

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

COMMANDER'S COLUMN

January 2018

## **Our annual dues are \$35.00**

We are still looking for a Cook. Contact the Legion if you may be interested.

It is the New Year, remember to bring your 2018 Membership Card!

As the Commander of American Legion post 79 in Yarnell, I would like to invite everyone to stop by the post. The Holiday Season is over, 2017 has passed quickly. I would like to thank everyone that has supported the Post and the American Legion family in Yarnell over the last year. Our Members and their Families and the Community at large. Thank you all. A special thank you to Jake Bender for the new window blinds. Happy New Year to Diane and John, and Happy Birthday to Diane.

Thanks to everyone that attended our Christmas and New Years Parties, a good time was had by all. On Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> the S.A.L. will be hosting a Patio Party from Noon till 4:00pm, Burgers and Brat Plus the Fixin's.

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:

"The cost of freedom is always high, but Americans have always paid it. And one path we shall never choose, and that is the path of surrender, or submission."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

## **SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH**

Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> January: S.A.L. Patio Party; Noon till 4:00pm Burgers & Brats plus  
Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> January: Post Meetings; 10am Legion, 11am S.A.L., 12pm Auxiliary

## **SPECIAL EVENTS NEXT MONTH**

Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February: Ladies Auxiliary Fashion Show  
Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> February: Superbowl Party

Support our Vets this Holiday Season: 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.

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LADIES AUXILIARY

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Hi there Ladies. This will be short, sweet and to the point (Ha)!

Our Legion Christmas Party was a huge success. I personally want to thank all our volunteers who helped make it so. Without them would not have had such a great and really Fun Fun time! Special thanks to all the Ladies who made all those delicious Jell-O and Pudding Shots - they were absolutely beautiful! Expect more for New Years Eve!!

On a sad note our President, Linda Fausey passed away before Christmas. Our sympathy goes out to her family and children. Services will be held after the Holidays.

With Linda's passing, I have taken over the Presidency. Moved Sally Rappolt up to 1<sup>st</sup> Vice and appointed Jennifer Bachman 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice. Nancy Tschikof resigned as Secretary and Tiffany Dixon was appointed as new Secretary. Vicky Richardson was moved to the Executive Board and Shawna Shelly was appointed Alternate. Our District 8 President is coming to our January meeting. This will be a Pot Luck: Ladies, we need real food, sandwiches etc. and only a few desserts. February we will have initiations. All members that don't have their Auxiliary Pin and Ribbon need to show up at this meeting. Members needing year pins should show up as well. February 3<sup>rd</sup> we'll be hosting a Fashion Show by Stacy Pizzirusso, so mark your Calendar. All info to be announced later - look for fliers around town.

Everyone have a Happy New Year and for God's sake - Be Safe!!

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

KATHY HOLLE

ACTING PRESIDENT

## A FEW NOTES FROM OUR SERVICE OFFICER:

The new Forever GI Bill signed into law by President Trump earlier this year has multiple provisions that will roll out in 2018. Among them are changes to the Post-9/11 GI Bill for Purple Heart recipients, reservists and dependents all of which start in August.

Post-9/11 Purple Heart recipients will be eligible to receive 100 percent of GI Bill benefits regardless of how long they served. This includes coverage of tuition at a public schools in-state rate for 36 months, and books and housing stipends.

There will also be scholarship funds available on a first-come, first-serve basis for GI Bill users who need a fifth year of school to complete science, technology, engineering or math programs.

The Veterans Affairs Department will begin calculating housing stipends based on where a student takes the most classes a change from current policy, which uses the ZIP code of a student's school.

If a dependent who received transferred benefits dies before using all of the benefits, the Forever GI Bill gives the service member or veteran the ability to transfer remaining benefits to another dependent. This provision will apply to all deaths since 2009.

## EMOTIONAL SCARS:

Although emotional scars are not visible, they are very real, and the most difficult to treat. Nobody knows what emotional trauma a Veteran has experienced and keeps re-living day after day, except for the person who actually suffered an incident.

Following are a few organizations to help get in contact with a comfort pet:

<http://www.petsforvets.com>

<https://therapypet.org>

[https://www.ptsd.va.gov/public/treatment/cope/dogs\\_and\\_ptsd.asp](https://www.ptsd.va.gov/public/treatment/cope/dogs_and_ptsd.asp)

## DEDICATION TO OUR VETERANS

Our team at Manuka Honey USA is thanking each and every one of our Veterans from the bottom of our hearts, for their services to our country. You are incredibly appreciated. You are fighting to maintain our freedom, which is being attacked daily. Serving our country, and especially having served in active duty, can leave emotional and physical scars behind, that need the support of a community and a lifetime to heal.

## PHYSICAL SCARS:

Many Veterans are seeking care in wound care centers that use traditional antibiotic ointments, silvadene, cortisone creams, wound vacs etc, but are still fighting MRSA wound staph infections, potentially losing limbs to amputation.

## MANUKA HONEY

Without making any promises of any kind (disclaimer), there is a natural wound dressing that has been used very successfully for centuries by the indigenous people of New Zealand. Manuka Honey, especially the more potent kind Manuka Honey UMF(R)16+, has enjoyed over 25+ years of research and clinical trials, conducted by Dr. Peter Molan from the Waikato University in New Zealand.

Dr. Molan found, that a simple manuka honey dressing, has shown to help clear up highly infectious wounds, when traditional treatments get stuck.

How to apply Manuka Honey UMF(R)16+ to any opening in the skin:

1. Apply Manuka Honey UMF(R)16+ to a sterile gauze (just like you spread honey on a toast), not too much and not too little.
2. Take the honey soaked gauze and apply it to a clean wound
3. Place 2-3 extra gauze layers on top of the first gauze, to help soak up excess body fluid
4. Keep gauze in place with skin friendly paper tape
5. Change dressing once every 24 hours, and cleans wound gently with sterile saline solution, repeat the above, until the wound has cleared up.

(UMF = Unique Manuka Factor, which is an indicator for Manuka Honey's natural anti-bacterial potency...)

I know this is a lot but it's all good info.

Gary

Flu Shots: Prescott VA walk-In Clinic, is Closed. See your Provider or Care Team or Mental Health, they can give you a Flu Shot at any time. You can also go to Walgreens to get a free Flu Shot. You need your valid VA Card and a Photo ID. Walgreens has a 4 question form you fill out, ask and we can give you a copy. Walgreens does send this to the VA to be included in your medical records.

AzAirNet: The Post has a new Internet Provider, "AzAirNet". Our WiFi password has changed, 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.

**EVERYDAY** {unless there is a special event}:

Well drinks are \$3.25 and most domestic beer is \$2.50. Happy Hour from 3 pm until 6 pm.  
Also BAR STOOL BINGO at 1, 3, 5 and 7pm.

- > EVERY SUNDAY: Shuffleboard Tournament starting at 1pm.
- > 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 - 6:00 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"

**SICK CALL**

Jim Edge

**TAPS**

Linda Fausey  
Arthur Riggle

**JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

16<sup>th</sup> Karl & Sharon Krahn  
29<sup>th</sup> Skip & Vickie Waller

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.

**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

1<sup>st</sup> Kathy Holle  
3<sup>rd</sup> Diane Tackett  
5<sup>th</sup> Tom Cavanaugh  
8<sup>th</sup> John C. Sheets, Jerry Cape  
14<sup>th</sup> John Bradshaw  
16<sup>th</sup> Neda Ricker, Steve Thal  
17<sup>th</sup> Arlow Looper  
22<sup>nd</sup> Chester Maska, Linda Johnston  
23<sup>rd</sup> J B Shelley  
24<sup>th</sup> Leslie Baldwin  
27<sup>th</sup> Cynthia Diaz  
29<sup>th</sup> Pat Shanahan  
30<sup>th</sup> Delvin Thomas, Lenny Webster

**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. Meals and Social Events are open to the public. If you have friends who come in with you often as your guest, talk to them about joining the Legion family. Not only does it benefit the Legion, they can also attend any Legion function at any American Legion Post anywhere.

#### VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

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

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 a benefit program for both the American Legion Post 79 and its members. If you have (or switch to) Flame Propane for your house, they will charge you the **LOWEST COMMERCIAL RATE THEY HAVE**. Price is subject to change. Our many thanks to Flame for not only helping out the Post by charging the lowest rates available. But 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



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Years Day Open Half Day 12:00 - 6:00pm Happy Hour 3-6	2 Free Pool 5-7 Taco Tuesday Happy Hour 3-6	3 1pm San Felipe Rummy 5pm Texas Hold'em Free Pool Bar Food Only Happy Hour 3-6	4 2-6pm free Shuffle-board 5-7pm Pool Tournament Bar Food only Happy Hour 3-6	5 Kitchen Closed Cook Quit Bar Food Available HAPPY HOUR 3-6 7 - 1am Karaoke	6 2pm Texas Hold'em Bar Food Available Happy Hour 3-6
7 1pm Shuffle-board Bar Food Available Happy Hour 3-6	8 Closed	9 Free Pool 5-7 Taco Tuesday Happy Hour 3-6	10 1pm San Felipe Rummy 5pm Texas Hold'em Free Pool Bar Food Only Happy Hour 3-6	11 2-6pm free Shuffle-board 5-7pm Pool Tournament Bar Food only Happy Hour 3-6	12 Kitchen Closed Cook Quit Bar Food Available HAPPY HOUR 3-6 7 - 1am Karaoke	13 2pm Texas Hold'em S.A.L Patio Party 12-4pm Burgers, Brats and Fixin's Happy Hour 3-6
14 1pm Shuffle-board Bar Food Available Happy Hour 3-6	15 Closed	16 Free Pool 5-7 Taco Tuesday Happy Hour 3-6	17 1pm San Felipe Rummy 5pm Texas Hold'em Free Pool Bar Food Only Happy Hour 3-6	18 2-6pm free Shuffle-board 5-7pm Pool Tournament Bar Food only Happy Hour 3-6	19 Kitchen Closed Cook Quit Bar Food Available HAPPY HOUR 3-6 7 - 1am Karaoke	20 Post Meetings 10am Legion 11am S.A.L. 12pm Auxiliary 2pm Texas Hold'em Bar Food Available HAPPY HOUR 3-6
21 1pm Shuffle-board Bar Food Available Happy Hour 3-6	22 Closed	23 Free Pool <b>No Taco Tuesday</b> Happy Hour 3-6	24 1pm San Felipe Rummy 5pm Texas Hold'em Free Pool Bar Food Only Happy Hour 3-6	25 2-6pm free Shuffle-board 5-7pm Pool Tournament Bar Food only Happy Hour 3-6	26 Kitchen Closed Cook Quit Bar Food Available HAPPY HOUR 3-6 7 - 1am Karaoke	27 2pm Texas Hold'em Bar Food Available Happy Hour 3-6
28 1pm Shuffle-board Bar Food Available Happy Hour 3-6	29 Closed	30 Free Pool 5-7 Taco Tuesday Happy Hour 3-6	31 1pm San Felipe Rummy 5pm Texas Hold'em Free Pool Bar Food Only Happy Hour 3-6		<b>Ladies Auxiliary Fashion Show February 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Superbowl Party February 4<sup>th</sup></b>

