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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Members of Post 276

Well, fall is here, and the days are getting shorter as we turn back the clocks. We are fast approaching the Holiday Season, I hope we all take time to appreciate the things we have, pray for those who are sick or in need, and most importantly never forget those we have lost. I continue to be grateful for our legion officers, employees, volunteers, and fellow legionnaires who continue to support this amazing post.

Once again, our Post will host various events to help celebrate the holiday season. I invite you to join me on Veteran's Day, November 11th, at 9 a.m. in our hall as we pay tribute to our veterans. This year's Early Bird will be held on November 18th. Join us on November 22nd for the first Thanksgiving Eve Party. Please check out the flyers in this newsletter for more information on these and other events.

It is with great sadness that I inform you of the passing of former Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary, George W. Owings III, after a brief battle with cancer. Secretary Owings was a tireless advocate for all veterans and was instrumental in establishing the Maryland Department of Veteran's Affairs. We were honored to have him as a speaker during our Memorial Day service in 2021. He will be missed, but his legacy will live on.

The American Legion, and this Post, exist solely because of our members. If you haven't renewed your membership yet, please submit your payment either online or in the Lounge. If you know an eligible member, bring them in, sign them up, and show them the benefits of being a part of the Legion family. I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members and those who have transferred in.

Thank you all for your unwavering support. I look forward to seeing you around the post.

God Bless You all, Marcelo Teixeira Commander, Post 276

First Vice Commander

Greetings Everyone,

I have been processing and mailing out membership cards for 2024, and stamped "Early Bird" on them. If you received your card and it does not have the "Early Bird" stamp on it, please reach out to me.

Our goal this year is to gain 592 members, wee are currently at 61.8% for membership, which is 226 members.

If you know of anyone eligible to become a member, bring them into the Post and show them around, applications are in the file box near the food service window. Questions or concerns, please contact me at (240) 281-2304

Yours in Legion Service, Phillip G Johnson





Auxiliary Unit 276

As we leave the ghosts and goblins behind us, we are excited to welcome many festive events as we enter the holiday season!

Fall Conference is on November 3-5 to be held at the Grand Hotel in Ocean City. We will meet at the Legion post and carpool with those who wishes to carpool.

Poppy Drive: The Auxiliary will be doing a Poppy drive at the Fort Meade Commissary on Sunday, November 12th from 12:00-4:00 pm.

Early Bird dinner is on November 18th at the American Legion Post. All dues MUST be paid by this evening to partake in the early bird dinner.

The Auxiliary is selling raffle tickets for a Chartered Fishing trip. Tickets are now available for purchase. \$10 per tickets and drawing will be held in March.

Monthly Game Night The next two Auxiliary Game Nights will be on Wednesday, November 29th and Wednesday, December 27th. Potluck dinner at 5:30pm and games begin at 6:00pm. You may bring your own game (board game, cards, Mexican Train, etc.), join others, or just come and be social! We decided to keep it to ladies only, but you may bring a friend. Please sign in any guests in the Post guest book in the corner by the pool table. Please bring a dish to share. It should be another fun night!

Dinner for November 10th is Crab Cake, Fries, Cole Slaw & Dessert for \$15.00. 6pm until SOLD OUT. The band Wild Grey Hairz will be performing in the Lounge 7pm-11pm.

Dinner for December 8th is to be determined. The band Sharon & the Edge will be performing in the Lounge from 7 pm-11 pm.

Kids Christmas party (ages 10 and below) is on December 17th from 1 pm to 3 pm. Share in the gift of giving for those in need. Please bring in a non-perishable food item or can good.

Wacky Bar Bingo – Come out on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month to play Bingo in the Lounge. Bingo starts at 7:00 pm and finishes around 9:00 pm (no later than 9:30 pm).

Save the Date: American Legion Auxiliary Presents "Valentine's Dinner & Dance with the Oracle Band" on Saturday, February 17, 2024. Doors open at 5:30 pm and dinner will be from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The Oracle Band performs from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm. Tickets are \$55 which includes dinner (open pit sliced beef, smoked pulled pork, potato salad, coleslaw, baked beans, pasta salad, rolls, desserts) and drinks (draft beer, wines, sodas, water). For tickets, please contact Lynn Sears at (850) 816-5406.

May God bless each and every one of you. Yours in Service for God & Country Lynn Sears, ALA President/Historian

"Membership is what fuels our Auxiliary, so please come join us at our Unit Monthly Meetings on the 2^{nd} Thursday of every month at 7pm."





Auxiliary Unit 276

American Legion Auxiliary Membership Update!

Auxiliary Dues 2024: Michele Riley, our Vice-President and Membership Chair is currently collecting 2024 dues. Make sure to pay your dues by November 18th to receive the Early Bird stamp and be eligible to attend our celebration. Dues are \$35 for seniors and \$7 for Juniors.

If you need to pay your dues you have several options;

- 1. Pay your dues to Michele Riley at the monthly meeting.
- 2. Drop off your dues to the Lounge in a marked envelope with "Auxiliary Membership" written on the front.
- 3. Pay online you will need to create an online account if you have not yet done so. https://www.legion-aux.org/renew
- 4. Call National Headquarters at (317) 569-4570 and have your membership number ready. Hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00am 4:30pm.
- 5. Mail your money directly to Michele Riley For (our 1st Vice). This is the quickest way to get your card. Michele Riley, 1431 Georgia Avenue, Severn, MD 21144

Please make your checks payable to **American Legion Auxiliary**. \$35.00 for Seniors (18+ years of age). \$7.00 for Juniors (under the age of 18).

"Our goal as Auxiliary members is to work to keep patriotism a part of the education of every child, a patriotism which teaches love of America through knowledge of the people who made it great, and an understanding of the principles, which have guided its course." With your support we will continue to have a successful program. Your participation is what makes this happen and I thank each one of you.

May God bless each and every one of you.

Yours in Service for God & Country, Michele Riley 1st Vice President ALA Unit 276









PLEASE JOIN US AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 276

(8068 QUARTERFIELD ROAD, SEVERN, MID)
AS WE CELEBRATE

VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11, 2023

FROM NOON TO 3:00 PM













November 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			Wacky Bar Bingo 7pm (Flyer pg. 7)	Executive Board Meeting 7-8pm	3 Dinner 6-8 pm Fried Chicken Band - Black Orchid	Rockstar Karaoke 7-10pm In the Lounge with Lite Fare
5	6	7	8	General Membership Meeting 7-8pm	10 Dinner 6-8 pm Crabcakes Band - Wild Grey Hairz	11 Veteran's Day Service (Flyer pg. 8) Rockstar Karaoke
Poppy Drive at FT Meade 12-4pm	13	14	Wacky Bar Bingo 7pm (Flyer pg. 7)	16	17 Dinner 6-8 pm Call For Menu Karaoke with Ed H	18 SPECIAL (Flyer pg. 9)
19	20	21	Thanksgiving Eve Party 6-10pm (Flyer pg. 10)	Post Closed HAPPY THANKSGIVING/	24 Dinner 6-8 pm Call For Menu Open Jukebox (no Band)	Rockstar Karaoke 7-10pm In the Lounge with Lite Fare
26 Breakfast 9-11:00am	27	28	Game Night 5:30pm	30		

December 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Dinner 6-8 pm Cheesesteaks Band - Chasing Time	Rockstar Karaoke 7-10pm In the Lounge with Lite Fare
3	4	5	Wacky Bar Bingo 7pm (Flyer pg. 7)	7 Executive Board Meeting 7-8pm	8 Dinner 6-8 pm Call For Menu Band - Sharon & the Edge	Rockstar Karaoke 7-10pm In the Lounge with Lite Fare
10	11	12	13	General Membership Meeting 7-8pm	15 Dinner 6-8 pm Call For Menu Band– Duck Soup	Rockstar Karaoke 7-10pm In the Lounge with Lite Fare
Breakfast 9-11:00am	18	19	Wacky Bar Bingo 7pm (Flyer pg. 7)	21	22 Dinner 6-8 pm Call For Menu Band—The Jury	Rockstar Karaoke 7-10pm In the Lounge with Lite Fare
24	Post Closed MERRY CHRISTMAS	26	Game Night 5:30pm	28	29 Dinner 6-8 pm Call For Menu Open Juke Box (No Band)	Rockstar Karaoke 7-10pm In the Lounge with Lite Fare
Jew Year's Eve						

(Name) (Mailing Address)				
(Membership ID# former member)	(Email Addres	s)	(Dues)	
Please check appropriate eligit Aug 2, 1990 – cessation of hos Dec. 20,1989 – Jan. 31, 1990 Aug. 24, 1982 – July 31, 1984 Feb. 28,1961 – May 7, 1975 June 25, 1950 – Jan. 31, 1955 Dec. 7, 1941 – Dec. 31, 1946 April 6, 1917 – Nov 11, 1918	tilities as determined by U U.S. Army U.S. Navy U.S. Air Force U.S. Marines U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Marines 12	.S. Governme	nt Ricky	
I certify that I served at least of above and was honorably disch			e dates marked	
Signature of application 30-009 (2009)		Name of r	ecruiter	

Hall Rentals

Do you have an event coming up? Remember that the Post 276 Hall is available for you. Big or small, we can help. We offer special pricing for Post. This is one of your membership benefits so be sure to take advantage of it.

Call 443-688-8428, and ask for the Joan for more information.