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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR COMMANDER

I would like to welcome our new Officers for 2023-2024!

I would also like to thank all of our volunteers who help keep the Post running!

We continue to need your **DONATIONS** to help keep us alive. There are a few ways to do that:

- Come in and give cash to our Adjutant Glenn Skinner
- If you want a tax deduction: Write a check to AMVETS Dept of WA Service Foundation (in the memo/for line, please write AMVETS Post 1 Corporate) and mail to:
AMVETS Dept of WA Service Foundation
C/O Danette Gundy, 5717 S. Tyler St., Tacoma, WA 98409
- If you do not want a tax deduction: Write a check to AMVETS Post 1 Corporate and mail to:
AMVETS Post 1 Corporate, 5717 S. Tyler St, Tacoma, WA 98409

- Go to our GoFundMe page and donate there at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/ahmv4-donate-to-help-veterans>

As a 501(c)(3) we will provide an acknowledgement/ receipt to any person or entity who contributes \$75 or more in a calendar year.

Mark your calendar for the Annual Summer **PICNIC** going to at the AMVETS Club on Jul 15th.

Come and join us for a Post meeting on **Thurs. June 22nd at 6PM.**

Brenda Martin, Commander

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OFFICER'S CORNER

No report.

Mike Hardy, 1st Vice

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Thank you to the volunteers who participated in our annual J/ROTC awards ceremonies!

Congratulations to all the new officers.

Thank you for your support. Keep up the good work. Make sure you fill volunteer slips completely and that they are readable—sometimes I have to guess the name. Have a good start to June.

Richard A. Holcomb, 2nd Vice

Email: programs@amvetwapost1.org

First, I want to express my congratulations to all the incoming and returning officers, I look forward to working with you. I also want to thank everyone for the faith entrusted in me as the 3rd vice and I am truly honored. I look forward to serving the post to the best of my ability.

Please remember the post picnic on July 15th. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Rachel Murphy, 3rd Vice

Email: programs@amvetwapost1.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.

Please contact me if a Post member passes away.

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

RENT THE HALL—Want to rent our hall for a wedding, birthday party, graduation, or other events? Please contact our Adjutant between Tues-Fri, 9-4PM. Prices: Small Hall \$500; Medium Hall \$1,000; and Large Hall \$1,500.

Glenn Skinner, Adjutant

Phone: (253) 472-2552

Email: Adjutant@amvetwapost1.org

CHAPPIES RESTAURANT/LOUNGE

Lounge Hours:

Thurs 3-10PM
Fri 3-12AM
Sat 2-12AM
Sun 2-10PM



Daily activities:

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

SONS of AMVETS

Our next meeting is **Tues. June 6th, 7PM** at the Post on the deck. This is an important meeting as it is 2nd nominations and election of officers for 2023-2024. There are entry level positions available so it would be a great opportunity for anyone interested in getting started in Squad leadership with an entry level position that requires very little time and for which there will be plenty of help. Come on in and vote regardless if you are not interested in an office!

Tom Arter, Adjutant
Sons of AMVETS Squad 1
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AMVETS RIDERS

Our next meeting is **Sat., June 10th, 10AM** in the lounge.

Riders had their Officer elections in May (delayed from April due to the post being closed).

Riders had a ride to the Vietnam Veteran Museum in Centralia on May 27th. Also on May 27th, Chuck Bisping (Landshark) attended the motorcycle escort for the internment of unclaimed remains of Veterans to the Tahoma National Cemetery.

At this point there are no set plans for June, except for the monthly meeting on June 10th at 10AM.

Mike Alberts (Iron Mike), President
AMVETS Riders, Chapter One
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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
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AMVETS SERVICE OFFICE

Hours:

Tues-Fri 9AM-4PM

Please visit our website at www.amvetwaservice.org to make an appointment.

Victoria Burgess, State Service Director
Email: victoria@amvetwaso.org
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AUXILIARY

Thank you! to all the delegates that attended the May Convention, hope to see you next year!

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

Volunteers: Please support the needs & activities at Post 1, in lieu of our hospital & community projects.

Please consider joining the Ladies Auxiliary in supporting our worthy programs and projects year-round.

Upcoming Events:

- Jun 2nd—Bottle Raffles
- Jun 8th—Ladies Auxiliary Business Meeting @ 6:30PM

Barbara Skinner, President

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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



HISTORIAN

Dear AMVETS

Where is our general public showing of “PATRIOTISM” these days? What can we do to help inspire them? Got any ideas? Please let me know.

Please take the time to see a YouTube video that Charles Wharton participated in regarding Flag Day.

<https://youtu.be/x5RTF20chEs>

Learn the History of Flag Day and the Stars and Stripes!

<https://tinyurl.com/3w8buehm>

Taryn Hopey, Historian

COMMUNICATIONS

Life Membership Dues

Whereas AMVETS life membership dues have been set at \$250 since January 2012, and,

Whereas this is among the lowest price for life membership dues of any Veterans Service Organization, and,

Whereas this does not accurately reflect the value of AMVETS life membership, no, therefore,

Be it resolved that Article VII, Section 6, a, (1) be replaced with the following:

“Life membership dues, effective September 1, 2023, shall be not less than \$500 for those members age up to and including 55, ages 56 through and including 65 will be \$400 and those 66 and over \$300, nonrefundable, and payable to the post, of which 50 percent shall be forwarded to National Headquarters and 25 percent to the state department.”

Danette Gundy, Communications Officer

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To continue receiving important information from our Post, provide your email address to

newsletter@amvetwapost1.org or go online www.amvetwapost1.org

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

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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
 <p>Annual Summer Picnic At AMVETS Post 1</p>				<p>Chappies OPEN 3-10PM Barstool Bingo 4PM</p> <p>Country Dance Lessons 6:30-7:30 Dance until 10PM DJ Terry West</p>	<p>Chappies OPEN 3-12AM Auxiliary Raffles 7:30-9PM</p> <p>Music: 8-11PM Rock & Roll Magic</p>	<p>Chappies OPEN 2-12AM Horse Racing 4PM</p> <p>Karaoke 7PM</p>
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<p>Chappies OPEN 2-10PM Texas Hold'Em 2PM sign up 2:30PM starts Jam Session with Gatekeepers 5PM</p>	<p>Building Closed</p> <p style="border: 1px dashed orange; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">D-Day</p>	<p>Chappie's Closed Sons Mtg 7PM On the Deck</p>	<p>Chappie's Closed</p>	<p>Chappies OPEN 3-10PM Auxiliary Mtg 6:30PM Barstool Bingo 4PM</p>	<p>Chappies OPEN 3-12AM Riders Raffles 7:30-9PM</p> <p>Music: 8-11PM Billy Shew</p>	<p>Chappies OPEN 2-12AM Riders Mtg 10AM Horse Racing 4PM</p> <p>TBD ? Karaoke 7PM</p>
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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25	26	27	28	29	30	
<p>Chappies OPEN 2-10PM Texas Hold'Em 2PM sign up 2:30PM starts Jam Session with Gatekeepers 5PM</p>	<p>Building Closed</p>	<p>Chappie's Closed</p> <p style="border: 1px dashed orange; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">National PTSD Awareness Day</p>	<p>Chappie's Closed</p>	<p>Chappies OPEN 3-10PM Barstool Bingo 4PM</p>	<p>Chappies OPEN 3-12AM Commander Corp 50/50 Raffle 7:30-9PM</p> <p>Music: 8-11PM Sundance</p>	