



AMVETS Newsletter

Post 1 Tacoma

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Come and join us for the next:

Post meeting on **Thurs. July 24th, 6PM**—Post **Trustee** meeting on **Thurs. July 17th, 6PM**.

OFFICER'S CORNER

Commander

Thanks to all of our volunteers for your support. Our post is a better place because of volunteers. Post 1 will be celebrating July 4, 2025, please come and celebrate with your post.

Please consider attending our post meeting on July 24th, 6PM.

Glenn Skinner, Commander

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1st Vice Commander

A summer tradition of service, community, literally! Starting **Sunday, July 6**, and continuing on the **first Sunday of each month through the summer**, local AMVETS, in partnership with the "**Friends of AMVETS**," will host a series of **Open Houses** that are open to the entire community.

Each event will feature a welcoming atmosphere and the chance to meet the people behind one of the community's most respected veterans' organizations. Whether you're a veteran, a family member of one, or simply a patriotic supporter, there's something for everyone.

We want these Sundays to be about community connection, appreciation, and awareness. Our doors are open. Come see what AMVETS is about.

In addition to great conversation, AMVETS is actively **recruiting new members**, including military **Veterans**, **Ladies Auxiliary members**, **Sons of AMVETS**, and **AMVETS Riders**. Information and applications will be available at each event.

Community Invited to All First Sunday Events

Mike Hardy, 1st Vice

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1st Vice Commander continued

Upcoming membership drives coincide with the **Narrows Airport Open House**, on Aug 16th where AMVETS will take part in the opening ceremony by **Posting the Colors**—a solemn and proud tribute to military tradition and patriotism. The airport open house will offer a full day of **veteran-inspired events**, **fly-bys featuring popular aircraft**, and a host of **family-friendly activities** designed to honor those who've served while entertaining all ages.

It's a celebration of service, aviation, and community, and we're honored to be a part of it and hope to see many new faces there.

Whether you're drawn the sound of aircraft overhead or the opportunity to support your local veterans, these **events** are not to be missed.

For more information on how to attend or get involved, contact the First Vice at mikehardy28@yahoo.com

Honor. Serve. Connect. Join us this summer—starting July 6.

2nd Vice Commander

No report

Vacant, 2nd Vice

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3rd Vice Commander

No report.

Vacant, 3rd Vice

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ADJUTANT

The Adjutant is responsible for recording Post meetings and provide written records of all meetings. Display approved meeting minutes, submit annual revalidation reports, etc. More details are provided in our Constitution and Bylaws.

Vacant, Adjutant

Phone: (253) 472-2552

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CHAPPIES RESTAURANT/LOUNGE

Lounge Hours:

Sun 2-10PM

Mon Closed

Tues 3-10PM

Wed 3-10PM

Thurs 3-10PM

Fri 3-1AM

Sat 3-1AM



Daily activities:

Tues: Poker, Texas Hold'Em & Darts

Wed: Texas Hold'Em & Game Night

Thurs: Bar Stool Bingo

Fri: Meat/Bottle Raffle and 50/50 Raffle

Sat: Barstool Bingo & Karaoke

Sun: Texas Hold'Em

Chappie's Phone: (253) 472-0560

SONS of AMVETS

Congratulations to the Sons' officers for 2025-2026: Commander Eric Davis; 1st Vice Lew Foster III; 2nd Vice Steve Wyatt; 3rd Vice James Robinson; Adjutant/Finance Tom Arter; Judge Advocate John Irish; and Provost Marshall Curt Moriyama.

Start off your month by coming to the monthly business meeting, **Tuesday, July 1, 7PM** at the Post.

Tom Arter, Adjutant

Sons of AMVETS Squad 1

Email: arter57@yahoo.com

AMVETS RIDERS

Our next meeting will be on **Sat. July 12th @ 10AM** at the Post.

Our next raffle will be on **July 11th @ 6PM.**

Eric Davis (Sugarfoot), President

AMVETS Riders, Chapter One

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AUXILIARY

Summer is in full swing, but school will soon follow—therefore, the school supply drive will continue though summer and the rest of the year. If you have donations, please let Janine Byers know.

VA Homeless Program (HPACT) The Ladies Auxiliary is collecting **individual wrapped snacks and bottled water** for our homeless Veteran's when they are visiting the Lakewood VA Hospital Clinics. The clinics are walk-in, no appointment needed and provide the following services: medical care, case management, housing placement support, substance use and mental health treatment, community referrals, triage services, benefits counseling, and hot showers along with clean clothing. **If you would like to donate, please place your donations in the round tub in main hallway entrance by Chappie's Lounge.**

Fun Fact: July is National Ice Cream Month! Participate in our monthly ice cream social (Child Welfare Fund) on the first Saturday of June, July and August from 5-7PM. This will replace our bake sales during these summer months. Janine is planning on having root beer and orange soda floats, brownie sundaes and banana splits.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 4th—Ladies Auxiliary **will not** be hosting a bottle or money raffle for July
- July 5th—Ice Cream Social, 5-7PM
- July 10th—Ladies Auxiliary Business Meeting, 6:30PM, in person

Barbara Skinner, President

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JULY HISTORY

July 2, 1776—The Continental Congress in Philadelphia adopted the following resolution, originally introduced on June 7, by *Richard Henry Lee* of Virginia: "Resolved, that these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States, that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved. That it is expedient forthwith to take the most effectual measures for forming foreign Alliances. That a plan of confederation be prepared and transmitted to the respective Colonies for their consideration and approbation."

Hall Rental

Want to rent our hall for a wedding, birthday party, graduation, or other events?

Call the number below Tues-Fri, 9-4PM.

Prices:

Small Hall: \$500

Medium Hall: \$1,000

Large Hall: \$1,500

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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

Gloria's Kitchen Menu

July 3rd: *Beef Nachos*
 July 10th: *Chicken Strip Basket*
 July 17th: *Chopped Chicken*
Bacon Ranch Sub
 July 24th: *Patty Melt*
 July 31st: *Potato Taco Bowl*

Meals provided by Gloria Harris and her team

Mexican Tuesday 5PM

Tacos, happy hour margaritas, chili, etc.

Chef's Choice Friday 5PM

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 FOR UP-TO-DATE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS
WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/AMVETSPost1TACOMA



Dept of WA
 Service Foundation



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- Nisqually Tribe
- Puget Sound Veterans Hope Center
- CJS63 Enterprises
- Lucky Eagle Casino & Hotel



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Newsletters will also be available in Chappies Lounge.

If you feel you're on the list to receive your newsletter by email and you are not receiving it—please check your spam/junk email folder.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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