

AMVETS Newsletter

Post 1 Tacoma

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OFFICER'S CORNER

August will be a busy month for the POST. Aug. 6—Open House, 12-5PM. This is a chance to show off our Post. Burgers, hot dogs and brats will be available.

Our National Convention is in New Orleans—looking forward to hearing about it when our delegates get back.

Aug. 20th we have live music—karaoke will be cancelled on that day.

The Post **trustee** meeting is on **Aug. 18th at 6PM** and the **Post** general meeting is **Aug. 25th at 6PM**.

Hope everyone enjoyed the Post Picnic. *Special Thanks* to the 3rd Vice and *the volunteers* that worked hard on putting it together. In addition, the 70's night was a blast from the past—*Well Done*!

Have a safe and sane August. See you at the Post.

Larry Stowe, Commander

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I hope your summer is great! Our annual picnic in July was a big success.

Come and bring a friend to our Open House on Aug. 6th in Chappie's Lounge, 12-5PM. Bring a Veteran or two. Hope to see your there!

Brenda Martin, 1st Vice

Email: membership@amvetswapost1.org

With the reporting system computer at National being down we had to report January thru June and probably at least the rest of the year under a new format. What a job this is and was!

Thank you for your continued support—we are in good shape. We will probably modify the volunteer slips as soon as we can figure out what changes we need to made.

Richard A. Holcomb, 2nd Vice

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The 4th of July celebration had a good gathering with lots of delicious food. *Thank you all* for coming to eat and to visit.

Gather 'round and listen close... the Annual Picnic was a success! Plate total = 99 plates; 50/50 raffle = \$332 with the split of \$166. The temperature was not too cold and not too hot—very pleasant for a picnic! There was only one child present—she did not go home empty handed. *Thank you* to all who gathered for the day. A special shout out to those who stepped in and helped with the backstage part of the event.

We are turning the corner for Halloween with planning for a kids and adult party. Put your creative minds on/in and come up with the winning costume for the party. Booooooooo!

Debbie Moore, 3rd Vice

Email: activities@amvetswapost1.org

ADJUTANT

When you receive a letter from the Adjutant requesting proof of member eligibility, please reply with a copy of your **DD214 or alternate documentation**. Drop it by, mail it to the Post or email a scanned document (see below). Can't find your DD214 or other Proof of Service? The Service Office can help you.

Planning a move or a switch in email service? Let us know so you can continue receiving your newsletter.

Glenn Skinner, Adjutant

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CHAPPIES RESTAURANT/LOUNGE

Lounge Hours: Tues-Thurs 3-10PM; Fri 3-12AM; Sat 2-12AM; & Sun

2-10PM and Happy Hour: Tues-Sun 3-6PM

Daily activities: Tues: Dart leagues; Wed: Texas Hold'Em; Thurs: Bar Stool Bingo; Fri: Live Music, Meat/Bottle Raffle and 50/50 Raffle; Sat: Horse Races & Karaoke; and Sun: Texas Hold'Em and the Gate Keepers playing at the Jam Session

Come out

and enjoy

the bands!

August Bands:

- Aug 5—Cherokee
- Aug 12—3 Dog Bite
- Aug 19—Gatekeepers
- Aug 26—The Raucous Band

Wednesday meals provided by Gloria Harris and her team:

- Aug 10—Salisbury Steak
- Aug 17—Hawaiian Chicken Skewers
- Aug 24—Pork Street Tacos
- Aug 31—Swedish Meatballs

BUNCO Event—Aug. 27th Start Time 2:30PM. Please sign up as soon as you can—signup sheet will be posted in the bar. Give your \$10 entrance fee to the bartender. Bring your favorite foods for the events potluck!

August 28th Sunday Fantasy Football League Draft Day at Chappies Lounge starting at 2PM.

The Bar will begin **opening Mondays** starting in **September** alongside the start of Football.

Keep an eye on the fliers in the bar for new and exciting things to come!

Check out the calendar for times and other fun activities!

Want to rent our hall? Call Jackie at (253) 472-2552/press 1.

Chris Chance, General Manager

Phone: (253) 472-2552, option 1 Email: Dkbay94.tat@gmail.com

AMVETS SERVICE OFFICE

Hours:

Mon-Thur 9AM-11:45AM & 1PM-3:45PM,

Fri 9AM-11:45AM CLOSED IN AFTERNOON

The Service Office are currently doing walk-ins Mon-Thur, 1PM-3:30PM. Please contact the Service Office to schedule an appointment for other available times.

Rusty (Kenneth) Walters, State Service Director

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National Service Office of Washington—Debbie Moore

Mon-Thur 8AM-4:30PM,

By appointment only (253) 904-4626

dmoore@amvets.org or Debbie.moore2@va.gov

SONS of AMVETS

Our next meeting is **Tues. Aug 2nd, 7PM** in the lounge.

Remember to invite family and friends to our Open House learn more about the ways AMVETS supports veterans and the volunteer and social opportunities Post 1 provides.

Tom Arter, Adjutant Sons of AMVETS Squad 1 Email: arter57@yahoo.com

AMVETS RIDERS

Not much to report this month. Stop by the Post Open House on August 6th. Also, as it is summer, please, please look out for motorcycles on the road. Thank you!

Our next meeting will be Aug. 13th at 10AM

Mike Alberts (Iron Mike), President

AMVETS Riders, Chapter One Email: thunderbolt4800@yahoo.com

QUARTERMASTER

Quartermaster will be available only on the following days and times: 2nd Thursday of the month 6-8PM and 4th Thursday of the month 5:30-8PM.

Danelle Wyatt, Quartermaster

Phone: (253) 988-1538

CHAPLAIN

Father, I don't want my actions to be without devotion and zeal. I want my spiritual life to be real so that my activities will glorify you. Amen

Robert (Bob) Macon

Email: chaplain@amvetswapost1.org

AUXILIARY

If you have moved, changed phone numbers, or know of someone in the Auxiliary who needs to make changes, please notify Carolyn Roth, Aux 1 Vice at (253) 590-8332—please leave a message or contact Barbara Skinner.

The American Lake VA and others are limiting access to their facilities. Volunteers—in lieu of our hospital and community projects please support the needs and activities at Post 1.

Membership Drive—Tracy Muntz and Carolyn Roth will be sponsoring a Membership Drive for Auxiliary #1 at the Post #1 Open House, Sat. Aug. 6th—*Bring a Friend*!!

Child Welfare School Supply Drive—Janine Byers has begun collecting new general school supplies for the upcoming school year. If you would like to donate, please bring those donations to our next Business meeting.

Community Canned Food Drive—Anthonette Johnson is collecting for Nov/Dec. We are in need of the following items to supplement our Holiday Meals to our Veterans Families In-Need and Local Community Families In-Need: Boxes of Mac & Cheese, stuffing, canned corn/green beans/sweet peas/mixed vegetables/cranberry sauce/cake mixes and frosting. The donation tub is located in Chappie's Lounge. Please, no expired or past "Best By" date non-perishables.

Upcoming Events:

- Aug 5th—Bottle and Meet Raffles
- Aug 6th—Membership Drive 12-5PM
- Aug 11th—Auxiliary Meeting @ 6:30PM

Barbara Skinner, President Voice Mail: (253) 472-2552, option 7

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COMMUNICATIONS

The Veterans Crisis Line has a new number! If you're a Veteran having thoughts of suicide or concerned about one, reach 24/7 crisis support through the new Veterans Crisis Line (VCL) number—Dial 988, then press 1. Please pass this information on—it's an easy number to remember!

Danette Gundy, Communications Officer

Email: communications@amvetswapost1.org

HISTORIAN

On August 4th, 2022, the <u>U.S. Coast Guard</u> will be 232 years old. Refresh your memory on what they currently do for us (https://tinyurl.com/2sta73ta).

August 7th is **National Purple Heart Day**. See how it is observed (https://veteran.com/purple-heart-day).

A recollection of <u>U.S. Military History</u> in August from the 1st–15th (as far back as 1777) (https://tinyurl.com/yckekern), great reading!

Taryn Hopey, Historian

AUGUST 2022 BINGO SPECIALS

Call (253) 472-2552, press 3 for specials

OPEN Tues, Fri, Sat, AND Sun—Start at 11:15AM (*doors open 9:30AM*) & **6:45PM** (*doors open 5PM*). Play 144 cards in the machine! **Minimum age** is 8 years old with a parent or legal guardian with proof of age.

- TUES—Triple play—Win up to \$750 on triple play packs!
- FRI ALL DAY & SUN AM—All single winners on packet games will receive \$10 lucky bucks!
- FRI & SAT PM—Blackouts pay \$250 on single, \$500 on double, regardless of attendance
- SAT & SUN—King or Queen for the Session
- SAT AM & SUN PM—Blackouts pay \$500 on single and \$1,000 on double

AUGUST SPECIALS

- **FRIDAY AM**—5 winners spin the mini wheel!
- SUNDAY AM—Double luck bucks!
- END OF SUMMER BASH
 August 26, 27 & 28
 5 HOT balls at \$250 each on packet games only! If one goes it will retire
- Ticket Drawing, Friday, Aug 26th 5-\$100 drawings
- Current Jackpots:
 456—20#'s-\$5,000; 23#'s-\$1,000

AMVETS Post 1



August 6, 12-5PM

We have the best post in the United States! Our membership is open to anyone who is currently serving, or who has honorable served, in the U.S. Armed Forces, to include the National Guard and Reserves. We strive to put our Veterans first.

Our Post, Ladies Auxiliary, Sons and Riders will be there to answer any questions.

Join Now and be part of the Best!





Hamburgers, hot dogs and brats will be available!

Come on in and have some fun—bring in a Veteran or two!

To continue receiving important information from our Post, provide your email address to newsletter@amvetswapost1.org or go online www.amvetswapost1.org

Newsletters will also be available in Chappies Lounge and the Service Office.

AMVETS POS	POST 1 CALENDAR OF EVENTS					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Chappies 3-10PM	Chappies 3-10PM	Chappies 3-10PM	Chappies 3-12AM	Chappies 2-12AM
		PTSD 10-12 noon	Texas Hold'Em	Barstool Bingo 4PM	Kitchen Open 3-9PM	OPEN HOUSE 12-5PM
		SONS 7PM	5PM sign up 5:30PM starts		Raffles 7:30-9PM	Kitchen Open 3-9PM
		Bingo AM/PM			Music: 8PM-12AM	Horse Racing 4PM
					Cherokee	Karaoke 7PM
				NATIONAL	Bingo AM/PM	Bingo AM/PM
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Kitchen Open 3-9PM		PTSD 10-12 noon	DINNER 5-7PM	Barstool Bingo 4PM	Kitchen Open 3-9PM	Kitchen Open 3-9PM
Texas Hold'Em		Bingo AM/PM	(or until sold out) Salisbury Steak	Auxiliary Mtg 6:30PM	Raffles 7:30-9PM	Riders Mtg 10AM
2PM sign up			,	, ,	Music: 8PM-12AM	Horse Racing 4PM
2:30PM starts			Texas Hold'Em 5PM sign up		3 Dog Bite	Karaoke 7PM
Jam Session with Gatekeepers 6PM			5:30PM starts		Bingo AM/PM	
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Bingo AM/PM			AWARENESS DAY			
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2:30PM starts			Skewers		Music: 8PM-12AM	Live Music:
Jam Session with			Texas Hold'Em		Gatekeepers	Time To be Determined (check
Gatekeepers 6PM			5PM sign up 5:30PM starts		Bingo AM/PM	Lounge for time)
Bingo AM/PM						Karaoke CANCELLED
NATIONAL						Bingo AM/PM
CODE TALKERS DAY						
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28	29	30	31			
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Fantasy Football		Bingo AM/PM	(or until sold out) Swedish Meatballs			
League Draft Day 2PM			Texas Hold'Em			
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