

## Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States General MacArthur Memorial Post 392

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> 2018 Membership Goal: 2,035 Current Status: 1655 Members

Non-Smoking Facility - Outside Smoking Accommodations Available

## JANUARY 2018 - VOLUME 29, NUMBER 7

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Auxiliary President	Dinah V. Doyle
Auxiliary Sr. Vice President	Lorraine K. Crain
Auxiliary Jr. Vice PresidentR	obert DeChamplain
Auxiliary Treasurer	Ellen Stogsdill
Auxiliary Chaplain	Ingrid L. Epperson
Auxiliary Conductor	Fred Jennings
Canteen Manager	Shelly Hughes
M.O.C. Seam Squirrel	Steven E. Graves
M.O.C.A. President	Lorraine K. Crain



# COMMANDER'S CALL

### Comrades, Sisters And Brothers

Let me start out by saying what an outstanding Post Christmas party we had! Thanks goes to Auxiliary President Dinah Doyle and her outstanding team for putting on the Christmas party for the Post. Most of all, thanks to Bob DeChamplain and all of his helpers for the outstanding job on dinner, and Karen Slater and her support team for the decorations. Thanks to Theresa Evans for all the good desserts. A big thank you to the Sr Vice DeChamplain for her volunteering to do the dishes and all of her hard work. It was nice to see the Post members that turned out and I hope everyone enjoyed it as much as I did.

Next. I need to thank the volunteers that helped with the children's Charismas party. It is

always so much fun seeing the kids this time of the year.

I need to back up a little and send out a "thank you" to Bob and DeChamplain all volunteers for delicious a Thanksgiving meal, and for the setup and hard work. thanks to everyone who brought in desserts. I was talking to a member of the Post and found out that we had some sailors from Dam Neck that attended. They enjoyed it so much that they asked if we do it for Christmas too.

We have an upcoming event that we can use your support with. It is always a lot of fun. On Jan 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:30AM we will have Vets, from the VA Hospital in Hampton, coming over. Please come out and enjoy the time with some of our hospitalized veterans.



#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

(see any Post Officer for details)

PLEASE REVIEW ANY ITEM BELOW AND TAKE ACTION!

- **Post Meeting**: Jan 2 at 7 PM.
- Winter Council Jan 12-14 Portsmouth
- VA HOSPITAL VETERANS
  VISIT TO POST 392 JAN 20
- Thursday Night Dinner: every Thurs, cash register attendant, dish washers, servers
- <u>American Red Cross</u>: Urgently need blood donors, call 1-800-448-3543
- Recruit Members: applications at the Post, see any Post Officer
- BINGO-VA HOSPITAL JAN 27 TEAM 3

Post 392 - Needs You!

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

- 1/6 Operation Deckhouse V (Mekong Delta, Vietnam) began in 1967
- 1/9 US carried out air strikes on al-Qaeda operatives within Somalia in 2007
- 1/14 USS Enterprise flight deck fire (accidental rocket detonated) in 1969
- 1/16 Operation Desert Storm (Iraq) begins in 1991
- 1/25 Operation SMACK, assault on Spud Hill (Korea) in 1953
- 1/26 USN Lt. Evert Alvarez Jr spends his 2,000th day as a POW (Vietnam) in 1970
- 1/29 Taliban forces clash with U S Forces near Adi Ghar Mountains (Afghanistan) in 2003

#### **New Members**

I extend a warm welcome to the new members who were voted in

at the last regular meeting and a resounding thank you to our transfers and reinstating members:

#### Transfer/ Life Installment / Life Members:

Howard W. Decker, James C. Evans, Raymond R. Reamer, Louis J. Sutton, John R. Wilson

#### **Transfer/ Annual Members:**

Jayson M. Cascio, Stephen C. Kurz, Ronald B. Ross

Thank you for your service and welcome aboard!

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Steven Brazenos, Hipolito Camacho, Robert Cardona, James Parker-Shuler, Grant Pollock, William Sowers,

Auxiliary

NicholeCampbell, Kimberly Graves, Judith Lupole, Mary Richards, Lori Saltzman, Karen Slater

and 169 other fine Comrades, Sisters and Brothers!

Post Commander Mark K. Winn commandervfw392@gmail.com



# SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Comrades, Auxiliary,

Happy New Year! Where did 2017 go?

You can make 2018 a great year for your Post. How about donating your time to volunteer. Just one or two hours can make a big difference. The Post needs all the help we can get! We always have something going on, and unfortunately it's the same people doing a lot of the work. It's very gratifying when you see an event come full circle.

Please keep your membership up if you are an annual member. That also helps the Post. Thank-You to the members that have renewed! If you know of a comrade that is eligible to join, talk to them, bring them to the Post and show them around. Tell them all that we do. Maybe they will join. And if not, that's O.K. You tried and that's all that counts!

**Upcoming Events:** 

Jan 12-14<sup>th</sup> Winter council Renaissance Portsmouth-Norfolk Waterfront Hotel.

Jan 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> R/V show Virginia Beach Convention Center.

Until next month, always remember our Veterans and God Bless America.

# CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

The following individuals have earned Continuous Membership Awards. If you are listed below, please attend the next Post Meeting to receive your lapel pin.

If you are unable to attend, contact any Post Officer. If your name has not been listed and you believe that an award is due, please contact the Quartermaster.

# **40 Years Continuous Service:** William J. Bailey

30 Years Continuous Service: Dennis Franklin, Patrick Walsh, William Strawhand, Ronald Brown

#### **25 Years Continuous Service:**

Alan Bickert, Leonard Agee, Gregory Downs, Patrick Hughes, David Lawhorn, Raymond Lichniak, Robert Hall

**20 Years Continuus Service:** Joyce Bryant, Richard Schwartz, Jeffrey Bates

**15 Years Continuous Service:** Daniel Kennedy, William Deans

10 Years Continuous Service: Steven Maurer

## **5 Years Continuus Service:**

Laurance Williams, Adam La Reau, Michael Albanese, Steven Oravec, Gabriel Balderaz

Thank you for your service and congratulations!

SR. Vice Commander T.J. DeChamplain srvice commandervfw392@gmail.com



Brothers & Sisters,

Last month my letter was direct in challenging every member to answer the call and assist with one of the many events needing your help at or near our Post. I can assure you that my inputs will not be inclusive of everything we've done in December, but I will try.

Thank you to all of our great Auxiliary and Post Members who made these events successful and honorable!

- Funeral Rituals/Taps for our departed Comrades yes for those that don't know we pay our respects for our fallen members upon family request. This month we fulfilled our duties a couple of times.
- Hospital Visits! Some read the board or hear about our members being hospitalized, but only a few and usually our Service Officer visit to see what our members and their families need.
- VFW Post & Auxiliary Christmas Party cooking a couple of days before hand, set up, decorating, serving and cleanup at the end of the night make an enjoyable time.
- Shop with a Veteran Program at Christmas we support approximately 10 children from military families generally from NAS Oceana both sea and shore duty commands. Each child gets to walk the isles of the NEX with a veteran to pick out toys and cloths up to 100 dollars.
- VFW Post & Auxiliary Children's Christmas Party set up, decorating, kids get to see Santa, eat lunch, clean up and pick gifts out for moms and dads to be wrapped.
- Thursday Night Dinners, Friday Night Dinners, Weekend Breakfast & Lunches are planned, cooked, served and cleaned up after.

The hours of the behind the scenes work deserve more credit

than they get and are well beyond many members scope of knowledge. Thank you to all who dedicate their time again and again. If you're reluctant to help because you're been there and done that, it may be time to join the team and do it again. Always happy to provide insight or help you find out where you can serve best! Please write or call if you have questions, comments or concerns.

Jr. Vice Commander Neil A. Siegfried <u>irvice</u> commandervfw392@gmail.com



#### **2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Annual dues are \$40.00. Annual Members can pay their dues at Post 392, online at <u>vfw.org</u>, or by mail directly to:

#### **VFW National Headquarters**

Third Floor, Room 316 406 West 34th St. Kansas City, MO 64111 (please include your membership#)

Consider changing your Annual Membership to a Life Membership and make a life long commitment to serving your fellow service members and Veterans. Life Installment plan is available as an option to the one time payment for Life Membership.

#### E-Newsletter

The Post Newsletter and Calendar are available online for free! To view them, go to vfw392.org and click on the links along the left side of the page.

On the Newsletter page, you can sign up to receive the monthly

notification about the Newsletter, Calendar of Events, and other Post related communications by clicking on the "Subscribe to the VFW Post 392 Mailing List" link.

Ensure that you add the domain "vfw392.org" to your address book, it'll prevent the Post emails from going to your SPAM folder!

#### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Members, we all need to maintain a current address with the VFW. When your mailing address changes, be sure to fill out an address change form, mail it in, or drop it off at the Post.

The best method would be to email it to the Post. If you drop it off or email it, please remember to include your telephone number and email address!

Quartermaster Donald Brown vfwpost392@gmail.com



# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Every day is a day of remembrance. We only need to take the time.

After a prayer is written and/or said, silently or within a group it may be recorded by a sound device, retained on paper or digital file, or even listened to and remembered. It can be repeated time and again while retaining the original thought. It is difficult, or nearly impossible, to measure its effectiveness.

Following is a prayer that was recited over 228 years ago. On this day the great military leader of the American Revolution, is inaugurated as the first president of the United States.

As you read the prayer from long ago, determine if it is too old to be a worthy prayer for today;

"Almighty God; we make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in Thy holy protection; that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government; and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large.

And finally, that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy and to demean ourselves with that charity, and humility, and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without a humble imitation of whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy nation. Grant our supplication, we beseech Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

George Washington April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1789

# HELP US TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER

When you or a family member falls ill, are injured, hospitalized, or experience the loss of a loved one - *please* contact us *ASAP*! It is important that we extend our hand in anyway possible to aid and comfort our fellow Comrades and family in their time of need.

#### **ILLNESS / INJURIES**

Please read the Post's Bulletin Board for up-dates of Members on the Illness / Injury List.

The following members have serious, long term illness, or injury, requiring continuous care:

• Arlene Goldstein (Home with Hospice)

- Joe Palmer (SEN Nursing Home Rm 211)
- Betty Stephens Home
- Frank Myler (Home)
- Dawn Schryver (VB GEN Rm 356)
- Mike Gaughan (Home)

#### **TAPS**

The following list honors and remembers our Post Veteran members in their recent passing:

Henry F. Baker Passed: 25 Nov

Nicholas Andrasz Passed: 25 Nov

William J. Jucksch Passed: 28 Nov

Earnest O'Rourke Passed: 18 Dec

Robert W. Kohler Passed: 19 Dec

At our monthly meeting, Draping of the Charter is conducted, and a prayer of solemn tribute is given on behalf of our departed Comrades. For they are now in the hands of our Heavenly Father.

Post Chaplain Tom Tumilty chaplain392@gmail.com



### AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Sisters and Brothers,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas!!! In December we had our Annual Post Christmas Party with 82 in attendance, it was a wonderful time and thanks to all the volunteers. Thanks also to everyone who donated goods to the needy Military families and everyone who bought gifts for our little "Angels". We had 50

children at the Children's Christmas Party and Santa's Workshop, it was a huge success. We are always in need of volunteers, sign up sheets for upcoming events are located on the bulletin board.

The events coming up in January are:

January 12,13,14 — Winter Council, Portsmouth, VA January 20- Vets Visit to the Post for lunch — 10:30 am January 27 — Team 3 Bingo at VA Hospital 11am to 1pm

Please come to our meetings. We would appreciate your input; your voice should be heard. Please ask questions, that is how we all learn.

If you don't understand a motion that has been put on the floor or if there's a discussion about events, etc. just raise your hand, be recognized, stand up and ask it to be explained. We appreciate your dedication and wanting to learn and get more involved.

The next Auxiliary meeting will be January 2, 2018 at 7pm. Hope to see everyone there!!! Thanks for everything that you do for our Veterans and our Post!!!

Feel free to contact me if you need anything. I can be reached at 757-560-0493.

VFW Auxiliary President Dinah Doyle



### AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP

#### **CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP**

#### AWARDS

Sisters who have yet to receive their awards are requested to attend the next regularly scheduled meeting of the VFW Auxiliary.

Our Auxiliary President stands ready to decorate you with your award.

Thank you for your service and congratulations!

#### VFW Auxiliary Treasurer Ellen Stogsdill ellenstogsdill@cox.net



#### **MOCA**

Hello Cooties, Ladybugs, and Nits!

This is our winter newsletter for the MOCA 2018. MOC/ MOCA Cootie Breakfast is being served every Sunday until May 2018; however, we will not be serving MOC/MOCA Breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018. Come and enjoy a great breakfast for a minimum cost of \$8.00 for ADULTS, \$3.00 for kids ages 6-12. free for kids 5 and under. All the proceeds for the breakfast will go to the hospitalized veterans/ families and the veterans programs.

Secondly, the monthly MOCA Bingo game to be held at the Post 392 in Feb. 2017, date to be announced, from 1 p.m. to 3:00 pm. Please contact me for the date and time at (757)572-5475. Everybody is a winner and you will have a lousy time! No cost but we will accept donations.

We also have scheduled the MOCA Fun Day which is scheduled for 2/3/18 from 10:00 a.m. at VFW #392. All new MOCA members will receive their Cootie name and have a lousy time. Please join us and I will a promise a good time or lousy time. Again, we are having our MOC/

MOCA Pub Tent #2 Annual Mardi Gras Casino Night Fundraiser at the VFW Post # 392. The event will be 2/17/18, at 6:00 pm until 10:00 pm. The ticket price will include casino chips for gambling, light appetizers and desserts. More information will available please contact VFW # 392 or me.

We are also doing our VFW Aux. # 392 bingo, pizza, and goodies for the VA patients at the Veterans Hospital in Hampton and they really enjoy it! Let's not disappoint them. Contact VFW Aux. President Dinah Doyle, VFW Axillary Veterans Hospital Charmain Erin Strickland or Gail Payne (MOCA Hospital Chairman) to sign up!

Our monthly meeting will be every second Tuesday of the month, starting promptly at 7 p.m. Not a Cootie or a Ladybug? Want to know how to be one? Talk to one of the Officers and we will be glad to help you! I hope everybody had a safe holiday and remember we are here for you if you need us! God Bless!

President Lorraine K. Crain crainium152@gmail.com



#### **CANTEEN**

### **CANTEEN HOURS**

 Monday-Thursday....
 1100-2200

 Friday......
 1100-2400

 Saturday-Sunday......
 1100-2200

On Cootie Breakfast Sunday's the Canteen opens at 1000

## **KITCHEN HOURS**

**Monday-Wednesday...** 1100-1300 **Thursday..** 1100-1300, 1700-1630 **Friday.....** 1100-1300, 1800-2000

- Saturday ..... Closed Sunday ..... Closed
- \* Hot Dogs and Chili may be obtainable on Saturdays and Sundays, as available
- \* Regular menu items will not be available during any holiday or event dinner specials (unless specified)

#### WEEKENDS AT THE VFW

Start the weekend with Friday's **Social Hour Prices** from **4-6 PM**! The kitchen opens Friday, 6 to 8 PM, with all of our menu items!

The Canteen opens at 11:00 AM on Saturdays and Sundays (10:00 AM on Sundays when Cootie Breakfast is being served). When the kitchen is closed, we do have Hotdogs, Chili and Pizza available on Saturdays and Sundays!

Come out and enjoy a cold beer or beverage! We have multiple big screen TV's. Bring the family - the Canteen is smoke free and Wi-Fi is readily accessible.

#### THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER

New Hours / New Menu 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Thursday Dinners include salad and dessert. Below is the dinner menu available and pricing for this month:

<u>Jan 4th</u>	<u>Jan 11th</u>
TBD	<u>TBD</u>
<u>Jan 18th</u>	Jan 25th
<u>TBD</u>	Prime Rib
	\$17.00  Prepared by Don Brown/Scott DeVost

Note: Our Thursday Night Dinners are all volunteer staff. If you'd like to help with serving, cleanup, or dishwashing - please contact the Canteen Manager

**Shelly Hughes** or the **Assistant Canteen Manager Tina Brown** at (757) 486-5875, or at the email address below.

address below.

Note: Thursday night dinner times are from 5PM-6:30PM. For prime rib & grill your own steak, serving time will be 5:00PM to 7:00PM.

Our **Friday Evening Dinners** require a few volunteers as well. Again, please contact the Canteen Manager or Assistant Manager.

#### FRIDAY ENTERTAINMENT

Below is the entertainment for this month, come and enjoy the music with your friends every Friday from 7:00 to 10:00 PM:

<u>Jan 5th</u>	<u>Jan 12th</u>
TBD	Matt Davis
<u>Jan 19th</u>	<u>Jan 26th</u>
Shannon	Randy Alan

Our entertainment for the month of January is not complete as of yet. Please watch our social media sites and / or call the Post for further information.

#### **CANTEEN SPECIALS**

Fridays: Social Hour

4 - 6 PM

Come in and enjoy our Social Hour Prices to start your weekend!

Fridays: Steamed Shrimp

6 - 8 PM

EZ Peel Shrimp are back & larger! 1/2 lb for \$6.00 or 1 lb for \$12.00

If you have comments or suggestions for our Canteen, please let us know. All written comments or suggestions must be signed for consideration, and thank you for your service!

# **Chairperson Kevin Graves**

Manager Shelly Hughes

canteenmanager392@gmail.com



#### **NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING**

#### All ads are paid advertisements, and are not endorsed by the Veterans of Foreign Wars

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 392 is offering advertising space in our newsletter. Our monthly circulation is over 2100. All ads must be submitted and approved by the Post prior to the 15th of each month.

If you are interested please contact the Quartermaster.

### STATE OF VIRGINIA VETERANS AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVE

Virginia Pauley is our local Veterans Claims Representative!

We look forward to working with her concerning our VA questions and interests. She is available weekdays at her Virginia Beach office:

Pembroke Office Park 287 Independence Blvd. Pembroke Two, Suite 130 Virginia Beach, VA 23462 Office: (757) 552-1884 virginia.pauley@dvs.virginia.gov

#### NOTARY PUBLIC

The following Post members are commissioned as Notary Public's in the Commonwealth of Virginia:

- Bob Duvall
- Joseph G. Brady

They are authorized to legally notarize documents such as Power of Attorney, Bill of Sale, Will, Living Will, etc. Please check with the Post for an appointment.

Be aware that under VA code the notary must acknowledge:

- Signer must personally appear before the notary
- Signer is positively identified
- Signer must affirm under oath the accuracy of the document.

# Acceptable Forms of Identification:

To be acceptable, the ID must be one of the following and current:

- Driver's license or State issued ID card
- U.S. Passport
- Foreign Passport (INS validated)
- Driver's license issued in Mexico or Canada
- U.S. Military ID Card.

We do not rely on Social Security cards or photo ID cards issued by non government entities. Under the law, the notary has the right to refuse, if he / she suspects anything may be false or wrong.

## LEGAL AID OFFICE

### **Veteran Free Legal Services**

My name is David Rivard. I am a Staff Attorney at the Legal Aid office in Virginia Beach. We provide free legal services in civil matters to qualifying low-income Virginians. Some of the areas of law we provide assistance with are housing, estate planning, consumer matters, public benefits, and family law.

If this sounds like something you believe your members can benefit from or are interested in, or you know of any other organizations in the area that we may be able to assist, please contact me at my office (757) 552-0026 or you can

contact me at the email address below. Thank you very much.

# David Rivard, Esq. Staff Attorney

# Legal Aid Society of Eastern Virginia

291 Independence Boulevard Pembroke 4, Suite 532 Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462 (757) 552-0026 ext. 305 davidr@laseva.org

### **AUX Memberships**

Thank you for your support of Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 392. Your annual membership will expire on December 31, 2017. We invite you to reaffirm your pledge as our 491,000 members stand strong for America's veterans.

During the past year, you and your fellow VFW Auxiliary members:

- Provided \$4.6 million dollars in assistance to veterans, active -duty military, and their families
- Volunteered more than 815,000 hours in VA Medical Centers, hospitals, and other facilities
- Made more than 134,000 legislative contacts to help pass or block bills impacting veterans
- Distributed more than 378,000 United States flags in local communities
- Worked with more than 262,000 young people
- Awarded \$142,000 in scholarships

The dues amount for your annual membership is \$30.00. To pay your dues, please cut out the portion and mail it with a check or money order made payable to "VFW Auxiliary 392" to the following address:

Ellen Stogsdill, Treasurer 2408 Bowland Parkway Virginia Beach, VA 23454 You may also login to MALTA and pay your dues online. Visit www.vfwauxiliary.org and select Member Login.

Thank you again for supporting the VFW Auxiliary, and please renew your membership today! Tina Brown and Ellen Stogsdill

**2018 Membership Committee** 

### **SCHOLARSHIP NEWS**

#### **VOICE OF DEMOCRACY:**

### 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE:

Joshua Hughes, Grade 12, Ocean Lakes High School (Forwarded to District for judging)

# 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE:

Vishal Singh, Grade 12, Ocean Lakes High School

## 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE:

Daisy Judson, Grade 12, Kempsville High School

# PATRIOT'S PEN WINNERS: 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE:

Lluvia Perez, Grade 7, Old Donation School (Forwarded to District for judging)

# 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE:

Avery Liberatore, Grade 6, St. John The Apostle School

## 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE:

Kristin Witt, Grade 8, St. John The Apostle School

#### Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher Award

#### 1<sup>st</sup> PLACE:

Katherine Doyle, Teaches English 7, Plaza Middle School Nominated by: Katelyn Devine

The awards ceremony will be held in the spring of 2018 after the remaining Scholarship programs are completed. (Scout of the Year, Creative Patriotic Art, and Public Servant Awards including the following:

Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, Firefighter of the Year, EMT of the Year, Deputy Sheriff of the Year and Civil Air Patrol of the Year.

Until then, there are still brochures available for the Scout of the Year program and the Creative Patriotic Art Award. If needed, please contact the Scholarship Chairman at <a href="mailto:suesowers46@mail.com">suesowers46@mail.com</a>.

Sometime after the first of the year, we will contact the VOD, Patriot's Pen and Teacher of the Year for VFW Post 392 and have them on the radio to discuss their winning these contests, courtesy of Kenny Golden.

## tSue Sowers Scholarship Chairman

### VETERANS CRISIS LINE

Veteran Affairs offers a network of support for all our Nation's Veterans and their families. Veterans in emotional crisis and their loved ones can call the free and confidential Veterans Crisis Line to connect with a qualified crisis counselor who can help.

Anyone concerned about a Veteran, can also go to the website <u>veteranscrisisline.net</u> to access the confidential,

anonymous online chat to connect with a responder and get support.

The Veterans Crisis Line, online chat, and text are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to all Veterans and their families, even if they are not registered with VA or enrolled in VA health care.

Phone: 1-800-273-8255 Web: veteranscrisisline.net Text Message: 838255

# AMERICAN RED CROSS Donors Needed

American Red Cross' Mid-Atlantic Blood Services Region serving southeastern Virginia, has issued an urgent request for blood. All blood types are needed.

If you are able to donate, please do so and let MOCA Hospital Chairman, Gail Payne, know at: <a href="mailto:gail101@cox.net">gail101@cox.net</a>. Recording the number of donors reflects in our community services.

www.redcrossblood.org/midatlantic

1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

#### SAFE KEEPING

# FILING YOUR DD-214 AT CLERK'S OFFICE

The DD-214 is filed in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office for the city or county where you reside.

There is no charge for this service. Certified copies of your 214 can be obtained as needed from the clerk's office.

#### **CORRECTIONS**

We welcome any comments, suggestions, or complaints about errors that warrant correction.

They can be directed to any of the Post Officers, or email them directly to the Webmaster at

webmaster@VFW392.org

#### **House Committee**

I hope all had a Happy Holiday with family and friends. I hope you brought many great memories to family, friends and others who may need a helping hand. I hope many of you came out to enjoy the parties the post worked so hard to put on for our members. Just a reminder you can give the gift of your time to help in many areas. As a volunteer just a few hours a week can do so much for others, please lend a helping hand.

New this month we have completed an upgrade for the TV system with better equipment and at savings for post in doing so.

Sunday football appetizers during the game have been going well; always looking for more people to help in the kitchen.

If you would like us to plan on doing this next year we will need more help to fill the week-end days. If you wish to have Sunday appetizers for any other sport, please contact me or one of the officers or the managers and voice your idea, and who will take the lead.

Last thing is you will see more construction at the Post soon. We are planning on a new concrete pad for the dumpster. If you see the need for any improvements at our Post, please bring it to someone's attention.

Volunteering is not a dirty word or a dirty act. Please help when you can. What have you done to help our Post and our Veterans lately?

**Kevin Graves House Committee Chair** 

# Children's Christmas Party (Shown on Right)



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## **VFW National Home**

Since its founding in 1925, the VFW National Home for Children has grown from an old frame farm house to a sprawling campus with playgrounds, park areas, and multiple buildings, including single-family homes, a community center and gymnasium, child care center, guest lodge, chapel and administrative offices.

The National Home's services have also evolved to meet the changing needs of America's military and veterans' families. Through our Helpline and our on-campus programs, we are able to help families and children through times of crisis, both here on our beautiful campus and in their own communities nationwide.

The Home offers a place to live for children of deploying troops, single-parent veteran families in crisis, families with a veteran-parent going through vocational rehabilitation, and children of veterans who need a loving, safe place to live.

To support the children there or to find out how you can request living at the Home call (800) 424-8360 or its Helpline (800) 313-4200.

www.vfwnationalhome.org info@vfwnationalhome.org

Toll-free: 800 424-8360 3573 S Waverly Rd. Eaton Rapids, MI 48827 Fax: 517 663-3727

# **COOTIE BREAKFAST**

SUNDAYS TIME: 8:30 AM -11:00 AM WHERE: VFW # 392 COST: \$8.00 ALL YOU CARE TO EAT

Eggs to Order - Scramble Eggs - Omelets - Bacon - Sausage - Corned Beef Hash - Home Fried Potatoes - Pancakes - Waffles - French Toast - Biscuits Toast - Sausage Gravy - Grits - Fruit - Juices - Coffee

COME JOIN US AND HELP US FUNDRAISE FOR OUR HOSPITALIZED VETERANS

#### **ADVERTISEMENTS**

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THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE - 392

Salty Dawgs   Cootie Breakfast   PM   Salty Dawgs   Cootie Breakfast   PM   Salty Dawgs   Cootie Breakfast   PM   Sind -6:30PM   Shannon 7-10:00PM   Shannon 7-10:00	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Nacarthurs		1	2	3	4	5	6
Nacarthus   On the Parkway   Social Hour Prices Shrimp Special	Football Sundays	Staff Meeting					
FRA 166   Staff Meeting 7:00 PM   Staff 7:00 PM   St		7:00 PM					
Staff Meeting 7:00 PM   Side Meeting 7:00 P	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Cootie Breakfast   8:30-11:00am   Salty Dawgs   Cootie Breakfast   Salty Dawgs   Salty Dawgs   Cootie Breakfast   Salty Dawgs   S				•		Winter Counc	il—Portsmouth
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28   29   30   31   • EVERY FRIDAY:   Social Hour Prices   4:00 - 6:00		•HRCVO 7:00 PM	•	6:00 PM	Prime Rib 5:00–6:30PM	Randy Alan	Bingo VA Hospital 11:00—1:00 PM
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