This newsletter will be more helpful to all of us if it is an open forum of communication. I want to get all the information out to all of you, so please send anything you want included in

the newsletter to: Dennis St. Germaine Monsoon Tribune 617 E. 4th St. Tucson, AZ 85705



Schedule of Events

Monday Nam Jam Meeting, VFW @ 345 E. Roger Rd. 9-25 7:30 p.m. (We need your help. Come to this meeting and meet the committee presenting the Nam Jam this year)

10-8 10:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. Nam Jam, Reid park, Outdoor Performance Center Sunday

Monday 10-16 7 p.m. Post-Nam Jam Committee meeting Speedway & Euclid

Wednesday 10-18 6:30 p.m. Bingo **VA Medical Center**

VFW @ 345 E. Roger Rd. Monday 10-23 7:30 p.m. VVA 106 Monthly Meeting,

Nam Jam: The Southwest's largest gethering of veterans

Guests from as far away as Staten Island New York and Washington D.C. will join the Nam Jam festivities this year as the 9th Annual Nam Jam gets underway. And it has drawn two conventions of other Vietnam Veteran organizations here that will convene the same week.

The Nam Jam is the largest gathering of Vietnam Veterans in the Southwest, and this year may be the last festival in its present format due to a move by the Tucson Mayor and Council to curtail activities taking place at Reid Park. The Nam Jam has traditionally lasted 8 and one half hours, but the Council action restricts future activities in Reid Park to six hours. The Council also wants beer sales to stop two hours before the event's end.

The funds raised at Nam Jam go to support Esperanza en Escalante, a transitional housing project for homeless vets, monthly bingo for patients at the VA Medical Center and other philanthropic activities benefiting veterans. Shortening the hours will seriously hamper our ability to raise money at Nam Jam. It is possible that we may have to cut one of the projects we are now financially supporting.

Three representatives of VVA 106 will attend the City Council meeting on Sept. 25 at 7:30 p.m. to voice our concern for this shortsighted move. Too many representatives would probably hurt our case, but contacting your City Council by letter, card or phone in advance of the meeting might help. Write to:

Mayor George Miller, 255 W. Alameda, Tucson, Az 85701, 791-4201;

Ward One, (Westside) Bruce Wheeler, 940 W. Alameda, Tucson, Az. 85745, 791-4040;

Ward Two, (Northeast) Janet Marcus, 7575 E. Speedway, Tucson, Az. 85710, 791-4687;

Ward Three, (Northside) Tom Saggau, 1510 E. Grant Road, Tucson, Az. 85719, 791-4711;

Ward Four, (Southeast) Roger Sedlmyer, 7575 E. Speedway, Tucson, Az. 85710, 791-3199;

Ward Five, (Southside) Steve Leal, 4300 S. Park Ave., Tucson, Az. 85714, 791-4231;

Ward Six, (Midtown) Molly McKasson, 255 W. Alameda, Tucson, Az. 85701, 791-4601;

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Come One Come All

Nam Jam Program Director Dave Croteau has a dynamite lineup of bands to play for the Nam Jam on Oct. 8. In no particular order, they are Neon Prophet, the Tohono O'odham Nation Veteran's Band, Bobby Soto y los Recuerdos, Steel Ribbon, the Bad News Bluesw Band and the ever popular Sarge Lintecum to name just some. Games Chairman Mike Brewer has scheduled a jumping castle, Toro's Fast Pitch, Soccer Speed Shot, Black Gold, Basketball shoot, and a Putting Green. Walt Maxam, raffle chairman, has lined up a \$400 Harley Davidson jacket plus many many more prizes. Look for any Nam Jam staffer for raffle tickets. Patty Bald-Coulter will handle hospitality and information in a ramada that also includes Membership from the National VVA. Jay Stokes, chaplain for AMVETS Post 39 said he will have a booth at the Nam Jam so veterans who want to can sign up for a Homeless Veterans Stand Down that will be held toward the end of October.

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