



**Frank E. Booma Post 6  
American Legion  
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**POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE**

During this month we'll be celebrating our nation's 250th birthday on Saturday July 4th, 2026. A BBQ with all the fixings will be available inside the post for the members. A selected menu will be offered to the passersby. The post is asking for a \$5.00 donation for each plate from everyone.

(Members & guests menu) pulled pork, hamburgers, hot dogs with side salad dishes and ice cream for dessert.

(Passersby menu) choice of pulled pork, hamburger or hot dog with a bag of chips and soft drink to carry out.

We have other events in the making but are still waiting for return RSVP's to round off the day. The BBQ starts at 12:00 and will run until the food is gone. The other events will also start at 12:00 and will carry through until surf and turf begins at 3:00.

If all of our planned events come together, parking at the post will be at a premium. I suggest parking along the street across from the post. There's a possibility Davies Tires will be closed that day so you can park there. If they're not closed, please don't park there. WARNING, DO NOT park in the lot next to the post. The association will have you towed.

The 2027 membership cards are available for issue. To inform everyone, at the department convention, a motion was made to raise the 2027 dues \$5.00. With that motion approved we had to take action on our part, so at our last post meeting a motion was made to increase the 2027 renewal cost to \$37.00 to cover the increase in dues. It's hard for me to apologize for this increase as we move forward during this life and time. I hope you will continue to support our organization and renew your membership.

I encourage everyone to come to the post to enjoy the fireworks from the deck. Grab a beverage of your choice, have a seat and enjoy the show!!! Come early, the deck only holds 29 people. You can stand on the side steps leading up to the second floor, no seats will be available. Unfortunately, you

won't be able to see much of the ground show from the deck but, the view for the sky show is awesome!!! Check out the City of Portsmouth newsletter for more information and rain dates.

Enjoy the summer months everyone. On your way through town, stop in the post, take a break and cool off in the air conditioning. Maybe tell a few sea stories?

Frank Desper, Post Commander

### **SAL COMMANDER'S MESSAGE**

Greetings Squadron, As we celebrate another summer together, I want to thank each of our members, parents, and supporters for everything you do to make our Squadron strong. The Sons of the American Legion is built on service, patriotism, and teamwork, and each of you plays an important role in continuing those traditions. I hope everyone is enjoying their summer break while taking time to reflect on the freedoms we are fortunate to enjoy as Americans.

This July, we invite everyone to join us for our annual Fourth of July Cookout. It's a wonderful opportunity for members, families, and friends to come together for great food, fun, and fellowship while celebrating our nation's independence. We encourage everyone to wear their red, white, and blue and help us honor the brave men and women who have defended our freedom throughout our country's history.

This year is especially meaningful as we celebrate America's 250th anniversary. This historic milestone reminds us of the sacrifices, courage, and determination of those who founded our nation. As members of the Sons of the American Legion, we have the privilege and responsibility of carrying forward the values of patriotism, service, and respect for our veterans. Let us all take pride in being part of this once-in-a-generation celebration and continue serving our communities with honor.

Although we take a break during the summer months, I encourage everyone to stay involved by participating in community events, volunteering when possible, and supporting our local American Legion family. Every act of kindness and service reflects positively on our Squadron and strengthens the bond we share as members dedicated to making a difference.

Please remember that our next Sons of the American Legion meeting will be held in September. I look forward to seeing everyone back together after the summer, hearing about your experiences, and planning another exciting year of activities and service. Until then, have a safe and enjoyable summer, have a wonderful Fourth of July, and thank you for your continued dedication to our Squadron and our nation.

Cameron Chick, Squadron Commander

### **GRILLE STEWARD'S MESSAGE**

Hello everyone, I sure hope you've all been enjoying this beautiful summer weather!!

We are gearing up and getting ready for America's 250th birthday here at the post. On Saturday July 4th we are having a big BBQ lunch here with burgers and dogs and pulled pork sandwiches with all the sides for our members to enjoy. If you have a side dish you'd like to share bring it on in.

Our awesome DJ Darlene will be here on Friday, July 3rd as well as Saturday July 18th for our many 'rock star singers' to enjoy with both evenings starting at 7 pm.

I guess I will be short and sweet this month and tell you all to be safe, be kind and be good to each other. One more thing, in this extreme heat please check on your neighbors and friends to make sure everyone is safe.

Until next month.....

Shari Smith, Grille Steward

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

Greetings. We hope your summer has been enjoyable thus far. The Auxiliary & Post has organized several events for Saturday, July 4th, including an ice cream social and a 50/50 raffle, in collaboration with SAL. Poppies will also be available for a donation! Eligible nonmembers are encouraged to apply for membership; we will have applications on site.

A breakfast event will also be hosted in the near future, with details forthcoming.

We invite you to join us on July 4th for our festive celebrations and please bring friends and family! See you then!

Dawn Lopez, Auxiliary Unit 6 President (207) 300-3122

### **UNIT NEWS**

2027 Auxiliary Membership Card are now available. Senior Members \$30.00. New Members \$30.00 and Junior Members \$10.00. Send your check and monies to ALA Unit 6, 96 Islington Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801 or put in the Unit mailbox by the cellar door. If your address has changed, it is important that I get the correct information. Also, if you have not paid your 2026 dues, it is still \$30.00.

Karyl Horn, Unit 6 Secretary/Membership



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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
					Karaoke With DJ Darlene 7-11 p.m.	250 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration BBQ Ice Cream Social 12 p.m.  SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
				NO Unit Meeting		SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			NO SAL Meeting	Post Meeting 6 p.m.		SURF & TURF 3 p.m.  Karaoke With DJ Darlene 7-11 p.m.
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
						SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
						SURF & TURF 3 p.m.