



# *The Veterans' Six*

*The LHC Veterans Treatment Court Monthly  
Newsletter dedicated to having the Six of every  
Justice Involved Veteran*



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# Upcoming Veteran Court Events

## **Buckskin Hike**

Hiking builds bonds and strengthens teamwork—which is why the Lake Havasu City Veterans Treatment Court loves to hike as a group. This month's group hike will take place on November 19th at Buckskin State Park. Everyone is to meet at the Court at 9 a.m. Transportation and lunch will be provided.



\*Please note: This hike is of intermediate hiking difficulty and is only open to Veterans who are physically capable.

## **Spreading Holiday Cheer**

Spreading Holiday Cheer is an opportunity for the Lake Havasu City Veterans Treatment Court participants to give back by making Holiday Cards to brighten someone's holiday season.

This event will be held on Monday, December 5, 2016 at 12:00p.m. at the Courthouse.

Art skills are not required.

Lunch will be provided to everyone.





# Local Veteran Events

## Lake Havasu City Veterans Day Parade



November 11<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.

Mainstreet

The Lake Havasu City Veterans Treatment Court and the Veterans Resource Team will be participating.

## Heroes on the Water - Kayak Fishing



November 12<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m.

Mesquite Bay N. Motorless Launch  
Free to all Veterans and 1<sup>st</sup> Responders

Heroes on the Water is a therapeutic kayak fishing rehabilitation and reintegration program dedicated to the physical and emotional rehabilitation of active duty personnel and Veterans.

All gear will be provided and lunch will be served after. Please email [mohavevalleyaz@heroesonthewater.org](mailto:mohavevalleyaz@heroesonthewater.org) or call Martin Toomey at (928) 210-6272 to register



# Local Veteran Events

## Flag Retirement Ceremony

The Lake Havasu City Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9401 will be hosting a Flag Retirement Ceremony on November 19<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. at Campbell Ranch located on 4066 Chemehuevi Blvd.



## Hospice of Havasu

**Thursday,  
December 1,  
4 to 6 p.m.**  
at the meeting room  
adjacent to the  
Hospice of Havasu  
Resale Store,  
232 London  
Bridge Road

**COFFEE, TEA  
& HOLIDAY TREE**

Facing the holidays can be difficult during the grief journey. Join us for a time of reflection and to create a special ornament in memory of your loved one.

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at no cost, by:**





# The Graduate Review Board

## Branch of Service

### VTC Graduation Date:

January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016



### VTC Experience:

*This We'll Defend*

I felt Veterans Treatment Court was fantastic. It is an unbelievable program that anyone with issues or needs should go through. My situation of how I became involved in Veterans Court was a bit different than most, but it did not matter. I received good coaching, amazing attorney services, and was given opportunities to give back to the community.

Now, I am a proud Mentor for the program and one of my Mentee Veterans is graduating at the next Veterans Court Graduation. Being a Mentor who has gone through the program has given me the experience needed to further help my fellow Veterans succeed in the program.

Sincerely,  
A Proud Vet Court Graduate

# Kingman Vet Court

## Upcoming Veterans Court Dates

### **Kingman Municipal Court**

#### Veterans Treatment Court

November 9, 2016 at 1:30pm

November 23, 2016 at 1:30pm

#### Veterans Resource Team

November 16, 2016 at 12:00pm

### **Kingman Mentor Corps**

The mission of VTC Mentors is to serve their Justice Involved Veterans by being a source of positivity, moral support, and guidance as they work toward successfully completing the VTC program.

If you, or any Veteran you know, is interested in becoming a Mentor, please contact:

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# Benefits and Service Sector

## Spotlight On: Stand Down

The purpose of a Stand Down is to provide assistance and services to homeless and at-risk Veterans. The first stateside Stand Down was organized by the Veterans Village of San Diego in 1988 and was modeled after Stand Downs held during the Vietnam War. According to the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans, these wartime Stand Downs enabled combat troops “to take care of personal hygiene, get clean uniforms, enjoy warm meals, receive medical and dental care, mail and receive letters, and enjoy the camaraderie of friends in a safe environment.” It is in this same spirit that all Stand Downs across the nation are held every year.

## Lake Havasu City Veterans Resource Team Stand Down

November 5<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Knights of Columbus

186 London Bridge Rd

Veterans, come and enjoy a free breakfast, hosted by the Veterans Resource Team!

There will also be booths to provide information and assistance with housing, employment, counseling, VA benefits, a clothing closet for Veterans in need, and more.

This is an open event for all Veterans and their families.



# This Month in U.S. Military History

## The Marine Corps Turns 241!

In 1775, the Continental Congress called for the formation of two battalions of Marines “to fight for independence at sea and on shore” during the Revolutionary War.

Officially approved on November 10, 1775, the Continental Marines are formed. Although they were dismantled after the Revolutionary War was won—the Continental Marines were reestablished and renamed the United States Marine Corps by Congress on July 11, 1798. Since then, the USMC has grown dramatically, making them into the fully self-sustained armed force they are today, with over 200,000 Marines in its rank capable of deployment by land, sea, or air.

### The Battle of Iwo Jima

“Japanese soldiers turned the volcanic island into a trap, fighting from a maze of tunnels and steel bunkers beneath Mt. Suribachi. The Battle of Iwo Jima lasted 36 days and resulted in heavy casualties before the Marines secured the island.

“Four days into the battle, a Marine patrol reached the summit of Mt. Suribachi and raised the American Flag to encourage troops below. Later on, a team of Marines was sent with a larger, more visible flag. This time, the flag raising was captured by photographer Joe Rosenthal. Within days, the photo of the moment that embodied the Marines' struggle and victory became front-page news.”



A part of the Marine uniform since 1868, the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor representative of three Marine commitments. The Eagle represents the proud nation they defend, the Globe represents their presence across the world, and the Anchor represents their naval heritage and ability to access any coastline around the world.



Fun Fact: Both Chuck Norris and Gary Sinise (aka Lt. Dan from *Forrest Gump*) are Honorary Marines.





# Judge K's Corner

“Initiating change can be difficult, but it’s through change that we learn more about ourselves and what we are truly capable of.”

—Judge Kalauli



## **Recruiting Mentors**

We want **YOU** to be involved in our LHC Veterans Treatment Court Mentor Program!!!

## **Bring Support To Veterans Court**

Family and Friends are always welcome at our Veterans Treatment Court Hearings. We firmly believe it is their involvement that helps with the recovery process.

To encourage Family and Friends involvement, for every one person a Justice Involved Veteran brings to court, they will receive a ticket to be placed into a raffle.



For more information about this program please contact:

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