

Francis Scott Key Post No. 11

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COMMANDER'S ROLL CALL BY KIM DAVIS

December is here and wow our post home looks amazing inside! Thank you to our volunteers who decorate each season; they are talented! Our post always looks beautiful.

Our Veterans Day annual ceremony was held on November 11th at Memorial Park and SAL Commander Jeffery Seiler did a fabulous job as the Master of Ceremonies. 1st Vice Commander Charles Davis and Patricia Swiderski - thank you very much for coordinating such a wonderful event. Our guest speaker this year, Chaplain (Major) James Brown of the 21st Signal Brigade, Fort Detrick, shared a story from his childhood, which highlighted the importance of remembering Veterans Day. We will always remember the sacrifices that our Veterans, active duty members, spouses and their children have made. Thank you to all our many volunteers that helped or participated; what an absolutely beautiful day and ceremony! Congratulations and thank you to our Legionnaire of the Year, Gwen Simmons!

Past Commanders Rick Stup and Matthew Staden opened up our Museum to the public on Veterans Day after the ceremony. Community outreach is important, and I am looking forward to doing more of these events.

December 7th, is National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day in honor of the 2,403 Americans who were killed.

This month will be a busy one at our Legion home. The band Switch Track starts us off on Friday evening December 1st. On December 9th, join us for a fun afternoon filled with sportsmanship during the Army/Navy game. GO ARMY - BEAT Navy! December 10th is our Legion Post Christmas Party. Tickets are \$5.00 and available at the bar. The Children's Christmas party, hosted by our Auxiliary, is scheduled for December 17th from Noon – 2pm. Sign up sheet is located in the lounge.

Please mark your calendars for our biggest fundraiser, Cash Blast, Saturday, February 24, 2024. We sold 5,000 tickets last year, so let's do it again! Tickets are on sale now at our Legion Bar or in the Admin Office. I would like to encourage each member to sign out 10 or 20 tickets to sell to family and friends. Tickets make great gifts and Holiday stocking stuffers.

Membership dues for 2024 require payment by December 31st. Dues are \$35.00, and you can renew three ways:

1. Stop at the Legion and pay your dues at the office or leave at the bar if after office hours.
2. Mail your dues (check payable to FSK Post 11) to the Post home at 1450 Taney Avenue, Frederick, MD 21702.
3. Renew online at www.legion.org/renew.

Also, if you recruit 5 new members, you will earn your free membership for 2025!

If you need assistance with membership, please contact the front office at 301-662-9345.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Holiday month and Happy New Year! This is the season of giving and simple acts like saying hi and engaging in conversation can mean so much. Please remember, "Be The One!"

<https://www.legion.org/suicideprevention>.

**AMERICAN LEGION
FRANCIS SCOTT KEY POST 11
Elected Officers—2023-2024**

Kimberly Davis

Commander @***OFFICERS**

Charles Davis	1st Vice Commander @*
James Burdette	2nd Vice Commander @*
	3rd Vice Commander @*
Joe Rizzo, PC	Adjutant @*
Wayne Kaikko, PC	Finance Officer @*
Steve Garrahy	Sgt. At Arms *
Don Blakey	Chaplain *
	Historian *
	Service Officer
William Lach, PC	Judge Advocate *

Executive Committee

PC Keith Clevenger, Sherry Mockabee, Tom R. Pryor,
Oscar Shankle, George Smith III, PC David Winpigler

Operations Committee

PC Wayne Kaikko (Chairman) PC Willie Jenkins, PC Bill
Lach, Tom R. Pryor, George Smith III, Mark Spurrier,
PC David Swiderski, Patricia Swiderski, Wayne Fox
(SAL), Maggie Stinson (AUX), Edwin Lopez (Riders).

*Indicates member of the Executive Committee.

@ Indicates member of the Operations Committee.

Copies of the Post Constitution and By-Laws are
available to Legion Members from the Post Adjutant.

Maggie Stinson	Auxiliary President
Jeffrey Seiler.....	S.A.L. Commander
Tim Smith	ALR Director

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Maggie Stinson.

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Francis Scott Key Post No. 11

1450 Taney Avenue

Frederick, MD 21702

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FSKPost11@comcast.net

Web Site: FSKPost11.org

Facebook Page:

[Francis Scott Key Post 11 American Legion](https://www.facebook.com/FrancisScottKeyPost11AmericanLegion)

**FSK Post 11 Business Hours**

Monday - Thursday 11:00 am - 10:00 pm*

Friday 11:00 am - 11:00 pm*

1st Friday 11:00 am - Midnight*

Saturday 12:00 pm - 11:00 pm*

Sunday 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm*

*If no customers in lounge, bar manager may close early.

Lunch served Monday - Friday 11 am – 2 pm

Monday night pizza 5 pm - 7 pm (except on SAL
Steak Night)

Lite Fare: Tuesday – Friday 2 pm – 4 pm

Dinner served:

Tuesday - Thursday & Saturday 4 pm – 8 pm

Friday 4 pm - 9 pm

**ACE OF SPADES**

**ESTIMATED VALUE \$887.00
AS OF NOVEMBER 21**



Rules are available in the lounge. Tickets are \$1.00 and
the drawing takes place every Tuesday Night at 7:00
pm. (Except the 3rd Tuesday of each month when it is
drawn at 6:50 pm). You do not need to be present to
win. Make sure that you have your **current** member-
ship card before playing. **GOOD LUCK!**

FSK Post 11 is proud of our heritage and are honored
to have the following individuals as members:

Past Department Commanders

D. John Markey, 1923 - 1924

Charles S. Houck Jr, PC 1935-1936

David Winpigler, PC, 2003-2004

Past Department Auxiliary Presidents

1st Dept. President, Frances H. Birely, 1922-1923

Susie I. Ramsburg, 1928-1929

Cornelia Rodock, 1940-1941

Bonnie Lamson, PP, 2006-2007

Patti Lach, PP, 2010-2011

Past Department Detachment. S.A.L. Commander

Jeffrey Seiler, PC, 2015-2016

MEMBERSHIP
BY: CHARLES DAVIS
1ST VICE COMMANDER

American Legion Post #11 welcomes the following new members:

Dale F. Ireland; Mona McAllister; Thomas Pollack, Jr; Jack W. Rickert; Arlene Smith; Samantha B. Smith; Anthony L. Smothers, Sr; Ronald Stewart; Jeff L. Allen; Matthew G. Clark; Stephen A. Crawford; Randy W. Crum; William Mancini; Clarence F. Smith; Dale A. Young.

DUES STRUCTURE:

NEW MEMBERS—1ST YEAR \$25.00
ACTIVE DUTY 1ST YEAR..... FREE
RENEWALS 2ND YEAR & BEYOND.....\$35.00

You may pay your dues online (preferred method) - (<http://www.legion.org/renew>), by mail, or by stopping by the Membership Office. Please make check payable to "FSK Post 11".

Thanks to all who have brought members on board or have renewed already.

Goal: 1503

Renewed for 2024 - 1086 (72.26%) as of November 17, 2023. Includes the Paid-Up-For-Life.

Please contact the Membership Office if you change your address.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

The following Comrades of FSK Post 11 were transferred to Post Everlasting:



Barbara E. Burke
October 17, 2023

Pete E. Shomette, Jr
October 17, 2023

Carroll E. Selby
October 22, 2023

Robert M. Wheeler
November 2, 2023

William R. Cole, Jr
November 4, 2023

William S. Henneberger, Jr
November 10, 2023

Anthony J. Sos
November 16, 2023

May their souls, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

Faithfully,
Don Blakey,
Chaplain

Top Recruiters for 2024 Membership

9 New members: Patricia Swiderski

3 New members: Joe Rizzo

2 New members: Willie Jenkins, Wayne Kaikko

1 New member: James V.G. Brown, James Burdette, Rob Colter, Charles Davis, Dane Dixon, Philip Dockendorf, Clyde Law, Lorenzo Nichols, Patrick Pierson, Lamar Reese, George Smith III, Matt Staden

Top Recruiters for November 2023

3 members: Patricia Swiderski

**NEW CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE
SERVICE OFFICE**

Post 11's VSO office has a new direct contact number: 301-662-8042. You may still call the Post number but the extension has changed to 102. The new email is FSKPost11.SO@outlook.com.

Free 2025 Dues

Recruit five new Legion members (Veterans) before June 1, 2024 and your 2025 dues will be paid by the Post. You can also win a free membership by attending the monthly post meeting held at 7:30 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.



AUXILIARY NEWS BY MAGGIE STINSON, PRESIDENT

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

DECEMBER.....How can 2023 be almost over? What a wonderful year we've had. Unit 11 Auxiliary is growing each month. We have so many wonderful projects we are working on. Here is a few of the worthy things our amazing members are involved with:

- Care packages for deployed military personal
- Children's holiday parties
- Gathering warm hats, gloves & scarves for local school children
- Donating clothing to the new woman's boutique at Martinsburg
- Educating local school age children on what Veterans Day means
- The list goes on....



The Auxiliary is now open to the male spouse of Veterans. We have a great group of hard-working people who love Veterans and work tirelessly to do all we can to support Veterans, deployed military & families of our community.

The Auxiliary will be joining the SAL & Riders groups on Friday, December 8 for our annual Christmas Party extravaganza. This is a gathering of Post 11 "families" to have an evening of good food, fun games, and wonderful fellowship. There is a sign-up sheet on the board in the lounge so if you plan to attend – sign up soon!!!

We hosted the District 8 Auxiliary meeting here at Post 11 on November 19. Ray prepared a delicious lunch for the attendees, and our Unit members brought in SO MANY incredible desserts & raffle gifts (over 30 to be exact). I want to thank all those members who helped to make this a great event to highlight our wonderful Unit and Post.

It's time to renew for 2024. Dues are \$35.00 and \$7.00 for Junior members (17 & younger). You can renew FOUR ways.

1. Stop at the Legion and pay your dues at the office or drop them at the bar
2. Mail your dues (check payable to FSK Unit 11) to the Post home at 1450 Taney Avenue, Frederick, MD 21702
3. Renew online at Legion-aux.org
4. Calling National Auxiliary Organization Monday thru Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm EST at 317-569-4570 to pay

over the phone. You must have your membership ID available if you pay online or over the phone.

As we move into 2024, may we all remember how blessed we are to be part of the American Legion family.
Wishing everyone a very blessed & happy holiday season!

Remember to like our page on Facebook - [Francis Scott Key Unit 11 American Legion Auxiliary](https://www.facebook.com/FrancisScottKeyUnit11AmericanLegionAuxiliary).

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 3, 2023

Doors open at 11:30 am - Lunch served at noon.

Games start at 2:00 pm -

Twenty (20) games - \$500 payout per game. Two \$1,000 Jackpot games. One progressive Jackpot worth \$4,999.

\$60 Advance Ticket/\$70 At The Door

Reserve seating available for advance ticket sales. Advance tickets available in the lounge - 1450 Taney Ave.



Every Wednesday

Doors open at 4:30 pm. Bingo sales start at 5:00 pm. Games start at 7:00 pm.

GAMES: Early Bird, Winner Take All, Quickie, 50/50, Specials, Regular Bingo, Senior Jackpot, Grand Slam (Jackpot \$2,000). 30 games in total.

Players receive a Loyalty card and earn a free 3 pack of regular games with a filled card.

Ball Games prior to Early Bird games. Tip Jars available. Snack bar (candy, chips, soda) open 4:30 - 7:00 pm and at halftime. Kitchen open 5:00 - 7:00 pm only.

Payout is determined by the number of players.

Minimum payout \$60.00



S.A.L. NEWS BY JEFFREY SEILER, COMMANDER

The Sons of The American Legion would like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We hope everyone that attended The American Legion Veterans Day Service on November 11th, enjoyed the wonderful program.

Dues are NOW being collected for the year 2023-2024. Dues run from July 1st to June 30th. The dues are \$35.00 per member and \$15.00 for junior members. Please stop by the post and pay your dues and hopefully we can reach our goal of 100% again.

On December 9th during the Army/Navy game The Sons of The American Legion will be collecting donations for Toys for Tots and will match up to \$500.00 for the program. On Sunday we will go shopping for Toys for Tots.

We also have boxes in the post home for Toys for Tots so please remember to bring a new unwrapped toy and put it in the box. The boxes are located by the MIA table in the lounge and in the lobby of the banquet hall. While walking past the MIA table take a moment to say a prayer for those still Missing In Action. We have one of the most beautiful tables for our Missing In Action.

On December 8th The Sons of The American Legion, Auxiliary and American Legion Riders will be having a Christmas party. There is a sign-up sheet and the cost will be \$10.00 per person and \$15.00 for a guest that is not a member of the American Legion Family. Money will be collected at the party. We will be providing the meat (ham & turkey) plus mashed potatoes with gravy and rolls. We are asking our membership that are coming to bring appetizers, salads, sides, and desserts. Please sign up if you are planning to attend. There are some suggestions of what to bring. You must be signed up to attend.

Have some fun and enjoy Christmas and have a wonderful New Year. Remember to give thanks and take some time for some reflection on the things we are giving thanks for. Remember our troops in harms way and those that can not be with their loved one this Christmas and New Year.

Get ready! The Chili Cook off will be coming soon so start planning your names for the chili and start perfecting your chili recipe. More to come in following newsletters.

The Detachment of Maryland will be holding its winter Detachment Executive meeting on Feb 3rd and 4th of 2024 in Ocean City at the Grand Hotel. The Polar Bear Plunge will be held on February 2nd at Sandy Point for the American Legion Family. If anyone is interested in attending, please contact Jeffrey Seiler for more information.

Here are some important dates in December.

December 2nd National Bartenders Day - Give our bartenders some extra love this day!!

December 3rd National Green Bean Casserole Day - Everybody loves green bean casserole!!

December 7th Pearl Harbor Day of Remembrance

December 10th Human Rights Day

December 14th National Free Shipping Day

December 15th National Ugly Sweater Day

December 16th Wreaths Across America Day

December 18th Hanukkah

December 20th Go Caroling Day and I know our members will do this as we have so many great voices to be heard.

December 25th Christmas Day

December 26th National Boxing Day and Kwanzaa,

December 27th National Fruitcake Day

December 31st New Year's Eve

Our next meeting will be December 8th.

Be The One!



CASH BLAST 2024

F.S.K. Post 11

The American Legion
1450 Taney Ave
Frederick, MD 21702

Saturday, February 24, 2024

8:00 AM – 1:00 AM

\$10.00

TOTAL PRIZE MONEY \$23,000
(Based on 5000 Tickets Sold)

Last Ticket	\$10,000
NEXT to Last	\$1,500
3 rd to Last	\$1,000
4 th to Last	\$750
5 th to Last	\$500
6 th to Last	\$300
7 th to Last	\$250
8 th to Last	\$200
9 th to Last	\$150
10 th to Last	\$100
First Ticket	\$1,000

4000th* Ticket Drawn Wins: Six (6) Nights
Ocean City Vacation Condo - Sleeps 4
(Accommodations Only)

(* based on 5000 tickets sold, may be
adjusted if less than 5000 tickets sold)

\$500 Every 500th Ticket Drawn

\$25 Every 50th Ticket Drawn

Seller of Last Ticket Drawn \$500

Most Tickets Sold \$500

Lite Fare 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Dinner Available 4:00 – 8:00 pm

Open to the Public

Tip Jars/Gaming/50-50 All Day

Entertainment: Rewind 7-11 pm

****NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE****

**Tickets available to purchase or sign out
in the admin office or at the bar.**



Legion Riders By Tim Smith, Director

Welcome to December. I want to thank the Riders who participated in the Martinsburg VA Canteen run. We raised over \$2,600 that day for a great cause. The weather was beautiful for late October. The Post had a great turnout for the Veterans Day Ceremony. The Riders provided color guard alongside other agencies. Thank you to all who help setup the chairs and everything else necessary to make this event happen. The riders even gained some new members who stopped by that day and inquired how to join, so we look forward to welcoming them. I will let the other officers cover the Post's events to come but wanted to remind the Riders that our joint holiday party with the Auxiliary and SAL is December 8th at 5:30 pm. There will be an open bar and a few entrees will be provided from the kitchen. The sign-up sheet is located on the Auxiliary bulletin board and consider bringing an appetizer, side, or dessert. Always a fun time. Did you know that Emilio Scotto is an Argentine adventurer, photo-journalist, and writer? As of 2009, he holds the Guinness record for the world's longest motorcycle ride, spanning 10 years, 232 countries and a total distance of 457,000 miles (735,000 km). He rode on the "Black Princess" a 1980 Honda Goldwing GL1100 motorcycle. Wonder how many tire changes he went through? I will see all you at our Post. Be safe out there. Be The One!

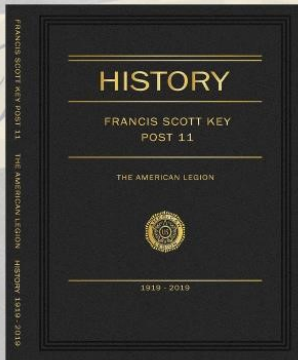
If you would like to become a member, or supporting member, please attend our meetings. You can also contact our Membership Chairman (Jami Clevenger) at jamiclevenger@outlook.com or go to our website. Membership is free, but you must be a Legionnaire, Auxiliary, or SAL member with dues paid up to date. You do not need to own a motorcycle to become a supporting member. We meet on the 1st Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm sharp in the meeting room. You must renew your membership annually to stay an active member and continue to receive emails. For all members, please contact our Membership Chairman with any changes to your contact status to continue receiving up to date information.

Please visit our website WWW.ALFSKPOST11.ORG for all scheduled rides, events, applications, etc., and more information on the American Legion Riders. Please also check out our Face Book page, [The American Legion Riders of FSK Post 11](https://www.facebook.com/TheAmericanLegionRidersofFSKPost11), and give us a like. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at tsmith@shulmanrogers.com or 301-704-4947.

CASH BLAST 2024 - Thank You!

A HUGE thank you to Keeney & Basford Funeral Home for donating our Cash Blast tickets this year and to Bill Boteler for donating the Ocean City condo (4000th ticket drawn).

100 Year Anniversary History of Francis Scott Key Post 11

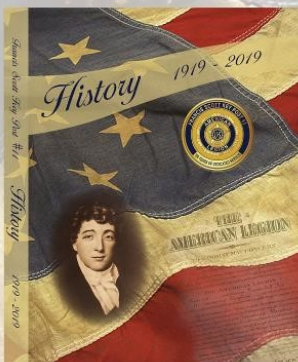


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Copies
for sale at
the office



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Children's Christmas Party

December 17, 2023

12:00 - 2:00 pm

Join us for some Holiday crafts and games.

Visit with Santa.



Sign up sheet posted in lounge. Please provide the full name, age and sex of each child along with a gift suggestion. Due to the limited budget, please note that gifts will not exceed \$20.00 per child.

1st FRIDAY ENTERTAINMENT

F.S.K. LOUNGE 7:00 - 11:00 pm

DECEMBER 1 - SWITCH TRACK (7:30 - 10:30)

JANUARY 5 - CHARLIE GREEN KARAOKE

FEBRUARY 2 - PARAGON



**American
Red Cross**

Frederick County Community Blood Drive. The American Red Cross holds a monthly Blood Drive at the Frederick Donor Center located at 141 Thomas Johnson Drive, Frederick. The date varies each month, call 1-800-733-2767 for an appointment and date for their upcoming drive.

Operations Corner.... By Wayne Kaikko, Chairman

The lounge carpet will have been steam cleaned and scotch guarded by the time you read this. We will be having the carpet cleaned 3 times a year.

You may have noticed moisture in between panes on our windows and a hole in a front window. We are making arrangements to have these repaired. Additionally, we will be getting the downstairs windows and doors cleaned (inside and out) every other month. The second floor windows will be done twice a year.

We have added 2 new employees, an additional cook and a new custodian.

As in the past, we will be providing food for the ARMY / NAVY game on December 9th. Please bring pot-luck style food to share. Additionally starting ½ hour before the game until the end of the game all standard bottle beer and draft beers will be \$1.00. Updates will be coming about New Years and Super Bowl as details are finalized. Watch for email updates, Facebook updates, and flyers.

We want to get input from our members as to activities you would come to the post and support. Examples: Bar Bingo, Trivia, Family Movie Night, Wii games, etc. If you have an idea write it down with how to do these activities and submit at the bar for review.

Please remember to help out by picking up and helping clean your own tables.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

TO THE FOLLOWING POST #11 LEGIONNAIRES
CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN DECEMBER*



Jerome J Albright	Joseph G Alexander	Norman Apperson Jr	Joseph W Baldi	Charles Barnhouse
Charles D Beall	Clay H Beard	Don H Belote	Dennis P Bendorf	Charles L Bishop
C. R Bitler	John W Bongard III	Thomas J Bonner	Terry R Bowie	Michael G Bradley
Harry L Brodus	Barry K Brouse	James W Brown Jr	Jeffrey F Brown	Robert R Burns
William D Burrows	Clyde T Burwell	Gilberto Cabrera	William Chambers	George B Delaplaine Jr
William F Discher	James Dobbs	George L Dodge	George F Dunn	Timothy R Dye
Lionel R Eichelberger	Samuel Eng	Gwendlyn English	David S Fish	Michael W Fitzgerald
Thomas E Fitzgerald	Daniel M Fleming	John E Foor	Oren L Freeman	Carol A Garrand
Karl E Gilbert	Ryan Giles	Francis J Ginorio	James M Gorman	Richard W Graham II
Raymond Greenberg	William M Greene	Eugene R Hale	William E Hall	Edward L Harbaugh Jr
James D Hart	Ricky P Herman	Eric W Hill	Max B Hite	Donald M Hodge
Robert J Hoffmeister	David T Houck	Raymond Hummer III	Mitchell Jackson	Shirley L James
Bruce E Jett	Clyde Jones	Curtis L Jones	Justin Kirkland	Ronald P Kleczek
Donald L Klingler	Alfred J Kudirka	Martin S Lapera	Louis J Leto	Harry A Lippincott
Birgit B Lister	Jeff Lister	Andrew D Longmire	Amanda Love	Amon W Manning
Thomas J Manson	Paul D Mauss Jr	John L Merson	Floyd Mills	Guy W Mills Jr
Gary T Monahan	Charles E Morris	John A Morris Jr	John W Mullican	Lee B Nelson
Bernard J Nestor	Alan B Phillips	Larry P Poole	Ralph R Putman	Shaun A Quinney
Camille Reddick	Eldon Rhodes	Mark S Rice	Russell E Rice Jr	Ronald W Rinehart
Jason F Ruth	Richard L Schading	Donald J Schelin	Stanley Schlepp	Michael A Shanahan
Donald W Shankle	Robert O Sharpe	Ronald L Shaut Jr	John V Sherwin	Douglas A Sims
James C Singler	Arlene Smith	Simon P Smith	Larry Spencer Sr	Thomas A Starkoski Jr
Juan L Stull	Richard L Stup	C. W Swomley	Robert Tobery Jr	Gregory A Travis
Thomas B Trott Sr	Gregory M Trout	Megan Turcios	Daniel Tuzzolo	Carl J Urban
James J Valdez	Dewayne Veenhuis	Nicholas G Walker	David H Wallace	Thomas O Warfield
Katrina White	Glenn W Wienhoff	Stacey L Wilcom	Kathleen Williams	Richard L Wise
Robert E Wolpert	Paul B Woodin	Ward D Wright	Lorenzo C York	Jerry Zillion

*If you are a Legion Member (Not SAL or Auxiliary) and your name is not listed and your birthday is this month, please contact the front office (301-662-9345) to update our records.

Employee Christmas Party December 11

Last Call will be at 5:30 pm, so the bartender can participate in the Employee Christmas Party. No Pizza served

**Service Office
closed:**
December 26
-
December 29



New Year's Eve Party

7:00 pm - 1:00 am

Please bring a dish to share. Limited appetizers to be provided by the Post. Karaoke provided by DJ Marvin. No charge.

ARMY vs NAVY Game



December 9,
2023

Kickoff at
3:00 pm.

Limited food available.

\$1.00 Beer

No Dinner
Served.



The US Marine Corps Reserves are collecting new, unwrapped toys. A donation box is located in the lounge. Monetary donations to be collected during the Army - Navy game.

FSK Post 11 Library

The Library is available for the enjoyment of Post 11 American Legion Family Members, and it is an Honor System Library. Books may be taken out, or read in the Library.

Post 11 Library Hours

**Monday – Friday
11:00 AM - 7:00 PM**

**Saturday & Sunday
2:00 pm - 5:00 PM**

We request that you check in with the Bartender before and after you go to the Library Area.

Check Out/Return Procedure

Sign Out Procedure:

- ◆ Books may be borrowed as long as needed.
- ◆ Sign Out Books in Library Binder.

Return Procedure:

- ◆ Sign In Books in Library Binder when Returned.
- ◆ Placed returned book in Return Box.

Ace of Spades Winner



Congratulations to Joe Jacobs for picking the Ace of Spades! He won \$1,805 on October 17. Kim Palumbo selected the Ace of Spade just two weeks later and won \$562.



Post Christmas Party

December 10, 2023 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Open to Legion, Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion (SAL) and Legion Riders members and a guest. Must be 18 to attend. Guest must be accompanied by the member at the door.

Tickets \$5.00 per person. Available at the bar.



Wreaths Across America



It's not too late to purchase wreaths. Purchasing wreaths is easy. Order online through this direct link to the WAA page: <https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/MD0490> or scan the QR code. Forms may also be picked up in the administrative office. Any questions contact Keith Clevenger @ 301-514-6641. Please leave a message if no answer or email kefers@hotmail.com. Goal 4370, wreaths purchased so far: 1408 as of November 21, 2023.



Wreath Laying Ceremony

Noon on December 16 at Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Help is needed to place wreaths.

American Legion Oratorical Contest

Do you know a **high school student** who is interested in **Government** and the **Constitution**?

Scholarships are available at the Post, County, District, State, and National levels through the American Legion Oratorical Contest.

About the Oratorical Contest "A constitutional speech contest".

The American Legion Oratorical Contest exists to develop deeper knowledge and appreciation for the U.S. Constitution among high school students. Since 1938, the program has presented participants with an academic speaking challenge that teaches important leadership qualities, the history of our nation's laws, the ability to think and speak clearly, and an understanding of the duties, responsibilities, rights, and privileges of American citizenship. The program has featured numerous politicians and prominent contestants over the years, including former president candidate Alan Keyes and CNN anchor Lou Dobbs.

Young orators earn some of the most generous college scholarships available to high school students. Over \$138,000 in scholarships can be awarded each year. The overall national contest winner gets a \$25,000 scholarship. Second place takes home \$22,500, and third gets \$20,000. Each department (state) winner who is certified into and participates in the national contest's first round receives a \$2,000 scholarship. Those who advance past the first round receive an additional \$2,000 scholarship. The American Legion's National Organization awards the scholarships, which can be used at any college or university in the United States.

High school students (**all grades**) under age 20 are eligible. Competition begins at the post level and advances to a state competition. Legion department representatives certify one winner per state to the national contest, where department winners compete against each other in two speaking rounds. The contest caps off with a final round that decides the three top finishers.

The speech must be on some aspect of the U.S. Constitution, with some emphasis on the duties and obligations of citizens to our government and speeches are eight to ten minutes long; three- to five-minute speeches on an assigned topic also are part of the contest.

FSK Post 11 will hold its contest on **January 27, 2024, at Noon**. Prizes will be 1st place \$500, 2nd place \$300, 3rd place and beyond \$100. Winner will advance to District competition in February. State Competitions will follow in March.

To get involved Contact: Tony Driebelbies tonyd8341@gmail.com or Wayne Kaikko wkaikko@comcast.net. Or call or email Post 11 at 301-662-9345 or FSKPost11@comcast.net.

The Clifford Yinger Scholarship

The American Legion, Francis Scott Key Post #11, and the estate of Past Commander Clifford M. Yinger has established a scholarship program. The following persons are eligible.

1. All members of Francis Scott Key Post #11
 2. All members of Francis Scott Key Auxiliary Unit #11
 3. All members of Francis Scott Key Sons of American Legion Squadron #11
 4. All members of Francis Scott Key Jr. Auxiliary Unit #11
- All descendants of 1 thru 3.

Graduate students are not eligible for scholarships.

Applications will be available in the lounge or in the Admin Office beginning on January 2, 2024. The scholarship will be in the amount of \$2,000 per year for two years. The second year's award is contingent upon the Post receiving a letter of acceptance/continuation from your scholastic institution along with a transcript of your grades from the previous year. Overall GPA must be 2.5 or higher. Applications are due back in the Admin Office by April 15, 2024.



Francis Scott Key Post 11 - Updated menu effective November 1st

Appetizers

Chicken Tenders (4)	\$6.50	Wing Dings Breaded (8)	\$10.00	Basket Fries	\$3.50
Hot Wings Breaded (10)	\$13.00	Mozzarella Sticks (6)	\$5.50	Basket Curly Fries	\$3.50
Thai Wings Breaded (10)	\$13.00	Haddock Bites (10)	\$8.00	Basket Sweet Potato Fries	\$3.50
Naked Wings (7)	\$10.00	Barbeque Wings (7)	\$10.00	Garlic Parmesan Wings (7)	\$10.00
Cinnamon Strips	\$3.00	Cheese Balls (10)	\$3.50	Basket Steak Fries	\$3.50
				Extra sauce	\$0.50

Soup of the Day

Cup	\$3.50
Bowl	\$4.50

Salads

Side Salad	\$3.25	Grilled Chicken Salad	\$9.00	Tuna Salad Platter	\$9.00
Chef Salad	\$8.00	Chicken Salad Platter	\$9.00	Extra dressing	\$0.50

Sides Items - \$1.75

French Fries (FF), Curly Fries, Steak Fries, Sweet Potato Fries, Cole Slaw,
Onion Rings, Baked Potato, Mashed Potatoes, Apple Sauce

Sandwiches

All sandwiches are served with chips and pickles except where noted. Topping choices: Lettuce, Tomato, Mayo, Onion. Add cheese for an additional \$0.50 (American, Swiss, or Provolone)

COLD

Tuna Salad	\$6.50	Chicken Salad	\$6.50	Turkey	\$6.50	Ham & Cheese	\$6.50
Ham Wrap	\$7.75	Turkey Wrap	\$7.75	Ham Club	\$8.00	Turkey Club	\$8.00
BLT	\$8.50	Ham & Turkey Club	\$8.75				

HOT

Hamburger & FF	\$7.50	Cheeseburger & FF	\$8.00	Bacon Cheeseburger & FF	\$9.00
Cheese Steak & FF	\$9.00	Pizza Parm Chicken & FF	\$9.00	Mushroom Swiss Burger & FF	\$9.00
Shrimp Po Boy & FF	\$9.00	Tuna Melt (Rye Bread)	\$7.50	Cheeseburger w/fried egg & FF	\$9.00
Patty Melt & FF	\$8.50	Hot Turkey (1 side)	\$9.00	Grilled Chicken w/FF & Cole Slaw	\$9.00
Rueben & FF	\$9.00	Turkey Rueben & FF	\$9.00	Legion Extra Crispy Chicken & FF	\$10.00
Hot Dog	\$3.25	Grilled Cheese & Bacon	\$6.00	Shrimp Basket w/FF & Cole Slaw	\$9.25
Grilled Cheese	\$3.50	Grilled Cheese & Ham	\$5.00	Haddock w/FF & Coleslaw	\$9.00

Dinner

Tuesday - Thursday & Saturday 4:00 - 8:00 pm, Friday 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm

All dinners served with 2 side items and a small salad.

Chicken*

4 pc All White or Mixed Fried Chicken \$12.00
2 pc White or Dark Chicken \$10.00

Seafood

Haddock (fried or broiled) \$14.00

* Chicken dinners must be ordered 30 minutes prior to the kitchen closing.

Desserts

Sundaes (Vanilla ice cream, Chocolate sauce, Whipped topping, Nuts & Cherry) Small - \$2.25 / Large - \$3.25
Shooters (Chocolate Brownie Mousse, Peanut Butter Cheesecake Mousse or Strawberry Shortcake) - \$3.50

Lunch: Monday - Friday 11 am - 2 pm
Lite Fare: Tuesday - Friday 2 - 4 pm
Dinner: Tuesday - Thursday & Saturday 4 - 8 pm
 Friday 4 - 9 pm

DECEMBER

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
					1 <u>Switch Track</u> 7:30 - 10:30 pm	2
3 Bingo 11:30 am	4 Pizza 5 -7 pm <u>Operations Mtg</u> 7:30 pm	5 L) Beef Tortas w/ Spanish Rice \$10 <u>Ace of Spades 7 pm</u> <u>Exec Mtg 7:30 pm</u>	6 L) Lasagna w/Garlic Bread & Salad \$10 <u>Bingo 7 pm</u>	7 L) 2 pc. Fried Ckn., M. Potatoes, Gravy, Veg. & Roll \$9 <u>Pearl Harbor Day</u>	8 <u>SAL/AUX/Riders</u> Christmas Party 5:30 pm	9 Army / Navy Game 3:00 pm
10 Post Christmas Party 1 - 5 pm	11 Employee Christmas Party 6 pm <u>No Pizza Served</u>	12 L) Taco Salad w/ Spanish Rice \$9 <u>Ace of Spades 7pm</u> <u>Post Mtg 7:30 pm</u>	13 L) Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread \$9 <u>Bingo 7 pm</u>	14 L) 2 pc. Fried Ckn., M. Potatoes, Gravy, Veg. & Roll \$9	15	16
17 Children's Christmas Party Noon- 2pm	18 Pizza 5-7 pm	19 L) Chicken Quesadilla w/Spanish Rice \$10 <u>Ace of Spades 7pm</u>	20 L) Slippery Pot Pie w/ Roll \$9 <u>Bingo 7 pm</u>	21 L) 2 pc. Fried Ckn., M. Potatoes, Gravy, Veg. & Roll \$9	22 Past Commanders Party 5:30 pm	23
24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Post Closed	26 L) BLT Sub w/ FF <u>Ace of Spades 7pm</u>	27 L) Chicken Filet w/ Onion Rings \$8 <u>Bingo 7 pm</u>	28 L) 2 pc. Fried Ckn., M. Potatoes, Gravy, Veg. & Roll \$9	29	30
31 New Year's Eve						

Dates to Remember:

- Dec 3 - Bingo 11:30 am
- Dec 4 - Operations meeting 7:30 pm
- Dec 5 - Executive meeting 7:30 pm
- Dec 7 - Pearl Harbor Day
- Dec 8 - SAL/Aux/Riders Christmas Party 5:30 pm
- Dec 9 - Army / Navy Game - Kickoff at 3 pm
- Dec 10 - Post Christmas Party 1 - 5 pm
- Dec 11 - Employee Christmas Party 6 pm
- Dec 12 - Post Meeting 7:30 pm



- Dec 17 - Children's Christmas Party 12 - 2 pm
- Dec 22 - Past Commanders Party 5:30 pm
- Dec 24 - Christmas Eve - Post closes at 7 pm
- Dec 25 - Christmas Day - Post Closed
- Dec 31 - New Years Eve
- Jan 1 - New Years Day - Ham & Cabbage 11am - 4pm

