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VFW Messenger

Commander's Message

Loyalty, Honor, Service

Comrades,

Welcome Fall! We have had a great summer with all our activities.

State of the Post: We continually are improving our Post with small projects needing to get done. Please let an officer of the Post or Auxiliary know if you would like to volunteer to help. We have been getting volunteers and it has been great. Bingo every Tuesday regularly, we thank all our volunteers and especially our Auxiliary for the support of Bingo. Other events occurring are: Cornhole, Friday Night Dinners, Open Mic Night, Karaoke, Canteen Football Nights, etc.

October Post Calendar Highlights!

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

Oct 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

Oct 2nd – WIC 8-2pm and Oct 3rd WIC 9-3pm

Oct 3rd, 10th, 17th, 31st –Friday Night Dinners start, 4-7pm. **There will be no Friday Dinner 24th.**

Oct 10th - 11th—NYS VFW Fall Convention

Oct 13th – Veteran's Lunch 11:30-1pm

Oct 13th – **Post/Aux Meeting 6:30pm**

Oct 16th –Canteen Amateur Cornhole Competition 5pm

Oct 18st – Cooper's Cave Coin Show 8am

Oct 19th – Fan Club 2pm

Oct 24th – “Baskets for Ben” 6pm

Oct 26th – Polsun's Halloween Show 5 -10pm

Oct 27th - [ADK Bluegrass Show](#) 1pm

Well, we are in our Fall season so, but we have a lot of plans for November, and December!

November: 15th Polsun's Veteran's Benefit Show

22nd Senior Thanksgiving Dinner 12-3pm (Sign-up sheet in the canteen)

December: 7th VFW Kids Christmas Party 12pm (Sign-up sheet in the canteen)

13th Polsun's Country Christmas

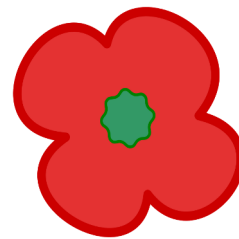
20th VFW Christmas Party





Auxiliary Message

Unwavering Support For Uncommon Heroes



Lest We Forget.

Hello brothers and sisters

I hope this finds everyone in good health.

Fun facts:

-1962 Cuban Missile Crisis begins ever since the failed Bay of Pigs invasion in early 1961, tensions between the United States and Soviet Union over Cuba have been escalating when an American spy plane confirmed that the Soviet Union had medium range missiles capable of carrying Nuclear Warheads has arrived in Cuba, nuclear war became a very real reality.

-In the early 20th century, the world was revolutionized by Henry Ford's assembly production line, which resulted in the Ford Model T becoming the first affordable and mass-produced motor car (1908). This form of industrialization would also revolutionize warfare when World War II broke out in 1939.

-October 5th, 2010, Instagram was launched. Instagram was one of the fastest growing Apps Today. It's social media platform where the concept of influencers first became popular.

-In 1929 the Stock Market Crashed Black Tuesday. The day started like any other day but by its end, the Economy was in tatters, sending the world into the Great Depression. Lives were destroyed overnight. Families lost their homes and thousands went bankrupt in the blink of an eye.

Now on to Aux. news.

It has been brought to my attention that people are not following the chain of command. From the Post and Aux. side. The chain of command works, if anyone has a problem or issues to be brought up the chain of command it needs to come to me. If I can't resolve the issue I take it to a higher level. I have talked to the Commander, and he agrees with this.

Things should run a lot smoother. Here is a bit of exciting news; May 24th, 2026, we are going to host the Gold Star Tea. So, if interested in helping let me know so we can get a committee together to start planning this event. Let's make it an event to remember. I would like everyone to think about being a committee chair. We have several positions opened. Also, we have an Officers position open I will inform everyone at our next meeting.

Thank you and please stay safe

Bob Brooks

Auxiliary President.

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WE HAVE BINGO TUESDAYS !!!!

Regular Tuesday Night Bingo!!

For October @ 6:30 pm

7th, 14h, 21st, 28th

Food and Snacks available

Come and enjoy yourself!

VFW MOTTO

"Honor the dead by helping the living"

VFW POST DONATIONS

September 2025 Total: \$50.00

Dept of NYS VFW \$50.00

AUXILIARY DONATIONS

September 2025 Total: \$0.00

\$0.00



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



Key Contact Information

	VA Medical Center and main number: Albany VA Medical Center 518-626-5000
	Caregiver Support Program (CSP) phone number: 518-626-6020
	Patient Advocate phone number: 518-626-5307
	Bene-travel contact number: 518-626-6385 Bene-travel claims: https://eauth.va.gov/accessva/?cspSelectFor=bts
	CSP Locator tool link: https://www.caregiver.va.gov/support/New_CSC_Page.asp
	Caregiver Support Line (CSL): 1-855-260-3274
	Veteran's Crisis Line: Dial 988, then press 1

The Caregiver Support Program promotes the health and well-being of family caregivers who care for Our Nation's Veterans, through education, resources, support, and services.



Have you joined us for Cornhole?

October 16th

5-8pm



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

October 13^h at 1130am



MONTHLY



EVENTS





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Queensbury, New York 12804

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qvfw6196.org

UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES™



October 2025

Pray for our troops at home and overseas

God Bless America

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Tuesday Bingo: Doors Open-4pm Card Sale-5pm Calling-6:30pm	B	1	WIC 2 11AM-5 pm “You're Not Alone” 6 pm	WIC 3 8AM-5 pm Friday Din- ners 4-6pm	4
5	6 Veteran's Lunch 11:30—1pm VFW/AUX MTG 6:30pm	7 I N	8	9 Veteran's Group 3-5PM	10 Friday Din- ners 4-6pm	11
12 ABL Jam Mtg 12-6pm	13 Post/Aux Picnic 1- 5PM Columbus Day	14 G O	15	16 Canteen Amateur Cornhole 5PM	17 SMORES Friday Din- ners 4-6pm	18 Cooper's Cave Coin Show 8am- 4pm
19 Fan Club 2PM	20	21 5 P M	22	23 Veteran's Paint Fund- raiser 6-8PM	24 “Baskets for Ben” 4-10pm	25 Polsun's Country Show 4-10pm
26 ABL Show 12-6pm	27	28 !	29	30	31 Friday Din- ners 4-6pm Halloween	

“Calm Seas and Fair Winds”

FAREWELL

Jay W. Jennings

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 6pm at VFW Post 6196 ~ 32 Luzerne Road, Queensbury NY 12804. **Contact person: Rob McAvoy 518.338.8758.**

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