



January 2017

Editor: Lucy Stephens
Reporters: Numerous

MEETING REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP:

1st READING: Edward Burdick (ANG), Charles Mackrell (Army), John Silvestri (USAR), John Buckley (Army). PRESENT

Joseph Sweeny (Navy), NOT PRESENT.

2nd READING: Joseph Burr (Army), Othell Hamlett (Air Force), Bill Merchant (Marines), Daniel Miller (Marines), John Valori (Nat Guard). PRESENT.

Andrew Pelczar III (Army), Donald Rubbo (Marines). NOT PRESENT.

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:

Post member **Kevin Ellmore's brother-in-law, James Russell Hammun** services were held on December 30, 2016.

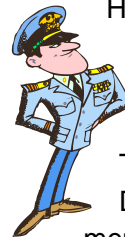
The Post sends our sincerest condolences to our members for their recently departed family members.

ILLNESS:

Dick Bostic is coming along slowly. He was seen at the Post recently. Keep up the good work, Dick.

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

Commander's Corner



Hello Post Members,

Well, the New Year is upon us and I hope that everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday season.

The Post elections took place at our December Membership meeting and the membership has re-elected me to serve as your Commander for 2017. This is certainly an honor and privilege for me personally and I look forward to a challenging year with the help of your Executive Board to continue to take the Post into the future.

I would like to thank our outgoing E-Board President and Past Commander Mark Schilling. Mark, thank you for serving our Post and all that you contributed to make our organization better.

Also, I would like to welcome our new E-Board member, Veryl Burns and congratulate Harvey Freville on his election to President of the 2017 E-Board.

I look forward to working with all the elected officers and hopefully make 2017 a very successful year for the Post. I also want to thank all of the standing committees for all of the hard work they do on a day to day basis.

I don't think the membership truly realizes the amount of personal time that these volunteers put in to keep our Post running the way it does. If you get a chance please stop and thank these folks for everything they do. If you enjoy coming to the Post then chances are many of these people helped with that.

In closing I look forward to another exciting year and as always we value your input and your willingness to get involved

Joe Rodríguez, Commander

VETERANS' AFFAIRS:

Commissioner Myron Smith reported that Commander Rodriguez and Secretary Pastor participated at the last Commission meeting. Our Commander's presentation to the Commissioner reflected the many services Post #1 provides to Delaware veterans.

Myron suggested action should be taken to restore DelVets to the Commission. Commander Rodriguez again explained the issue is law since April 2016 and only legislation can change it.

VETERANS MUSINGS



Well, I guess Dick is musing long and thoughtfully and has missed the deadline for this issue.

Hopefully we will hear from him next month.

Yours,(your Editor for) *Dick Bostic*

WAC's:



The Christmas Auction was a huge success. Thanks to all who helped us with this fundraiser.

On Tuesday, January 3rd we will have our next meeting.

The WACs

HONOR GUARD ACTIVITIES:

Frank Dobson reported 2016 was a busy year. There are now twenty (20) active Honor Guard members and he urged Post members to join.

The Honor Guard meets the first Monday of the month and new members are welcome to join.

THANK YOU:

VA Hospital Christmas Donations

Thank you to the Post membership, WACs and individuals that made such generous donations for our Veterans at the VA Hospital. I collected \$1000 and was able to get 42 \$25 gift certificates. Also the box of much needed toiletries was donated. These donations to our veterans in need are greatly appreciated.

Thank you, *Rita Price*

DEL VETS Sports &

Current Events Corner

SPORTS:

IN HOUSE POOL LEAGUE:

Dateline: 2535 Veterans Drive

Dear Readers:

Well it's been awhile since I last gave you an update, and as you might have guessed, I've been away.



The nurses and doctors were very nice except they wouldn't let me play with anything sharp nor have any visitors. I feel much better now and thanks to your continued prayers I am able to continue my reporting of the pool league.

What I did learn however while I was away is that "life is not a fairy tale...if you lose your shoe at midnight...you're probably drunk"! I'm sure quite a few pool league members have experienced that feeling. On a side note, from this newsletter going forward I will not be mentioning any names as it seems we have some sensitive players out there and their feelings got hurt...boo hoo! My advice to those offended...try having a drink! And while you're at it buy your teammates a drink...you'll feel so much better and your teammates won't call you such a cheap skate! You know life is too short, smile every now and then while you still have some teeth!

We live in a society today where pizza gets to your door before the police...keep that in mind!

Now for the pool league update: I don't have a clue! I've been gone for the last few months so I have no idea what's going on...nor do I care!

Until next month my faithful readers, I wish to remain as always...

Anonymous

P.S. Eddie go to your room!

POST DUES:

Notice to all dues paying Post members: dues notices were sent out mid December 2016 if you have not received your notice please contact the membership committee by sending an email to membership@delvets.com. Post dues are **due** by **January 15, 2017**.

Any dues received after January 15th will be accessed a twenty-five dollar late fee (\$25.00).

Dues that have not been received on or before February 15, 2017 - your membership will be revoked.

Please get your dues in A.S.A.P.



DON'T FORGET BINGO!

IN THE LOUNGE ON
WEDNESDAYS —



**January 11th, 18th & 25th
2017**

MEMBERS ONLY



LOUNGE ENTERTAINMENT:

Thursdays: January 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
= Thirsty Thursdays PIZZA Nights

Saturday, January 7th – Chinese Gift Exchange

Wednesdays: February 11th, 18th, 25th
= BINGO (Members Only)



DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **TUESDAY, January 3rd, 2017**
WACs Meeting - 7:15 pm
- **WEDNESDAY, January 4th, 2017**
General Membership Meeting 7:30pm
- **THURSDAY, January 5, 12, 19, 26, 2017**
Thirsty Thursdays – PIZZA NIGHTs in Lounge
- **SATURDAY, January 7th, 2017**
Swap Unwanted gift – Lounge 7:30pm
- **MONDAY, January 9th, 2017**
Honor Guard Meeting 7:00pm
- **WEDNESDAYS, January 11, 18, & 25, 2017**
BINGO in the lounge 7:30pm – **MEMBERS ONLY**

- **WEDNESDAY, February 1st, 2017**
General Membership Meeting 7:30pm
- **MONDAY, February 6th, 2017**
Honor Guard Meeting 7:00pm
- **TUESDAY, February 7th, 2017**
WACs Meeting - 7:15 pm

Lucy Stephens, Editor

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2017 OFFICERS & "E" BOARD

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Name</u>
COMMANDER	Joe Rodriguez ^(A)
VICE-COMM / "E" Board President	Harvey Freville ^(M)
SECRETARY	John Pastor ^(A)
TREASURER	Michael Janes ^(A)
TREASURER-ELECT - Ex-Officio	Hugh Richmond ^(A)
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS – Ex-Officio	Rich Micolucci ^(M)

<u>Executive Board Members</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
MEMBER	Jack McKelvey ^(AF)	2017
MEMBER	Jim Hague ^(NG)	2017
MEMBER	Charlie Wright ^(N)	2017
MEMBER	Larry Harris ^(A)	2018
MEMBER	Veryl Burns Sr ^(M)	2018
EX-OFFICIO	Keith Henry ^(M)	Membership
EX-OFFICIO	Tom Kennedy ^(A)	By-Laws

HOME, INC.

Jack Houck ^{(A) (PC)}	Emeritus	Lifetime
Jim Ebright ^{(N) (PC)}		2016 - 2017
Sam Minutola ^{(M) (PC)}		2015 - 2017
Frank Dobson ^(A) -At Large		2015 - 2017
Bob Onorato ^{(CG) (PC)}		2016 - 2018
Jim Brannon ^{(AF) (PC)}		2016 - 2018
Bob Webb, Jr ^(A) -At Large		2016 - 2018
Webb Bell ^{(AF) (PC)}		2017 - 2019
Mark Schilling ^{(N) (PC)}		2017 - 2019
Ralph Allen ^(A) - At Large		2017 - 2019

2017 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

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

State Board of Directors

Bob Onorato ^(CG)	State Commander	2017 - 2018
Bill Frank ^(A) -at Large		2017 - 2018
Jim Ebright ^(N) Past Commander		2017 - 2017
Larry Harris ^(A) -at Large		2016 - 2017

Service Designations

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 N = Navy CG = Coast Guard
 M = Marines NG = National Guard

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