

Post 7 January 2019 Newsletter



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From the Desk of the Commander

January 1st marks the half way point for all your Officers of Post 7. Our term runs from July 1st, 2018 until June 30th, 2019. We have some vacancies on the "E- Board "that I would like to fill for the remaining six months. You would not have to "Run for Office " I can appoint any paid-up Legion member and request a vote of approval from the Executive Committee. Our only requirement is you must be present at our meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month at 6 pm. If any concerned legion member would like to join us, please let me know.

Thank you
Frank Russo
Commander Post 7

MEMBERSHIP NEWS BY HARRY COBLE:

I want to thank those of you who have renewed your 2019 American Legion Membership. Let me remind those who have not paid their 2019 dues that their 2018

dues will expire on December 31st, 2018. The renewal rate is only 71% at this time so that means 29% of you have not paid your 2019 dues. All bartenders have been instructed to check all American Legion cards on January 1st, 2019 and if you have your 2019 dues card in your possession or anything else stating that you have paid your 2019 dues then the bartender will be able to serve you. If you are not current in your dues status you must become active again that day before the bartender is able to serve you. You can get up-to-date by either paying me on January 1st at the post by check, cash, or credit card from noon until 3pm. If you need to renew your membership after 3 pm you will need to give it to the bartender. If you have any changes in your address, phone number or email address, please give them to the bartender. You must provide a valid phone number in case I need additional information when I enter your information into the system.

New

We have a meeting room available for small groups, contact the Post for more information

Toys for Tots Drive by Bob Farrell

Very successful Toys for Tots, we delivered a Pick-Up full of toys to the Marine Corp collection Site

Fund Raising by Bob Farrell

New Queen of Hearts Pot \$1800+, drawing on Saturday Nights.

Entertainment by Tony Incantalupo

Band schedule for January:

Flashback Jan 6, TJ Brinson Jan 12, Sequel Jan 19, Flashback Jan 26.

Bands Play from 7 PM to 10 PM.

First Time at Post 7----- TJ Brinson

TJ **Brinson** Country, Southern Rock One man shows, Country / Old Southern Rock DID YOU KNOW? TJ USES NO KARAOKE SOUND TRACKS LIKE SO MANY OTHER MUSIC ACTS ... WHEN YOU LISTEN TO TJ, ALL YOU ARE HEARING IS HIS LIVE GUITAR PICKING AND HIS DRUM MACHINE WHICH ONLY PLAYS A DRUM BEAT HE CHOOSES FOR EACH SONG. JUST SAYING'

They will be \$5 cover for everybody on Flashback or Sequel Band nights. TJ Brinson band night Free to Post 7 and RCL Post 144 members.

Shows:

Contact Tony for Tickets

Mr. 57 Elvis - Jan 11, \$15

Motown Review – Jan 25, \$15

Wall of Honor by Bob Farrell

The wall is in honor of veterans and others both living and dead— stars are \$25 for 4” engraved with your loved one’s info—\$50 for 5” and \$100 for 6”— as an example: In Loving Memory—A1C Mike Gunnels—Kia Vietnam 1969.



Letter of Appreciation

To “Joe’s not on the Beach Bar & Grill” Seminole, FL. The Lead Sponsor for purchasing 3000 Flag and placing them on Veterans Grave sites on Memorial Day



Auxiliary:

Hopefully everyone had wonderful Holidays, enjoyed being with loved ones and friends and will have a Safe, Happy, and Healthy 2019! Most of us have made New Year's Resolutions so please make volunteering at the American Legion Auxiliary one of them! A lot of extra time went towards prep for the Holidays – let's put that extra time into the ALA of Post 7! We have started clipping coupons again for our troops, so please bring yours in. For those of you who have not played "Got It", come into the Post and enjoy a Saturday Afternoon with our Post Family – we play every Saturday at 2:00PM – it is a great way to meet new friends and see some that you have not seen in a while. Unfortunately, Taco Tuesday has been cancelled, but Nauti Nancy has started her "Open Mike/Jam Session" on Tuesday nights. Our new Pool Tournament was delayed getting started until Sunday, December 30th at 1:00 and will continue every other Sunday after for the next 24 weeks. There is a \$10 entry fee, Double Elimination and the Pots will be bigger – another great chance to meet people and have some fun! We will have a Junk in the Trunk/Yard Sale on Saturday, January 26, 2019 from 8AM – 1PM. And for the first time in 5 years, the Big Red Bus Bloodmobile will be there during the same hours – Please put the date on your calendar! More details will be sent out so don't forget to check your e-mail! Jean Vitelli will be the chairperson for this event and Debbie Starrett will help. We will sell tables and offer Junk in the Trunk spots for \$10 each.

Nauti Nancy is cooking up a storm and the Friday night Fish Fry/Seafood Fest has become very popular!

Thanks to all the Auxiliary members that have been volunteering and helping with activities throughout the Post. The baskets that were donated and raffled were a big hit on Christmas Eve – and we even had Frosty the Snowman visit us for a short while.

I hope to see some new volunteers to help and make our Post and Auxiliary great again! Our Veterans, those in the service now, and their families, have given us the great freedoms that we enjoy today and by volunteering we can say Thank You!

We need fresh ideas for our fundraisers and fun events at our Post. Please e-mail me your suggestions and ideas – susan.russellforvets14@yahoo.com, or call me, (727) 458-2118. I look forward to hearing from you and please try to join us at our next meeting, Thursday, January 17th, 7:00PM at Post 7.

For God and Country,

Susan Russell

Unit 7 Auxiliary President

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Tom Vitelli

The Editor