

## Frank E. Booma Post 6 American Legion JANUARY 2023

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#### POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

The post wants to wish everyone a Happy New Year and welcome to 2023. For those who missed the parties, we had a blast at the Post Christmas party and New Year's Eve party. I also need to thank the designated drivers for after the new year's eve party ensuring everyone made it home safely. You're the best!!

As a reminder, in case anyone hasn't renewed their membership for 2023, a grace period to enter the post will be awarded while you're waiting for your new card. This period is being allowed to be signed into the post for a maximum of 3 times. After the 3rd visit, you will be turned away service until you produce a current membership card. See the Post Adjutant for your renewal or ask the bartender for an envelope for your dues (include your name and address) on it, then deposit the envelope in the appropriate organizational mailbox within the post.

Please read the entire newsletter for any additional information that might be of interest to you. I have to tell everyone, if it wasn't for you, the post wouldn't exist! Our programs wouldn't survive and our veterans wouldn't have nowhere to turn to for assistance. Thank you for your support throughout the years. If you haven't visited the post lately, stop in when you get a chance? At the members' 'request, we've added gaming machines to play for your enjoyment and/ or pastime. Again, Happy New Year everyone.

Frank Desper, Post Commander

## POST ADJUTANT'S MESSAGE

It's 2023! We at Post 6 hope it will be an amazing year for each of you!

A reminder that 2023 dues must be paid prior to being served in the grille beginning on Sunday, 1/1/2023. With well over 200 Post members paid, including several new members, I am hoping for a banner membership year.

Post-election of officers will be upon us before we know it. If you are not currently serving the post as an officer, or even if you are, please consider running for office in April. The survival of our post depends upon members stepping up to serve, especially young members. I can tell you from personal experience that serving your fellow veterans and the community at large as a post officer is a very rewarding endeavor. See you at the post!

#### SQUADRON COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hi everyone, Hope everybody had a great holiday. Our next S.A.L. meeting will be held on **Wednesday January 18, 2023** at 6:00pm in the second-floor hall. The next S.A.L. sponsored Surf & Turf will be held on **Saturday January 14, 2023**, at 3:00pm to 5:00pm. Hope to see you there.

Michael Hunt, S.A.L. Commander

#### SURF & TURF SCHEDULE

JANUARY 7th- Post JANUARY 14th – S.A.L. JANUARY 21st – Unit JANUARY 28th – Post

#### ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

JANUARY 6th – Karaoke w/DJ Darlene JANUARY 21st – Karaoke w/DJ Darlene JANUARY 28th – Key Element

#### **GRILLE MESSAGE**

Be sure to come in and try out the new EBOT machines!

Karaoke is the first Friday and third Saturday of the month!

The Grille Entertainment schedule is Jan 28, 2022 - Key Elements

As usual, Surf and Turf is every Saturday!

Feel free to email me for any reason!

For God and Country, Paddy O'Hare, Grille Steward steward.post6@gmail.com

### UNIT PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Ladies: Hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and looking forward to a better Happy New Year. We want to thank all Santa's helpers for putting together a very fun night Christmas Eve. Great food and great music. We didn't have many children for the Kids Christmas party, but they did have fun and enjoyed their presents. Thank you, Phil Fuller, for stepping in for Santa....you did a great job. I think you enjoyed it as much as the kids, if not more. We still have a box for collections to go to the food pantry. Please help out. Every item is appreciated. Our next meeting is the 2nd Thursday in January at 6:00 pm. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the Surf and Turf once a month. Hope your dues are paid, if not you will not be allowed to come to the canteen. Have a safe winter.

Judi Fountas, Unit President 603-964-7007

As a friendly reminder, if dues not paid by JANUARY 31st, you would eventually lose your privileges at the Legion (See Commander's message about 3 visits.)

That being said, the delegates to the 2022 National Convention voted to increase dues by \$6.00 starting in 2024. Sadly, Unit 6 will be voting in the months to come to increase our unit dues to **\$30.00** starting with the year 2024. More info to come.

Did you know? You could be a **PAID UP FOR LIFE** member. Pay once and never be concerned about your dues again. You won't have to worry about forgetting to renew your membership. A rate change in dues won't affect you. The PUFL rate is calculated based on the current dues rate. Interested! Contact me at karylh@comcast.net or unit6\_portsmouth@comcast.net.

There are several ways to renew your dues. Visit <a href="www.ALAforVeterans.org">www.ALAforVeterans.org</a> to renew online with your member ID on your card. You must log in to pay your dues. Click "Renew Here" and log in with your username and password. If you do not have a username or password, simply click "Sign Up" to get started.

- Pay by phone to ALA National Headquarters at (317) 569-4570, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST. Visa/MasterCard or Visa/MasterCard Debit are accepted when renewing online or by phone.
- Send to American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 6, 96 Islington Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801. Please make all checks payable to "American Legion Auxiliary." If you prefer, you can visit your unit and pay your dues directly to an Auxiliary officer.

Thank you for your continued support of Unit 6 and its programs helping our Military, Veterans, Families and Community.

Karyl Horn, Secretary/Treasurer

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S	M	T	W	Т	F	S
1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!	2	3	4	5	6 Karaoke with DJ Darlene 7-11 p.m.	7 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
8	9	10	11	12 Unit Meeting 6 p.m.	13	14 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
15	16	17	18 S.A.L. Meeting 6 p.m.	19 Post Meeting 6 p.m.	20	21 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Karaoke with DJ Darlene 7-11 p.m.
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Key Elements
29	31	31	1	2	3	4 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.

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