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Comrades,

I wish everyone a Happy and Safe 4th of July! This is the time that many go on a well-deserved vacation...if you do, please be aware of your surroundings, always drive defensively with tourist season upon us, and watch the heat index while outdoors.

State of the Post: A "Big Thank You" to several members for taking care of the grounds outside.

We are fortunate enough to have paint donated to the Post, to repaint the exterior areas. We have several members of the Post and Auxiliary who have volunteered to help around the Post and we are grateful for them.

July Calendar Highlights!

VFW **Bingo** Every Tuesday (Doors Open at 4pm, selling at 5pm, games start at 6:30pm)

July 4th – Independence Day

July 8th – Veteran's Lunch 11:30-1pm

July 8th – Post/Aux Meeting 6:30pm

July 11th - Throwback Thursday Trivia 6pm

July 18th – Veteran's "Cup of Joe" SPoTCoffee 4:30-6:30:30

July 21st - Fan Club 2pm

July 21st – District 3 Picnic at Saratoga Post 420, 1pm.

July 27th – Live Entertainment in the Canteen

I am honored to proud to be your commander at the Post and look forward to another great year around such excellent people! Until we all get together again, my wish is for everyone to have a safe and enjoyable 4th of July weekend with family and friends! See you at our next event.

Commander Mike Varmette





Auxiliary Message

Unwavering Support For Uncommon Heroes



Lest We Forget.

July... What it means:

Americanism

... How to show Americanism

Learn flag etiquette:

How to hang and display the flag

How to carry the flag in events and parades

Setting flags on veteran's graves and monuments.

Correct someone you see making a mistake with pride and respect to encourage them to pass on that correction.

Honoring all Veterans:

Understanding what it means to be a veteran.

Sign up on Action Corp to support all the bills to benefit the veterans and their families.

Follow the POW/MIA section and read the info about found.

Veterans and send a card if they have local family from the Internment notices.

Participate in local events that honor and remember the Patriotic holidays.

Education of the Youth:

Support and teach our youth through the Art, Literacy and Scholarship programs.

Help them realize the sacrifices our Veterans home and overseas have experienced that they may experience the true feeling and meaning of being a Patriotic American and encourage them to strive to make our country stronger with each new generation.

STAND FOR THE FLAG KNEEL FOR THE FALLEN

BE LOUD WHEN YOU SAY THE:

**“PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE” WITH YOUR HAND ON YOUR HEART
OR A PROUD SALUTE**

IF YOU WORE THE UNIFORM SING LOUD WHEN OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM IS PLAYED AND REMEMBER OUR FOUNDING FATHER THAT FAUGHT WITH NO GOVERNMENTAL FINACIAL OR SUPPLY SUPPORT.

REMEMBER TOO THAT NOT EVERY PATRIOT WAS IN UNIFORM AND THOSE PATRIOTS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN PRESENT IN SPIRIT WITH THOSE ON A BATTLEFIELD AND ALWAYS BEEN THERE WHEN THEY'VE RETURNED BACK HOME!



WE HAVE BINGO TUESDAYS !!!!

Regular Tuesday Night Bingo!!

For July @ 6:30 pm

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

Food and Snacks available

Come and enjoy yourself!

VFW MOTTO

"Honor the dead by helping the living"

VFW POST DONATIONS

June 2024 Total: \$800.00

District 3 Picnic –Saratoga \$ 300.00

Temple Texas VFW Post Tornado \$ 500.00

AUXILIARY DONATIONS



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

THIS MONTH IN MILITARY HISTORY

JULY 2024



4 July 1776: The Declaration of Independence is signed marking the official separation of America from Britain. “***The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America***, *When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.*

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.”

2-6 July 1777: The Siege of Fort Ticonderoga took place as Major General John Burgoyne during his push down Lake Champlain as part of the British plan to split the colonies. On 5 July Maj Gen Arthur St. Clair under the cover of darkness evacuated the sick and wounded and marched his me out of the fort. The British did not realize that Ticonderoga was abandoned until 6 July.

8 July 1777: The Battle of Fort Anne, though technically a British victory at the time with the Americans retreating to Fort Edward. The battle in Fort Anne did delay Burgoyne’s push to Saratoga, allowing Gen George Washington to bring in reinforcements to bolster the defenses in Saratoga.

1-3 July 1863: The Battle of Gettysburg was the turning point of the war and was Lee’s last attempt at pushing north.

4 July 1863: The 47 day Siege of Vicksburg ends with a Union Victory splitting the Confederacy.

1 July 1898: Col. Theodore Roosevelt and his Rough Riders are victorious over Spanish forces at the Battle of San Juan Hill Cuba. Col. Roosevelt receives the Medal of Honor for his actions.

28 July 1914: Following the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand on 28 June 1914, World War I erupts when Austro-Hungary declared war on Serbia.

5 July-23 Aug 1943: The Battle of Kursk was military history’s largest tank battle takes place on the Eastern Front, involving 6,000 tanks, 4,000 aircraft and 2 million troops. Russia is victorious and stops Hitler from conquering Russia.

27 July 1953: The Korean Armistice Agreement was signed, and the DMZ was created. North and South Korea are still in a state of war as a formal peace treaty was never signed.

July 1965: President Johnson calls for 50,000 more ground troops to be sent to Vietnam, increasing the draft to 35,000 each month.

July 1975: North and South Vietnam are formally unified as the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

22 July 2003: The Mosul Raid led to the death of Saddam’s sons Uday and Qusay.

Being Involved





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UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES™



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Pray for our troops at home and overseas

God Bless America

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>Tuesday Bingo:</i> <i>Doors Open-4pm</i> <i>Card Sale-5pm</i> <i>Calling-6:30pm</i></p>	1	2	3	4	5	6
					WIC 8AM-2:30pm	
7	<p><i>Veteran's Lunch</i> <i>11:30 - 1pm</i></p> <p>VFW/AUX MEETING 6:30pm</p>	9	10	11	12	13
				Throwback Thurs Trivia 6PM		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
				"Cup of Joe" SPoT Coffee 4:30-6:30pm		Post Clean Up Day!
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
District 3 Picnic FVW Post 420 Noon						
Fan Club 2pm						Canteen Live Music 7pm
28	29	30	31			
						

HAIL AND FAREWELLS

Welcome Aboard:

Robert D'Arcy
Christopher Thomas

Farewell:

With a sad heart we salute and say good-bye to our fellow members:

William McGarr
Raymond Barber

May all have "Calm Seas and Fair Winds"

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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