



DECEMBER 2023

Editor: Donna Schilling  
Reporters: Numerous

## MEMBERSHIP:

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

#### Present:

John D Waldorf – Navy  
George E Brooks, Sr.- Associate

#### NOT Present

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

#### Present:

Francis M Clymer – Air Force  
Ronald A Fox, Jr – Army  
William R Suter – Army [active duty]  
Edward Walsh Jr – Marine  
John A Lynch – Air Force NG  
David Charles – Army  
James M Corbett – Navy  
Gregory E Nowak - Associate  
Patrick Rich – Associate

#### NOT Present:

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

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT:

### DEATHS:

**Ben Powell – Navy** - Passed away 11/25 joined 1/80

*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,

Our Phillies were one win away from the World Series yet most of the Philadelphia fans consider the whole season a big disappointment. If the Eagles don't win the Superbowl this year, it's going to be a huge disappointment. Most other fans around the country would be thrilled with the last two seasons our teams had. Why such a big difference? It all comes down to the expectations we had going into each season.



Expectations can be tricky - we all face challenges in life and it can be very rewarding when you are successful but if you set the bar too high, things can get frustrating in a hurry. So, what should we expect for Del Vets next year? I personally am expecting big things for our Post in 2024. We should be playing on two brand new pool tables, swimming in our new pool for the whole season, shouting the E-A-G-L-E-S cheer in February, enjoying another Red October and hopefully signing up enough new Veteran Members to whittle down the Associate Member waiting list. Some of those may be lofty goals but jump on board. It's going to be a fun ride!

The Holiday season is here and for most of us it's a whirlwind of shopping, social activities, sporting events, family visits and eating much more than we should. Unfortunately, this time of year is not cheery for everyone. Some of our members may be grieving the loss of loved ones or struggling financially or dealing with serious family issues. Please lend a helping hand to any of our members that may be down on their luck for the Holidays. To those of you who are carrying the weight of the world on your shoulders, stop by and visit your Del Vets family, check out our Christmas tree with the White house ornaments, call a friend that you enjoy talking to or sing one of the cheery Christmas jingles that we all learned as kids. We're here for you and I guarantee you will find something to chuckle about if you stop by and see us.

Regardless of how you choose to celebrate the holidays, I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year. May all your dreams come true!

*Bob Onorato, Commander*

### WAC's

Our Pizza Night with Helixx on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, was a big success! It was a great night for the Post and for the WACs. Thanks to all who volunteered to help serve, take orders, clean up, and to the Pizza Guys for cooking for us! We look forward to collaborating with the Entertainment Committee again.

Our next meeting will be our Christmas Auction on Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. We welcome donations of any new or gently used items. Donations can be dropped off the evening of December 4<sup>th</sup> in the hall. This is always a great time and it's open to everyone, so come on out and bring your friends! WACs members will provide snacks and the hall bar will be open.



*Lauren Cullumber, WAC President*

## Children's Christmas party



**December 16<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 to 11:30 am in the Post Hall**

The party is for all Post members' children and grandchildren up to and including eight years old. Doors will open at 9:00 am with Santa and Mrs. Claus scheduled to arrive at 9:30 am. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the foyer bulletin board around November 25<sup>th</sup>.

## CHRISTMAS EVE SOCIAL

**3pm – 6pm  
Members only!!**

**THE POST WILL BE CLOSED  
on  
CHRISTMAS DAY**

**NEW YEARS EVE PARTY**  
Time: 8:00pm  
DJ Twizzle  
Updates will be in the weekly E-  
blaster

**HAPPY  
HOLIDAYS!!**



## DVETS RAFFLE 7:30

Wednesday's  
13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, & 27<sup>th</sup>

## ENTERTAINMENT 7:30 – 10:30



Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Erik Henkels  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Helixx Band (Hall)  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Old News Band

## COUNTRY LINE DANCING 7:00



Friday December 1<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>  
\$6 cover

## SPORTS

### CORNHOLE LEAGUE



Monday nights @ 6:00  
11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

### LADIES SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE



Monday nights @ 7:30  
4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, & 18<sup>th</sup>



Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> 49ers @ home 4:25  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> @ Cowboys 8:20  
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> @ Seahawks 4:25  
Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> Cardinals @ home 1:00

## IN-HOUSE POOL LEAGUE

Get ready to shoot some more pool!

Sign-up Sheets for Del Vets Tuesday and Thursday 2024 Winter-Spring Pool Leagues are now posted. Cut-off to sign up is December 31<sup>st</sup>

Players' Draft is scheduled for January 9<sup>th</sup>.  
League play starts January 16<sup>th</sup>  
Come on out and have some fun!

See you there . . .

## DEL VETS ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

For those high school students that are planning to attend college in the fall of 2023 and meet the eligibility requirements, applications may be requested by contacting Mike Phillips 302-354-2782 (mphillips.de@gmail.com) or any member of the Scholarship Committee. To be eligible, the student must be the child or grandchild of a Post member who has been an active Del Vet member for at least 5 years.

All applications and supporting data MUST be received by February 1st. Applications should be available by the middle of November.

## 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

## DECEMBER MEETINGS/EVENTS

Friday	1 <sup>st</sup>	7	Country Line Dancing
		6	Kitchen open
		7:30	Eric Henkels
Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4	<b>EAGLES</b>
Monday	4 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	7	WAC's Christmas Auction
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	General membership mtg
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS PARTY</b>
Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup>	8	<b>EAGLES</b>
Monday	11 <sup>th</sup>	6	Cornhole
			Kitchen open
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	7	Honor Guard meeting
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	DVETS
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Kids Christmas Party</b>
Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup>	4	<b>EAGLES</b>
Monday	18 <sup>th</sup>	6	Cornhole
			Kitchen open
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	7	E-Board meeting
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	DVETS
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	7	Country Line Dancing
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Social</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>POST CLOSED</b>
Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	7:30	DVETS
Sunday	31 <sup>st</sup>	1	<b>EAGLES</b>
		8	<b>NEW YEARS PARTY</b>

## JANUARY

Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7:30	WAC's meeting
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	7:30	General membership mtg
Tuesday	9 <sup>th</sup>	7	Honor Guard meeting

*Donna Schilling, Editor*

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

**dschil925@gmail.com**



## NOVEMBER

Friday 1<sup>st</sup>  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup>

## CAFÉ REGULAR MENU

5 Chicken Tenders	\$ 8.00
5 Chicken Tenders with Fries	\$ 9.00
Onion Rings	\$ 6.00
French Fries	\$ 4.00
Cheese Fries	\$ 4.50
Hot Dog	\$ 5.00
Hot Dog with Cheese	\$ 5.50
Plain Burger/Cheeseburger	\$ 8.00
Double Cheeseburger	\$10.50
Chicken Breast Sandwich	\$ 8.00
Chicken Breast Sandwich w/Cheese	\$ 8.50
Chips & Queso	\$ 5.00

Available Condiments – Ketchup, Mustard, Honey Mustard, Ranch, Blue Cheese, Hot Sauce, BBQ, Horseradish, Mayonnaise, Vinegar, Old Bay, 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/delvets>

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



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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	Michael Janes
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 Vandebraak
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POST ACCOUNTANT	Bob Morris (A)
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SPORTS	Mike Buono
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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	
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2025	

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John "Moon" Riley (M) -at Large	2022 - 2023
Bill Frank (A) -at Large	2021 - 2024
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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**