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VFW Messenger

Commander's Message

Loyalty, Honor, Service

Comrades,

I can't believe summer is at its end! September, we enter the Fall Season, and welcome the cooler, less humid weather! Get our harvests done This month we also reflect on 9/11! We want to honor all those who we have lost, and took part in fighting global terrorism, please take a moment, and reflect!

Schools also have started backup, please be aware of your surroundings, watch for children and school buses. Always drive defensively. We'd also like to get the word out to the schools, First Responder organizations, and Colleges of our VFW and Auxiliary Programs, available to participate in, such as "Voice of Democracy", "Patriot's Pen" just to mention a few programs.

We also have the several recruiting events coming up this Fall that will be finalized this September.

State of the Post: State of the Post: Other various fixtures are taking place each month. Bingo is going well but we could use a couple of volunteers to help sell cards, work the floor and set-up. Secondly, if there are any volunteers to help with Post cleanup for the outside or just help around the Post, let us know!

September Calendar Highlights!

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

Sep 2nd— Labor Day

Sep 8th— Post/Aux BBQ 1-5pm

Sep 9th— Veteran's Lunch 11:30-1:30

Sep 9th— Post/Aux Meeting 6:30pm

Sep 12th— Canteen Amateur Cornhole Competition

Sep 18th— Canteen Open Mic Night

Sep 19th— "Cup of Joe" at SPoTCoffee 4:30-6:30pm

Sep 20th, 27th Friday Night Dinners Start Back Up(4pm to 7pm)

Sep 22nd— [Fan Club](#) Show 2-6pm

Sep 28th— Polsun's Country Show 5-10pm

Planned events so far: Canteen Amateur Cornhole Competition, Open Mic Night, Friday Night Dinners, Bingo, Canteen Football Nights, Dart League, etc., more to follow!

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

Commander Mike Varmette





Auxiliary Message

Unwavering Support For Uncommon Heroes



Lest We Forget.

Greetings Brother and Sister Auxiliary Members

I hope that everyone has had a great summer enjoying friends and family. I would like to start off by saying thank you to everyone that has taken the time out of their busy schedules to support the post either by shopping for the food, preparing it, or serving it. The clean up of the kitchen after the event and to all that works the floor at bingo. Without each of you these programs would not be a success for the veterans and the post.

It is also that time of year we need to start thinking about the scholarship program. And any fundraising ideas so we can get some ideas on the calendar. Also the Holidays are fast approaching us so if anyone has any ideas to help with the holiday cheer please bring it up. As summer comes to an end and fall fast approaches us we need to think of ways we can help veterans and the brothers and sisters that need some help getting ready for the colder months. Also I hope everyone healthy and safe in their everyday endeavors

If anyone needs help, questions, or concerns please feel free to contact me. My email is bobyluv@frontiernet.net and my phone number is 518-696-5265 home and cell is 518-683-2458.

Thank you

Bob Brooks

Auxiliary President





WE HAVE BINGO TUESDAYS !!!!

Regular Tuesday Night Bingo!!

For September @ 6:30 pm

3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

Food and Snacks available

Come and enjoy yourself!

VFW MOTTO

"Honor the dead by helping the living"

VFW POST DONATIONS

August 2024 Total: \$900.00

Dept of NYS VFW

\$ 70.00

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



1 September 2010: Operation Iraqi Freedom concludes and Operation New Dawn begins.

2 September 1945: The Empire of Japan formally surrenders to the Allied Forces in Tokyo Harbor on board the USS Wisconsin.

3 September 1783: The American War for Independence formally ends.

10 September 1962: The US Naval Sea Cadet Corps incorporates.

11 September 2001: High jacked airliners crash into the World Trade Center, The Pentagon, and in Shanksville, Somerset County PA. Steel from The World Trade Center was used as part of the bow stem for LPD-21 the USS ARLINGTON. Steel from the crane that sat in the field in Shanksville was used in the construction of LPD-25 the USS Somerset. LPD-24 the USS ARLINGTON was constructed in the memory of those lost at The Pentagon. The day is recognized as Patriot's Day and the National Day of Service and Remembrance.

14 September 1914: The VFW Auxiliary is formed.

15 September: POW/MIA Recognition Day.

17 September 1787: The United States Constitution is approved.

18 September 1947: The United States Air Force is established as a separate branch of the Armed Services, with General Carl Spaatz as the first Airforce Chief of Staff.

24 September: National Gold Star Mother's Day

29 September 1899: Veterans of the Spanish-American War and Philippine Insurrection to secure rights and benefits for their service, establish The Veterans of Foreign Wars.

30 September 1928: American Gold Star Mothers, originally formed.



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NAVIGATE A SEA OF INFORMATION

DID YOU KNOW that you can complement military benefits (VA, CHAMPVA and Tricare For Life) with the right Medicare plan?



It can be complicated to navigate the combination of these health care systems in maximizing the benefits and care you deserve. Advocate Health Advisor's Veteran's Initiative Program can help.

Join our **Educational Event** to learn more!

When:

Sept. 9th | 11:30 am

Location:

Queensbury VFW Post 6196

32 Luzerne Rd, Queensbury, NY 12804



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UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES™



SEPTEMBER 2024

Pray for our troops at home and overseas

God Bless America

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Labor Day Closed	3 B I	4	5 WIC 11AM-5 pm "You're Not Alone" 6 pm	6 WIC 8AM-2:30pm	7
8 Post/Aux BBQ 1-5pm	9 Veteran's Lunch 11:30—1pm VFW/AUX MTG 6:30pm	10 N G	11 	12 Canteen 's Amatuer Cornhole Comp 4PM	13	14
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29	30 	 Tuesday Bingo: Doors Open-4pm Card Sale-5pm Calling-6:30pm				

HAIL AND FAREWELLS

Hail:

Harry Smith
Jack Watson

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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