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January - February 2018

Newsletter

OLDEST AND BEST

99 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, STATE AND COMMUNITY

## Post Officers

Commander: Jason O'Neil

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Cmdr: Will Wagner

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Cmdr: Andy Raddie

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Cmdr: Dan Adams

Adjutant: Ben Miles

Service Officer: Jim Rooney

Finance Officer: Larry Morrison

Historian: Sue Flanagan

Judge Advocate: Pat Guibao

Chaplain: Tom McAndrews

Sergeant-at-Arms.: Mike Blackwell

Exec Comte 3<sup>rd</sup> yr: Tom Goloski

Exec Comte 2<sup>nd</sup> yr: Frank Gay

Exec Comte 1<sup>st</sup> yr: Paul Bartone

## COMMANDER'S CORNER

Your support of the Post involving our Baseball Team, Crab Feast, Toys4Tots, fence repair and other initiatives made 2017 a very successful year. Speaking of Toys4Tots a contingent of Marines from the Naval Academy visited the Post during mid December.

We've included a couple of photos of our SAL, Auxiliary, Marines and some of the many Christmas presents that were donated. I want to add my thanks to the SAL, Auxiliary and all of our Post members for an outstanding job in support of the Toys4Tots program. Please refer to the SAL Commander's comments.

In 2018 we will take important initiatives to prepare Post 7 for our Centennial Year. Here are a few improvements that we have in the works:

### Facility:

- Thanks to the foresight and generosity of the Auxiliary, a new carpet will be installed in the lounge in early January.
- In February, we will get bids to resurface the parking lot. Brush will be cleared from the road for visibility and safety purposes.
- In May, we'll decide on purchasing a new tent for our Crab Feast and other outdoor events.

**Live Music & Dancing:** Get out your dancing shoes!! On Saturday, Jan 13th Gary and the Groove will return to Post 7. They're really good! And for our Sweethearts Dance on February 17th, the Groove Band returns. Harry Evans, Our One-Man Band, will return in early February, please check the web site for date. Please note that the music will be from 7 - 10 PM and our kitchen will be open till 9 PM to handle your food orders!!

**Oratory Contest:** We will have a number of competitors from the Rockbridge Academy who will be at the Post on January 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> January. Members are encouraged to visit the Post and listen to the speeches and presentations about our Constitution. Please refer to our web page for the associated times.

**History:** Elsewhere in this newsletter you'll find an article entitled "Share Your Service Photos." Please give Sue Flanagan's request every consideration as we are looking to have a historical record of our membership. In turn, this data will be posted on a new, tablet based History Board that will be on display in the Lounge in advance of the Centennial year.



**For God and Country**

**Jason O'Neil  
Commander**



# Sons of the American Legion Squadron 7

## SAL Commander's Comments:

Commander Mike Holmes: **Mike Holmes**

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Cmdr: Ollie Holmes

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Cmdr: Rusty Sears

Adjutant: John Ogle

Historian: Steven Holmes

Financial Officer: Ray Boyer

Sergeant-at-Arms: Jim McDonough

Chaplin: Paul Bartone

I would like to extend my appreciation to all of the Post members for their support for the recent Toys4Tots effort. It was an outstanding success not only from personal point of view but that of all the happy faces on Christmas morning that these gifts will bring. I would like to note that the membership of Post 7 contributed 258 gifts and that was significant in making this effort a success.

As outlined in the Post Commanders comments there was a contingent of Marines from the United States Naval Academy led by Lieutenant Colonel Scott Weis and Major Pete Benning to show their support for our effort.

The following comments are those of Lieutenant Colonel Scot Weis:

“Our Marines were happy to support you and thank you for what you and your team have done and continue to do for so many, and please feel free to reach out to us in the future if you need any Marine support.”

SAL Breakfast – The next two Sunday breakfasts will be on January 7<sup>th</sup> and February 5<sup>th</sup> respectively. We've been experiencing a very good showing at these Sunday events and I want to thank you for your continued support. Reminder, the starting time is now 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM. Please note the SAL breakfast for April 1<sup>st</sup> has been moved to April 8<sup>th</sup> due to a conflict with Easter Sunday.

Please mark your calendar. The SAL Bull and Oyster Roast is scheduled for Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 PM and tickets are \$35.00 per person.

Again, I can't thank you enough for the support and generosity you've put forth for the Toys4Tots effort for 2017.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mike Holmes  
SAL Commander

## The American Legion Pillar 3: Americanism

The following quote comes from the American Legion web site [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org):

**“The American Legion is an organization dedicated to God and country, with a membership of military veterans who take deep pride in the U.S. Flag and all that it means. Since its inception nearly 100 years ago, the Legion has been a stalwart champion of patriotic values, morals, culture and citizenship. The Legion’s pillar of Americanism embodies its devotion to law and order, the raising of wholesome youth, an educated and law-abiding citizenship, and respectful observance of patriotic holidays and remembrances.”**

In line with our Americanism Pillar, American Legion Post 7 offers the following Resolution:

### **A RESOLUTION ON RESPECT FOR THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**WHEREAS...**

**The American Legion is sworn to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America, and all the rights and freedoms embodied therein, including the rights to freedom of speech and expression,**

**AND WHEREAS...**

**The Flag of the United States is the most visible symbol of these values and of the thousands of Americans of every race and creed who have fought and died to defend them,**

**AND WHEREAS...**

**The display of the Flag during the playing of the National Anthem is a solemn occasion for Veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces and for all Americans to reflect upon the sacrifices made by Veterans and their families to preserve and protect “the Republic for which it stands.”**

**AND WHEREAS...**

**The American Legion Guy C. Parlett Post #7 does not wish to condone or facilitate any actions or behaviors that may be understood as disrespectful of the Flag of the United States and all it represent,**

**BE IT RESOLVED...**

**During sports and entertainment television broadcasts, the Guy C. Parlett Post #7 will not show portions of any broadcast that include acts or display that are disrespectful of the Flag of the United States of America.**

## **SHARE YOUR SERVICE PHOTOS**



### **SHOW US WHAT YOU or YOUR FAMILY MEMBER LOOKED LIKE WHEN IN UNIFORM INCLUDING FIRST RESPONDERS**

Please share your Military, Police, Firefighter and First Responders Photo's in Uniform with the name, service, date and any information about the photo you want to share. Envelopes are provided in the Bar Area in the PHOTO BOX by the pool table. Your photo will be scanned and added to American Legion Post 7 photo album that will be viewed on our Digital Photo Frame located in the Bar Area. **ALL PHOTOS WILL BE RETURNED TO THE OWNER.**

If your photos are already digitized (i.e. already scanned) email them to Post 7 Historian at [sooze001@comcast.net](mailto:sooze001@comcast.net).

#### *Email Test*

We conducted a test of our e-version of the newsletter during November. The outcome of this event was very successful. We sent out 475 email notifications containing a web link to our November – December newsletter and only 17 messages were returned for invalid addresses. We've sent letters to those individuals that were affected in an effort to get their current or correct address. Also, all the responses we received were positive and based on this feedback, we will be moving forward with this issue of the Veterans Voice to enter the digital world.

With the above stated, if you haven't had the opportunity to provide your email address would you please do so. Please email your name, address and your affiliation (Legion, SAL or Auxiliary) to [legion\\_post\\_7@verizon.net](mailto:legion_post_7@verizon.net).

For those members receiving the e-version of the Veterans Voice we've included a supplemental page from the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs. There are five web links to articles that may be of interest to you. We're looking to broaden the scope of news that we provide to our membership and we're looking for your feedback. If the links don't work, you can copy and paste the web link in your browser. Hopefully, this won't be the case.



## Mark YOUR CALENDAR

### January - February UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> - SAL Breakfast 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> - Gary & the Groove Band 7 - 10 PM

Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> SAL Breakfast 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> - Sweetheart Dance - Gary & the Groove Band 7 - 10PM

Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> SAL Bull & Oyster Roast 1 - 5 PM

Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> Re-scheduled SAL Breakfast 8:30 - 11:00 AM

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## Bingo

Got the Winter blues? Can't make it to the Carribean? Then friend, Post 7 is the place for you!!! Bingo every Thursday from 7 - 10 PM and Sunday from 1 - 4 PM. Cost of admission \$3.00!! Of that \$3.00, \$1.00 goes to the 50/50 Prize, \$1.00 goes to the Super Duper Prize, and the rest gets you multiple chances to win a Special Games Packet and Bingo Dabbers.

Our kitchen will be open on Thursday till 8 PM and Sunday till 4PM to handle your HUNGRIES. Complementary water and coffee are provided.





# SAL Breakfast



*Sunday, January 7, 2018*

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*Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

*From 8:30 - 11 AM*

*All you can eat for only \$8.00 per person*

***SCRAMBLED & FRIED EGGS,***

***OMELETTES, SAUSAGE, BACON,***

***HOME FRIES, PANCAKES, BISCUITS,***

***TOAST, CHIPPED BEFF***

***OR SAUSAGE GRAVY***

***COFFEE, JUICE & FRUIT***

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**Sunday Lounge Specials  
Thru January 21. 2018**

**Drinks**

**\$1.00 12 oz Domestic Drafts (no craft beer)**

**\$1.75 Domestic Bottles (no craft beer)**

**\$2.00 Rail Drinks**

**Food**

**\$1.00 Hot Dog**

**\$1.50 Chilli & Cheese Dog**

**\$2.00 Cheese Nachoes**

**\$2.00 Loaded Nachos**

**11:00 AM to 4:00PM - Bar Area Only**

## January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Post Open No Kitchen Service	<b>2</b> Pizza Nite Open Menu Legion Mtg 7:30 PM	<b>3</b> Wing Nite  Open Menu	<b>4</b> Open Menu  Bingo 7 – 10 PM	<b>5</b> Ham & Scalloped Potatoes Open Menu	<b>6</b> Open Menu 12 – 8 PM
<b>7</b> Sal Breakfast 8:30 – 11 AM Bingo 1-4 PM Sunday Specials 1-4 Open Menu	<b>8</b> Sliders 3 for \$5.00 Open Menu SAL Meeting 7:30 PM	<b>9</b> Pizza Nite Open Menu	<b>10</b> Wing Nite  Open Menu	<b>11</b> Open Menu  Bingo 7 – 10 PM	<b>12</b> Spaghetti & Meatballs  Open Menu	<b>13</b> Gary & The Groove Band 7 – 10 PM Open Menu 12 – 9 PM
<b>14</b> Bingo 1-4 PM Sunday Specials 1-4 PM Open Menu	<b>15</b> Sliders 3 for \$5.00  Open Menu	<b>16</b> Pizza Nite Open Menu Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 PM	<b>17</b> Wing Nite  Open Menu	<b>18</b> Open Menu  Bingo 7 – 10 PM	<b>19</b> Fried Chicken & Liver & Onions Buffett Open Menu	<b>20</b> Open Menu 12 – 8 PM
<b>21</b> Bingo 1-4 PM Sunday Specials 1-4 PM Open Menu	<b>22</b> Sliders 3 for \$5.00  Open Menu	<b>23</b> Pizza Nite Open Menu	<b>24</b> Wing Nite  Open Menu	<b>25</b> Open Menu  Bingo 7 – 10 PM	<b>26</b> Tacos Beef & Chicken  Open Menu	<b>27</b> Open Menu 12 – 8 PM
<b>28</b> Bingo 1-4 PM Open Menu	<b>29</b> Sliders 3 for \$5.00  Open Menu	<b>30</b> Pizza Nite Open Menu	<b>31</b> Wing Nite  Open Menu	<b>January 13<sup>th</sup> – Come out and celebrate WINTER!! with Gary and the Groove Band, Music from 7 – 10 PM</b>		



### Meetings

**January 2<sup>nd</sup> Legion 7:30PM**  
**January 8<sup>th</sup> SAL 7:30PM**  
**January 16<sup>th</sup> Auxilliary 7:00PM**

### Kitchen Hours

**Monday – Friday 11:30 AM – 8 PM**  
**Saturday 12 – 8 PM**  
**Sunday 1 -4 PM**



## February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Open Menu Bingo 7 – 10 PM	2 Hot Roast Beef or Hot Turkey Platter  Open Menu	3 Open Menu 12 – 8 PM
4 SAL Breakfast 8:30 – 11 AM Bingo 1 – 4 PM Open Menu	5 Sliders 3 for \$5.00 Open Menu SAL Mtg 7:30 PM	6 Pizza Nite Open Menu Legion Mtg 7:30 PM	7 Wing Nite  Open Menu	8 Open Menu Bingo 7 – 10 PM	9 Fried Chicken & Fried Flounder Buffett  Open Menu	10 Open Menu 12 – 8 PM
11 Bingo 1 – 4 PM  Open Menu	12  Sliders 3 for \$5.00 Open Menu	13 Pizza Nite Open Menu	14 Wing Nite  Open Menu	15 Open Menu Bingo 7 – 10 PM	16  Open Menu	17 Valentine Sweetheart Dance Open Menu 12 – 9 PM
18 Bingo 1 – 4 PM  Open Menu	19  Sliders 3 for \$5.00 Open Menu	20 Pizza Nite Open Menu Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 PM	21 Wing Nite  Open Menu	22 Open Menu Bingo 7 – 10 PM	23 Shrimp Nite Open Menu	24 Open Menu 12 – 8 PM
25 Bingo 1 – 4 PM  Open Menu	26  Sliders 3 for \$5.00 Open Menu	27 Pizza Nite Open Menu	28 Wing Nite  Open Men	<b>Saturday, February 17th Valentine Sweetheart Dance &amp; Steak Dinner. Dinner starts at 5:30 PM. Gary &amp; the Groove Band from 7 – 10 PM</b>		

### Meetings

February 5<sup>th</sup> SAL 7:30PM  
 February 6<sup>th</sup> Legion 7:30PM  
 February 20<sup>th</sup> Auxiliary 7:00PM

### Kitchen Hours

Monday – Friday 11:30 AM – 8 PM  
 Saturday 12 – 8 PM  
 Sunday 1 – 4 PM

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### *For Celebrations of Life Gatherings*

*Post 7 is an ideal place for family, friends and guests of the Post to meet for a celebration of a life gathering. The Post can provide services for weddings, retirements, birthday parties and all other events with specific attention to your personal needs.*

*For details contact (410-224-5754)*



# **SAL SQUADRON 7 BULL & OYSTER ROAST**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup> FROM 1 -5 PM**

**BEEF, OYSTERS ON THE HALF SHELL, FRIED OYSTERS, STEAMED OYSTERS,  
OYSTER STEW, HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS SALADS  
DRAFT BEER, BOXED WINE, SODAS INCLUDED**

**TICKETS AT THE BAR \$35.00**

**LIVE MUSIC FROM 2 – 5 PM**



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## **Veterans Voice**

**As with any organization, Post 7 is trying our best to be proactive. Now that we are entering the digital world, we see the need and the benefits of providing information a bit differently. To this end, we are looking to make changes to our newsletter not only in appearance but to the information that may be beneficial to you our member (see Veterans Affairs).**

**In closing, its taken sometime to make the e-concept a reality, and we thank you for being patient while this effort was under construction. It is our hope that moving forward we can make the necessary improvements.**

**It is our hope that we will hear from you?**



### **STATE PARTNER NEWS**

Supporting Homeless Veterans

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=8&v=iF6xNfL3Rg8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=8&v=iF6xNfL3Rg8)

Honoring Jewish Veterans

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qm4kpir\\_qnI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qm4kpir_qnI)

### **FEDERAL PARTNER NEWS**

**VA Announces Rollout and Application Process for New Veterans ID card**

<https://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=3979>

VA Loans that sound too good to be true

<https://www.consumerfinance.gov/about-us/blog/cfpb-and-va-warn-va-refinancing-offers-sound-too-good-be-true/>

**Legal Help for Veterans**

<https://www.va.gov/OGC/LegalServices.asp>

**This section is being added to the e-version of our newsletter as a test and to provide more information about veteran affairs. We would like to get your feedback on this addition???**

**Very best to all in the coming year!!!!**