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From the Commander's Desk,

Past Post Commander Neldon Huff, USN (1955-1975), Vietnam, Purple Heart, died December 11th, 2019. Post members provided military funeral honors on Monday, December 16th, 2019.

Price Post 3 is updating its Constitution, By-Laws, and Articles of Incorporation; the first two are required to be updated, as the LEGION ACT has resulted in changes to both the Pre-Amble and eligibility, and the last is almost expired.

These three items will be read during the regularly scheduled meeting starting at 7pm, Thursday, February 6th, 2020; copies will be available at the Post. They will be read again during the regularly scheduled meeting starting at 7pm, Thursday, February 20th, 2020. After the reading, all Post Members who are in good standing (those who've paid their dues on or before January 1st, 2020) are eligible to vote on these three items during the course of this regularly scheduled meeting.

Price Post 3's Legion Birthday Dinner. Sunday, March 15th, 2020, is The American Legion's birthday. Price Post 3 will host its annual Legion Dinner at the Post on Saturday, March 14th. This invitation is extended to Post Legionnaires, their immediate family, widows of the Legionnaires who've gone before us, and invited guests. This year's dinner will consist of smoked pork ribs, mashed potatoes & gravy, a vegetable, salad & dressing, rolls, and cookies. The doors will open at 4pm. The dinner will be served at 5pm. The cost is \$10.00 per person, for one serving each.

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED AND CONSIDERED MADE WHEN PAID. In light of the past five Post meals, wherein 8-14 reservations were made but were no-shows. Additionally, reservations were insisted upon after the deadline, resulting in additional trips to the market. These are inconsiderate to the preparers of our meals, costs the volunteers additional time, and the Post money to cover the no-shows. Your reservation will be considered made once you've paid the \$10.00 per person, either at a meeting, or by sending it in to arrive no later than 12:00noon, Tuesday, February 11th, 2020.

Service Member News.

Air Force First Lieutenant Chelsey Hibsich is the USAF's first woman to earn a US Army Ranger tab, graduating from the Army's Ranger Course at Fort Benning, GA, one of Army's most difficult leadership courses. Hibsich previously attended the USAF's Ranger Assessment Course and the Tropic Lightning Academy at Schofield Barracks, HI, to qualify for Ranger School. Hibsich is expected to serve as a flight commander in the 821st Contingency Response Support Squadron assigned to Travis AFB, CA.

Veteran Resources. Raising community awareness of veterans and veterans' needs is the challenge; reaching out to veterans about available resources (especially non-VA) is a greater challenge. What do you need? What about re-filing a disability claim? REMEMBER: There are NON-VA resources, too!

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Veterans Coffee. Price Post member Alida has initiated a veterans' coffee hour Thursdays, from 11am-12noon, courtesy of Cross Cut at the old Log Cabin. The "deal" includes a free coffee (or tea, possibly a soda) with the purchase of a doughnut. Please join us.

Legion materials.

Last summer, many members present during two meetings stated they'd purchase the Legion's Centennial (hat/lapel) Tack. These pins were purchased at the Post's expense; too many remain in the office as members who voted to do so have not bought theirs. These are \$5.00/each.



There is now member interest to purchase a Legion License Plate; these are custom made with a 25-count minimum purchase putting the cost, plus shipping and sales tax at almost \$5.00 each. I will place an order when at least 15 members have paid for their plate(s) in advance.



New service branch flags and poles have been placed into service for parades and funerals.

Membership. Legion eligibility has expanded to all veterans who've honorably served our nation at any time on or since December 7th, 1941. The 2020 Legion membership year is ongoing, please remember to submit your dues. For the few of you who not yet paid, your name will soon be dropped from National, Department, and Post rolls; please reconsider.



**We carry our flags,
present our
remembrances and
our traditions, so we
don't forget - and
to teach.**



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News.

The SFC Richard Stayskal Medical Accountability Act, included in the National Defense Authorization Act signed Dec. 20, allows troops or their surviving family members to file claims for personal injury or death caused by negligence or wrongful acts by a Department of Defense employed health care provider in a military hospital or clinic. Troops are barred from suing the U.S. government for injury or death resulting from their military duties. Since 1950, this has included all claims of malpractice under a U.S. Supreme Court ruling dubbed the Feres doctrine. From FRA.

Gen. Paul X. Kelley, the 28th Marine Corps commandant whose 37-year career included two combat tours in Vietnam, has died. He was 91.

If you're not sure, there's a new interactive map (<https://www.hillandponton.com/blue-water-navy-vietnam-map/>) that could help ill Vietnam veterans who served on U.S. ships during the war determine whether they could be eligible for Agent Orange-related benefits. From NCOA.

The U.S. military used Agent Orange to clear plants and trees during the Vietnam War. If you served in Vietnam or in or near the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) during the Vietnam Era-or in certain related jobs-you may have had contact with this herbicide; having a presumption of contact.

Military Funeral Honors Rendered. (* Legionnaire)

October	1 st	Thomas Richards, USA, Vietnam (Helper)	Participants: 10; Rifle: 5
	2 nd	Barry Norton, USN, (Wellington)	Participants: 10; Rifle: 5
	14 th	James Reynolds, USAF, 1954-56, (Price)	Participants: 11; Rifle: 5
	28 th	Frank Basso, USA, Korea (Price)	Participants: 11; Rifle: 6
November	2 nd	Bob Reynolds, USA, WWII (East Carbon)	Participants: 14; Rifle: 7
	9 th	Keith Robinson, USA WWII	Participants: 16; Rifle: 7
	9 th	*55yr Don King, USA WWII (East Carbon / Price)	Participants: 16; Rifle: 7
	16 th	Harold Guptill, USN WWII (Price)	Participants: 12; Rifle: 7
	16 th	*5yr Frank Marelli, USA WWII (Helper)	Participants: 14; Rifle: 7
	18 th	Michael Houser, USA	Participants: 11; Rifle: 6
	23 rd	Philip Engleman, USAF 1986-90 (Green River) Post 3: 8; Post 54 Moab: 2; VFW Moab: 2	Participants: 12; Rifle: 7
December	26 th	Pete Palacios, USMC, WWII (Price)	Participants: 11; Rifle: 5
	16 th	*14yr Neldon Huff, USN 1955-75 (Price)	Participants: 17; Rifle: 7
	28 th	Bob Porter, USN 1963-65	Participants: 13; Rifle: 7
January	3 rd	Raul Mena, USN (East Carbon)	Participants: 11; Rifle: 5
	8 th	Gene Manzanares, USMC Vietnam (Price)	Participants: 10; Rifle: 5
	11 th	Armando Perea, USA Vietnam (Price)	Participants: 13; Rifle: 7
	17 th	Nick Marakis, USN 1943-45	Participants: 13; Rifle: 6

Would you like to participate in the rendering of Military Funeral Honors?

A complete MFH presentation should be 16 persons: seven rifle bearers to fire three volleys; three flag bearers (USA, Post, Service); two to fold the flag; sergeant-at-arms; bugler; chaplain, and; detail leader. As you can see the tally above, this seldom occurs; you can also see that there are numerous roles to fill. Please consider stepping up to help. With a full complement, we can also better qualify for federal stipends by qualifying under DOD practices, which is only slightly different from our current practice.

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