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OFFICER'S CORNER

2021 was an experience that was a real eye opener. We are back! A special thanks to Post members for your support. I appreciate all you do to help

December was a busy month—Santa parade, Children's Christmas Party, employees party and New Year's Eve. *To all that helped make things happen my heartfelt thanks.* Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's.

Repairs to our grease traps at the Post will be our priority. A little inconvenience, but it will get us in compliance with City of Tacoma's Ordinances.

On Jan 24th, we are hosting a Veterans Job Fair, 10-2PM. If you know someone looking for employment, employers are here and they are looking for people.

January is a fresh start on a new year—2022 will get us back on track.

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thurs., Jan 27th at 6PM**

Larry Stowe, Commander

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Happy New Year! For 2022, I would like to see more of our members come by the Post. We are getting back into a regular pattern, and the lounge will soon be open on more days.

If anyone has renewed their memberships, and haven't gotten a new card yet, be patient. National sends them out and they have been slow about it lately. Sorry.

Mike Alberts, 1st Vice

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I hope all had a good Christmas and a happy New Year...welcome to 2022. Let's keep up the good work on our volunteer slips. Let's hope this year will be better than last year. Looking forward to seeing all in year. Thanks for your continued support.

Richard A. Holcomb, 2nd Vice

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New beginnings for a brand New Year. Each one of us survived this past year. Welcome 2022, refreshed and loved!

Yesterday's gone and tomorrow is not promised. Every day is a new beginning. Awake the senses and smell the coffee. Rejoice, family, friends, and life. 2022

Happy New Year 2022! Be safe. Be well. SURVIVE!

Debbie Moore, 3rd Vice

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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**—we need it on file to maintain our nonprofit status. 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

Office Hours: Tues: 4PM-6:30PM & Thur/Fri: 10AM-3PM

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CHAPPIES RESTAURANT/LOUNGE

Lounge Hours:

Wed-Thurs 3-10PM; Fri 3-12AM; Sat 2-12AM; & Sun 2-10PM

Happy Hour: Wed-Sun 3-6PM

Daily activities: **Wed:** Texas Hold'Em; **Thurs:** Bar Stool Bingo; **Fri:** Meat/Bottle Raffle and 50/50 Raffle; **Sat:** Horse Races & Karaoke; and **Sun:** Texas Hold'Em and the Gate Keepers will be playing at the Jam Session

January Bands:

- **Jan 7th** 8 Second Ride
- **Jan 14th** Randy Litch
- **Jan 21st** Fuzeboxx

Seahawks Games

- **Sun, Jan 2**, 1:25PM Lions vs Seahawks
- **Sun, Jan 9**, 1:25PM Seahawks @ Cardinals

Check out the [calendar](#) for times and other fun activities!

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

Chappies Lounge Management & Staff

Chris Chance, General Manager

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CHAPLAIN

Now is no time to think of what we do not have.

Think of all you do with what you have.

Robert (Bob) Macon

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AMVETS SERVICE OFFICE

Hours:

Mon-Thur 9AM-11:45AM & 1PM-3:45PM,
Fri 9AM-11:45AM **CLOSED IN AFTERNOON**
Closed for lunch daily 12-1PM

The Service Office operates by appointment. Please contact the Service Office to schedule an appointment.

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National Service Office of Washington—Debbie Moore

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AMVETS RIDERS

The Riders Family had our “Wonderful Almost 2nd Annual Christmas Party” (with a bit of an interruption in 2020!), beautifully decorated and lighted, with a delicious catered dinner, good friends and our gift exchange!

As part of the dinner, Chapter One accepted two awards from AMVETS Riders National:

- **Most Improved Chapter**
Membership Service Contribution—2020-2021; and
- **Best Chapter**
Membership Service Contribution—2020-2021

Excellent work, brothers and sisters! And, a special thanks to 2nd Vice Charles “Drill” Wofford for all the work involved in tracking the statistics which were tirelessly sent to National in order to log the necessary info! Service to Veterans and the community is why we’re here! ***To All—A Job Well Done!***

Our next meeting is on **Jan 8, 2022**. Preceded by a bottle raffle on Friday night, **Jan 7th**. Come out and join us!

Riders Chapter One wishes everyone in our AMVETS family the *Happiest and Healthiest of Holidays and a very Prosperous New Year in 2022!*

Mike Jarnagin, President

AMVETS Riders, Chapter One

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QUARTERMASTER

I would like to thank EVERYONE who helped make the Kids Christmas party a success!

The Quartermaster is available via appointments or on meeting nights. Please leave a message if you need any merchandise from the display case near Chappies Lounge.

Danelle Wyatt, Quartermaster

Phone: (253) 988-1538

SONS of AMVETS

Thanks to everyone who has renewed for 2022. So far, we have had a good renewal rate. Please remember that if you have not renewed and want to visit the lounge after the first of the year, you will need to sign in.

Our first business meeting of the year will be **Tues, Jan 4th, 7PM**

Tom Arter, Adjutant

Sons of AMVETS Squad 1

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AUXILIARY

Thank all of you who donated and helped get the baskets ready for giving the Christmas Baskets out.

As we move into the New Year, we will be planning a **Thank You Dinner** for Post 1 on **Jan 27th** at 5PM. At our next meeting we will be passing around a sign-up sheet to see what will be for dinner.

Just a friendly reminder if you have moved, a new phone number or email address please let us know so we can update our files.

We are no longer collecting the pull tops on soda or beer cans or collect Campbell soup labels. Thank you to those who have done this project in the pass.

Upcoming events

- Jan 7th—Bottle Raffle & 50/50 Raffle
- **Jan 13th**—Auxiliary meeting 6:30PM
- Jan 27th—*Thank You dinner* for Post 1—bring food to Post by 4:45PM.

Have a Wonderful Holiday Season and a Bright and Healthy New Year!

Tilinda Grote, President

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- Riders:
<https://www.facebook.com/Amvets-Riders-Chapter-One-Tacoma-WA-100848928455421>



Don't forget to show us that you like us!

COMMUNICATIONS

It's around Christmas time when I am writing my column for the Post newsletter. I sit here in the early morning and think about all the things that I am grateful for. The first thing is always my family, friends and my health.

Since joining AMVETS, the meaning of being a veteran has changed for me. I have never belonged to an organization that always places veterans first. I had once lost my identity as a veteran and now I found myself again...belonging to one of the greatest veteran organizations...AMVETS. A person may not think that is important or enough...but to me, it's my everything. I would like to thank every member at AMVETS for

making me feel special and at home. It is because of YOU that makes AMVETS a great organization—Thank YOU!

Martin Luther King Junior Day is on Jan 17th. I often think about how it was back when I was growing up with all the racial tension that was occurring. I cannot honestly write an article about how everyone is currently experiencing what is going on in their life. My mother always taught me to accept people for who they are and I feel that I do that. *My prayers are for peace and change.*

Danette Gundy
Communication Officer

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JANUARY 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—Packs are 10/14/20. 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**—All 5 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 \$1,000 double, singles pay \$500

JANUARY SPECIALS

- **FRIDAYS** in January is customer appreciation—there will be 5 drawings for lucky bucks each session.
- **SUNDAY AM SPECIAL**—Texas blackout is a \$500 will go!
- **IN HONOR OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY** Sunday, Jan 16th—is a \$500 will go!
- **Ticket Drawing, Friday, Jan 28th** 5-\$100 drawings both sessions
- **Current Jackpots:**
456—20#'s-\$3,000; 30#'s-\$1,000
Bonanza—50#'s-\$5,000; 52#'s-\$1,000
Pick 7—15#'s-\$5,000; 24#'s-\$1,000



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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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