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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

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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 Post 68 Family

Fall is here, time to put those swim suits away and get out those sweaters! October is here and with that some good news. **Our next meeting will be held in the Merchantville Community Center on Thursday evening October 8th at 7pm.** Please wear a mask if you plan to attend, social distancing will also be in effect. We will have a zoom link as well for those who do not wish to attend in person.

We are working in collaboration with Philadelphia team RWB to bring awareness to Veteran suicide. A walk/Ruck around Cooper river is scheduled for Saturday October 24th time TBA. The event is solely to bring awareness to the 22 Veterans we are losing every day to suicide, more on this at the meeting.

The agenda will be light, some other topics to discuss. Do you have an idea for an event or fundraiser? Idea for Veterans Day? Let's hear it!

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REMEMBERING THE FALLEN

Recently the Camden County Freeholders brought the Remember the Fallen Tribute Towers to Veterans Island. The Towers are a display of the over 5,600 service personnel that have died since 9/11 2001. It was a way of paying honor to our local heroes who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Post



68 provided 2 members on 3 of the nights to assist with the Taps ceremony. Finance officer Kofolet also rang the

bell as each of our local heroes' names were called at Friday morning's ceremony.



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UNIT 68

Hello Ladies and Legionnaires,

Another month has come and gone and we are still homebound. I hope everyone is safe and healthy. We are doing zoom meetings to keep in touch during this trying time. If you have not joined us, please try to in the future. Cheryl Hill, our Girls State Chair, informed us that she has spoken with the Girls State representatives. Both girls said they had a good experience, but would have preferred an in-person session. This year was the first time it was held virtually. The girls will hopefully join us at a future meeting when we can talk with them face to face, Although the pandemic is still here, we don't want to forget about our military personnel serving us overseas at Christmas. Janice Schott, our Chair for Operation Santa, is looking for a way to do this safely. Any suggestions please let us know. Until next month, stay safe and keep our military in your thoughts and prayers.

For God and Country,
Carol Weaver
President, Auxiliary Unit 68
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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Dominic Natale is an Army Veteran of the Vietnam era.

Vanessa Jenkins is an Air Force veteran of the Gulf War

Keith Wittstock is a Navy veteran of the Gulf War.

We welcome these 3 veterans to the Post and look forward to their participation in Post activities.

POST EVERLASTING

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Heriberto Galarza. Ed was employed with PSE&G in Audubon for over 25 years. He was a United States Army Veteran serving during Vietnam and also a Veteran of the National Guard.

Ed was a recent transfer from Post 1000 to Post 68.

We extend our condolence to Ed 's wife and family.

(Commanders Corner Cont.)

Do you have a friend or family member that's a Veteran? Invite them to come to a meeting. We are a VERY active post with lots of opportunities to help out or get involved, flag folding or carry the colors interest you? join our Honor Guard.

Well that's all for now, God Bless each and every one of you. Stay safe and positive and I'll see you on the 8th at 7 pm. In person or Zoom. Hand Salute!

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

POW/MIA



The 3rd Friday in September is designated as NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY. On Saturday September 12th County Chaplin and Post 68 Vice Commander Bob MacMurray held the annual American Legion Camden County POW/MIA remembrance service. The colors were presented by the Post 281 Honor Guard .The guest speaker was New Jersey State Senator Fred Madden. The Post 68 team conducted the POW/MIA table service. County Adjutant Will Betts played Taps

