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> Cole-Miers VFW Post 3619

COLE-MIERS COURIER

Happenings at the Post

COVID-19 Updated

Bingo was reopened (with limited capacity) on 29 MAY. The canteen opened on 22 MAY, again with some restrictions. The Bingo sessions will be set in a different layout of the Post, with all workers required to wear Masks, temperature checks, and gloves. Additionally, we have made some plexi-glass windows for the kitchen, and table workers. The sessions will limited to under 120 players with basically three players per table. We will need help working bingo, but it is much needed financial relief to the Post as we

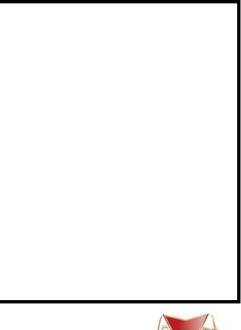
have had limited or no income for the past 2 months.

Special points of interest:

- Happenings at the Post
- Commander/Bingo
- Riders Group/ Membership
- National/State Convention Updates

Jun 4: Monthly Meeting 7pm we will hold a regular and Virtual Meeting More details will be sent out prior.

All other Events are suspended until further notice.







From the Desk of the Commander

As we have nothing else really going due to the COVID-19 Virus, we did hold a Virtual Meeting on April 2, 2020. we were able to conduct elections and show some of the new Bingo stuff that was purchased. Congratulations to the following officers for the 2020-2021 VFW Year: Commander: Josh Morgan Sr Vice: Ken Gresham Jr Vice: Jeremy Golden QM/ADJ: Shane Fowler Chaplain: Darryl Fontenot 3 yr Trustee: Bob Connors 2 Yr Trustee: Chuck Allen 1 yr Trustee: Cliff Stoneburner Service Office: TBA Surgeon: Donald Fontenot Judge Advocate: TBA

Commander Josh Morgan

<u>Bingo</u>

Bingo was started up on 29 MAY, please come out and enjoy our sessions, or come out and work, so we can continue to bring in much needed funds to help our programs, and Veterans in need.



From the VFW Riders Group

No events to post at this time.



Folks we are currently at 100.00%, and we have 52 members that are still going to have their dues expire. If you are one of these, please pay your dues. Now is the time 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. By extending your

<u>Membership</u>

dues, you are showing you are committed to the success of the Post and want to help us achieve 100%.

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!

National Convention

VFW & Aux National Convention in Reno, NV., is canceled and the attachment regarding the Reno housing bullet points is for you to note what has been done by VFW National. Please read the bottom for National Convention cancellation bullets sent from Vanessa Kane, VFW National Housing. If you made your reservation through VFW National, all rooms were cancelled by National. Please note, hotel cancellations will not receive a penalty and refunds will be made, if your reservation was made through VFW National. If you made other arrangements with outside Hotels, **YOU WILL HAVE TO CANCEL you own room.** Please share this email with those you know that made hotel reservations.

RENO 2020 HOUSING RESERVATION CANCELLATIONS

As of 4/20/2020

If you made your hotel reservation with **Orchid Events/VFW Housing**, your reservation has been **cancelled automatically** and you were sent a notification of the cancellation via email (if an email was provided).

No fees (1st night deposits) have been charged to credit cards. No action is required on your part. If you paid a hotel deposit by check, you will be refunded.

If you booked a hospitality suite, please email our housing manager, Susie Brenner at <u>susie@orchid.events</u>

NOTE: If you made a hotel reservation at a hotel outside of the VFW room blocks – Official VFW Hotels - Grand Sierra, Atlantis, Nugget, you will need to call the specific hotel directly you made the reservation with and cancel that reservation yourself.

State Convention

VFW & Aux State Convention has been cancelled for Alexandria. It will now take place as a 1 day convention at VFW Post 8971, Eunice, LA. The convention will begin at 10:00 AM, and will only conduct absolute necessary business (i.e. elections). No awards or other business will be conducted, all Delegates and fees still must be paid. Post, District and Department representation should plan on attending. We have a contested State Junior Vice election, so be prepared to vote. We have Roland Huson (D5) and Don Reber (D7) that are running for Department Junior Vice Commander.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
				Monthly Meeting6:30 Virtual meeting as well	Bingo		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
Bingo					Bingo		
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Wars Post 3619
Bingo		Planning Session 1800 (6:00pm)	23 24		Bingo	State Convnetion 10:00, Post 8971 Eunice, limited to 1 Officer of the Post	DeRidder, La. Commander: Joshua Morgan
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	Auxiliary President: Sonja Lambert
No Bingo Fathers Day				1830 Riders Group	Bingo		
28	29	30	50 	2	2		
Bingo			24		2		
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JUNE 2020