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Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year

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DECEMBER

><u>Kids Christmas Party</u> was on Sunday, December 5th. This was a great time for the 150 kids who had their picture taken with Santa, and received a gift. This event is one of many great things the Bellevue Vets members offer to their families during the holiday season.

>The entertainment committee did it again, with the <u>Adult Christmas Party</u>, on Saturday December 11th.

Members enjoyed a lot of food, beverages, and music provided by Fat Cats.

>Christmas Relief will pack and deliver food baskets on December 17th and 18th. We could use some help getting everything ready for this time of giving. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Dick Schaiper.
>New Year's Eve dance is scheduled for Friday, December 31st. Live music provided by Elaine & the Biscain's. This is the same band we used last year for this event. A little reminder, we sold this event out last year, thanks to our Entertainment committee's hard work.

2005 installation Saturday, January 8th

Santa will deliver your invitation for installation. Please get your RSVP back as soon as possible. The building will close at 4:00 pm. Then re-open at 6:00 pm for the members & spouse's or members & dates. Dinner will be served at 7:15 pm. On the menu your choice will be Beef or Chicken. The ceremony/meeting will follow after dinner. Live music will be provided by Strange Brew. This may last until 1:30 am. The cost will be

\$12.50 per person. <u>RSVP is a must for</u> this ceremony.

REMINDERS

>Every Sunday you can find BINGO in the main hall starting at 7:00 pm. >I look forward to serving our members during 2005. I will also be looking for HELP with running the club & committees for 2005. If you have interest in helping in any area, please let me know. I have begun to set the calendar & committee heads for 2005. Feel free to call me.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

*Terry W. Hatton*Bellevue Veterans Club, President-2004/2005

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By Dick Schaiper

The national election is over and everything went a lot better then four years ago with all those problems they had in Florida. It seemed like there was a lot of negative advertising from all the candidates against each other. We at the Bellevue Vets also had our election for our new officers to run our club in coming year. Our new officers are: President Terry Hatton, Vice President Jerry Dougherty, Treasurer Jim Hurtt, 2 yr. Club Trustees Kris Kaelin, Club Trustees Rick Rawe and Tom Miller, 2 yr. Bar Trustee Steve Chenot, Recording Secretary Ron Simms, Corresponding Secretary

Al Rouse, Sergeant At Arms Bill Henn. We also have two officers

who were held over from last year. Senior Bar Trustee <u>Chuck Short</u>, and Senior Club Trustee <u>Bill</u> <u>Hurtt</u>. All these officers will be installed at a gala dinner dance at our club in January.

Don't forget to check out our New Years Eve Dance at our Club on December 31st. Call 431-0045 for more information. Bring the New Year in by partying close to home with your friends.

Christmas is just a few weeks away and Santa will be on his way from the North Pole to bring toy and gifts to good boys and girls. Our city will once again be decorated with lights on the poles and garland and bows will be placed on the storefronts. Many of our homes throughout the city will have lights and decorations on them as well as a Christmas tree inside. All this gives our city a very warm feeling and glow for the Christmas Holiday. All these decorations for the Christmas Holiday along with the singing of Christmas songs seems to bring out the best in everyone to enjoy the joys of Christmas. Some of the joys are people giving to various organizations who help needy families so their Christmas can be a little brighter and joyous. It's such a wonderful feeling to know that you helped someone who is in need. This is truly a way for all of us to get in the Christmas Spirit. It would be a much better world if we could all have this Christmas

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Spirit throughout year.

Our life is like a Christmas story that most of us know quite well and is told at Christmas time

called "A Christmas Carol" about Ebenezer Scrooge. Scrooge was a rich mean old man who did nothing or cared for no one except himself and his money. Then one Christmas Eve some scary spirits showed him just how he was living his life. He was shown his past, present and how it will be in the future unless he changed his way of life. Scrooge was shocked into the fact that if he didn't change his life by being kind to all those around him and by giving and helping the poor he would be doomed. Yes it's just a story for Christmas but it has some great meaning for all of us. It's a story that we should all read or see the movie at Christmas time. This story can give you a true lesson to carry Christmas in our hearts all year long, and be generous in sharing our blessings. This is the true meaning of the Christmas Spirit.

We hope everyone knows that the true meaning of Christmas is that the Christ Child was born on this day in a stable in the town of Bethlehem. This was the best gift that we could ever receive on that Christmas Day long ago. The best gift we can give each other is our love and kindness. So we can all enjoy the magic of the Christmas Holiday by being kind and getting that Christmas Spirit.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Robert J. Heizer Vet

BLOOD BANK

The Blood Mobile will be at the vets Jan. 24th 2005 from 5 to 7pm. If you have any questions please contact Art Owens 859-781-5039

RETRACTIONS FROM THE OCT. NEWSLETTER

Sargeant of Arms Bill Henn was left off the new officers list

Sick Members

Bill Maxwell Knee surgery

Gus Kuhn Hernia

Bill Henn Back operation

LADIES LOTTO WINNERS for 2004

\$100 EACH

5/7/04	SHIRLEY ASHCRAFT
5/21/04	VICKIE WHITE
6/4/04	MICHELLE DOWNING
6/18/04	CHUCK SHORT
7/2/04	SANDY HURRELBRICK
7/16/04	KIM TURNER
7/30/04	RICK CRADDOCK
8/13/04	PEGGY GAY
8/27/04	KIM TURNER
9/10/04	SCOTT FARWICK
9/24/04	JERRY KROGER
10/8/04	SHARON CASEY
10/22/04	JEFF MERMAN
11/5/04	DALE RIPBERGER
11/19/04	ART OWENS JR.
12/3/04	PEGGY GAY