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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

I can't say it enough to the volunteers at American Legion Frank E. Booma Post 6, Thank You, Thank You, and Thank You again for supporting this year's Thanksgiving dinner making it a great success. Did you know Santa Claus is coming to town very soon? Rumor has it he'll be stopping at the Post to see your children and/ or grandchildren. As in past years, Santa will be bringing gifts for everyone who signed up. Please fill out the form in the **LAST 2** bulletins or sign up at the Grille. Return it to the Post before the cut-off date so no one is left without a present from Santa. Speaking of Santa, it's amazing how he brings out the youthfulness in all of us, make a date and come to the Post **Saturday December 6, 2014** to watch the Christmas parade. After the parade, the Hibernian Drum & Bag Pipes band plays several musical favorites for us, included in their repertoire of music is the Armed Forces Hymns. It's such a pleasure to have them perform for us every year. Names are still being accepted for consideration honoring the Post deck project. The closeout date for name submissions is January 31st. The name and date of the ceremony will be announced in the March newsletter. This next announcement comes with little surprise, during previous Post meetings the membership discussed making adjustments to the monthly newsletter mailings. With that said: after another lengthy discussion at the November Post meeting, the membership decided that December's newsletter will be the last "hard copy" letter you will receive by hand carried mail. Starting with January's newsletter and all future newsletters will be made available online through the Post website at feboomapost6.org. Another source that is being worked on to obtain the newsletter is FACEBOOK. However, FACEBOOK is not equipped to perform that kind of tasking so our administrator is working on the best way to post it on that site. During the discussion, the membership took into consideration those members who do not have access to a computer and came up with the following options; OPTION 1; Contact an alternate resource in your family so they can print a copy for you. OPTION 2; Copies of the newsletter will be available at the Post. OPTION 3; contact the administration officer of your organization to have a copy forwarded to you. Thank you for understanding and supporting the Post as we move forward.

Frank Desper, Post Commander

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At our last Post meeting, we heard from another of our Boy's State candidates. He gave a good presentation and described some of his experience. The meeting attendance increased a little. If you can make it to the Dec meeting, please come. At our next meeting in Dec, more candidates will be present so please attend and learn about Boy's State.

Jim Bailey, Post Senior Vice

ADJUTANT'S MESSAGE

It is almost the end of the year and we have nay members that have not renewed for 2015. Please do this as soon as possible. I must remind you that if you have the accidental death insurance and do go delinquent, your insurance lapses. Also, in order to vote in the Post elections you must have paid your dues prior to March 1st. It has been busy around here lately with nay functions. I remind you that this is the last hard copy of the newsletter that will be mailed. You may receive the newsletter at mylegion.org if you are a Post member. You just have to register and then you will have access to this tool. It is helpful for other needs as well. Take a look at it and find out about it. I am sorry that the newsletter is sometimes late getting out but it has been a practice that it cannot be published until after the Post meeting and then we need everyone to get there articles in on time to facilitate it being done promptly and then the process of folding, tabbing and labeling is time consuming. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Richard "Brooksie" Brooks, Post Adjutant

POST 6 COLOR GUARD MESSAGE

Our next Fish Fry will be **Friday, December 5, 2014** from 4-7 p.m. Thank you for your loyalty and please continue to support us.

Your 3 Time National Post 6 Color Guard

SQUADRON COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hi everyone – I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and are looking forward to the coming holidays. Unfortunately the cold weather is on its way also. Our 2015 membership is at 50% of this year's goal that was set for us at the department level, so we still have a way to go. Your 2014 membership will expire on **December 31, 2014**. Please do not wait until the last minute to renew. The next S.A.L. sponsored Surf & Turf will be held on **Saturday, December 13, 2014** from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Come on out and help support our fundraisers. The next S.A.L. meeting will be on **Wednesday, December 17, 2014** at 6:00 p.m. Please attend if you can. Thanks a lot and Happy Holidays.

Michael Hunt, S.A.L. Commander

SURF & TURF SCHEDULE

December 6th – Post
December 13th – S.A.L
December 20th – Unit
December 27th – Grille

BAND SCHEDULE

December 5th – Karaoke with DJ Darlene
December 6th – Ruff Kutz
December 13th – Echo Tones
December 20th – Substance
December 31st – New Year's Eve Party
Dirty Benjamins

Merry Christmas

GRILLE STEWARD'S MESSAGE

Hello and I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! This is the end of the year with Christmas fast approaching. WE will be open Christmas Eve until 11: p.m. for the Post Christmas arty. It will be a pot luck dinner and everyone is welcome to attend. Last call will be at 10:30 p.m. We will be having a New Year's Eve Party starting at 8:00 p.m. with finger foods and party favors. Come early and ring in the New Year in with your Post 6 Family! Stay safe and see you next year.

Sue Desper, Grille Steward

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Ladies: I want to thank everyone who has donated food items for the food pantry. We delivered one load of food and because of continuous donations; we have another load to deliver. Thank you for your donations. We are keeping this an on-going project. So feel free to drop off food items at any time. We had a membership dinner and certificates were given out to some members. We had good participation and a delicious dinner. Some of you said you didn't receive your newsletter until after the event. It was sent out later than it should have and I'm sorry you were not aware of the date. Let's hope you receive them before the first week of each month. I'm still collecting pull tabs for the Shriners Burn Center in Boston. They're coming in steadily and we appreciate it. We've collected more than 80-85 lbs so far for the Wounded Warriors and the Shriners. The December Unit meeting will be on Dec. 11th at 6:00 pm. The District Meeting/Christmas party will be in Newmarket on Friday, Dec. 12th. You must bring a gift to receive a gift and mark the gift for a man or woman. I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and a big "thank you" to the people who cooked and participated in serving the many dinners again this year. Hope you all have a Merry Christmas and look for the Children's Sign up Sheet in the Post for the Kid's party. This will be the last newsletter sent through the mail. From now on, the newsletter will be posted on the American Legion Post 6 website each month. If you do not have access to a computer, ask a relative or neighbor to assist you. Or the library is another source. If you do not have ANY access, please call me or Karyl Horn. We hope this will not be an inconvenience. Judi Fountas or Karyl Horn 603-988-4369.

Judi Fountas, Unit President 603-964-7007

UNIT MESSAGE

On November 11, 2014 we lost a long time member, Past Unit and Past Department President Shirley Calvert. She will be missed by many. I would like to thank those who donated to the Unit Bake Sale held on Saturday, November 22, 2014. The Unit realized \$90.00 toward the Auxiliary Emergency Fund. If I missed anyone, I am sorry and thank you for your donations – Karen, Sylvia, Cindy, Noreen, Bev, Shari, Carol Tuley, Judi, Shari and Subway. Your 2014 membership will expire on **December 31, 2014**. Please do not wait until the last minute to renew.

Karyl Horn, Unit Secretary/Treasurer

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Portsmouth, NH 03801



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13 Sagamore Road
Rye, NH 03870



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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	1 DEADLINE for Children's Christmas Party	2	3	4	5 Fish Fry 4-7 pm Karaoke	6 Surf & Turf 3 pm Ruff Kutz
7	8	9	10	11 UNIT MEETING 6 p.m.	12 District 3 Meeting 7 p.m. Newmarket	13 Surf & Turf 3 pm Echo Tones
14 Children's Christmas Party 1-3 p.m.	15	16	17 SAL MEETING 6 P.M.	18 POST MEETING 6 P.M	19	20 Surf & Turf 3 pm Substance
21 FOREFATHER's DAY	22	23	24 Christmas Party 8-11 p.m.	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS	26	27 Surf & Turf 3 pm NO Band
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve Party 8 p.m.	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR's	2 Fish Fry 4-7 pm Karaoke	3 Surf & Turf 3 pm T.B.A.