



APRIL 2023

Editor: Donna Schilling  
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## MEMBERSHIP:

### 1<sup>st</sup> READING

**Present:**

Glenn Budden – Army  
Ron Thomson – Air Force

**NOT Present:**

William Krupa - Army  
Richard E Longo III - Air Force AD  
Alexander Kayea – Air National Guard  
Sheldon Slater – Air Force  
Jonathan Mrowca – Army

### 2<sup>nd</sup> READING

**Present:**

Melanie Barth- Army  
Wesley Staulters – Air Force

**NOT Present:**

David Miller – Navy  
Daniel Culhane - Merchant Marine  
James Detzi - Army NG  
Dennis Spivack – Navy

General Membership Meeting

**First Wednesday of every Month. Time: 7:30pm**

Please try to attend!

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT:

**DEATHS:**

**Ronald Littlejohn – Navy** - joined 8/13 passed 2/23  
**Rodney Boyer - Air Force** - joined 4/12 passed 3/23  
**Rick Seraiva – Navy** - joined 12/11 passed 3/23

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

**ILLNESS:**

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

## COMMANDER'S CORNER

Hello Post Members,

I was recently asked by a new active-duty member, "How are we doing and are you concerned about our membership?" He caught me by surprise but both of those were excellent questions. For the time being, I think our Post is doing well on both of those fronts. We are still reading in new Veteran members every month and we have a 5-year



waiting list for associate members. Our problem is that we need more younger members. We are looking for members who can step up and lead our Post in the future. Our 5-Year Membership Revitalization Committee will play a key role in the makeup of our future membership; however, all of our members should always be looking to recruit new members. The follow up question was "What do I do to recruit new members?" Del Vets has a lot to offer and I think anytime you can get prospective members to come and visit, the Post will basically sell itself. Right now, I think we are having a more difficult time keeping our new members involved and contributing to our Post. Our Welcoming Committee has a New Member Welcome planned for Sunday afternoon, April 16<sup>th</sup>. This event is a lot of fun with plenty of eats, drinks and new friendships. We're not going to try and sign you up for anything. Sadly, there are only a few new members signed up. So how about it, are you new guys going to let us drink all the beer by ourselves or are you going to show up and help us?

The swimming pool saga is still ongoing. Final decisions should be presented to our membership at our April General Membership Meeting on April 5<sup>th</sup>. The E-Board is juggling some tough decisions and there is a lot of money involved. Please make every effort to attend our General Membership Meeting if you want to get the straight scoop first hand.

Money is a big part of all of our lives but once in a while you just need to step back and appreciate some of the more pleasant things in life. Del Vets was

involved in a couple events this past week that had nothing to do with raising money but left everybody feeling really good. Our Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans celebration featured some great guest speakers, delicious cuisine from our kitchen, plenty of cold beverages and ample opportunity for our Vietnam Vets to reminisce about their good, bad and ugly experiences in Vietnam and their arrival back home. Well done to everyone who made this possible. And just two days later the Honor Guard, the police K-9s, the classic cars and 100 greeting cards helped WWII Veteran Joseph T. Gawinski celebrate his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. It's always a great feeling when you can look out for our Veterans and it makes you proud to be a member of Del Vets.

Until next month....

***Bob Onorato, Commander***

### WAC's

The WACs have been busy this past month! We held our WAC-y Bingo event on March 7th and it was a great success! Thanks to everyone who came out and brought friends, both the WAC and the Post had a great night. We had a lot of help to make this happen, not least from Jimmy Hague and his awesome kitchen crew for the cheesesteaks, Stacey Edelman for calling Bingo for us, and Eileen Ganster for doing a fantastic job selling 50/50! Everyone had a great time and we had our most successful WAC-y Bingo event by far!

A BIG shout out to all who came out for the WAC St. Patrick's Day Dinner! Thanks to everyone who bought tickets for eat-in or take out, we SOLD OUT of all 120 tickets! The WACs really appreciate the Post's support, and you all made it a great success for us. From our traditional dinner to the talented dancers, we hope everyone had a great time (and the drink specials didn't hurt!). Thanks again to all who came out to support!

The WACs E-board election is fast approaching. We will vote at our April meeting, and all dues-paying members are eligible to vote. There is still time to be considered if you would like to run for office or make a nomination.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 5 at 7:15 in the hall. We look forward to seeing you then!

***Lauren Cullumber, WAC President***

### COUNTRY LINE DANCING

7:00

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>  
\$6 Cover



### DVETS RAFFLES

7:30

Wednesday's  
12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, & 26<sup>th</sup>



### ENTERTAINMENT

7:30 – 10:30



Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Jerry Lee Watkins  
Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Eric Henkels

### NANCY'S GAME NIGHT

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:30-10:30

Come on out for a fun filled night and win gifts!

### SPORTS

#### IN-HOUSE POOL LEAGUE

Please join us for a Beef & Beer on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>  
Details are in the attached flyer.

#### CORNHOLE LEAGUE

Monday nights @ 6:00

3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>



#### LADIES SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE

Monday nights @ 7:00

3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>





**Final – 4**  
 April 1<sup>st</sup>  
**National Championship**  
 April 3<sup>rd</sup>

During televised games - \$1 domestic 12oz drafts and \$5 pitchers!!



**Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**  
 Post time 6:50  
 Drink specials, Food, and Hat contest  
 More details next month



**Post CLOSED, Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup>**

### DEL VETS ON LINE STORE

Del Vets now has an online store available to all

<http://delvets.qbstores.com/>



Some of you may prefer an alternate logo, such as the Bartenders have been wearing, please see Jim Durborow at the Post to order these

### APRIL MEETINGS/EVENTS:

Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	5:30	Regular menu
		6	Cornhole Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	WAC's meeting
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	General Membership mtg
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup>	5:30	Pizza/Wings/Pepperoni Bread
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup>	5:30	Regular menu
		7	Country Line Dancing
		7:30	Jerry Lee Watkins
Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup>		<b>POST CLOSED</b>
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup>	5:30	Regular menu
		6	Cornhole Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup>	7	Honor Guard meeting
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	DVets
Monday	17 <sup>th</sup>	5:30	Regular menu
		6	Cornhole Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	7	E-Board meeting
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	DVets
Saturday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	7:30	Nancy game night
Monday	24 <sup>th</sup>	5:30	Regular menu
		6	Cornhole Ladies Shuffleboard
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	DVets
Friday	28 <sup>th</sup>	5:30	Jimmy Cheese steaks
		7	Country Line Dancing
Saturday	29 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	Eric Henkels
<b>MAY</b>			
Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	5:30	Regular menu
		6	Cornhole Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7:30	WAC's meeting
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	7:30	General membership mtg
Saturday	6 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Derby Day
Tuesday	9 <sup>th</sup>	7	Honor Guard meeting
Tuesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	7	E-Board meeting

*Donna Schilling, Editor*

If you would like anything printed in the newsletter, please send an e-mail by the 20th of each month.



## APRIL

Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Regular menu
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Pizza, wings, Boils Pepperoni Bread
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Regular menu
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup>	Regular menu
Monday	17 <sup>th</sup>	Regular menu
Monday	24 <sup>th</sup>	Regular menu
Friday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Jimmy Cheese steaks

## MAY

Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Regular menu
Saturday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Derby Day

## CAFÉ REGULAR MENU

4 Chicken Tenders	\$ 6.00
4 Chicken Tenders with Fries	\$ 7.00
Onion Rings	\$ 4.00
French Fries	\$ 3.00
Cheese Fries	\$ 3.50
Hot Dog	\$ 4.00
Hot Dog with Cheese	\$ 4.50
Hamburger	\$ 7.00
Cheeseburger	\$ 7.50
Double Cheeseburger	\$ 9.50
Chicken Breast Sandwich	\$ 8.00
Double Chicken Breast Sandwich	\$10.00
Chicken Breast Sandwich w/Cheese	\$ 8.50
Nachos Chips with Cheese	\$ 5.00

Available Condiments – Ketchup, Mustard, Honey Mustard, Ranch, Blue Cheese, Hot Sauce, Horseradish, Mayonnaise, Vinegar, Old Bay, Roasted Red Peppers, Pickles, Lettuce, Onions, Tomato, Sweet Peppers

**CAFÉ OPENS AT 5:30** unless otherwise stated  
Daily Specials Available -- See White Board for details

The kitchen is always looking for volunteers! If you'd like to help out, you can sign up here for one or more dates:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4aa4a628a1ffc16-delvets>

If you have any questions or need help signing up, contact us at [delvetskitchen@gmail.com](mailto:delvetskitchen@gmail.com)



DEL VETS POST #1  
Presents:

SUNDAY  
MAY 21ST  
1:00-5:00PM

# BEEF & BEER

## FUNDRAISING EVENT

*Includes Draft Beer, Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches, Meatballs & Pasta, Salads, Chips, Pretzels, Appetizers, All the Condiments and a little bit more...*



Just  
**\$25**  
PER PERSON  
**\$30**  
At The Door

### SPONSORED BY:

Players of the In-House Pool League  
and Members of Del Vets Post #1

*Join Us in The Hall for some Great Food, Drink, Music and Good Ole' Plain Fun along with Baskets, 50/50's, Raffles, and more!*

EVENT OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF DEL VETS AND ACCOMPANYING GUESTS.  
SEE BARTENDER FOR TICKETS OR SELECT MEMBERS OF DEL VETS POOL LEAGUE.  
OR CONTACT MARK PARSONS FOR MORE INFORMATION: 302-743-3819

■ BENEFITS DEL VETS IN-HOUSE POOL LEAGUE ■



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### 2023 OFFICERS & "E" BOARD

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>
Commander	Bob Onorato (CG)-(PC)
Vice-Commander	John Pastor (A)
Secretary	Mark Schilling (NA)-(PC)
Treasurer	Ed Herman (A)
Treasurer-Elect - Ex-Officio	Vacant
Sergeant-at-Arms	Joe Koslosky (N)

<u>Executive Board Members</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
PRESIDENT	Bob Morris (A)	2023
MEMBER	Jim Hague (NG)	2023
MEMBER	Harvey Freville (M-(PC))	2023
MEMBER	Ed Brinkman (A)	2024
MEMBER	Roger Lee (AF)	2024

### 2023 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>Name</u>
BAR	Erin Doyle-Facciolo
BY-LAWS	Ex-Officio Mark Schilling (N)-(PC)
CHAPLAIN	Randy Scott (M)
ENTERTAINMENT	Vince Vandenbraak
FINANCE	Bob Morris (A)
GROUNDs	Jack McKelvey (AF)
HONOR GUARD	Vinny Knoll (A)/Sean MacLaren (ANG)
HOUSE	Chip Roop
INSURANCE ADVISOR	Webb Bell II (AF)-(PC)
KITCHEN	Andi Chernekoff
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POST ACCOUNTANT	John Descioli
POST ACCOUNTANT	Bob Morris (A)
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PURCHASING AGENT (Liquor-Supplies)	Jen Avery
RENTALS	John Descioli
SPORTS	Mike Buono
VETERAN'S AFFAIRS	Rick Rambo (N)
WAC's	Lauren Cullumber
WEB SITE	Denise Bernstein

### HOME, INC.

Frank Dobson (A)	2021 - 2023
Jerry Stauffer (N)	2023 - 2024
Ken D'Aurizio (N)	2023 - 2024
Bob Bostedo (A)	2023 - 2025
Jim Brannon (NG)-(PC)	2023 - 2025

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Jim Ebright (N)(PC)	2022 - 2023
John "Moon" Riley (M)-at Large	2022 - 2023
Bill Frank (A) -at Large	2021 - 2024
Jack McKelvey (AF)	2023 - 2024

### Service Designations

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

Delaware Veterans Post #1 Member of the Year 2022

**Brian Thomas**