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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Nominations for Post Officers will be held at this month's regular meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to be an officer of the post, please submit a letter of intent with the position you are campaigning to the Adjutant before the meeting.

The Post By-Laws outline each of the Officer's responsibilities along with other valuable information, such as; the nomination and the election process, guidelines for appointed Committees, conducting fundraising events and much, much more. If you do not have a copy, please contact the Post Adjutant. I hope to see you at the Post meeting **Thursday, February 15, 2018** at 1830 hours and at our St. Patrick's Day dinner.

Looking ahead, St. Patrick's Day is coming up pretty soon and as you know the post serves up a delicious Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner. If you are interested in volunteering come to the Post either Friday March 16th (to help prep) or Saturday March 17th to help serve the meal it will be greatly appreciated. The meal will be served from 4 – 6 pm. The cost of the meal is \$5.00 per plate.

The following is a news release from Matt Gladu our Legion Junior Baseball Head Coach PORTSMOUTH - American Legion Frank E. Booma Post 6 of Portsmouth is pleased to announce that its Junior American Legion baseball team will play host to the 2018 New Hampshire Junior Legion State Tournament on July 28-Aug. 1, 2018 at historic Leary Field in the heart of downtown Portsmouth.

There will be 15 games played during the four-day, double-elimination tournament, which culminates with the state championship game on Aug. 1. The tournament will feature the top eight Junior Legion clubs from around the state. These are 17-and-under teams that carry some of the best up-and-coming baseball talent New Hampshire has to offer.

Post 6 is currently seeking tournament sponsors and volunteers. Part of the American Legion mission involves a commitment to community service. Post 6 would appreciate any and all aid towards following such a mission during this venture.

For further tournament details, visit <http://newhampshireamericanlegionbaseball.com> any inquiries regarding tournament sponsorship and volunteering should be directed to Junior Legion Tournament director Matt Gladu, who can be reached at 603-867-8355 or gladu@comcast.net

Frank Desper, Post Commander

ADJUTANT'S MESSAGE

Hoping everyone enjoyed a safe and fun new year with family and friends. Renewals for 2018 are starting to come in strong. We now sit at 82% renewals for 2018. Keep in mind that renewing is easy and can be done on-line. It helps the Post save time as your renewal goes straight to Department and National. Those of you that remain, please help us save some money and renew online at www.legion.org/renew or send your dues to the Post. It only takes a minute. One more item, the new cards show more information. Several members are missing service and/or periods served. Please take credit for your service. Any member with 50+ years of membership will have their dues paid by the Post. 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. 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. If you haven't tried it yet, consider checking it out. Remember, our organization can only survive with active members. If you know any veteran that may be interested, please contact any officer for an application. A certificate of appreciation will be mailed to the member responsible for the referral. The VA has finally announced a roll-out plan for the veteran's ID card. However, it has been put on hold because the process has been overloaded from applications. It will start up again once the backlog has been reduced. We all know about backlogs, so stay tuned for any news on this. The American Legion has finally allowed members to get the Dispatch Newsletter from its website. You can get info more quickly from this site. You can subscribe by entering your email address at the prompt. The address is <https://www.legion.org/media/212766/digital-dispatch-now-available>. Our next meeting is **Thursday, February 15, 2018** at 1830. Please come to the meeting, voice your concerns and find out what's happening both in this Post and the Legion.

Jim Bailey, Post Adjutant

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

If anyone knows of a sick or hospitalized member, please let me know. My phone number is 603 433-3911.

Jan Bailey, Post Chaplain



SQUADRON COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hi everyone, hope everybody made it through the cold weather ok. We're getting a little closer to warmer days, but we still have a way to go. Good luck! At our next meeting we'll be holding first nominations for officers, if you would like to run for a position or nominate someone, please come to the meeting or submit a letter of intent to myself or the adjutant before the meeting. Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 14, 2018** at 6:00pm. The next S.A.L. sponsored Surf & Turf will be held on **Saturday, February 10, 2018** from 3:00pm till 5:00pm. Please come out, have some fun and help support your S.A.L. All proceeds made from our Surf & Turf games always go to good causes. We still have quite a few members that haven't renewed their membership yet. If you haven't renewed, please do so.

Michael Hunt, S.A.L. Commander

STEWARD'S MESSAGE

Be sure to look at the Post's Facebook page to check for any last minute event changes. Keep safe and warm.

Sue Desper, Grille Steward

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Ladies: Well, we have been busy during the holidays but January was quieter. But we need to start getting active again. First, thank you all again for the pull tabs and empty medicine bottles. They are going for a good cause. Keep them coming. We would like some suggestions for fundraisers. Send your ideas to us and maybe plan to participate. We need to raise money for the homeless, veterans, children and any other areas where we can contribute. We are thinking of collecting new or nearly new stuffed animals for the police department. These are given to children by policemen during emotional times children may be experiencing. More to come on that soon!

Some of you may remember the "SOX OF LOVE" program. Take a pair of new socks, men or women's, fill them up with small items such as travel size shampoo, toothpaste, chap sticks, Dollar Store items small enough to fit in the socks. Keep the socks together and they will then be donated to Liberty House, homeless shelters, etc. So if you want to donate some items and a pair of socks, there will be a box in the Legion. It's not only a great idea but very useful for many. Thanks in advance. Who will I see at February's meeting on **Thursday, February 18, 2018**???. Surprise me!!!

Judi Fountas, Unit President 603-964-7007

SURF & TURF SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 3rd – Post
FEBRUARY 10th – S.A.L.
FEBRUARY 17th – Unit
FEBRUARY 24th – Post

BAND SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 2nd – Karaoke w/DJ Darlene
FEBRUARY 3rd - Rosie

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
28	29	30	31	1	2 Karaoke w/DJ Darlene 7 p.m.	3 SURF & TURF 3 p.m. Rosie
4	5	6	7	8 Unit Meeting 6 p.m.	9	10 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
11	12 LINCOLN's BIRTHDAY	13	14 S.A.L. Meeting 6 p.m.	15 Post Meeting 6 p.m.	16	17 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
18	19 PRESIDENT's DAY WASHINGTON's BIRTHDAY	20	21	22	23	24 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.
25	26	27	28	1	2 Karaoke w/DJ Darlene 7 p.m.	3 SURF & TURF 3 p.m.

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