

# STAHL POST 30 NEWS

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## Commander's Corner

*By Vic Callahan*

At September's regular meeting, which will be held at 6:30 on Sept. 8th, we will be getting order forms with the particulars for the Commemorative Veteran's Flags Fundraiser. Sal Vaccarino has done a terrific job coordinating and putting this project together even through the trials of 2020. You can purchase them to honor a veteran with a photo, dates, branch and location of duty. This will allow us to have our veterans' flags up in the town of Newport on Main Street for every patriotic holiday each year. Depending on how many we have made, they will be rotated each holiday to display them all. We also intend to have display polls at the new Post home. (See the article on next page.)

As the summer draws to a close, hopefully we will have enough customers to justify being open more days per week. Remember the canteen is a business that needs to be self-supporting. We should start seeing a rise in the number of functions both food and activities. The crab night went well, and we may re-schedule with more crab availability typically in September and October, maybe alternating with shrimp nights.

To date \$375,000 has been spent for site work of the new Post home. Bids are being gathered by EDIS for other facets of the construction, so we will soon have a current construction cost figure. Then we will award the contracts and proceed with erecting the building.

We will be soon scheduling a flag sorting work detail for the flags we used and recovered from Gracelawn. Also the roof on the shed by the dumpster still needs repaired.

And for all of our members who have not yet paid 2021 dues, if you possibly can **PLEASE** get them paid now instead of waiting for the end of the year. It makes our Post have a better goal rating with the Department, it could earn the Post a financial reward, and it will let our membership people finish

early. It doesn't cost any less to wait for the last minute, so do you're Post a favor and get your next year's dues paid.

On a personal note, this past weekend we moved our grandson Donovan off to college. He was financially supported by Stahl last year to enable him to have extended visits to two colleges to get a taste of academia life, at Fordham and Yale. Due to his grades at William Penn, he was recruited by, and given a partial scholarship to Boston College in their Medical College in the nursing field. I know he is proud to be there, as is his immediate family as well as his Stahl family. Thank you all again.



## Auxiliary

*By Lisa Prosachik*

Ladies, Ladies, Ladies!

Our meetings are back on our calendar. Yep, you read that right. So please mark your calendar for September 13, 2020 @ 3:00. There will be social distancing and you are expected to wear your mask when you are not seated.

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the Auxiliary will have to postpone our annual crab feast as well as our quarter auction. A few of us have been kicking around a few ideas for other types of fundraisers. Stay tuned.

Here's a little information from southern DE....School of instructions will be held at Post 28 on Sept. 12, 2020 @ 9:30 am. Again face masks are to be worn. Anyone interested, please contact Linda Shelly, President of Unit 28 at 302-569-8699. The Post address is 31768 Legion Rd. Millsboro, DE

Ladies, we hope to see you at the meeting on Sept. 13th. The Post is open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Please come out to show your support.

## SHUFFLEBOARD NEWS:

*By Lisa Prosachik*

The mixed league will be postponed at this time.

For any questions regarding this decision, please feel free to contact me via The Ladies Aux.

We are sincerely hoping we can begin the women's and men's league in January of 2021. Only time will tell.

We have not forgotten that our gentlemen still need to finish out their schedule from the men's league. We have also not forgotten about the post shuffleboard men's and women's league banquet. We will get this all figured out.

## SALS

*By Stan Lawruk Jr*



We will be resuming our monthly meeting on Tuesday Sept. 15 at 6pm, bar will not be open.

Please try and get your 2021 dues paid when you can. This will help with the tough financial times we're having due to the virus. Thanks for your support. If you're mailing your dues the address is

Joseph B Stahl Post 30  
3 E. Jackson Ave  
New Castle, DE 19720

If you want to pay in person the Post is open on Thursday at 2pm and Friday and Saturday at 12 noon.

Be safe!

## Honoring Hometown Hero's

*By Sal Vaccarino*

Attached you will find a great opportunity to highlight your service member(s) throughout the town of Newport.

We have agreed with the Newport Police and local community to supply military service highlight banners for their community light poles. We can have our military family and friends proudly displayed on the light posts for all military related holidays. This is a great opportunity to promote and highlight your family service member(s) service to our great Country.

Banners will be placed on and removed from the posts by local DelDOT employees at specified times from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Once they are removed, the banner will be returned to the family member who ordered it and can be saved for the following year.

Each year we can add to the collection, as new light posts are installed. If we have more banners than posts, it will be first ordered first installed and any remaining banners will get a priority the following year.

The banners will be created and shipped to us for keeping at the Stahl Post until they can be put up in 2021. Once we have received the shipment, I will contact those who ordered to come to Stahl Post to review their banner. In an effort to make sure we meet all deadlines for manufacturing and shipping, we would request that all banner orders be placed and submitted to Stahl Post by December 1st, 2020 to be eligible for the 2021 season.

See the two attached documents. The application must be completely filled out, reviewed and approved to ensure we capture all of your service members' proper information. The banner will be printed from the information you provide, so please make sure that it is 100% correct. I will do my best to get pictures returned but there is no guarantee, so please do not send one of a kind or heirloom photos.

All orders must have a photo, if requesting, and be submitted to Stahl Post with your check for payment. No orders will be accepted without photos, order form completed and your check for payment.

If you have any questions, please email me and I will get back with you. Thanks!

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## United States Air Force

*By Larry Stanton*

Air Power did not begin with the establishment of the Air Force in 1947. It began with the Army accepting a Wright Flyer, known as Airplane No. 1 on August 2nd, 1909.



The first unit was formally commissioned in 1913 and shortly renamed the 1st Aero Squadron.

When WWI broke out the First Aero Squadron represented the entire tactical strength of the Air Corps—12 officers, 54 enlisted, and six aircraft. It quickly grew into over 180 aero squadrons. After the war, the Air Corps just as quickly demobilized into just one pursuit, one bombardment, and one attack group.

During WWII, the US Army Air Corps would swell to 2,253,000 men and women, and 63,715 aircraft. The Air Force proved they could take the fight directly to the homelands of Germany and Japan, and provide close air support to the ground forces.



The National Security Act of 1947, established the US Air Force as a separate and equal branch of the armed forces. On September 18, 1947, General Carl A. Spaatz became the first Chief of Staff.

The Air Force has been involved in every American conflict providing airlift, defense, strategic bombardment, close air support, interdiction, recognizance, cyber style warfare, and nuclear deterrence. Whatever the National Command Authority has asked for, the Air Force has delivered whether in the air or in space.

Happy Birthday to the US Air Force.

## POW / MIA Remembrance

*By Larry Stanton*

Key facts to know about the POW/MIA flag.

**1972** – As the Vietnam War waged on, people in the US were war weary and began forgetting about those who were held prisoner and those who were missing. To help refocus our attention on this tragic national issue, a flag was created. This flag made appearances off-and-on over the next 17 years.

**1979** - The first-ever National POW/MIA Recognition Day was held on July 28th, 1979 after the National League of Families of Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia made it a priority.

**1986** - Congress was inspired to pass a resolution designating this a national holiday. From 1986 onward the date was affixed to the third Friday of September.

**1989** - The flag made a major comeback when it was flown in the Capitol Rotunda and over the White House to again bring attention to this issue. You may ask, why is this significant? To this day no other flag has been in the Capital or flown above the White House other than the US Flag.

**1990** - Congress designated the flag as a national symbol of concern and as a commitment to account for the fate of all Americans in all wars.

**1998** - Congress declared that this flag was to be flown with the American flag on six holidays — Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, POW-MIA Recognition Day, and on Veteran's Day.

So remember this black and white flag. It is not a political flag, it is not a club or social organizational flag, it is not a religious flag, and it is not an issue flag. It is a National Flag! Now you know its history and background!



## Events Calendar September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center; color: blue;"><b>CANTEEN HOURS</b></p> <p><b>Sunday - Wednesday: Closed</b></p> <p><b>Thursday : 2pm - 10 pm</b></p> <p><b>Friday - Saturday: Noon to Midnight</b></p> <p><small>Hours are subject to change based on the state guidance and member participation.</small></p> </div>			2 Full Moon 	3	4	5
6 Legion Riders Meeting ??? 	7 Labor Day	8 Legion Meeting 6:30 pm	9	10	11 9-11 Remeberance	12
13 Auxillary Meeting 3 PM	14	15 SALS Meeting 6 PM	16	17 New Moon 	18 USAF Birthday  POW/MIA Recognition Day	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Gold Stars Mother's Day	28	29	30			