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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS
OF
VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, TUCSON CHAPTER 106.**

DATE: Thursday, April 28, 1994

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

LOCATION: VFW 10.188, Little House, 345 E. Roger Road.

**PLEASE NOTE! THE DATES IN THE PREVIOUS
NEWSLETTER WERE WRONG AAAARRRGH!**

Nomination for officers for the 1994-95 term were accepted at the last general meeting on March 24th. The following is a list submitted by Pete Duerr.

President

Chester Rick

Louie Leos

Vice-President

Al Snell

Secretary

Gary Morgan

Treasurer

Pete Duerr

Board of Directors (Mim. 3)

Mike Brasher

Chuck Bald-Coulter

Max Clark

Nan-Jam 1994 Chair

Terry Rolinger

Product Sales Chair

Al Snell

VA Volunteer Service & TQI Chair

Chuck Bald-Coulter

Chapter Armorer must be certified

Chuck Bald-Coulter

Membership Affairs Chair

John Shirley

Associate Member Liaison

Deborah Fahnestock

Membership requirements for President, Vice-President, Secretary Treasurer and Board of Directors by the Constitution of Vietnam Veterans of America. Each of these shall be standing members and shall immediately submit a copy of his or her DD-214 or other acceptable forms of proof of military service.

If you look at the list of names above and think that all the slots are filled, guess again! We desperately need a secretary and other positions filled by responsible people.

Minimum duties for Sec. are to attend every Board Meeting and take notes, usually the 2nd Thursday of each month, submit for approval & permanent achieve the minutes of that meeting in 30 days.

In addition to the offices above we need to fill 3 delegate seats on the state council, two regulars and one alternate. Pete Duerr is running for Southern District Vice-President and Mike Brasher will become a director giving us 4 voting members if all are elected. Our participation is vital on the state council level to maintain equal representation for our Chapter in the state. (Cont. see Elections page 2)

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You can see a name in the slot of secretary, but Gary won't be able to make many of the Board Meetings so he has asked, "Set up a committee to handle the situation." Any paid member can hold this or other meaningful positions in the Chapter, regular and associate members alike. There are some limitations for associates but the field has been broadened over the years.

Think about chipping in, your vote is a start. And just a reminder, there is runoff for President, You certainly don't want to miss a chance to cast you vote for you favorite, better be paid up or NO VOTE.

SPAGHETTI

First, I would like to thank VFW post 10,188 for allowing our crew to use their facility and trusting us to take over their kitchen on March 26th. Mucho thanks also go to Shirley Zanda for her help with the especially delicious spaghetti sauce (she even made John Shirley chop all of the onions and plenty of tears were shed!).

Secondly, I can't express in words the fun we had putting the dinner together. There was a partial rain-out that day and so the crowd wasn't real heavy, luckily, being the first time for us at this endeavor. The spaghetti crew held the Nam Jam committee hostage to fill the need for the day and almost everybody came willing to go the full round and absolutely had a great time (I hope!) cooking, serving and cleaning up afterwards. The guys really came through - Al Snell was in charge of cooking the pasta, Terry Rollinger was an expert at cutting the garlic bread sticks and John Slagle, while learning a new skill for future employment, was absolutely amazing on the dishwasher! Gail Skinner was a most gracious host serving coffee all evening from table to table. Special thanks everyone involved with KP - scrubbing pots, cleaning counter tops and even mopping the floor. I heard compliments from post members who were very impressed with the teamwork of the whole group. We done us proud! - Hillary -

PRESIDENT'S DAY ESPERANZA EN ESCALANTE APRIL 30, 1994

There's great news! A party is coming up, but it's limited to a few good soldiers. I'm calling on the Chapter as President to ask for your help to renew the pride in Esperanza En Escalante as my last request of the year. As a result of construction and early generous donations, the site is overrun with excess material, appliances, furniture, household goods and clothing. We need to join together, sort and dispose of the material and plan a RUMMAGE SALE sometime in May to recoup some costs for Esperanza. Needless to say this excess material can become profit instead an eyesore to the community. So please join the president during his last day of office on Saturday, April 30, 1994 at 9:00 a.m. and receive a free picnic with hot dogs, hamburgers and beverage at Terra Del Sol Park at about 2:00 p.m., paid for compliments of your Prex and friends. Pot luck will be welcomed. If you are still willing to give, please come . . . that is the only prerequisite. And hey, don't forget about our new President, meet him too if he comes and works.

LOYALTY DAY VFW SPONSORED

Once again we have been asked to participate in the Loyalty Day ceremony at Jacobs Park on May 1, 1994, 11:00 a.m. . We are asked to present our colors and join with other veterans organizations to display our commitment to our country. Loyalty day is the American answer to May Day for historic value.

A half a dozen members showed up last year and we snagged 3 new members including the current VFW District 5, Commander, Mr. Dan Hawkins. The affair will include a short massing of the colors, ceremony and a large pot luck to follow, so get there early. If you ever wanted a chance to meet some great fellow veterans one on one this is the best opportunity. The park is located on Fairview between Miracle Mile and Prince Roads

Quake Relief - Any individual, chapter or state council wishing to help victims of the California earthquake may make a donation to the Vietnam Veterans Assistance Fund. Send to VVA National Office, Attn: VVAF/ California Quakes Relief Fund, 1224 M Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20005-5183