

## Commander Notes

Comrades,

I pray this Newsletter finds you well. Our house Committee Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6 pm. Monthly General Membership Meetings are held the 4th Monday at 7:15ish pm, after Bingo. Auxiliary Membership Meetings are the 4th Wednesday at 7 pm monthly, as well. In addition, Breakfasts are the 1st Saturday from 8 am to 11 am for the Auxiliary and the last Sunday, same time, for the MOC. Please see the Calendar for changes to these, as the holidays tend to cancel some events.

We will be conducting a Thanksgiving Basket Signup, 2 Nov. The GRAVC Veterans Day Parade on 5 Nov and it ends at the UC Legion, Post 667. We're doing a Veterans Day Burger Burn on 11 Nov at 1 pm. Thanksgiving Basket Pickup and Christmas Basket Signup are scheduled for the 19<sup>th</sup> of Nov. On 24 Nov, our Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner will be at 1 pm. Post Christmas decorating is 26 Nov, please help us with this around noon. Autumn Winds is 15 Dec, from 12 to 2 pm. Christmas Basket Pickup will be the afternoon of 17 Dec. We could use help with carrying both Holiday Baskets to the recipients those afternoons. On 18 Dec from 1 pm to 3 pm, we're hosting our annual Boysville Christmas Party. Our Post Christmas Party will be on 23 Dec, 5 – 9 pm. On 24 Dec, we will have Happy Hour from 1 pm to 5 pm. 25 Dec, our Christmas Pot Luck Dinner will be at 1 pm. Our New Year's Eve Party/Dinner is on 31 Dec, 5 – 9 pm. Our VPRs are as follows:

Veterans Day – 11 Nov. 1 pm

Pearl Harbor – 5 Dec, 6 pm

Be sure to look at the attached calendar to keep up with what's going on over the next two months. In addition, keep an eye on our Facebook page for VPRs, fundraisers and other events that pop up post newsletter mailing. I want to thank you all for your support and to those who volunteer their time assisting with Post Operational and Fundraising events.

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and may we all Have a Happy New Year! Stay safe!

Alan K. Reams (AI)

Commander, VFW Post 4676

## Auxiliary President

Thank you to the auxiliary membership, auxiliary officers, and program chairman for all our accomplishments in serving our veterans and their families through our program participation. When we diligently work together, we fulfill our mission of helping our veterans and our organization as highlighted and celebrated at our membership appreciation dinner. Our mid-year reports are due in December and will attest our dedication to educate, promote, and honor our veterans by reaching out to our communities.

Fall is finally here and the calendar year is coming to an end. It is undoubtedly a busy time of year, but it is also prime time to remember your veteran, why you joined, and what motivates you to continue to serve our auxiliary. There are several opportunities for you to celebrate and give thanks to your veteran including, Veteran's Day, GRAVC Parade, Thanksgiving and Christmas basket drive, Pearl Harbor remembrances, and the Boysville and Autumn Winds Christmas parties. As our national president states, "Our hands are the best at serving and our hearts are always caring for our veterans".

I believe our veterans deserve the best. I am proud to serve with VFW Post 4676 and the Auxiliary. I celebrate your accomplishments and I pledge to remain loyal to our auxiliary, organization, and veterans.

Jennifer Group

Auxiliary President

## Post Quartermaster

Membership is running well ahead of last year! 95% already. Paying early will extend your current due date by 1 year from the current one.

The bookshelf with paperback and hardcover books has fallen into disuse. We are considering removing it as it seems to be just taking up space.

Keep me updated with address, email, or phone number changes by notifying me at [stonebob@msn.com](mailto:stonebob@msn.com).

Robert (Bob) Stone  
Quartermaster

### Chaplain's Corner

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To all that have been so proactive and thoughtful of those Comrades that have been in need, have been having troubles or have been in need of medical attention, I cannot thank you enough. Your prayers and good thoughts – and deeds – have been greatly appreciated by not only them, but by us as a team of Comrades that watch out for each other.

I want to thank you all for the giving of your hearts to our Brothers and Sisters and helping them through their troubles. You have been a blessing – not only to them – but us all. It shows how much we care – and care for – all of us as a family.

I say Family, not in a simple term but in a realistic term because we are a family, and I cannot thank you enough for helping to watch out for each other. I hope and pray that we can always consider those of us that have been through their particular turmoil. I also thank you all for continued prayers and support for our Post members, their families and those in the community that ask for our support. We are a great force that is the backbone that keeps us all going – especially in times of need. Thank you, and may God Bless us, those that are not with us and those that we have the opportunity to help – and those that gave all so that we have the opportunity to do so. We are a great team, and I know that we will continue to do the good deeds that we do.

Rob Henkel  
Chaplain

There are so many things to celebrate this time of year; Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Fall reminds us how small we are in the big picture of life and yet how important we are to God. It is a season that brings comfort and highlights the power of a thankful heart. 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18,

*“Always be joyful, never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.”*

Chrystal Coble  
VFWA Chaplain

### Cootie Corner

Hey you lousy bugs, listen up!

We still need workers, and even more eaters at our breakfasts. Come on out and enjoy, we really do have a lot of fun. Our next one will be on October 30<sup>th</sup>, and then November 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be no breakfast or Scratch in December as it falls on Christmas Day.

Hopefully, we'll be able to visit the CLC at Audie Murphy in January. That's all this crummy squirrel has for now. Stay lousy and go forth and multiply.

LD “Buck” Owens  
Seamless SQUIRREL

This is the season to give thanks for our many blessings and opportunities that mold us into who we are. This Thanksgiving, I am extremely grateful to represent such a caring and dedicated group of people. Our organization's greatness is a reflection of your continued commitment to our objectives and assisting veterans whenever possible. I encourage you to celebrate and honor the veterans in your life; make your celebration one of generosity, health, and love.

As this year's end draws to a close, fill your heart with cherished memories of the past and hope for a bright future. Please pray for our great organization, our post and our members. Pray for those who are ill and their care givers; pray for those who are grieving and celebrate those who have gone before us. Include prayers for our nation; pray for those veterans who gave so much for our country; and pray for all armed service personnel who protect us and preserve our freedoms.

May you have a thankful heart and a blessed Christmas season!

Chrystal Coble  
Uckishe 55 MOCA President

**Canteen News**

Due to Inflation, be aware that we may have to raise are prices on canteen and kitchen items. Be on the lookout for that as the House Committee should vote on increases on 16 Nov. Our kitchen will be open on Thursday's; however, this will be based on staff availability.

We have new merchandise in our display cabinet for sale, just in time for Christmas. Stop by and check them out.

Stay Safe and Thank a Veteran!

Canteen Manager  
Rhonda Reams