

THE COFFEY CUP

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Commander's Corner

Greetings Fellow members

Summer is in full swing there are lots of events around the city.

Our baseball team is having an excellent season. Our former junior coach has moved into the senior position and has had amazing results. It been exciting to watch our team unfold this year.

Karaoke every Friday night and soon we will have live entertainment on Saturdays.

We have hired some new bar staff so you may see some new faces around the post.

Burger burns will continue in August. This month's meat raffle will be held by the Riders. I encourage you to come down and enjoy the deck.

See you around the Post!

Sanders Silvagni,

Commander

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House Committee Report

SAL- Noted that the Meat raffle was advertised for 1600 on July 20, should have been 1400. Requested a 90-day snapshot calendar in advance.

Finance Report- Sales have been up and for three consecutive months sales are up over \$10,000. Last Comcast bill was paid, so that will help bring down costs.

Bar Manager- Not present but did submit a report. Jessica, our current full-time bartender requested days off 18th of July through 20th July it was requested that these days be paid days off as her last request for days off was canceled due to an employee issue. A motion was requested and granted. A request to add potato skins and mozzarella sticks to our menu now that we have a pizza oven was also passed. The performance of our current post cleaner was discussed and it was decided that she would be let go, and we would hire another cleaner. A motion was requested and granted to pay the current cleaner, a severance of \$1,000. Discussion to rehire Celeste Qunito was made and it was determined not to rehire her.

Auxiliary- No report, not present.

House- Planning to have a live band on September 13 if this band is successful, they could potentially play at next year's department convention. Also have a food truck that day to help boost attendance. Ideas were discussed on how to post business on Saturdays. Live music and food trucks were discussed. There was also a discussion about bringing in karaoke on Saturdays as it's been very successful on Fridays. However, our

House Committee Continued on Pg5

From the adjutant:

Notification, pursuant to Article IX, Section 1 of the Post 3 By-Laws, all members are hereby notified that there will be a vote of the full membership on By-Laws changes at the Regular business meeting of Post 3 on August 5th. The proposed changes were sent to all members via mass email on 30 June and also published in this newsletter. Please review and be prepared to vote.

Department of NH Official Visit:

Department NH Vice Commander, Paul Evans will visit Post 3 on 2 September at 1900.

Membership:

Our 2025 membership renewal goal number has been set at 275, as of 6 July we are at 298 or 108.36%.

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The Coffey Cup Deadline is the 21st of the Month!

We have exceeded our membership goal and earned the **Silver Membership Award**.

We are currently processing renewals for the 2026 membership year. Early renewal on your part earns membership awards for your post. So get your 2026 renewals in ASAP. The adjutant, has processed 50 renewals for 2026 as of 7-20-2025. Thank you to all who have already renewed.

For any questions about your membership status, contact the Post 3 adjutant directly at:

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From the SAL Commander's Desk Squadron 3 – Sons of the American Legion

Hope everyone's holding up well in the summer heat and enjoying some time with family and friends.

We had a strong showing at our **July 15th meeting**, with **seven members present**: Craig MacLeod, John Puliafico, Christopher Tsoulakas, Mike Hainsworth, Kenneth Coyle, Benjamin Martin, and Chuck Thornley. A **quorum was met**, and we had good discussions around several topics — including the idea of **ordering matching white shirts** so we can present a unified look at events and functions. More to come on that as we explore options.

Our recent Meat Raffle was a great success! We had a fantastic turnout and plenty of food to go around. A big thank you to everyone who helped make it such a fun afternoon. We had a variety of dishes, including finger sandwiches, pasta salad, and a delicious tortellini salad provided by Auxiliary member Patricia McLeod. Christopher Tsoulakis brought a hearty American chop suey, and John Puliafico contributed some excellent homemade coleslaw. Maureen treated us to a vegetable platter and chips, and many of the players brought their own potluck dishes to share. Thanks to all the generosity, no one left hungry!

Just a reminder: **2025 membership dues are past due**. Dues are **\$25 for regular members** and **\$20 for dual members**. If you haven't paid yet, now's the time — and if your **contact info has changed** (phone, email, or address), please update us so we can stay in touch.

Our **next meeting** will be on **Tuesday, August 19th at 7:00 PM**. We'd love to see even more faces around the table — it's a great way to stay connected and have your say.

If you have any questions, updates, or just want to check in, feel free to reach out to me anytime:

Craig MacLeod

SAL Squadron Commander

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Chaplain's Corner -

In less than year we will be celebrating the 250th Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. According to our Founding Fathers, this document was the foundation of our current Constitution. We were already a year into the revolutionary war when it was signed. The reason for our separation from Briton was not only taxation without representation, but 26 other reasons. Most of those are address in our first 10 Amendments in our Bill of Rights.

At the signing Benjamin Frankin is famously quoted as saying. "We must all hang together, or assuredly we shall hang separately." This statement highlighted the serious risk of the treason that those who would sign and the necessity for unity among the colonies. In signing, they pledge knowing the possible consequences. The last statement in the Declaration finalized their commitment.

"And for this support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."

Post Everlasting:

We received a late notification on a passing of one of our members. Carroll W. White, USN, Korea. He was a Legionnaire for 48 years. Passed away 15 Dec 2024. A sympathy card was sent Angelo I. Ruocco, USN, Vietnam. He was an active member in both the VFW and our American Legion.

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Combined services were accomplished on the 26th of July at the Rochette Funeral Home. Donations may be made to Nashua VFW Post 483 in Angelo’s memory.

Thoughts and prayers go out to the Central Texas residences. The historic flooding and destruction of that region has led to the loss of over 125 lives, with still 100 unaccounted for to date. Donations may be sent to one of the many disaster relief programs such as Red Cross, Salvation Army, Samaritan Purse and others.

A shoutout to Petty Officer 3rd Class Scott Ruskan, a U.S. Coast Guard rescue swimmer. He is credited with saving 165 people, including many children from the devastating floods at a children’s camp. This was Ruskan’s first rescue mission. He is being hailed as a hero for bravery and selflessness during the rescue efforts

**. Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes for**

James E. Coffey Post #3 for 26 Jun 2025

The Executive Committee meeting of James E. Coffey Post #3 was called to order by Commander Sandy Silvagni at 1900 hours. The meeting was opened with a salute to our nation’s colors.

Roll call: Officers: Sandy Silvagni, Chris J. DiTullio, David Petrillo, Don Vincent, John York, Herb "CT" Townsend, Charles Braley, Don Dillaby, Steve Ordway, Mary Licking,

Absent: Miguel Preciado, Clayton Proffer

There were 10 members present; a quorum was achieved.

Commander Silvagni stated that the purpose of the special meeting was to review and vote on changes to the Post 3 By-Laws proposed by the By-Laws Committee.

The proposed changes were reviewed article by article. Minor corrections and additions were made.

The Executive Committee proposed and added a minor addition to Article VIII Section 1 for clarification of the Post Commander’s responsibilities.

Don Dillaby moved to approve the final version of the proposed changes to the By-Laws, second by Charles Braley. There was no further discussion. The motion passed by unanimous verbal vote.

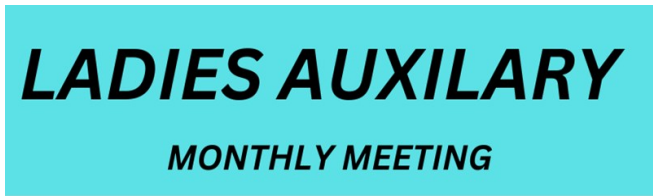
The final version of the proposed changes are attached to these minutes. They will be presented to the entire membership via mass email list and published in the August Coffey Cup newsletter to be published by 31 July 2025. The changes will be voted on by the members attending the 5 August 2025 regular business meeting of Post 3.

Don Dillaby moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Chris DiTullio. Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 20:25.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Vincent
Adjutant



FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 7PM

**James E. Coffey Post 3
11 Court St
Nashua. NH**

House Committee:

current DJ has other obligations on Saturdays. A motion was requested and granted for weekly entertainment on Saturdays to exceed no more than \$250. A motion was requested and granted for weekly entertainment on Saturdays to exceed no more than \$250.

Weekly 50/50 has not generated more than expected, will continue to monitor and make changes if needed. The Yahtzee rules were reviewed. A motion was requested and granted to approve.

Ice machine cleaning schedule was made and hung next to the machine, a requirement for health department. We discussed our current POS system, and switching to Square. Initial thoughts were Square would be more efficient for our post. Still working on determining exact fees that cake is currently charging. More research is needed.

Pizza oven is up and running. Queen of Hearts rules were reviewed and discussed. A final draft will be presented to the Committee in August for final approval. Bar stools were ordered as a sample; however, the company did not send the correct items, twice. Commander looking into a different company.

A quote to replace the ramp side door with a crash bar came in at \$18,000. Other options will be researched. Key card access to the same door was discussed. The main reason for key card access would be to minimize disruption of the bartender and to prevent patrons from propping the door. Key card purchases would be mandatory for any member who wants to utilize the lounge. More discussion on this issue will be made once more quotes come in.

Our social media needs to be updated and a Post Instagram account will be created to help boost advertising. Dom's Food Truck was reached out to for September 13, but no response as of yet. The Legion Beer from Tale Spinners was delayed due to some unexpected issues the brewery had. They are still on board and hope for a roll out in

September. A repair request was sent out to an HVAC tech to have our keg cooler fixed.

Place of Assembly inspection with fire marshal's office is scheduled for July 9th.

A patron was acting disorderly and belligerent on June 22. This will be kept on file and action could be taken if it happens again. An off-duty bartender and two family members, were involved in a violent incident in the lounge. The bartender was terminated and the Committee voted to permanently ban them from the property. A purchase of \$390.84 for a flag and accessories was approved. A proposal to have a raffle on Fridays was discussed. Each Legion Family organization, on a rotating basis, would be responsible for obtaining a raffle item and proceeds would go to that organization. A motion was granted to move forward.

A representative from the John Birch Society requested to use our Post as a meeting space. This was discussed and a motion was made and approved not to allow them to meet at our Post.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris DiTullio
Chairman of House Committee



Post 3 By-Laws proposed changes

ARTICLE VIII Post Officers Duties and Responsibilities

From:

Section 1, Post Commander: The Post Commander shall preside at all Post meetings, shall call special meetings, shall have general supervision over the business and affairs of the Post, and shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Post. He / She shall be the chairperson of the Executive Committee. He / She shall make an Annual Report covering the business of the Post for the year. He / She shall make recommendations for the good of the Post. The Annual Report shall be read at the Annual Meeting. He / She shall perform such other duties as directed by the Post. Two of the following: Post Commander, Post Finance Officer; when acting together and duly authorized by the membership, shall have the power to make business contracts, on behalf of the Post.

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[clarifies responsibilities]

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[clarifies responsibilities]

From:

Section 4, Post Adjutant: The Post Adjutant (a) shall have charge of and keep a full and accurate record of the proceedings of all meetings; (b) shall handle, under the direction of the Post Commander, all correspondence for the Post; (c) shall issue notices and shall actively cooperate with the Post Commander; (d) shall be required to notify all members individually when they are named members of any committee, and shall furnish a copy of the motion that created the committee or authorized the appointment to the Chairperson; (e) shall post on the Bulletin Board the full membership of the committee; (f) the Adjutant's duties

do not include preparation or printing of “The Coffey Cup”, they do however include assisting the Post Editor in addressing and mailing “The Coffey Cup” and in providing inputs for “The Coffey Cup” to the Post Editor; (g) the Post Adjutant shall receive an annual salary of an amount established by vote of the General Membership and entered into the minutes. This salary shall be payable monthly by the Finance Officer from Post funds; (h) all notices for special meetings (excluding the Executive Committee) shall be by mail, electronic mail (e-mail) or telephone by the Post Adjutant to all members of the Post committee in good standing. Notices shall be mailed, e-mailed, telephoned at least five (5) days prior to the meeting; (i) shall, under the direction of the Post Commander, notify all members of the Executive Committee of all meetings for the committee; such notice may be by mail, e-mail or telephone; (j) shall provide a copy of all minutes excluding financial reports to the elected officers no later than ten (10) days after the meeting.

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[modernizes forms of record keeping]

From:

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[clarifies responsibilities]

ARTICLE XII COMMITTEES

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[*addition*]

From:

Section 6, House Committee: The committee meets the fourth Tuesday of each month and may meet as needed at the discretion of the committee. The committee will be made up of a minimum of three to six (3 to 6) Legionnaires with voting authority, who are active members in good standing of this Post. They shall not be employees of the Lounge. The Squadron Commander and the Auxiliary President shall be ex-officio members; The Post Commander shall appoint two members upon his / her installation to serve for a term of three (3) years beginning and ending on the second Tuesday in May. Members who have missed three (3) consecutive meetings or whose erratic attendance in the opinion of the committee will be asked to resign. Recommendations to the Post Commander for removal from the committee can be made by four (4) votes of the committee. Vacancies shall be reported to the Post Commander who shall appoint a replacement as soon as possible. The officers of this committee shall be a Chairperson and a Secretary. They shall be elected at the regular house committee meeting in May to serve a one (1) year term. These officers shall perform the *of members, and adds standing members*

duties prescribed in the Rules and Procedures Manual of this committee. The House Committee shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the care and use of the Post Quarters. Each member appointed to fill the unexpired term of a member who resigns or is removed from the committee shall serve for the remainder of the term to which he / she is appointed.

To:

Section 6, House Committee: The committee meets **monthly on a day decided by the chairperson with at least 30 days advanced notice** and may meet as needed at the discretion of the committee. The committee will be made up of a minimum of three (3) to a maximum of **eight (8)** Legionnaires with voting authority, who are active members in good standing of this Post. They shall not be employees of the Lounge. **The Senior Vice and the Finance Officer shall be a standing member of this committee.** The Squadron Commander and the Auxiliary President shall be **non-voting** ex-officio members; The Post Commander shall appoint two members upon his / her installation to serve for a term three (3) years beginning and ending on the second Tuesday in May. Members who have missed three (3) consecutive meetings or whose erratic attendance in the opinion of the committee will be asked to resign. Recommendations to the Post Commander for removal **for cause** from the committee can be made by **a majority vote** of the committee. Vacancies shall be reported to the Post Commander who shall appoint a replacement as soon as possible. The officers of this committee shall be a Chairperson and a Secretary. They shall be elected at the regular house committee meeting in May to serve a one (1) year term. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed in the Rules and Procedures Manual of this committee. The House Committee shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the care and use of the Post Quarters. Each member appointed to fill the unexpired term of a member who resigns or is removed from the committee shall serve for the remainder of the term to which he / she is appointed.

[adds flexibility of meeting dates, clarification, of # and adds standing members]

From:

Section 10, Awards Committee: The Awards Committee of five (5) members is established to review the credentials, background, and contributions made by any Legionnaire of this Post that is recommended for Life Membership or Legionnaire of the Year. All Post awards shall be presented to this committee for review prior to being awarded. The Post Commander shall appoint one (1) member to this committee who shall serve for a period of five (5) years. The committee shall meet at least twice a year and shall present the minutes of its meeting at the next regular meeting of the Post, after the committee meeting. The committee shall have an established budget for Life membership Awards; (a) eligibility for Life Membership or Legionnaire of the Year shall be determined by a member's contributions to this Post, to The American Legion, the community, the State of New Hampshire, and to the United States of America. Life Membership shall not be awarded on the basis of longevity in The American Legion alone. Any member in good standing of this Post may be recommended for Life Membership or Legionnaire of the Year. A member in good standing may recommend another member of this Post for Life Membership or Legionnaire of the Year at any regular meeting of this Post. This recommendation must be forwarded to the committee for review and approval. Recommendations received by the eligibility for Life Membership or Legionnaire of the Year shall be determined by a member's contributions to this Post, to The American Legion, the community, the State of New Hampshire, and to the United States of America. Life Membership shall not be awarded on the basis of longevity in The American Legion alone. Any member in good standing of this Post may be recommended for Life Membership or Legionnaire of the Year. A member in good standing may recommend another member of this Post for Life Membership or Legionnaire of the Year at any regular meeting of this Post. This recommendation must be forwarded to the committee for review and approval. Recommendations received by the committee shall be reviewed to determine eligibility in accordance with the provisions of this article. The results of this review

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[adds the ability to terminate Honorary Life Membership]

ARTICLE XIII Reports

From:

Section 1, Minutes: The Post Adjutant shall prepare a full and accurate record (minutes) of all happenings at all Regular, Special, and Executive meetings. This record shall be read at the regular meeting of the Post next following the meeting at which the record was made. This record shall be bound in a book and made a permanent part of the Post history. The minutes shall be posted on the Post bulletin board excluding the financial reports for review by the General Membership.

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[adds flexibility by adding an option to reading the minutes at the meeting]

ARTICLE XV Rules of Order**From:**

Section 5, Motions or Resolutions: No motion or resolution involving the appropriation or expenditure of money in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1000), whether moneys on hand or to be received, except the motion for the adoption of the Annual Budget, shall be in order unless the appropriation or expenditure is approved by three-fourths (3/4) of the members present at a meeting of which a notice stating the proposed appropriation or expenditure shall be sent to each member of this Post. (See Article X Section 1)

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[corrects an error]

ARTICLE XVIII Changes to the By-Laws**From:**

Section 1, Amendments: The By-Laws of this Post may be amended, repealed, or added to at any regular or special meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members in good standing (minimum of 8) attending such meeting, provided that notice of the general nature of the proposed action is stated in the call for the meeting. (See Article X Section 1)

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ARTICLE XIX Appendices**From:**

The unchanged portions of these By-Laws were accepted at a meeting held for that purpose on December 2nd 2008. The changes revising these By-Laws and incorporated herein were made by vote at a regular post meeting held on January 8, 2019.

To:

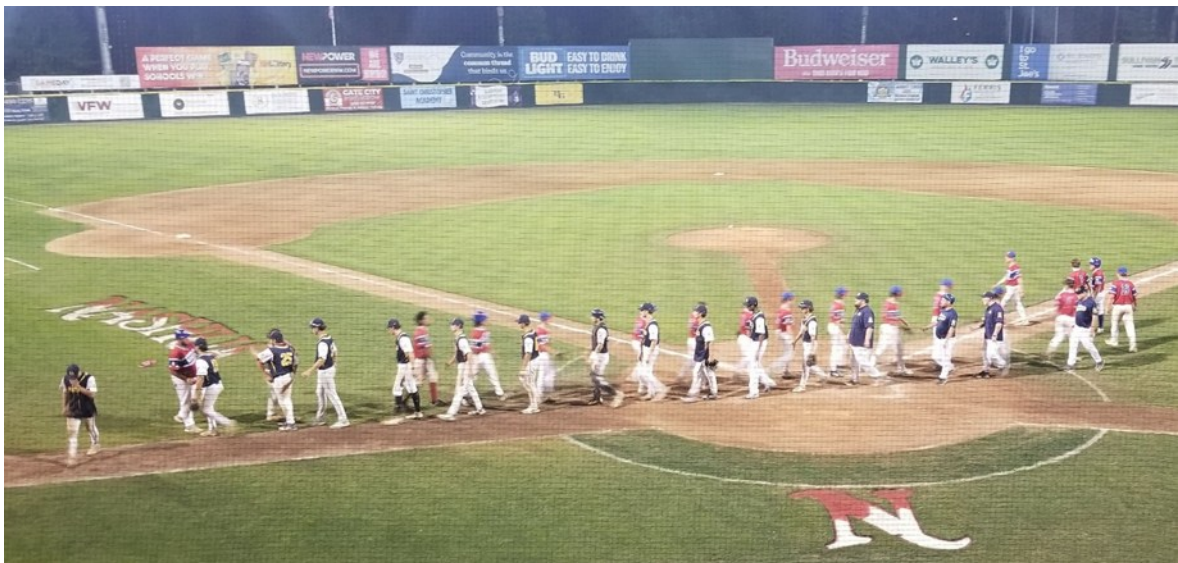
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[corrects an error]

2025-7-29 Sr. Legion Baseball Tourney Results

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GAME NO.</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TEAMS</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
FRI.	JULY 25	GAME 1	10:00	Seed A4 Lebanon vs. Seed B1 Nashua	Nashua 11 - Lebanon 0 (5)
FRI.	JULY 25	GAME 2	1:00	Seed A3 Keene vs. Seed B2 Salem	Salem 5 - Keene 2
FRI.	JULY 25	GAME 3	4:00	Seed B3 Exeter vs. Seed A2 Weare 2	Exeter 8 - Weare 2
FRI.	JULY 25	GAME 4	7:00	Seed B4 Londonderry vs. Seed A1 Bedford	Bedford 4 - Londonderry 3 (8)
SAT.	JULY 26	GAME 5	10:00	LG1 Lebanon vs. LG3 Weare	Lebanon 7 - Weare 5
SAT.	JULY 26	GAME 6	1:00	LG2 Keene vs. LG4 Londonderry	Londonderry 5 - Keene 2
SAT.	JULY 26	GAME 7	4:00	WG1 Nashua vs. WG3 Exeter	Nashua 16 - Exeter 6 (6)
SAT.	JULY 26	GAME 8	7:00	WG2 Salem vs. WG4 Bedford	Bedford 8 - Salem 0
SUN.	JULY 27	GAME 9	4:00	WG6 Londonderry vs. LG7 Exeter	Londonderry 7- Exeter 6
SUN.	JULY 27	GAME 10	7:00	WG5 Lebanon vs. LG8 Salem	Salem 12 - Lebanon 6
MON.	JULY 28	GAME 11	1:00	WG7 Nashua vs. WG8 Bedford	Bedford 4 - Nashua 3
MON.	JULY 28	GAME 12	4:00	WG9 Londonderry vs. WG10 Salem	Salem 4 - Londonderry 2
MON.	JULY 28	GAME 13	7:00	LG11 Nashua vs. WG12 Salem	Salem 9 - Nashua 7
TUE.	JULY 29	GAME 14	4:00	WG11 Bedford 5 vs. WG13 Salem 4	Bedford Champion

Congratulations to the Coffey Post 3 team on an excellent season and a valiant effort in the Sr. Legion Tournament.



Teams shake hands after Salem eliminates Nashua by a score of 9-7

Independence Day City Hall Ceremony



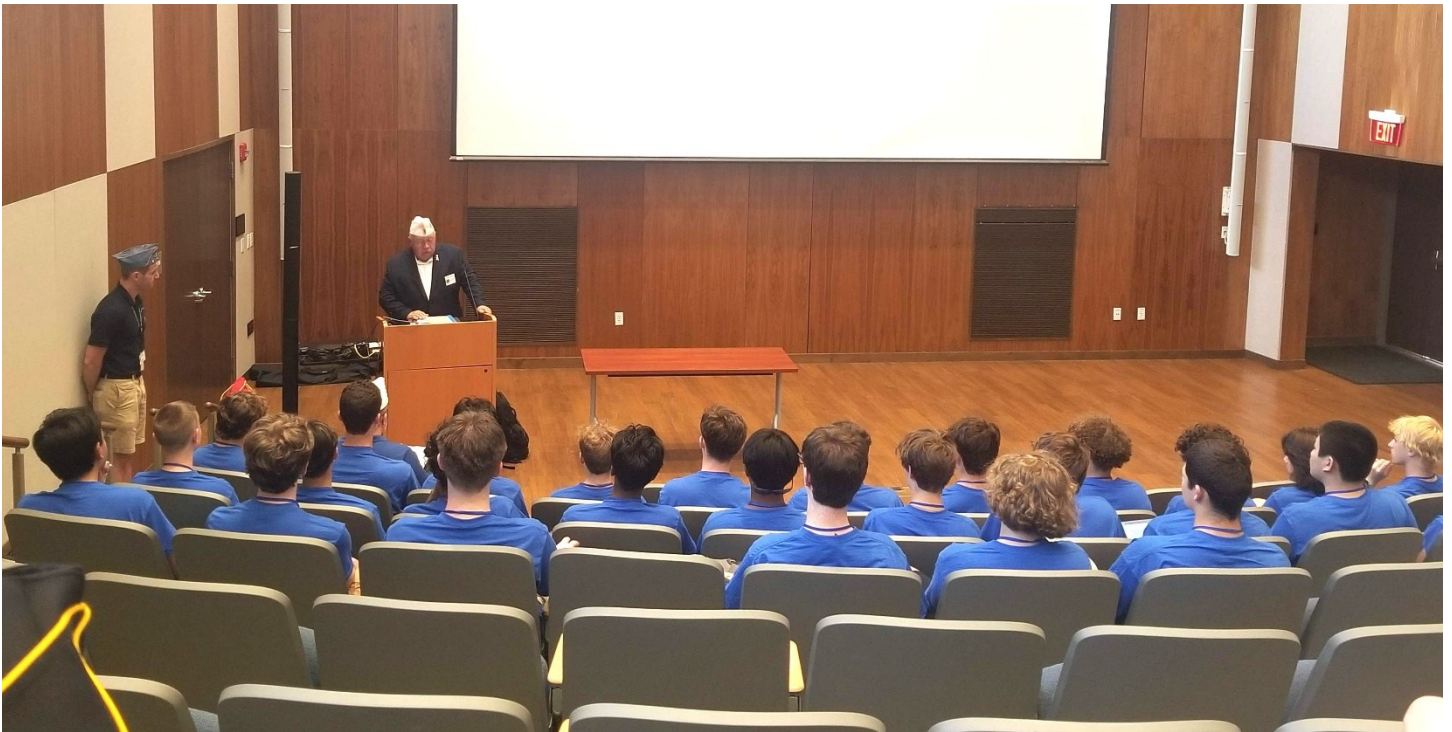
Emcee, VFW Commander Chris DiTullio



Left- Steve Ordway reads the Declaration of Independence preamble.
Right- The Betsy Ross flag is raised by James Cline, Don Vincent & Marc Plante



NH LEGION BOY'S STATE



**NH State American Legion Commander, Wayne Perra, speaks to Boy's State delegates
at St. Anselm College, Manchester, NH**



Veteran Sailing Day

The Lakes Region Veterans Coalition (LRVC), Camp Resilience and the Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association (LWSA) are partnering to offer an afternoon of sailing on beautiful Lake Winnepesaukee on Saturday, August 16th, 2025. This is offered at no cost to interested Veterans!

Small groups of Veterans will sail from 2PM to 5PM with experienced skippers from the LWSA and learn the basics of sailing while enjoying the beauty of Lake Winnepesaukee and the surrounding mountains. The event will end with a BBQ dinner at the LWSA clubhouse on Smith Cove in Gilford, NH.

Apply online at <https://forms.gle/Me3X8vqHc2PAyCX49> or by using the QR code below. Spaces are limited and will be given out on a first come, first served basis.



If you have problems with the online application, send an email to info@lrvcnh.org.

**Veterans
Crisis Line**



**DIAL 988 then
PRESS 1**



CATHLEEN STONE ISLAND
OUTWARD BOUND SCHOOL



Veterans Outward Bound

The Boston Vet Center and the Cathleen Stone Island Outward Bound school are offering a Veteran expedition in Boston Harbor. Join other Veterans for sea kayaking, camping, and team building, while enjoying a part of Boston that is beautiful, wild, and free.

Expedition is Aug. 9th through Aug. 13th. An optional course tour is available June 8th for interested veterans. The trip is zero cost. All food, gear, and instruction will be provided.

Contact the Boston Vet Center to learn more and enroll.

Marika Solhan | 857-203-6461

www.va.gov/boston-vet-center/



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50/50

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THURSDAY
AT 7pm

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SEE THE
BARTENDER

JAMES E COFFEY POST 3 NASHUA NH



***MEATBALL SUBS
EVERY FRIDAY***

\$2 SMALL (3)

\$4 LARGE (6)

JAMES E COFFEY POST. 11 COURT ST NASHUA NH

GROVER GAMING

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Grover Gaming Tournament!

James E. Coffey

American Legion Post 3

Nashua, NH

**Thursday, September 4th
Starts @ 6:30 pm**

Prizes for winners and so much more!

1st place - \$150; 2nd place - \$100; 3rd place - \$50

Plus - **PLAYERS KEEP WHAT THEY WIN!**

How it Works

3 Rounds of Play @ \$20 per Round

(participants are not required to play all 3 rounds)

Play any game - \$0.50 wagers only

Show scorekeeper your voucher at the end of each round

**Prizes awarded to the 3 players w/ the
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August 2025



AMERICAN LEGION, JAMES E. COFFEY POST 3, NASHUA NH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
					MEATBALL SUBS	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
BLOODY MARYS \$5 ALL DAY	LOUNGE CLOSED	TACO TUESDAY 4-7 PM POST MEETING 7PM ENTMNT MTG 8PM AUX MTG 7PM	TRIVIA NIGHT 630PM	Thirsty Thursday FROM 4-7 PM		
					BURGER BURN 4-7PM	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
BLOODY MARYS \$5 ALL DAY	LOUNGE CLOSED	TACO TUESDAY 4-7 PM	TRIVIA NIGHT 630PM	Thirsty Thursday FROM 4-7 PM		
					MEATBALL SUBS	KIERNAN MCNALLY 6:30-10:00
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
BLOODY MARYS \$5 ALL DAY	DAV MEETING 7PM RIDERS MEETING 7PM LOUNGE CLOSED	TACO TUESDAY 4-7 PM SAL MEETING 7PM	TRIVIA NIGHT 630PM	Thirsty Thursday FROM 4-7 PM		GATE CITY BREWFEST HOLMAN STADIUM 1-5 PM KARAOKE 7:00-10:00 DJ BERNIE
					BURGER BURN 4-7PM	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
BLOODY MARYS \$5 ALL DAY	LOUNGE CLOSED	TACO TUESDAY 4-7 PM	TRIVIA NIGHT 630PM	Thirsty Thursday FROM 4-7 PM		ENJOY SUMMER VACATION END ON THE PATIO W/ RICH SMIDDY 6:00-9:30
					MEATBALL SUBS	
31	1	LOUNGE OPEN TUE-SAT 3-10PM SUNDAY 12-9				
BLOODY MARYS \$5 ALL DAY		<u>VETS COFFEE TALK HELD AT 70 TEMPLE ST. NASHUA SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER</u>				

