AMVETS BUGLER

The Official Newsletter of AMVETS Post #7 Oshkosh, WI **** R. E. Griffin editor (920)509-9243

Sept, 2023
Next Meeting: 09/12/23

Commander's Message
Jeff Bedward

I hope things are going well with you and your family. We didn't have a newsletter last week because our editor, Ron Griffin, didn't get out of the hospital until too late to get it out. But to get you up to speed at our July picnic I presented the Commanders trophy to Jeff O'Dell. Jeff hasn't been with us for all that long but he has made a real impact on the Post. Thanks go to Mike Hert who was responsible for getting a photo of our Post picnic into the Oshkosh Herald and thanks to Angie and Phil Hill for her efforts in making White Clovers for the Post as well as for "sale" to other state posts. As always we're looking for new fund raisers, new service programs and new members. So if you have any ideas feel free to let me know. Hope you have a great end of the summer.

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Post and Auxiliary Sept. Birthdays
9/1-Wayne Gabriel, Glenna Meyer, Jay Weinstock; 9/7-Dan Zimmerman; 9/16-Lynn Holey, Sandy Bedward; 9/18-Angela Farrier; 9/19 - Mike Larson, Amber Nikolai; 9/22-Pat Roblee; 9/23-Myra Recker; 9/28-Todd Blanchette;

Please report any discrepancies in Birthdays to the 1st Vice Commander or Auxiliary Membership Chair.

Adjutant's Report
Ron Griffin

At the last business meeting in August we received a check from the Elks for $592.72 from the Sheepshead fishing tourney. The members also approved holding a brat fry along with the October White Clover Drive. Also it was reported that the Harley dealership is no longer holding the brat fries but would allow us to hold a brat fry at the dealership and the membership asked Cris Martell to see what weekends were open to hold one there. It was noted that this allowed us to keep a presence in Fond du Lac. A date was picked to assemble White Clovers at the Hills on August.

At the September meeting we will distribute sign up sheets for October's brat fry/White Clover Drive. Plans for the winter months and next year's service programs as well as. Also the Executive Committee is to meet prior to the meeting to address new proposed changes to the Bylaws due to the fact the Department Judge Advocate rejecting the last proposal.

Chaplain's Corner
Chaplain Mike Hert

Often we have not been notified by family members when a member passes. The Chaplain is often available to assist members and their family and help with services and the Post provides a memorial bible for the family of active members when they pass away and The Department does recognize deceased members at a memorial service during the state convention. But we must be notified. If you are aware of any Post members that pass away, are ill, in the hospital or are home bound and in need of visit, please call me at 920-410-2994. 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.

If you know of any member who is in

AMVETS Supports RED* Fridays!

***Wear red to Remember Everyone Deployed.**

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

Membership
1st Vice Commander Angie Hill

The new rate for Life Membership is now in effect as of Sept 1st. Our annual membership of $25 was to go up when we proposed changes to our Bylaws. However the Department Judge Advocate has advised that the wording of our proposed changes was not acceptable and the revision was not approved. Prior to our next meeting the Executive Committee will meet to review the changes and will be making new proposals at the next meeting. We will again consider keeping the $25 annual dues or raising them to $30.

Programs
2nd Vice Commander Chad Unmuth

The new reporting system for program reports is fully in force. Now it is more important than ever that I get every one's reports turned in to at our meetings. Reporting of these activities are important. First it ensures that AMVETS retains its status as a nonprofit organization and it ensures that we meet all are goals and obligations as a veterans service organization. And it has a practical benefit by attracting new and dedicated members.

AMVETS LADIES' AUXILIARY 7

June. 2023

Greetings AMVETS, Auxiliary Members and Guests.

Just a few words about past events: the July AMVET picnic was a wonderful success. Carol Kaufmann was awarded the Auxiliary Member of the Year by Ann Palm our immediate past president. Congratulations Carol. Otherwise, weather was perfect. food was abundant and delicious, so many good cooks. The basket Raffle was very wonderful, thanks to all who contributed.

Next to report: the making of clovers. This can be tedious but when working with others rather enjoyable. We need to make enough to use for the October Clover Drive. An important event that brings in funds to Post **and** Auxiliary. There will be another workshop to make more clovers, will let you know as soon as possible when it will be held.

Speaking of **Clover Drives** there will be one October 6th & 7th, at Festival Foods and Pic & Save. Also a brat fry at Pic & Save. You will have an opportunity to sign up for a time to volunteer at the September meeting. Please consider these events!

Membership is the heart blood of the Auxiliary. Ann Palm our membership chairman will start collecting next year's dues soon. If we get our memberships in **before October 31st** you are eligible to win the Early Bird Drawing of $10.00.

There will be a September meeting 9/12/23, potluck at 6:30, meeting 7:00.

"Even a little daisy becomes a meadow" Martin Luther

Thank you, Sincerely,

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Post Calender

Sept. 12th
Post and Auxiliary Business Meeting
Pot Luck 6:30 – Meeting 7:00pm

Oct 6 – 7th
Brat Fry Pick and Save South
White Clover Drive P and S-South/Festival

Oct 10th
Post and Auxiliary Business Meeting
Pot Luck 6:30 – Meeting 7:00pm

Nov. 14th
Post and Auxiliary Business Meeting
Pot Luck 6:30 – Meeting 7:00pm

Dec 12th
Post Christmas Party
Social 5:00pm – Dinner 5:30pm

**** Fund Raiser Requires Volunteers**

Reporting of Service Activities

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 button.
6. Click on the Online Reporting button to open the report form.

Enter up to 7 program activities on each form then use a 2nd form for more items. Make sure to use specific and clear descriptions of each event. For Post sponsored events (i.e. Clover Drive etc.) hours will be reported by the 2nd Vice Commander. **Save a copy of your report forms and email it to the Department 2nd Vice at burdick5290@gmail.com.**

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