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WILMINGTON, DELAWARE**



NEWSLETTER

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Editor: Lucy Stephens
Reporters: Numerous

MEETING REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP:

1st READING: Joe Finocchiaro (USMC), PRESENT.
Kevin Ryan (USMC), Michael Minner (USAF). NOT PRESENT.

2nd READING: Vincent Bescript (USA), Kelly Devine (USA), Martin Devine (USA), Michael Porter (USN). PRESENT.

Albert Heard (USN), John Koninis, Sr (USN), Douglas Lawrence (USAF), Jenifer Losak (USN). NOT PRESENT

WAIVED: Joseph Leary Jr (USMC),

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:

Scott Richmond 59, stepson of member Dennis Stephens, **son** of Lucy Stephens (Newsletter Editor) , **nephew of member** Hugh Richmond, passed away on October 10, 2017 from brain injury suffered in February 2017.

Madeline Riggio died October 24. She just turned 100 years old. She is the **mother** of Post **member Bob Riggio** and former **member Joe Riggio**.

Betty Stauffer, wife of member Gerry Stauffer passed away recently.

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

ILLNESS:

John Squires is home recuperating now.

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

Commander's Corner



Hello Post Members,

I hope that everyone is enjoying the fall season. With October behind us we have some exciting events at the Post planned.

On Saturday morning, November 11th there is the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Delaware Memorial Bridge. You may contact any Honor Guard member for details. We will be having our annual Veterans Day Breakfast on Sunday, November 12th.

The Adult Christmas Party tickets will be going on sale on Monday evening the 13th at 7:00 pm. There is a 4 ticket limit per member.

Remember the Post is closed on Thanksgiving Day. If you are a new member or a member sitting at home, you may want to try out one of the many events that we have scheduled.

Remember that the Post general elections will take place at the December membership meeting, so please come up and be a part of this important process. We will also be voting for the Del Vet Member of the Year. Election Chairman Rich Robichaud and his committee have been hard at it taking nominations for various positions. Please, don't be shy, reach out and talk with some folks that have some experience around the Post and maybe you will consider getting involved.

With that I want to wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving.

Joe Rodriguez, Commander

VETERANS' AFFAIRS:

Commissioner Myron Smith advised that on September 22 there was a stand-down with 136 providers. It was well attended. Information provided for all veterans affairs will be posted on the bulletin board.

WAC's:



Our November meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 7th at 7:15 pm and we will be having a speaker representing the American Heart

Association. We encourage all our members to be there for this educational discussion as well as welcome anyone interested in heart health.

Also, we are gearing up for our Annual Christmas Auction which will be held on December 5th, and all donations of new and very gently used items are appreciated. Remember all proceeds from our functions go to various charities.

Our next meeting will be on November 7th at 7:15pm. Thanks for the support.

Sylvia Briscoe, WAC President

DEL VETS Sports & Current Events Corner

SPORTS:

IN HOUSE POOL LEAGUE:

Dateline: 2535 Veterans Drive

Dear loyal readers:

I still have not figured out the teams playing in the league this season...the medication that they have put me on makes me a bit confused at times. I suppose depression is merely anger without enthusiasm....I suppose my clear conscience is the sign of a bad memory...and to tell the truth folks...I keep listening to those voices in my head and sometimes they make a lot of sense. Here's a question that has had me stumped....what is the speed of dark? Can someone answer that for me? Another question...does drinking ever effect one's ability to play pool? If you look around the pool room I would say the answer is yes! Some of our players need an intervention! Who is the pool player who will



only drink Coor's light from a bucket? Is he the same person who claims that 5 days a week his body is a temple...and the other 2 days it's an amusement park!...please raise your hand to be recognized! You have many followers who want to follow your life style my friend!

So until next month my loyal fan base....think about this proposition for the pool players...High Heels or flats when playing on the field of green?

I remain, under heavy medication.....

Annoyed -----

19th Annual "Toys for Tots" 5k Race



The 19th Annual "Toys for Tots" 5K Run/Walk Race Day in memory of James "Daddy Wags" Wagner and Tom Pitts will be held this year on Sunday, November 5th, 2017.

More info will be on the Bulletin Board at the Post and in the Newsletter next month.

Billy Legge Inducted into William Penn High Sports Hall of Fame

Long time Post member and (Mister Nice Guy) Billy Legge and Jimmy Sherman, current baseball coach at the University of Delaware, were honored for their long time commitment & dedication in the field of athletics.

Billy a graduate from Sallies went on to college then his career in education began in January 1969 at Conrad HS. He retired from the Colonial School District after 41 years. He had an outstanding career coaching football & baseball at Glasgow HS. Then he had the opportunity to take a job at William Penn HS to coach with Legendary Head Coach Bruce Reynolds.

While there he became the school's Athlete Director, where he was awarded State Athlete Director of the year, Blue Hen Conference Athlete Director of the year and the NIAAAA (state of the year).

We at Del Vets salute you for your outstanding job working with these young boys & girls.

Billy is usually at the Post most afternoons, sitting there with good friends Jack Calcaterra, Danny Bowers, Moon Reilly and Fred Schaan.

At one time these guys were good golfers!!!!!!!
Guest what the main topic of conversation is now?
What else SPORTS.
Semper Fi
Sam Minutola

Sam Minutola

UPCOMING EVENTS:

DON'T FORGET BINGO!

**IN THE LOUNGE ON
WEDNESDAYS at 7:30pm**



November 8, 15, 29, 2017

MEMBERS ONLY

Baked Potato Dinner

Wednesday, November 22, 2017

Dinner includes: Baked Potato with multitude
of toppings, salad &
dessert



4:30 - 8:30

\$25 Adults - \$5 children

Sponsored by Del Vets WACs

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2nd, 2017

Doors open at 9:00 am

**Santa will visit at 9:30
am**



Followed by refreshments

(For children & grandchildren of Del Vets members
up to and including 8 years old)

Christmas Party Tickets



On Sale Monday,

November 13TH

7:00 pm

(MEMBERS ONLY) 4 tickets Limit

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **WEDNESDAY, November 1st, 2017**
General Membership Meeting 7:30pm
- **SUNDAY, November 5th, 2017**
Toys for Tots 5K Run/Walk – Race Starts 9:00am
- **MONDAY, November 6th, 2017**
Honor Guard Meeting 7:00pm
- **TUESDAY, November 7th, 2017**
WACs meeting. 7:15pm
- **WEDNESDAYS, November 8, 15, 29, 2017**
BINGO in the lounge 7:30pm – **MEMBERS ONLY**
- **SATURDAY, November 11th, 2017**
Veteran's Day Ceremony at Del Memorial Bridge
- **SUNDAY, November 12th, 2017**
Veterans Day Brunch in the Hall 10:00am
- **FRIDAY, November 17th, 2017**
Line Dancing in Hall – 1st hour teaching
- **WEDNESDAY, November 22nd, 2017**
Baked Potato Dinner 4:30 to 8:30pm
- **THURSDAY, November 23rd, 2017**
POST CLOSED
- **Saturday & Sunday 25th & 26th, 2017**
Holiday Decorating at Post Lounge & Hall
- **SATURDAY, December 2nd, 2017**
Annual Children's Holiday Party – 9:00am
- **MONDAY, December 4th, 2017**
Honor Guard meeting 7:00pm
- **TUESDAY, December 5th, 2017**
WACs Holiday Auction – 7:15pm
- **WEDNESDAY December 6th, 2017**
General Membership Meeting 7:30pm

Lucy Stephens, Editor

EDITOR'S NOTE:

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

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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

2017 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>Name</u>
CHAPLAIN	Myron Smith ^(CG)
BAR	Jen Avery
BY-LAWS	Mark Schilling ^(N)
ENTERTAINMENT	Jim Johnson ^(ANG)
FINANCE	Bob Morris ^(A)
GROUNDS	Frank (Chico) Brzezicki ^(N)
HONOR GUARD	Frank Dobson ^(A) / Gerry Stauffer ^(N)
HOUSE	Chip Roop ^(I)
INSURANCE ADVISOR	Webb Bell ^(AF)
KITCHEN	Andi Chernekoff
MEMBERSHIP	Keith Henry ^(M)
POST ACCOUNTANT	Webb Bell II ^(AF)
POST ACCOUNTANT	Jim Ebright ^(N)
POST ACCOUNTANT	Bob Morris ^(A)
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)
WACs	Sylvia Briscoe
WEB SITE	Jim Ebright ^(N)

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

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

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

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