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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas this year. I want to thank everyone who donated a dish in support of our annual Christmas Eve party. D.J. Darlene played a good variety of music not to mention all of the singers who sang all of the Christmas songs we grew up with, a good time was had by all. A few days later we rang in the New Year with the band FOG playing at their best, the dance floor was hopping all night. Not to mention, we had a champagne toast at midnight.

As we advance into the new year of 2020, my goal is to advance the Post membership right along with it. I respectfully request that everyone try and sign up at least one new member. To help you and make it easier to accomplish this request, the American Legion changed the requirements becoming a member of our organization. The new requirement is; the perspective veteran needs to have an honorable discharge paper from active duty (DD-214) along with the current year membership dues (\$30.00) attached to the application form and submit it for approval. The application forms are at the Post or can be downloaded from the legion.org website. Let's all try and do our part keeping the membership active and growing? I'd like also to tell you about some other changes that occurred within the American Legion organization. The American Legion Auxiliary now offers a venue for those active duty members' spouses who cannot join the organization within the Sons-of-the-American Legion or becoming a Legionnaire themselves. These interested applicants need to discuss the process with the Auxiliary President or Secretary here at the Post.

Frank Desper, Post Commander

<u>ADJUTANT'S MESSAGE</u>

Happy new year. A good year for the post. Our membership is increasing and we are at 75% of our goal. The monthly newsletter can be accessed at **feboomapost6.org.** Some info bears repeating. The membership rules have changed. It is now official policy. The dates for membership in the legion were expanded to include all veterans honorably discharged or still serving since December 7th 1941. The remaining requirements remain the same. Any veteran that you know that is not a member could be invited to join by you. Talk this up and bring them in for a visit. Membership renewals have slacked off a little. Any member with 50+ years of membership can request that there are dues paid by the Post. Keep in mind that you will be delinquent if you have not renewed before Feb 1,2020. Speaking of dues, they will

remain at \$30 for this year. You can renew at www.legion.org or through the mail. Also, we cannot accept any credit card payments. If you tried this, you will need to send in a check or do it online. Please ensure that a copy of your DD-214 is on file with the Post. We need to be able to verify your service. If you can't locate it, contact the Post and we can get the paperwork started so that you can receive your copy. Reminder, all veterans with honorable or general discharges are eligible to shop online at the various service exchanges. You can verify your status on www.vetverify.org. Our organization can only survive with active members. If you know any veteran that may be interested, please contact any officer for an application. Our next meeting is January 16th at 1800. Attendance at the monthly meetings have still been slacking. There are still several officer positions available. If you're interested, submit your name at the next meeting. Also, delegates are needed for the department conferences and convention. The next department conference is on January 25th at Post 7 in Rochester. All are invited and it starts at 9am. Only requirement is a desire to serve. Come to the meeting and submit your name. If you have an idea or concern, please come to the meetings and voice your concerns. Find out what's happening both in this Post and the Legion. Come out and find out about your post.

Jim Bailey, Post Adjutant

SQUADRON COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hi everybody, hope everyone is doing good and looking forward to an easy winter, hopefully! The next S.A.L. Surf & Turf will be held on **Saturday, JANUARY 11th** from 3:00 till 5:00 pm. Hope to see you there. The next S.A.L. meeting will be held on **Wednesday, JANUARY 15th** at 6:00 pm. Please try to attend if you can.

Michael Hunt, S.A.L. Commander

SURF & TURF
SCHEDULE
JANUARY 4th – Post
JANUARY 11th – S.A.L.
JANUARY 18th – Unit
JANUARY 25th – Post

BAND SCHEDULE

JANUARY 3rd - Karaoke with DJ Darlene
JANUARY 17th - Karaoke
JANUARY 25th – Ghost Riders
Check out our Facebook Page for upcoming
events!

GRILLE STEWARD'S MESSAGE

Can you believe it.... Welcome to 2020!!! I wish my vision that good again. (laughter) Speaking of getting good again, we are making a few changes for you and your guests in the Grille. Starting with the band night start times. They've changed to 7:00 pm vice 8:00 pm. Another change is; we're not only offering karaoke on the first Friday of each month for you and your friends, you can do it all over again on the third Friday of each month. I've been looking for a while now but, one other change we're going to try is, consider a light venue of entertainment to start on Thursday nights. If you know a guitar player or two who would like break in the entertainment business playing on stage or someone who already has the experience and would like to make a few dollars playing for a couple of hours, let me know. We (the Grille staff) are trying effortlessly to provide you the best social area in downtown

Portsmouth. OH, and don't forget... tell your friends that they come in the Grille to enjoy themselves even if you don't want to come out? Tell them there's always someone on duty that'll be happy sign them in. Who knows, after a few visits your friends may become a member and won't have to be signed in?

<u>UPCOMING ENTERTAINMENT</u>

SATURDAY JANUARY 25, 2020 7-12 pm GHOST RIDERS

SURF AND TURF

Join us for Surf and Turf every Saturday 3-5 pm

We appreciate your business and support.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Ladies: Hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and wishing you all a Happy New Year. 2020 is upon us and it makes us think of the past year.... people who entered our lives and those who left us but are watching over us. If you know of anyone, member or family member, who is sick or deceased, let us know so we may send a card. The Auxiliary is working hard to support our Military/Veterans, community, children, etc. We would like more volunteers to help with our programs, social events, etc. Don't forget your dues are due on the 31st of December....that is the deadline. Please see Karyl Horn. If you know of anyone eligible for membership (male or female), please get an application and Karyl will get it processed. See us for any information you need. Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. Usually lasts about 1 hour. Hope to see more members come to at least one meeting to see what we are doing and planning. Your input is welcomed.

~ Check out the new and improved Post 6 Website.... Go to feboomapost6.org. Be sure to subscribe to receive the newsletters by email in the near future. Spread the word! ~

JANUARY 2020						
S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S
29	30	31	1	2	3 Karaoke w/DJ Darlene 7 p.m.	4 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
5	6	7	8	9 Unit Meeting 6 pm	10	11 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
12	13	14	15 S.A.L. Meeting 6 p.m.	16 Post Meeting 6 pm	17 Karaoke	18 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. GHOST RIDERS
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.

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