

# **BELLEVUE VETS TIMES**

*Independent Newsletter of the Bellevue Veterans Club*

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## **LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT**

*As we remember the effects of Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> 2001, let's give thanks for what we have at the Bellevue Vets.*

*What a great job by Spanky and the fireworks committee and workers.*

*While we head towards a new year, many things need to be done. If you are interested in joining a new maintenance committee, let us know. We want to keep up with the City of Bellevue and all the great looking buildings as you come into the city.*

*Bring yourself, bring your ideas, bring your veteran friends and enjoy your club.*

*Thanks to all those who help keep the grounds clean.*

**THANK YOU**

*Ray Bricking Jr.*

## **STAND DOWN DAY**

Sept 27<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting a stand down event for homeless vets. This event will include

food, legal advise, medical assistance as well as many other programs.

We should be very proud to be hosting this event. If you would like to volunteer please see Scott Pillian or Ray Bricking Jr..

## **MEETING MENU**

Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> Jack Yates fish

## **CARNIVAL**

**Workers picnic was held on Sept 7<sup>th</sup> and all who attended had a great time.**

**Thanks again to all that helped make carnival a success this year.**

**Kris and Terry,  
Chairman**

## **Dick Schaiper's letter to the Community News**

With Labor Day over now it sure is a sign that summer is ending. It also means that the schools, in our area, are in session and teaching our youngsters. We can only hope that these youngsters take advantage of what they can learn to make their life more enjoyable and happy. With the way our world is going now, they will need all the help they can get.

We cannot forget the events of September 11 that took place just one year ago when many people, from all types of cultures, lost their life. That was the day that our country changed for the worst. We have lived for many years thinking that we were safe from all types of invasions in our beloved U.S.A, but as we know now we are not. Since that day we look at people from other countries as a threat to our nation. To think that some of these nations would want to do harm to so many is hard for us to understand. The group who did this action is saying that God told them to destroy our nation.

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We can't think that the God that we know would tell someone to do this. Our God is kind, loving and forgiving. This group has used God as an excuse to do their deadly deeds. We must all keep pulling together and praying to defeat this terrorist.

Our country has become stronger then ever since September 11 and let's keep it this way. We can and will, with God's help and our endurance.

Our club is undertaking a big cause with the help of many to help our fellow veterans on Friday September 27. We are hosting an event called Stand Down. It's a way for us to help many Homeless Veterans. These Veterans will be offered many things such as haircuts, medical, and dental, eye check ups And services. There will be legal services, job placement, and AA meetings2 along with information about DAV And VA benefits and help with paperwork and much more. We hope this will make a difference for them.

We can use your help! If you would like to donate some food, hot or cold, to help feed these veterans please give us a call.

The plan is to serve from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you would care to donate a dish of some food call Scott Pillion at (859) 781-7135.

A Halloween Dance will be held on October 26 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Pay at the door. Come down and join the fun.

I came across this about OLD GEEZERS and thought you would like it.

At sporting events, during the playing of the National Anthem, Old Geezers hold their caps over their hearts and sing without embarrassment. They know the words and believe in them.

Old Geezers remember World War I, the Depression, World War II, Pearl Harbor, Guadalcanal, Normandy and Hitler. They remember the Atomic Age, the Korean War, The Cold War, the Jet Age and the Moon Landing, not to mention Vietnam.

If you bump into an Old Geezer on the sidewalk, he will apologize.

If you pass an Old Geezer on the street, he will nod or tip his cap to a lady.

Old Geezers trust strangers and are courtly to woman.

Old Geezers hold doors open for the next person and always, when walking, make certain the lady is on the inside for protection.

Old Geezers get embarrassed if someone curses in front of women and children and they don't like filth on TV or in movies.

Old Geezers have moral courage. They seldom brag unless it's about their grand children. It's the Old Geezers who know our great country is protected, not by politicians or police, but by the Young men and women in the military serving their country.

This country needs Old Geezers with their decent values. We need them now more then ever. Thanks God for Old Geezers!

Pass this on to all the Old Geezers you know.

*Dick Schaiper*

## Coming events

Blood mobile -- Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>

Stand down – Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>

Past pres – Sept 30<sup>th</sup>

Halloween dance – Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>