Robinson – US Navy, Keith R. Pinster – USMC.

List of new members sworn in for Sept – 2019; Wayne Cram – US Navy

Annual post members, it's that time of the year to renew your dues for 2019 – 2020, please do so. If you don't you'll not be able to come in and drink.

From The Auxiliary President

Elaine Owens

Ladies Auxiliary **Membership** Kick off Drive is underway and runs until DECEMBER 31, 2019.
Annual Dues are $40.00. Life Dues are $350.00.
Plus $5 for a door card (one time fee), if you do not already have one.
Don't delay, renew today! See First Vice President, Lynn Gabriel.

Just a reminder that we are no longer collecting manufacturers coupons.

From the Public Relations Officer

Valerie H. Davis

Newsletter: The next newsletter will be the November newsletter. All articles are due to me no later than Tuesday, 15 October 2019. 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.

UPCOMING VETERAN ACTIVITIES:

Honor Flight Of Southern Arizona: 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!! If you apply now, you will probably get selected for 2020. **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. The next Honor Flight will be in October.

Nam Jam: The 2019 Nam Jam (Nam to Sand Jam) will be at Reid Park on Saturday, October 19. It is free and open to the public. There will be a free concert from 10 am to 5 pm. AMVETS Post 770 will have a booth at the event. See Dave Johnson, if you would like to volunteer to help at the booth (set up/manning/take down) – Post, Aux, Son Of, and Riders are all welcome to help!

Annual Women Veterans' Luncheon: The annual all services Women Veterans' Luncheon will be on Saturday, 2 November, from 11 am to 2 pm, at the Viscount Suite Hotel, 4855 E Broadway, Tucson AZ 85711. The cost is $26 per person. Guests are welcomed. For a reservation form go to AMVETS Post 770's website or contact Rosie at 310-279-6114 or tusconwomenvetluncheon@gmail.com. The last day to make a reservation is 26 October.

Wreaths Across America: Wreaths Across America started in 1992. It is the goal of Wreaths Across America to one day be able to adorn the final resting place of every veteran with a wreath. Besides the cemeteries in the United States of America, wreaths are also provided for the 24 offshore cemeteries including Normandy Beach. Please consider sponsoring a wreath. The 2019 Wreaths Across America Remembrance Ceremony will be on Saturday, 14 December, at 10 am. Attached is a flyer for making a donation to Wreaths Across America. Filling out the attached Wreaths Across America filer will have your wreath donated to Evergreen Cemetery. If you would prefer that your wreath go another cemetery in southern Arizona, your choices are listed below: Cemeteries and Their Codes

Veterans' Memorial Cemetery Marana	AZAZVM	(Individual request NOT accepted)
Evergreen Cemetery	AZEGCT	(Individual requests accepted)
East Lawn Cemetery	AZELPC	(Individual request NOT accepted)
Holy Hope Cemetery	AZHHCT	(Individual request accepted)
South Lawn Mortuary & cemetery	AZSLMC	(Individual request NOT accepted)
Southern AZ Vets' Memorial Cemetery, Sierra Vista	AZSAVS	(Individual request NOT accepted)

On the form for Wreaths Across America, if you want your wreath to go to another cemetery in southern Arizona, cross out the Location ID of Evergreen Cemetery (AZEGCT) and put in the location ID of the southern AZ cemetery of your choice. (See attached.)

If you want your wreath to go to a cemetery outside of Arizona, I suggest that you go to the Wreaths Across America website (wreathsacrossamerica.org) and make your donation directly to that cemetery.