



August 2016

Editor: Lucy Stephens
Reporters: Numerous

MEETING REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP:

1st READING: Shawn Coho (Army NG), John Miller (Air Force). PRESENT

Joe Sweeney (Navy), Othell Hamlett (Air Force), William McGonigal (Army). NOT PRESENT.

2nd READING: Steven Ackert (Navy), Timothy Brady (Army), Anthony Cunicelli (Army), Kenyatta Williamson (USAR). ALL PRESENT

Kelvin Blessingame (Army), Steven M Hoffman (Air Force), Billy J Klenfeldt (Marine), John Worthington (Navy). NOT PRESENT.

Barbara Ann Smith - EXCUSED

Don't forget, we meet the **first Wednesday of every month. NEW TIME: 7:30pm** Please try to attend.

Funerals of Member and Families:

Post policy gives the use of the Post Rental Hall with two (2) hours open bar to deceased member or member's deceased spouse, his/her children and parents.

Call 302-475-0636 to make arrangements.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT:

DEATHS:

Jim Czarnota, vice commander of Del Vets #1 passed away suddenly on July 19, 2016 at his home. Besides being vice commander, Jim also served on numerous committees over the years. He will be missed.

Marcia Bonsall, wife of member Kenneth Bonsall, passed away suddenly on July 22, 2016.

The Post sends our sincerest condolences to our members for their recently departed family members.

The Post wishes a speedy recovery to all members who may be under the weather.

Commander's Corner



Hello Post Members,

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer season. On a sad note, Vice Commander Jim Czarnota passed away suddenly and the Post will surely miss him. Jim was very active in the Post being on several Executive Boards, Chairperson for several committees and Vice Commander. Rest in Peace Jim, you will be missed.

As per our By-Laws (excluding Commander and Treasurer), "if a vacancy occurs in an elected office during any calendar year, that vacancy will be appointed by the Post Executive Board to serve the remainder of that year only". The executive board has appointed Harvey Freville to fill the position of Vice Commander until the end of the year.

As things at the Post have slowed down this past month, the Pool is active and there is an Adult pool party scheduled for August 6th. Tickets may be bought from the bartenders or from a pool committee member. Most of the excitement came from the Swim and Baseball teams as their seasons were in full swing. Our Swim Teams finished with a competitive 2-3 record and managed to break 13 records in the process, great job team. Our Baseball team recently concluded their season finishing in fourth place with an 18-9 record and, as of this writing; they are getting ready for the State Tournament, good luck men!

There has been some discussion as to the correct operating hours of the Post. For clarification, Post Hours of Operations – Formal hours of operations for the lounge are: Sat & Sunday from 12noon until 1:00 am and Monday thru Friday from 3:00 pm until 1:00 am. As a courtesy to some of our early arriving members Monday thru Friday, the Post has opened its doors earlier to allow them entrance to the building.

However, serving of alcohol will not be permitted before 2:30 pm. Please respect our bartenders and wait for the appropriate time.

Post leadership is always working to make improvements where we can and we are always interested in hearing what you have to say. So if you have a suggestion, then please use our suggestion box located next to the cloak room. As always you can pass your concerns along in person when you see us. Until next month stay safe and stay cool.

Joe Rodríguez, Commander

VETERANS' AFFAIRS:

Commissioner Myron Smith reported the State of Delaware is seeking to reduce the number of Commissioners to ten (10) from fifteen (15).

VETERANS MUSINGS



I wonder if this month of July is not one of the warmest in recent memory. It certainly has been hot as concerns some of the most endless hostile acts against lawful civilized society. These times require the most wisdom that one can muster. There is a need to garner all the data you can collect in order to make any decision you make as regards to your vote or any other major task confronted. Dangerous times indeed.

Love life as though you know that the present time is just an interlude in man's Diaspora toward perfection "This, too, will pass away"!

Yours, *Dick Bostic*

WAC's:



Come join the WAC's. Our first meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 6th at 7:15 pm.

Our Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Basket Auction is scheduled for Friday, September 23rd. Baskets are contributed by WAC members for auction at the dinner. This is one of our biggest fundraisers and we would love to see you there.

POOL NEWS:

Here are some reminders for the summer. If you bring a guest to the pool they must remain with you and



must leave the pool when you do. Under no circumstances can a guest just show up at the pool and use your name to sign in.

Pool Committee

BY-LAW CHANGES:

Current Bylaw

SECTION 1

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

Last Amended 04/03/2002

C. Spouse Membership:

1. Spouse of a Veteran member full use of all Post facilities.
2. Spouse of deceased Veteran member shall automatically become an honorary lifetime member until remarried. May not hold elected office, has no voting privileges, no annual membership dues

Proposed Bylaw Change underlined in bold Italics)

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MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

Last Amended 04/03/2002

C. Spouse Membership:

1. Spouse of a Veteran member **in good standing** has full use of all Post facilities.
2. Spouse of deceased Veteran member, who passed while **in good standing**, shall automatically become an honorary lifetime member until remarried. May not hold elected office, has no voting privileges, no annual membership dues.
3. **Spouse of deceased Associate member, who passed while in good standing, shall automatically become an honorary lifetime member until remarried. May not hold elected office, has no voting privileges, must pay annual membership dues.**

Hall Rental

Hall rentals fees have been approved by the Executive Board and the Post membership at the March meeting - the price for membership rentals will increase by \$50.00.

Beginning September 1st, 2016, the rental fees for a member rental will increase from \$250.00 to \$300.00 per rental. If you have an event coming up in the near future or next year, you may want to check

out the calendar and book your date now before the prices go up in September.

Call 302-475-0636, or email Rentals@delvets.com for more information on available dates.

Thank you, *Linda Rodriguez*,
Rental Chairperson

DEL VETS Sports & Current Events Corner

SPORTS:

IN HOUSE POOL LEAGUE:

Dear Readers:

I heard he's coming back!



Editor

Marty "Doc" Londergan Golf Tournament Results:

All had a good time at the "Rock" and we had a nice turnout for the event. The results are:

1st = Mike, Morgan & Matt Pembroke, Zack Woods

2nd = Butch Ciccone, Tom Quinn, Bob Strong, Les Clothier

3rd = Fran Kelly, Rich Lober, Dave Wil, Rick Rossman

Closest to pin = Ron Starr, Les Clothier

Long drive = Eddie Riggin

See you next year!

Talleyville Senior Girls win Softball Div.

Coached by long time Post member, Rich Delitta, an Army Vietnam Vet, Talleyville girls won the Senior Softball Division, Congratulations! Coach Richie was thinking about hanging his coaching career up but had second thoughts after this championship.

Fish Stories:

Richie & a bunch of guys from the Post went fishing down at Rock Hall, MD and Jimmy Hague hooked a big striper that was almost as big as Richie. They stood it up to him to measure the biggest fish caught – it was the winner and Jimmy Hague won the pot.

More Golf:

Quantico VA Medal of Honor Golf Outing where Del Vets members attended the Annual Golf & Party trip on June 15th at the Quantico Marine base, our

team came in 2nd place. Representing the Post was: Scotty Price, Sgt. Major Harvey Freville, Don Clagg & Sam Minutola, all Marines.

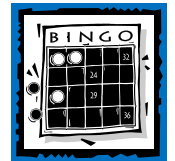
Other Post Sports:

Lauren Maichle, granddaughter of John & Donna Maichle was named the MVP of the Blue/Gold All-Star softball game played in Dover Delaware. Lauren attended Delaware Military Academy for the Blue Squad and was chosen their MVP.

Lauren will be heading on to college for some higher education where she will try to play softball there. All here at Del Vets wish you well.

DON'T FORGET BINGO!

**IN THE LOUNGE ON
WEDNESDAYS —**



August 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st

MEMBERS ONLY



DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **WEDNESDAY, August 3rd, 2016**
General Membership Meeting 7:30pm
- **SATURDAY, August 6th, 2016**
Adult Pool Party
- **MONDAY, August 8th, 2016**
Honor Guard Meeting 7:00pm
- **WEDNESDAYS, August 10, 17, 24, 31, 2016**
BINGO in the lounge 7:30pm – **MEMBERS ONLY**
- **MONDAY, September 5th, 2016**
LABOR DAY PICNIC
- **TUESDAY, September 6th, 2016**
WACs meeting at 7:15 pm
- **WEDNESDAY, September 7th, 2016**
General Membership Meeting 7:30pm
- **MONDAY, September 12th, 2016**
Honor Guard Meeting 7:00pm

Lucy Stephens, Editor

EDITOR'S NOTE: **

You can **submit articles** for insertion in the Newsletter **at any time** just email to: m2looseC@delvets.com

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2016 OFFICERS & "E" BOARD

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Name</u>
COMMANDER	Joe Rodriguez ^(A)
VICE-COMMANDER	Harvey Freville ^(M)
SECRETARY	John Pastor ^(A)
TREASURER	Lee Mitchell ^(N)
TREASURER-ELECT - Ex-Officio	Michael Janes ^(A)
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS – Ex-Officio	Rich Micolucci ^(M)

<u>Executive Board Members</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
PRESIDENT	Mark Schilling ^(N)	2016
MEMBER	Larry Harris ^(A)	2016
MEMBER	Charlie Wright ^(N)	2017
MEMBER	Jim Hague ^(NG)	2017
MEMBER	Jack McKelvey ^(AF)	2016
EX-OFFICIO	Keith Henry ^(M)	Membership
EX-OFFICIO	Tom Kennedy ^(A)	By-Laws

2016 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>Name</u>
CHAPLAIN	Myron Smith ^(CG)
BAR	Jen Avery
BUDGET	Steve Kessler
BY-LAWS	Tom Kennedy ^(A)
ENTERTAINMENT	Kim Riccio
FINANCE	Bob Morris ^(A)
GROUND'S	Frank (Chico) Brzezicki ^(N)
HOUSE	Bill Frank ^(A)
HONOR GUARD	Frank Dobson ^(A) / Gerry Stauffer ^(N)
INSURANCE ADVISOR	Webb Bell ^(AF)
KITCHEN	Andi Chernekoff
MEMBERSHIP	Keith Henry ^(M)
POST ACCOUNTANT	Chet Milewicz ^(A)
POST ACCOUNTANT	Jim Ebright ^(N)
POOL	Florie Henry
PROGRESSIVE BOOK	John "Moon" Reilly ^(M)
PURCHASING AGENT (Liquor-Supplies)	Jen Avery
RENTALS	Linda Rodriguez
SPORTS	Mike Buono
VETERAN'S AFFAIRS	MyRon Smith ^(CG)
WEB SITE	Rich Calhoun ^(A) / Jim Ebright ^(N)

HOME, INC.

Jack Houck ^{(A) (PC)}	Emeritus	Lifetime
Joe Bevando ^{(AF) (PC)}		2014 – 2016
Webb Bell ^{(AF) (PC)}		2014 - 2016
Ralph Allen ^(A) - At Large		2014 - 2016
Jim Ebright ^(N)		2015 - 2017
Sam Minutola ^{(M) (PC)}		2015 - 2017
Frank Dobson ^(A) -At Large		2015 - 2017
Jim Brannon ^{(AF) (PC)}		2016 - 2018
Bob Onorato ^{(CG) (PC)}		2016 - 2018
Bob Webb, Jr ^(A) -At Large		2016 - 2018

State Board of Directors

Bob Onorato ^(CG)	State Commander	2015 - 2016
Bill Frank ^(A) -at Large		2015 - 2016
Rich Calhoun ^(A)		2014 - 2015
Larry Harris ^(A) -at Large		2014 - 2015

Service Designations

A = Army AF = Air Force
 N = Navy CG = Coast Guard
 M = Marines NG = National Guard

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