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Word from the COMMANDER

All,

I have to start off by saying "Thank You" again for an amazing year. Together we accomplished more than I had hoped for and even got a few things done I didn't think we would get to do. The year was a busy one with the sponsoring of a National Guard Battalion, Post being rebuilt, joint operations with other Veterans groups in Pinal county, the community programs like VOD, Patriots pen, firefighter, teacher of the year and EMT of the year that I was sure was going to be tough if not impossible. I was proven wrong mainly because all of you stepped up and assisted with whatever you could several times over. We could not be where we are today without your efforts. As I have always said Without the

Post and Auxilary working together, you would not be able to function the way you should be. I personally appreciate everything you all have done and continue to do in order to help the Veterans, their families and the Community. I personally am looking forward to next year because I know there are many exciting things to come. Thank you for all you do and in the words of a close district friend on mine and fellow district officer "One Team One Fight"

There is a flier that will be coming out soon showing a list of events we will be having. The April 25th event is kind of a multi purpose party as myself and the Auxilary president wanted to have a "Thank you" party for everybody. Please check it out and spread the word.

Derek Hulsebus

VFW Post 3713 Commander

From the SR Vice Commander:

Through these difficult times we have proven over and over again that we as an organization not only thrive but continue to push forward.

Nicholas Root
VFW Post 3713 SR. Vice



Canteen Telephone #
520-251-5766

The Post Canteen and the Post WEB SITE and Facebook Page will have the up to date news on any current events that are going on. Please stop by, call, or check the web site often to find out if there is something going on that you can be involved in. There are many things that come up at the last minute that that we get involved in and you can help but you need to check with the Post often so you know!

Jr. Vice Commander

Center for Disease Control has the latest on how to protect yourself and your family from the Covid19 pandemic. Please check it out at [CDC.gov](https://www.cdc.gov).

If you have not been by the post lately, things are still changing! The new floor is down in our main hall. Sue has done a stellar job putting a nice new wax finish on our floors.

Volunteer! It is a way to earn your life membership if you are not already one.

More to come!

Gary

Coronavirus 19 (COVID-19) Community Resource Guide

<https://stanton.house.gov/sites/stanton.house.gov/files/StantonCOVID19ResourceGuide.pdf>

Tricare Supplement

VFW National Headquarters is pleased to offer Tricare Supplement to VFW members and their families. To request information go to <http://www.vfwinsurance.com/Tricare.html>. You may also call 1-877-850-0183 to speak to an agent.

Medicare Supplement

Medicare Supplement insurance (also known as Medigap) is private health insurance designed to supplement original Medicare and pay costs that original Medicare may not cover, like deductibles, co-insurance, long-term care, blood work, or hearing aids. To find out more, call 1-877-247-1771 or visit <http://www.vfwinsurance.com/MedSupp.htm>.



Free Breakfast

Free 2 Pancake Breakfast
Tuesday through Saturday
from 10AM to 2 PM

Two pancakes per plate. Take out only.

Call for take out and drink order. Drinks sold separately.

CALL **520-251-5766** to order

MENU

Extra Items
are \$5

Eggs
Bacon
Sausage

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**Thank
You**
For Your Support





I hope everyone is enjoying the Newsletter.

I hope you all enjoy the newsletter. I am taking over for Larry as he has so much else on his plate right now this will help him and the Post our greatly. If you have not been to the web site then you can visit it at www.vfw3713.org or go to our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Post3713> to get up to date information on the Post happenings. If you have anything you would like included in the newsletter you can E-mail me at frankwalger@aol.com

Frank (Gunny) Alger

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is: WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR OTHERS?" Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Thoughts While Shaving™

Len Fuchs is a 20+ year active duty Marine, an author, speaker, co-founder and CEO of Real Leaders Institute, has been there, done that and earned the credentials to offer leadership principles that work. His accomplishments include: Founder of executive leadership training company; Senior Vice President of the Government Division of Franklin Covey, Company; Colonel, United States Marine Corps (Ret.) with over 3,000 hours of flight time; Squadron commanding officer; U.S. Government "Drug Czar" in South America; Program Manager in the Global Positioning Satellite System. He has written several books and the one that I really like is "Thoughts While Shaving™" and he has graciously allowed me to use portions.

"Thoughts While Shaving™" from Len Fuchs #537

Celebrating over 20 years of weekly Common Sense Leadership Principles

1. Organizations that don't support leadership don't develop leaders.
2. Leaders take responsibility for their own actions and behavior.
3. As a leader you are never sure of the results until you do it.
4. When you are the leader your followers sense it if you fake anything.
5. When real leaders make a mistake they are not afraid to talk about it.
6. As a leader sometimes it takes the most courage to tell those close to you "NO".

We will feature points from "Thoughts While Shaving" each month. I hope you enjoy them!

For more information go to: www.thoughtswhileshaving.com

Retiree Publications

Air Force Afterburner: www.retirees.af.mil/afterburner **Coast Guard Evening Colors:** www.uscg.mil/ppc/retnews

Army Echoes: <https://soldierforlife.army.mil/retirement/echoes>

Marine Corps Semper Fidelis: go to <https://www.manpower.usmc.mil> and click on "Semper Fidelis Online"



Veterans Travel Service, Inc., –
a VFW member benefit worth remembering!

If you are planning a trip, whether it is for business or personal, one of the member benefits is just a phone call away. Veterans Travel Service, Inc. has been working with VFW members since 1986 and can handle all your travel needs. They are experienced in every area of travel. It could be for a tour, cruise or vacation package. You receive a VFW rebate when booking with Veterans Travel Service. If you need help with airline tickets, their expertise might be the ticket you need; although they charge service fees, the savings will usually far outweigh the cost of the fee. So if you're travelling soon, call them at (800) 325-9377. They are located in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Headquarters, and their personal service is something to be appreciated these days!

REMINDER!!!!

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CANTEEN CHATTER

Thank-you to everyone that came out and helped at the Post. You are **AWESOME** volunteers as you cleaned, scrubbed. And organized the **WHOLE** Post from the Canteen, Hall, Kitchen and the Post looks **FABULOUS!!!!**

Please stay safe and check in with one another and make sure we are taking care of each other through this crisis.

On a lighter note, We are looking forward to see you all in April.

Please if you are sick and hacking **DO NOT** come in.

Don't forget that we have **FREE PANCKE** Breakfast Tuesday through Saturday from 1000 to 1400. Drinks and other breakfast items or extra.

Tara Hammon, Canteen Manager



Auxiliary News

We are doing our best to work together with our current post commander, Derek Hulsibus. Our commander has made it possible, with his team, to remodel our post from the top to the bottom. He has made it possible for all of us to establish new relationships and partners within our community. Derek has brought a new spark and an undeniable energy that we had been missing. Watching our post and auxiliary grow with that has been a pleasure. I look forward to working with him again in 2021. He has set a high bar and we have nowhere to go but up!

Frances Christiansen,
Post 3713 AUX Commander

OFFICE APPOINTMENTS AND AZ MVD NOW

To further limit office visits, MVD customers are urged to go to www.servicearizona.com, Many online services will use the AZ MVD Now application through ServiceArizona. All current Arizona MVD customers already have an AZ MVD Now account and simply need to activate it.

To set up your secure, personal online access you will need: Internet access; Your AZ Driver License OR the VIN number from a vehicle you have registered in the State of Arizona; Have a Social Security Number. All payments for services conducted on AZ MVD Now require a credit card. For assistance, you may call a statewide customer service line at 602-712-2700 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Before you call this line, please visit ServiceArizona.com and access your AZ MVD Now account for faster service.

Customers may also check on the hours and locations for Authorized Third Party offices at www.azdot.gov/mvd.



EVENTS FOR VFW POST 3713 75th ANNIVERSARY FOR MAY 23, 2020

On May 23rd at 0800hrs the post will conduct a flag raising conducted by the members of the post, after the ceremony the events will be open to the public and their guests.

Some of the events will have a cost to them but nothing will be over \$5.00 dollars these expenses are to cover the events which a team will be able to collect for a money prize. Expense for other items.

These will be some but not all the events that the post will be hosting.

- A. Will have a flag raising ceremony, with opening remarks from the post commander, Remarks from special guests, Mayor, guests from the Tribe members After the opening remarks, then this will kick off the events.
- B. Starting at 0930hrs the cornhole and horseshoe team drawings will begin. Cost is \$2.50 a person, teams will be drawn by using a cut deck of cards. Single elimination and depending on the number of teams will have more than 1st place. Can bring own horseshoes.
- C. Car and Motorcycle show, they will be lined up on Coolidge Ave. Flyers will be posted for entry fee and awards, times of judging.
- D. There will be a petting zoo, \$1.00 cost for entering and to feed will cost \$1.00 dollar there will be sheep, goats, and a duck.
- E. There will 2 bouncing castles set up for the young kids.
- F. here will be other games for the younger kids to play.
- G. Pool table will be open (at no cost) and the game room will also be open, game room consists of pool table free for Saturdays event, video games (WI) please watch your children around the games, dart machine but must pay to play, can bring own darts or get from bartender, bingo machines will be open but must be a (Auxiliary or VFW member to play the machines [STATE LAW NOT VFW RULE])
- H. There will be plenty of food and drink and there will be WASHING STATIONS SET-UP, PLUS 1ST AID KITS. ALSO, WILL HAVE FREE WATER ON SITE. NO ALCOHOLIC DRINKS OUTSIDE OF FENCE.
- I. Also, there will be DJs playing music, and there will also be a live band.
- J. Food is being prepare by Juan Cordova, menu is pitted pig, and plenty of sides.

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VFW POST 3713 EVENTS FOR APRIL 25, 2020 COMMANDER APPRECIATION DAY

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These will be some but not all the events that the post will be hosting.

- A. Will have a flag raising ceremony, with opening remarks from the post commander.
After the opening remarks the post commander will have a ribbon cutting ceremony for grand reopening of the post, with the post's newest members, which then will kick off appreciation.
 - B. After the ceremony the kitchen will open for Free meal with a bottle water included. Other drinks sold separately.
 - C. Starting at 0930hrs the cornhole and horseshoe team drawings will begin. Cost is \$2.50 a person, teams will be drawn by using a cut deck of cards. Single elimination and depending on the number of teams will have more than 1st place. Can bring own horseshoes.
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 - H. Also, there will be DJs playing music.
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From the AUX Commander

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**Frances Christiansen,
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Chaplain's Corner:

UNISON PRAYER :

Eternal GOD , by your grace and mercy we have entered a new year. Confirm our resolution to live more faithfully and walk more closely in your way of love and peace. Save us from the errors and sins of the past so they will not cling to us like anchor dragging us down. We claim your forgiveness as our own. Impart to us thoughts higher than our own thinking, Prayers better than our own praying and power beyond our own powers. Grant us ability And grace to spend our lives in the ways of love and goodness as we seek to live more and more into the image of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior Amen.

PLEASE KEEP THE POST CHAPLIAN INFORMED OF ANY MEMBERS OR MEMEBERS FAMILY THAT MAY NEED HELP OR ASSISTANCE



VFW POST 3713 75th ANNIVERSARY CAR & BIKE SHOW

MAY 23, 2020



*Vintage *Classics *Patriotic

Judging will be Noon - 4pm
Judged In - Best Paint, Best Engine, Best Show, Best
Interior, People's Choice & Patriotic.

*Goodie Bags *Raffles & Drawings

Registration fee is \$20 if received before May 15th & \$25 after the 15th.

Please mail check or money order to:

VFW Post 3713

328 W. Coolidge Ave. Coolidge, Az. 85128

Contact: Derek Hulsebus 520-252-5677 / cscspecialist@gmail.com



FYI: You may qualify for this grant if you are a Veteran, or member of the Active Military, Reserves or National Guard.....

The **PenFed Foundation COVID-19 Emergency Financial Relief Program** was created to provide financial assistance to all Veterans, active military service members, and those currently serving in the Reserves and the National Guard who are experiencing a financial setback due to the negative economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The grant amount will support 1 month of payment up to \$1500 in the following areas:

- Rent
- Mortgage
- Auto Loan/Lease
- Utilities (Electric, Water, Heat)

*All checks will be sent directly to the creditor or landlord after the grant is approved. The Foundation can only support one emergency financial request per household.

Link to Apply:

<https://penfedfoundation.org/apply-for-assistance/coronavirus-emergency-financial-assistance/>

What You'll Need:

- DD214 or LES
- A bill or statement for the requested expense
- An explanation of how the financial setback is related to the COVID-19 pandemic (for example, loss of job due to quarantine and/or public health policies)

Eligibility Requirements:

To be eligible for this program you must be in one of the following categories:

- A Veteran that has been honorably discharged
 - A current active-duty service member
 - Currently active in the Reserves
 - Currently active in the National Guard
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