

AMVETS BUGLER

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April. 2025 Next Meeting: 04/8/25

Commander's Message Commander Jeff Bedward

Dartball is Done! And thanks to the hard work of all of our volunteers it was a great success. We're still adding up the figures but everything (except the t shirt sales) looks good. Special thanks go out to Chad and the rest of the Dartball Committee as well as a host of other volunteers too numerous to name here. You all have my personal thanks.

Now back to business. April we begin the process of electing our post officers for the coming year. This year we have to fill two key positions, Finance Officer and Adjutant. Steve Chesna is stepping down to take a long deserved "rest" after many years of service to our post and to our Department. And as he is expecting to spend a lot of time away from the post fulfilling his duties as Department Commander in the next year, Ron Griffin will be stepping down as Post Adjutant. And as always we to fill the 3 year trustee slot. Let the nominations begin!

Also coming up soon is our annual May White Clover Drive and we need everyone to consider helping out. The more volunteers the easier it is.

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Post and Auxiliary April Birthdays 4/1-Cheryl Recker-Solomon; 4/4-Bruce Williams; 4/6-Susan King; 4/13-Gordon Cady; 4/14-Lee Ziebell, Kurt Lund; 4/15-John Mundt; 4/18-John Hoeft; 4/22-Duane Canon; 4/27 Ellen Schmidt 4/29-Lance Ziebell;

john4/22-Duane Canon;

Please send any corrections to the Editor, Post 1st Vice Commander or Auxiliary Membership Chair.

Adjutant's Report Ron Griffin

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The only item of concern discussed in March was final planning for the Dartball event being held here in March. Also discussed was the fundraiser sale of raffle tickets for the Battle on Bago event. There are still several hundred tickets that we have to sell for which we receive a portion of the tickets.

In April we will have the start of nominations for post officers. Positions opening up for election include 3 year trustee, Finance Officer and Adjutant. Also on the agenda is planning for and signup for the May 9th and 10th White Clover Drive

Editor's Note

This is my last newsletter issue. Steve Schultz will be taking over starting in May. The reason of course is that my duties as Department Commander, if elected, will require me to travel on a regular basis and I will not always be able to do the newsletter in time. Please give Steve as much help and support as you have for me.

Chaplain's Corner Chaplain Jeff O'Dell

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If you're aware of any Post members that are ill, in the hospital or are home bound and in need of visit, please call me at 920-470-1315. Should be noted in the event of death, Active Post members are eligible that their next of kin is awarded a Bible on behalf of the Post, receive a final veteran's salute at the funeral service plus may have a graveside ceremony performed by the AMVETS Chaplain.

Membership

Support our membership efforts! Carry the post membership card plus an application. Wear your AMVET hats and clothing. Let them know who we are!



Bugler Article April 2025

Dear AMVETS, Auxiliary Members and friends:

By the time you see this the AMVET State Dartball Tournament will probably be over. I am hoping our bake sale went well, the Auxiliary hasn't had many opportunities for a fund raiser. Thank you to all who took the time to bake and donate items.

The Clover Drive is May 9th and 10th, please put it on your calendar or sign up with Commander Jeff. We usually are at Pic and Save and Festival Food. This is a fund raiser for the Auxiliary and AMVETS, the more workers we have the more we will make. The signup sheet is commonly available at the next meeting.

The March State Executive Meeting went well, we received a lot of info. The Child Welfare program to collect clothing, etc. is ongoing. This is for children from birth to 18, so there are a lot of options for things to donate. We will be taking items to convention in June, the weekend after Father's Day.

I am still asking all of you to keep track of any donations or volunteering you do, so we can report it. Report period ends April 31st, but anything you have done since May 1, 2024 is reportable. These reports are combined from all over the USA and presented by the AMVETS National Commander to the Congress. This is done to justify continuing our nonprofit status. Thanks for keeping the auxiliary in mind with info about any donations, etc.

Next meeting - April 8, 2025, 6:30 potluck, 7:00 pm meeting. Hope to see you!

"You only live once, Lick the bowl"

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Post Calender

4/8/25

Post and Auxiliary Business Meeting 6:30 potluck, 7:00 meeting Marine Corps League Clubhouse

> 5/9th-10th/25 White Clover Drive*

> > 5/13/25

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6/10/25
Post and Auxiliary Business Meeting

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6/19-22 Department Annual Convention Green Bay

* Fund Raiser - Requires Volunteers

Reporting of Service Activities

First visit you have to create a profile by filling out the report form that appears including the Post

To Report Hours:

- 1. Go to AMVETS.org
- 2. Click on Membership until the drop-down menu appears.
- 3. Scroll down to "Submit Reports" and hover over the arrow until the next menu appears.
 - 4. Click on Program Reports this will take you to a new page within the AMVETS website.
- 5. On the Program Reports page scroll down until you see the **Online Reporting Portal**.
 - 6. Click on the Online Reporting Portal button to open the report form.
 - 7. Enter the verification page from your email.

AMVETS Supports RED* Fridays!

*Wear red to Remember Everyone Deployed.

Note: if you wear a red shirt or other garment on Friday, you should claim up to 8 service hours on your monthly service activities report.