

Cole-Miers Courier

Ownership

We hear all the time that people need to “own up to something”, or “you own it, it is your responsibility”. Well the latter is true. The VFW was brought about to assist returning Veterans of the Spanish-American War. Throughout the years, that has expanded to all Foreign Wars that the United States has

been a part of ever since. But, the ownership I am referring to is your stake in the VFW Post itself. This is your VFW, and we as members need to take ownership of that. If you see something is wrong, or not up to standard, it is your responsibility to either correct it, or bring it up to an officer of the

Post. It doesn't have to be anything major. Just remember, every time you bypass an on-the-spot correction, you just created a new standard. Let's all step up to be true Standard Bearers for this organization.

Special points of interest:

- Ownership
- Officer's Input
- Flyers
- Post Pride Family Game Night
- Bikes, BBQ and a Band
- Hunter Safety
- Community Marketplace
- Calendar

Upcoming Events

Aug 3: Cornhole Tourney

Aug 4: Post Meeting 6:30 joint/7:00 PM Membership meetings

Aug 10: Cornhole Tourney

Aug 13-14: Council of Administration (Alexandria)

Aug 16: Planning Session 6:00 PM

Aug 17: Cornhole Tourney

Aug 20: District 5 Workshop (Post 2130 Lake Charles)

Community Marketplace 10 AM—4 PM

Aug 26: Riders Group Meeting 6:30 PM

Aug 24: Cornhole Tourney

Aug 31: Cornhole Tourney



Commander's Corner

Comrades, welcome to another Commanders installment. We have had a few extremely busy weeks lately. We had an exceptional good turn out for our Bike Night event, our Community Marketplace is still going strong, and our first ever Family Game and Karaoke Night was a smash hit. We also held another Hunter's Safety Course. All these events are a direct reflection of our members stepping up and volunteering their time to our Great Organization.

We have the National Night Out, before our meeting and we are moving back to having Bingo on Friday as well as Sunday. Each one of these events cannot happen without your support. If you can find "One" event per month that you can help support, that would help us out tremendously. Each of these events helps our organization on so many levels, from our community as well as our National Office. Speaking of that, please remember to "tag" our organization (#vfw3619) which helps us across the board.

As previously mentioned, we are returning to Bingo two days a week. We not only need help with Bingo, but the Auxiliary could also use our help with the kitchen from time to time. We all need to support every facet of our organization. And, if you are interested in becoming a Bingo caller, please get with one of our three Bingo Managers to set up to get training.

We have great things coming soon (FAIR BOOTH) and will be calling on you all to assist with those endeavors as well. We are a volunteer organization that thrives in our community.

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns; please feel free to bring them to my attention.

Larry Koons

Post Commander

Senior Vice Vision

Sr. Vice's Vision

A big THANK YOU to those of you who “showed up” in the month of July! Our VFW cannot function without its members and volunteers to make it happen!

VFW Post 3619 is YOUR post. Become more involved. Participation in this organization builds comradery, sense of community, and fosters success in fulfilling our VFW purpose to help Veterans and our Community.

There is strength in numbers. When we band together, we make it happen. Simply showing up and being present is all that is needed.

I encourage you to look at the Post Calendar in this month's Courier and see if you have some free time to participate with your fellow comrades. Below are a few ways that you can become more involved in YOUR post in the month of August.

- o Attend the Joint/Membership/Auxiliary meetings (1 st Thursday @ 6:30pm)
- o Attend the Post Planning Session (3 rd Tuesday @ 6:30pm)
- o Attend a Committee Meeting (Bingo, Cornhole, Community Marketplace, Friday Events, Building, Grounds, Fair Booth, Fundraising)
- o Volunteer to work a post event.
- o Participate in a post event.
- o Stop by the Canteen
- o Volunteer to help Newstep Outreach on Truck Day (3 rd Tuesday 11am @ Newstep Outreach)
- o Volunteer in the community and report your Community Service. (Book located in the Canteen.)

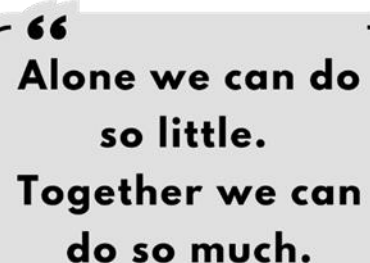
I encourage you to reach out to me via email, text or in person. I want to hear your ideas to help our post grow in the future and what special skills or experience you could contribute.

Lori Bates

Sr. Vice Commander

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**“
Alone we can do
so little.
Together we can
do so much.
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Helen Keller

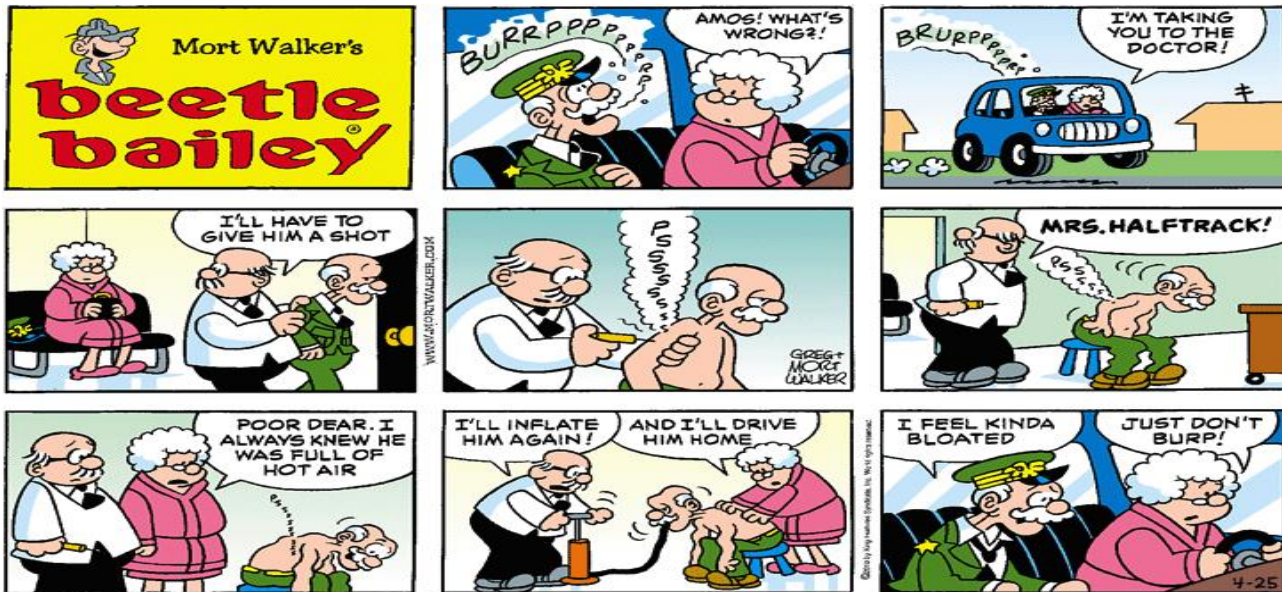
Junior Vice Voice



Calvin and Hobbes by Bill Watterson for November 19, 1985



Cathy Classics by Cathy Guisewite for February 23, 1990



Sometimes you just need to remember that it's not that serious and have a good chuckle. Thank you for all you do. Have a great month, you know how to reach me.

Elizabeth Dawson
VFW 3619 Jr. Vice President
Email: jrvice3619@gmail.com

Quartermaster Que

Hello again Comrades As promised this next month will see myself and the Post trustees as well as the Post Secretary doing checks and inventory starting with keys to the Post. If you have any keys stop by Mary G and let her know. While on the subject of keys please make sure that you are being safety and security minded. When you are finished, lock it up. Done in the shop? Lock the door. Done in the kitchen? Lock the back door. Don't have a key ? Then take the time to let the Canteen tender know or call me 541-515-8619 and I'll come lock the door. If you have a key and don't use it then you don't need it. This goes for Post and Aux membership both. Only takes a second. Looking forward to getting needed improvements started around the Post. As always any improvement takes resources, both financial and human. Don't be a blister...they only show up AFTER the work is done.... See you at the V...until next month.

Robert Bates

Post Quartermaster

PAO Connection

Thank you for your help in sharing your participation in events and upcoming events to your friends and groups within the Facebook and Instagram communities. Please continue to share!

There is power in numbers! I am not going to bore you with the analytics. But, I will tell you that our social media presence is seen! VFW 3619 is seen by our members, community, and even VFW National through likes, comments and shares!

Share directly from our post pages or create post of your own sharing pictures from events. When doing so please tag your location as VFW Post 3619 Hashtags help us be found by others, as well as helpful to document and find pictures to share in publications like the one you are currently reading.

We have increased communication to our membership through an All Post Facebook Group and an All Post Message Chat. Many of our committees have message chat groups as well. If you wish to join the All Post or committee chats, reach out to me and I will get you added. The benefit of the groups and chats is to get out information in a timely matter as things arise.

I am so excited for our post with increased engagement on our social media platforms, this opens a line of communication to our members, our community, and to document our history as we make it.

Lori Bates

Public Affairs Officer

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What Facebook Pages or Groups Should I join?

VFW 3619

VFW 3619 Members & Auxiliary ONLY

VFW 3619 Community Marketplace

VFW Dept of Louisiana Dist 5

Louisiana VFW & AUX Members Only

Veterans of Foreign Wars VFW

VFW Magazine

VFW 3619 HASHTAGS



#vfw3619

#vfw3619auxiliary

#vfw3619riders

#vfw3619postpride

#vfw3619communitymarketplace

#lapostpride

#postpride

#stillserving

#vfw3619communitymarketplace

#bingo

#swla

#deridder

#beauregard

#nonsmokingbingo

#venue

#communityservice

Flyers

AUGUST 2022



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

Events @ Post 3619

1115 LA-27, Deridder, LA

(337)463-3977

BINGO! @VFW 3619
**FRIDAYS RETURN
 AUGUST 5TH**
DOORS OPEN @ 5:00PM
 VFW 3619, 1115 LA-27, DERIDDER

BINGO! @VFW 3619
FRIDAY & SUNDAY
FRI: Doors Open @ 5P
SUN: Doors Open @ NOON
**PROGRESSIVE JACKPOT
 \$10,000 + \$1,000
 from COVERALL Game**

**WIN IN LESS THAN
 50
 NUMBERS**

**COCKTAILS
 & Karaoke**
WEDNESDAYS
**REGULARS
 DRINKS
 START @ 7PM**
**12M ENTRY FEE
 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**
 VFW POST 3619 - 1115 LA 27 - DERIDDER, LA

VFW
 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
 Post 3619
EVENT VENUE RENTAL
 DERIDDER, LOUISIANA
 HOLIDAY TRAVEL TRAVEL NEEDS
 CALL TODAY TO MAKE RESERVATION & ARRANGE
 337-463-3977

f Find us on
Facebook

**COMMUNITY
 MARKETPLACE**
 VFW POST 3619, 1115 LA-27, DERIDDER
 FUNDRAISER PROCEEDS GO TO
 OUR VETERAN PROGRAMS

VENDOR REGISTRATION NOW OPEN
SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2022 10A - 4P
SHOP & SUPPORT LOCAL!

- VFW SUPPLIES SALE
- BLOOD DRIVE
- INDOOR NON-SMOKING HALL
- OUTDOOR SPACE
- LOCAL NON-PROFITS
- FOOD VENDORS
- POP UP SHOPS
- VETERAN OWNED SHOPS

f FOLLOW US FOR MORE INFORMATION
 VFW 3619 COMMUNITY MARKETPLACE **e** VENDOR REGISTRATION
WWW.VFW3619.COM/VFW-3619-CMMP

**CALLING ALL
 VOLUNTEERS!**

VFW 3619 has many opportunities available for our members & the community as well as Community Service projects. Contact us today to find out more.

#PostPride Family Game Night



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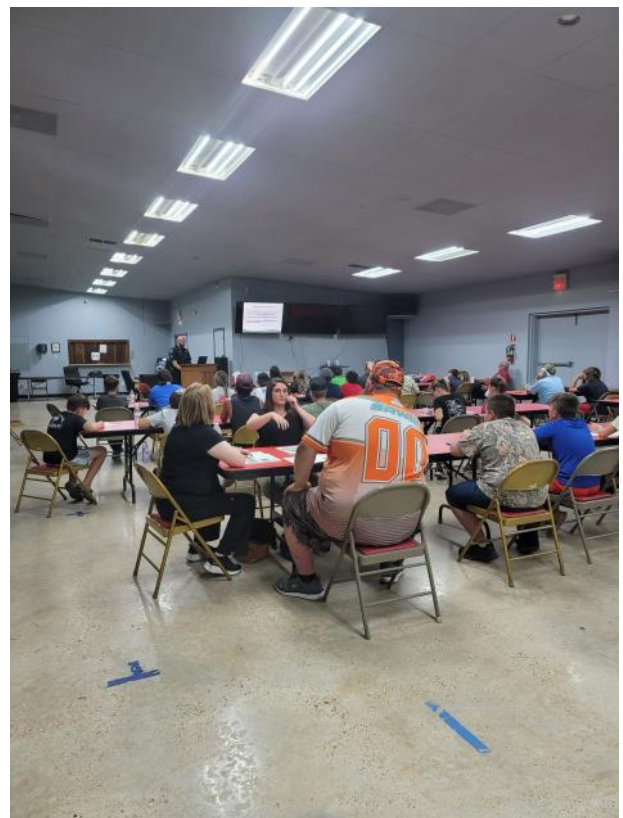
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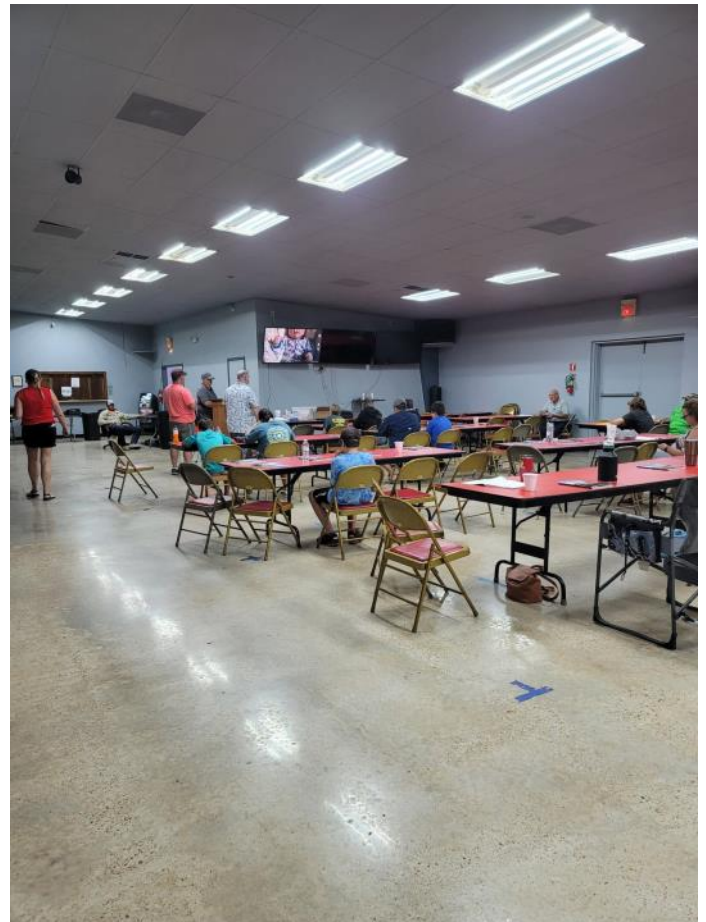
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Hunter Safety Class



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Community Marketplace



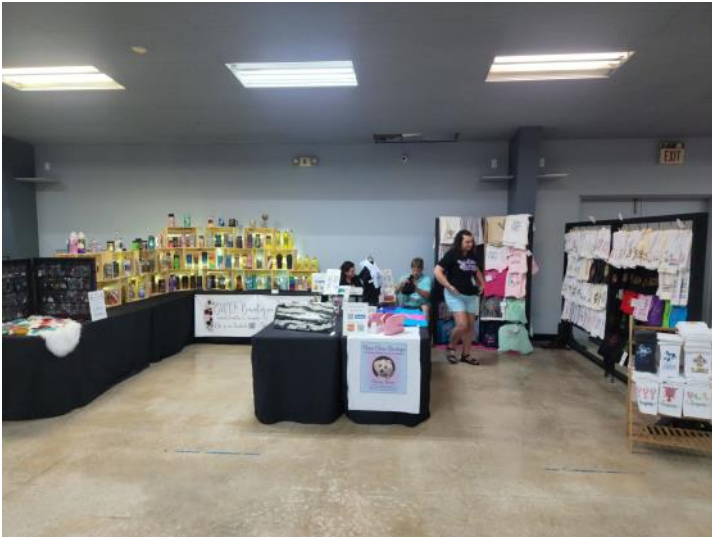
Community Marketplace



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VFW Post 3619
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 DeRidder, LA 70634

Points of Contact

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 Auxiliary President: Sonja Lambert
 Post Secretary: Mary Gibson
 337-463-3977

**No One Does More For Veterans
 than the VFW!**

LOOK FOR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!

https://www.facebook.com/VFW.Post3619/?epa=SEARCH_BOX

AND WEBSITE

<http://vfw3619.org>

AUGUST 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUE SDAY	WEDNE SDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		National Night Out Fair Grounds 5-8 PM	Cornhole tournament/ Karaoke	Joint Meeting 6:30 Reg. Meeting 7:00	BINGO	
7	8	9	10	12	12	13
BINGO			Cornhole tournament/ Karaoke		BINGO	C of A
14	15	16	17	19	19	20
C of A BINGO		Planning Session 6:30	Cornhole tournament/ Karaoke		BINGO	*Dist 5 mtg Post 2130 Lake Charles
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
BINGO		Riders Meeting 6:30	Cornhole tournament/ Karaoke	Community Marketplace Meeting 6:30 PM	BINGO	
28	29	30	31			
BINGO						
		NOTE S:				
		*Community Marketplace will be on 20 August 10 AM - 4 PM				



**Veterans Of
 Foreign Wars Post
 3619
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 DeRidder, La.
 70634:
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