



# Walking Down Ranch Veterans Village Newsletter

December 1, 2022

## A Message from our Executive Director

Christmas and starting a fresh New Year is my favorite time. Fresh snow to cleanse and a new outlook on what lays ahead.

As we look ahead we must also look back on our accomplishments of 2022. Count our blessings and note the challenges we have to address. Roofing to complete, cabin repairs, tree trimming and removal, painting and chinking. We look forward to our 8th annual Sock hop in August and our 3rd Veteran Tribute at the Airport in September.

Our Thrift Store and Veteran Outreach Center marked their first anniversary and Veterans Village it's 4th. We are proud of the number of Veterans and their families we have been able to assist. We look forward to sharing their new beginnings.

Our Thanksgiving Dinner was a big success and we are looking forward to our grand Christmas celebration. None of our success could happen without the support and assistance of our donors, volunteers, and community members.. We are blessed by everyone who has stepped up to help our Veterans in need.

With the Lord's Blessings we wish you all a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and no matter what your holiday is, or how you celebrate, May it be memorable, and filled with love, family, and blessings.

***Tis' The Season !***  
**Its beginning to look a lot like  
Christmas at the Veteran's  
Village!**



## Veteran's Village Thrift Store



**928-358-1244**

**Store hours: Tues-Sat: 10-4**

Do you love a good deal? stop by our thrift store! We welcome **EVERYONE** from **EVERYWHERE** to come in and have a great shopping experience. Our Volunteers are here to make each visit an excellent choice for all your thrift needs.

### December sales:

**Tuesdays:** 5.00 bag of clothes

**Wednesdays:**

50%off

Shoes

**Thursdays:**

50%

off kitchenware

**Fridays:**

2.00 bag of books

**Saturdays:** 50% off Linens

Winter hours start Oct 1!

**DONT FORGET !**

**BLACK FRIDAY SALE!**

Closed Thanksgiving

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

have a little extra time and want to give back?  
Stop in and ask Jaime how you can help!

### Just a reminder!

Town ordinance restricts leaving your donated goods outside after hours. Our volunteers work very hard to keep the thrift store looking beautiful. The Thrift Store will be happy to take your gently used donations during store hours.

Thank you.

Merry Christmas



## Veterans Community Outreach Center

The Veterans Community Outreach Center is open to the public! Whether it is help with a resume, filing DES or Veteran Administration paperwork, peer support services or counseling referrals The outreach center is here to help! For a full list of what the center has to offer please feel free to visit us Monday-Thursday 10AM-3PM. November 10 at 9 am is Coffee with Veterans hosted by Compassus of Lakeside.

Every fourth Wednesday of the month the Outreach center will host a group of realtors who will break down veteran home loan information. For those who have questions regarding this benefit, please join us.

### Weekly Scheduled Events

#### **Monday:**

Grief group 4PM

**Tuesday:** Cooking with a Veteran (lunch will be served at 12p)

**Wednesday:** Cooking with a Veteran (dinner will be served at 4P) peer support at 5pm

**Thursday:** Alcoholics Anonymous at 6P

**Friday:** Cooking with a Veteran (Breakfast served at 9A) Narcotics Anonymous at 6pm

**Saturday:** Sewing with Patty 11A Jam with Jerry and Rory at 6P

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## Board Meetings

Walking Down Ranch board meetings are open to the public and are held on the second Friday of each month. It is during these meetings that the board is open to listen to any comments or concerns from the veterans of the White Mountain community and the public. The next meeting will be held Friday February 11th at 1pm in the middle administration building at the Veterans Village. (meetings are subject to change if you plan to visit a meeting please call for more information)

December 09, 2022 at 1pm

### Update on our website

Our website domain has been updated! if you wish to keep up with what we are doing at the Village, Our thrift store or would like to donate you can now visit our website at: [thewalkingdownranch.org](http://thewalkingdownranch.org)

### Walking Down Ranch Wish List

If you are able, The Walking Down Ranch could really use:

A licensed and bonded Electrician

A licensed and bonded Plumber

Canned foods (especially meat products i.e. chili and soups)

Dry goods( cereal,snacks)

Plow service

## Congratdulations!

### **The winners of the "Great Village Bake-Off are:**

Todd for his Peanut Butter Cookies (mothers recipe)

Jaime for her Texas Sheet Cake

Sammy for her york chocolate pie

Thank you to all who participated in the Bake -off. Not only did you provide fun for our Veterans in taste testing all delicious goodness, , you also provided dessert for our Christmas Celebrations.

## Happy Birthday!



**A very Happy Birthday to our White Mountain December born Veterans!**

(Do you want to wish a Veteran a Happy Birthday? just let me know!)

## **Politics**

## **How to contact your local legislators:**

**Governor-** Doug Ducey  
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Holbrook, AZ  
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(800) 668-3867



## **This month in American history:**

Every month we like to share the anniversaries of our military, here are just a few...

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**December 3, 1775:**

**1st official US flag raising (aboard naval vessel Alfred)**

Alfred became the first vessel to fly the Grand Union Flag (the precursor to the Stars and Stripes); the flag was hoisted on the Delaware River by John Paul Jones. This event was documented in letters to Congress.

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**December 7, 1941:**

**Japanese attack Pearl Harbor (a date that will live in infamy)**

surprise aerial attack on the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor on Oahu Island, Hawaii, by the Japanese that precipitated the entry of the United States into World War II. The strike climaxed a decade of worsening relations between the United States and Japan.

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**December 14 1944:**

**Congress establishes rank of General of Army (5-star General)**

The title is temporary and only used during wartime. A General of the Army is appointed when the commanding officer must be of higher rank than armies of other nations.

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**December 20, 1957:**

**Elvis Presley given draft notice to join US Army for National Service.**

Having been deferred twice since 1953, by March 24, Elvis was just another private in the Army.

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### **Think you have an idea?**

Drop in and let our thrift store know for an in- store prize!