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"Honoring the dead by helping the living"
December 2009 Newsletter

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Notable Events

1 – Regular Meeting
 7 – Pearl Harbor Day
 8 – 10:00 AM Santa visits Head Start Kids
 12 – VFW Dance
 16 – 6:00 PM Post Christmas Party
 21 – First Day on Winter
 21 – Avalon Bingo
 21 – Life Line Screening – call 800-679-5192, Pre-registration required – code: ISC4957
 24 – Christmas Eve
 25 – Christmas Day
 31 – New Year’s Eve Dance

Welcome Aboard!

New Members:
 Men: None
 Ladies: None

Taps:
 Men: None
 Ladies: None

Only a government that is afraid of its citizens tries to control them...Winston Churchill

“Country Wisdom”

1. Don't skinny dip with snapping turtles.
2. Don't name a pig you plan to eat.
3. A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.
4. A foolish husband says to his wife, "Honey, you stick to the washin', ironin', cookin', and scrubbin'. No wife of mine is gonna work."

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
The officers of VFW/LA wish all our members and friends of the VFW a “Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year”! May God Bless you and your family in the coming year.		1 REGULAR MEETING SUPPER 6:00P LADIES 7:00P MEN 7:15P	2	3 Bingo and Kitchen Open	4 Bingo and Kitchen Open	5
6	7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8 10:00 AM - Christmas Party for Head Start Children	9	10 Bingo and Kitchen Open	11 Bingo and Kitchen Open	12 VFW Dance 8-12 pm Live Band – “Steele Country”
13	14	15	16 VFW Post Christmas Party - 1800	17 Bingo and Kitchen Open	18 Bingo and Kitchen Open	19
20	21 Bingo Avalon Nursing Home	22	23	24 Christmas Eve No Bingo	25 Christmas Day No Bingo	26
27	28	29	30	31 No Bingo New Year’s Dance – “High Stakes”	New Year’s Day – No Bingo	

1. Texas VFW has reported people posing as vets and scamming VFW Posts. Now the VA is being scammed. The VA has received many reports that veterans are being contacted by “Patient Care Group” claiming they are helping administer VA prescriptions and requesting credit card information. This is false. The VA does not call veterans asking to disclose personal financial information over the phone. Beware!
2. The “Cold War Service” medal has been reintroduced in congress. If we can get this passed, it will have a significant and positive impact of our VFW organization. The men and women in service from 1945 – 1991 deserve the medal and it would open up membership in the VFW. Please go to www.senate.gov and www.house.gov and email, phone or send a letter to your congressman.
3. Our Post is sending 80 pounds of chocolate to the troops in Afghanistan – Liaison Kimberlee Keller, SMSgt, USAF, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. Thanks to Ladies Auxiliary and all the volunteers.
4. Our adopted military unit, 532nd Expeditionary Security Force Squadron, in Iraq has received our 9 care packages and phone cards. Our contact, MSgt Rodriguez, emailed a hearty thanks to the VFW – “we really appreciate your help”. We sent an addition \$200 for a Christmas celebration. MSgt Rodriguez is Betty Curlin son-in-law.

Bingo Every Thursday and Friday - Start selling at 5:30 PM - Start calling at 6:30 PM. Total prizes \$2500 each day - largest prize \$700. The food in the kitchen is delicious and mouth-watering. Great fun with family and friends.

Regular meeting 6:00 PM - Post dining hall is open. Pot luck dinner - Call Ruth Brackin at 594-2165 if unsure what to bring.

Officer: "Soldier, do you have change for a dollar?"

Soldier: "Sure, buddy."

Officer: "That's no way to address an officer! Now let's try it again!"

Do you have change for a dollar?"

Soldier: "No, SIR!"

Golf can best be defined as an endless series of tragedies obscured by the occasional miracle, followed by a good bottle of beer.

Marriage is a relationship in which one person is always right, and the other is a husband.

If Wile E. Coyote had enough money to buy all that ACME crap, why didn't he just buy dinner?

Tejas is not Mexican for Texas - The name Texas comes from the Hasini Indian word "tejas" meaning friends.

Section 301(b)(1) of title 36, United States Code

(A) individuals in uniform should give the military salute at the first note of the anthem and maintain that position until the last note;

(B) members of the Armed Forces and veterans who are present but not in uniform may render the military salute in the manner provided for individuals in uniform; and

(C) all other persons present should face the flag and stand at attention with their right hand over the heart, and men not in uniform, if applicable, should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart

The VFW encourages all veterans to render a hand salute under these circumstances, regardless of their headgear or lack of headgear.

Join the VFW – It is quick and easy – See any officer of the VFW and fill out an application or go to our website www.vfwpost6899.org and download an application. Cost: \$20 per year.

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