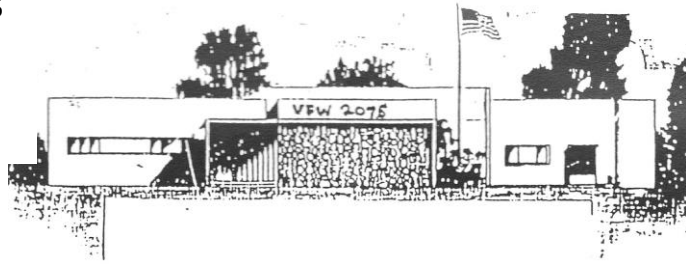


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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Comrades,

After over a year, the Post is finally re-opening April 5th. We will open within the LA County Health Department guidelines. In addition, our tank is available for rentals; with a capacity of maximum of 50 people, until the guidelines allow us to expand. For the near future, we will be open on Fridays (4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. unless other arrangements are made), Saturdays & Sundays (10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.), and Mondays (4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.). Please stop by and support our post. We have lost many Post members during the shut-down, time to reacquaint yourself with each other. Don't forget your mask!

During this time of hiatus, we have updated the facilities of the Post to include redoing the electrical, new flooring, new toilets, new paint, and new ceilings. This was due to generous donations from our Auxiliary and Post members. The Post has been here for 90 years and requires constant maintenance. We still have work to be done on the roof; so, it is important that work be completed before the weather creates bigger problems.

In the past few years, I have observed that there are fewer and fewer members attending meetings, available to assist at the post, etc. We require and depend on volunteers to get the things organized and worked to get things done. We have our fireworks stand coming up. It is our biggest fund raiser of the year and capital is badly needed to re-fill our coffers. We will require assistance in getting it set up, items inventoried, and sellers to generate and make it a success. Our Post meetings are the 2nd Monday of each month. There have been instances where we do not have enough members in attendance to generate a quorum. This coming month, we have nominations for new officers this April meeting (April 12th). Our house meeting is at 6:00 p.m. with the formal meeting at 7:00 p.m.

As of this writing, our Fundraiser has fallen far short of our goal of \$30,000. The amount collected is nearly \$4,000 from the membership and a \$6,000.00 donations from the Auxiliary. While this is a good start, it is important to remember that our bank accounts are at a critically low level. It is important that we remain solvent to pay our bills and generate funds to support our veterans and their families in these economically challenging times. Please be as generous as you can to support our efforts. Each member took an oath to support our veterans within the guidelines of the VFW when they joined the organization. It is time to live up to that oath and provide support that is within your means. Our Post is depending on you.

I want to thank all members for granting me the honor of being your Commander for the last 6 years. It has been my pleasure to serve you and all the veterans we have helped over the years. However, due to diminishing vision issues, I will not be able to continue as Commander nor server as Quartermaster in the future. I will be available to work on any committees or other projects the Post endeavors to engage in. I trust you will be in good hands with the next Commander of Post 2075 and carry on the charter of the great Post.

Roger Morrissey; Commander Post 2075

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Sisters and Brothers:

It's been almost a year since this pandemic hit everyone, but I am hoping to find everyone in good health and good spirits. It looks like things might be getting back to normal, hopefully. Auxiliary 2075 has continued to support our veterans in donating 350 Face Masks, 10 Cots, assorted dry goods for their pantry and minimal clothing to LAVA Volunteer Services. Thank you Joann for a job well done and making all those trips to LA.

Our Auxiliary has also been able to support Long Beach VA Volunteer Services in providing new and used household items such as new bedding, pots and pans, plates, silverware and assorted cleaning supplies in helping our veterans getting started in their new apartments/homes. We donated 150 homemade blank Christmas Cards to their Blind Center to do with what they pleased. We were also able to donate \$500.00 dollars, in \$20.00 increments each, towards Target Gift Cards to support "Operation Santa Claus." We also delivered 150 Valentine Cards to our favorite Valentine Veterans. We continue to Love Our Veterans.

Long Beach does have a request for Low Sodium foods to be delivered to Volunteer Services. If you are able to contribute some of these items, but unable to deliver them, please call me and I will be happy to pick these items up and deliver them personally.

It's been a tough year, but we came through it. Auxiliary 2075 continues to meet the second Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. We have fresh paint, new flooring and new light fixtures. Stop by and take a look. Would love to see you.

I want to thank my sisters and brothers for all their support this past year and what a year it was. Even with the closure we were able to make our Auxiliary room beautiful and was still able to support our Veterans at the same time.

Sorrowing With Service to our Veterans.

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Chris Blumberg; President Post 2075 Auxiliary

CHAPLAIN MESSAGE

Many have expressed concern that we are at a crucial historic time in our country. And what can we suspect, other than to trust in God's Word; "But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." Matthew 24:36 NIV. Yet, we have been given words of comfort and understanding as we wait, that should be very familiar; "my peace I give to you", "Do not be anxious about anything," "Trust in the Lord forever," "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. Matthew 24:42 NIV

His Words; "Take heed to yourselves..", "watch and pray always," ".stand firm in the faith..", "Resist the devil..". His Word is a protection against Satan and his schemes.

"Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves." Matthew 7:15 NIV The "false prophets" are those who teach any other way than that which our Lord has marked out. Those who come to you in "sheep's clothing" are godless and without truth. "Inwardly" they are "ferocious wolves" feeding themselves by the destruction of others.

"Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them." Matthew 7:20 NIV The fruit the false prophets bear are not acceptable to the Lord, like haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart devising wicked ways, feet swift to be evil, a false witness and liar, one that sows discord among brethren.

Let us not forget God's warning signs, 7 sins that are fatal to our spiritual growth;

In summation; "Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble." 1 Peter 3:8 NIV and "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Ephesians 4:31-32 NIV

By His Grace, Al Collins Post Chaplain Post 2075



POST SURGEON MESSAGE

Copayment Debts to be Canceled, Refunded

American Recovery Plan will cancel many VA copayments for medical care and prescriptions

If you're a Veteran who receives care through VA, here's what this means for you:

- If you received a patient statement in January 2021 that included copayments for services received on or after April 6, 2020, those charges will be canceled. You should not pay them.
- If you already paid your copayments for services received on or after April 6, 2020, you will receive a refund.
- If you have unpaid copayments for services received prior to April 6, 2020, your payment is not required or expected to be paid until October 2021. VA will not pursue collection action on charges during this time. Any Veterans who prefers to continue making payments on their balances for services prior to April 6, 2020 may do so. Find out how to pay your VA copay bill.

Veterans receiving a refund do not need to do anything at this time. We ask for your patience as we work to cancel copayments and process refunds.

Roy E (Pete) Peters; Post Surgeon Post 2075

CANTEEN CAPERS

GREAT NEWS! The Canteen will open one April 5th with modified days and hours. The Canteen will be open Friday thru Monday only. Friday and Monday hours will be 4pm to 7pm, Saturday and Sunday hours will be 10am to 6pm. To ensure safety for all, we will be following all the recommended COVID-19 guidelines as prescribed by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health with the reopening. We will be opening with 25% seating in the Canteen (that is a maximum of 16 people), masks will be required unless eating or drinking and social distancing guidelines will be followed.

Be sure to check our Web Page at <http://vfw2075.org> or our Facebook at Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2075 for any other information.

We hope to see all of our members soon.

Come to the Canteen to purchase all your Lottery Tickets and Scratchers. We have no lines for the big jackpots. This helps to support your Post.

BREAKFAST

Not open at this time, please stay tuned for additional information.

The committee, is always looking for volunteers to help, either in the kitchen or dining room. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact any POST 2075 OFFICERS, see below for contacts.

HALL RENTAL

Due to COVID 19, rentals are available with a maximum of 50 people. For more information call Susie after 4 pm Thursday thru Monday at 310 679-7472.

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