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Subject: SITREP 04-2024 UPDATE ON THE POST CURRENT SITUATION

Well, we are still <u>NOT</u> experiencing an influx of volunteers to fill positions and help with the Pavilion renovation. We are still "targeting" a May 1st transfer from the old Post building to the Pavilion; however, given we have not received three quotes (in compliance with the By-Laws) followed by once we select a company for the new building, there will be some delays with permitting, EPA soil samples, and some "unknown" mine fields – you need to stay patient with the process. Additionally, if we experience some catastrophic maintenance issues that require significant funding, then we may abort and just move into the Pavilion. <u>WE DON'T NEED</u> SIDELINE QUARTERBACKS scrutinizing our efforts and welcome all volunteers to help us!

FINANCIAL REPORT/PAVILION UPDATE: Finance Officer (Greg Cressman).

- o Pavilion funding update.
 - Remodel is nearing completion. Final financial numbers will be provided and posted in the Post by March 30, 2024.
- New Building update and future fundraisers.
 - Greg Cressman is drafting a Request for Proposal. This will be sent out to (2) additional construction companies for a bid on the demo and reconstruction of a new post facility.
 RFP will be complete by 3/25/24. Expect proposal and discussions to occur in the middle of April.
 - Fundraisers for the New Building Fund expected to begin in the middle of May. The first fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, May 18 6pm-9pm. Local band "Dad BODZ" booked to perform. (Very well-traveled following). Details to follow.
- May 1st is the "soft" target date to begin transition into the Pavilion.
- o The pool table will be moved into the Pavilion soon.
- February financial report has been posted. P&L loss in February of \$2,295. Primary factors: (3) payroll period month, COGS higher than expected. Inventory management program to begin in the month of April.
- We are in desperate need of part-time bartenders contact information is (904)229-6606 if someone is interested.

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- First round of Nominations was open: (note: Still have voting/nominations again in April and May)

Post Commander: Sonny Kirkwood (Health issues pending acceptance)

1st Vice Commander: Vacant

2nd Vice Commander: Jim Warwick

3rd Vice Commander: Dan Wortmann (PC)

4th Vice Commander: Vacant Sargent at Arms: Bill Hyatt

Adjutant (appointed): Greg Cressman Finance Officer: Greg Cressman

Executive Committee (5 positions): Brian Holes, Pete Lenio, Matt Accord, Bob Bleak, Jim Warwick

Historian: Vacant

Judge Advocate (appointed): Vacant

House Committee Chairperson (appointed): Bob Bleak

Chaplain: Doris Gil

Service Officer (appointed): Matt McCord

PCC Rep: (Voted by PCC Club): Sonny Kirkwood nominated.

We need volunteers to take-on ownership of Committee Chairs: Americanism, Baseball, Blood Donor, Boys State, Girls State, Children & Youth, POW/MIA, ROTC/Shooting, and School Medals.

In closing, the Executive Committee through myself have been truly transparent – <u>PLEASE</u>, just help us! I was asked to come back and try to save Post 233, of which, **WE** have done. However, we are in the fourth inning of a nine-inning ball game and cannot survive without your help! I am tired of preaching to the choir.

Happy Easter.

For God and Country, Sonny Kirkwood (PC 2015-2016)

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