



Vets4Vets Weekly Newsletter/Calendar:

Monday, March 10, 2025

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/>

St. Patrick's Day Festivities at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church on South Pagosa Blvd!

Saturday, March 15 from 10am to 2pm

The highlight of the event: The world's shortest St Patrick's Day Parade!

Commencing at 11:15am at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

Bundle up – it will be chilly!

The parade will feature the emerald decorated float with green-clad Pagosa children, majorettes, bagpipers, Tin Lizzie mini cars and first responder vehicles. This annual march signals spring is on its way. Even leashed dogs and their owners are encouraged to participate in the parade.

Eighteen local vendors will be on-site in the St Patrick's parking lot along with free hot dogs, plus Irish coffee and beer for sale. Pagosa Weather will have a booth there as well!

Plenty of parking will be available at the adjacent hospital and Pope John Paul II Church lots.

Attendees are welcome to contribute to St Patrick's Food Bank with donations of canned fruit and vegetables.

(Dear Members, I'm trying a change in format for this and upcoming calendar/newsletters; special events and new announcements will be listed first, as above, then the regular monthly calendar, and other Vets4Vets member information below the calendar. If any members have feedback on this change, please let me, Niara, know.)

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**Vets4Vets Meeting: Tues, March 11, 10am
*Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Dr.***

**American Legion: Tues, March 11, 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 March 17, 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)

Vets4Vets Meeting: Tues, March 18, 10am
Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Dr.

Vets4Vets Meeting: Tues, March 25, 10am
Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Dr.

From Danielle Whelsky, Re: Vets4Vets logo shirts:

*“If you have a shirt on order, please bring a check to Tuesdays meeting.
Make out your check to Veterans for Veterans.”*

*“Also Is there any interest in a design for non-Vets?
Possible design: ‘We the People’ in a nice script font on the front in the front, upper left position,
Vets4Vets logo on the back.
Please let me know if any of you non-veterans are interested.”*

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.

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>

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