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## VETERANS STILL SERVING VETERANS

### NOV-DEC 2024

**From Commander Gaynor**

First, I would like to thank all the members and volunteers that helped with the Fair this year. All your hard work is greatly appreciated. We had great weather this year and there were 17,500 plus that attended the Fair.

As we look forward to the Christmas holiday, I have changed the menu for the Christmas Dinner so be sure to read the last page of this newsletter. We look forward to seeing you at this year's Christmas dinner.

Congratulations to Service Officer Kevin Sherman on being selected as our Veteran of the year. He will be recognized by the city of Jacksonville along with other Veterans.

We have completed some major repairs to the post which was noted in the last newsletter.

**Adjutant Fred Worthington**

We continue to collect membership dues for the 2025 membership year, and we are just over 68%. If you have not paid, please do as soon as you can so that we can try and make the 100% again this membership year like we did for 2024 membership year.

Please help in recruiting new members it is for the benefit of the post and the American Legion overall. If you need assistance with an application, contact me and I will assist you and ensure that you get the credit for a new member through the National and NC Dept. Legion awards.

Male spouses of active or former service members may join the Auxiliary if their spouse maintains a current American Legion membership card.

I am asking all members who have an email address and you're not receiving the newsletter via email to please send it to me so that you can be added to the email list for this newsletter. We presently have 80 members that I must fold and mail a newsletter to. This is very costly and time consuming for me and email makes it so much more convenient. I know everyone probably does not have an email address but if you do, please send me an email to [fredadj265@charter.net](mailto:fredadj265@charter.net) so we can try and reduce the mailouts that must go out.

#### **Proper Paperwork**

Please have all your military records and information in order, so when the time comes, proper honors will be carried out. Be sure to write down your desires and along with discharge papers DD-214 and store it in a safe place and advise your relatives where they can be found. These need to be turned over to the appropriate funeral director and they will handle everything from the honor guard to the military head stone. Also have them inform your post Adjutant so he can report it to National Headquarters and Dept. Headquarters.

#### **THINGS OF INTEREST**

Job Fair Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> by NC Works 10am-2pm

Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day Parade American Legion Riders and Commander Dallas Gaynor will be in the parade

Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day Ceremony at the DAV 16 @11am

There will be no BINGO on 28 November or December 26th

**PEARL HARBOR DAY REMEMBRANCE 7 DECEMBER 2024 @ 11:00AM George Wooten CW05**

USMC Ret. will be the guest speaker

December 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner

December 14<sup>th</sup> Wreaths across America @ Coastal Carolina State Veterans Cemetery at 1200.

**CHRISTMAS CHEER FOOD BOXES 21 DECEMBER 2024 AT 8AM at the post**

**MEMBERS & AUXILIARY MEMBERS MAY VOLUNTEER TO ASSIST IN FILLING THE BOXES**

#### **LEGION MEETINGS**

**@ 7pm**

November 25<sup>th</sup>

December 26<sup>th</sup> CANCELLED

January 27<sup>th</sup>

Please come out and attend meetings. We have moved the meetings downstairs to make it more accessible for all members, but we are still not getting the kind of attendance we would like to have, your voice only counts if you are there.

# American Legion Christmas Dinner

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**When 14 December 2024**

**Where 146 Broadhurst Rd Jacksonville, NC 28540**

**Time- 1800 Cocktail Hour 1900 dinner Served Buffet Style**

**\$10.00 person 5 and older**

**RSVP will be accepted from 2 December thru 12 December**

**Call the post at 910-347-5690 and leave a message with the number in your party or email me at fredadj265@charter.net**

## **SELECTIONS TO BE MADE AT THE BUFFET LINES**

### **First Choice**

**Meatloaf or Pork Tips with gravy**

**Mashed potatoes with gravy or Potato Cheese Casserole**

**Green Beans or Cabbage**

**or**

### **Second Choice**

**Baked Spaghetti or Chicken and Broccoli Alfredo**

**With Salad**

**Dessert:** Please bring in your favorite dessert to share  
**Coffee, Tea or water**

**The lounge will be open for purchases of Mixed Drinks, Beer or sodas**  
**New Door prizes**  
**Christmas Music will be playing**

**Don't forget to bring your unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots**  
**For Chance to win a \$50.00 gift Card at Lowes**

**There will be a special kid's area and don't forget to get those pictures with Santa**