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**AMERICAN LEGION MEMORIAL POST #71**

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Happy  
Valentine's  
Day

**ALL GAVE SOME – SOME GAVE ALL**

**February 2019**

***Veterans Serving Veterans***

## COMMANDER'S SHOUT OUT

Happy Valentine's Day to all!!

During this month of hearts and flowers, I want to say **THANK YOU** to the members volunteering at Area 71. Servers are making great tips, cooks are getting the job done in the kitchen and bussers, etc. are keeping things spic and span. Restaurant work is not easy but those who have stepped up are a godsend and I appreciate them more than I will ever be able to say.

There are still some rumors going around. Let me remind everyone: Without Andy Anderson, and Linda of course, we would not have a home at all. They spent hours and hours and drove miles and miles looking for a place for the Post. Now they are working 12 -16 hour days at Area 71 serving our customers and making money for the veterans we assist. If anyone has a question about Andy's involvement in the Post, please send them to me. My phone number is 908.763.5071.

We are still in need of volunteers. The few people volunteering at this time need some time off. Please see Adjutant Strong if you are interested.

We have several events coming up. The biggest will be our Post Dedication, Ribbon Cutting and Hot Dog Eating Contest on February 6th. Festivities begin at 3 p.m. Department Chaplain Barry Roberts will be conducting the Post Dedication. Mayor Gene Fultz, Department 2nd Vice Commander Jerry Brandt, Central Area Commander Jay Allen and 7th District Commander David Tucker along with others will be in attendance. The Ribbon Cutting will be a first for Post #71 complete with the big scissors. The Hot Dog Eating Contest will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the winner receiving \$71 for eating the most hot dogs in 71 seconds. Check with Adjutant Strong for more details.

Again, Happy Valentine's Day,

*Art Quigley,*  
Commander

## LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

In 2016, then-President Obama, on the urging of late Senator John McCain and others, commissioned the National Commission on Military, National and Public Service (NCOS) to study the country's Selective Service System and this country's dedication to public service. There have been several town hall-type meetings held and the interim report has been issued. Now the NCOS is asking for more public input. The following seven (7) questions are being asked and the NCOS would like responses. You can answer all of them or some of them. They just want input.

1. Does service have inherent value? If so, what is it?
2. How does the U.S. increase the desire for Americans, particularly young Americans, to serve?
3. What are the barriers to participation in military, national or public service?
4. How can the U.S. increase participation in military, national and public service by individuals with critical skills to address national security and other public service needs of the nation?
5. Is the military draft of draft contingency still a necessary component of U.S. national security?
6. Are modifications to the selective service system needed?
7. Is a mandatory service requirement for all Americans necessary, valuable and feasible?

Mail your answers to:

National Commission on Military, National and Public Service  
2530 Crystal Drive, Suite 1000  
Box #63  
Arlington VA 22202

Be sure to include that you are a veteran and a member of the American Legion.

# **AREA 71 RESTAURANT & BAR**

## **SPECIALIZING IN:**

**AUTHENTIC, OUT OF THE ORDINARY, HOT DOGS,  
SAUSAGES & BURGERS.**

### **DAILY DINNER SPECIALS**

**MONDAY: MEATLOAF**

**TUESDAY: CHICKEN POT PIT**

**WEDNESDAY: FISH**

**THURSDAY: ITALIAN CLASSICS**

**FRIDAY: FISH**

**FOR DETAILS SEE PAGE 7**

### **HOURS OF OPERATION:**

**MONDAY—SATURDAY: 10 A.M. TO 7 P.M.**

**SUNDAY: CLOSED**

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**

**MUSIC W/DIANE & BUD**

### **JAZZ BAND:**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 3RD, 5:30 TO 8 P.M.**

**IN THE FOOD COURT**

## FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK:

**MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:** 74.50% Must have 100% no later than May 8, 2019.

**NEW MEMBERS:** Jerry Taylor and Ken Abbott

**TRANSFERS:** Tony Koenig from GA 0400 and James Boyd from FL 0400

Please make all new members and transfers welcome.

We need volunteers for upcoming events. Please see me to sign up for available spots. The Event schedule is on page 6 of this newsletter.

*Teri Strong*  
**Adjutant**

## OFFICER OF THE DAY

Below is the Officer of the Day (OD) schedule. All inquiries and/or questions should be directed to the OD each day.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Adjutant Teri Strong
<b>Tuesday</b>	1st Vice Commander Terry Dohring
<b>Wednesday</b>	Finance Officer Stephen Galbavy
<b>Thursday</b>	Judge Advocate Ed Robertson
<b>Friday</b>	Sgt.-at-Arms Joe Schull
<b>Saturday</b>	2nd Vice Commander Bob Landry

The above schedule is subject to change without notice.

## POST #71 MEETINGS:

All events are held at American Legion Post #71 unless specified otherwise

<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday Monthly</b>	6 p.m.	Post #71 General
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Monthly</b>	10 a.m.	American Legion Riders
<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday Monthly</b>	10 a.m.	Executive Board
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday Monthly</b>	6 p.m.	S.A.L.
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Monthly</b>	10 a.m.	Honor Guard
<b>Every Wednesday</b>	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Homeless Coalition

## Special Events

<b>Saturday, February 2, 2019</b>	8 a.m.	Ft. Meade Bike Fest
<b>Wednesday, February 6, 2019</b>	1 to 6 p.m.	Post Dedication, Hot Dog Eating Contest, Ribbon Cutting
<b>Saturday, March 2, 2019</b>	5:30 p.m.	Jazz Band
<b>Saturday, April 6, 2019</b>	7 a.m.	2nd Annual Golf Tournament, Lake Wales Country Club

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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

I ask each of to take one moment, reflect upon our post, and offer as you would a prayer for the post. The Executive Board continues to make decisions for the post operation. When they meet, a quick prayer for them would be appreciated. The post is growing, and that is a great thing. I believe that we are being led to serve, and that our Great Commander continues to bless the post. This may be your year to celebrate the challenges of post growth both spiritually and physically. We are all His veterans helping hero's heal. Blessings.

*Harvey R. Engle*  
Post #71 Chaplain

## AREA 71 DAILY SPECIALS

**Monday:** Homemade Meat Loaf served with your choice of Baked Potato or Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, and Garden Salad. **\$8.00**

**Tuesday:** Chicken Pot Pie served with a Garden Salad. **\$7.00**

**Wednesday:** Fish Dinner served with Hush Puppies, French Fries, Coleslaw, and Baked Beans. **\$11.00**

Fish Sandwich served with French Fries. **\$6.00**

Shrimp Dinner served with Hush Puppies, French Fries, Coleslaw and Baked Beans **\$11.00**

**Thursday:** 4 Italian Classics to choose from. All served with Garlic Bread and a Garden Salad. **\$10.00**

**Friday:** Fish Dinner served with Hush Puppies, French Fries, Coleslaw, and Baked Beans. **\$11.00**

Fisherman's Platter: Fish, Shrimp, Fried Clams, served with Hush Puppies, French Fries, Coleslaw, and Baked Beans. **\$18.00**

Chicken Strips served with French Fries, Coleslaw and Baked Beans. **\$8.00**

Fish Sandwich served with French Fries. **\$6.00**

## WHAT'S COOKIN'

Area 71 Restaurant & Bar will be open  
**10 a.m. to 7 p.m.**  
Monday thru Saturday



**Come hungry!!**

**AMERICAN LEGION POST #71  
COMMAND STAFF**

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**To everyone,**

*Happy Valentine's Day*

**Your Command Staff**

