



Post Christmas Party, December 1st, 2016 7:00 P.M. LaRosa Pizzeria, Independence, KY

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NO MEETING! Instead, Christmas Party at Larosa Pizza!

The Moon Brothers Family is hosting a Christmas Party on 1 Dec (7pm),
- it's fun, it's fellowship, and comradery. Please text or call: 406-899-2513 or reply
to this email: rustymardis@gmail.com or sign-up on Facebook.

Please come and let's have some fun!

Hosted in the LaRosa's Buddy Room - Independence

Please understand this will be an Adult party for Legionaires, Auxillary members,
SAL, and Moon riders and spouse/significant other.

There will be a gift exchanged and if you would like to participate, please provide a
Patriotic gift or a gift about America that is at least \$10.00 in value.

The Post will provide the pizza, but if you would like spirits of the alcohol or beer
nature, payment will be on the individual purchasing said item(s).



3rd Annual Independence Ball 2016

“Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans”

Was a huge success!
11 table sponsors! 16 baskets of great stuff for raffle! Delicious food and drink!
Cheers and Toasts!
Ribbing Fun for the Grog!

Awards!



American Legion Gold Citizenship Medal

Jason Pascal “Pack” Workman

American Legion Grateful Appreciation Medal

Business—FotosbyFrye



American Legion Gold Americanism Medal

Veteran—Rusty Mardis

American Legion Gold Medal of Merit

Legacy—Marty Nie

Accepted by Mary Jane Nie



Great story of experience from:
USAF Retired Senior Master Sergeant
John “Loadmaster General” Mills

Music by: Rick Schuler

Dancing by: All Who Stayed to Dance!



Grateful for our City of Independence for letting us host the 3rd annual Independence Ball at the Independence Community and Senior Center!

Some Items of Vietnam



LVTP-5 (Landing Vehicle, Tracked, Personnel) Amphibious Armored Personnel Carrier (1956)

The **M110** was the most powerful self-propelled howitzer in service with the US Army 203-mm self-propelled howitzer



Patrol Boat, River. Length: 31 feet Beam: 11 feet, 9 inches, Displacement: 9 tons Speed: 35 knots Armament: Three .50-cal machine guns (two twinned, one single), one M60A machine gun and one MK-79 grenade launcher.

Designated **HU-1**, hence the *Huey* nickname, which has remained in common use, despite the official redesignation to UH-1 in 1962. The UH-1 first saw service in combat operations during the Vietnam War, with around 7,000 helicopters deployed.



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Notes and Activities =

Medals of America—To be the premier supplier of official military medals, awards, ribbons, and display cases to our US veterans and service men and women, and to serve them with unsurpassed knowledge and care. <http://www.medalsofamerica.com/>

December 3rd, provide a Color Guard for the opening ceremony of the Christmas Walk and Tree Lighting. If you would like to participate in this event let us know.

December 1st the Post meeting will be a Christmas Party instead. Location is yet to be determined but we are hoping many can attend and if you want to be part of a gift exchange; look to provide a \$10 gift (patriotic in nature) wrapped for fun.

Looking to help needy families during this holiday season; call to let us know who needs some extra help!

Post website = www.moonbrothers275.org is taken care of by our newly appointed Social Media Officer, Jennifer Wesselman. If you have ideas or want to have something put on the website (Post approval of course) let Jen know. Her email is: wesselman.j@gmail.com.

Post dues notices are out. Thank you to all of you who have paid 2017 dues already. The last few years we have been on a roll receiving Early Bird and High Percentage Memberships Paid awards. Just one of those things as a Post we can boast about so help out by paying your dues before the end of August. Dues are \$40.00—breakdown of your dues are: \$18.50 goes to National American Legion; \$11.50 goes to Kentucky Department of American Legion and our Post gets to collect \$10.00.

Next business and post meeting will be January 5th, 2017. Come with ideas for Post activities, events and service opportunities. It will be a new year and better than the last!

VIETNAM VETERANS — WELCOME HOME — THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

MERRY & HAPPY NEW
CHRISTMAS YEAR

PLEASE REMEMBER ALL OUR TROOPS WHO
WON'T BE HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS! KEEP
THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES IN YOUR
THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS!