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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

I'd like to thank everyone who came out and voted for the ensuing year's officers. There are still a few chairs that need to be filled. If you would like to be part of the executive board and learn about the officer's duties within the available billets, contact the Adjutant Jim Bailey or myself.

I've said this many times before and I'll say it again, with Memorial Day quickly approaching, this should not be the only time to remember our fallen comrades. We should remember everyone, including our first responders. Did you know that a large percentage of veterans make up first responders? So this Memorial Day, let's remember those Police Officers, Fire Fighters and medical teams who put their lives on the line for us every day. I would like share the following passage with you that comes from our Officer's guide, it reads; "Because of them, our lives are free; because of them, our Nation lives; because of them the world is blessed. May the ceremonies of today deepen our reverence for our honored comrade and friend?" Please don't forget anyone "who gave all" while we celebrate this Memorial Day. The Annual Memorial Day parade will form-up on Parrot Avenue at 1230 and stepping off at 1300. The parade route will take us through downtown, turning onto Richards Ave, stopping in South Cemetery to conclude in the City Hall parking lot. The entire parade route is approximately 1.5 miles. If you able to participate, let's walk together and show the community that Frank E. Booma Post 6 remembers everyone who gave so much for us to be free. The Sons-of-the-American Legion, Squadron 6 will be grilling-up hamburgers and hot dogs after the parade at City Hall. If you would like to volunteer with them contact Michael Hunt – Squadron Commander.

Frank Desper, Post Commander

SURF & TURF SCHEDULE

May 2th – Post
May 9th – S.A.L
May 16th – Unit
May 23rd – Grille
May 30th - Grille

BAND SCHEDULE

May 1st – Karaoke with DJ Darlene
May 2nd - Rosie
May 9th – Red Sky Mary
May 15th - Allan Roux
May 16th – Rhythm Method

HAPPY **M**other's DAY

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We had our elections on April 16 and the results are in. Congratulations to the new officers and thanks to all that voted. Commander: Frank Desper, Adjutant: Jim Bailey, Finance Officer: Steve Katsanos, Chaplain: Jan Bailey, Service Officer: George McCall, Assistant Service Officer: Don Poisson, Historian: Peter Tupper, Sargent at Arms: Henry Bourasso. Other positions are vacant. If you are interested, let one of the officers know or come to the next meeting in May. Our Installation was held on April 28th. There are still plenty of openings for delegates for the convention and this is the only way to have your voice heard. The Department Convention is June 25-28, 2015 in Manchester. Our next meeting is **Thursday, May 21, 2015** at 1800 hrs. Come out and show our new officers your support. **IMPORTANT:** 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 veteran that may be interested, please contact any officer for an application. It's short and takes very little time to get started. Another point – please come to the meetings and find out what's happening both in this Post and the legion. Did you know that you can read our newsletter on mylegion.org? Just register your login and you're all set. It's another way to stay in touch. Future newsletters will describe happenings during the summer so stay tuned.

Jim Bailey, Post Senior Vice

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

If you know of someone who is sick or in the hospital, please let me know. My telephone number is (603) 433-3911. Email is jsbailey54@gmail.com.

Jan Bailey, Post Chaplain

SQUADRON COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

I'd like to thank the members that came out and voted on Election Day. Thank you for showing your support.

The results of the elections are as follow: Historian – Drew Hogan, Chaplin – Jeff Malloy, Sgt. at arms - John Wilkinson, Adjutant - Mark Warrington, Finance Officer – Matt Karlson, Jr. Vice – Josh Ableman, Sr. Vice – Darius Marchand, and Commander – Michael Hunt. We're all looking forward to another good year. The next S.A.L. sponsored Surf & Turf will be held on **Saturday, May 9, 2015** from 3:00 pm till 5:00 pm. Come on out and try your luck. The next S.A.L. meeting will be **Wednesday, May 20, 2015** at 6:00 pm. Hope to see you there. Thank You!

Michael Hunt, S.A.L. Commander

POST 6 COLOR GUARD MESSAGE

Our next Fish Fry will be **Friday, May 1, 2015** from 4-7 p.m. Thank you for your loyalty and please continue to support us.

Your 3 Time National Post 6 Color Guard

GRILLE STEWARD'S MESSAGE

Hello and welcome to spring! Reminder - Memorial weekend will soon be upon us, please staying safe as we kick off the summer season. 😊 Until next time.

Sue Desper, Grille Steward

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Ladies: Last week your Unit had elections of officers. Unfortunately, only 17 members came out to vote. This is very sad. The interest in the Auxiliary is fading fast in every area. The officers who were voted in were the same officers from past years holding the same office. Why?? Because no one comes to meetings to learn what we are all about and no one will agree to be nominated for an office, and no one is interested in volunteering. We are only a few who volunteer and we can only do so much. So as a result we are at a stalemate. No new people to help with programs, no fundraisers to hold...no help there, either. We need revenue to continue and if we can't raise money and have the support of our Auxiliary members, we won't survive. We don't want to lose our charter and have to transfer elsewhere. Please think about participating once in a while. Then maybe the Auxiliary can continue with activities. We stopped doing Sunday breakfasts, craft classes, Penny sales, etc. No one helped and participation was low. We do thank the people who came each time. Come September, when we start over again, I will put out some of the fundraisers and activities we would like to have and I hope to get a lot of feedback from members as well as your promise to help out at times. Your ideas are more than welcomed, too. We are only talking about a couple of hours a month for the most part. So please think about it. Thank you.

On a brighter note, I'm happy to report that the town of Portsmouth has given the Auxiliary \$1,200.00 to order Flags for the Veterans at the South Street Cemetery. Mayor Lister was so accommodating and was glad to do it. So the Flags are ordered and will be placed on Memorial Day. Karen Hemstrought has been working for a few years to locate all Veterans in that Cemetery. We might miss some but will continue each year until all are located. Thanks, Karen. Now, if anyone knows of Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Brownies Troops who would like to help place the Flags as well as all other school children, please call me at 603-964-7007. We need a lot of help. Also, if any member would like to help, please do.

Judi Fountas, Unit President 603-964-7007

LOCAL SPONSORS



PIC-N-PAY
800 Islington Street
Portsmouth, NH 03801



Rye Location
13 Sagamore Road
Rye, NH 03870



SUBWAY
29 Vaughan Mall
Portsmouth, NH 03801

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
26	27	28	29	30	1 FISH FRY 4-7 p.m. Karaoke w/DJ Darlene	2 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Rosie
3 KENTUCKY DERBY FULL MOON	4	5 CINCO DE MAYO	6	7	8	9 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Red Sky Mary
10 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY	11	12	13	14 UNIT MEETING 6 p.m.	15 Alan Roux 7 – 11 p.m.	16 ARMED FORCES DAY SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Rhythm Method
17	18	19	20 SAL MEETING 6 p.m.	21 POST MEETING 6 p.m.	22	23 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. No Band
24	25 MEMORIAL DAY	26	27	28	29	30 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.

