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FOE 679 Update

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As many of you know, the last year has been a big change in the operation of our club. We closed down March 16, 2020 and opened up in several different formats in May and beyond. Currently we are operating just the Club Room from Wednesday thru Saturday's mainly as they are the days with the most income. With reduced expenses, we are holding our own at this time.

We are discussing several options on getting income from use of the rest of the building, but banquets, weddings, funerals, parties, and even the Eagles Nest will never be like before the pandemic. Current bookings are no guarantee they will actually happen either.

As you know, the Club operates with officers' who are nominated in April, voted on the first Monday in May, and installed in June. The same group of officers' has been around for many years and most are planning on retiring their positions. With that it was suggested that we have a "Town Hall" meeting with the idea of seeking new and younger officers' that would want to make sure that the club remained a viable entity for the future. The date selected for that is April 6th at 6PM. Please make note of that date.

As our current Club Manager is wishing to retire in the near future, we are in the process of finding her replacement. The job requires overall management skills along with some computer skills. That person will not be able to do it alone and that is why we need people to step up on the Officer side to help. This is your club and we need the next generation to step up and take over in order to maintain it going forward.

We are also interested in finding someone to run the Club Room Kitchen with a knack of daily specials like we have had recently. So we can open the kitchen for more hours.

We have had good responses to the “new” texting. To do the texting we need your permission to use your cell phone to make it work. There is no identification given out as to whose name is attached and is confidential only to FOE 679. Currently you can get club information from these emails, Facebook, or the new texting system. Please inform us of your consent to use your cell phone number so that we can get it set up. We also need the number to update our current records along with any other “new-updates” , including email address necessary to maintain contact. Tell other members that we “NEED” their email address to get this. If you so desire, we will accept the above of a friend or relative as we recognize not all members have cell phones and computers.

We are now accepting dues payments for the 2021-2022 Fiscal year. The Grand Aerie will be sending notices at the end of the next three months. There is a time lapse between payment date and notice received date, so beware.

Auxiliary Ladies Stag Wednesday April 14th, eat at 6PM. Steak, Pork Chop, and Veggie Plate no meat. Call for reservations by noon April 13th. Need 25 to sign up or it will be cancelled.

TOWN HALL MEETING

APRIL 6, 2021

6PM