

## **Commander Notes**

Comrades,

We successfully held our Membership Appreciation Dinner this past October. The entertainment and socialization were great. Thanks to the Planning Committee (Melvin Yamamoto, Jennifer Coble-Group, Crystal Coble and Debbie Potter) for its success! If your dues are coming due, please get them taken care of as soon as possible so we have another chance at All-State and All-American. Thank you for your membership and support.

As a friendly reminder, our General Membership Meeting is held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month. Also, during the month of November, we have the UC parade on the 6<sup>th</sup>. The Parade will end at our post and we will have entertainment and a host of fundraising booths. The 11<sup>th</sup> is Veteran's Day and we will have a Homeless Shelter Luncheon and a VPR around 1 pm. Our Thanksgiving Dinner is on the 25<sup>th</sup> of November from 1 to 3 pm. Our Christmas Party will be 11 Dec, 5 – 7 PM. We will hold our Open/Close Meetings immediately prior to the Christmas Party.

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.

Thank you for all you do!! See y'all around the post! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Alan K. Reams (Al)  
Commander, VFW Post 4676  
"No one does more for Vets!"

## **Auxiliary President**

The holidays are up and coming I wish you all will have happy holidays. We will be looking for donations for Thanksgiving baskets. Please sign up if you can and deliver to the Post. We will accept donations for Boysville and Autumn Winds this year. The membership appreciation night went very well.

Debbie Potter  
Auxiliary President

## **Quartermaster**

I want to thank the 16 annual members that renewed their dues on time or early. That leaves 73 of you due between now and June 30, 2022. I encourage you to renew early which will save me a lot of headaches. Renewing early extends your membership 1 year beyond its current expiration date. Upgrade to Life Membership and no more annual hassles.

To all, if you are reading this (print or website) and desire an email copy, send me an email at [stonebob@msn.com](mailto:stonebob@msn.com). Printing and postage are getting out of hand.

Robert Stone  
Quartermaster

## **Chaplain's Corner**

Comrades, is that time of year again. The holidays are upon us once again. I hope you all are ready for Turkey Day. Before you know it, Christmas will be on hand. Let us try to remember and be thankful for what we have. There are many freedoms our country has provided for us, pray they continue. So, enjoy your family and the time you have with them. Give thanks to those who have given their life so that we can enjoy ours. I pray for a safe and enjoyable season to all

On the somber side, we lost life members, William A. Sweeney at age of 86 and

Thurman Hood at age 77. May the lord bless and keep him and his family. I also pray for those who were/are POW/MIA. May the creator of all things in the universe bless you and keep you through these times!

Sherman Webster  
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."*

Veterans Day is our opportunity to give thanks to all veterans. Honor the veterans in your life for we would not be the "home of the free and the brave" without the servicemen and servicewomen who protect us. We can't undo any hardships they may have experienced, but we can do what the Bible tells us to do – **pray for them** and **love them**.

It is not always easy to give thanks, but this is the very thing we must do in order to see God's will accomplished in our lives. This Thanksgiving, say a prayer of thanks for the bountiful gifts bestowed upon you and share those gifts with veterans and your VFW family. Make your Thanksgiving Day a true celebration of generosity and love for all.

However, you choose to celebrate the season of Christmas, I challenge you to show others the true meaning of Christmas by giving the gift of God's love and by loving others as God first loved you. Our organization's greatness is a reflection of your continued commitment to our objectives and assisting veterans whenever possible. This holiday season, recognize the veterans in your life and make it a celebration of generosity,

health, and love. And as this year draws to a close, fill your heart with cherished memories of the past and hope for a bright future. Pray for those who are ill, those who are grieving; pray for our nation, and those who serve to protect us. May you have a thankful heart and the Merriest Christmas!

Chrystal Coble  
Auxiliary 4676 Chaplain



### Cootie Corner

Hey, listen up bugs we still need a lot of help with our breakfast. Our next one will be on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

To our annual members, please bring or send your dues in (\$20.00). If not paid by December 31st you'll no longer be a member in good standing. That's all folks!

LD "Buck" Owens  
Seamless SQUIRREL

### Canteen News

As I am writing this article, I realize that it is 64 days till Christmas. We, as a Post, have annual traditions to maintain; Thanksgiving Baskets, Thanksgiving Dinner, Christmas Baskets, Boysville Party, Autumn Winds Party, Post Christmas Party, Christmas Dinner, and New Year's Eve Party (See Calendar).

With your help, we can bring Joy to some families in our community and our active military personnel. Please visit the Canteen to find out details on these upcoming events.

We are accepting monetary and food donations to assist with these projects. Please remember “The reason for the season.”

Reminder: We have the best staff ever! I would love if you as members would assist me in thanking them for all of their hard work and dedication to our Post. Finding good help through the Covid days has been difficult. We are currently seeking help in our kitchen and bartending staff, no experience necessary.

Happy Thanksgiving!  
Merry Christmas!  
Happy New Year!

Till next year,  
Canteen Manager  
Rhonda Reams