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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Although January is a slower time of the year, we need to remain focused and continue encouraging members to renew their membership for 2016. As a reminder, National Headquarters voted to increase the membership dues \$5.00 starting on January 1st and continue for the remaining 2016 year. The good news for you is, the Post voted to absorb that increase until the 2017 are ready for issue. It will be at that time when the increase will be reflected in your renewal. The 2017 cards will be ready for issue in May/ June time frame. Speaking of an increase; it was discussed on the floor, the post should increase the dues \$10.00 so if and when headquarters increases the dues again you will not be affected. To let you know, this increase will be put to a vote at an upcoming meeting so you might want to be there to cast your vote. Another year has gone by and with that comes a new beginning. We will be having nominations for Post Officers at the February meeting. If you are interested in becoming an officer of the Post submit your letter of intent to the Adjutant. I want to thank everyone who attended the Children's Christmas Party including Santa. He did a great Job. And to those who sent the Post-Christmas cards this year they were proudly displayed in the Grille for everyone to see. Attention Delegates and Post members **Saturday, January 30, 2016** is the date for our Mid-winter Conference at Post 7 Rochester, NH. Registration time is 08:00 the meeting starts at 09:00. Post T-Shirts are in stock and on sale for \$10.00 each. The sizes available are S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL and XXXXL. Other memorabilia items include Post ball caps \$15.00 each, Post hat pins \$3.50 each, American Legion lapel pins \$3.00 each and Post license plates \$5.00 each. By popular demand we added zipper sweatshirts for \$25.00 each and pullover hooded sweatshirts for \$30.00. If you cannot make it to the Post for purchases, you can download an order form from our web site for your shopping convenience. NOTE: when using mail order please add an additional \$6.00 to the complete order for shipping and handling. We will ship to anywhere in the United States. Please allow 4 – 6 weeks for delivery.

Frank Desper, Post Commander

SURF & TURF SCHEDULE

JANUARY 2nd – Post
JANUARY 9th – S.A.L.
JANUARY 18th – Unit
JANUARY 26th - Grille

BAND SCHEDULE

JANUARY 16th – Fog
JANUARY 30th – Allen Roux
FEBRUARY 5th – Karaoke with DJ Darlene
FEBRUARY 13th – Rosie
FEBRUARY 27th – KGB Band

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

If you know of anyone ill, in hospital or has deceased please let me know. Email: jsbailey54@gmail.com. Mobile phone 603-205-3903, Home phone: 603-433-3911

Jan Bailey, Post Chaplain

ADJUTANT'S MESSAGE

There is lots of info on expanding benefits for certain veterans and reservists. Visit www.benefits.va.gov. A bill was signed that creates an ID card for veterans. This card will be for veterans that are not in the VA system or are military retired. As such, these cards are used only for identification as a veteran. There will be a fee to receive this card from the VA. Plans are in the Works for rolling this out, so stay tuned for more info. There has been some confusion on what this card is used for. This should answer some of those questions. What is a Veterans Identification Card, (VIC) and how do I Get one? The Veterans Identification Card Act 2015 (Public Law 114-31) was enacted on July 20, 2015. The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is drafting regulations that will allow VA to implement and enforce the legislation. However, this is a lengthy process that requires time for a public comment period as well as approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The rule making process is expected to take 12 months or more. VA is also in the process of developing procedures and policies to implement the VA ID card program. VA currently estimates the program will be implemented in 2017.

IMPORTANT: Please renew your membership this month. As pointed out in the last newsletter, dues will be increasing \$5.00. This will take effect on January 15, 2016. Please make every attempt to renew your membership. You can renew online or send your dues to the Post. It only takes a minute. It is not too late and every member counts. Our organization can only survive with active members. If you know any veterans that may be interested, please contact any officer for an application. It is short and takes very little time to get started.

Our next meeting is **Thursday, January 21, 2016** at 1830 hrs. Take note of the meeting time change. Please come to the meeting, voice your concerns and find out what is happening both in this Post and the Legion. Future Newsletters will describe happenings so stay tuned.

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Jim Bailey, Post Adjutant

SQUADRON COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year everyone. Hope your holidays have been very good and that everyone has a great new year. Our 2016 membership is at 64% of our goal at this time. We still have a lot of members that haven't renewed yet. If you are one of them, please come in and renew. If you know of anyone that hasn't renewed, please remind them, thank you. The next S.A.L. sponsored Surf & Turf will be held on **Saturday, January 9, 2016**, from 3:00pm till 5:00pm.

Come out and have some fun. The next S.A.L. meeting will be held on **Wed. January 20, 2016 @ 6:00pm**. Hope to see you there.

Michael Hunt, S.A.L. Commander

GRILLE STEWARD'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a safe and fun night! I am posting entertainment for January and February so mark your calendars. I will no longer be doing a Dinner on the second Tuesday of the month. I give it a try but it did not work out. Maybe in the Spring we will revisit it. I hope to see you for one of our band nights. We always have the best! Stay safe and warm. Until next month.

Sue Desper, Grille Steward

UNIT NEWS

2016 Membership cards are available. Dues are \$30 new members, \$25 senior members and \$10 junior members. You can now pay your dues online? Simply go to www.ALAforVeterans.org and log in to the "Members Only" section. (You'll need to create your free login if you haven't already done so; it takes only a few seconds). Once in the Members Only section, click the "Pay Dues" button. You'll then be prompted on how to pay your renewal dues online – your dues statement is already calculated. It's easy, secure, and takes less than a couple of minutes. Once I receive notification, your dues card will be mailed.

Do you have any gently used shoes that you no longer wear and would like to donate? The AEF Committee is looking for new or gently used shoes. We will be paid by the pound and the money will go to the National Auxiliary Emergency Fund. Bring them to the Post Home and I will bring them to Mid-Winter.

Our next Unit meeting will be held on **Thursday, January 15, 2016** at 6 p.m. In the event of inclement weather (snow/ice) the meeting may be cancelled, please call the Grille at 603-436-7575 to confirm the meeting is being held or was cancelled due to bad weather.

Karyl Horn, Secretary/Treasurer

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Ladies: I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas. Snow hasn't visited us yet and I, for one, am not unhappy about that. With the weather we've been having, don't you feel like a snowbird?? The past couple of months have been busy with the holidays, fundraiser raffles, Children's Christmas Party, the Cherry Tree, the Bake sales, etc. We've done quite a bit and if it wasn't for all of you who have volunteered your time and effort, we would not have been able to accomplish what we did. Thank you all for your donations, cooking and serving turkey dinners, baking, shopping and wrapping for the Christmas Party and buying our raffle tickets. Thank you for making over 1,000 cherries for the tree and donating many canned goods for the food pantry. It was very much appreciated. The After Holiday Party at the Veterans Home will be held Saturday, Jan 9th from 2-4 pm. Mid-Winter Conference will be held Saturday, Jan 30th at the Rochester Post. Everyone is invited to attend. The Unit meeting will be on the 2nd Thursday in January at 6:00 pm. We will have a lot of business to discuss so please try to attend. On behalf the American Legion Auxiliary, we wish everyone a very healthy and Happy New Year.

Judi Fountas, Unit President 603-964-7007

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
27	28	29	30	31	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!	2 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
10	11	12	13	14 Unit Meeting 6 p.m.	15	16 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Fog
17	18 MLK DAY	19	20 S.A.L. Meeting 6 p.m.	21 Post Meeting 6:30 p.m.	22	23 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. FULL MOON
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Allen Roux
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FEBRUARY 2016

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2 GROUND HOG DAY	3	4	5 KARAOKE w/DJ Darlene	6 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
7	8	9	10	11 Unit Meeting 6 p.m.	12	13 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Rosie
14 HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!	15 PRESIDENT'S DAY	16	17 S.A.L. Meeting 6 p.m.	18 Post Meeting 6:30 p.m.	19	20 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
21	22 FULL MOON	23	24	25	26	27 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. KGB Band
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