Joint Legion/VFW Color Guard honoring veterans

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The joint American Legion Post 73 and VFW Post 9969 Color Guard in Del City strives to honor veterans both living and past and their community.

The color guard is made up for eight members that are joint members of both the Legion and VFW. The members are Sr. Mst. Sgt. Ed Pulver, Mst. Sgt. Roger Carter, Petty Officer 1st Class Ron Humphrey, Col. Pat Scully, Mike Eaton, Ken Goines, and Tom Vennochi.

The guard was created in 2016 when Carter and Scully wanted to find a way to give back to veterans, the community, and the post.

At every Legion or VFW event the colors are presented and posted by the guard. What members hold most dear is honoring veterans who have passed at their funerals. The main



Members of the American Legion/VFW join Color Guard present the colors during a Memorial Day service. FILE PHOTOS

events the guard attends are funerals for fallen veterans to honor them and their families. Along with funerals and Legion/ VFW events the guard will attend unit reunions, Legion/VFW state con-

ventions, sports events, and any other event that their services are requested.

In a given year not counting funerals and regular post events the group might attend 30 events total.

The group will present and post the colors, rifle teams, and flag folding ceremonies.

"The main inspiration was to honor veterans. Especially those that the services can't participate in their funerals. It's someway to give back but also represent out post. We represent Del City and our post," said Scully.

Any veteran that is a member of the Del City VFW or Legion is welcome to join the color guard. They practice every Tuesday started at 6pm at the post.

If you are a veteran who wants to continue to serve by honoring the fallen and representing your community consider jointing the joint Legion and VFW Color Guard.

