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# VFW Messenger

## Commander's Message

**Loyalty, Honor, Service**

Comrades,  
Season Greetings!

A special thanks to all those that gave their time for all the events we did last month in November. The recognition of Veterans in the month of November is special to all veterans! It was over whelming: the Post participated in a Poppy/Recruiting table the Texas Roadhouse, Senior Turkey Dinner, Veteran's Benefit Show, Veteran's Lunch, etc. What a month we did have!

**State of the Post:** We have been conducting Bingo every Tuesday as planned but we will not have BINGO Christmas Eve or News Year's Eve! We will have BINGO on News Years Day! We thank all our volunteers and especially our Auxiliary for the support in providing Bingo every Tuesday night. Some of the ongoing events: Friday Night Dinners, Open Mic, Karaoke, Canteen Football Nights, etc., more to follow. If there is anyone who would like to volunteer, please let an officer of the Post or Auxiliary know your intentions!

### December Post Calendar Highlights!

VFW Bingo 4 -9pm (Doors Open at 4pm, selling at 5pm, games start at 6:30pm) **No BINGO 24<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup>.**

Friday Night Dinners December 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 4-7pm or until sold out.

**Dec 8<sup>th</sup>** – VFW Kids Christmas Party (12:00 – 4:00pm)

**Dec 9<sup>th</sup>** – Veteran's Lunch 11:30-1:00pm (BOCES will provide Haircuts for Veterans)>

**Dec 9<sup>th</sup>** – Post/Aux Meeting 6:30pm

**Dec 12<sup>th</sup>** – Canteen Amateur Cornhole 5 - 9pm

**Dec 14<sup>th</sup>** – American Red Cross Blood Driver 10am -2pm

**Dec 14<sup>th</sup>** – Polsun's Country Christmas 5 -10pm

**Dec 21<sup>st</sup>** – VFW Post Member Christmas Dinner 5-9pm

**Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Fan Club 2-6pm

**Dec 24/25<sup>th</sup>** - [Post Closed](#) Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

**We will have New Years Day Bingo! 12-4pm**

Until we all get together again, my wish is for everyone to have a safe and enjoyable December with family and friends! See you at our next event!

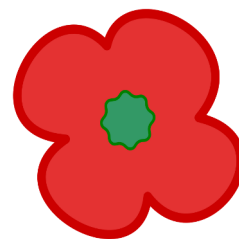
*Commander Mike Varmette*





## *Auxiliary Message*

### *Unwavering Support For Uncommon Heroes*



**Lest We Forget.**

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

As we head into the New Year I hope it brings happiness and good health to all. Now that the holidays are behind us we need to start thinking about some fundraisers for the new year.

So if anyone has any ideas please bring them to the meetings.

Here is a few History fun facts:

January 1863 America approached its third year of the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation.

January 1945 located in southern Poland; Auschwitz was Germany's largest contraction camp. Around 1.5 million people died, mostly Jews died at Auschwitz during the Holocaust. The camp was liberated by Soviet troops on January 27, 1945.

January 1986 space shuttle Challenger explodes. Just 73 seconds after liftoff, the shuttle broke up, and all 7 astronauts died due to an O ring failure.

So as we move forward in the New Year we all need to take some time and think about the oath we all took to become an auxiliary member.

We as members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary have formed ourselves into a permanent organization. For the relief of those who fought in defense of our country, and those depending upon them, who may need our aid. Each member is expected to respond to the call for relief or assistance of the auxiliary or any other member of the post who may be in need. We also endeavor to educate in patriotism, the people of our land. You are to be received into this Auxiliary with equal rights of all other members and you are expected to assume equal rights of all other responsibilities. Understanding this much of the purpose of our organization, are you ready to take the obligation? So please think about these words and also, please read the oath you took when you entered the auxiliary.

Thank you and Happy New Year,  
Bob Brooks  
Auxiliary President

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# WE HAVE BINGO TUESDAYS !!!!

## Regular Tuesday Night Bingo!!

For December @ 6:30 pm

3rd, 10th 17th

NO BINGO DEC 24th or 31st

Food and Snacks available

Come and enjoy yourself!

## VFW MOTTO

*"Honor the dead by helping the living"*

### VFW POST DONATIONS

November 2024 Total: \$3,104.56

Open Door Christmas Dinner	\$ 54.56
American Cancer Society	\$100.00
St. Jude Children's Hospital	\$100.00
West Glens Falls Emergency	\$500.00
American Heart Association	\$100.00
Stride Adaptive Sport	\$250.00
Queensbury Emergency	\$500.00
Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$500.00
Troop Support	\$1,000.00



### AUXILIARY DONATIONS

November 2024 Total: \$

## CHAPLAINS CORNER

All Members,

Mary Jo White is our Post Chaplain. You can reach her via the Post phone number 518-793-7535.

Auxiliary Chaplain is Kathleen Hayward. She can be reached at 518-858-6018

Please remember those of our members who reside in area Nursing facilities. Keep our ill comrades and sisters in your prayers.

If you know of any member in distress or that needs cheering, you can always leave a message at the Post by calling 518-793-7535.

If you hear about anyone who is having health problems (VFW or AUX) please use one of the above numbers or the Chaplains box to let us know. There is a very good chance that we do not know about it. Our Chaplain will be glad to send a get well card to a member or a sympathy card to the families.

## RESERVATIONS FOR HALL RENTAL

Post Office: 518-793-7535

Diane Perry: 518-636-8470



## OTHER NOVEMBER EVENTS



Thank you to the Texas Roadhouse for hosting us on Veterans Day!

Thank you to those members that could volunteer their time to help provide information and collect donations.

It's always a joy to see all the veteran's that come out on Veteran's day to be honored. Thank you for your service.







Have you joined us for  
Cornhole?

If not December 12th is  
your next chance.



Each month we host a Veterans lunch for all veterans. Please come join us next month and meet other fellow local veterans. Our next lunch is on December 9th at 1130 am.



November 23rd was our Senior Dinner. Each year we prepare a Thanksgiving meal for seniors in our community. This year we passed out a total of 119 meals. Thank you to all those that donated their time to help prepare and pass out the meals. Even more so, thank you to all the Seniors that came to visit us and brighten our day. We got a special visit from 102 year old Veteran **Harriet Rogers!**





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UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES™



# December 2024

Pray for our troops at home and overseas

God Bless America

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	<b>B</b> <b>I</b> <b>N</b>	4	5 WIC 11AM-5 pm  "You're Not Alone" 6 pm	6 WIC 8AM-2:30pm  Friday Dinners 	7
8 Kids Christmas Party 12PM	9 Veteran's Lunch 11:30—1pm  VFW/AUX MTG 6:30pm	10 <b>G</b> <b>O</b> <b>6</b>	11	12 Canteen Amateur Cornhole 5PM	13  Friday Dinners 4-7pm	14 American Red Cross Blood Drive 9AM Polsun's Christmas Country Show 5PM
15 Adirondack Bluegrass Show Christmas Potluck 12PM	16	17 <b>P</b> <b>M</b> <b>!</b>	18	19	20 Friday Dinners 4-7pm	21 VFW and Aux Adult Christmas Party 5PM
22 Fan Club 12PM	23	24 	25 	26	27	28
29	30	31 				<i>Tuesday Bingo: Doors Open-4pm Card Sale-5pm Calling-6:30pm</i>



## HAIL AND FAREWELLS

**Hail:** Lin Combs  
Jason Miller

### Warren County Veterans' Services Outreach Initiative... "You Are NOT Alone"

We will be collecting items for "care" boxes to be sent to Soldiers currently serving overseas. Below is a list of needed items for the "care" boxes. Usually two boxes are sent to every soldier every month but supplies are low, especially with food and fun items.

It would be extremely helpful if you could drop off your items ~ 1340 State Route 9, Human Services Bldg., Lake George NY 12845, **Monday - Friday from 10am - 4pm.**

It's important to donate items that are **Individual Sized** that will fit in a postal box and that a soldier can put in his/her pockets and take with them on missions.

~ You Are NOT Alone ~

**Troop Support Group**

**Support Our Troops! Every Day! Every Mission!**

\* If you know someone serving overseas, please contact Rob McAvoy directly at the address or phone number listed.

*\*Monetary donations are accepted: Donations are used to cover postage. Please make checks payable to: VFW Post 6196 (in the memo write You Are Not Alone - Troop Support Group) and send to the address listed above.*

Boxes are packed the 1st Thursday of every month at 7pm at VFW Post 6196 ~ 32 Luzerne Road, Queensbury NY 12804. **Contact person: Rob McAvoy 518.338.8758.**

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