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or cancellations at the Club
will be listed on
Channel 3 WFSB



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Veterans Coffee House is every 3rd Thursday of the month

This editions dates are **March 21st. An evening event from 6:00 to 8:30 & April 18th** from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm at the *Army & Navy Club*. This event is brought to you by the Veteran Advisory Committee of Manchester, The Army & Navy Club, Elks Lodge, DAV and other veterans organizations. We welcome veterans from Manchester and surrounding towns to join us for conversation, connection and info on the benefits available to you. Coffee, Tea, water & Snacks are served. Invite a fellow veteran to attend with you. Hope to see you there!

Setback Tournament

Our next Setback Tournament will be **Friday, April 5th with dinner at 6:00 & Cards at 7:00 pm. \$14.00 per person.** Come and join us for dinner and a fun night of cards. Contact Rich or see someone at the bar to sign up.

Come join us again for a night of
Fun, Dance & Music with
COVER2COVER Band

**Friday night April 26th from
7:30 to 10:30**

Tickets are \$10 each purchased
now at the bar or \$15 at the door.
You can bring your own food/
snacks. Beverages available at
the bar. Doors open at 6:30
Come down and have a great
time.

Bingo

~ Every Saturday Evening ~

~ Open to the public ~

Doors & Kitchen open at
4:30 ~ Bingo starts at 6:30 pm

Non Smoking, Cash Prizes

The kitchen is open with a variety
of hot foods, snacks & soft drinks
available for sale.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED
IN THE HALL AND THE
KITCHEN. COME SUPPORT
YOUR CLUB.**

Next "All Members Meeting" is
Wed, April 17th at 7:00 pm.

Come for the news and
camaraderie, and stay for
something good to eat.

2024 All Members Meeting
schedule is as follows:

June 19th, Sept 18th & Oct 16th

Army Navy Club Golf League

The Army & Navy Club Golf
league starts up again on April 24,
2024 at Tallwood Country Club.

New teams are welcome.

Anyone interested call or text Rich
at 860-690-9643 or
Dave at 860-805-0789.

Free Veteran Memberships

Any new Veteran member
signing up will receive their
Membership free for the first
year. Complete an application
and submit with a copy of your
DD214 to receive your
Membership.

*Belief without evidence = Faith. A
new season is upon us, a promise
of warmer days of new growth. All
will be well.*

God's love and grace be with you.

Sarah Flaherty, Chaplin

Bill's Corner

"Spring is here, the earth rejoices ". Somehow that doesn't seem to fit these days. With the world spiraling out of control, "It's a mad, mad, mad, mad world "seems to fit better. History shows it's been happening for hundreds of years and we just don't want to learn. A story comes to mind from the 3 day battle of Stones River Tennessee during the civil war in 1863. It was a cold day on the last of December and Union troops huddled around camp fires that first night singing old songs trying to keep warm with thoughts of home. Just across a large field, the Rebs were camped and hearing them, yelled out "Hey Yank, play something we know" And so 81 thousand men sang "Home Sweet Home" in what was considered to be the largest chorus ever assembled in the Northern Hemisphere. 2 days later, 24 thousand would never sing again in a battle where the North claimed victory but neither side gained anything. Where are we going? On the flip side, I was working Bingo one Saturday night not long ago and an astonishing thing happened. A person started choking violently in the back of the hall. The caller immediately recognized it and yelled. One of our officers nearby jumped up and performed the Heimlich maneuver which freed the obstruction and saved the person. A truly great and thankful deed. What was more astonishing was at least 12 other people got up and ran to the back of the hall to help. What a great thing to know, that goodness and friendship still abound when you least expect it. The golf league starts up soon. We also have a setback tournament and even a couple of dances with good live bands. Shuffleboard keeps gaining in popularity on Thursday nights and Corn Hole has started. My next door neighbor texted me one cold morning "windows Frozen". I texted him back "Pour some warm water on it" Ten minutes later he texted me "Computer's completely messed up". Please stop by the club when you're in the area. Share a laugh and a drink with someone. Remember to shake hands and cherish the moment. For someday that person will not be there again. From all the officers and board members, we wish you a good Easter Holiday and best wishes for anniversaries and birthdays to those so deserving. Until next time have a good month and have a good life.

Bill Flagg