



JULY 2023

Editor: Donna Schilling  
Reporters: Numerous

## MEMBERSHIP:

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

#### Present:

Joseph Fassano - Air Force *active duty*  
Daniel Dwyer - Marine *active duty*  
Jacob Jager - Navy  
Samuel (Tom) Davidson - Air Force  
David Berckman - Marine  
Gregory Cooper – Marine

#### NOT Present:

Alexander Kayea - Army NG *active duty*  
William Krupa - Army  
Richard E Longo III - Air Force *active duty*  
Jonathan Mrowca - Army  
Murray Fendrich – Army

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

#### Present:

David B Walter - Navy  
James Detzi - Army NG  
Harry W Smith – Army

#### NOT Present:

Lavern Hills - Army  
David Miller – Navy

General Membership Meeting  
**First Wednesday of every Month. Time: 7:30pm**  
Please try to attend!

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT:

### DEATHS:

**Vernon Kershaw -NG** – Joined 6/68 - passed 6/23/23  
**Former members: Jack Ferry, Navy** and **Mary Ferry**  
passed away - he on 2/10/23 and her on 9/28/22

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

### ILLNESS:

**Scott Price** is home recuperating from surgery  
**Jim McQuade** is in Shipley Living Nursing Home.  
**Ruth Dill** is in Shipley Living Nursing Home.

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

## COMMANDER'S CORNER

Hello Post Members,

I've been waiting to write this one all spring. The pool is full of water and opening day is scheduled for Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. Just wondering how many of you lost your July 4<sup>th</sup> bets? Both pools were plastered on Saturday morning, June 24<sup>th</sup> and completely full of water by 11 pm that night. The pools will continue to be treated and brushed all week but will be ready for the Grand Opening Ceremony on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup>. The Pool



Committee will be raffling off chances to be the first one in our pool. There will be a short ceremony, a blessing of the pool, a ribbon cutting and then its swim call.

It's been a long road this spring and we thank everyone for their patience. Opening day will include free hot dogs, free snacks and free draft beer, wine and soda in our hall bar for 2 hours. I want to thank everyone involved with our pool repair project including our Executive Board, the Pool Committee, the House Committee, our Accountants and a special thanks to our Project Manager Harvey Freville. We're getting a late start but without all these people there's a good chance we wouldn't have been able to open our pool this year.

I recently heard a couple members grumbling about how long it takes to get their cheesesteak at Del Vets. So why does it take a little longer to get a cheesesteak from our kitchen? First of all, they have become hugely popular and that's a great thing. You also have to consider that we only have one 32" grill in our kitchen. Most commercial steak places just throw a mountain of meat on the grill and take it as they need it. That doesn't happen in our kitchen. Chef Jimmie cooks each individual steak but only has so much room on our small grill. It may take a little longer but that's why every steak sandwich is so delicious. So next time you order a cheese steak, take a few minutes to relax in the lounge or on our deck and be thankful that our kitchen crew is willing to spend so much time making the cheesesteak that your mouth is watering for.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July is right around the corner. Also known as Independence Day, the 4<sup>th</sup> is the birthday of our great nation. If you have some time to relax, take a few minutes

to reflect on the struggles it took to create the United States of America. Better yet, if you have a little more time on your hands, pick up "Killing England" by Bill O'Reilly. Yes, Bill was a conservative commentator on Fox but there is nothing political suggested here. Bill is a huge history buff and taught history at every level of our education system. "Killing England" is a fascinating account of how a ragtag bunch of malnourished, under equipped volunteers defeated a far superior army. Motivated and determined, their spirit could not be broken. You will not regret reading "Killing England" and will have a much greater appreciation for Independence Day.

Enjoy the fireworks and God Bless America.

*Bob Onorato, Commander*

### WAC's

Happy summer! The WACs are enjoying our summer break and we hope you all are, as well. We will be back in action beginning Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 in the hall. We're looking forward to welcoming new members along with our current members, so please feel free to bring a friend or two - no need to be a Post member to join the WAC.

Please keep in mind that our food drive to benefit the Wilmington VA's Food Pantry is going on through our September meeting. There is a box in the lounge for you to bring non-perishable items, and there is a list of their most urgent needs on the bulletin board if you'd like to contribute. We appreciate your support!

See you in September!

*Lauren Cullumber, WAC President*

### HONOR GUARD NEWS



Pig Roast is coming August 5th! Tickets will be available soon.

Chances on the Orlando trip are now on sale for \$25 each - Winner will be drawn at the Pig Roast. See the bartender or any Honor Guard member to purchase.



Did you move out of the area?

Still in the area but haven't been to the post in a long time? We miss you and want to know how you are doing?

Mail or E-mail us on how you and your family are doing and we will put in our next newsletter.

E-mail: [dschill925@gmail.com](mailto:dschill925@gmail.com) or

Mail: Del Vets Post #1  
2535 Veterans Dr.  
Attn: Donna Schilling  
Wilmington, DE 19810

### 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>	Two of Us
Saturday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Old News Band
Friday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Eric Henkels

### COUNTRY LINE DANCING

7:00



Friday the 14<sup>th</sup>  
\$6 cover

## SPORTS

### CORNHOLE LEAGUE



Monday nights @ 6:00

10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>

### LADIES SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE



Monday nights @ 7:00

10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>

The annual **Marty "DOC" Londergan Golf Outing**  
**Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**

Rock Manor Golf Club  
Shotgun start at 8:00 am  
"Superball" format  
Start thinking about your foursomes  
Cost: \$85.00 Keep your receipt  
Sign-up sheet is in the bar area  
Last day to be signed up and pay is 7/14/23

### FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC

Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> ~ 12 to 4 pm



IT'S ON!! The pool is filled.  
Now we just need some suited members to help us make a big splash with our annual July 4<sup>th</sup> picnic on Tuesday from 12 to 4pm.

Delvet's Kitchen will be providing the burgers and dogs. We kindly request that all with a last name beginning with the the letters A through L bring a side dish to share and those with last names beginning with M through Z bring a dessert to share.

\$5 per person for Picnic  
\$5 per person for Pool Guest Fee

Open Bar ~ 12 to 2 pm  
Food ~ 12 to 3 pm

**The Kitchen is closed until September**

## 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

### JULY MEETINGS/EVENTS:

Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	12	Post Picnic
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	General membership mtg
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	Two of Us
Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup>	?	Steel Drums at the Pool
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup>	6	Cornhole Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup>	7	Honor Guard meeting
		7:30	Home Swim meet
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	DVets Raft night at the pool
Friday	14 <sup>th</sup>	7	Country Line dancing
Monday	17 <sup>th</sup>	6	Cornhole Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	7	E-Board meeting
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	DVets
Thursday	20 <sup>th</sup>	10:45	Phillies bus trip
Saturday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	7:30	Old News Band
		TBD	Steel Drums at the Pool
Monday	24 <sup>th</sup>	6	Cornhole Ladies Shuffleboard
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	DVets Raft night at the pool
		TBD	Doc's Golf Banquet
Friday	28 <sup>th</sup>	1	Eric Henkels
		7:30	Eric Henkels
Monday	31 <sup>st</sup>	6	Cornhole Ladies Shuffleboard

### AUGUST

Wednesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7:30	General membership mtg
Saturday	5 <sup>th</sup>	3	Pig Roast
Tuesday	8 <sup>th</sup>	7	Honor Guard meeting
Tuesday	22 <sup>nd</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.

**DelVets American Legion Baseball  
Team 2023 Schedule**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>HOME/AWAY</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Location</b>
Sat June 3rd	1pm	Away	Boyertown Bears	Bear Stadium 120 Monroe St. Boyertown – DBL HDR
Th June 8th	6pm	Away	Stahl Post 30	Wilson Field Wilmington University
Sat June 10th	1pm	Away	WestLawn PA Post 625	Westlawn Pa –DBL HDR
Mon June 12th	6pm	Home	Smyrna Post 14	Al DuPont HS
Wed June 14th	6pm	Away	Woodbridge Post 7	Woodbridge HS
Th June 15th	6pm	Away	Post 10 Generals	Christiana HS
Mon June 19th	6pm	Away	DE Post 1	St. Marks HS
Wed June 21st	6pm	Home	Dover Fox Post 2	Al DuPont HS
Th June 22nd	6pm	Home	Stahl Post 30	Al DuPont HS
Mon June 26th	6pm	Away	Smyrna Post 14	Smyrna Big League Complex
Th June 29th	6pm	Home	Post 10 Generals	Al DuPont HS
Sat July 1st	1pm	Away	Mount Airy All Stars	Philadelphia Phillies FDR Park
Mon July 3rd	6pm	Home	Woodbridge post 7	Al DuPont HS
Tu July 4th	11am	Away	Stahl Post 30	Wilson Field Wilmington University
Wed July 5th	6pm	Home	DE post 1	Al DuPont HS
Th July 6th	6pm	Away	Dover Fox Post 2	Dover HS
Mon July 10th	6pm	Home	Smyrna Post 14	Al DuPont HS
Th July 13th	6pm	Away	Post 10 Generals	Christiana HS
Mon July 17th	6pm	Home	Woodbridge Post 7	Brandywine
Wed July 19th	6pm	Away	DE Post 1	St. Marks HS
Th July 20th	6pm	Home	Dover Fox Post 2	Al DuPont HS



# PHILLIES RAFFLE



## **PHILLIES** vs. THE NATIONALS

*Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup> 6:40PM*

Enjoy Two Seats at the Game – Includes Parking  
Section 111, Row 10, Seats 3 & 4

**Just \$5 Per Raffle Ticket**  
*(3 Tickets for \$10)*

**Contact Mark Parsons @ 302-743-3819 or Tom Stevenson @ 302-584-5616 for Raffle Tickets**





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### 2023 OFFICERS & "E" BOARD

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

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

### 2023 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>Name</u>
BAR	Erin Doyle-Facciolo
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Bill Frank <sup>(A)</sup> -at Large	2021 - 2024
Jack McKelvey <sup>(AF)</sup>	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**