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OFFICER'S CORNER

October is here! It's time to think of the upcoming events.

The Post will be having a visit from our National Commander. I would like us to show him that our Post is a place that is the true spirit of AMVETS! He will be in the area Oct. 4-11th.

We have a lot of things coming up in the next few months. I want to remind everybody that in November and December, the Post meetings are on the 2nd Thursday—due to the holidays.

Our D.E.C. meeting will be here Oct 14th and 15th this month. For those of you that would like to attend and see what the Department of Washington is doing—here is your chance.

I want to thank all of you for your support of the Post. As I have said before, if you have any ideas or questions, please let me know. I'm not hard to find.

Again, have a safe month and don't let the Ghosts and Goblins get you.

Our next Post meeting is on **Thur. Oct. 27th at 6PM.**

Larry Stowe, Commander

Phone: (253) 203-8238

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Just come in with your friends and enjoy watching the Seahawks in Chappie's Lounge.

We are also having our D.E.C. meeting on Oct. 15th with committees meeting the day before.

Brenda Martin, 1st Vice

Email: membership@amvetwapost1.org

Thank you for your continued support.

Please ensure that the hours and miles are filled out on your volunteer slips and that your name is readable. We continue to hold our own on the hours and miles—good job all.

Richard A. Holcomb, 2nd Vice

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Bootiful 🍬 Keep those jugs a coming, but don't forget the candy donations and \$\$\$ donation for the youth trunk or treat on Halloween. We need volunteers with cars filled with candy. If you bring candy that's great! There will be candy from the post too. Decorate your vehicle/motorcycle for added fun. Wear a costume for mystery identification. Trunk or Treat Oct. 31st 6-8PM.

Adult Halloween party will be on Sat., Oct. 29th at 7PM. with ghostly karaoke fun. Prizes for ghoulish costumes. Be there before 7PM—karaoke starts at 7PM. Witches welcome too. 🧛

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**. 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: Mon-Thurs 3-10PM; Fri 3-12AM; Sat 2-12AM; & Sun 2-10PM and **Happy Hour:** Mon-Sat 3-6PM & ALL DAY on Sun

Daily activities: **Tues:** Dart leagues; **Wed:** Texas Hold'Em (\$10) & Manhattan Dance Club (\$10); **Thurs:** Bar Stool Bingo; **Fri:** Live Music, Meat/Bottle Raffle and 50/50 Raffle; **Sat:** Horse Races & Karaoke; and **Sun:** Texas Hold'Em (\$10) and the Gate Keepers playing at the Jam Session

October Bands:

- **Oct 7**—Billy Shew
- **Oct 14**—The Raucous Band
- **Oct 21**—The Gatekeepers
- **Oct 28**—Cherokee

Wednesday meals provided by Gloria Harris and her team (\$10 plus \$2 for dessert):

- **Oct 5**—Swedish Meatballs
- **Oct 12**—Braised Chicken with Rice
- **Oct 19**—Catfish Nuggets and Hush Puppies
- **Oct 26**—Open-Faced Beef Sandwich

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

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

Jackie Alberts, Interim General Manager

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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. Oct. 4th, 7PM** in the lounge. This is an important meeting as we will be discussing our child welfare programs for Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

A big welcome to our newest members Dan D'Andrea and Jimmy O'Hara and thanks to Dave Meyers for doing a bit of arm twisting!

National likes all dues paid by the 1st of the year. Dues are still \$42 as last year. We have received 2022-2023 membership cards for all existing members. Although it is still early you may begin renewing now by filling out our application/renewal form and mailing it in or dropping it, along with your payment in the Sons membership box. We don't recommend cash, but if you do pay in cash, and use the Sons membership box, be sure to use a sealed envelope.

Remember as member of the Sons of AMVETS you are welcome to attend Post and Trustees meetings, as a guest, to see how your Post is run.

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

AMVETS RIDERS

Fall has arrived!

Riders send their deepest sympathy for the recent loss of our bartender, Tawyna Rankin. Riders is donating \$300 to help with funeral expenses.

Riders will be present for the Post Trunk-n-Treat event Oct. 29th! Also, come on in for the adult Halloween Party.

November 5th is the Veteran's Day parade in Auburn. Riders will be there again this year. Hope to see you all at the post!

Our next meeting will be **Oct 8th at 10AM.**

**Mike Alberts (Iron Mike), President
AMVETS Riders, Chapter One
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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.

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:

- **Oct 7th**—Bottle Raffle
- **Oct 13th**—Auxiliary Meeting @ 6:30PM

Barbara Skinner, President

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COMMUNICATIONS

We sadly lost one of our bartenders, Tawyna Rankin. Her family will be having a memorial soon at Post 1. Our deepest sympathies to her family.

The South Tacoma Business District Association has a member that attends our Post meetings. They have Executive Board meetings the 3rd Friday of each month at 8:30AM located at Dawson's on South Tacoma Way. There is a lot of stuff going on in our City and this is the place to hear what's going on. Everyone is welcome!

Danette Gundy, Communications Officer

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CHAPLAIN

Dear God, please grant me a compassionate and sympathetic heart for people. I want my prayers for others to flow from a heart overflowing with compassion. Amen. (Psalm 145:8)

Robert (Bob) Macon

Email: chaplain@amvetswapost1.org

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

OCTOBER 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

TUES., OCT. 18 ALL SESSIONS CLOSED

OCTOBER SPECIALS




- **FRIDAY AM in Oct.**—Texas is a \$500 will go!
- **SUNDAY AM in Oct.**—Double lucky bucks!!
- **HALLOWEEN SPECIAL**
Sun., Oct 30th
Daubers to all!
Pick 7-\$500 will go!
- **Birthday Specials**
Nikkis, Sun., Oct. 9th—double action doubled!
- **Ticket Drawing, Friday, Oct. 28th**
5-\$100 drawings



You're Invited to a
**Trunk or
Treat
PARTY**
October 31, 6-8pm
AMVETS Post 1, 5717 S Tyler
Costumes Required
RSVP: The Witch

Get ready - **SUPER FUN KARAOKE**
HALLOWEEN
October 29, 2022
AMVETS (Chappies), Post 1
Tacoma, WA
**BEST DRESSED
PRIZES TO BE WON**
Come, have some fun, bring
friends

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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Kids Halloween Trunk or Treats Party Monday, October 31st 6-8PM 						Chappies 2-12AM Kitchen Open 3-9PM Horse Racing 4PM Karaoke 7PM Bingo AM/PM
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Chappies 9:30AM-10PM SEAHAWKS @ Lions 10AM POTLUCK Kitchen Open 3-9PM Texas Hold'Em 2PM sign up 2:30PM starts Jam Session with Gatekeepers 5PM Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 3-10PM	Chappies 3-10PM PTSD 10-12 noon DARTS 6:30 sign up 7PM play SONS 7PM Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 3-10PM DINNER 5-7PM Swedish Meatballs Texas Hold'Em 5PM sign up 5:30PM starts Manhattan Dance 6:30-9:30PM (\$10)	Chappies 3-10PM Barstool Bingo 4PM	Chappies 3-12AM Kitchen Open 3-9PM Raffles 7:30-9PM Music: 8PM-12AM Billy Shew Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 2-12AM Kitchen Open 3-9PM Riders Mtg 10AM Horse Racing 4PM Karaoke 7PM Bingo AM/PM
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Chappies 9:30AM-10PM SEAHAWKS @ Saints 10AM POTLUCK Kitchen Open 3-9PM Texas Hold'Em 2PM sign up 2:30PM starts Jam Session with Gatekeepers 5PM Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 3-10PM	Chappies 3-10PM PTSD 10-12 noon DARTS 6:30 sign up 7PM play Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 3-10PM DINNER 5-7PM Braised Chicken w/rice Texas Hold'Em 5PM sign up 5:30PM starts Manhattan Dance 6:30-9:30PM (\$10)	Chappies 3-10PM Barstool Bingo 4PM Auxiliary Mtg 6:30PM NAVY BIRTHDAY	Chappies 3-12AM Kitchen Open 3-9PM D.E.C. Committee Mtg 4PM Raffles 7:30-9PM Music: 8PM-12AM The Raucous Band Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 2-12AM Kitchen Open 3-9PM D.E.C. Meeting 10AM Horse Racing 4PM Karaoke 7PM Bingo AM/PM
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Chappies 12:30-10PM SEAHAWKS vs Cardinals 1:05PM POTLUCK Kitchen Open 3-9PM Texas Hold'Em 2PM sign up 2:30PM starts Jam Session with Gatekeepers 5PM Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 3-10PM BUNCO 5PM (\$10) 	Chappies 3-10PM PTSD 10-12 noon DARTS 6:30 sign up 7PM play Bingo AM/PM CLOSED	Chappies 3-10PM DINNER 5-7PM Catfish Nuggets & Hush Puppies Texas Hold'Em 5PM sign up 5:30PM starts Manhattan Dance 6:30-9:30PM (\$10)	Chappies 3-10PM Barstool Bingo 4PM Trustee Mtg 6PM NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE	Chappies 3-12AM Kitchen Open 3-9PM Raffles 7:30-9PM Music: 8PM-12AM The Gatekeepers Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 2-12AM Kitchen Open 3-9PM Horse Racing 4PM Karaoke 7PM Bingo AM/PM
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Chappies 12:30-10PM SEAHAWKS @ Chargers 1:25PM POTLUCK Kitchen Open 3-9PM Texas Hold'Em 2PM sign up 2:30PM starts Jam Session with Gatekeepers 5PM Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 3-10PM	Chappies 3-10PM PTSD 10-12 noon DARTS 6:30 sign up 7PM play Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 3-10PM DINNER 5-7PM Open-Faced Beef Sandwich Texas Hold'Em 5PM sign up 5:30PM starts Manhattan Dance 6:30-9:30PM (\$10)	Chappies 3-10PM Barstool Bingo 4PM POST MEETING 6PM NAVY DAY	Chappies 3-12AM Kitchen Open 3-9PM Music: 8PM-12AM Cherokee Raffles 7:30-9PM Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 2-12AM Kitchen Open 3-9PM Horse Racing 4PM ADULT Halloween Party with Karaoke 7PM Bingo AM/PM
30	31	Adult Halloween—Super Fun Karaoke October 29 @ 7PM, Chappie's Lounge Best dressed prizes to be won! 				
Chappies 12:30-10PM SEAHAWKS vs Giants 1:25PM POTLUCK Kitchen Open 3-9PM Texas Hold'Em 2PM sign up 2:30PM starts Jam Session with Gatekeepers 5PM Bingo AM/PM	Chappies 3-10PM Kids Trunk or Treat Halloween Party 6-8PM					

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Today's Story in Pennsylvania History

By Frederic A. Godcharles

(State Librarian)

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FIRST TRIP OF THE LIBERTY BELL WAS MADE TO SAVE IT FROM THE BRITISH, ARRIVED IN BETHLEHEM SEPT. 21, 1777.

No relic in all America is more revered than the Liberty Bell, and its prophetic inscription; its appeal to the people to assemble for the redress of their grievances; its defiant clangor on that memorable day of the reclamation of our independence; its joyous pealing in exultation over the completed work of the American evolution; and its last tolling over the honored dead of the nation, gives its story an abiding interest to the nation and the world.

That Moving Bell

Since the bell was hung in the old State House, Jun 3, 1753, it has been taken from its home on ten different occasions to appear as an object of veneration at great exposition. But of all these journeys none was of such moment and historic interest as its very first pilgrimage in America, when it was hauled miles on a farmer's wagon and hidden beneath the floor of a church to prevent its capture by the British.

No defeat of the Continental army has been so disastrous as that of the battle of Brandywine, Sept. 11, 1777, when one thousand patriots fell, and General Howe was able to move on toward Philadelphia, causing the greatest consternation.

The congress, in session there, hastily adjourned on September 18, to meet in Lancaster, where it held a session September 27, and then moved to York where it first met on the 30th and continued its sessions there until June 27, 1778.

Off to Lehigh!

Everyone was astir in Philadelphia, and an immediate

movement of the army, including the sick and wounded, was begun to Bethlehem. The State House, or Liberty Bell, and the other bells of the city were taken down. Many of the church bells were sunk in the river or carried away, but the Liberty Bell, with those of Christ church, St. Peter's and eight others, eleven in all were removed to Allentown via Bethlehem.

To the victor belongs the spoils and history furnishes many instances where the bells of captured cities have been melted down and recast as cannon, or run into bullets.

On the morning of Sept. 19, 1777, according to the diary of Jacob Hiltzheimer, an official of the quartermasters department, the public money, books and papers were sent to the home of Abraham Hunt, in New Jersey for temporary safe keeping. The order to remove the bells must have been promulgated the same day, as the diary of the Moravian bishop at Bethlehem notes on Monday, September 22, that the archives and papers of congress arrived from Trenton via Easton, under a convoy of fifty troopers and fifty infantrymen.

On the following day the heavy baggage of the Continental Congress and the army began arriving at Bethlehem in a continuous train of 700 wagons, and went into camp. The Liberty Bell was abroad one of these wagons. At the time of its disappearance from Philadelphia, rumor was rife and it filled a watery grave in the Delaware river. The fact is that as soon as the Supreme Executive Council had ordered this and other bells to be removed to Allentown, they

were loaded on farm wagons and piled high with manure, a piece of strategy to foil the enemy. The wagon upon which the Liberty Bell was thus concealed was driven by John Jacob Mickley, who had charge of removing all the bells. He was accompanied by his son, a lad of eleven years who occasionally was allowed to drive.

The entire operation of removing the bells from their towers, loading them in wagons and driving them to a place of safety, was accomplished under cover of darkness. This accounts for the time consumed in driving from Philadelphia to Allentown. The wagon with the Liberty Bell broke down in Bethlehem, when it was transferred to a wagon owned and driven by Frederick Leaser, and on September 24, followed the others to Allentown.

Hibernated For Year

The Liberty Bell and the chimes of Christ church were secreted beneath the floor of Zion Reformed church, where they remained for about one year. A bronze tablet, properly inscribed, has been placed on this historic church, which tells of this first trip of the famous Liberty Bell. The "Liberty Bell" visited Allentown, November 3, 1893, on its return from the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago, and was allowed to remain over night in remembrance of its sojourn there, as commonly supposed, during the darkest days of the Revolution.

Today's Anniversaries

- 1720—David Franks born in New York. Long a prominent resident of Philadelphia. Died in 1794.
- 1733—Joseph Montgomery born in Paxtang. Captain in Revolution. Clergyman assemblyman. Died October 14, 1749.
- 1734—Matthew Pratt born in Philadelphia. Celebrated painter. Died January 9, 1805.
- 1735—Marylanders in border war captured Robert Buchanan of Lancaster and carried him off.
- 1737—James Yeates died from his exertions in infamous "Indian Walk."
- 1777—U.S. Arsenal established in Allentown.
- 1780—General Assembly ratified agreement which settled boundary controversy with Virginia.
- 1807—U.S. marshal and posse attempted to dispossess William Foulk in Beaver county. James Hamilton of posse killed.
- 1819—Charles J. Stille born in Philadelphia. Surgeon, writer, educator. Prevost University of Pennsylvania. Died Aug. 11, 1899.
- 1823—James Black born in Lewisburg. Prohibition candidate for president. Died Dec. 16, 1893.
- 1823—Sarah Jane Lippincott born in New York. Author. Resident of Philadelphia. Died April 20, 1904.
- 1919—Fatal clash among rioters in steel mill strike at Farrell.