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Editor: Lucy Stephens

Reporters: Numerous

MEETING REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP:

1st READING: Richard Phillips.

2nd READING: Samuel Guthrie, Jessica Talley, John Brooks, Jeremy Luzader.

The acceptance of Associate Memberships is suspended for a 4 month study by the membership committee of Post capacities.

Don't forget, we meet the **first Wednesday of every month**. Please try to attend.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT:

ILLNESS:

Everyone seems to be doing pretty good this month – but just in case we missed someone-----

The Post wishes a speedy recovery to any member who is under the weather.

Commander's Corner ↵



Just like to thank all the members that attended the last monthly meeting, sorry about the length of it, but we had a lot of items to cover. Hopefully our next meeting will be a little shorter.

As all of you probably know by now, we will have a re-election for 2 new E-board members at the February meeting plus questions of the E-board's minutes for a recommendation to raise the Post member's dues. Please try and attend.

I have all my committees in place and I am in the process of getting a financial team to go over some strategic planning in regards to our finances.

It seems like since I took office, we have had nothing but snow and bitter cold. Do you think this is a sign of things to come? Our local football

team, the U of D, lost a heart breaker and our beloved Eagles gave it their best, but not to worry, the Fighting Phils will get us back in the winning spirit in the spring – can't wait.

So to beat these cool winter days, come join us for our Annual Valentine's Dance, and warm up with a nice dinner and drinks and coffee to go. Music headed by the Hi-Liters featuring our own Frank Dobson on bass. Give our new Entertainment chairman some support, plus the Del Vets baseball team will be having a beef/beer see info in adjoining columns. SUPPORT YOUR POST

In ending I'd like to thank the WACs and all other Post members who gave their time to GET INVOLVED with helping out and preparing the ROSES for the Gold Star and Vietnam Vets laying of the roses. The event will be at the Delaware Vets Cemeteries on Saturday, February 5th at 8:00 am in the morning. Those that want to participate – see Judy Campbell or Lynne Townsend for information. Also, special thanks to all who helped take down the Christmas decorations.

That's it 'till next month,

Sam Minutola, Commander

WACs News



Our next meeting on February 1st will be our annual Bingo night. All are invited. Please bring a snack and a friend. Cash bar will be available.

The WACs have been helping with a project sponsored by the Gold Star Mothers to prepare 12,000 roses to be placed on each grave at the Delaware Veterans Cemetery. Thanks to all who have helped! It's an awesome project. Don't forget nominations are being taken for new officers to be presented at our March meeting.

WACs next meetings are: Tuesday, February 1st and Tuesday, March 1st, 2011.

HONOR GUARD MEETING:



The Honor Guard is planning to become more active than they have been for the past year or so, and we are planning to have a meeting on Tuesday, February 7th at 7:00 pm in the hall.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect new officers and to begin planning our social and fund raising events for 2011.

We are asking for the participation of all of our veterans (old and new alike) to join us at this meeting so we can identify each other and build up the number of our active members once again.

If you know of a new veteran member that has been holding back from becoming active, bring them along to the meeting.

Take Care & Stay Safe,

Frank Dobson

Executive Board Re-election

A motion was passed and accepted at the January 5, 2011 monthly meeting on the recommendation from the E-board to have a re-election (for Executive Board members only).

After investigation and inquires from an official from the Robert Rules of Order, we found the December 1, 2010 election was invalid (only for the Board of Directors slate). We inadvertently elected 3 board members instead of 2 board members in accordance with our By-laws.

All Del Vets Post No 1 veteran members with a least 2 consecutive years in good standing are qualified to run. We will elect 2 E-board members with the highest total votes.

The election will be held at our next monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 2, 2011 at 8:00pm. The following Post members have entered their names to the election slate: June Ashby (nee Klawitter), Webb Bell, Jim Czarnota, Bruce Donnelly, Dave Tindall and Charlie Wright.

Please come out and support your candidate.

Del Vets Complaint Dept.

1. We still have members parking in the handicap slots, who look like they can run a 5-K, (you know who you our) give your fellow members who need that spot a break.

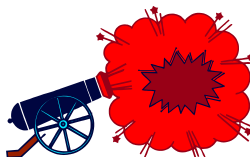
2. We still have members that leave their car by the steps to the Post door to run in to sign the book. Please park in the parking lot or better yet, come in and buy a drink. There are no double standards here.
3. Emergency exit in game room still have members using it, you are breaking rules—this is a warning, don't get caught.
4. **Please**, you know the smoking rules in the rest rooms, adhere to them.
5. Bar Language is improving –watch them words!

Thank You,

Sgt. Major of the Complaint Dept.

Rumor No. #2- the Pool Players

I am squashing a long over due rumor about are pool players, it seems some people and some bartenders stated that the pool players spend a lot of time at the Post but do not generate any income, they play all night and don't buy drinks etc. Well like me set the record straight. Let's go back 8-10 plus years ago when the Post was looking for ways to bring in income; Tuesday and Thursday nights needed help. Thanks to a couple of Post members, namely Rich Calhoun , Webb Bell, Ed Payne, Joe Rodriguez, Charlie Wright and many others who helped formed our now successful Del Vet's Pool league.



Since its inception, we now have good income on these nights plus the Eight Ball tournament each year.

We have a habit to judge too quickly here at Del Vet because some members just buy non-alcoholic drinks, so what! That is their choice, but don't forget about all the other players who more than drink their shares.

I look at it this way, if the league failed where would we be – right back looking to fill Tuesday and Thursday night again, so we should salute these guys!

Semper Fi,

Commander, *Sam Minutola*

UPDATE on Membership Dues Increase:

The E-Board's recommendation of a \$10 increase of this year's dues was tabled at the January 5th meeting to the February 1st meeting so all members can be aware and voice any concerns.

DEL VETS Sports & Current Events Corner

VALENTINE'S DINNER / DANCE

Come join us for our first function of the year – our Valentine's Day Dance on February 5th from 7:00pm -11:00pm. Get out of the house – bring your wife or sweetheart out or bring your friends and get a table and enjoy. This is what Valentine's is all about. Warm up to some good music & dancing from Al Santoro and the Hi-liters featuring our own Frank Dobson on bass.



The price is right, just \$20.00 per person or \$40.00 a couple or reserve a table. Look what you get: Dinner, by our own Kitchen Crew, plus coffee & cake for the trip home, also draught beer, wine and soda only. Open bar will be available with mixed drinks at Del Vets prices.

Plus, as always, the friendly atmosphere of Del Vets – let's make it happen.

You can purchase tickets from the bartenders at the Post.

Thanks
Valentine Committee

BEEF & BEER BASH:

Come join us for a great night on Saturday, February 26th from 7:00 – 11:00 pm.



We are having a Beef & Beer night with hot Roast Beef or Meatball sandwiches, macaroni salad, cole slaw or regular salad. Also, beer, wine and sodas – all this for just \$25 per person, \$50 per couple. There will also be a DJ for music and dancing.



This is a Del Vets Baseball Team function to raise money for the team.

Open to all – tickets can be purchased from the bartenders or at the door.



DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **TUESDAY, February 1st, 2011**
WACs meeting at 7:15pm

- **WEDNESDAY, February 2nd, 2011**
General Membership Meeting 8:00 pm
- **SATURDAY, February 12TH, 2011**
Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance 7 – 11 pm
- **SUNDAY, February 6TH, 2011**
Super Bowl Party in Lounge – Join us
- **SATURDAY, February 26th, 2011**
Beef & Beer 7:00 pm
- **TUESDAY, March 1st, 2011**
WACs meeting at 7:15pm
- **WEDNESDAY, March 2nd, 2011**
General Membership Meeting 8:00pm

See the articles for the above individual events elsewhere in the Newsletter.

Lucy Stephens, Editor

EDITOR'S NOTE: **

You can **submit articles** for insertion in the Newsletter **at any time.** Fax to: **(302) 478-0432.** or
** **E-mail to:** m2loosec@delvets.com

EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS:

If you are a member of Del Vets #1 Post or Pool and do not receive email from us you should consider getting on our mailing list. As email becomes a big part of our lives, so is the information we are sending to our members. Just Last month we started emailing our newsletter as well as, in the past, events around the Post. So, if you do not receive our updates why not send a message to delvets@comcast.net requesting to be added to our addressbook. We have many addresses that are returned with notice that the address is invalid. We try to keep our mail to a minimum and it's a great way to stay informed.





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<u>Officers</u>	<u>Name</u>
COMMANDER -----	Sam Minutola
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SECRETARY -----	Hugh Richmond
TREASURER -----	"TJ" Healy
TREASURER-ELECT -----	Jerry Stauffer
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS -----	Rich Micolucci
<u>Executive Board Members</u>	<u>Name</u>
PRESIDENT -----	Frank Dobson-----2011
MEMBER -----	Jim Ebright----- 2011
MEMBER -----	Bob Onorato-----2011
MEMBER -----	Bruce Donnelly -----2010
MEMBER -----	Jim Czarnota----- 2010

2011 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN	
<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Name</u>
CHAPLAIN -----	Joe Reardon
BAR--(includes Scheduling) -----	Jim Brannon
BY-LAWS -----	Joe Rodriguez
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POST ACCOUNTANT -----	Jim Ebright
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Jack Houck-PC-----	Emeritus-----****
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Ray Budd-PC -----	2011
Rich Micolucci-At Large -----	2011
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Ralph Allen-At Large-----	2013
Jack Thomas-----	2013
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Ed Morris-PC-----	2012
Lee Mitchell-At Large-----	2012

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