



MARCH 2024

Editor: Donna Schilling
Reporters: Numerous

MEMBERSHIP:

1st READING

Present:

Gregory Zentz – Marine
Nicholas Niehoff – Army NG *[active duty]*

NOT Present

Raymond Kern – Army *[active duty]*
Paul Swezey – Navy *[active duty]*

2nd READING

Present:

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

NOT Present:

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

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT:

DEATHS:

Joseph Sweeny – Navy – joined 11/1/17 passed 2/9/24
Anthony Del Deo – Assoc joined 7/1/18 passed 1/7/24
David Reiher – Assoc joined 3/1/20 passed 2/15/23
Kenneth Young – AF – joined 11/1/14 passed 2/2/23
Marlene Harper – widow/George Harper passed 11/21

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,

For those who weren't aware, our Post hosted a Blues Fundraiser on February 18th. It was a benefit for a local musician who lost his leg in a motorcycle accident. There were a lot of good people doing good things that day and there was a nice sum of cash raised to help someone who is down on their luck. I have nothing but the



highest praise for everyone who stepped up in a time of need. Unfortunately, not everyone was on good behavior that day. Some crazed woman, who obviously has issues with men, verbally assaulted our entire kitchen staff and threatened to remove body parts from all of the men. She was a relative of one of the performers and certainly not a Post member. Unfortunately, I did not learn about this until after the fact, but she will not be welcomed back to our Post anytime soon. My reason for sharing this in our newsletter is to publicly apologize to our kitchen staff. No one should ever be treated that way at Del Vets, especially our hard-working kitchen staff. Please do not hesitate to tell someone on our leadership team if you see any of our members being treated this way.

I was recently asked what kind of projects do we have planned for our Post this year. Unfortunately, what we would like to do and what we will be able to do may be two different things this year. We told everyone back in January that we would have to tighten up our finances this year so that will certainly curtail many large high dollar projects. Here's what we have been discussing so far – any and all outstanding pool issues will be addressed before the pool opens this year, the new stage has been ordered (not a project but definitely a sizeable expense), the parking lot will have to be seal-coated before next winter, install a new ventilation fan in the kitchen store room, purchase new chairs for the hall (number to be determined by our cash flow), the back deck needs to be re-finished soon but that may have to wait a year or two and address some smaller, mostly cosmetic issues (touch up paint, door hardware, stereo cabinet doors, etc.). New ideas

are always welcome and can be submitted to the Commander or through the suggestion box.

Well, the fake news has already started ramping up for election season. There's talk of 16-year-olds voting in Vermont, NY City handing out monthly gift cards, illegals moving in with everybody and Russia threatening nuclear war. Don't believe everything you hear or see on the internet. Anytime it all starts getting you down, turn off the TV and come visit your Del Vets family. I guarantee you'll feel better the minute you walk in. And just remember, as bad as it seems sometimes, we still live in the greatest country in the world!

Bob Onorato, Commander

WAC's

The WACs have been busy! During the month of February, we were collecting goods to benefit Sojourner's Place. The packs were put together with blankets, sweatshirts, hygiene items, snacks, and more ahead of our chili cook off. Thanks to Becki Fetters & Joy Saladini for making the drawstring bags and to Nancy Talley for organizing and collecting the goods. Thanks also to all who came out to put the packs together and get them boxed up, and to Brian Thomas for transporting everything to Sojourners Place.

On Saturday, February 24, we held our annual chili cook off, where Mark Parsons took first place! We had nine chili entries and plenty of judges. Thanks to everyone who participated - Post and WACs members who bought 50/50, submitted chili entries, judged the contest, and bought bowls of chili after. Noelle Schwarzman and her committee did a great job, and it was a fun afternoon!

Next up is **WAC-y Bingo** in place of our regular meeting on Tuesday, March 5 at 7:00 PM. It will be \$15 for 12 games, with additional cards available for purchase. The cafe will be open starting at 4pm serving Jim Hague's famous cheesesteaks! We will also be raffling off a great "Bingo Bonanza Basket" - this basket has something for everyone! Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased at the bar. All are welcome so come out and bring your friends. To reserve a table, text Diane at 302-373-8715. This fundraiser is always a great time, so we hope to see everyone there!

Our **St. Patrick's Day dinner** will be held on **Sunday, March 17** from 5:00 - 8:00PM. We will be serving ham & cabbage and shepherd's pie, and tickets will be on sale shortly at the bar. The McAleer-Paulson Irish dancers will perform at 7:00 PM. We ask that if you are planning to attend, that you are seated in the hall by that time. This is always a great event and is family friendly, so plan to get your tickets early!

Lauren Cullumber, WAC President



Dick Bostick Update

Richard "Dick" Bostic is now residing at the Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA. He's in good spirits but misses everyone and everything about DelVets Post #1! He can be reached by dialing their main number (717) 367-1121, hitting 0 for the operator, and then asking the operator to be connected to his room.

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

13th, 20th, & 27th



ENTERTAINMENT 7:30 - 10:30

Saturday	2 nd	Katelyn Christine
Saturday	9 th	Rick & Connie
Saturday	23 rd	Jerry Lee Watkins

COUNTRY LINE DANCING 7:00



Friday 1st & 22nd
\$6 cover

SPORTS

POOL LEAGUE NEWS

Well folks I'm back out of the hospital and back to reporting on the pool league. Let me first start by saying where did the girls come from. Just makes it harder for the boys to concentrate. With that being said... I see no improvement in the level of play thus far, just the same old men trying to impress themselves plus the new girls. I'm still on the meds right now so I'll update you non-playing want to be shooters next month. As always, I wish to remain.... Un-named

CORNHOLE LEAGUE



Monday nights @ 6:00

4th, 11th, 18th & 25th

LADIES SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE



Monday nights @ 7:30

4th, 11th, 18th & 25th



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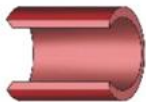


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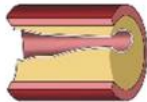
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Plaque buildup can lead to cardiovascular disease, stroke and aneurysms.



A normal artery allows blood to flow through easily.



Plaque buildup in the arteries reduces your blood flow and can be dangerous if left untreated.

Join the 10 million people who have been screened. We are coming to your neighborhood.

When: Tuesday, April 30, 2024

Where: Delaware Vets Post 1

To register for your appointment and to receive the special discount, please call toll-free **877-792-8479** or visit LLSA.SOCIAL/HC

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2024
**House
Rockin'
Party**

SUNDAY MARCH 10TH

Diamond State Blues Society

Presents It's

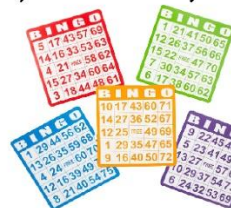
**HOUSE ROCKIN' PARTY 2024
FOUR BANDS TO PERFORM!!!!**

**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**

WAC-Y BINGO FUNDRAISER

All proceeds benefit local and veterans charities!
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2024 - 7 PM

**50/50
RAFFLE**



**BINGO
BONANZA
BASKET
DRAWING**

**30+
DOOR
PRIZES**

**DRINK
SPECIAL**

*Game cards sold in packets of 12 for \$15
12 games - 8 \$1 games, 4 \$2 games*

**DEL VETS MESS HALL
CHEESESTEAKS from 4-6:30 PM**

*Open to the public! Invite your family and friends!
Text! (302) 373-8715 for table reservations*

CHEESESTEAK NIGHT

TUESDAY, MARCH 5
4:00pm - 6:30pm



DEL VETS MESS HALL CHEESESTEAKS

- Your choice of 8 oz. of chicken or beef
- American or Provolone cheese
- Fried onions and mushrooms available
- Fixin' bar with all your favorite toppings
- All sandwiches include French fries

CHEESESTEAK & FRIES	\$12
CHICKEN TENDERS & FRIES	\$9
ONION RINGS	\$6
FRENCH FRIES	\$4

COME FOR CHEESESTEAK...STAY FOR WAC-Y BINGO AT 7PM!

DEL VETS ONLINE 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.

MARCH MEETINGS/EVENTS

Friday	1	7	Country Line Dancing
Saturday	2	7	Katelyn Christine
Monday	4	6	Cornhole
			Kitchen open
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	5	7:30	WACK-Y BINGO
		4	Jimmy's Cheese Steaks
Wednesday	6	7:30	General membership mtg
Friday	8	5	Pizza & Wings
Saturday	9	7:30	Rick & Connie
Sunday	10	12	2024 House Rockin' Party
Monday	11	6	Cornhole
			Kitchen open
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	12	7	Honor Guard meeting
Wednesday	13	7:30	DVets Raffle
Sunday	17	12	WACS's St. Patty's Day
Monday	18	6	Cornhole
			Kitchen open
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Tuesday	19	7	E Board meeting
Wednesday	20	7:30	DVets Raffle
Friday	22	7	Country Line Dancing
Saturday	23	7:30	Jerry Lee Watkins
Sunday	24	all day	Vietnam Welcome Home
Monday	25	6	Cornhole
			Kitchen open
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Wednesday	27	7:30	DVets Raffle
Thursday	28	?	Phillies Home Opener
Sunday	31		EASTER POST CLOSED

APRIL

Monday	1	6	Cornhole
			Kitchen open
		7:30	Ladies Shuffleboard
Wednesday	2	7:30	WAC's meeting
Wednesday	3	7:30	Gen membership mtg
Tuesday	9	7	Honor Guard meeting
Tuesday	16	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.

dschill925@gmail.com



MARCH

Monday	4	
Tuesday	5	Jimmy's Cheese Steaks
Friday	8	Pizza & Wings
Monday	11	
Monday	18	
Monday	25	

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

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Commander	Bob Onorato (CG)-(PC)
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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)
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POST ACCOUNTANT	Bob Morris (A)
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WAC's	Lauren Cullumber
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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