

American Legion, Taylor-Keehner Post 79, Yarnell, Arizona

COMMANDER'S COLUMN

April 2018

Our annual dues are \$35.00

Thanks to everyone who attended the Saint Patrick's Luncheon, it was a good day. It was a cold day for S.A.L.'s Patio Party, thanks to all that came out.

Our new Cook, Tim, is settling in nicely. Friday Dinners are going well. Tim is also serving his "Cook Special" on Thursdays from 5:00 till 7:00 pm and every other Sunday from 2:00 till 5:00 pm. Offering Burgers and a menu of other things. Come on in and enjoy. On Saturday the 14th we will have a Memorial for Jim Edge. From 2:00 till 7:00 pm, Pot Luck and Open to the Public. On Saturday the 28th the Legion will be hosting a Patio Party. From 12:00 till 4:00 pm Burgers and Dogs with the Fixin's. Open to the Public.

Raffles: The Legion is raffling a 9mm Remington RP9 pistol. The S.A.L. is raffling a Russian, Mosin-Nagant 7.62x54r Sniper Rifle. Both raffles are Open to the Public.

If you show your membership card before the bartender asks to see it, you get 25 cents off your first drink! "RED SHIRT FRIDAY"; if you are wearing a red shirt you get 25 cents off your first drink!

For God and Country,

Al Lennert, Commander, American Legion Post 79

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Commander's Quote:

"Freedom is not a gift bestowed upon us by other men, but a right that belongs to us by the Laws of God and Nature".

Benjamin Franklin

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH

Saturday, 14 th April:	Memorial for Jim Edge, 2:00 - 7:00pm
Saturday, 21 st April:	Post Meetings; 10am Legion, 11am S.A.L., 12pm Auxiliary
Saturday, 21 st April:	Ladies Auxiliary Officer Elections in the Meeting
Saturday, 28 th April:	Legion Patio Party, Noon - 4:00pm

SPECIAL EVENTS NEXT MONTH

Saturday, 19 th May:	Legion Elections 10:00am
Saturday, 19 th May:	S.A.L. Elections 11:00am
Saturday, 19 th May:	Yarnell Daze - all day
Saturday, 19 th May:	Legion Patio Party, Noon - 4:00pm
Monday, 28 th May:	Memorial Day Ceremony - 11:00am
Monday, 28 th May:	Legion Patio Party - Noon - 4:00pm

Flu Shots: Flu Season has ended, Prescott VA walk-In Clinic is Closed. Walgreens free flu shot offer has ended. However, you can still see your Provider or Care Team or Mental Health, they can give you a Flu Shot as long as they still have the Flu Serum on hand..

A FEW NOTES FROM OUR SERVICE OFFICER:

There are several things that I would like to touch on it this month:

1) The eBenefit program. The joint VA/DoD web portal provides resources and self-service capabilities to service members, Veterans and their families. This makes it a go-to tool and resource for the military and Veteran communities. Through the use of their DS Logon or Common Access Card, users view the status of their disability compensation claims, transfer post-9/11 GI Bill entitlement and much more via eBenefits. Having secure, online options free of charge puts the military and Veteran communities in the driver's seat when it comes to handling their benefits. The goal of eBenefits has always been to give Veterans greater access to their benefits information in one convenient online portal. With well over one million Home Loan Certificates created, and more than 20 million VA letters generated, the impact this joint portal is having on the lives of Veterans is clear. eBenefits users can also access medical information, order prescription medications, check Post-9/11 GI Bill enrollment status and more.

2) Opioid Medications: The VA will be affected by these changes also. Speaking from personal experience, I have used physical therapy and acupuncture. These treatments do not work the same for everyone, but for me they worked quite well. A Crisis in Pain Drugs Leads to Greater Use of Acupuncture: The use of acupuncture has increased among patients and doctors in America over the years. The effectiveness of the treatment remains disputed in western medicine. The Prescott VA does offer acupuncture in the Impact for Pain Clinic. If you are in pain, ask your provider for a referral. The IMPACT Team is a new Patient Aligned Care Team (PACT) that Looks at treating all aspects of your life, using some non-traditional treatments. not just treating the pain. Once you are referred to IMPACT , you will be invited to attend the IMPACT Orientation.

3) The next subject I would like to touch on is VA care givers: DAV had pushed hard and hoped for inclusion of veterans provisions for the Choice program and expansion of care giver benefits in the omnibus spending package released this week. Unfortunately, neither made it into the final bill. While we understand the impetus to create passable legislation, we believed this to be a historic opportunity to incorporate two much-needed, long-awaited reform policies that would have dramatically improved the quality of life of our nation's veterans. Care givers play an important role in the health and well-being of Veterans. The Care giver Support Program offers training, educational resources, and multiple tools to help you succeed. Please contact our Care giver Support Line for advice on being a care giver. I think a care giver could be a family member or a partner. if you need this service please check it out.

Thank you for your service. Gary

Shuttle Service at the Prescott VA: If you have been to the Prescott VA you know parking is limited. There is a lot of parking available, but it is a distance from the Hospital. To make these parking spots more usable the Prescott VA has intuited and expanded a Shuttle Service. Anyone can use it; Patients, Visitors and Employees. There are two Shuttle routes and regular stops. Plus, you can call xxx xxx-xxxx and they will pick you up anywhere on the VA Campus. When you are finished with your appointment the Shuttle will take you back to your car.

Sons of the American Legion Raffle: The S.A.L is raffling Russian Mosin-Nagant Rifle, 7.62x54r. This is a WWII sniper rifle with the scope included. Drawing to be held May 18th. Open to the Public.

American Legion Raffle: The Legion is raffling a Remington RP9 9mm Automatic. The drawing will br held on Memorial Day Monday, May 28th. Open to the Public.

EVERYDAY {unless there is a special event}:

Well drinks are \$3.25 and most domestic beer is \$2.50. Happy Hour from 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm.

Also BAR STOOL BINGO at 1, 3, 5 and 7:00 pm.

- > EVERY SUNDAY: Shuffleboard Tournament starting at 1pm.
Cook Special Every other Sunday. 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
- > EVERY MONDAY: Closed
- > EVERY TUESDAY: Free Pool
Taco Tuesday 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- > EVERY WEDNESDAY: Free Pool
San Felipe Rummy at 1:00 pm
Texas Hold'em at 5:00 pm
Bar Food Only
- > EVERY THURSDAY: Free Shuffleboard from 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Cook Special 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Pool Tournament 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- > EVERY FRIDAY: "Red Shirt Day" wear a red shirt and get 25 cents off your first drink.
Our famous Friday night dinners from 5-7 pm(see calendar for details)
Karaoke at 7:00 pm or Live Music. Check your calendar for details.
- > EVERY SATURDAY: Texas Hold'em at 2:00 pm
"Every other Saturday" Hot Dogs and Chili at the Bar "while it lasts"

Support our Vets: Not just in the Holiday Season, these things are needed year-round. The Vets at the VA in Prescott are always in need of a variety of personal items. All items should be new and brought to the Yarnell American Legion or delivered to Voluntary Services in Building 15, room 106. Monetary donations are also accepted so items can be purchased. Checks should be made payable "Northern AZ VA HCS" and sent to Voluntary Service, 500 HWY 89 North, Prescott 86303. Here is a list of some of the things needed: Hand Soap, Laundry Detergent, Pens/Pencils, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Combs/ Brushes, Shaving Cream, Disposable Razors, Postal Forever Stamps, Socks (Men various sizes), T-Shirts (Men and Women's, various sizes), Underwear for men and women, Collared Shirts (Men and Women's, various sizes), Dockers (Men and Women's, various sizes), Prepaid phone minute cards, Healthy packaged snacks (nuts, bars, etc.). Contact the VA at 928-776-6013 with other items you may wish to donate as the above is just a sampling of what is needed. There is a drop box for donations in the Dining Room at the Post.

AzAirNet: The Post has a new Internet Provider, "AzAirNet". If you need the Password, ask your Bartender. If you are not happy with your Internet Provider or have not been able to get Internet service, these people offer a flat rate service with no data caps, at a fair price. They do cover most of the local area and are expanding their coverage. If you are interested check them out at, "<http://www.azairnet.com/>". Support your Post. If you do subscribe to their service tell them you were referred by "American Legion Post 79". Thanks.

T-Shirts: We are selling Legion Family T-Shirts. Support your Post and buy a good looking shirt. Proceeds go toward upgrading the kitchen.

BLUE CHIPS! We no longer accept Blue Chips. Don't even try.

SICK CALL

Sarah Staley

Ron Vertin

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

28th Janet & Ron Pufpaff

Did we miss your birthday or anniversary this year?
Did we misspell your name? If so, please let your bartender or one of our officers know so we can update our list.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1st Bill Goede
3rd Barb Bostwick
9th Kathy Glover
14th Sue Trammel
16th Lars Larson, Brian Crane, Bart Hampton
21st Vikki Hooker
25th Bill Garrison
27th Shawna Shelly, Alan Johnson
28th Sarah Staley, Gil Newton
29th Danny Hernandez, Rondi Rogers
30th Al Lennert, Richard Towell

REMEMBER: Unless otherwise specified, the Post and its activities are only open to paid members of the Legion Family and their Bona Fide Guests. Guests are only allowed in the Post when accompanied by their sponsor/member. Guests are only allowed in three times, then they must join the Legion family to return. As a Member of the American Legion Family, you can also attend any Legion function at any American Legion Post anywhere. Meals and Social Events are open to the public.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Taco Tuesday needs people

To be in the Legion Rifle Squad

To run Texas Hold 'Em

To help out with special events

To contact businesses to sell ads for the newsletter

To help with Friday night dinners & 50/50

To help with Quarterly cleaning of the post

If you can help out with any of the above, please let one of the officers or your bartender know. Thanks!

DID YOU KNOW? Deals for Veterans

Anyone needing a ride to the Prescott VA Hospital, the van from Post 12 runs Tuesday and Thursday. Call Post 12, at: 928-684-7762

Do you shop at Lowes? If you do and have not already done so, on your next visit stop at Customer Service first. Tell them you want to set up your Veteran's Discount under your phone number. They no longer take your VA Card when you check out. Remember to tell the Cashier you have a Veteran's Discount.

O'Reilly Auto Parts and Autozone in Prescott are offering a 10% Veterans discount, show them your VA card. Golden Corral, Carl's Jr. and Jack In The Box offer a 10% Veterans discount. The Salvation Army Thrift Store in Prescott offers a 10% Veterans discount. Lowes also offers a 10% Veterans discount. "The Streets of New York", a restaurant in the Sprouts (formerly Albertsons) plaza, is offering a 15% Veterans discount. Ace Hardware in Prescott Valley offers a 10 % Veterans discount. Always ask.

Flame Propane has been helping out the Post by charging the lowest commercial rates available. And extending that offer to all members of Post 79 Legion Family. All you have to do is bring a copy of your Legion Card to the Flame office in Congress before you order propane to get the rate.


USAA offers low cost Insurance and banking services only to Veterans and their families. Contact them at: 1-800-531-8722 or <http://usaa.com>.

Verizon Mobile Phone Company is giving 15% to 20% off on Veteran's phone bill. Stop in with DD-214 or VA card or send a copy of your DD-214. Its great, check into it.

\$1,000.00 free accidental death insurance is available to Legion Members. Pamphlets are at the Post or call 1-800-235-6943.

Veterans and Social Security Disability Assistance: Dennis L Peterson 602-277-0505.

Thanks, Al

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1 style="margin: 0;">April 2018</h1> <p style="margin: 0;">American Legion, Taylor-Keehner Post 79, Yarnell, Arizona</p>						
1 1pm Shuffle-board Tournament 2-5pm Cook Special Burgers and more Happy Hour 3-6	2 Closed	3 Free Pool 5-7 Taco Tuesday Happy Hour 3-6	4 1pm San Felipe Rummy 5pm Texas Hold'em Free Pool Bar Food Only Happy Hour 3-6	5 2-6pm Free Shuffle-board 5-7pm Cook Special Burgers and more 5-7pm Pool Tournament Happy Hour 3-6	6 Legion Dinner 5-7pm Meatloaf Dinner w/ Mash & Dessert \$9.00 Red Shirt Day Happy Hour 3-6 7-1am Karaoke	7 2pm Texas Hold'em Bar Food Available Happy Hour 3-6
8 1pm Shuffle-board Tournament Bar Food Available Happy Hour 3-6	9 Closed	10 Free Pool 5-7 Taco Tuesday Happy Hour 3-6	11 1pm San Felipe Rummy 5pm Texas Hold'em Free Pool Bar Food Only Happy Hour 3-6	12 2-6pm Free Shuffle-board 5-7pm Cook Special Burgers and more 5-7pm Pool Tournament Happy Hour 3-6	13 S.A.L. Dinner 5-7pm Chicken Pot Pie w/ Mash, Corn & Dessert \$9.00 Red Shirt Day Happy Hour 3-6 7-1am Karaoke	14 2-7pm Memorial for Jim Edge. Pot Luck Open to the Public Happy Hour 3-6
15 1pm Shuffle-board Tournament 2-5pm Cook Special Burgers and more Happy Hour 3-6	16 Closed	17 Free Pool 5-7 Taco Tuesday Happy Hour 3-6	18 1pm San Felipe Rummy 5pm Texas Hold'em Free Pool Bar Food Only Happy Hour 3-6	19 2-6pm Free Shuffle-board 5-7pm Cook Special Burgers and more 5-7pm Pool Tournament Happy Hour 3-6	20 Legion Dinner 5-7pm Fish Fry Friday w/ Shrimp, Slaw & Dessert \$10.00 Red Shirt Day Happy Hour 3-6 7-1am Karaoke	21 Post Meetings 10am Legion 11am S.A.L. 12pm Auxiliary Auxiliary Elections Happy Hour 3-6
22 1pm Shuffle-board Tournament Bar Food Available Happy Hour 3-6	23 Closed	24 Free Pool 5-7 Taco Tuesday Happy Hour 3-6	25 1pm San Felipe Rummy 5pm Texas Hold'em Free Pool Bar Food Only Happy Hour 3-6	26 2-6pm Free Shuffle-board 5-7pm Cook Special Burgers and more 5-7pm Pool Tournament Happy Hour 3-6	27 S.A.L. Dinner 5-7pm Hot Roast Beef w/ Mash & Cherry Pie \$10.00 Red Shirt Day Happy Hour 3-6 7-1am Karaoke	28 Legion Patio Party 12-4pm Burgers, Dogs and Fixin's Happy Hour 3-6
29 1pm Shuffle-board Tournament 2-5pm Cook Special Burgers and more Happy Hour 3-6	30 Closed					