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Editor: Donna Schilling
Reporters: Numerous

MEMBERSHIP:

1st READING

Present:

Henry Schultz – Army NG
Michael O'Neill – Marine
Gilbert [Butch] Bunner – Navy

NOT Present

Gregory Zentz – Marine
Raymond Kern – Army [active duty]
Paul Swezey – Navy [active duty]
Nicholas Niehoff – Army NG [active duty]

2nd READING

Present:

Brandi H Niehoff – Army NG [active duty]
Mark Ross – Associate

NOT Present:

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

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT:

DEATHS:

GloRia Smith spouse of Myron Smith passed 12/23
Harold J. Johnson - Army joined 8/18 passed 5/23
Howard Zebley – Assoc joined 11/10 passed 12/23
Robert McIntyre – NG joined 8/18 passed 6/23
Rich Jorgenson – Army joined 8/12 passed 10/23
Roy MacLaren brother -**Sean Maclaren** passed 10/23

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

ILLNESS:

Joe Barnes broke his arm in an accident.

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

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Hello Post Members,

Hard to believe but we are rolling into February already. How many of you have thought about running for office or moving into a leadership role at our Post? This is something that you are going to hear frequently this year. Most of our members think Del Vets is a special place and we all need to work hard to keep it that way.



The majority of our Executive Board has been serving far too long and it would leave us in a challenging position if they all decided to hang it up at once. So how about it fellow members - will 2024 be the year that you step up and help take our Post to the next level?

Our daily and weekly raffles are for your enjoyment and intended to bring more members into our Post on a daily basis. Both raffles operate on the honor system and most members abide by the rules. Recently the raffle payments have been regularly coming up short for the number of players. We understand how an occasional distraction can lead to a missed payment or two, but we are past that point; everyone is not paying their fair share. To all those who are deliberately not paying – you are stealing from your Post and fellow members. If this continues, we will be forced to go to the video. If that doesn't work, we're going to have Ringo (Ed Brinkman's K9) stand guard. I've seen a video of Ringo in action and it's not pretty. Enough said!

Last month I asked for your prayers for those in harm's way, protecting our freedom and way of life here at home. Since then, we lost two Navy SEALs and three soldiers were killed in a deliberate, unprovoked enemy attack. We never have all the facts but from a heartbroken Veteran, it appears our troops have their hands tied, are not allowed to return fire and there is no effort to make those who attacked American troops pay a steep price. If there ever is something in life that transcends politics, this is it. The geniuses in Washington that allowed this to happen should be

made to look the grieving families in the eye and explain why their sons died. Unfortunately, that will never happen because they have no explanation. This month I ask that you continue to pray for our brave men and women, and for our "leaders" who seem to have lost their way.

Bob Onorato, Commander

WAC's

Our next event will be a Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, February 24th at 3:00 PM. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board. This event is open to all WAC and Post Members. Prizes will be awarded!



At our January meeting we voted on collecting goods for Sojourner's House. Nancy Talley is organizing the collection of Blankets, Sweatshirts/Hats/Gloves/Socks, Wash Cloths, Soap, Toothbrushes/Toothpaste, Snacks/Canned Food, Pencil & Paper, and Gift Cards to Fast Food Restaurants such as McDonalds, Arby's, etc. We welcome the participation of all WAC and Post members. There will be a box in the lounge for goods, and if you are contributing gift cards, they can be given directly to the bartender.

Our next WAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 6 at 7:15 PM. We hope to see you there!

Heads up: WAC-Y BINGO will be on March 5th.

Lauren Cullumber, WAC President

HONOR GUARD

The Honor Guard is looking to start up an *Honor Guard Car Show Committee* to help with running the car show this year. If interested, please let us know via email or at the next Honor Guard meeting Scheduled for September 14th, 2024. Probably 15-19 hours.

Bill Conaway



DVETS RAFFLE 7:30

Wednesday's

14th, 21st, & 28th



ENTERTAINMENT 7:30 – 10:30

Friday	2 nd	Benny & Billy
Saturday	17 th	The Old News Band

Valentine's Party

February 17th 7pm – 10pm

Music by The Old News Band

Doors open at 6:30 No Charge Light Desserts

50/50. \$500 Cash Drawing

Call 302-475-0636 to Reserve your table today!

WIN \$500 CASH!

Spend 5 - Win 500

Just \$5 Per Raffle Ticket

DRAWING HELD SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17th
DURING DEL VETS VALENTINES DAY PARTY

(Winner Need Not Be Present to Win)

SEE BARTENDER FOR TICKETS

Proceeds Benefit Delaware Veterans Post #1

COUNTRY LINE DANCING 7:00



Friday 9th & 23rd

\$6 cover

Blues Event Fundraiser

February 18th @ 12pm



FUNDRAISER FOR TOMMY "MOOKIE" BRILL
 (Sunday) FEBRUARY 18th 12-6pm
 12pm Johnny Never & John Colgan-Davis + 1pm Nicely & Hawkins
 2pm Brad Vickers & His Vestapolitans + 3pm Mikey Junior Band
 4pm Lonnie Shields + 5pm **Tommy Brill & Big Joe Maher**
 limited spots available
 \$30 Donation with **The Future of the Blues**
 Del Vets 1 • 2535 Veterans Drive, Wilmington, DE
 CALL TO RESERVE YOUR TABLE 302 475-0636




2024 House Rockin' Party

SUNDAY MARCH 10TH
 Diamond State Blues Society
 Presents It's
HOUSE ROCKIN' PARTY 2024
FOUR BANDS TO PERFORM!!!!

All Happens @ The Delaware Veterans Post 1
 Wilmington, Delaware 12pm to 6pm
 Reserve Your Seats / Tickets By Calling Del Vets
TICKETS \$45 / Call Hotline @ 302-475-0636

Beer Special during Playoff Games!!!



\$1 Dollar - 12 oz Drafts
 Lite, Coors, Bud & Yuengling
 Just order a -
 "LUG, CUG, BUG OR YUG!!!"



DELVETS POST #1 WAC'S SPONSORED

SATURDAY, 2/24/2024

3 PM TO 5 PM

SIGN UP TO ENTER TO JUDGE \$8.00

TO EAT AFTERWARDS \$5.00

COME ON OUT AND ENJOY SOME FUN, GOOD FOOD AND PEOPLE.



SPORTS

CORNHOLE LEAGUE



Monday nights @ 6:00

5th, 12th, 19th & 26st

LADIES SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE



Monday nights @ 7:30

5th, 12th, 19th & 26st



SUPERBOWL PARTY

Sunday, February 11th
Hall and lounge will be open
Bring a dish to share
50/50. Door prizes. Raffles

IN-HOUSE POOL LEAGUE

CONGRATULATIONS TO
JOE TURNER, TERRY MOHR AND ANGIE RONEY.
WINNERS OF THE TUESDAY VS THURSDAY
"GRUDGE MATCH CLASSIC"!



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

FEBRUARY MEETINGS/EVENTS

Friday	2	7	Swim Team Beef & Beer
		7:30	Benny & Bill
Monday	5	6	Kitchen open
			Cornhole
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	6	7:30	WAC's meeting
Wednesday	7	7:30	General membership mtg
Thursday	8	5	Pizza & Wings
Friday	9	7	Country Line dancing
Sunday	11		SUPER BOWL LVII
Monday	12	6	Kitchen open
			Cornhole
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	13	7	Honor Guard meeting
		4:30	Fat Tuesday Po Boy & Jambalaya
Wednesday	14	7:30	DVETS
Saturday	17	7	Valentines Day Party
Sunday	18	12	Blues Event
Monday	19	6	Kitchen open
			Cornhole
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	20	7	E-Board meeting
Wednesday	21	7:30	DVETS
Thursday	22	5	Pizza & Wings
Friday	23	7	Country Line dancing
Saturday	24		Chili Cook-Off
Monday	26	6	Kitchen open
			Cornhole
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Wednesday	28	7:30	DVETS

MARCH

Tuesday	5	WACK-Y BINGO
Wednesday	6	General membership mtg
Tuesday	12	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.

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FEBRUARY

Monday	5	
Thursday	8	Pizza & Wings
Monday	12	
Tuesday	13	Fat Tuesday Po Boys & Jambalaya
Monday	19	
Thursday	22	Pizza & Wings
Monday	26	

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



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2024 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	Michael Janes(a)
Treasurer-Elect - Ex-Officio	Ed Herman (A)
Sergeant-at-Arms	Joe Koslosky (N)

<u>Executive Board Members</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
PRESIDENT	John Pastor (A)	2024
MEMBER	Bob Morris (A)	2025
MEMBER	Jim Hague (NG)	2025
MEMBER	Vince Knoll (A)	2024
MEMBER	Ed Brinkman(A)	2024
MEMBER	Roger Lee (AF)	2024

2024 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>Name</u>
BAR	Erin Doyle-Facciolo
BY-LAWS	Mark Schilling(N)-(PC)
CHAPLAIN	Randy Scott(M)
ENTERTAINMENT	Vince Vandebraak
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 / John Ratkevich
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POST ACCOUNTANT	John Descioli
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)	2023 - 2026
Jerry Stauffer (N)	2023 -2024
Ken D'Aurizio (N)	2023 - 2024
Bob Bostedo (A)	2023 - 2025
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John "Moon" Riley (M)-at Large	2023 - 2025
Bill Frank (A) -at Large	2021 - 2025
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 2023

Harvey Freville