

# COLE-MIERS COURIER

## SWLA Veterans Home

As we do every year, the Post and Auxiliary made their way down to Jennings to the Veterans Home and brought much needed supplies and items to the residents. Additionally, they delivered Christmas Cards and brought some joy to the various Veterans that

reside there. Almost \$4,000 worth of items were delivered. Thank you again to Mary Gibson for heading this up.



### Special points of interest:

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## Happenings at the Post

**Jan 2:** Monthly Meeting  
6:30 Joint Session, 7 PM  
Membership Meeting

**Jan 13:** LSU versus  
Clemson National Cham-  
pionship 7 PM

**Jan 17-19:** Mid-Winter  
Conference Alexandria

**Jan 21:** Planning Ses-  
sion 6:00 PM



## *From the Desk of the Commander*

I hope each of you had a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

As we begin the 2020 year, please continue to support the Post in all areas. We always need help with Bingo, we always need help with our different activities as well.

As we come into the spring timeframe, remember that we will hold nominations for new officers in March, and then hold elections in April. If you are interested in becoming an officer of the

Post, get your name out there and tell people what you would like to do, and what you would like to achieve. Being an officer of the Post, should not be something you do, for a title. It is a commitment and requires you invest your time and efforts in bettering the Post as a whole.

We have the Mid-Winter Conference coming up, if you have not attended before, you should come up and see the different Posts get awarded and recognized for the half of the year achievements. Also, the

Voice of Democracy Winner will be announced for the State Level.

Thank you to all of the members and Auxiliary that volunteer day in and day out, without you, the Post would not be a success.

Commander Josh Morgan

## *Bingo*

As always we need help and assistance with Bingo Sessions. We have a core group of people that work on Friday's and another that works on Sunday's but they could use a break every once in a while. If you would please consider working just one session a month, it would be greatly appreciated. There are

generally 8 sessions a month.

The Current Bingo number is 51 (as of JAN 1st), and it will be going up every month, and then we will have more people playing, so we could really use the help!

Please get with Mary Gibson, so she can get you on the roster. Selling extra sheets, doing payouts or sell-

ing pull tabs, all areas need help.

Additionally, they need help in the Kitchen if you prefer to do that.

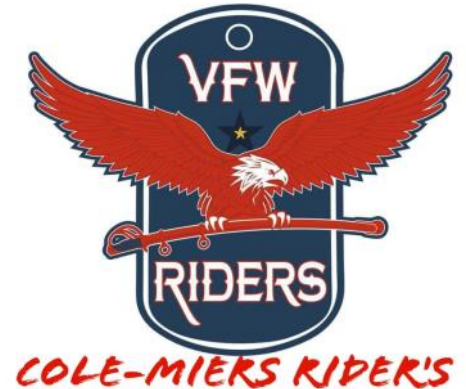


## *From the VFW Riders Group*

The riders took a bit of a break this month, to spend time with Families and Friends.

They will be back up and running in January, working on their upcoming rides and to start prepping for the spring and summer riding seasons. If you own a motorcycle and want to be a part of the group, get with President Shane Fowler or Treasurer/Secretary Matt West

and will help get you signed up. The Riders group is a sub-component of the VFW and we ride and try to mentor riders as we support the VFW and it's Goals.




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## *Membership*

Now is the time folks to extend your dues! If you are annual member and have dues that will expire before 30 June 2020, let's not wait until then to pay your dues. By extending your dues, you are showing you are committed to the success of the Post and want to help us achieve 100%. Our

If you have a new prospective member and want to bring them in, come see Sr Vice Shane Fowler or QM/ADJ Matt West, and we will help get you squared away. All it takes is asking someone if they meet qualifications, then we can do the rest.

The lifeblood of the VFW is our Membership, that is how we get a seat at the table in front of Congress, to help move Veteran related Legislation through the system, for final approval!

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## *Christmas Party*

This years Christmas Party was held on 11 DEC at the Post home. We had a relatively small turnout but it was a great time. Santa, Mrs. Claus and the

Elves were there to bring happiness to the children present. We even got a visit from the Grinch who played with the kids. Thank you to all that attended and we

hope you had a great time.




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## *Canteen Christmas Party*

The Post had a blast participating in the Canteen “White Elephant” Christmas Party. As usual, the gift exchange and “stealing” others gifts were humorous and enjoyable.

Anytime you can get a lot of members and Auxiliary together for a fun evening, it will always be a good time!



## *Programs*

Congratulations to the all of the Post Winners for Americanism, Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy! Great job by all of those that competed. Remember, you have the oppor-

tunity to win up to a \$30,000 Scholarship if you win National VOD. So, continue to push this program to all High Schoolers as well as Home School

High School aged children!

## *Mid-Winter Conference*

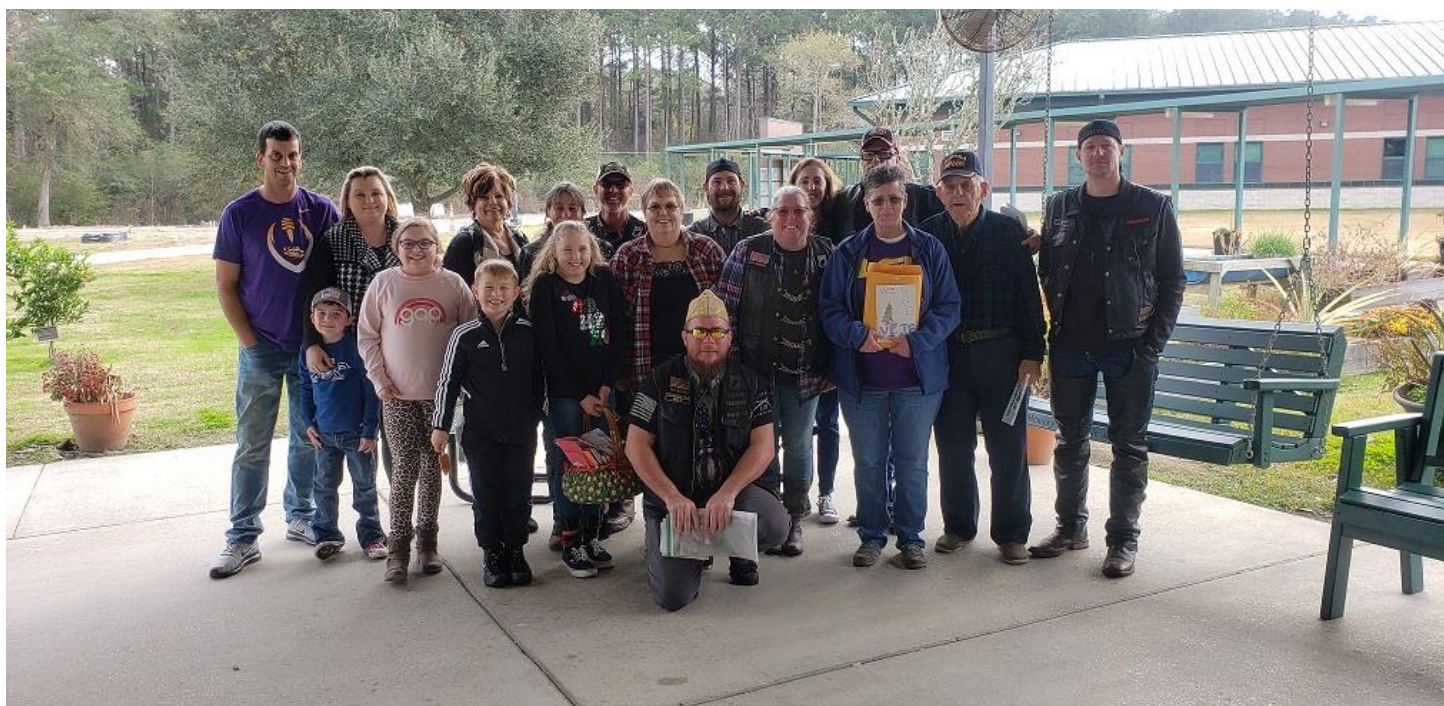
January will hold the Mid-Winter conference in Alexandria, at the Holiday Inn downtown. 16-19 January. If you are interested in attending

please let the Commander and Quartermaster know. For those new members that have never attended a State Level

convention/conference this is a good one to attend.

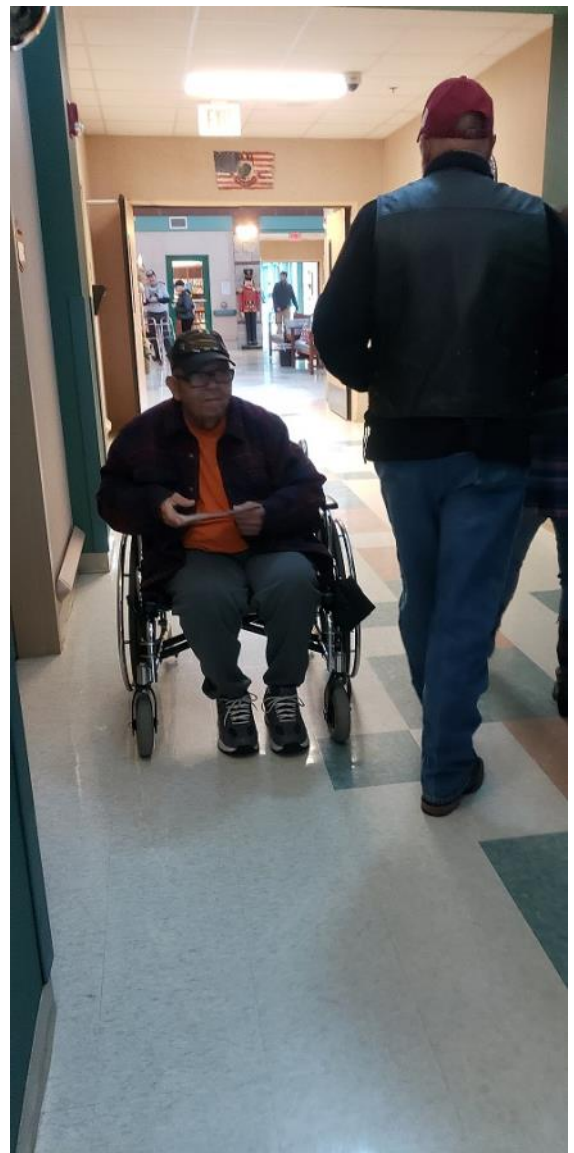


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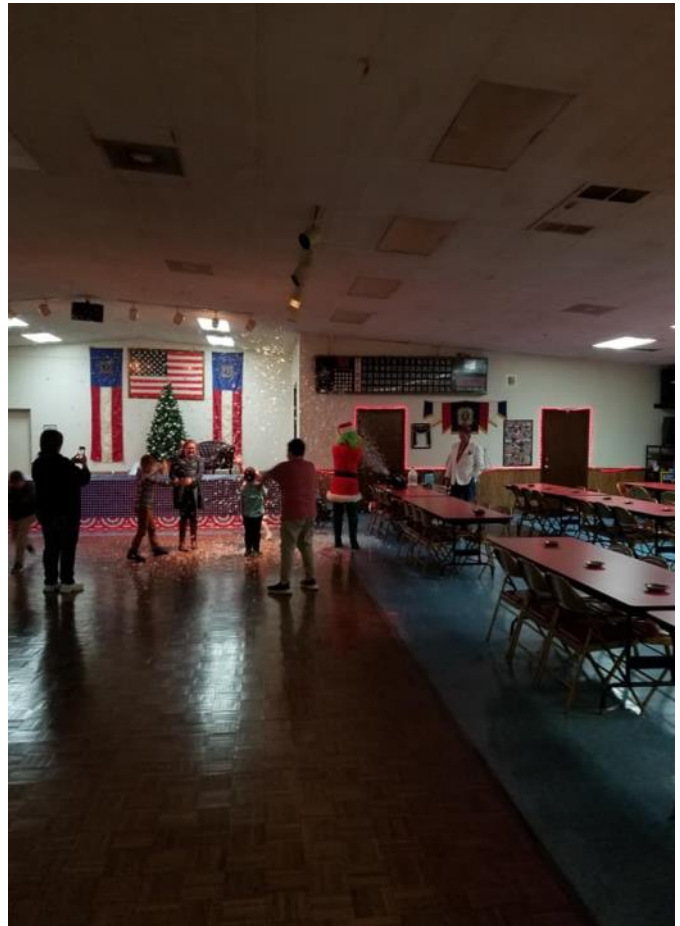


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**JANUARY 2020**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 New Years Dinner in Canteen	2 MEETING	3 BINGO	4 hall rented
5 BINGO	6	7	8	9	10 BINGO	11 Wahoo Tournament
12 BINGO	13	14	15	16	17 BINGO mid winter conf.	18 mid winter conf.
19 BINGO mid winter conf.	20	21 planning session	22	23	24 BINGO	25
26 BINGO	27	28	29	30 1830 riders group	31	
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