



# AMVETS Newsletter

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### OFFICER'S CORNER

I want to let everyone know that our yearly AMVETS membership picnic will be on July 15th and the location will be at Post 1. Mark your calendar! We will have good food and children/adult games. A very fun time to get together—hope to see you there!

Come and join us for a Post meeting on **Thurs. Mar. 23rd at 6PM.**

**Brenda Martin, Commander**

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Thanks to all for your continued support. We are doing well with the volunteer slips—keep up the good work. I'm still waiting for National to get there stuff together—still waiting. In the meantime, we are trying to make the right moves for the report.

Thanks again for your support.

**Richard A. Holcomb, 2nd Vice**

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### 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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### 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.

**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

Happy Hour: Tues-Sat 3-6PM & ALL DAY on Sun

Daily activities: **Tues:** Dart leagues; **Wed:** Texas Hold'Em & Manhattan Dance Club; **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

#### March Bands:

- **Mar. 2nd**—Country Dance
- **Mar. 3rd**—Sundance Band
- **Mar. 10th**—Gatekeepers
- **Mar. 17th**—Michael Crain (big hall)
- **Mar. 24th**—8 Second Ride
- **Mar. 31st**—Raucous Band

Look for specials for St. Patrick's Day—information coming out soon.

**BUNCO** will be on Mar. 21st starting at 5PM!

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, 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**

We are currently taking walk-ins Mon-Thur 9-11AM & 1-3PM.  
Please visit our website at [www.amvetwaservice.org](http://www.amvetwaservice.org) to make an appointment.

### Victoria Burgess, Interim State Service Director

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## SONS of AMVETS

Our next meeting is **Tues. Mar. 7th, 7PM** at the Post.

All 2023 membership cards, for those have renewed, have been mailed out. If you haven't received yours, let Tom Arter know.

**Tom Arter, Adjutant**  
**Sons of AMVETS Squad 1**  
Email: [arter57@yahoo.com](mailto:arter57@yahoo.com)

## AMVETS RIDERS

Our next meeting is **Sat., Mar. 11th, 10AM** in the lounge. We will be having our 2nd nominations for Officers.

April is the Riders' 6th anniversary, and we will be hosting BBQ on the Deck, April 15th—FREE, but we will take donations for the Soldier's Home in Orting.

April is also when usually the weather clears for a few days and motorcycles come out of hibernation—*PLEASE be careful and watch for them on the road. Thank you.*

**Mike Alberts (Iron Mike), President**  
**AMVETS Riders, Chapter One**  
Email: [thunderbolt4800@yahoo.com](mailto: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

Dear Father, save us from faint-heartedness when we pray. Teach us persistence and the ability to hold on, press on and wait. Amen.

**Robert (Bob) Macon**  
Email: [chaplain@amvetwapost1.org](mailto:chaplain@amvetwapost1.org)

## AUXILIARY

With great sadness, we regret to inform you of the recent passing of PDP Margaret Jauron. For over 30 years, Margaret has been a friend to many and a steadfast, loyal supporter of AMVETS and our Auxiliary. She served as a volunteer, a liaison, a leader, a mentor, an Officer on the local & state level, and a delegate to National Conferences & Conventions. A "Farewell to Margaret" and a "Celebration of Life" reception will be held at a later date. We will provide any updates we receive from Margaret's family on when that would happen.

The **AMVETS Post 1 Ladies Auxiliary Bylaws and Standing Rules:** Second reading & vote. The proposed amendments will be read and voted on at the Mar. 9th Business Meeting at 6:30PM.

### March 9th—1st Nominations for Officers

Prerequisite for the 8-9 elected Auxiliary Officers: Must be a member in good standing who attended 50% of all business meetings (6), one-year preceding elections. Additionally, 1-7 Officers & Chairpersons shall be appointed by the President-elect.

First nominations for our Elected Officers will be heard: President, 1st Vice, 2nd Vice, 3rd Vice, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain & Sergeant-At-Arms

### April 13th—2nd Nominations Voting & Elections

Auxiliary Business Meeting, 6:30PM in person, the Officers second nominations, election(s) and installation will be held

The Spring DEC (WA Dept Exec Committee) meeting will be held via ZOOM. Please join us.

AMVETS Dept of WA Auxiliary is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Spring DEC Meeting, Mar. 18, 2023, 10AM

Join: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83219584319?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83219584319?pwd=QUdMUUVZ6SWRFSU9lelgvbHJTSHp3QT09)

[pwd=QUdMUUVZ6SWRFSU9lelgvbHJTSHp3QT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83219584319?pwd=QUdMUUVZ6SWRFSU9lelgvbHJTSHp3QT09)

Meeting ID: 832 1958 4319

Passcode: 021848

Dial: 1+253-215-8782 US

AMVETS 2023 Annual WA Convention & DEC Meeting will be on May 19th-21st. It will tentatively be held at Clover Island, Kennewick, WA. If you are interested in attending, please let me know before **March 17th.**

**Wanted:** Volunteers experienced with spreadsheets & word processing. We could use your clerical assistance.

### Upcoming Events:

- **Mar. 3rd**—Bottle and meat raffle
- **Mar. 9th**—Auxiliary Meeting @ 6:30PM in person
- **Mar 18th**—Spring D.E.C. Meeting via Zoom today

### Barbara Skinner, President

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## HISTORIAN

I have interesting topics to share with you this month for further reading:

- The **Articles of Confederation** was the first United States Constitution that became effective on March 1, 1781 and served Americans until 1789.  
<https://www.archives.gov/milestone-documents/articles-of-confederation>
- **Old GLORY**—a story behind the flag which is located at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC  
<https://www.va.gov/opa/publications/celebrate/oldglory.pdf>
- [https://www.si.edu/object/old-glory-flag%3Anmah\\_463145](https://www.si.edu/object/old-glory-flag%3Anmah_463145) (picture of Old Glory included)
- **How the Flag Came to be Called Old Glory** (New research may settle a family feud over the origins of an American icon)  
<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/how-the-flag-came-to-be-called-old-glory-18396>

**Taryn Hopey, Historian**



### St. Patrick's Day

Bake sale & basket raffle

If you like to bake, bring your goods to sell at our bake sale before 5PM on Mar. 17th

There will be a raffle for a basket filled with all kind of goodies!

Come out and support our Post!

Proceeds will go back into our Post!



## MARCH 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



### MARCH SPECIALS

- **FRIDAY AM in Mar.**—Double lucky bucks!
- **SUNDAY AM in Mar.**—Texas is a \$500 will go!
- **ST PATRICK'S DAY SPECIAL**  
Fri., Mar. 17th  
Daubers to ALL  
456-\$500 will go  
Single winners of packet games pick a clover for lucky bucks or extra cash!
- **Ticket Drawing, Friday, Mar. 31st**  
5-\$100 drawings both sessions
- **Jackpots**  
**456**—20#'s-\$4,500  
**Bonanza**—50#'s-\$5,000; 55#'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
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
 <p>Come on out and take some <b>Country Dance Lessons</b></p> <p><b>March 2nd</b> Doors open 6PM Lessons 6:30-7:30 Dance until 10PM Donations accepted</p>			<p><b>Chappies 3-10PM</b></p> <p><b>Texas Hold'Em</b> 5PM sign up 5:30PM starts</p> <p><b>DARTS 6:30 sign up 7PM play</b></p> <p><b>Manhattan Dance 6:30-9:30PM (\$10)</b></p>	<p><b>Chappies 3-10PM</b></p> <p>Barstool Bingo 4PM</p> <p><b>Country Dance Lessons 6:30-7:30 Dance until 10PM</b></p>	<p><b>Chappies 3-12AM</b></p> <p>Auxiliary Raffles 7:30-9PM</p> <p><b>Music: 8-11PM Sundance Band</b></p> <p>Bingo AM/PM</p> <p style="border: 1px dashed orange; padding: 2px;">National Anthem Day</p>	<p><b>Chappies 2-12AM</b></p> <p><b>Horse Racing 4PM</b></p> <p><b>Karaoke 7PM</b></p> <p>Bingo AM/PM</p>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<p><b>Chappies 2-10PM</b></p> <p><b>Texas Hold'Em</b> 2PM sign up 2:30PM starts</p> <p><b>Jam Session with Gatekeepers 5PM</b></p> <p>Bingo AM/PM</p>		<p><b>Chappies 3-10PM</b></p> <p><b>PTSD 10-12 noon</b></p> <p><b>SONS 7PM</b></p> <p><b>DARTS 6:30 sign up 7PM play</b></p> <p>Bingo AM/PM</p>	<p><b>Chappies 3-10PM</b></p> <p><b>Texas Hold'Em</b> 5PM sign up 5:30PM starts</p> <p><b>DARTS 6:30 sign up 7PM play</b></p> <p><b>Manhattan Dance 6:30-9:30PM (\$10)</b></p>	<p><b>Chappies 3-10PM</b></p> <p><b>Auxiliary Mtg 6:30PM</b></p> <p>Barstool Bingo 4PM</p>	<p><b>Chappies 3-12AM</b></p> <p><b>Music: 8-11PM Gatekeepers</b></p> <p>Riders Raffles 7:30-9PM</p> <p>Bingo AM/PM</p>	<p><b>Chappies 2-12AM</b></p> <p><b>Riders Mtg 10AM</b></p> <p><b>Horse Racing 4PM</b></p> <p><b>Karaoke 7PM</b></p> <p>Bingo AM/PM</p>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
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<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
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<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	
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