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### **POST COMMANDERS REPORT**

#### **Greetings Comrades,**

Sadly, we lost a beloved life member to cancer on February 10<sup>th</sup> 2023. Comrade Edward Stephen Rublesky will be greatly missed by all who knew him. A celebration of life for Eddie will be held on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Please join us at the Madison VFW Post 7865, located at 58 Preble Avenue. In lieu of flowers Eddie requested that donations be made to the Post 7865 Roof Fund.

On the brighter side, Rick Petersen and his wife won the ticket board in January. Percy Post won the Henry Big Boy .44 Mag lever action rifle in January. Our Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm pistol was won by Sherril Bouchard. Congratulations to all who won and thank you for supporting our Post! Our March raffle is a .44 Mag revolver generously sponsored by ML Lloyd & Sons. Only 100 tickets will be sold so stop in soon for your chance to win this American classic valued at over \$1,000! It might just "Make my day". I would like to thank the band members of 38 Degrees for their music at the Valentine's Dance on February 11<sup>th</sup>, we hope to have them play again soon. We are working on an email roster to try to lower our mailing costs for this newsletter. If you want to be on the email list please send your email address to admin@vfwpost7865.com. Open Mic Night every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday hosted by John Hodgdon is going great and the music is fantastic. Please stop in to hear John and his many wonderful guest performers, there is NO COVER CHARGE! The Post Honor Guard will meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday monthly at 19:00. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Post Honor Guard please come to the next meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup>. We are looking into sponsoring a baseball team through the Madison Recreation Department. I will contact the Director, Chris Leblanc for more information.

March 29<sup>th</sup> is National Vietnam Veterans Day. The official end date of the Vietnam War was 30 April 1975. Therefore, to celebrate the end of the war and to recognize their service, all VIETNAM VETERANS are welcome to enjoy \$1 beers and/or \$1 shots (1975 prices) on March 29<sup>th</sup>! Please check the calendar page and flyers for upcoming events.

Our next meetings will be Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and April 6<sup>th</sup> at 19:00.

Respectfully,

Louis Padula - Post Commander



Website: www.vfwpost7865.com - Email: MadisonVFW@gmail.com

#### FROM THE JUDGE ADVOCATE

Fellow Comrades,

A review of the post bylaws will begin at the March meeting. We will then vote on the Post Bylaws at the next monthly meeting after the review is concluded. Contact me at <a href="mailto:admin@vfwpost7865.com">admin@vfwpost7865.com</a> for questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Phillip Parks - Post Judge Advocate

### **POST SURGEON REPORT**

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Respectfully,

Jessica Carter – Post Surgeon





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- (3) Applicant's essay (in .doc or .docx format)

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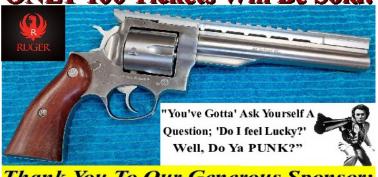
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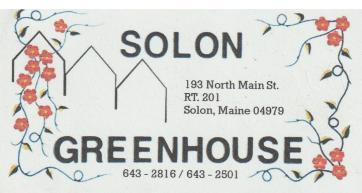


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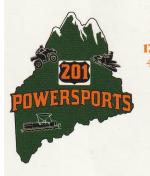
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			1	2 POST Meeting@7pm	3	Celebtation Of Life Edward S. Rublesky  @ 1pm
5 Cholden Opens @ Noon		7 Auxiliary Meeting@7pm	8	9 Kennebec Valley Quilters Meeting @ 5pm	24 MICHTSHT  John Lodgdon 7 to Upm	11
The Unknown Cowboy 12 and Friends Sunday From La Jones All Well Drinks \$3.75 Coors Light Bottles \$2.75: Guests Welcome!	13	14	15	Marine Corps League Meeting @6pm	17	18
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Saint Patrick's Day Dance with DIRTY MCCURDY - March 17th from 8 to Midnight
PAINT NIGHT With Gretchen Washburn - March 22nd Starting @ 6pm
APRIL FOOLS DANCE with THE WHAT NAUGHTS - April 1st from 7 to 11pm
Dance Nite with local band SONG PIRATES - May 5th from 8 to Midnight
AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE - JUNE 12th from 1pm to 6pm
"ELVIS" - DON BOUDREAU - October 21st from 7 to 9pm
Veterans Day Dance with DIRTY MCCURDY - November 11th from 8 to Midnight
Christmas Dance with BORDERLINE EXPRESS - December 3rd from 8 to Midnight
New Years Eve Dance With SIX WAYS TO SUNDAY - December 31st from 8:30 to 12:30
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#### VFW POST 7865 Life Member

Edward Stephen Rublesky July 2, 1947 • February 10, 2023



EDWARD STEPHEN RUBLESKY, 75 of Highland Plantation, Maine and formerly of Marlborough, Massachusetts, passed away on February 10, 2023 in Augusta, Maine at the VA Togus Medical Center after battling cancer. Eddie was born on July 2, 1947 in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Eddie was the son of Vito A. and Helen Rublesky of New Hampshire. Eddie was the brother of his beloved late sister, Palette M. Rublesky. Eddie had a special friend, the love of his life, Donna Hood and spent approximately 15 years with her until she passed in 2010. He is also survived by his step-mom, Rachel and his step-daughters, Charlene and Mary. After graduating from Marlborough Vocational School in 1966, Eddie served in the U.S. Navy SeaBees as a Construction Mechanic Petty Officer 2<sup>nd</sup> Class and was a decorated Veteran of the Vietnam War serving 2 tours with MCB7 from 1967-1970. He worked for the City of Marlborough DPW for 28 years from 1975 and retired in 2003 to Highland Plantation, Maine. Eddie will not be forgotten and will always be remembered by his good friends Jeff Ellengood, Lou Padula and David and Robin Trask along with many loyal friends from Massachusetts as well at his beloved Harvell Bishop VFW Post 7865 in Madison, Maine where he was a lifetime member serving many dedicated years as an officer, last serving as Junior Vice Commander. Eddie helped Lou Padula with all renovations at the VFW including rebuilding the bar, and many other Post projects. He will be greatly missed by all of the members and bartenders of the Madison VFW Post 7865. Eddie was a caring and compassionate man to all and was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone. Eddie also enjoyed playing cribbage every day with his long time friends at the Madison VFW. A Celebration of Life will be held for Eddie on March 4, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the Madison VFW located at 58 Preble Avenue, Madison, Maine.

In lieu of flowers, Eddie requested all contributions in his name be kindly made to the VFW Post 7865.

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