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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

My thanks goes out to all the volunteers who helped make it possible for all of our members to return to the Post to enjoy one of their social activities. Another good thing about opening is, the weather has been holding out for us up to this point. Hopefully we'll be able to move inside the Post on or after June 1st?

I need to let everyone know, without traditional Memorial Friday and Memorial Day events being canceled this year, a representative of the Post volunteered to pay tribute to our fallen Veterans. On Friday, this member laid flowers on the water inside Prescott Park at the designated area. Then on Memorial Day, the member proceeded to South Cemetery and placed the ceremonial wreath at the designated area in front of the WWI monument. GOOD JOB!!!

Frank Desper, Post Commander

ADJUTANT'S MESSAGE

The Legion department offices are closed to all persons until further notice as the building has been put in shut down until further notice. No word yet on when the 2021 membership cards are available. The current ones are good until December 31st. They can still receive calls, emails and regular mail. Department information can be accessed at www.legionnh.org. Legion baseball has been cancelled. Be aware that the situation is changing daily. The monthly newsletter can be accessed at feboomapost6.org. Membership renewals have slacked off a little. Any member with 50+ years of membership can request that there are dues paid by the Post. Speaking of membership, the legion membership has now been expanded to include the new Space Force. 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. All present officers will serve until 2021. The next meeting will be June 18th. We are now looking for a member to become the next Adjutant. Only requirement is a desire to serve. Training will be provided. 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 everyone, hope everybody is doing well. We will not be having an S.A.L. meeting in June due to restrictions from the virus, and there are no meetings scheduled for July and August, as these are our scheduled months off. Our next scheduled meeting will hopefully be Sept. 16th at 6:00pm. Our 2021 S.A.L. membership cards will be available for issue beginning July 1st. Thank You and stay healthy!

Michael Hunt, S.A.L. Commander

GRILLE STEWARD'S MESSAGE

The inside Grille area looks beautiful and ready to open thanks to volunteers who made it possible. Unfortunately, the only indoor events that can occur at this point is; purchasing beverages, pull tab tickets and to utilize the lavatory. We wish there was better news to report but, as we work thorough this social distancing order, everybody has to remain outside.

We'll keep you updated as the social distancing order is relaxed and we all can move inside. Once that happens, we will be able to start scheduling the bands and Karaoke for your evening entertainment. And return our Surf & Turf fundraiser for your Saturday afternoon enjoyment.

Until then, keep an eye open for FACEBOOK announcements or call the post at a later date to see if we've moved inside?

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Ladies: It's been nice seeing friends at the Legion finally. Let's hope it continues and everything is lifted so we can get back to our lives. The Veterans Council was able to place Flags at the cemetery on Saturday. Thank you to Karen, Joelly and Craig for helping. We did miss having the Parade this year but let's hope next year will be different. Thank you to Bev Stone for taking care of the wreaths and the flowers for Prescott Park.

The Veterans Council hosted a cookout on Monday, Memorial Day. We had a nice group from Portsmouth and other Posts and still practiced social distancing. Karen and I did the cooking and thank you to Karen, Bev, and Sheila for donating side dishes and desserts. Thank you to everyone who helped with the cleaning. Everyone enjoyed socializing again.

We will not have a meeting until September but keep membership coming in. If you know anyone who wants to join, see Karyl or me for an application. We will also have some behind the bar. Karyl will have the new 20-21 cards so please pay your dues ASAP. They are due by 12/31/20.

For 8 & 40 members, if you haven't been notified, the Hooksett meeting has been cancelled until next year. Stay safe.

Judi Fountas, Unit President

America did not invent human rights. In a very real sense, human rights invented America.
Jimmy Carter

MEMEBERSHIP

Ladies – We are sooo close to achieving 100%. We only need 20 more members to pay their 2020 dues. Due to social distancing, a great way to renew your dues, is paying over the phone at 317-569-4570 or online at www.alaforveterans.org Dues are still \$25.00. Send your check to Unit 6, American Legion Auxiliary, 96 Islington Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801. Your dues help the Unit sponsor girls to Girls State, provide an educational scholarship, etc. Did you know that those enlisted in the new SPACE FORCE are eligible for membership in the American Legion and their spouses in the American Legion Auxiliary?

Karyl Horn, Unit Secretary/Membership Chair

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