

THE COFFEY CUP

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Commander's Corner

Dear Comrades:

Our next Monthly meeting will be held on 4 March 2025 at 19:00. I hope to see every member at the next meeting.

The S A L will meet on March 18 at 7:00pm.

The 2025 renewal campaign continues, so please get your renewals in.

The upstairs hall is now available for rent.

The lounge is now open Tuesday through Saturday 15:00 until 22:00; Sunday 12:00 until 21:00, so come on down.

If you have any ideas, see the Jr Vice. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments about the Post, or why we are doing or not doing something, complaining to the bartender will not help. The meeting is the place to bring these topic's up.

Remember this is your Post if you want to see changes you must get involved.

The link for anyone needing a copy of their DD214 is www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records.

Commander John E York.

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House Committee:

Finance Officer Dave Petrillo covered the spreadsheet, and explained the deposits into, and movement of monies at the February 11 meeting

Sanders Silvagni covered the 90-day snapshot of activities at the post for March - St. Patrick's Day and dancers, SAL meat raffle. April includes election of Post officers on the 1st and installations on the 3rd. The Riders Meat raffle, Riders Spring fling on 22. May includes Cinco de mayo, and the Mass for namesake of Post with coffee mess after mass. On 3 May the Kentucky Derby. The Department of NH Convention is set for 15, 16, and 17. The Legion Meat Raffle will be 18 May,

In the Lounge Report, bar manager Amy Deschenes addressed the issue that we have had poor attendance/sales in January.

She noted that Bartender Tracy gave notice to leave our staff, but she has two new interviews, Sheila Rice and Mandy Fenn. she would like to bring both in.

Amy has also asked Jessica to fill in for Lisa due to Lisa's family problems.

In Old Business: Marc Plante showed new location for dart boards. Craig MacLeod will get the league to check out the new location. Motion made to move the board location to dugout,

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Membership –

Welcome aboard to five new members voted in at the Feb 4th business meeting.

Craig J. Carter, US Army, 1985-89, New Legion member, 2025

Michael “Derrick” Gordon, US Army, Global War on Terror, New Legion member, 2025, present.

Robert K. Ekmarck, US Army, Vietnam, transfer from FL0126 to NH0003

Ronald D. Haywood, USCG, 1977-81, New Legion member, 2025,

Jeffrey R. Fregeau, US Army, 1984-1987, transfer from NH0200 to NH0003

Our 2025 membership renewal goal number has been set at 275, as of 9 Feb. we are at 277 or 100.73%.

We have exceeded our goal and earned the **Silver Membership Award**. Thank you to all who have renewed.

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The Coffey Cup Deadline is now the 21st of the Month!

We are the 9th post in the state to achieve 100%. For any questions about your membership status, contact the Post 3 adjutant directly at:

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From Adjutant Vincent –

Nominations for 2025 officers will be held in March and elections will be held in April. If you want to run for an office, now is the time to create your campaign posters, get them published in the newsletter and start soliciting member support.



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- Counseling Services
- Legal Assistance
- Connection to Public Benefits and Mainstream, Community Resources

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Auxiliary Unit #3 would like to thank all who participated in our Meat Raffle in February! It was a success, and we look forward to hosting our next event!

At our February meeting, we voted to donate \$1,000 to the post for the purchase of new chairs for the bar. We also finalized the details for the Meat Raffle originally scheduled for Feb 16th but rescheduled to Feb 23rd due to weather. We also reminded our members that nominations will begin in March.

The March meeting will be held the first Tuesday of the month, March 4th, starting at 7:00 PM at the post. We encourage ALL Auxiliary members who can attend to do so. Nominations for Officers for the 2025-2026 year will begin at the March meeting. Nominations can also be made at the April meeting, April 1st. Voting for Officers will take place at the April meeting on the 1st as well. Installation of Officers will occur two days later, Thursday, April 3rd. If you are interested in a position, learning more about the different positions within the Auxiliary or would like to know more about our Auxiliary and how you can contribute, *please* attend the March and April meetings. The Auxiliary supports our Veterans and our post, and we need members to volunteer not just their time, but also their ideas, in order to be successful in these endeavors. Please consider attending our next meeting!!!

Also, please remember to spread the word about Legionnaires, Auxiliary and SAL. If you know someone who is eligible for membership (or may be eligible for membership), please invite them to the post and have them speak with other members! Every member is important to the success of Post 3 and to the continued support of our Veterans and our community!

Auxiliary meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM and we encourage all members to attend!



Another reminder that 2025 membership cards are in and dues are \$25 (\$20 for dual members). If anyone has a new phone number or change of e-mail or address now is a good time to update. We will be reaching out to members to try to update our roster info with missing E-mail addresses.

Last meeting we confirmed to move our meat bingo in march to Saturday the 8th and not the same weekend as St. Pattys day Party. We had our second round of nominations for officers. The nominations are as follows;

Commander	Craig MacLeod
Sr. Vice	none
Jr. Vice	none
Adjutant	John Puliafico
Finance Officer	John Puliafico
Sergent-at-Arms	Christopher Tsoulakas
Chaplain	Kenneth Coyle
Historian	none

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SAL from Pg 4

Your S.A.L. meetings fall on the 3rd Tuesday each month 3/19/2025 @7 pm this month, Please come by and give your support and input. This months meeting is very important as we have to elect our officers.

S.A.L. Commander Craig MacLeod

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Cake and Amy are at a difference of opinion, regarding the Order Pad. Cake will not going to give us another credit card reader for the Order Pad. the one we have works. It does not tap or insert, but it does swipe. She suggested we use it as is. The committee approved having deep cleaning done on both Lounge Mini Split units. A new sink plan for the main hall to be drafted by Plante is to be submitted to the health dept and code dept for review and acceptance. Installation commences upon approval of the design change. In other business, Amy wishes to terminate the services of Kathy Dustin due to patron complaints and disrespect towards her. The committee approved the termination authorized to hire Rice and Fenn, Passed. changes to rental agreements made by Amy, passed. Vincent will email membership the opportunity to acquire parking passes for Pink Palace parking space location. Motion made to get quotes for the heating unit, from Joyce and Walley's. Passed. Vincent informed the committee that the Penichuck is requesting then results of the Back Flow test on the fire main.

York informed the committee that Dave Lefave deserves a Bravo Zulu, Oh Rah, At A Boy, for making new meat raffle cards, laminated, and looking sharp.

Chaplain's Corner :

This month our state legislature is debating whether or not to approve joining in with other states in a Convention of States committee. This will be in accordance with Article 5 of the U.S. Constitution. If you believe in congressmen and women should have term limits or maybe a balance budget, then please call you state representative and ask that New Hampshire approve of such. Please read Article 5 and make yourself familiar with it. If we want any change, we need to go this route because our Congress will not vote themselves out even though some are pass their prime. They also seem to think our treasury is a bottomless pit. We probably can think of many more amendments that our Congress seems to look the other way due to special interest groups. If you care about country's future along with our children and grandchildren, please call.

Post Everlasting

We did not lose any members since my last report.

One of our members, Angelo Ruocco is currently in St. Joseph Hospital, in Nashua. He is undergoing tests. He is in good spirits. Please keep him in your prayers.

In past reports I brought up the importance of being more than a member of this Post. The elections of our leadership is just around the corner. I'm asking each one of you to think long and hard not only on your choices you're about to make, but to consider maybe submitting your name for one of these positions. Our Post have come through some hard times thanks to the men currently serving. Our thanks go out to them. It's time we step up.

Department of NH to Sponsor Screening of BROTHERS AFTER WAR

A free showing to all veterans of “Brothers After War” at Apple Cinemas, Hooksett, NH on March 8, 2025.

This free showing is being brought to New Hampshire by The Department of NH American Legion with underwriting from Grover Gaming of New Hampshire.

“In partnership with Grover Gaming, we are buying out 140 seats at the theatre to offer free viewing of this remarkable Documentary to any veteran on a first come, first serve basis, said NH Department Commander Robert St. Pierre..

We will have a Q & A session immediately at the conclusion of the film at the theatre with light refreshments. We will be joined with Marine CW05 David Keniston, who is service in Iraq is portrayed in the film.

We welcome all veterans to this event. For further information or questions, please contact American Legion Headquarters 603 856-8951.

DATE: Saturday, March 8th

START TIME: 1:30pm

SCREENING: 2:00pm (Film is 1:46:00 in length)

MOVIE END TIME: 4:00pm



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March 2025



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23	24	25	26	27	28	1
2	3 <i>LOUNGE CLOSED</i>	4 TACO TUESDAY 4-7PM <i>POST MTG. 7PM</i> <i>AUXILARY MTG. 7PM</i>	5 TRIVIA NIGHT 6:30	6 Thirsty Thursday 4-7 PM ENT.COMM. 5PM	7 KARAOKE NIGHT 7PM	8 SONS MEAT RAFFLE 4:00PM
9	10 <i>LOUNGE CLOSED</i>	11 TACO TUESDAY 4-7PM <i>HOUSE COM. 7PM</i>	12 TRIVIA NIGHT 6:30	13 Thirsty Thursday 4-7 PM	14 KARAOKE NIGHT 7PM	15 ST. PATS PARTY FOOD AND MUSIC 5:00 PM
16	17 <i>DAV MTG. 7PM</i> <i>RIDERS 7PM</i> <i>LOUNGE CLOSED</i>	18 TACO TUESDAY 4-7PM <i>SAL MTG. 7PM</i>	19 TRIVIA NIGHT 6:30	20 Thirsty Thursday 4-7 PM	21 KARAOKE NIGHT 7PM	22
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30	31 <i>LOUNGE CLOSED</i>	<p><u>LOUNGE OPEN TUE-SAT. 3-10PM, SUNDAY 12-9</u> RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP @ legion.org or contact Don Vincent @ 603-577-1075 <u>VETS COFFEE TALK HELD AT 70 TEMPLE ST. NASHUA SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER</u></p>				

