

VFW OBJECTIVES:

- TO ENSURE THE NATIONAL SECURITY through maximum military strength
- TO ASSIST THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS and the dependents of disabled and needy veterans.
- TO SPEED THE REHABILITATION of the nation's disabled and needy veterans.
- TO PROMOTE AMERICANISM through education in patriotism and constructive service to the communities in which we live.



Meetings

2nd Wednesday of month – 7:00 pm
Apostles Lutheran Church,
370 Johnstown Rd, Chesapeake, VA

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POST OFFICERS

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| Commander..... | José Vazquez |
| Sr. Vice Commander..... | Bob Gregory |
| Jr. Vice Commander..... | Mike Kust |
| Adjutant..... | Dan Eaker |
| Quartermaster..... | Chuck Wolff |
| Chaplain..... | Kimball Thompson |
| Surgeon..... | Dave Weber |
| Staff Judge Advocate..... | Matt Hamel |
| Service Officer..... | Jim Ireland |

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

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| President..... | Anne Thompson |
| Sr. Vice President..... | Rosie Gregory |
| Jr. Vice President..... | Sharon Peterson |
| Secretary..... | Jean Dozier |
| Treasurer..... | Donna Kust |
| Chaplain..... | Diane Hostettler |
| Conductress..... | Ginny Culpepper |
| Guard..... | Sandy Dunbar |
| Patriotic Instructor..... | Jacki Conway |

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www.vfw.org

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VFW VA DISTRICT 2

www.vfwwebcom.org/va/dist2



NEW VFW POST 2894 HOME AT FIRE STATION #7

The search and discussion of a new home for VFW Post 2894 continues. The City of Chesapeake has offered the use of former Fire Station #7 on South Battlefield Boulevard (across from Hickory Ridge Covenant Church, just past the Northwest River Park turnoff) for use by our post. The Post Home Committee voted to accept the City's offer as our Post home and utilize it as we see fit! It will now be presented to the membership at our next meeting for verification. If verified by the Post membership, a letter will be sent to the Chesapeake City Manager notifying them of our decision and verification.

This was by no means a hasty decision as the Home Committee deliberated and discussed the many issues we found with the Station. On the other hand, we will, after twenty-six years of homelessness, have a place that we can call our home if we can reach a lease agreement with the City. Keep your fingers crossed!



COMMANDER'S CORNER



Hope this newsletter finds everyone in good health and cheer!

Our Newsletter is BACK! All thanks go to our new Post Adjutant, Dan Eaker!

Last year we were offered a retired Chesapeake Fire Station, but the deal fell through when a city company

but a bid on the property. Well, that deal also fell through. The city offered the same station to us this year and again, after much deliberation, the Post accepted it again. A letter was sent to the City Manager to that effect and now we are waiting for guidance on what needs to be done to seal the deal. It may take up to three months to find out.

Former Chesapeake Fire Station #7 is an older station and will require some work to bring her up to a standard where she can be used for all our functions. She can be used, as is, to allow us to move all our property from the storage unit we have been renting for many years which will save us the monthly rental fees.

Hopefully we may, after 26 years, have a place to call our Home, our Headquarters, our Command Post - a place where we can display all the awards we have worked so hard to be honored with.

Also please don't forget to visit our Post Website where you can find a lot of useful information. **Membership- If you know someone who may be interested in joining our Post, they can do so on the site!**

www.vfw2894.org

AUXILIARY 2894 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

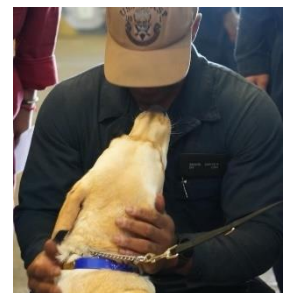
Auxiliary Members and Comrades of Post 2894

The time is flying! We have been to District Training and School of Instruction and are ready for working and documenting the next year with Veterans. Under Sandy Dunbar's leadership we received 12 awards for work done in 2021/2022. Our Buddy Poppy presentation

received 2nd place in recognition but we all know that preventing homelessness and suicide in our Veterans is priority # 1. Congratulations to everyone who made these awards possible!



We have also committed to sponsoring **Mutts with a Mission** which happily coincides with our District President's special interest. We will be volunteering time with them as needed.



**AUXILIARY 2894
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (continued)**

The newest evolution of “Where in the World is Auxiliary Post 2894?” has us eventually moving to the old Fire Station #7, on South Battlefield, as a semi-permanent home with the Post. It will be a slow go as we clean and get our bearings, but as military spouses and family members, this is nothing new to us. Many hands make light work and in the coming months we will want to help the Post with making the building a home we can all use efficiently.

In the next quarter we will sign holiday cards and stuff bags for holiday gifts. If you have extra Christmas and holiday sentiment cards, hotel toiletries, and or new socks, bring them to the meetings for our future projects!

Have a good fall Everyone!

Anne Thompson

DAYS FOR VETERANS

Just a reminder, there are four National Days set aside for Servicemen and Women:

Armed Forces Day – to honor those currently serving

Veterans Day – to honor those who served

Memorial Day – to honor those who fell while serving

POW/MIA Day – to honor those who went missing or were captured while serving.

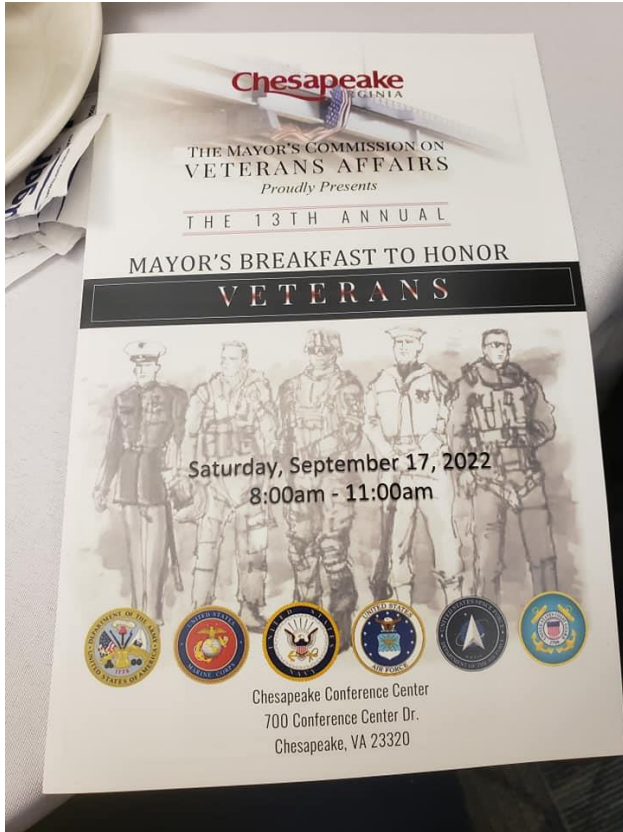
**Post Remembers National
POW-MIA Day**



In honor of POW/MIA day on 16 September, the Post set up a POW/MIA display at City Hall. On display was a “missing man” table with all the symbols and a list of all 72 POWs and MIAs from Chesapeake, South Norfolk and Norfolk County who are still unaccounted for, starting from the Revolutionary War and going all the way through to the War in Vietnam. Then, on POW/MIA day itself, the Post conducted a Remembrance Ceremony inside City Hall. Councilwoman Deborah Ritter read out a proclamation, the meaning of the items on the missing man table were explained, and the names of each of the 72 missing or POWs were read out with a bell toll.



ANNUAL VETERANS BREAKFAST HELD ON POW/MIA DAY



The Annual Mayor's Breakfast to Honor Veterans was held in conjunction with POW/MIA Day to honor community veterans. Thanks to all those Post members that helped ensure this was a memorable occasion for all those in attendance. The keynote speaker, Lieutenant General Anthony G Crutchfield, U.S. Army (retired), provided a rousing address that was definitely the highlight of the event.



POST MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN LOCAL 9/11 REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

Every year the Chesapeake city leadership holds a solemn remembrance ceremony to mark the anniversary of the horrific attacks on America on September 11th, 2001. The Chesapeake Memorial displays an artifact from each of the crash sites thanks to the efforts of Sheriffs John Newhart and Jim O'Sullivan, the Chesapeake Fine Arts Commission and the 9/11 Memorial Committee, as well as many community organizations. Vice Mayor John deTriquet led the remembrance ceremony with a keynote address by VFW Post 2894 member LCOL Carl Dozier.



**POST BUDDY POPPY DRIVE,
5-6 NOVEMBER**

We will be conducting the Veterans' Day Buddy Poppy Drive over the weekend of 5-6 November at both the Battlefield and Grassfield Walmarts and Tractor Supply on Centerville Turnpike South.

We'll need everyone's help to surpass past collection goals. Additional information will be sent as we get closer to the dates. Thank you in advance!

"IN FLANDERS FIELD"

by John McCrae, May 1915

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns
below.



We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

veterans harmed by burn pits and other toxins during their military service. It will:

- Add 23 respiratory illnesses and cancers related to burn pits and airborne hazards exposure as presumptive conditions.
 - Create a way to more easily establish future presumptions of service-connected illnesses related to toxic exposure.
 - Add Thailand, Laos and Cambodia to locations where Vietnam War veterans had a presumptive exposure to Agent Orange.
 - Require VA to provide training to improve toxic exposure disability claims. The VA also must ensure that veterans enrolled in its health café system be examined regularly for concerns related to toxic exposure.
 - Require VA to conduct outreach campaigns and provide resources to veterans exposed to toxins during military service.
 - Order VA to help veterans who served in southwest Asia during the Persian Gulf War and post-9/11 conflicts better understand toxic exposure illnesses among veterans.
 - Extend the period of time a veteran can enroll in VA health care from five years to 10 years after discharge. After that period, veterans can't enroll unless they have a service-connected disability. *
- Veterans and survivors can file claims for all conditions outlined in the pact act immediately. For more information, apply online at [VA.gov/health-care/apply/application/introduction](https://www.va.gov/health-care/apply/application/introduction) or call 877-222-8387, M-F between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. EST.

*VFW Magazine, October 2022, page 12

PACT Act Passes Congress

The PACT Act is a new law that expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits and other toxic substances. This law helps us provide generations of Veterans—and their survivors—with the care and benefits they've earned and deserve. The Act (1) expands and extends eligibility for VA health care for Veterans with toxic exposures and Veterans of the Vietnam era, Gulf War era, and Post-9/11 era, and (2) expands eligibility for benefits for Veterans exposed to toxic substances.

The Honoring Our PACT Act aims to provide expanded access of VA health care and disability benefits to

ELECTION DAY - 8 NOVEMBER

GET OUT AND VOTE ON NOV 8th!

The mid-term elections are upon us and we urge everyone to get out and vote. All U.S. House of Representative positions are being decided as well as local city council and school board members.

To see the sample ballot for your area go to:



www.cityofchesapeake.net/government/city-departments/departments/Voter-Registrar/election-info/sample-ballot.htm

Other Post News

- **Post 2894 Members Remember SSG Jon Dozier at Annual Birthday Event - Portsmouth Bier Garden.** On Saturday, October 1st, several Post members gathered to celebrate the Post's namesake, SSG Jonathan Dozier's birthday. It was a nasty night to be out and appreciate all those who weathered the storm and ventured into the night to raise a few glasses.



Thanks to all who were able to make it. Thanks also to Stefanie Osfolk Brown and the staff of the Bier Garden for their hospitality.



- **Post 2894 Supports VFW District 2's First Ever Day at Harbor Park Fundraising Event.**



Sunday, September 4th, saw several members of Post 2894 enjoying the game between the Norfolk Tides and Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs. All were witness to a runaway victory, with the Tides taking the final game of the series with a 10-0 win! A portion of the proceeds collected with go back to VFW District 2 – thanks for all the support!

VFW POST 2894 MEMBERS SUPPORT WALK TO DEFEAT ALS – THE MULE TEAM

What a beautiful day for a walk along the beach! Members of the post supported the “Mule Team” (for post member Chris Mulholland) and his family as well as scores of others in the annual Walk to Defeat ALS on Sunday, October 9th. Thanks to all those who participated – the team was recognized for having the highest number of team participants and raised over \$10,000.00 in donations! If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, just go to this website:

www.facebook.com/donate/332622131788762/333308005053508



CHAPLAIN'S FOXHOLE

Thanksgiving Prayer



Lord,

We thank you for the goodness of our people and for the spirit of justice that fills this nation.

We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land and the challenge of the cities.

We thank you for our work and our rest, for one another, and for our homes.

We thank you, Lord; accept our thanksgiving on this day.- Amen.

- Courtesy of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

SAFETY CORNER OCTOBER IS NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION MONTH



According to the National Fire Prevention Association, the winter months see an increase in home fires, deaths and injuries. These are the months when we turn on the heat to keep our homes warm. While we need to keep our homes warm, there are steps we should take to prevent a fire.

- Make sure your heating source is well maintained. Whether it's a fireplace, wood stove, a furnace or electric heat, check the equipment before using or have them serviced.
- Don't store items near your heating source. Boxes, clothes, and other fuels may ignite if they are close.
- Make sure draperies and furniture and other combustible items are kept far enough away from a heating source.

Other causes of fire include:

- Kitchen – It's important to not leave burners or grills unattended. Make sure to use proper

equipment and to keep dish towels, clothing and other items away from heating elements and open flame. Keep pets secured away from the kitchen, especially when you're not home. They can inadvertently turn on burners.

- Candles – Never leave a burning candle unattended. As an alternative, use battery-operated candles for ambiance.
- Smoking – Unattended cigarettes or overly full ashtrays start fires. Curious children might play with matches or lighters. Keep them well out of their reach.

More National Fire Prevention Month tips

When it comes to keeping our families and homes safe, there are many other steps we can take to prevent fires.

Make sure smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are working. Place a fire detector every level of the home and test them monthly. Replace batteries annually.

Get a fire extinguisher and make sure it's not outdated. Most fire extinguishers have an expiration date. Place one on each floor of the house and in the garage, too. They truly are a lifesaver. We recently had a grease fire and the only thing that kept us from an uncontrollable fire was the fire extinguisher that we had handy. Flames shooting up from your stove or grill are a frightening experience, but you can avoid disaster! It's also important to know how to use one.

The National Safety Council recommends this acronym, PASS to remember the steps.

- Pull the pin.
- Aim low at the base of the fire.
- Squeeze the handle slowly.
- Sweep the nozzle side to side.

Have an escape plan. Practice fire drills with your family and make sure everyone knows where to go depending on where the fire is in the home. Have at least two ways to get out of the house, too. Set a meeting place for everyone.

In the event of a house fire, do not try to salvage items before leaving the house. Personal effects can be replaced, but lives cannot. Instead, keep valuable documents in a fireproof box for recovery later. Keep valuable documents in a fireproof box for recovery later.

Throughout National Fire Prevention Month, take the steps to keep your home and family safe. Explore several other tips from the [National Safety Council](#) and the [National Fire Protection Association](#). They offer valuable resources.

**VOICE OF DEMOCRACY NOMINATIONS
DUE 31 OCTOBER**



If you know of an eligible high schooler, please share this scholarship opportunity with him/her!

Since 1947, the Voice of Democracy has been the Veterans of Foreign Wars' (VFW's) premier scholarship program. Each year, more than 50,000 high school students compete for more than \$2.3 million in scholarships and incentives. Students compete by writing and recording a broadcast script on an annual patriotic theme.

Prizes and scholarships are awarded at the local, district, state and national level. Department (State) winners receive an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., to tour the city, meet our nation's leaders, be honored by the VFW and its Auxiliary and receive their portion of \$151,000 in national awards, the top scholarship being \$30,000.

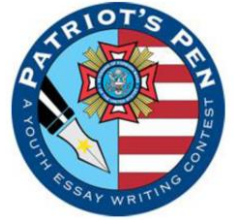
The Voice of Democracy Program is open to students in grades 9-12, who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the US and its territories.

Students record their original 3 to 5 minute essay on a flash drive/email for submission on the stated theme. Once the student creates their essay and completes recording the audio version to a flash drive, he/she can submit the typed version, flash drive and Voice of Democracy entry form to VFW Post 2894. The **deadline is October 31st, 2022** and this year's theme is: "**Why is the Veteran Important?**"

Entry forms can be downloaded at:
<https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/youth-scholarships>

**PATRIOTS PEN SCHOLARSHIP
NOMINATIONS DUE 31 OCTOBER**

If you know of an eligible middle schooler, please share this scholarship opportunity with him/her!

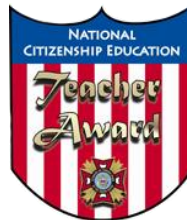


The Patriot's Pen program is open to students in grades 6-8, who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the United States and its territories.

The **deadline is October 31st, 2022** and the theme is: "**My Pledge to Our Veterans.**" Essays must be between 300-400 words long and should be submitted to a Post 2894 officer, along with the completed entry form.

Entry forms can be downloaded at:
<https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/youth-scholarships>

**TEACHERS OF THE YEAR
NOMINATIONS DUE 31 OCTOBER**



Post 2894 has been fortunate enough to have a National Teacher of the Year (Craig Blackman, Indian River HS, 2015), a National 3rd Runner-Up (Kimberly Hammers, Grassfield HS, 2016), a Department Winner (Kathy Doren, Greenbrier MS, 2017), and a District Winner (Kris Iaquinto, Great Bridge MS, 2019).

For the Post to qualify as an All-State Post this year, **we need to submit a nominee for one nomination** for a teacher, K-12. If you know of someone who promotes a sense of pride in students through the teaching of civic responsibilities, flag etiquette, and patriotism, please nominate them for this prestigious National VFW Award! The **deadline is October 31st, 2022!**

Nominations must include the nomination form, a 350 word justification, a one page resume', up to five pages of supporting documentation (CV, references, news articles, etc.), and a head-and-shoulder photo.

The top prize winner receives \$1,000 plus another \$1,000 to the school, plaques for both teacher and school, and an all-paid expense trip to the 2023 VFW National Convention which will be in Baltimore, MD.

Entry forms can be downloaded at:
<https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/teacher-of-the-year>

QUARTERMASTER DESK



Post 2894 Annual Dues are \$30

Annual dues can be paid via mail (see our new address on front of newsletter) or to the Quartermaster at one of our meetings. If you pay on-line to National, the cost is \$40.50.

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

You can become a VFW Life Member by paying a one-time fee as listed in the table below, or making an initial \$45 payment and then paying the remaining installments over the next 11 months. You will be issued an annual membership card and can elect, upon receipt of the first monthly invoice, to pay via check, credit card or ACH Debit. The applicable Life Membership fee is determined by the applicant's age on Dec. 31 of the installment plan year in which the application is submitted, regardless of actual date of birth. A permanent Life Membership card is issued upon completion of payments.

| <u>Age</u> | <u>One-Time Payment</u> | <u>Installment Payment</u> |
|------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 18-30 | \$ 425 | \$ 38.64 |
| 31-40 | \$ 410 | \$ 37.27 |
| 41-50 | \$ 375 | \$ 34.09 |
| 51-60 | \$ 335 | \$ 30.45 |
| 61-70 | \$ 290 | \$ 26.36 |
| 71-80 | \$ 225 | \$ 20.45 |
| 81 & over | \$ 170 | \$ 15.45 |

<http://www.vfw.org/Join/Dues-Structure>

Annual and Life Memberships can be paid online at www.vfw.org, via mail, or in-person at the meetings.

FROM THE EDITOR

If you are interested in submitting articles, photos, updates on events, for inclusion in the newsletter, please send them to Dan Eaker at: vfwpost2894@aol.com.

If you know of a business or anyone who would like to help sponsor Post 2894, please let them know that their help will be recognized in the newsletter.

The primary means for disseminating the newsletter is via e-mail. If you prefer a 'hard-copy' via 'snail-mail' (a 'paper copy' via 'US Postal Service' for you old(er) farts!) please let know.

Semper Fidelis,

Dan Eaker

YOUR AD COULD
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LIFE MEMBER INCENTIVE

As we continue to move closer to our membership goals, there is no better time to stress the importance of Life Membership. To this end, we're offering a cash incentive this month to bring in more Life Members!

During the month of October 2022, for every new Life Member you bring into your Post, we will issue a \$50 grant directly to the Post at the end of the month!



For the purposes of this program, the National Headquarters will be issuing a grant of \$50 directly to the Post for each of the following during the month of October:

- a new member who pays the Life Membership amount in full
- a lapsed member who rejoins by paying the full Life Membership amount
- an Annual member who converts to Life by paying the full amount
- a member currently on the Life Member Installment Plan who makes their final payment and converts to Life before the end of the month.

Departments may also receive the grant for members-at-large recruited or reinstated as a Life Member. A recruiter number must be attached to these transactions in order for Departments to receive the grant for members-at-large.

There is no easier way to retain members than by having them become a member for life. Not only do they experience the benefits of Life membership, but the Post can save time and effort when working towards your retention goals. Talk to your members today about the benefits of becoming a Life Member, and how it helps the VFW's mission. It's time to make that lifetime commitment because...

EVERY VETERAN COUNTS.

This contest will count the Life Members as listed above from October 1st through close of business October 31st. Transactions posted before close of business will be credited that business day. Payouts will be made by ACH debit to the Post using the account on file. For assistance with setting up ACH deposits for your Post, please contact our Member Service Center at 1-833-839-8387.

OCTOBER MILITARY HISTORY

- 1 1880 John Philip Sousa becomes director of Marine Corps Band
- 1942 Maiden flight of Bell P-59 Airacomet, first US jet fighter
- 1943 Allied forces liberate Naples
- 1945 US Army discharges MSGT Joe Louis
- 1955 Commissioning of USS 'Forrestal' (CVA-59) 1st supercarrier
- 1957 B-52 bombers begin full-time flying alert in case of USSR attack, which continues until early 1990s
- 2 1799 Washington Navy Yard established
- 1835 Battle of Gonzales: Texans rout Mexicans, touching off Texas Revolution
- 3 1895 Publication of Stephen Crane's "Red Badge of Courage"
- 1921 Unknown Soldier sails from France aboard USS 'Olympia'
- 4 1821 First USN squadron sails for anti-slavery patrol off Africa
- 5 1943 US aircraft & ships raid Japanese positions on Wake Is, leading to execution of American civilians held prisoner
- 6 1781 Americans & French begin siege of Cornwallis at Yorktown
- 7 1777 Second Battle of Saratoga (Bemis Heights): Americans win
- 2001 US & Allies initiate war in Afghanistan after Taliban refuses to surrender Osama bin Laden
- 8 1918 Sgt Alvin York captures "whole damned German Army"
- 9 1942 Guadalcanal: Marines encircle Japanese 4th Inf Regt
- 1945 Broadway ticker tape parade for Admiral Chester W. Nimitz
- 10 1944 17 US carriers raid Ryukyus
- 11 1861 Battle of Dumfries/Quantico Creek, VA
- 1944 Japan announces it will "fight to last man, woman, child, weapon, and piece of equipment."
- 12 2000 Islamist suicide boat attack on USS 'Cole' (DDG-67) at Aden, 17 die, abt 40 wounded
- 13 1775 Congress establishes Continental Navy
- 1864 John Mosby raids Harpers Ferry
- 14 1942 Guadalcanal: Japanese ships land reinforcements, shell Marines
- 1942 New Guinea: Heavy fighting, Templeton's Crossing, Kokod Trail.
- 15 1944 Peleliu secured: Japanese KI abt 12,000, US over 1,200.
- 16 1859 John Brown's "Raid" on Harper's Ferry
- 1863 U.S. Grant named commander of Union forces in West
- 1940 WW II draft begins; #158 drawn first
- 1962 Missile Crisis: JFK learns of Soviet missiles in Cuba
- 17 1777 British General John Burgoyne surrenders at Saratoga
- 1781 British General Lord Cornwallis surrenders at Yorktown
- 1916 Battleship 'Arizona' (BB-39) commissioned at Brooklyn Navy Yard
- 1922 1st US carrier take-off: Virgil C. Griffin in VE-7SF off 'Langley' (CV 1)
- 18 1767 Completion of survey of Mason-Dixon Line, defining mutual borders of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Delaware
- 1859 US Marines under Robert E. Lee capture John Brown & his party at Harper's ferry
- 19 1879 William Tecumseh Sherman says "War is hell"
- 1915 USN establishes submarine base at New London, Ct.
- 1950 UN forces enter Pyongyang, capital of North Korea
- 1987 US warships destroy Iranian oil platforms in Persian Gulf
- 20 1944 MacArthur returns to Philippines at Leyte, w/200,000 troops
- 1944 US First Army secures Aachen
- 21 1797 USS 'Constitution' - 'Old Ironsides' - launched at Boston
- 22 1836 Sam Houston inaugurated as 1st elected President of Republic of Texas (1836-1838)
- 1954 West Germany joins NATO
- 1962 Missile Crisis: JFK imposes naval blockade on Cuba
- 23 1775 Congress bars blacks from army, but is generally ignored
- 1942 Guadalcanal: Battle of Edson's Ridge - Japanese assault broken
- 1983 Beirut: Suicide truck bomb kills 243 US personnel
- 24 1942 FDR directs all available ammo, aircraft, & equipment be provided to forces engaged on Guadalcanal or bound for North Africa, even if it means stripping units elsewhere
- 25 1943 Battle of Cape St. George: five US destroyers sink 3 of 6 Japanese destroyers
- 1958 US Marines leave Lebanon (there since July)
- 1983 US and West Indian forces occupy Grenada
- 26 1861 Last ride of Pony Express
- 1944 Leyte Gulf ends: losses, Japan 34 major warships, US 6
- 27 1775 Congress formally establishes US Navy
- 1810 U.S. annexes West Florida from Spain
- 1942 Battle of Santa Cruz Isl: USS 'Hornet' (CV-8) sunk
- 1954 Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. becomes first black general in USAF
- 28 1942 "Tokyo Express" lands troops on Guadalcanal.
- 1962 Khrushchev orders missiles out of Cuba, ending Missile Crisis
- 29 1929 "Black Friday": Crash of '29
- 1944 Near Aachen, 1st Inf Div Rabbi Sidney Lefkowitz & cantor PFC Max Fuchs conduct first Jewish service for American troops on German soil, broadcast worldwide, with accompanying artillery fire
- 30 1954 Defense Department announces elimination of all segregated units
- 31 1803 US Frigate 'Philadelphia' grounds off Tripoli & taken by Barbary pirates
- 1941 'U-552' sinks USS 'Reuben James' (DD-245), 115 die; first US ship lost in WW II
- 1952 First thermonuclear bomb detonated, Marshall Islands
- 1968 President Johnson halts all bombing of North Vietnam

NOVEMBER MILITARY HISTORY

- 1 1765 Stamp Act goes into effect in British colonies
- 1835 Texans begin siege of San Antonio (it falls Dec 4)
- 1943 Bougainville: 3rd Marine Div lands at Cape Torokina, Empress Augusta Bay
- 1951 First atomic explosion with troops present, NM
- 1952 First hydrogen device exploded, Eniwetok Atoll
- 2 1783 Washington's "Farewell Address to Army," at Rocky Hill, near Princeton
- 1917 First US troops KIA in France
- 1944 US & Filipino troops clear Japanese from central valley on Leyte.
- 3 1783 Continental Army mustered out of service, Rocky Hill, NJ
- 1979 Teheran: Iranians storm US embassy to take 63 hostages
- 4 1862 Richard J. Gatling receives patent for clever device
- 1950 US troops retreat from Pyongyang, North Korea
- 5 1917 Maj. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr, leads first American patrol into "No Man's Land"

- 6** 1945 First jet carrier landing: Ryan FR "Fireball" on USS 'Wake Island' (CVE-65)
- 7** 1865 CSS 'Shenandoah' surrenders to British authorities at Liverpool, seven months after Appomattox
1973 The War Powers Act becomes law
- 8** 1942 Operation Torch: US/British forces land northwestern Africa
1950 Lt. Russell J. Brown's F-86 scores North Korean MiG-15 in history's first jet-on-jet combat
- 9** 1921 The Unknown Soldier arrives at Washington aboard USS 'Olympia'
1984 "Three Servicemen" Statue added to Vietnam Veterans Memorial
1989 The Berlin Wall comes down
- 10** 1775 Congress establishes Marine Corps
1782 Chillicothe, Ohio, George Rodgers Clark defeats Indians and Tories; final battle of Revolutionary War.
1945 US liberates Nazi concentration camp at Buchenwald
1954 USMC ["Iwo Jima"] Memorial dedicated in Arlington
- 11** 1839 Virginia Military Institute opens
1864 Sherman's March: Burning of Rome, Georgia
1909 USN begins construction of base at Pearl Harbor
1921 Escorted by 30 holders of Medal of Honor, "Unknown Soldier" laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery
- 12** 1942 Naval Battle of Guadalcanal, Day 1: Japanese aircraft raid Henderson field, both fleets converge on Iron Bottom Sound
- 13** 1775 Americans under Maj Gen Richard Montgomery capture Montreal
1776 John Paul Jones captures British transport 'Mellish'
1982 Vietnam War Memorial dedicated
- 14** 1910 First airplane takeoff from ship: Eugene Ely in Curtiss Flyer, off USS 'Birmingham' (CL-2)
- 15** 1864 Sherman burns what Confederates haven't of Atlanta
- 16** 1982 Maiden voyage of Space Shuttle 'Columbia'
- 17** 1869 Suez Canal opens
1913 Panama Canal opens
1917 First US ASW Victory: Destroyers 'Fanning' (DD-37) & 'Nicholson' (DD-52) sink 'U-58', in Irish Sea
- 18** 1961 JFK sends 18,000 military advisors to South Vietnam
- 19** 1492 Columbus lands in Puerto Rico
1863 Abraham Lincoln gives Gettysburg speech
1944 New Guinea: U.S. troops land
1950 Eisenhower becomes supreme commander of NATO
1999 USCG Capt Earl R. Fox, Public Health Service, retires; last WW II veteran on active service
- 20** 1866 First national convention of Grand Army of Republic [GAR]
1945 General of Army George C. Marshall steps down, after 2272 days as Chief-of-Staff
- 21** 1943 Operation Galvanic: Marines in heavy fighting on Tarawa, National Guardsmen advance on Makin, while Marines land on Abemama, 75 mi SE of Tarawa.
- 22** 1943 FDR, Churchill, & Chiang meet to discuss defeat of Japan
- 23** 1943 Operation Galvanic: US forces secure Tarawa & Makin
1944 Gen Patch's Seventh Army captures Strasbourg
- 24** 1941 CNO warns fleet "surprise aggressive movement" by Japan imminent
1944 First B-29 raid from Saipan; 111 bombers hit Tokyo.
- 25** 1783 Evacuation Day: British leave New York City, their last base in US, and that evening Governor George Clinton of New York honors George Washington with banquet at Frances' Tavern, where thirteen toasts were offered, beginning with "The United States of America"
- 1961 USS 'Enterprise' (CVN-65), first nuclear-powered carrier, is commissioned
- 26** 1862 Lincoln meets ". . . little lady who started this big war," Harriet Beecher Stowe
- 27** 1789 President George Washington proclaims last Thursday in November a day of prayer and thanksgiving
1943 Teheran Conference: Churchill, Roosevelt, and Stalin talk strategy
- 28** 1795 US pays \$800,000 & frigate for "protection" from Algerian & Tunisian pirates
- 29** 1760 Rogers' Rangers capture Detroit from French
1951 1st underground atomic explosion, Frenchman's Flat, NV
- 30** 1782 Preliminary Treaty of Paris: American and British sign preliminary articles to end Revolutionary War
1943 Teheran Conference: FDR, Churchill, & Stalin agree to launch Operation Overlord in May of 1944

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| <p>The Review Committee has performed its duties and recommends _____ approval _____ rejection. (signatures of Committee members below)</p> <p>Committee member _____ Committee Member _____ Date _____</p> | |
| <p>PLEASE SEPARATE FORMS BEFORE SIGNING</p> <p>DUES PAID: _____ ADMISSION FEE PAID: _____ DATE: _____ RECEIVED BY: _____</p> | |
| <p>VFW Post Member Transfer Declaration (used for Transfers in accordance with Sec. 107 of the Manual of Procedure)</p> <p>"I hereby certify that it is my desire to transfer my VFW membership from VFW Post _____ located in _____ to VFW Post _____ located in _____.</p> <p>I further certify that I am not indebted to my former Post, be it through oral or written commitment, or otherwise, and that to the best of my knowledge no written charges have been preferred against me by my former Post, and I understand that any such indebtedness or charge which may be disclosed at any time hereafter will render this transfer null and void."</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Please have the applicant sign to the right</i></p> | |
| <p>TEMPORARY RECEIPT Membership Application - Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. Date: _____</p> <p>Received from _____ \$ _____</p> <p>Post No: _____ City and State _____</p> <p>Received By: _____</p> <p>(circle one) CASH CHECK VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER AMEX</p> | |
| <p>CERTIFICATION (See Sec. 104 By-Laws)</p> <p>I certify that I am a citizen or national of the United States, that my Campaign Service was honorable, that I have never subsequently been discharged from military service under dishonorable conditions. I also certify that (1) I am entitled to a campaign ribbon or medal authorized by the U.S. Government based on my overseas service or, (2) I have served overseas in Korea or, I have received Imminent Danger or Hostile Fire Pay. I further give authority to the Veterans of Foreign Wars to verify honorable overseas service entitling me to membership.</p> <p>DATE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">\$1.98 of your membership goes towards your VFW magazine subscription.</p> | |

AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

MEMBERSHIP/MEMBER TRANSFER APPLICATION PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Recruited/Recommended by: _____ Recruiter Member ID: _____

Auxiliary No. _____ City _____ State _____ Member ID (if already a member) _____

Annual Membership Life Rejoined Previous Member No. _____, Previous Auxiliary _____

Member-at-Large Life Member-at-Large in Department of _____ or in National

These fields required. Name _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____
 Address _____ Male or Female
 City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
 Phone (____) _____ - _____ Email _____

POST AFFILIATED: (*Must be a member to the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)
 Relationship _____ to Eligible Veteran* _____ VFW Membership ID _____

LIFE MEMBER TRANSFER, Previous Auxiliary _____ Accepting Treasurer's Signature _____
 Date _____


ANNUAL TRANSFER, Previous Auxiliary _____ Paying or Nonpaying ? (check one)

ANNUAL TRANSFER CONVERTING TO LIFE, Previous Auxiliary _____ (Fill out Life Membership information below.)

NON AFFILIATED: (*Veteran is not a member of the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)
 Relationship _____ to Eligible Veteran* _____ VFW Post _____ (If applicable)
 Name of campaign ribbons or medals: _____
 Dates of Service: ____/____/____ to ____/____/____ Location: _____

I attest that I am a citizen of the United States or a U.S. National, and am at least 16 years of age. I further state that I believe in God. I pledge to comply with the National Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary. I attest I am not eligible for membership in the VFW. I further attest that the above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, including my stated relationship to the Veteran.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____
 Investigating Committee: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____
 Per Section 102 of the National Bylaws. Rejected Election Date ____/____/____ Obligated Date ____/____/____

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| <p>LIFE MEMBERSHIP <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if this is a gift. Card will be mailed to the Auxiliary Treasurer. Payment: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> Discover <input type="checkbox"/> AMEX Life Membership Fee \$ _____ Name on credit card _____ Billing address for card _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Credit Card No. _____ CVV Code _____ Exp. ____/____/____ Signature _____ Date _____</p> | <p>LIFE MEMBERSHIP <input type="checkbox"/> ACH (Bank withdrawal) Name of Bank _____ Bank Routing No. _____ Account No. _____ Attach voided check HERE. (Required)</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> | <p>LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES Effective 1/1/2017 Attained age at 12/31 of year applying for Life Membership.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td>Through 20</td><td>\$253</td></tr> <tr><td>21-25</td><td>\$242</td></tr> <tr><td>26-30</td><td>\$230</td></tr> <tr><td>31-35</td><td>\$219</td></tr> <tr><td>36-40</td><td>\$213</td></tr> <tr><td>41-45</td><td>\$201</td></tr> <tr><td>46-50</td><td>\$196</td></tr> <tr><td>51-55</td><td>\$184</td></tr> <tr><td>56-60</td><td>\$173</td></tr> <tr><td>61-65</td><td>\$161</td></tr> <tr><td>66-70</td><td>\$150</td></tr> <tr><td>71-75</td><td>\$132</td></tr> <tr><td>76-80</td><td>\$109</td></tr> <tr><td>81-85</td><td>\$86</td></tr> <tr><td>86-90</td><td>\$69</td></tr> <tr><td>91 and over</td><td>\$58</td></tr> </table> | Through 20 | \$253 | 21-25 | \$242 | 26-30 | \$230 | 31-35 | \$219 | 36-40 | \$213 | 41-45 | \$201 | 46-50 | \$196 | 51-55 | \$184 | 56-60 | \$173 | 61-65 | \$161 | 66-70 | \$150 | 71-75 | \$132 | 76-80 | \$109 | 81-85 | \$86 | 86-90 | \$69 | 91 and over | \$58 |
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OBLIGATION
In the presence of Almighty God and the members of this organization here assembled, I do of my own free will and accord, solemnly promise that I will never wrong or defraud this organization nor a member thereof nor permit either to be wronged if in my power to prevent it. I will never propose for membership any person not eligible, according to our Bylaws. I further state that I believe in God. I will be faithful to the United States of America, obedient to the laws and loyal to the Flag. Should my membership with this organization cease in any way, I will consider this obligation as binding outside of the organization as though I had remained a member. I do so promise. Signature _____ (Must be signed by all members.)

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| <u>OCTOBER</u> | |
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| 3 | National Fallen Firefighter Memorial Day |
| 5 | Sheriff's Great American Food Fest |
| 7 | Start of OEF (2001) |
| 9 | Walk Against ALS |
| 10 | Columbus Day |
| 11 | Post Meeting, 1900 / Quarterly Audit |
| 13 | US Navy Birthday (1775) USS Cole Bombing (2000) |
| 23 | Bombing of Marine Barracks Beirut (1983) |
| 27 | Navy Day |
| 31 | Patriots Pen, Voice of Democracy, Teachers of the Year due to Post |
| 31 | Halloween |

| <u>NOVEMBER</u> | |
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| 5-6 | Buddy Poppy Drive Grassfield Walmart/ Centerville Tractor Supply |
| 6 | Daylight savings - "fall back" 1 hr |
| 8 | ELECTION DAY |
| 9 | Post Meeting |
| 10 | US Marine Corps Birthday (1775) |
| 11 | Veterans Day Ceremony |
| 24 | Thanksgiving |



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