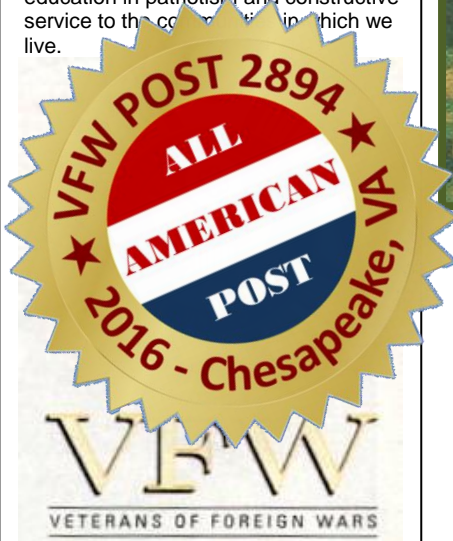


VFW OBJECTIVES:

- 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 community in which we live.



POST 2894

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2nd Wednesday of month – 7:00 pm
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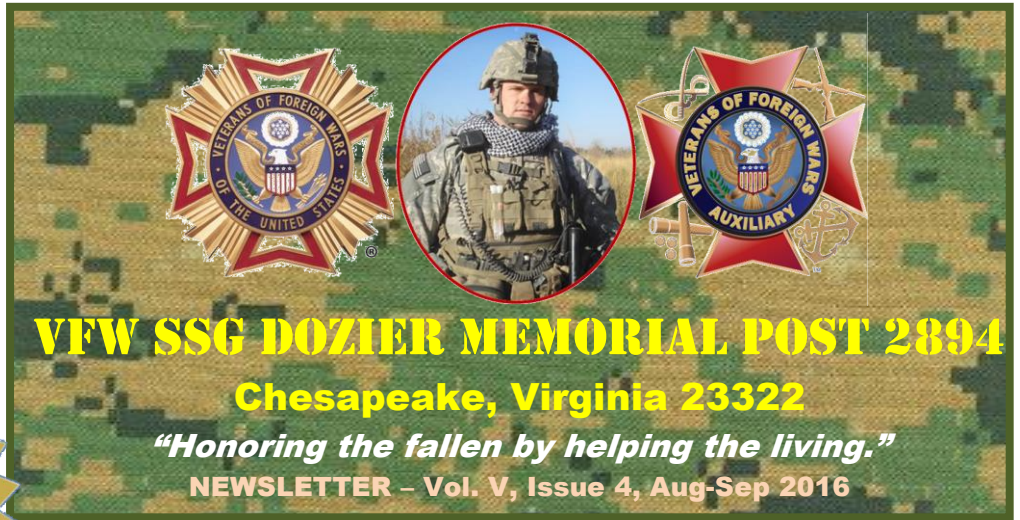
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POST 2894: "THE LITTLE POST THAT DID!"

Post 2894 started the 2014-'15 fraternal year with only 69 members and no post home. Two years later – although still no home – we've accomplished more than many larger posts could imagine by winning **five National Awards:**

- We were recognized as an **All-American Post** in 2016, finishing in the top 2% of the 7500 world wide posts.
- Our bi-monthly newsletter received the **2016 National Grand Award** for large frequency District/Post Publications.
- We received the **2016 National Outstanding Community Service Post Award**.
- Our 2015 nominee for Teacher of the Year, **Craig Blackman** of Indian River High School in Chesapeake, won the **VFW's National High School Teacher of the Year Award**.
- This year, **Kimberly Hammers** of Grassfield High School finished as **National's Third Runner-Up**

for High School Teacher of the Year.

In addition to the National awards, we have also achieved a number of others:

- In 2016, the Post was declared an **All-State Post** and, for the second year in a row, our **Community Service Book won 3rd place** at the State level.
- Our 2015 nominee for **Law Enforcement Officer of the Year**, Officer Selena Beaver of the Chesapeake Police Department, won the Department of Virginia award and an honorable mention from National.
- We won the **State High School Teacher of the Year twice in a row** (2015 & 2016).
- Our Post Service Officer, Comrade Gary Dunbar, received the Department's award as the **top Service Officer in Virginia** for 2015.





- Our 2016 **Voice of Democracy** nominee, Caitlin Head, won District 2 and placed 3rd in the State
- We worked with the Chesapeake City Council and the National Garden Clubs to successfully designate a section of Route 17 as a **“Blue Star Highway.”**

During the past 2 years, we recruited four local legends:

- **Mickey Casady**, at 98, the oldest living plankholder of the USS Iowa who was searching for submarines in the Caribbean when Pearl Harbor was bombed and who served in both the European and Pacific theaters – he was in Tokyo Bay when the final surrender was signed.
- **Sisneros “Sos” Tony Rivera**, 96, who was a Filipino Scout on Corregidor and survived the Bataan Death March of 1942, although his brother did not.
- **Eddie Vincek**, 93, who joined the Marine Corps in 1942 and landed on Iwo Jima in the third wave on D-Day.
- **Jason Redman**, 42, a retired SEAL and author of *“The Trident: The Forging and Reforging of a Navy SEAL Leader”*. Jason was seriously wounded in Iraq in 2007 and, during his recovery in Bethesda Naval hospital, posted a now-famous, hand-lettered orange sign outside of his door directing all visitors who felt pity to go elsewhere. Jason is the founder of the charity Wounded Wear which aids the wounded and recovering.

We are now up to 80 members who actively participate in events in Chesapeake and around Hampton Roads. And we are closing in on the acquisition of a post home.

Thanks to all of you for helping with our successes!!!

COMMANDER’S CORNER

WOW! WHAT A YEAR WE’VE HAD!!! Along with our Teacher of the Year’s 4th place at National, our newsletter’s National Grand Award, and our All-State Honors, we have now been recognized as a National Outstanding Community Service Post and an ALL AMERICAN POST!!!



The latest issue of VFW National’s newsletter, the Checkpoint, had a nice article about our Post newsletter award.

Comrade Surgeon José Vazquez attended the VFW’s 117th National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina as our

representative and accepted our awards for Outstanding Community Service Post and All-American Post.

I want to thank all those who came out to participate in our “coming out” parade...the 4th of July South Norfolk Parade which, although wet, was a lot of fun. I especially want to recognize the Mestre family, Eulalio and Alicia and their children who came out in full force!

We’ve got a busy fraternal year scheduled through June 2017. Please consider donating a couple of hours of your time in one of our events. **We keep our Facebook page current with upcoming events so check us out!**

For the first time, the city of Chesapeake will be honoring POW/MIA day on Friday, Sep 16th. The Post will set up a POW/MIA display in the foyer of City Hall during the week of 12-16 Sep and then we will conduct the ceremony on that Friday at 11 am. Please come out to remember those lost and missing from Chesapeake.

I want to thank each and every one of you for what you’ve done and continue to do in support of our veterans, their widows, and their families.

We will be going to the Tidewater Tides’ baseball game on 13 August. **Check our Facebook page for more details on this and a lot more!**

I hope you and your families are having a safe and happy summer.

Semper Fidelis,
Chris Mulholland, Commander

PRESIDENT’S CORNER

Hello Everyone, I hope everyone has had a great summer. The Department Convention was held in June and Shema Peppers was installed as Department President. Shema’s Theme for this year is “Thank a Veteran”. We have a District 2 Meeting on Saturday, August 13, 2016 in VA Bch. This is also a School of Instruction. We will learn about changes that were made to the Ritual and what the requirements are for 2016-2017. Saturday will be a busy day as we are also going to the Tides Baseball game. Members are to meet at 6:00 p.m. for a brief meeting before going in to the park.



I know it is early; however, this year is an election year and we must all be sure to get out and vote. If we know of anyone that needs a ride, let’s be sure they get a ride.

I am looking forward to this year and working with the Comrades for the VETS.

Thanks,
Sandy Dunbar, President

COMRADE JASON REDMAN IS GRAND MARSHALL AT NASCAR'S BRICKYARD 400



Kyle Busch and Retired Navy SEAL and Crown Royal "Your Hero's Name Here" winner, Jason Redman and his wife, Erica after the Combat Wounded Coalition 400 presented by Crown Royal at the Brickyard at Indianapolis Motorspeedway on July 23, 2016 in Indianapolis, Indiana. (Photo: Tasos Katopodis, Getty Images)

During the spring and early summer of 2016, NASCAR ran a national contest for the naming of the Brickyard Crown Royal 400 race in Indianapolis. Incredibly, our own Jay Redman's *Wounded Wear Coalition* was selected as the winner!

Jay and his wife, Erica, were invited to Indianapolis over the weekend of 22-24 July to participate in a number of events before Jay assumed the role of Grand Marshall for the race on that Sunday.

The city of Indianapolis declared Friday, 22 July, as Jason Redman Day and asked him to help dye the water in the City Fountain purple in honor of Crown Royal. Jay then attended the Kid Rock concert where he then addressed and was cheered by the crowd.



Crown Royal's "Your Hero's Name Here" winner, Retired Navy SEAL Jason Redman, center right, is honored by Indianapolis Mayor Joe Hogsett, center left, and Indianapolis Motor Speedway President Doug Boles, left, and Crown Royal Brand Director Jim Ruane. (AJ Mast /AP Images for Crown Royal)

The Redmans then attended the driver's pre-race meeting where they got to meet and shake hands with all the great names in current NASCAR racing.

Finally, on the big day, Jay rode in the Pace Car as it led the pack before the race began. After the race, which was won by Kyle Busch, Jay and Kyle

kneeled at the finish line and kissed the historic bricks.



All in all, Jay and Erica had a great and memorable adventure!

4th OF JULY PARADE SOUTH NORFOLK

Post 2894 participated in our first parade in Chesapeake on 4 July. It was our "coming out" event! The South Norfolk parade is a typical small-town USA parade that is a lot of fun for both the spectators and the participants. Although the skies opened up and rain poured down just as the parade began, everyone took it in good stride and enjoyed the "cooling off" that the rain brought. José Vazquez drove a 1953 jeep as part of our contingent which brought lots of admiring looks and comments.



We handed out Buddy Poppies, exchanged handshakes and high fives, and had a great time! Consider joining us next year and bring your families!



2016 VFW NATIONAL CONVENTION

Post Surgeon José Vazquez attended the 117th VFW National in Charlotte, North Carolina courtesy of the National Headquarters. Post 2894 was invited to send a representative to be honored as an All-American Post and as a National Outstanding Community Service Post.

José was able to attend the opening session and listen to a number of presentations by various national figures.



José Vazquez, bottom right of front row, with other All-American post representatives from the Eastern Conference.

SEPTEMBER 11th MARKS 15th ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11

2016 marks the 15th anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks. WE MUST NEVER FORGET what happened that day when terrorists tried to strike at the heart of America.



The attacks resulted in the deaths of 2,996 people and the injuries of more than 6,000 others. The death toll included 265 on the four planes (from which there were no survivors), 2,606 in the World Trade Center and in the surrounding area, and 125 at the Pentagon. Nearly all of those who perished were civilians with the exceptions of 343 firefighters, 72 law enforcement officers, 55 military personnel, and the 19 terrorists who died in the attacks. After New York, New Jersey lost the most state

citizens, with the city of Hoboken having the most citizens that died in the attacks. More than 90 countries lost citizens in the September 11 attacks. The attacks of September 11, 2001, marked it the worst terrorist attack in world history and the deadliest foreign attack on American soil since the Japanese surprise attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941

In Arlington County, Virginia, 125 Pentagon workers lost their lives when Flight 77 crashed into the western side of the building. Of these, 70 were civilians and 55 were military personnel, many of them who worked for the United States Army or the United States Navy – including a Chesapeake, Yeoman Third Class Melisa Rose Barnes. Melissa is buried in Riverside National Cemetery, California.

From a 17 Sept 2001 article in the LA Times by Elizabeth Shogren and Warren Vieth:

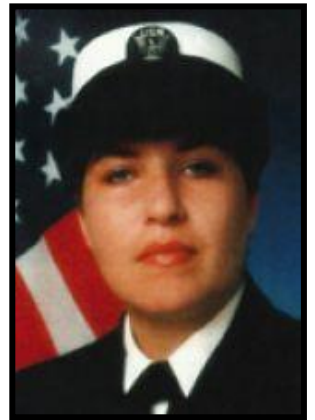
'Melissa Rose Barnes, 27, was preparing to leave the Pentagon to move back to California. She had worked at the Navy's headquarters for two years after holding several assignments since 1992, when she enlisted from Redlands, California. Her mother, who is divorced from her father, still lives in California. She also has a brother.

'Promoted to yeoman third class in June 2000, Barnes held an administrative job in telecommunications at the Pentagon and reported to the Chief of Naval Operations, according to a Navy spokesman. She stayed in touch with her former husband, Petty Officer 1st Class Chris Barnes of Chesapeake, Virginia. They separated in 1998 after four years of marriage. He kept one of their dogs, Sasha, and she kept the other, Honey.

'Barnes began her naval service as a corpsman – a medical aide – at the naval hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia, and later received communications training in Mississippi. In 1997, she left the Navy but returned nine months later. "She missed the military," Chris Barnes said. "She wanted to try something else, but she came back into it."

The Army lost 47 civilian employees, six civilian contractors, and 22 soldiers, while the Navy lost six civilian employees, three civilian contractors, and 33 sailors. Seven Defense Intelligence Agency civilian employees were also among the dead in the attack, as well as a contractor with the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Lieutenant General Timothy Maude, an Army Deputy Chief of Staff, was the highest-ranking military official killed at the Pentagon.

In New York City, more than 90% of the workers and visitors who died in the towers had been at or above the points of impact. In the North Tower, 1,355 people at or above the point of impact were trapped and died of smoke inhalation, fell or jumped from the tower to escape the smoke and flames, or were killed in the building's eventual collapse. The destruction of all three staircases in the tower when Flight 11 hit made it impossible for anyone above the impact zone to escape. 107 people below the point of impact died as well.



At least 200 people fell or jumped to their deaths from the burning towers (as exemplified in the photograph *The Falling Man*), landing on the streets and rooftops of adjacent buildings hundreds of feet below.

A total of 411 emergency workers died as they tried to rescue people and fight fires. The New York City Fire Department (FDNY) lost 343 firefighters, including a chaplain and two paramedics. The New York City Police Department (NYPD) lost 23 officers. The Port Authority Police Department (PAPD) lost 37 officers. Eight emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and paramedics from private emergency medical services units were killed.



NATIONAL POW-MIA RECOGNITION DAY, SEPT 16th, 2016

On Friday, 16 September, at 11:00 am, VFW Post 2894 will conduct a remembrance ceremony at City Hall to honor those citizens of Norfolk County, South Norfolk, and Chesapeake who died as POWs or are still unaccounted for as a result of enemy actions. A proclamation from the Mayor will be read, the significance of the POW/MIA table will be described, and the names of the missing or dead will be read out loud.

Please come to remember that freedom is not free and that we must never forget those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

By an Act of Congress, Section 1082 of the 1998 Defense Authorization Act, National POW/MIA Recognition Day is observed on the third Friday of every September. It honors those who were prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action, as well as seeking the return of the remains of fallen soldiers.

The President of the United States, Governor of Virginia, and the Mayor of Chesapeake will issue proclamations to commemorate the observance of and remind the nation of those Americans – and citizens of Chesapeake – who sacrificed so much for their country. The country also honors the courage

of their families and friends, who live with the uncertainty of not knowing the fate of their missing.

This observance is one of six days throughout the year that Congress has mandated the flying of the POW/MIA flag. The others are Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day and Veterans Day. The POW/MIA flag was first recognized by Public Law 101-355 in 1990.

More than a half million Americans have been captured and interned as prisoners of war (POW) since the American Revolution. Those numbers include more than 142,000 Americans captured and interned as POWs since World War I, and nearly 100 women.

Many came home, but many more remain missing in action (MIA).

Chesapeake counts thirty-seven American military personnel who are still MIA: twenty-five from World War II, seven from the Spanish American War, two from the Civil War, and one each from the Revolutionary War, World War I, and the War in Vietnam.

A display will be set up in the lobby of Chesapeake City Hall by Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Staff Sergeant Dozier Memorial Post 2894 during the week of 12-16 September to honor POW/MIA Recognition Day.

The tradition of setting a table in honor of our prisoners of war and missing comrades has been in place since the end of the Vietnam War. The table is decorated with special symbols to help remember those who were captured and held as prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action.

LIST OF POWs/MIAs FROM CHESAPEAKE (Norfolk County, South Norfolk)

Revolutionary War: 1 MIA

- Captain John Bayne, US Navy (after 1777, lost at sea)

Civil War: 2 died as POWs

- Private Charles James Bunnell, CSA (1864, Elmira Prison Camp, New York)
- Sergeant George W. Tart, CSA (1865, Point Lookout Prison Camp, Maryland)

Spanish-American War: 6 MIA in USS Maine explosion, 15 Feb 1898, Havana Harbor

- First Class Bosun Mate James Pillans Aitken, US Navy
- Landsman Charles Anderson, US Navy
- Mess Attendant Robert Perry, US Navy
- Mess Attendant James Pinkney, US Navy
- Chief Machinist William Rushworth, US Navy
- Coal Passer Alfred Simmons, US Navy

WWI: 1 MIA

- Coxswain Norman Albert Hempel, US Navy (1918, lost at sea in Atlantic)

WWII: 25 MIAs (6 of whom died as POWs)

- Corporal James B. Beasley, US Army (1942, POW, Bataan, Philippines)
- Corporal Denver Leland Blake, US Army Air Force (1945, over Formosa)



- Sergeant Edward F. Boss, US Army Air Force (1944, over Germany)
- Seaman 2nd Class Charles James Brown, US Navy (1943, lost at sea off Nova Scotia)
- Private Hilbert B. Caplan, US Army Air Force (1944, POW, Bataan, sunk on *Shinyō Maru* in South Pacific)
- Mess Attendant 1st Class Robert Carpenter, US Navy (1941, USS ARIZONA)
- Private Elmo Cromwell, US Army Air Force (1943, ship sunk in South Pacific)
- Private Harry Day, Jr., US Army Air Force (1944, POW, Bataan, sunk on *Shinyō Maru* in South Pacific)
- Flight Officer James Edward Dozier, US Army Air Force (1944, over Priegnitz, Germany)
- Technical Sergeant James A. Gaston, US Army (1944, "overseas")
- Private First Class William Glassman, US Army (1945, ship sunk off Okinawa)
- Private First Class George L. Hassell, US Army Air Force (1945, "overseas")
- Private Richard Jaquelin Marshall, Jr., US Army Air Force (1943, ship sunk off Greenland)
- Seaman 2nd Class James Edward Merrell, Jr., US Navy (1944, lost in South Pacific)
- Private Junious D. Moore, US Army Air Force (1944, POW, Bataan, lost at sea in South Pacific)
- Private First Class Charles F. Mott, Jr., US Army (1944, POW, Bataan, Philippines)
- Second Lieutenant Bonnie R. Puryear, US Army Air Force (1944, over Bavaria)
- Private Emmett J. Rivers, US Army (1945, on Ledo Road between India and China)
- Sergeant Robert C. Ruggieri, US Army Air Force (1945, plane crash off Tinian Island)
- Sergeant Luther E. Salter, US Army Air Force (1944, over Leipzig, Germany)
- Corporal James R. Shy, US Army (1944, POW, Bataan, sunk on *Arisan Maru* in South Pacific)
- Private First Class Jerome Speller, Jr., US Army (1943, ship sunk in South Pacific)
- Corporal Harry Edward Wainwright, US Army Air Force (1945, plane crash in Pacific)
- Private First Class Wilfred F. Ward, US Army Air Force (1943, ship sunk in South Pacific)
- Mess Attendant Isaiah S. Williams, US Navy ('44 or '45)
- Technical Sergeant Robert J. Yates, Jr., US Army Air Force (1945, over English Channel)

Vietnam War: 1 MIA

- Private Dewey Allen Midgett, US Army (1967, Binh Dinh).

WWI History, 100 Years Ago Today...

August 27, 1916 - Romania declares war on Central Powers and invades Austria-Hungary through Carpathian Mountains. Romanians face little opposition and advance 50 miles into Transylvania.

August 28, 1916 - Kaiser Wilhelm appoints Field Marshal Paul von Hindenburg as Germany's new Chief of General Staff, replacing Erich Falkenhayn following disappointment at Verdun and setbacks on Eastern Front.

August 28, 1916 - Italy declares war on Germany, thus expanding scope of its military activities beyond Italian-Austrian Front.

August 29, 1916 - Germany's entire economy placed under Hindenburg Plan allowing military dictatorial-style powers to control labor force, munitions production, food distribution and most aspects of daily life.

August 31, 1916 - French declare end of Battle of Verdun (started Feb. 21).

September 1, 1916 - Romania invaded by newly formed Danube Army, consisting of Germans, Turks and Bulgarians under German General August von Mackensen. Marks start of multi-pronged invasion of Romania in response to its aggression against Austria-Hungary.

September 15, 1916 - First-ever appearance of tanks on battlefield as British troops renew Somme offensive and attack German positions along 5-mile front, advancing 2,000 yards. British-developed tanks feature 2 small side-cannons and 4 machine-guns, operated by 8-man crew. As infantry advances, tanks provide support by blasting and rolling over German barbed wire, piercing frontline defense, and then rolling along trench, raking German soldiers with machine-gun fire.

September 20, 1916 - On Eastern Front, Brusilov Offensive grinds to a halt. Since launch in early June, 4 Russian armies under General Alexei Brusilov had swept eastward up to 60 miles deep along 300-mile front while capturing 350,000 Austro-Hungarian troops. By end of summer, Germans brought in 24 divisions from Western Front and placed surviving Austro-Hungarian troops under German command. Russian attack withered after loss of nearly million men amid insufficient reserves. Humiliating withdrawal from hard-won areas wrecks Russian troop morale, fueling political and social unrest in Russia.

September 25, 1916 - British and French troops renew attacks in Somme, capturing several villages north of Somme River, including Thiepval, where British successfully use tanks again. Following success, however, heavy rain turns entire battlefield to mud, preventing effective maneuvers.

[www.historyplace.com/worldhistory/firstworldwar/index-1916.html]

[www.greatwar.co.uk/timeline/ww1-events-1916.htm]

✚ SAFETY CORNER ✚ AUGUST IS ABOUT STAYING INDOORS!

VFW Ready (Safety & Preparedness)

During Disasters Sometimes it's best to stay inside.

Whether at home, work, school, or elsewhere, there may be situations when remaining where you are inside a sturdy building and taking additional actions for the specific hazard is the safe thing to do to protect yourself and your loved ones from harm. The following are examples of indoor shelter for weather specific emergencies:

- **Extreme Heat:** Stay indoors with air conditioning and limit sun exposure. If you do not have air conditioning, go to a building that does.
- **Flood:** Stay on high ground or get to high ground. If you are advised to evacuate, follow directions. And never walk or drive through floodwaters.
- **Thunderstorm, Lightning, and Hail:** When thunder roars, go indoors! Get or stay inside a sturdy building if you hear thunder or see lightning. Stay away from windows, skylights, and plumbing.
- **Wind (Tornado or Hurricane):** Seek cover in a FEMA Safe Room, ICC 500 Storm Shelter, or Best Available Refuge Area (BARA) identified by a qualified architect or engineer. If that is not available, go to a small, interior,

windowless room (e.g., bathroom, closet) in a sturdy building on the lowest level of the building not affected by floodwaters.

- If you have a generator to use in the event of a power outage, be sure it's located outside the home and far enough away to prevent exhaust fumes from entering the building.

Extreme Heat:

To help Americans stay safe during extreme heat, VFW Post 2894 urges all comrades to consider taking the following actions in affected areas:

- Postpone outdoor games and activities and limit exposure to the sun.
- Drink plenty of water and avoid caffeine; limit alcoholic beverage intake.
- Dress in loose-fitting, lightweight and light-colored clothing.
- Spend the warmest part of the day in temperature-controlled buildings such as libraries, schools, movie theaters, shopping malls, or community facilities.
- Check on family, friends, and neighbors who do not have air conditioning and who spend much of their time alone.

+ SAFETY CORNER +
SEPTEMBER IS ZIKA AWARENESS

Zika Virus Information
What we know

- Zika is spread mostly by the bite of an infected Aedes species mosquito (Ae. aegypti and Ae. albopictus). These mosquitoes are aggressive daytime biters. They can also bite at night.
- Zika can be passed from a pregnant woman to her fetus. Infection during pregnancy can cause certain birth defects.
- There is no vaccine or medicine for Zika.



Zika can be transmitted through

- Mosquito bites (www.cdc.gov/zika/transmission/index.html)
- From a pregnant woman (www.cdc.gov/zika/transmission/index.html) to her fetus
- Sex (www.cdc.gov/zika/transmission/sexual-transmission.html)
- Blood transfusion (www.cdc.gov/zika/transmission/blood-transfusion.html) (very likely but not confirmed)

Symptoms:

Many people infected with Zika virus won't have symptoms or will only have mild symptoms. The most common symptoms of Zika are:

- Fever and rashes
- Joint pain
- Conjunctivitis (red eyes)

Other symptoms include muscle pain and headaches.

Symptoms can last for several days to a week. People usually don't get sick enough to go to the hospital, and they very rarely die of Zika. Once a person has been infected with Zika, they are likely to be protected from future infections

Why Zika is risky for some people

Zika infection during pregnancy can cause a birth defect of the brain called [microcephaly](http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/microcephaly.html) (www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/microcephaly.html) and other severe fetal brain defects. Other problems have been detected among fetuses and infants infected with Zika virus before birth, such as defects of the eye, hearing deficits, and impaired growth. There have also been increased reports [Guillain-Barré syndrome](http://www.cdc.gov/zika/about/gbs-qa.html) (www.cdc.gov/zika/about/gbs-qa.html), an uncommon sickness of the nervous system, in areas affected by Zika.

How to prevent Zika

There is no vaccine to prevent Zika. The best way to prevent diseases spread by mosquitoes is to protect yourself and your family from mosquito bites. Here's how:

Clothing

- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants.
- Treat your clothing and gear with permethrin or buy pre-treated items.

Insect repellent

- Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents with one of the following active ingredients: DEET, picaridin, IR3535, or oil of lemon eucalyptus or para-menthane-diol. Always follow the product label instructions.
- When used as directed, these insect repellents are proven safe and effective even for pregnant and breastfeeding women.
- Do not use insect repellents on babies younger than 2 months old.
- Do not use products containing oil of lemon eucalyptus or para-menthane-diol on children younger than 3 years old. Learn more about Zika on line by visiting CDC's Zika Links at <http://www.cdc.gov/zika/index.html>

CHAPLAIN'S FOXHOLE

"Live in such a way that you would not be ashamed to sell your parrot to the town gossip." Will Rodgers

"Man Overboard"

One day Hudson Taylor was traveling on a Chinese junk from Shanghai to Ningpo. He had been witnessing to a man named Peter who rejected the gospel but was under deep conviction. In the course of events, Peter fell overboard, but no one made any effort to save him. Taylor sprang to the mast, let down the sail, and jumped overboard in hopes of finding his friend. But no one on board joined Taylor in his frantic search. Taylor saw a fishing boat nearby and yelled to them to help, but they wouldn't do it without money. Finally, after bartering for every penny that Taylor had, the fishermen stopped their fishing and began to look for Peter. In less than a minute of dragging their net, they found him, but it was too late. They were too busy fishing to care about saving a drowning man.



We can easily condemn the selfish indifference of those fishermen, but by indicting them, we may condemn ourselves. Are we too busy with our jobs and other activities to take the time to rescue those who are perishing without Christ?

(From a sermon by Gerald Flury, Why Are You Standing Around? 8/16/2012).

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:** José Vazquez, Mark Rios, Mike Kust, Chris Mulholland, Carl Dozier.
- **Awards Committee:** Gary Dunbar, Mark Rios, José Vazquez, Matt Schweers, Mark Junghans, and Chris Mulholland
- **Membership Committee:** José Vazquez, John Guill, Mark Rios, Gary Dunbar, and Chris Mulholland
- **Building Committee:** Carl Dozier and Gary Dunbar

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.

**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

AUGUST MILITARY HISTORY

- 1 US Air Force Day
 - 1781 Cornwallis' British army occupies Yorktown, Virginia
 - 1794 Whiskey Rebellion begins
 - 1944 George S. Patton's Third Army begins 281 days of operations
 - 1944 Marines crush Japanese resistance on Tinian
 - 1946 Office of Naval Research is established
 - 1946 Battle of Athens, Ga.: WW II veterans take up arms to prevent corrupt political machine from rigging local election
- 2 1776 Royal Navy lands 32,000 British & Hessians on Staten Island
 - 1819 First parachute jump in US, from a balloon
 - 1887 Rowell Hodge receives patent for barbed wire
 - 1950 1st Marine Provisional Brigade lands at Pusan, Korea
 - 1964 Gulf of Tonkin: North Vietnamese patrol boats attack USS Maddox
 - 1990 Iraq invades & occupies Kuwait - onset of Desert Shield/Desert Storm
- 3 1492 Columbus sails from Palos on most momentous voyage in history
 - 1804 USN squadron bombards Tripoli
 - 1861 First manned balloon ascent from ship, USS 'Fanny', Hampton Roads
 - 1861 US Navy authorizes three ironclads: 'Monitor', 'Galena', & 'New Ironsides'
 - 1958 "Nautilus 90 North", US submarine 'Nautilus' (SS 571) passes under North Pole
 - 1990 US announces commitment of naval forces to Persian Gulf
- 4 1790 Revenue Cutter Service formed, origins of US Coast Guard
 - 1914 German forces march into Belgium starting WWI
 - 2005 USS 'New York' (LPD-21) receives her bow section, with 24 tons of steel from World Trade Center, during construction in Louisiana
- 5 1305 Scots hero William Wallace is betrayed to English
 - 1620 'Mayflower' & Speedwell' sail from Plymouth for Virginia
 - 1864 Battle of Mobile Bay: Farragut "damns" the torpedoes
 - 1884 Work begins at Ft. Wood, in New York harbor, for erection of Statue of Liberty
 - 1898 US and Spanish troops skirmish outside Manila
 - 1898 US landing party goes ashore at Cape San Juan, Puerto Rico
 - 1921 Yangtze River Patrol Force established within US Asiatic Fleet
 - 1964 US begins bombing North Vietnam
- 6 1780 Battle of Hanging Rock: Tarleton's dragoons annihilate an American column - Andrew Jackson (13) becomes a POW
 - 1945 A-Bomb destroys Hiroshima, over 75,000 die
 - 2002 Marquis de La Fayette, already an honorary citizen of

- several states, is made an honorary US citizen
- 7** -480 BC - Thermopylae [Alt]
- 1782 George Washington creates Badge of Military Merit - the Purple Heart
- 1789 US War Department established
- 1942 Guadalcanal: 1st Marine Div lands against light resistance
- 1990 Operation Desert Shield: First American troops reach Saudi Arabia
- 1964 Vietnam War starts
- 8** 1814 Anglo-American Peace negotiations begin in Ghent, Belgium
- 1942 Guadalcanal: Marines capture unfinished airstrip
- 1945 Harry S Truman signs UN Charter
- 1988 Russians begin pulling out of Afghanistan after 9 year war
- 1990 Iraq annexes Kuwait
- 9** 1945 Second Atomic Bomb is dropped on Nagasaki, c. 30,000 die
- 1985 Former naval officer Arthur J. Walker convicted of spying for USSR
- 10** 1918 Alvin York captures "the whole damned German Army"
- 1921 Congress forms US Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics
- 1949 Congress creates Department of Defense
- 11** 1909 First use of "SOS"; SS 'Arapahoe', off Cape Hatteras
- 2003 NATO assumes command of 5,000 peacekeepers in Afghanistan
- 12** 1645 Massachusetts Council orders 1/3 of men in each militia company to "be ready on half an hour's warning for any service" - the first "Minute Men"
- 1805 Lewis & Clark cross Continental Divide
- 1942 Guadalcanal: First US airplane reaches Henderson Field
- 1959 First firing of Polaris missile from ship, 'Observation Island'
- 1972 Last American ground troops leave Vietnam
- 13** 1846 CDR Robert Stockton leads Army-Navy-Marine party to seize Los Angeles
- 1898 Spanish-American War: Armistice declared (noon, EST)
- 1945 Okinawa: USS 'LaGrange' (APA-124) last US ship hit by kamikaze in WW II
- 1953 Gen of the Army Omar Bradley becomes Chairman of JCS
- 1961 Communists begin construction of Berlin Wall
- 14** National Navajo Code Talkers Day
- 1912 US Marines occupy Nicaragua
- 1942 First American air victory in Atlantic: Lt Ezra Shahan in P-38 shoots down Luftwaffe Condor patrol bomber off Iceland
- 1943 Quadrant Conference - Quebec: FDR & Churchill agree to "Operation Overlord"
- 1945 V-J Day; Japan surrenders
- 15** 1845 US Naval Academy established at Ft Severn, Annapolis
- 1943 Kiska: US and Canadian troops land with heavy naval and air support
- 1944 Operation Anvil-Dragoon: Allied troops land in Provence
- 1945 Hirohito's surrender message is broadcast to Japanese people
- 1945 US ends wartime rationing of gasoline & fuel oil
- 16** National Airborne Day, US
- 480 BC - King Leonidas reaches Thermopylae with 300 Spartans and 700 Allies
- 1777 Battle of Bennington, Vt: Americans defeat British
- 1780 Battle of Camden: British decisively defeat Americans
- 1918 US troops capture Archangelsk
- 1934 US ends occupation of Haiti, begun in 1915
- 1943 4th Marine Div is activated at Camp Pendleton
- 17** 1807 Robert Fulton's steamboat begins first voyage from Albany to New York
- 1843 Herman Melville enlists in USS 'United States'
- 1846 CDR Robert F Stockton declares California annexed to US
- 1943 US troops under Gen Patton capture Messina
- 18** 1911 Esther Voorhees Hasson appointed first Sup't of Navy Nurse Corps
- 1961 Construction of Berlin Wall completed
- 19** National Aviation Day, US
- 1818 Capt James Biddle, USN, claims Oregon Territory for US
- 1960 U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers convicted of spying by USSR
- 1981 USS 'Nimitz' (CVN-68) a/c down Libyan a/c - "Line of Death"
- 20** 1781 Washington marches from NY to fight Cornwallis at Yorktown
- 1982 US Marines land in Beirut
- 21** 1800 First public concert by USMC Band, Washington, DC
- 22** 1864 Geneva Convention: 12 nations establish International Red Cross
- 23** National Airborne Day
- 1775 George III declares American colonies in state of rebellion
- 1942 US 40th Infantry Div departs San Francisco for Hawaii
- 1944 6th Marine Div begins forming on Guadalcanal
- 1944 Franco-American troops liberate Marseilles
- 24** 1814 British burn Washington, after Sir George Cockburn eats Pres. Madison's dinner in White House
- 1949 North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) established
- 25** 1921 US signs peace treaty with Germany
- 1943 US forces land on New Georgia in Solomon Islands
- 1944 Paris liberated from Nazi occupation
- 26** 1775 First Congressional action on veterans' benefits
- 1839 US Revenue Cutter 'Washington' seizes Spanish ship 'Amistad', manned by self-liberated slaves, off Montauk Point
- 1943 US bombers in China attack Japanese installations in Hong Kong.
- 27** 1945 Third Fleet enters Sagami Bay, south of Tokyo Bay, as US troops begin occupation of Japan
- 29** 1944 15,000 American troops march down Champs Elysee
- 1958 Air Force Academy moves to new facilities at Colorado Springs
- 30** 1780 Benedict Arnold promises to betray West Point to British
- 1781 Battle of Chesapeake: French fleet defeats Royal Navy, sealing fate of Yorktown
- 1945 Gen MacArthur arrives in Japan
- 31** 1944 Allied offensive against Gothic Line in Italy
- 1949 The 83rd - and last - GAR encampment, attended by 6 of 14 remaining members
- 1994 Last Russian troops in Germany are withdrawn

SEPTEMBER MILITARY HISTORY

- 1** Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux, Patron of Aviators
- 1861 Grant assumes command of Federal forces at Cape Girardeau, Mo
- 1862 Congress abolishes daily issue of grog in US Navy
- 1863 Atlanta Campaign: Sherman wins Battle of Jonesborough,

- causing Confederates to evacuate & burn Atlanta
- 1863 Union fleet bombards Fort Sumter
- 1866 Manuelito surrenders at Fort Wingate, last resisting Navaho chief
- 1918 US troops land in Vladivostok, Siberia, stay until 1920
- 1939 George C. Marshall becomes Chief-of-Staff of Army, serves until Nov 18, 1945
- 1950 13 North Korean divisions assault UN lines
- 2** 1777 Battle of Cooch's Bridge, NJ: First use of "Stars and Stripes" in combat
- 1864 Union General William T Sherman captures Atlanta
- 1901 VP Theodore Roosevelt cites African proverb, "Speak softly and carry a big stick"
- 1944 Lt jg George H.W. Bush bails out near Chichi Jima, and is rescued by 'Finback' (SS-230)
- 1945 Ho Chi Minh declares Vietnam independent of France
- 3** 1782 US gives its only ship-of-the-line, 'America', to France.
- 1885 First Naval War College class convenes
- 1944 US Navy shells Japanese on Wake Island.
- 1945 Japanese forces in Philippines surrender to US
- 4** 1886 Geronimo surrenders to Gen Nelson A Miles at Skeleton Canyon, Ariz
- 1945 US reoccupies Wake Island
- 1950 First appearance of comic strip "Beetle Bailey"
- 5** 1774 First Continental Congress assembles in Philadelphia
- 1775 Continental Navy issues uniform regulations for officers
- 1943 US airborne troops land at Nadzab, New Guinea
- 6** 1918 US Navy 14-inch railroad guns open fire on Western Front
- 7** 1776 David Bushnell's sub 'American Turtle' tries to sink HMS 'Eagle' in New York harbor
- 1862 Battle of Cumberland Gap, TN
- 8** 1919 Ticker tape parade on Broadway for General John J. Pershing & 25,000 Doughboys
- 1945 US troops land in Korea to assume occupation duties
- 9** 1776 "United Colonies" adopt name "United States of America"
- 1943 Operation Avalanche: Anglo-American forces land at Salerno, Italy
- 1944 Allied troops liberate Luxembourg from Germans
- 10** 1776 Nathan Hale volunteers for secret service against British
- 1813 Battle of Lake Erie: Commo Oliver Hazard Perry meets enemy and they are his
- 1944 Sir Frederick Browning says "I think we might be going a bridge too far"
- 11** Patriot Day 9/11
- 1773 Benjamin Franklin writes "There never was a good war or a bad peace"
- 1777 Battle of Brandywine: Americans lose to British
- 1812 USS 'Constitution' captures and destroys brig 'Lady Warren'
- 1814 Battle of Plattsburgh/Lake Champlain: Americans defeat British by land & lake -- decisive battle of War of 1812
- 1918 Col. George S. Patton leads first US tank attack, St. Mihiel, France
- 1943 Allied forces secure Salerno
- 1944 US 5th Armored Division enters Nazi Germany
- 2001 Islamist terrorists crash 3 hijacked jetliners into World Trade Center and Pentagon, but heroic passengers die retaking 4th aircraft
- 12** 1609 Henry Hudson lands on hilly island "as pleasant with grasse and flowers, and goodly trees, as ever they had seene, and very sweet smells came from them" -- Manhattan
- 1814 Battle of North Point: Regulars & Militiamen prevent British from capturing Baltimore
- 1862 Battle of Harpers Ferry VA
- 13** 1814 British commence overnight bombardment of Fort McHenry, inspiring "The Star Spangled Banner"
- 1847 US soldiers & Marines storm Chapultepec Castle, Mexico City
- 14** 1814 Francis Scott Key writes "Star Spangled Banner"
- 1847 American troops under Winfield Scott capture Mexico City
- 1914 VFW Ladies Auxiliary organized
- 1942 Guadalcanal, Bloody Ridge: Japanese retire
- 1966 Vietnam: Operation Attleboro begins against VC sanctuaries on Cambodian Border
- 15** 1862 Antietam Campaign: Stonewall Jackson captures Harpers Ferry
- 1862 Antietam Campaign: US troops find Lee's GO No. 191, wrapping some cigars
- 1918 Cpl Lee Duncan, US 135th Aero Sqn, finds German shepherd pups in bombed out German military kennel near Toul, France, one becomes Rin Tin Tin
- 1942 US carrier 'Wasp' (CV-7) torpedoed and sunk off Guadalcanal
- 1944 Marines land on Peleliu, 450 miles east of Mindanao in Philippines
- 1950 Inchon Landing: Marines lead attack behind North Korean lines
- 16** 1776 Battle of Harlem Heights: Washington ambushes Brits on Upper West Side of Manhattan
- 1919 American Legion incorporated by act of Congress
- 1942 3rd Marine Div activated at San Diego
- 1943 US Fifth and British Eighth Armies unite in Italy
- 1950 Eighth Army breaks out of Pusan Perimeter, in support of Inchon Landing
- 17** Constitution and Citizenship Day
- 1776 Spanish begin building Presidio of San Francisco
- 1787 Constitutional Convention completes its work
- 1862 Battle of Antietam: Bloodiest day of Civil War, over 3,000 die
- 1943 Ammunition explosion at Norfolk Naval Air Station
- 1944 Operation Market Garden begins: Allied Airborne invasion of Netherlands
- 18** Feast of St Joseph of Cupertino, Patron of Aviators and Astronauts
- POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 1755 French complete Ft Carillon (Ticonderoga), NY
- 1947 US Air Force Birthday
- 19** 1676 Rebels under Nathaniel Bacon burn Jamestown, VA
- 1777 Battle of Freeman's Farm (1st Battle of Saratoga)
- 1943 U.S carrier aircraft and B-24s raid Tarawa
- 1957 First underground nuclear explosion, Nevada
- 20** 1797 US frigate 'Constitution' - "Old Ironsides" - launched in Boston
- 1950 Omar Bradley promoted to 5 star General of the Army
- 1984 Hezbollah bombing of US Embassy annex in Beirut, 25 die
- 21** 1858 US Sloop-of-War 'Niagara' carries Black freedmen from Charleston, bound for Liberia
- 1872 James H. Conyers becomes first black USNA cadet
- 1941 Launch of first Liberty Ship, SS 'Patrick Henry'
- 1942 Maiden flight of B-29
- 22** 1862 Lincoln issues preliminary Emancipation Proclamation
- 1944 Boulogne liberated by Allies

- 1958 Elvis arrives at Brooklyn Army Terminal, to board transport for Germany
- 1961 Peace Corps is established
- 23** 1779 Celebrated frigate duel between John Paul Jones' 'Bonhomme Richard' & HMS 'Serapis'
- 1780 Maj. John Andre is captured, revealing Benedict Arnold's treason to provide West Point plans to British
- 1806 Lewis & Clark Expedition ends at St Louis
- 24** 1918 Ens David S. Ingalls becomes first USN ace, in Sopwith Camel, while seconded to Royal Air Force
- 1929 Lt James H Doolittle makes first all-instrument flight, over Brooklyn
- 1960 USS 'Enterprise' (CVN-65) launched, first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier
- 25** 1861 SecNav Welles authorizes enlistment of former slaves
- 26** 1777 British troops occupy Philadelphia during American Revolution
- 1918 US begins Meuse-Argonne offensive against Germans
- 1950 UN troops liberate Seoul, Korea
- 27** 1777 Battle of Germantown: Washington defeated by British in close fight
- 1779 John Adams negotiates Revolutionary War peace terms with Britain
- 1996 Taliban capture Kabul, installing Islamist theocracy in Afghanistan
- 28** 1781 Siege of Yorktown begins: last major battle of Revolutionary War
- 1850 Congress outlaws flogging in Navy and Merchant Marine
- 1924 Two US Army planes end around-world flight, Seattle to Seattle, 57 stops
- 28** Feast of St Michael the Archangel, Patron of Soldiers & of St Gabriel the Archangel, Patron of Diplomats and Signalmen
- 1918 Led by 107th Infantry, NY's 27th Div makes decisive breakthrough of Hindenburg Line at San Quintin Tunnel
- 29** 1899 VFW Organized
- 30** 1914 Army disbands Seminole Negro Indian Scouts, after 44 years of service
- 1946 Judgement at Nuremberg: 22 Nazi leaders found guilty
- 1949 Berlin Airlift ends after 277,000 flights
- 1949 US officially disbands Philippine Scouts
- 1977 Jonathan Kilian Dozier born



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<u>AUGUST</u>	
4	US Coast Guard Birthday (1790)
10	Post Meeting, rescheduled for 13 Aug
13	1200 – District 2 meeting, Post 392, VA Beach
13	1800 – Post Meeting, Harbor Park, followed by Tides' baseball game
14	VJ Day (1945)

<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	
5	Labor Day
11	Patriot Day 9/11
14	Post Meeting, 1900
16	1100 – POW-MIA Day ceremony, City Hall
17	0800 – Mayor's Breakfast for Veterans, Chesapeake Conference Center
18	US Air Force Birthday (1947)
25	Gold Star Mother's Day
29	VFW Birthday (1899)
30	SSG Jon Dozier Birthday (1977)

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