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## There was not a meeting today because of the Memorial Day Holiday

Decoration Day, as it was originally called, was established as a time for honoring Union and Confederate soldiers that died during the Civil War. It was initially celebrated at various times, depending on the local community. As time passed, and casualties of other wars and conflicts were included in the ceremonies, the name of the holiday was changed, and a specific, nationwide date was set. There are many publications and sources for anyone that would like to learn more about the holiday, or the folks that it intends to honor. Nearly all the news and information concerns those that died during military conflicts, or while in other service to our country. Those groups definitely should receive as much honor, respect and recognition as we can muster. There is another group though, equally deserving, but less often mentioned. Prisoners of War / Missing In Action. It is important that the members of that group not ever be forgotten either. The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) has the mission to "Provide the fullest possible accounting for our missing personnel to their families and the nation." It is unlikely that, at this point, they will locate any living members of the POW/MIA, but it is very possible to recover and return the remains of many. As of Memorial Day 2017, there were 82,545 POW/MIA members. In the last year, another 267 of them have been recovered and returned for proper burial with full military honors; giving their families some sense of closure. You can find more about the DPAA, their work, and a list of POW/MIA at <http://www.dpaa.mil>

You can find other possibly interesting information about national cemeteries and memorial monuments to US armed forces at the sites below.

<http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/cems/listcem.asp>

<http://www.abmc.gov>

- ◆ Our meeting schedule returns to normal this coming Tuesday. Come ready to enjoy great camaraderie, conversation and another interesting presentation. You will probably also find some oatmeal, scrambled egg casserole, bacon and surprise du jour there too.
- ◆ Second announcement of a potential new member:

Express Employment Professionals  
Representative: Barry Porter  
Category: Staffing / Employment  
Sponsors: Kevin Lorenzen / Steven Grant

If you have an objection to this company becoming a member, or if you have information that you feel should be considered during the application review process, please contact Membership Committee Chairman, Jack Zipper ([jdzipper@comcast.net](mailto:jdzipper@comcast.net) or 505-259-5959) as soon as possible.

## Badge Board Greeters

June 5th	John Mead—John Thomas Jewelers
June 12th	Paul Jew—Moji Studios
June 19th	Mark Tobiassen—Action Coach Business Coaching
June 26th	Kit Turpin—HUB Insurance

## Upcoming Speakers

June 5th	Tim Simms—Territorial Scaffolding
June 12th	Pat Wallace—NM Solar Group
June 19th	Kit Turpen—HUB International
June 26th	Mark Tobiassen—Action Coach Business Coaching

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