

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

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#### **POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE**

I need to thank the St. Patrick's Day cooking and serving volunteers (Sheila Katsanos, Shari Smith, Bev Stone, Irene Kio, Judi Fountas and Marion King). You're the best!!! Without people like you our post would not be able to do the things we do for our veterans and their families.

April is voting month everyone, the polls will open at noon and close at 6:00 pm on Thursday April 20, 2023. The incoming candidates will be announced shortly after the ballots are counted. Consider coming to the post and vote for the candidate of your choice. (FYI) Our post membership is just under 400 veterans. Last year only 15 votes were counted. I hope we have a better turnout this year? Please bring your 2023 membership card to acquire a voting ballot. If you're interested in campaigning for a chair, write-in candidates are accepted. The current open chair available is 2nd Vice Commander. However, you can still campaign for a different chair if you wish? If becoming an officer of the post isn't an option for you this year, consider volunteering for one of the many committees appointed to oversee the post operations? The post would like you to get involved with our activities?

Don't forget about last month's newsletter input about enrolling into the VA healthcare system. You need it and deserve it. You can contact the Post Adjutant for more information. Or you can call the VA medical center in Manchester at 1-800-892-8384.

Frank Desper, Post Commander



#### **POST ADJUTANT'S MESSAGE**

Greetings Fellow Veterans! Please believe me when I tell you that the continued survival of Post 6 is far from guaranteed! Attendance at post meetings continues to be scant, and only one member has stepped up to assume an office for the remainder of 2023 and into 2024. Post business and survival continues to fall on too few members. Post 6 is doing valuable work for veterans, veterans' families and others in and outside of our community. But new, young leadership is sorely needed if our work is to continue. Please consider learning about post officer positions and what they entail so that you can feel confident in stepping up and running for office in 2024. I can assist you in that regard if needed. We have something very valuable to our veterans and to our community here at Post 6. Let us ensure our survival into the future.

Please do not hesitate to call or visit me in the office if I can be of assistance.

Frank Capalare, Post 6 Adjutant

#### **GRILLE MESSAGE**

Happy Easter!

Come on in and try out the EBOT machines!

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

The Grille Entertainment for April is the band, Echo Tones on Saturday, April 22, 2023.

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
<a href="mailto:steward.post6@gmail.com">steward.post6@gmail.com</a>

#### SURF & TURF SCHEDULE

APRIL 1st- Post APRIL 11th – S.A.L. APRIL 15th – Unit APRIL 22nd – Post APRIL 29th – Post

#### ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

APRIL 7th – Karaoke w/DJ Darlene APRIL 15th – Karaoke w/DJ Darlene APRIL 25th – F.O.G. MAY 5th – Karaoke w/DJ Darlene

#### SQUADRON COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Welcome to April, hopefully it's bringing good weather with it. We will be holding elections for officers in the upstairs hall at the Post on Thursday, April 20 2023 from 12:00 to 6:00pm. You'll need to show your 2023 membership card to vote. Our next S.A.L. meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 6:00pm, and the next S.A.L. sponsored Surf & Turf will be held on Saturday, April 8, 2023 from 3pm till 5 pm. Hope to see you there!

Michael Hunt, S.A.L. Commander

#### **UNIT PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Hello Ladies: Nominations were held and the same officers were nominated. No one else attended the meeting so we will keep our offices again this year. No one appears to be interested in seeing what is happening with the Auxiliary. The food basket donations were collected and there were many canned items that were 2 and 3 years old. We cannot accept those for donation as I explained in a previous Newsletter. Please don't donate old food items. Also, toys and Play Dough are not food items. Those were discarded. Sorry.

Judi Fountas, Unit President 603-964-7007

Unit 6 will be voting to increase our unit dues to **\$30.00** starting with the year 2024 at the April meeting, **Thursday**, **April 13**, **2023**, at 6 p.m. Your attendance would be appreciated.

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.

Karyl Horn, Secretary/Treasurer

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26	27	28	29	30	31	1 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. FOOL'S Day
2	3	4	5	6	7 Karaoke with DJ Darlene 7-11 p.m.	8 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
9 HAPPY EASTER!	10	11	12	13 Unit Meeting 6 p.m.	14	15 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Karaoke with DJ Darlene 7-11 p.m.
16	17 PATRIOT DAY TAX DAY	18	19 S.A.L. Meeting 6 p.m.	20 Post Meeting 6 p.m.	21	22 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Echo Tones
23	24	25	26	27	28 ARBOR DAY	29 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
30	1 MAY DAY	2	3	4	5 Karaoke with DJ Darlene 7-11 p.m.	6 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.

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