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- 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.



POST 2894

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2nd Wednesday of month – 7:00 pm
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“Honoring the fallen by helping the living.”

NEWSLETTER – Vol. V, Issue 2, April-May 2016

COMMANDER’S CORNER

Greetings Comrades! The next two months of April and May will be *busy* ones for the Post! The following events, listed by date, not by importance, are coming up with the MOST vital one being our 5th Annual Bataan Death March Memorial Walk at Dismal Swamp Park. We need “all hands on deck” for this event!

- 9 Apr – VFW Riders’ Poker Run
- 13 Apr – Post meeting/election of officers
- 23 Apr – 5th Annual Bataan Death March Memorial Walk, Dismal Swamp Park
- 23 Apr – Honor Flight, WWII Veterans
- 30 April – Montero Veterans’ Health Fair
- 11 May – Post Awards Ceremony
- 14 May – District 2 Convention, Post 4809
- 17 May /1830 – JROTC Awards Night, Deep Creek HS
- 21 May – Armed Forces Day, Poppy drive
- 27-29 May – Memorial Day Poppy Drive, Grassfield WalMart
- 30 May /1100 – Memorial Day Ceremony, City Hall

The Department and **Bass Pro Shops** have teamed up for a **raffle** of 50 items worth over \$13,000. For every \$5 ticket sold, the post receives \$1. See me if you’re interested. *The flier is in the back of this newsletter.*

Our Post Facebook page contains all kinds of information about upcoming events, items



Semper Fidelis,
Chris Mulholland, Commander

of interest for veterans, and local events. Check it out!

On 26 March we celebrated our Post’s 20th anniversary since its founding. As always, thanks to all of you for your service to our country!

PRESIDENT’S CORNER

Hello Everyone. The Auxiliary received our Charter at the Winter Council Meeting held on January 17, 2016 in Williamsburg. All of the Auxiliaries received their Charters with the new emblem. The Department’s Patriotic Instructor is Fred Jennings, the first male officer for the VFW Auxiliary of Virginia. I am proud to say our Auxiliary has 3 male members.

On February 21-23, 2016 the VFW Auxiliary National President, Francisca Guilford, visited Virginia. Monday morning Bea Oakley, Shirley Casady and I went to Auxiliary 392 in VA Beach for breakfast and to meet Francisca. After breakfast the Auxiliaries presented Francisca with cards, gift cards and gifts. Auxiliary 392 dedicated their new Auxiliary Flag.

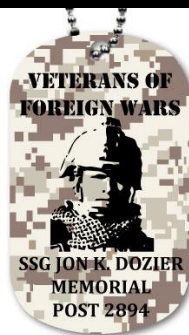
We then went to Oceana NAS/Flame of Hope. It was a beautiful day even though it was a little chilly. Lunch was held at Auxiliary 4809 in Norfolk. They asked Francisca to unveil their new Charter and she commented how special it was since she got to sign all the new Charters. It was very nice meeting Francisca and getting to know a little about her. She lives in Anchorage, Alaska. The activities continued throughout the state ending in Washington DC for the Legislative Conference.

In April we will celebrate our 1st Anniversary. We will also hold elections. I want to conclude by saying we have completed our first year with great success. Auxiliary 2894 is 100% reported for the year. Thanks to everyone for a great job



Sandy Dunbar, President

5th ANNUAL BATAAN DEATH MARCH MEMORIAL WALK - APRIL 23rd



Keep your calendar clear for the fifth annual Bataan Death March Memorial Walk on Saturday, April 23rd at the Dismal Swamp Canal Trail in Deep Creek just off Route 17. We have three survivors of the original Death March coming as well as our two "senior" Post members, Mickey Casady, oldest living plankholder of the USS IOWA, and Eddie Vincek, who landed on Iwo Jima on D-Day - so come and meet some genuine heroes!

Since Post 2894 is hosting this event, we would like to see all the members come out and help in any way you can. We will also have assistance from crew members of the USS Bataan (LHD-5) as we host this commemorative event. The flyer for this event can be found at the end of this newsletter along with a sponsorship form. PLEASE SHARE WITH FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, FAMILY - EVERYONE! We will be selling commemorative t-shirts and more to raise funds for Post 2894's charitable works.

You can find additional information on Facebook (Chesapeake Bataan Death March) or the website (<http://walkchesapeake.wix.com/chesapeakebataan>).

DANCING WITH THE STARS WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

Comrades Matt Hamel and Chris Mulholland were "volun-told" by City Council Member Debbie Ritter that they would participate in this year's Sister Cities of Chesapeake "Dancing with the Stars". Both Comrades serve as members of the Mayor's Commission on Veterans' Affairs where Matt just completed a successful term as the Chair.



The fundraiser was held at the City Convention Center on 20 February and raised money for the Virginia Power Soccer Association (VPSA).

Power soccer is the only competitive sport for severely disabled athletes who use

powered wheelchairs and Chris' son, Kevin, has been a participant since 2005, even playing in Rio de Janeiro as a member of the US National Team. Another comrade, Ron Mayfield, is a teammate of Kevin's and competes every year at the National Veterans' Wheelchair Games.

Sister Cities raises awareness of the diverse global interests of Chesapeake citizens and businesses. Chesapeake's sister city is Joinville, Brasil.

Matt and his wife, Karen, danced the merengue and were the hit of the night as you can see in their photos!



Matt and Karen Hamel putting on the moves!

Chris and his wife, Barbara, were more sedate as they danced the waltz in a portrayal from the hit TV series, Downton Abbey.



The Hamels (left) and Mulhollands (right)

This year's fundraiser was Sister Cities' largest grossing event ever! Current and past Mayors Alan Krasnoff and Bill Ward, respectively, were on hand to enjoy and cheer on the contestants. Though neither VFW couple won the event, the big winners were the disabled athletes so everyone went home happy.

POST ELECTIONS ON APRIL 13th

The following slate of officers have been nominated as Post 2894 officers for the 2016-17 year. We would appreciate everyone's participation in the vote since these

are the comrades who will keep the post "on an even keel" and be responsible for all the activities and finances.

<u>ELECTED POSITION</u>	<u>NOMINEE</u>
Commander	Chris Mulholland
Senior Vice Cdr	Matt Schweers
Junior Vice Cdr	Mark Rios
Quartermaster	Mike Kust
Chaplain	Mark Junghans
1 st Year Trustee	Ben Larson
2 nd Year Trustee	John Guill
3 rd Year Trustee	Carl Dozier
<u>APPOINTED POSITION</u>	<u>NOMINEE</u>
Judge Advocate	Matt Hamel
Surgeon	Jose Vazquez
Adjutant	Tom Benson
Service Officer	Gary Dunbar

POST AWARDS NIGHT MAY 11th!



At 1900 (7 pm), we will be holding our **annual Awards Ceremony** honoring outstanding youth and adults who have made major impacts during the past year. Here is the list of Post 2894 awardees:

Patriots' Pen Award - Kayleigh Hamel, 8th Grader at St. Gregory the Great Catholic School

Young American Creative Patriotic Art Award - TBD

Voice of Democracy Award - Caitlin Head, a Senior homeschooler (she also won the District and place 3rd in the Department)

Scout of the Year - Elizabeth Acors, Girl Scout Troop 658

Teacher of the Year - Kimberly Harris, Grassfield HS

Law Enforcement Officer of the Year - Officer Michael Hilton, CPD

Emergency Medical Technician of the Year - Firefighter/Paramedic David Brock, CFD

Firefighter of the Year - Firefighter/EMT Charles Crowthers, CFD

A number of dignitaries have been invited including Congressman Randy Forbes, Mayor Krasnoff, Senator Cosgrove, members of City Council, Police Chief Wright, Fire Chief Elliott, the Superintendent of Schools, members of the School Board, and many others.

After the ceremony, we will host a social gathering with refreshments.

Please come join us, bring your spouse/significant other, and we promise that you'll have a great time!

NORFOLK ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Although it was a cold morning, the spirits were high because it was a celebration of Saint Patrick's Day! The Post was invited to participate in the 49th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Norfolk by Allen Loree, the President of the Military

Vehicles Preservation Society of Tidewater, who has also been leading a number of projects along with Service Officer Gary Dunbar in support of veterans and widows.



Post comrades Matt Schweers, Mark Junghans, Jose Vazquez, and Chris Mulholland had a great time riding on 5 ton trucks, deuce-and-a-halves, and jeeps.



Jose reminisced about all the hours he spent working on these vehicles during his time in the Army - though he had no idea

that the newer trucks had power steering and automatic transmissions! Welcome to the new Army!

The comrades rode the whole route being showered with "Thanks for your service!" and jello-shots!

We have been invited to participate in next year's event which marks the 50th anniversary of the parade and ALL post comrades are encouraged to come and have a GREAT time!



USAV "GREAT BRIDGE"

Recently, a contractor from Chesapeake was in the Kwajalein Islands midway between Hawaii and Japan when he spotted a "ship" named "Great Bridge". Needless to say, he was excited to see something named after an important event in Chesapeake's history.

US Army Vessel (USAV) "Great Bridge" is the 21st of 35 Runnymede-class landing



craft utility (LCU) built by Trinity-Moss Point Marine in Escatawpa, Mississippi. She was commissioned in 1991 as LCU 2021 and has a length of 174 feet, beam of 42 ft, draft of 8.5 ft and displacement of 1,102 long tons. She has a bow ramp and a large aft superstructure and is designed to transport rolling and tracked vehicles, containers, and outsized and general cargo from ships offshore to shore, as well as to areas that cannot be reached by oceangoing vessels (coastal, harbor, and intercoastal waterways).

The *Great Bridge* can run onto the beach to load or offload and has an aft anchor to assist in retracting her from the beach. She is classed for full ocean service of up to 18 days and 10,000 miles and is manned by a 13-man crew of 2 warrant officers and 11 enlisted personnel. She can travel at up to 11.5 knots (13.2 mph) and carry up to 350 short tons (equivalent to eight C-17 loads). This is also equal to five M-1 main battle tanks or 24 double-stacked containers.

The *Great Bridge* is currently stationed on the Kwajalein Atoll to move cargo and equipment around the various islands and occasionally to other places in the Pacific. She has also been used to support research activities in the mid-Pacific.

The *Great Bridge* is named after the first decisive battle fought in the South during the Revolutionary War. The defeat of British grenadiers and Marines in December 1775 in Norfolk County (now Chesapeake) led to the permanent departure of the British from Virginia. Colonel William Woodford, the commander of the colonials during the battle, described the battle as "a second Bunker Hill affair."



In 2012, the *Great Bridge* was involved in the rescue of 101 people aboard an 80 ft boat which had broken down in worsening weather. On a dark night, the *Great Bridge* located the *Enin Meto* and towed it to safety while fighting high seas and strong winds.

Guy Sandusky, the harbor master in Kwajalein said, "We were looking for the proverbial needle in the haystack. The *Great Bridge* is definitely ocean-capable but this mission was much different in the sense that you're in the open ocean. There were rough seas and it was very dark that night."

Army "mariners" (as the soldiers manning USAVs are preferred to be called) are proud at telling people that the Army has more waterborne vessels than the Navy.

POPPY DRIVES ON ARMED FORCES DAY AND MEMORIAL DAY WKND

The Post will be running Poppy Drives on Armed Forces Day, Saturday, 16 May, and the entire weekend of Memorial Day (23-25 May) in front of the Grassfield Walmart.

VFW Buddy Poppies are assembled by disabled, needy, and aging veterans in VA Hospitals and domiciliaries across the country.

The proceeds derived from each sale conducted by VFW Posts and Ladies Auxiliaries are retained locally to provide for veteran services and welfare. The minimal cost of Buddy Poppies to VFW units provides compensation to the veterans who assembled the poppies, provides financial assistance in maintaining state and national veterans' rehabilitation and service programs, and partially supports the VFW National Home for orphans and widows of our nation's veterans. All the money contributed by the public for Buddy Poppies is used in the cause of veterans' welfare, or for the well-being of their needy dependents and the orphans of veterans.

Comrades Carl Dozier and Matt Schweers are coordinating the volunteers for these respective events. Please contact them as soon as possible with your availability to help out with these important fundraisers.

For Armed Forces Day (16 May) please contact Carl via e-mail (bulldoziero5@gmail.com) or phone (620-0087).

For Memorial Day Weekend (23-25 May) please contact Matt via e-mail (matthewschweers@hotmail.com) or phone (675-7277).



REMEMBERING OUR LOCAL HEROES WHO PERISHED AFTER BATAAN AND CORREGIDOR

by Chris Mulholland, Commander, VFW Post 2894

With our biggest event of the year, the Bataan Death March Memorial Walk, coming up on 23 April, we need to take the time to remember the six local servicemen from South Norfolk and Norfolk County (now known as Chesapeake) who were captured by the Japanese and died as prisoners of war (POWs). The six were:

- **Corporal James Beasley**, Coast Artillery Corps, US Army
- **Private Hilbert B. Caplan**, 7th Chemical Company (Aviation), US Army Air Force (USAAF)
- **Private Harry Day, Jr.**, C Company, 803rd Engineer Aviation Battalion, US Army Air Force
- **Private Junius D. Moore**, 7th Chemical Company (Aviation), USAAF
- **Private First Class Charles F. Mott, Jr.**, 31st "Polar Bears" Infantry Regiment, US Army
- **Corporal James R. Shy**, Quartermaster Corps, US Army

By December 1941, the combined defense forces in the Philippines were organized into the US Army Forces in the Far East (USAFFE), which included 12 divisions of the Philippine Army and the US Army's Philippine Department. The Department had been reinforced between August and November 1941 by 8,500 troops of the US Army Air Force (USAAF) and three Army National Guard units. As of 30 November 1941 the Department's strength was 31,095 troops, including 11,988 Philippine Scouts.

The day after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, the Japanese attacked the Philippines by air and sea on 8 December 1941. Landing on Luzon they gradually pushed American forces back onto the Bataan Peninsula by early January 1942. The Americans held out until 9 April 1942 when they were surrendered. Meanwhile, Corregidor Island at the entrance to Manila Bay continued to resist the Japanese until 8 May 1942 when General Wainwright was forced to surrender all Allied Forces in the Philippines.

The defeat was the beginning of three and a half years of harsh treatment for the Allied survivors, including atrocities like the Bataan Death March and the misery of Japanese prison camps, and the "Hell Ships" on which American and Allied men were sent to Japan to be used as labor in mines and factories. Thousands were crowded into the

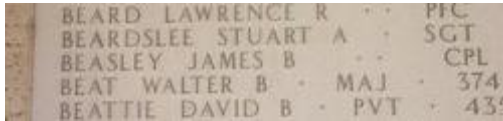
holds of Japanese ships, without water, food, or sufficient ventilation. The Japanese did not mark "POW" on the decks of these vessels, and some were attacked and sunk by Allied aircraft and submarines. Although the campaign was a victory to the Japanese, it was also a military setback as it took longer than anticipated to defeat the Filipinos and Americans. This required forces to be diverted to the Philippines, and slowed the advance on New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

JAMES BEASLEY

James Beasley was born in 1893 and only completed grammar school before going to work as a "semi-skilled chauffeur" (which is what truck drivers were called back then). On 29 January 1941, he was noted as being single, standing 70 inches tall, and weighing 190 pounds when he enlisted at the late age of 48 into the US Army as a private. He was assigned to the Coast Artillery Corps and trained at Fort Monroe, the Army's school for coastal artillery, before being sent to the Philippines sometime in the summer or fall of 1941.

In July 1941 the Philippine Coast Artillery Command was headquartered at Fort Mills, on Corregidor with three forts (Hughes, Drum, and Frank) at the entrance to Manila Bay, and one (Wint) at the entrance to Subic Bay. 4,967 troops were assigned to the Harbor Defenses and were heavily engaged against the Japanese invasion. However, the coast defense installations were vulnerable to air and high-angle artillery attack and were surrendered on 6 May 1942.

On 25 November 1942, James was declared dead while "a prisoner of war" in the Philippine Islands. His name was included on a stone tablet erected at the Manila American Cemetery and Memorial after the war.



CHARLES MOTT

Charles Mott was born in 1923 in Pennsylvania but was living in Virginia when enlisted in the US Army on 15 May 1941. He had a grammar school education and specifically enlisted "for the Philippine Department". He was small, standing only 5'5" tall and weighing just 120 pounds. Upon arrival in the Philippines he was assigned to the 31st Infantry Regiment "The Polar Bear regiment". They had received that name from their service in Siberia between 1918-1920.

After landing in northern and southern Luzon, the Japanese pushed rapidly toward Manila, routing hastily formed Philippine Army units that had little training and few heavy weapons. The 31st Infantry covered the withdrawal of American and Philippine forces to the Bataan Peninsula. Unfortunately, the peninsula had not been provisioned with food and medicine and no help could come in from the outside after much of the Pacific fleet was destroyed at Pearl Harbor. Despite starvation, disease, no supplies, obsolete weapons, and often inoperative ammunition, the peninsula's defenders fought the Japanese to a standstill for 4 months, upsetting Japan's timetable for Asia's conquest. When the announcement was made about the surrender on 9 April 1942, the 31st Infantry buried its colors and the cherished Shanghai Bowl to keep them out of enemy hands.

The Shanghai Bowl was a very important symbol of the lineage of the 31st Infantry Regiment. The large silver punch bowl and its matching cups were made in 1932 by a Shanghai silversmith, fashioned from approximately 1,600 silver US Trade Dollars that were collected from the officers of the unit.

Some of the 31st's survivors escaped to continue resisting, but most underwent brutal torture and humiliation on the Bataan Death March and nearly four years of captivity. Twenty-nine of the regiment's members earned the Distinguished Service Cross and one was recommended for the Medal of Honor, but the entire chain of command died in captivity before the medal recommendation could be



formally submitted. Roughly half of the 1600 members of the 31st Infantry who surrendered at Bataan perished while prisoners of the Japanese.

The Shanghai Bowl was later recovered due to the efforts of CPT Earl Short (who had buried it) after his release from a POW camp. He returned to Corregidor Island under the orders of Major General Marshall in September 1945 to retrieve the bowl from its hidden location. While he was able to pinpoint the area, others had to continue the excavation until it was located in December 1945. The Bowl and Cups were found a yard and a half from where CPT Short had remembered them to be. And so the trophy and symbol of the 31st Regiment was returned to them.

Charles was one of those who was interned by the Japanese and kept in a POW camp in the Philippines. He died on 24 October 1944, four days after US forces had landed on the islands to liberate them. By this time, he had been promoted to Private First Class and he was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star medals. He is buried at the cemetery at Fort William McKinley in Manila.

HILBERT CAPLAN and JUNIUS MOORE

Hilbert Caplan was born in 1921 in Elizabeth City, North Carolina to a Jewish family. After completing grammar school he went to work in the "Packing, filling, labeling, marking, bottling, and related occupations" in South Norfolk. On 3 March 1941, he was 68 inches tall and weighed 144 pounds when he enlisted as a private in the US Army in Richmond. He was given service number 33040762 and eventually assigned to the 7th Chemical Company (Aviation), USAAF.

Interestingly enough, another local, Junius Moore, was also assigned to the 7th Chem Co in the Philippines. Junius had been born in 1917 in North Carolina and was living in Virginia when he enlisted in the Army on 26 May 1941 and given service number 33043023. He was a high school graduate and working as a "shipping and receiving" clerk when he joined the Army. He was listed as being single and standing an even 6 feet tall and weighing 170 pounds.

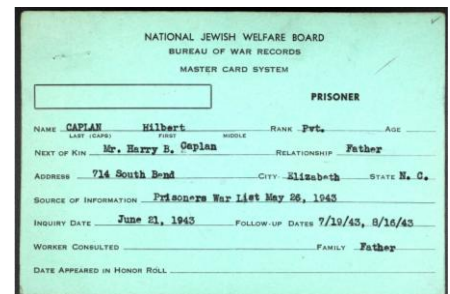
In December 1941, the Chemical Warfare Service (CWS) (an early name for the Army's Chemical Corps) was a small part of the Army. Between 1920 and 1940 there were never more than 800 soldiers in the CWS but their numbers exploded to more than 6,500 by December 1941. Of these, 301 soldiers (divided into two companies) were on the Philippine Islands when the Japanese attacked.

The 7th Chemical Company (Aviation) had personnel from several small detachments located at Clark, Nichols, and Iba Airfields. Their mission was to support the Philippine Far East Air Force with smoke and chemical warfare material. When the Far East Air Force was eliminated as a formidable fighting force, the 7th was left without a mission so they were then joined to the 31st Infantry Regiment and fought as infantrymen on Bataan.

The 7th Chemical Company began the war with 3 officers and 185 Soldiers; of these, 8 were killed in action prior to capture and only 62 returned home at the end of the war. This was true for all chemical soldiers stationed in the Philippines in 1941 - only one out of every three ever returned home.

Hilbert was interred at POW Camp 2-Davao on Mindanao Island where he was joined by another Virginian from South Norfolk, Harry Day.

Davao was a fairly large camp - it held approximately 280 men, women, and children, larger than others though not nearly so well documented in internee diaries or memoirs. One of the few internees from Davao to keep a contemporaneous letter-journal, Frank Carey, wrote that the Davao internees were moved a number of times before settling in a real camp. The prisoners were first housed in the



"Foreigner's Club" (where they were restricted to the library) on December 31, 1941, living an "extremely cramped life." The library room, though screened, was without rugs on the floor and had only four long wicker lounge chairs to use as beds. Most slept on the floor until they were moved, on January 3, 1942, to a private residence. Cary says nothing particularly about this new residence camp, except that it was "just opposite a brothel!" and seemed to be in a line of cabarets, (later identified as the former "Happy Life Blues" dance hall.) The camp itself was filthy and had to be cleaned up; internees had to dig toilets and also prepare a place for cooking.

It was also crawling with vermin of one sort or another, not just with the usual bedbugs inside, but with rats and snakes in the open around the building. After the war, a female internee said, "There was a black cobra in the area, and I just hated to walk outside. I wouldn't go anywhere in the dark for fear I'd stumble across it."

Ultimately, the internees were moved yet again to another place, because, according to Cary, the Japanese officers wanted the private residence to themselves. The internees were taken back to a school compound in town that turned out to be the Davao Central School, Davao City, which housed them between April 1942 - December 1943. The internees were then transferred back to the island of Luzon at Santo Tomás Internment Camp [STIC] and 279 internees arrived there on January 2, 1944.

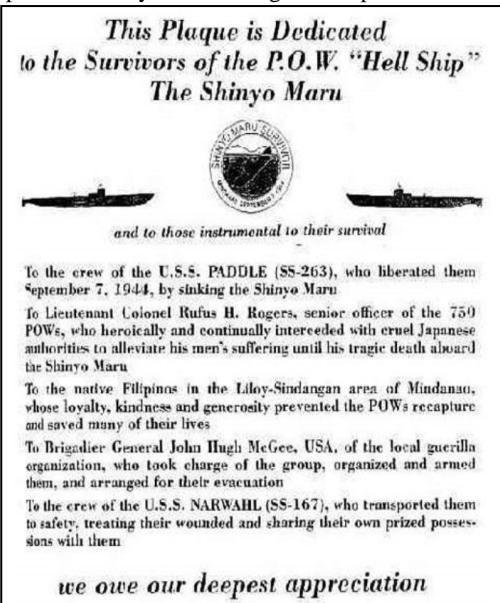
Hilbert's story continues with Harry Day's below while Junius' continues with James Shy's.

HARRY DAY

Harry Day was born in 1921 in Virginia and enlisted in the Army on 2 July 1940. He was noted as being employed as a "sheet metal worker" and also as "single, without dependents". He received service number 13016413 and was initially assigned to the 809th Engineer Company, Aviation (Separate), USAAF in the Philippines.

On 23 October 1941, the 803rd Engineer Battalion arrived and a month later, the 809th was renamed "Company C" of the 803rd.

The 803rd was assigned duties throughout the islands including Luzon and airfields near Manila. The 803rd was the first Aviation Engineer Battalion to engage in combat in WWII. Nine members were recommended for the Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism when they jumped to small caliber machine guns in exposed positions and directed a continuous stream of fire, disregarding their personal safety and downing several planes.



12 Silver Stars were recommended for gallantry, while continuing to repair damaged Clark Field during incessant air attacks using heavy equipment, which, when in operation, made it impossible to hear air raid warnings. As a result they were given no opportunity to take adequate cover after the

attacks actually began. But they stuck to their jobs.

General MacArthur recognized the 803rd's distinct contribution and issued the following commendation for the entire unit: "... In the face of continued bombardment and strafing of flying fields on Luzon, you men continued day and night to carry on important engineer

construction and repair operations ... and in addition assumed the task of guarding and defending your stations. It displays a splendid spirit, established an excellent record and set a high standard of devotion to duty ... As a former Engineer Officer, it gives me special pleasure to commend you, for your splendid work."

The majority of the 803rd was on Bataan when it was surrendered on 9 April. Harry was one of 75,000 prisoners (American and Filipino) taken by the Japanese. They were malnourished, ill, and weary from the final battle of the Bataan Peninsula. They were then forced to march nearly 100 miles without food or water in what became known as the Bataan Death March where beatings were commonplace, and those who could not keep up were bayoneted. The exact number who died is not known. The best estimate of the death toll is between seven and ten thousand, 2,330 of whom were Americans. The Bataan Death March lasted 10 days. Those that survived were placed into disease-ridden concentration camps and endured inhumane treatment, starvation, and death from disease, bayonet, beheadings, or shootings. After the death march Harry spent the next several years in Japanese POW Camp 2, Davao Mindanao, Philippines.



In early September 1944, Harry Day and Hilbert Caplan were marched aboard the Japanese tramp cargo steamer SS *Shinyo Maru*, along with 750 other prisoners, most of them survivors of POW Camp #2-Davao, and almost 300 of whom were survivors of the Bataan Death March. Beginning in the early fall, the Japanese had begun moving their prisoners of war off the islands via "Hell Ships". The US invasion of the Philippines was imminent and the Japanese did not want to relinquish their POWs.

The *Shinyo* was crewed by both merchant sailors and Imperial Army soldiers who manned the ship's machine gun and guarded the prisoners in the holds. The Japanese commander is said to have been extremely ruthless. Expecting an attack by the Allies, he told the prisoners that if the ship were fired on, he would order the guards to begin killing them.

On September 7, the *Shinyo* was sailing for Manila with seven other vessels off the Lanboyan Point on Mindanao island when they were spotted by the USS *Paddle* (SS-263), a submarine. A few days previously, American intelligence had reported the *Shinyo* to be carrying Japanese soldiers, and assigned the *Paddle* to search for it. A spread of four torpedos was then released in the direction of the *Shinyo*, which was the leading ship in the convoy. Two of the torpedoes struck, both in the hold. Just after the *Shinyo* was hit, the guards opened fire on the prisoners with captured Thompson submachine guns, though several of the men fought their way out of the hold, with their fists and improvised weapons, and abandoned ship.

The ships of the convoy then began launching boats to pick up Japanese survivors and kill all of the remaining prisoners. A machine gun mounted on a grounded cargo ship and a second on the *Shinyo* were also opened up on the Allied personnel. Fifteen or 20 prisoners were recaptured and taken aboard one of the torpedo boats, where they were executed by firing squad as for trying to escape.

Of the 750 Allied prisoners of war, 668 were killed including Harry and Hilbert whose bodies were never found. Eighty-three Americans made it to shore and received aid from Filipino guerrillas. The crew of USS *Paddle* was not informed of the deaths of hundreds of Allied POWs until 1946.

Hilbert Caplan's family erected a memorial stone in Gomley Chesed Cemetery in Portsmouth.

Harry and Hilbert were both awarded the Purple Heart.

Both their names are listed on the Tablets of the Missing at the Manila American Cemetery and Memorial in the Philippines.

JAMES SHY

The last of the six was James Shy, born 18 March 1918 in Pike County, Kentucky. James enlisted in the Army on 15 February 1940 with service number 7023384. He was a young widower without any children and had only completed grammar school education. He was assigned to the Quartermaster Corps and sent to the Philippines before December 1941. He was eventually promoted to Corporal before his death.

The Quartermaster Corps is the unsung star within the Army. They provide the soldiers with the "beans, bullets, and band-aids" that are needed to win the fight. James could have been a truck driver, ammunition supply man, cook, bulk fuel operator, telephone wireman, or anything in between.

After the surrender of Bataan on 9 April 1942, James was sent to POW Camp #4 (Camp O'Donnell) near Tarlac, Luzon, Philippines where 2,160 other American POWs were held. James's capture was first reported to the International Committee of the Red Cross on May 7, 1942, and the last report was made on October 24, 1944. Based on these two reports, James was imprisoned for at least 901 days (2 years and ~7 months), one of the longest durations of captivity recorded.

On 11 October 1944, Corporal Shy and Private Junius Moore, along with 1800 other prisoners, primarily from Cabanatuan Prison Camp, were loaded on the *Arisan Maru*, a 6886 ton freighter with no markings or flags indicating that it was carrying Allied prisoners. The American Navy had no way of recognizing it as a prison ship.

The *Arisan Maru* was a rather new freighter and the men were led to the dark, putrid holds, where no air circulated. The holds contained three levels of wooden shelves with about three feet between shelves. They could barely stand or move in the space.

The *Arisan Maru* and other ships evacuated Manila Harbor just ahead of American bombers. When the attack was over, the *Arisan Maru* headed back to Manila, loaded some supplies and took off again with a convoy headed north.

The prisoners were not allowed to leave the ship's hold and received few sips of water a day and a little rice while on board. The heat proved unbearable, and about a third of the men suffered from dysentery and malaria. The stench grew steadily in the confined quarters. The Japanese dispensed no medicine. They did however issue life preservers which served to increase the fear of them. Many men lost their spirit and will to live and had fits. The other men had to hold them down. Those who died were hoisted up through the hatches and tossed overboard. Those who lived sometimes prayed aloud for an American attack.

On October 24, 1944 at about 5:00 pm, the *Arisan* was hit aft amidships with an explosion causing it to split open with the rear section sinking downward into the sea. Naval records indicate that the USS *Shark II* (SS 314) attacked a Japanese freighter in the late afternoon of October 24, 1944. The *Shark* was lost with all 87 hands in that same action and is believed to have torpedoed the *Arisan*.



The Japanese quickly evacuated the ship and were picked up by their destroyer escorts. Before leaving the guards cut the rope ladders into the prisoner holds but these were restored by the prisoners and the survivors later agreed that almost all prisoners were able to get off the ship. Many scavenged whatever food and water they could before leaving the ship. At first, many prisoners swam toward the Japanese destroyers hoping for rescue but they were pushed and beaten away with poles. The men climbed on whatever wreckage they could find to stay afloat for rescue.

There is some question regarding the number of survivors. The documented number is eight or nine depending on whether you include a soldier who succumbed to exposure and poor treatment shortly after being picked up and taken to Formosa. Five men miraculously sailed to China and were taken to Allied forces and returned to the USA in December 1944.

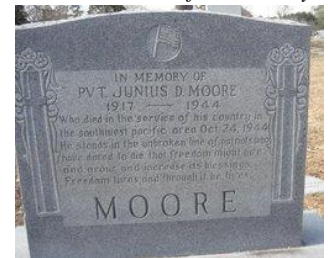
Regardless of the final count, the *Arisan* represents the greatest loss of American life in a single military sinking. Approximately 5000 American men died on hell ships in transit from the Philippines to Japan. The total is over 20,000 men lost when considering all Allied prisoners on Japanese hell ships traveling in the Pacific. If they were not killed by friendly fire in the fog of war by Allied planes and submarines they died in the filthy holds of the freighters carrying them to Japan for forced labor. The ships carried no special markings and the Japanese even switched numbers on the *Arisan* while it lay off Palawan.

The inscription on the Pacific War Memorial on Corregidor provides the best final benediction for the men of the *Arisan*:

*"Sleep, my sons, your duty done,
for Freedom's light has come;
sleep in the silent depths of the sea,
or in your bed of hallowed sod,
until you hear at dawn the low,
clear reveille of God."*

Neither James or Junius' body was ever recovered and both their names are listed on the Tablets of the Missing at the Manila American Cemetery and Memorial in the Philippines.

Junius' family erected a memorial for him in the Oakdale Cemetery, in Washington, North Carolina. The stone is engraved, "*In Memory of Pvt. Junius Moore, 1917-1944, Who died in the service of his country in the southwest pacific area Oct 24, 1944. He stands in the unbroken line of patriots who have dared to die that freedom might live and grow and increase its blessings. Freedom lives and through it, he lives.*"



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WWI History, 100 Years Ago Today...

April 1, 1916 – (Approx) End of German mastery of air on Western front.

April 9, 1916 - Germans attack again at Verdun, now along 20-mile-wide front on both east and west banks of Meuse River. Attack only yields partial gains in face of stiff French resistance.

April 18, 1916 - President Woodrow Wilson threatens to sever diplomatic ties between US and Germany following sinking of passenger ferry *Sussex* in English Channel. Attack marked beginning of new U-Boat campaign around British Isles. But in response to Wilson, Germans call off U-Boats.

April 24, 1916 - Outbreak of Rebellion in Ireland.

April 29, 1916 - In Middle East, five-month siege at Kut-al-Amara in Mesopotamia ends as 13,000 British and Indian soldiers, now on verge of starvation, surrender to Turks. Largest-ever surrender by British Army comes after four failed attempts by British relief troops to break through to surrounded garrison.

May 1, 1916 - Collapse of Irish Rebellion - leaders surrender. 3 executed on 3 May.

May 3, 1916 - At Verdun, Germans begin another attack on west bank of Meuse. This time they gain advantage and within three days capture two French hills they had been striving for since early March, thus achieving solid position northwest of Verdun.

May 15, 1916 - Austrian troops attack Italian mountain positions in Trentino. Italians withdraw southward, forcing Austrians to stretch supply lines over difficult terrain. Arrival of Italian reinforcements and a successful counter-attack then halts Austrian offensive completely.

May 21, 1916 - Germans attack British from Vimy Ridge.

May 25, 1916 - Era of all-volunteer British Army ends as universal conscription takes effect requiring all eligible British men between ages of 19-40 to report, excluding men working in agriculture, mining or railroads.

May 31, 1916 - Main German and British naval fleets clash in **Battle of Jutland** in North Sea, as both sides try, but fail, to score decisive victory. Forward battle cruisers from British Grand Fleet are initially lured southward toward German High Seas Fleet, but then turn completely around, luring entire German fleet northward. As they near, British blast away at German forward ships. Germans return fire and fleets fire furiously at each other. However, Germans, outgunned by larger British fleet, disengage by abruptly turning away and withdraw entirely. British do not pursue and head home. Both sides claim victory. Germans sink 14 of 151 British ships while losing only 11 of 99, British Navy retains its dominance and blockade of Germany will remain intact for war's duration.

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CHAPLAIN'S FOXHOLE



Memorial Day Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father,

As we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy every day, we think of how they have followed in the footsteps of your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please hold our servicemen and women in your strong arms. Cover

them with your sheltering grace and your presence as they stand in the gap for our protection.

We also remember the families of our troops. We ask for your unique blessings to fill their homes, and we pray your peace, provision, and strength will fill their lives.

May the members of our armed forces be supplied with courage to face each day and may they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our love and support.

In the name of Jesus. Amen.

✦ SAFETY CORNER ✦ APRIL IS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

Traveling Long Distances

Are you prepared for a sudden emergency when traveling? Is your car fit for long trips no matter the natural disaster?

You can avoid many dangerous weather problems by planning ahead. Plan long trips carefully, listening to the radio or television for the latest weather forecasts and road conditions. You can also download the FEMA mobile application to receive severe weather alerts for up to five locations across the U.S. Download this App at: www.fema.gov/mobile-app

You can avoid many dangerous weather problems by planning ahead. Plan long trips carefully, listening to the radio or television for the latest weather forecasts and road conditions. If bad weather is forecast, drive only if absolutely necessary.

Check or have a mechanic check the following items on your car:

- Keep your gas tank full - in case evacuation is needed.
- Do not drive through a flooded area - Six inches of water can cause a vehicle to lose control and possibly stall. A foot of water will float many cars.
- Be aware of areas where floodwaters have receded - Roads may have weakened and could collapse under the weight of a car.
- If a power line falls on your car you are at risk of electrical shock, stay inside until a trained person removes the wire.
- Antifreeze levels - ensure they are sufficient to avoid freezing.
- Battery and ignition system - should be in top condition and battery terminals should be clean.
- Brakes - check for wear and fluid levels.
- Exhaust system - check for leaks and crimped pipes and repair or replace as necessary. Carbon monoxide is deadly and usually gives no warning.
- Fuel and air filters - replace and keep water out of the system by using additives and maintaining a full tank of gas. A full tank will keep the fuel line from freezing.
- Lights and flashing hazard lights - check for serviceability.
- Oil - check for level and weight. Heavier oils congeal more at low temperatures and do not lubricate as well.
- Thermostat - ensure it works properly.
- Windshield wiper equipment - repair any problems and maintain proper washer fluid level.

If there is an explosion or other factor that makes it difficult to control the vehicle, pull over, stop the car and set the parking brake.

If the emergency could impact the physical stability of the roadway, avoid overpasses, bridges, power lines, signs and other hazards.

Plus, keep a kit of emergency supplies in your car in case of an emergency. This kit should include:

- Jumper cables, a shovel, blankets or sleeping bags, flashlights and extra batteries
- First aid kit and necessary medications in case you are away from home for a prolonged time
- Food items containing protein such as nuts and energy bars; canned fruit and a portable can opener

- Water for each person and pet in your car
 - AM/FM radio to listen to traffic reports and emergency messages
- Also consider:

- A fully-charged cell phone and phone charger
 - Flares or reflective triangle
 - Baby formula and diapers if you have a small child
- Be prepared for an emergency by keeping your gas tank full and if you find yourself stranded, be safe and stay in your car, put on your flashers, call for help and wait until it arrives.

National Preparedness Day - 30 April 2016

+ SAFETY CORNER **+**
MAY IS HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS MONTH

Hurricane Season

The Atlantic hurricane season runs from June 1st through November 30th.

It only takes one storm to change your life and community.

Tropical cyclones are among nature's most powerful and destructive phenomena. If you live in an area prone to tropical cyclones, you need to be prepared. Even areas well away from the coastline can be threatened by dangerous flooding, destructive winds and tornadoes from these storms. The National Hurricane Center and the Central Pacific Hurricane Center issue watches, warnings, forecasts, and analyses of hazardous tropical weather.

This year's Virginia Hurricane Preparedness Week runs from May 15-21, 2016 and is your time to prepare for a potential land-falling tropical storms or hurricanes. During this week look for our VFW Post 2894 Hurricane Preparedness Safetygrams and posts on VFW Ready Facebook page.

Virginia Hurricane Preparedness Tax Free Holiday runs from May 23-29, 2016. During this seven-day period, purchases of items designated by the Department of Taxation as hurricane preparedness equipment are exempt from the Virginia sales tax. Portable generators priced at \$1,000 or less, gas-powered chainsaws priced at \$350 or less, chainsaw accessories priced at \$60 or less, and other eligible items priced at \$60 or less for each item are exempt from sales tax. Virginia Tax Free Weekend 2016.

Now is the time to conduct your home and business inventory. In the event of severe damage to your house or apartment having a current inventory of your possessions — including their make and model numbers — can help you get your insurance claim settle faster, verify losses for your income tax return and help you purchase the correct amount of insurance. While most people think of their home when discussing an inventory, it is important to document the contents of your business as well.

Review Your Insurance Policy: Flood damage is not covered under standard home insurance policies. Insurance is available from the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and can be purchased from the same agent or broker who provided your home or renters insurance. Additional information on flood insurance can be found at www.floodsmart.gov. Excess flood insurance is also available from some private insurance companies if you need more coverage than the \$250,000 for property and \$100,000 on contents that the NFIP provides.

YOU CAN HELP!

If you are looking to get involved and help the Post improve its work for and with veterans, think about joining one of the recently established committees. Contact one of the members of the committees you're interested in and let them know you'd like to help:

- **Budget Committee:** Chair - Carl Dozier, Chris Mulholland. Looking for additional volunteers.
- **Awards Committee:** Jose Vazquez, Matt Schweers, Mark Junghans, and Chris Mulholland
- **Membership Committee:** John Guill, Mark Rios, Gary Dunbar, and Chris Mulholland
- **Building Committee:** Carl Dozier and Gary Dunbar

FOR MILITARY AND VETERAN FAMILIES IN NEED, THE NATIONAL HOME HELPLINE IS JUST A TOLL-FREE CALL AWAY

The National Home Helpline is the gateway to help for military and veterans' families, providing connections with supportive services and resources in communities all across the nation as well as referrals to our on-campus programs.

And our war heroes can take comfort in knowing that their call will be answered by a caring professional who understands the unique challenges faced by today's military and veterans' families.

The toll-free Helpline is answered Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

1-800-313-4200, help@vfnationalhome.org

QUARTERMASTER DESK

Post 2894 Annual Dues are \$30.00

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 \$45.



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.

Age	One-Time Payment	Installment Payment
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>

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

**MARINE CORPS NIGHT HARBOR
PARK "CODY CHILDERS 3RD
BASE PATIO PARTY"**

GET YOUR GET YOUR TICKETS!!!!

The Tidewater Tides will be celebrating "**Marine Corps**" Night on June 18th at 7:05 pm. Get there early so as not to miss any of the opening festivities.

The *Cody Childers Memorial Fund* has reserved the 3rd Base Patio Party Deck for the first 40 people to sign up – contact Wendy Childers (Childersx5@aol.com) to reserve your tickets. Ticket includes game, hotdogs/hamburgers with fixings and drinks/beer.

They will be posting the price soon on their website at <http://wecaremarines.com>

They also hope to be able to have a few cool raffles that night too.



FROM THE EDITOR

If you are interested in submitting articles, photos, updates on events, for inclusion in the newsletter, please send them to me at:

505 Piping Rock Drive, Chesapeake, VA 23322

757-482-4981 or majmule@verizon.net

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 will be via e-mail.

Semper fidelis, - *Chris Mulholland*

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5TH ANNUAL **BATAAN DEATH MARCH MEMORIAL WALK**

Sponsored by the SSG Jonathan Killian Dozier Memorial VFW Post 2894



APRIL 23RD, 2016 | DISMAL SWAMP TRAIL, CHESAPEAKE

Take part in a walking event commemorating the 74TH Anniversary of the Bataan Death March of World War II. Honor the 90,000 US and Filipino Servicemen who suffered and endured one of the most harrowing events in history.

The March is free & open to all. Families are invited. Active duty military may come as a unit.

THREE WALK EVENTS:

16.6 mile walk | starts @ 0700 - walk to the NC border and back (last check-in @ 0645)

5 mile walk | starts @ 1000 (last check-in @ 0945)

1 mile family walk | starts @ 1100 (last check-in @ 1045)

Closing remarks honoring the veterans | 1200

The Dismal Swamp Trail is located at 1113 George Washington Highway, Chesapeake, Virginia 23323.

There will be an opportunity to donate to VFW Post 2894 for food and T-shirts after the event.

Register online at Facebook at Chesapeake Bataan Death March or walk.chesapeake@gmail.com.



Become a Medal Sponsor of the Chesapeake Bataan Death March

Contact us at walk.chesapeake@gmail.com or via Facebook @ Bataan Death March. We also have a PayPal account or you can send checks payable to VFW Post 2894 – Bataan Death March, 1007 Cuervo Court, Chesapeake, VA 23322



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VFW SSG DOZIER MEMORIAL POST 2894

MISSION

To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military, and our communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans.

VISION

Ensure that veterans are respected for their service, always receive their earned entitlements, and are recognized for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country.

CORE VALUES

Always put the interests of our members first
Promote patriotism
Ensure the care of veterans and their families
Promote a positive image of the VFW

Treat donors as partners in our cause
Honor military service
Serve our communities
Respect the diversity of veteran opinions



VFW Riders Spring POKER RUN

Register Early!

Price: \$50

Includes: Registration for one rider,
one passenger and one
Sturgis raffle ticket.

Contact: Sean Connally
vfwpokerrun@gmail.com



**SATURDAY
APRIL 9TH 2016**

START VFW POST 392

2408 Bowland Parkway, Virginia Beach, Virginia

9:00 am - 10:30 am: Registration
\$10 Rider / \$5 Passenger

9:00 am: Breakfast Buffet \$6

10:00 am: First Bike out

10:30 am: Last Bike out

END AT VFW POST 4809

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All proceeds go to 2016 Vander Clute, Jr Memorial ride at VFW Nation Convention.

100% of proceeds benefit Veterans and their Families.

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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

BASS PRO RAFFLE



Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Virginia and Bass Pro Shops of Hampton Roads proudly announce a fifty (50) prize raffle with the winners being determined at the VFW State Convention in Williamsburg on June 18, 2016. The value of the 50 prizes is approximately \$20,000. As a winning ticket is drawn it will be placed back in the drum to have a chance at the remaining prizes. Tickets are \$5.00 each and available from your Post Commander or State Headquarters. All proceeds will be used to support Veterans Programs and Activities.

1. HENRY GOLDEN BOY .22 CAL
2. YETI ROADIE
3. SAVAGE 16 .243 CAL
4. QUANTUM BAITCASTER OUTFIT
5. THUNDER HAWK XBO
6. OA OCEANMASTER REEL W/B
7. RUGER 10/22 .22 CAL
8. FRONTIER REVOLVER .45 CAL LC
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19. PARKER ENFORCER C'BOW
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29. BASS PRO CAMP KITCHEN
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38. BROWNING ROD STORAGE
39. YETI 125
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- Social Work

(Please bring your military ID card or a copy of your DD Form 214).

Note: Breakfast and lunch provided. Every veteran will receive a free 'Thank You' goody bag at the end of the visit!

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POST 2894 CALENDAR

<u>APRIL</u>	
1	April Fool's Day
6	Army Day
9	VFW Riders' Poker Run – 1130, Post 4809
13	Post Meeting, 1900 – Officer Elections
18	Income Tax Day
21-24	Virginia International Tattoo
23	Bataan Death March Memorial Walk – Dismal Swamp Park
30	Montero Health Fair for Veterans

<u>MAY</u>	
1	Loyalty Day
6	Military Spouses Day
8	Mother's Day / VE Day
11	Post Awards Ceremony, 1900 (7 pm)
15	Peace Officers' Memorial Day
21	Armed Forces Day (Poppy Drive?)
27-29	Buddy Poppy Drive, Grassfield Walmart
30	Memorial Day Ceremony, City Hall, 1100



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