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From the Commander

Greetings Comrades,

June and good weather seem to be upon us. I have noticed a lot of you are taking advantage of the pavilion. It appears you are entering a little garden with the pretty flowers and plants set out by Michelle.

A little good news is the projected price increase on drinks and food will not be necessary at this time. We will be observing the purchases and sales over the next couple of months to see if an increase is necessary as the data becomes available.

Calling all veterans of the US Army!! Our post will have a birthday celebration for the Army on the 10th of June. Dinner will be served from 5 to 7; a short ceremony with cutting of the cake starts at 7; Raffles to follow. Army veterans are encouraged to attend – come in uniform or not, your choice. Everyone is welcome to attend. Let us make this a big fun event to kick off the service birthday celebrations. More information is available at the Post.

As we move into the middle of June it is time for the VFW State Convention. The convention is being held in Spokane from June 15 to 18. This year The Fun Post will have 8 VFW and 5 Auxiliary members representing us.

I would like to thank the Jablonski's for stepping up and running the Buddy Poppy/Recruitment event at Mall. Thanks to anyone who joined them to keep the VFW presence out there.

Another first for our Post was the chicken poop bingo played during our Memorial Day festivities. Julie and Troy Post in conjunction with their 4H group provided the chickens and board to show us how it was done. Individuals who participated as well as spectators had fun. Money raised was put in the relief fund. We look forward to adding this event to a future celebration.

Continuing with our busy May, the Honor Guard continued honoring our departed veterans at funerals and celebrations of life. They also posted colors at the Vancouver Memorial Day Celebration and the Graduation/Induction ceremony honoring High School Graduates who enlisted into our military services. Our post was also represented by Gregg Gilbertson, Bruce Maas and myself at this function. We placed flags on the graves at the Vancouver Military Cemetery. We had assistance from the 4H youths and Cub Scouts.

If you become aware of any event involving veterans or veterans' assistance, please let one of the post officers know so we can properly represent Post 7824.

Please do NOT accept used medical equipment as donations. We don't have storage space for these items. They get set around the post making it appear littered/trashy. Our post area was looking really good but it is starting to go downhill. There are places that accept medical equipment donations.

Have a great June, enjoy the weather, and stay safe. Please continue to respect our Post including the members/visitors to it!!!

Bill T

Commander

From the Canteen Manager

Hello everyone! Happy middle of the year everyone. It's unbelievable how fast time flies, welcome to June!

We had a very successful Memorial Day weekend. Thank you to all that came out to support our happenings and a HUGE thank you to those that volunteered and helped everything run smoothly.

First thing, I'd like to mention in this article is that we will NOT be changing our hours of opening to 10 AM this month. We have decided to keep the opening time at noon. I support this decision, due to the fact that the kitchen does not open until noon. Everything is looking up, so let's not go messing around with anything, right!?

We have also decided to hold back on any food price increases until we see 2 more months of P&L's. Again... things are looking up! Food items are still high in price but seems to be leveling off and not climbing like they were.

June is a busy month. The second weekend of the month is back-to-back live music Friday night, we will be entertained by The Boneheads 7 PM. Then the next day we have the Army Birthday Celebration. (June 10th). Dinner is Asparagus and cheese stuffed chicken breast served with a baked potato and salad. Service is 5-6:45 the ceremony starts at 7 with cake cutting to follow. Our entertainment will be live music by Bad Motor Scooter. We will have raffles and drawings as well. Our next live entertainment will be Friday, June 23 from 6 to 9 PM music performance by Jerry Rheinhart . Jerry has a full backing of tracks and plays lead guitar as well as vocals.

Our dinner list for Friday's is as follows:

Friday, June 2 prime rib

Friday, June 9 spaghetti with salad and a breadstick

Friday, June 16 pork ribs with baked beans and coleslaw

Friday, June 23 fried chicken, legs and wings with mashed potatoes and a vegetable

Friday, June 30 Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, vegetable and biscuit.

Coming into the summer months you will see that sometimes we are shorthanded as vacations occur this time of year. We appreciate your patience during these times and hope you can understand that we are always doing our best to give you good service and quality.

Looking forward into the month of July as far as entertainment goes. I would like to invite everybody to mark their calendars for Sunday, July 2 at 6 PM. We will be entertained once again by the One Eyed Katz.

Friday, July 7 Along with our Prime rib dinner, we will have music by the duo Pushing Daisies

Friday, July 14 The Boneheads playing 7-10PM

Friday July 21 We welcome back Fiddle Schtix!! 7-10PM

I think that about covers it. I'm sure there is something I forgot to mention. I feel like there always is!

In closing I hope that everybody stays healthy, happy, and well!!!

Best wishes and may God bless us all.

Michelle Rex