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We would like to take a moment to honor & remember those members we have recently lost.

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Memorial Day - Monday, May 26th

The Memorial Day Parade steps off from the Army & Navy Club at 9:30. Those who wish to march or ride in this year's parade are asked to show up at 8:30. After the parade there will be a Flag Ceremony before noon. Food will then be served. **Help us honor our fellow comrades who have left us. We are requesting YOU to join us in marching or riding in this year's parade. Please contact Marty Klukas, Captain of our Color Guard, if you are able to join. 860-990-5542**

Veterans Coffee House every 3rd Thursday

This editions dates are:
May 21st 10:00 am to 12:30 pm at the Army & Navy Club.

IMPORTANT: Please note that due to the Juneteenth Holiday, the June Coffee House will be hosted at the Elks Lodge BBQ on June 5th. All are welcome. Doors open at 10:30. Register Gerry Gallo at 860-836-8396 or veterans@manchesterelks.org

This event is brought to you by the Veteran Advisory Committee of Manchester, VFW, Army & Navy Club, Elks Lodge, DAV and other veterans organizations. We welcome veterans from Manchester and surrounding towns to join us for a time of conversation, guest speakers, connection and info on the benefits available to you. Coffee, water & snacks are served. Invite a fellow veteran to attend with you. Hope to see you there!

<u>Corn Hole Tournaments</u> 2nd Thursday of every month 6:00 pm check-in / 6:30 start \$5.00 buy in, Random Draw, Prizes & Snacks	Next “All Members Meeting” is Wed, June 18, 2025 at 7:00 pm Come for the news, camaraderie, and stay for something good to eat. 2025 All Members Meeting schedule is as follows: Sept 17th & Oct 15th
<u>Shuffleboard Tournaments</u> Last Thursday of every Month 6:00 pm start \$5.00 buy in Winner takes all each month Random draw partners	<i>Come on down for another great Chicken BBQ dinner</i> <i>Sunday, June 1st 3:00 pm</i> <i>\$15.00</i> <i>See any of the bartenders for your tickets</i>
<i>We Trust beyond the absence There is presence That beyond the pain There can be healing That beyond the brokenness There is wholeness That beyond the anger There may be peace That beyond the hurting There can be forgiveness That beyond the silence There may be the word That beyond the word There may be understanding That through the understanding There is Love</i> <i>Author unknown May God’s Love, Peace and Grace be with you. Sarah Flaherty, Chaplin</i>	<u>Bingo</u> ~ Every Saturday Evening ~ ~ Open to the public ~ ~ Doors & Kitchen open at 4:30 ~ ~ Early Bird game at 6:00 ~ ~ Bingo starts at 6:30 pm ~ Highest cash prizes in the area Non Smoking The kitchen is open with a wide variety of Hot foods, Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Grilled Cheese, Soup, Snacks, Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate, Water & Soft drinks available for sale. VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED IN THE HALL AND IN THE KITCHEN. COME SUPPORT YOUR CLUB.
<u>Free Veteran Memberships</u> 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, discharge papers or Active duty card to receive your Membership.	

<u>Bill’s Corner</u> “SPRING IS HERE; THE EARTH REJOICES”. From a Kindergarten song I learned almost a century ago. From oil lamps, wood stoves, cars with rumble seats, pens with inkwells, crank telephones, to rides in space, cars that drive themselves, computers that will talk to you, turn on and turn off everything you use, and virtually plan and run your whole life. WOW. What a transition. And the earth is definitely not rejoicing. It seems a shame that 100 senators, 435 congressman, 1 President, and 9 Supreme Court Justices which equates to 545 human beings out of 300 million, who are directly, legally, morally, and individually responsible for the domestic problems that plague this country can’t come to any consensus on what makes America great and what may make it sink. I think a lot of Americans take for granted that we will always be here. But we can still play golf and watch baseball. And it’s time to start the barbecues and put away the Julia Child recipes. Did you know that she also invented shark repellant? I hope she didn’t keep it in the same cupboard. Other woman inventors have given us windshield wipers, computer programing, and one of everybody’s favorites, chocolate chip cookies. Summer programs are on at the club. Memorial Day will be the parade, flag ceremony, food and good times at the club. So come on down. Cruising on Main will be first week in August, so watch for that. Bingo floor workers are still welcome, male or female, just 2 hours on a Saturday night. We thank all of the dart team members for their attendance this year and hope they all will be back next year. A very old and wealthy man decided one day he was going to take all of his money with him when he died. So, he told his wife he was putting his money in suitcases and putting them in the attic so that as he was going to meet his maker, he would grab the suitcases on his way. Soon after the man died, she got curious about the suitcases. So she went up into the attic and sure enough, they were still there. The wife looked at them for a moment, shook her head and said to herself, I knew he should have put them in the basement. Something to ponder: Remember to hold hands and cherish the moment for someday that person will not be there again. From the Officers and Board of Governors, a Happy Birthday and other holiday wishes to all those so deserving and until next time, have a good month and have a good life. Bill Flagg
