



Vets4Vets Weekly Newsletter/Calendar:

Monday, November 4, 2024

NEWSLETTER BULLETINS

(If for some reason any who are now getting the weekly Vets4Vets email DO NOT WANT TO BE ON THE EMAIL LIST, reply to me, Niara, and ask to be removed.)

Vets4Vets Mission Statement: *Veterans For Veterans of Archuleta County is a partnership of veterans focused on veterans and their families, in cooperation with the community, moving towards independence, wellness, self-sufficiency, education and dignity.*

Vets4Vets website: <https://vets4vetspsco.org/>

In 1 months time!

We need a Treasurer & a Grant Coordinator for Vets4Vets!!!

Vets4Vets cannot legally operate without a treasurer.

We also need a grant coordinator!

These are vital, necessary positions to keep our organization going.

PLEASE consider stepping up for one of these positions if at all possible.

Upcoming Events for November!

Veterans Day Dinner & Dance, Nov 9 at the PLPOA clubhouse from 5 till 9pm.

Music by "Soul Fire", the same band we had at the 9/11 event.

Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased from any board member or on-line at:

<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/57e43305-d27f-472f-b614-dc0584712d22>

If you buy on-line, after you order tickets, at the bottom of the form it will ask for a donation to Zeffy, the on-line ticket seller we are using. Click on "Other" and I suggest that you add one dollar to support them since they are not charging us to sell tickets.

Sunday Nov. 10, 6-8pm USMC Birthday Party at Boss Hogg's

November 11 Veterans Day Events!

Monday Nov. 11, start time 7:30am, Veterans Day Annual Breakfast Community Center

Monday Nov. 11, 11:00am Veterans' Memorial Park Veterans' Day Armistice Celebration

Monday Nov. 11, 4-6pm Veterans Day Dinner Pope John Paul II Catholic Church

Vets4Vets Hats for sale!

Danielle Whelsky: has 14 black and 5 navy blue, \$20 each.

Rick Walker: has black, navy, and Kelly green, also \$20 each.

ReSport & Stitches and Dimples hosting "Small Town Saturday" monthly!

Billy Cotts – Owner

Billy is working to partner with 4 nonprofits in our community in an attempt to raise awareness and also give back to each organization through donating a percentage of sales back to the nonprofits.

Begins on the 3rd Saturday of each month starting in Sept. from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Where: 583 Navajo Trail Dr. Unit D-5

Contact: 970-731-6900

UPDATED!!! Even MORE Discounts for Veterans from the Merchants of Archuleta County!

Vets4Vets member Richard Sebastian gathered together a great collection of local businesses that give discounts to veterans! The updated list will be attached to this email... be sure to download a copy to keep handy as you navigate your summer fun here in our home of Pagosa Springs!

FYI! Check the expiration date on your Veteran ID cards to get them renewed!

Or... if you don't have a veteran ID card but want one!

Contact Roxanne at the VA Clinic in Durango, 970-247-2214

Roxanne's new ID card hours are Fridays from 1:45pm to 3:30pm.

She also asks that people call ahead on Thursdays, the day before they are coming to make sure she will be there. She likes to have an idea how many people are going to show up.

Veterans' Outreach from Dorothy Matthews: Wellness check-ins and more for our local veterans.

If you would like to have a daily check-in call or text from Dorothy just to know that someone cares about you and how you're doing, please let her know by email, dandf.matthews@gmail.com or a call or text to her phone with your name, 303-910-3414. She also does her best to provide rides to appointments or get them arranged if she is unable to do this herself.

For the Vets4Vets Festival of Trees Christmas tree! Request from Dorothy:
PLEASE... Donate any Christmas tree decorations they no longer want – especially if they have a patriotic or military theme for the Festival of Trees.

Wayne Bryant is in training by Tom Z to take over doing Vets4Vets photography & meeting slideshow. Feel free to send in old pictures from your basic training or other military service era pix of you working or relaxing. Please send your name with your pictures. It's great fun to see our Veterans when they were YOUNGER! Email your pix to Tom at vets4vetstomz@gmail.com

Important Note from Tom Zilhaver:

Tom is 82, and retiring from his positions as grant coordinator and also doing the weekly photo slideshow. So if any of our members have any experience/expertise in these areas, please consider stepping up to fill these 2 positions!

Weather Reporting for Pagosa Springs!

Sign up for inbox daily weather reports at: <https://pagosaweather.org/>

Our Veterans' Service Officer: Raymond Taylor

Office phone# 970-264-4013

Raymond's email: raytaylor@archuletacounty.org

Cell: 970-946-3590

Please keep Lilly, Raymond's daughter, as well as him and the rest of his family, in your prayers. Lilly is dealing with a very difficult health issue at this time and must stay in Phoenix, AZ near a hospital that can provide the specialized care she needs.

The Taylor family is understandably under extra financial hardship at this time as they are rallying around Lilly to help save her life. If you would like to help out, please donate to their GoFundMe campaign at this link:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/team-lilly-supporting-the-taylors>

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Vets4Vets Board Meeting: Mon November 4, 9am

The Board meets 1st & 3rd Mondays at the Methodist church on Lewis St, upstairs. Text or call any board member for the door code. (Rick Walker, 713-385-7873, Lynn Weiland, 806-789-5890 or Dorothy Matthews, 303-910-3414)

ELECTION DAY!!! & Vets4Vets BREAKFAST Meeting: Tuesday, November 5, 9am!
Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Dr. (Next door to new jail/courthouse)

Vets4Vets Meeting: Tues, November 12, 10am

Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Dr. (Next door to new jail/courthouse)

American Legion: Tues, November 12, 5pm (Every 2nd Tues. each month)

At the Masonic Lodge, 227 Lewis St, lower level. Park in front on the street.

Vets4Vets Board Meeting: Mon November 18, 9am

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Vets4Vets Meeting: Tues, November 19, 10am

Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Dr. (Next door to new jail/courthouse)

Vets4Vets Meeting: Tues, November 26, 10am

Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Dr. (Next door to new jail/courthouse)

Additions for our newsletter/calendar!

Please email any submissions to me by Friday evening each week to get in for the upcoming week;

Niara Isley, at visionaryexpression@gmail.com Or call/text me 970-749-4292.

I'll need the name, date, time and location of the event as well as what it's about and/or what it supports. Also contact information for the coordinator of the event.

Many blessings,

Niara