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"THE LITTLE POST THAT DOES"

ADDRESS LABEL

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Thank you to those who have renewed their membership. To those who have not, please remember to renew your membership for the new year. Your membership is important to allow us to continue our work to provide programs to help our fellow veterans and work with the youth in the community

MAIL CALL

If you are receiving this newsletter by snail mail please consider sharing your email address so you can receive it electronically. This will help us control cost.

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

The weather is changing and slowly getting warmer, that is a beautiful thing!

A great reason to join us for our next meeting, that will be held on Thursday April 11th at 7pm.

Please be advised that due to construction at the Community center, this meeting will be held at Grace Episcopal Church located at 7 East Maple Ave in Merchantville. Please use the side entrance by the parking lot, there is a handicap ramp available for ease of entry.

Nominations will be taken for officers that will lead us into 2019-2020 along with discussion of upcoming events.

I will take this opportunity to say it has been an honor to serve as your Commander as we move through our 100th year. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

God Bless and Hand Salute to you all.

For God and Country,
John Brouse, Commander
US Army Gulf War Veteran

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The first reading of the proposed amendments to the Post's Constitution & By-Laws was held at the meeting held on February 14th.

Due to the lack of a quorum at the March meeting the second reading will occur at the meeting on April 11.

A vote to approve or disapprove will be held on May 9th at Grace Episcopal Church 7PM.

As required by the current By-Laws this is official notice of the meeting for conducting the vote.

The current, last revised in 1987, Constitution & By-Laws, as well as the proposed amendments, can be found on the Post's website, amlegionmerchantville.org

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Hello Ladies and Legionnaires:

UNIT 68

I hope everyone is doing well. Don't forget to order your pavers. If you know anyone who might be interested in joining the Auxiliary please let either Sue Kofoet or myself know so we can contact them. We have some events coming up so check the calendar at the bottom of this newsletter. Sue Kofoet and I met at Unit 311 for a training course on Sunday, March 31st. They are talking about having seminars each month to familiarize everyone with what is available online. Let me know if you are interested. We are meeting at Grace Church this month.

At this month's meeting we will have final nominations and election of officers. Please try to come if at all possible.

For God and Country,

Carol Weaver



“Never again do we want to see the honor and glory of our nation fade to the extent that her men of arms, with despondent heart and palsied limb, totter from door to door, bowing their souls to the frozen bosom of reluctant charity.”

The voice of the American Legion is only as loud as its membership strength. This is the reason membership in the Legion is so important.

Each year Legionnaires from every state gather in Washington DC to meet with their local congressional representatives.

American Legion National Commander Brett Reistad addressed a joint session of the House and Senate Committees on Veterans' Affairs Feb. 27, to conclude the Legion's annual Washington Conference in the nation's capital.

Chairman of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs Mark Takano, D-Calif., touted the importance of The American Legion, saying Congress relies on the organization to hold legislators accountable and as a check to ensure Congress acts in the best interests of our nation's veterans.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- *April 11th-Post Meeting 7PM Grace Episcopal Church, 7 West Maple Ave. Merchantville(Second reading of the proposed amendments to the Constitution & By Laws; nomination of officers)*
- *April 11th-Unit 68 Meeting 7PM Grace Episcopal Church, 7 West Maple Ave. Merchantville (Final Nominations & Election of Officers for 2019-2020 year)*
- *April 18-American Legion Camden County Meeting*
- *May 9-Post Meeting 7PM Grace Episcopal Church 7 West Maple Ave. Merchantville (vote to approve/disapprove of the proposed amendments to the Constitution & By Laws; Election & Installation of Officers for the 2019-2020 year.)*
- *May 9th-Unit 68 Meeting 7PM Grace Episcopal Church, 7 West Maple Ave. Merchantville (Installation of Officers)*

Meeting Location Has Been Temporarily Changed

Merchantville Borough recently began extensive renovations and improvement to the Merchantville Community Center.

There has been an ongoing problem with water in the lower level (including our Post room) every time there was heavy rain. As part of the waterproofing of the basement a French drain system will be installed around the entire perimeter of both the interior and exterior of the building to address the problem. New windows will be installed in this area as well.

An addition off the back of the building will include a full deck with an exterior bathroom and storage room below the deck.

The handicap ramp will be replaced with an exterior chair lift.

As a result of all of this construction the Post has temporarily relocated our meetings to Grace Episcopal Church, 7 West Maple Ave. Merchantville. Please use the side entrance by the rear parking lot which is handicap accessible. This relocation is expected to last until July. Look for updates in the monthly newsletter.