



Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States
General MacArthur Memorial Post 392
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2011 Membership Goal
Current 2011 Membership 1711 Members, 100.4%

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2011 - 2012 OFFICERS

Post Commander.....Peter Gebelein	Ladies Auxiliary President.....Suzie Forehand
Sr. Vice Commander.....Bill Sowers	Ladies Aux. Sr. Vice President.....Judy Lupole
Jr. Vice Commander.....Chuck Bledsoe	Ladies Aux. Jr. Vice President..Maureen DeGrush
Quartermaster.....Donald E. Brown	Ladies Aux. Chaplain.....Sue Sowers
Chaplain.....Bob Duvall	Ladies Aux. Treasurer.....Elizabeth Moynihan
House Committee Chairman.....Ralph Stephens	Seam Squirrel.....Bill Moran
Service Officer.....Gunnar Gudjonsson	M.O.C.A. President.....Pam Myers
Surgeon.....Merle W. Gootee	Judge Advocate.....Lyle Soule

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Comrades and Sisters

I am very honored to be trusted with the opportunity and responsibility to serve as your Post Commander at General MacArthur's Memorial Post Number 392 for the years 2011-2012.

I am deeply grateful and will be diligent in my daily efforts to uphold the time honored traditions of this great organization.

It will take all the Post 392 Members and the Lady's Auxiliary to make this a fun and success year.

Our Post meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month. I would really like to see some new faces attending. Please remember, Comrades, we all have a say and a vote, so I hope to see you at the Post meetings!

Dates to remember

- 7/4- US declares independence in 1776
- 7/5- Post Meeting
- 7/8- Gen MacArthur named Commander-in-Chief of UN Forces, Korea in 1950
- 7/22- FDR signed the GI Bill of Rights in 1944
- 7/27- Korean War armistice is signed in 1953
- 7/27- House Committee Meeting
- 7/30- USS Indianapolis was sank by Japanese torpedoes in 1945

New Members

I extend a warm welcome to the new members who were voted into our Post at the June regular meeting.

New/Transfer Life Members

- Eril A. Coop
- Richard R. Johnson Jr.
- John A. Lasseter
- Mark A. Rizzio
- Daniel M. Seals

Richard N. Tommaselli
 Troy J. Wagers

New/Transfer/Re-Instated Annual Members/ Life Installment

- Timothy J. Bilbrey
- Allen S. Brainerd
- Candida R. Brainerd
- Joshua R. Butler
- James L. Ernest
- Alberto C. Garcia
- Henry O. Innes
- Sylvia L. Izzo
- Ward A. Lacy
- Roy N. Maddox
- Jerry L. Ogdin
- Tammy Shufat
- Levi D. Southworth
- Leslie P. Sutton
- Ronlad P. White Jr.

Thank you for your service and welcome aboard.

Birthdays

I wish a very "Happy Birthday" to Bobby Gallagher, Gunnar Gudjonsson, Jenny McCorkle,

Karen D. Torres and 156 fine comrades.

I also extend Birthday Wishes to Peggy Austin, Myrna Gaskill and 24 other fine sisters.

Post Meetings

Post meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting is at 19:00 (7 pm) on 5 July, I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the meeting.

Membership Eligibility

(Excerpt from June 2011 Newsletter by David Curtis)

Question: Can a Post require a DD214 before accepting an individual's application?

Answer: No. Section 103, Paragraph 3, of the National By-Laws, provides that "the Post Reviewing Committee shall not recommend acceptance of an application unless eligibility has been fully determined." The Post is accountable for the eligibility of every member accepted into membership." There is nothing in the National By-Laws stating that a DD214 is the only document required to substantiate eligibility. Copies of orders, payroll vouchers, etc., are other sources of eligibility.

Therefore, all applicants are required to provide proof of eligibility prior to be voted into the VFW.

**Post Commander
Peter Gebelein
757-641-6377
djfan516@cox.net**

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

The following comrades have earned the Continuous

Membership Award indicated below.

Please attend the next General Membership Meeting to receive your lapel pin. If you are unable to attend the meeting, contact any Post officer and your pin will be presented. If your name has not been listed and you believe that an award is due, please contact the Quartermaster.

Forty (40) Years Of Continuous Service

Jeffery L. Rohrabagh

Thirty (30) Years Of Continuous Service

Henry F. Baker
Gary E. Hunter

Twenty-Five (25) Years Of Continuous Service

Robert J. Bailey
Michael L. Crowder
John E. Evans
Gary W. Jordan
Kenneth Lyle
Stuart W. Onsurd
I.E. Richardson III

Twenty (20) Years Of Continuous Service

Gale L. Allen
Edward W. Blind
Ronald C. Jones
Scott W. Leason
Craig A. Ludwig
Arthur C. Marquess Jr.
Howard L. Marsh
Scott I. Patterson
Frank Switzer
Anthony A. Williams

Fifteen (15) Years Of Continuous Service

Terry D. Long
Ernest S. Wroblewski

Ten (10) Years Of Continuous Service

Eric T. Diggs
Allen L. Hux
Leslie E. Lawton
Robert Schaefer

Five (5) Years Of Continuous Service

John B. Amick
James B. Bragaw

**SR. Vice Commander
Bill Sowers
bosn@sprynet.com**

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

**Junior Vice Commander
Chuck Bledsoe**

QUARTERMASTER

Newsletter Available Online And By Email

The newsletter is now available via email, go to our website at www.vfw392.org, select NEWS and scroll down, enter the following, first name, last name, email address Member ID No. and sign up.

Change of Address

Even though we are no longer mail out the newsletter to everyone, we need to maintain a current address on our members, here at the post and at national headquarters. So please keep in touch and fill out an address change form and mail it to me at the post.

**Quartermaster
Donald E. Brown
post@vfw392.hrcoxmail.com**

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Temporary short term Illness or Injuries Listing

Read the Post Bulletin Board daily for most recent up-dates as individuals become sick or recover.

Long term Illness or Injuries Listing

The following named members have a serious long term illness/injuries, that require them to be in the listed location for continuous care:

- Lenny Andersen
VBG Rehab Room 62A
- Burt Jones
Kings Grant Room 203
- Nick Nickerson
VA Hosp/Hampton Home
- Jules Dumas
N.C. Med Asst Home

Please keep our members in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.

Taps

The following listed passing of our post veteran member:

- Ernest L. Gray Sr.
25 May 2011

At June's monthly meeting, Draping of the Charter was conducted, also a prayer solemn tribute was given on behalf of our departed comrade.

PLEASE NOTE: Comrades, when you or a family member falls ill, are injured, hospitalized, or experience the loss of a loved one - PLEASE contact the Post As Soon As Possible and let us know. It is important that we extend our hand in any way possible to aid

and comfort our fellow comrades and family in their time of need. We each maintain a certain degree of self-reliance and independence, but if we cannot fall back upon our VFW brothers and sisters as family, then who are we to call upon?

* If you are unable to visit send a get well card to let them know they are in your thoughts and that you care. Or if you know them personally, a call will let them know that you care.

Our Monthly Bread

The Greek word for clean means "free from impure admixture, without blemish, spotless".

A pure heart is the work of the Lord, only in his power can we remain clean. We often fail, but "if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to . . . cleanse us from all unrighteousness" In the bible (1 John 1:9). Renewal is an inside job.

Jesus has made us clean through his sacrifice and His Word. Our speech and actions that strike others as being fresh and pure flow from inside out as we abide in the Lord.

(1): Admitting that we we're guilty, Acknowledging our sin, Then trusting in Christ's sacrifice will make us clean within. Our confession to God brings the cleaning from God.

Prayer

Let's us pray for our new post officer as they begin their assigned task. That they may have guidance and grant wisdom to them, so that their deliberations continue toward you Almighty God, our Country and to better

our organization VFW Post 392, and members. My they hand protect them in the performance of their duties. Amen

**Post & Ladies Aux Chaplain
Robert Devall
Sue Sowers**

LADIES AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Dear Sisters,

I want to first thank you for having faith in me to facilitate the operation of our Auxiliary-- I will do my best to help us have a productive year.

I would like to extend my congratulations to our own Judy Lassiter for being chosen the Outstanding District President of the Year. Please let her know how proud we are of her.

Multitudinous thanks go out to Mary Richards and her hospital teams for the great full year schedule they have devised. The schedule will be posted in the Canteen, and I will distribute copies of it at our next meeting. The event which is rapidly approaching is the picnic at the Post for our veterans on July 9. Please plan on attending and bring a dessert if you can.

I hope to see you at our next meeting at which time we will distribute and review info about our programs, banner requirements, and standing motions.

To those who are indisposed or for other reasons cannot make it to our meeting, you are in my thoughts and prayers.

**Ladies Auxiliary President
Suzie Forehand**

LADIES AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP

Dear sisters:

The sisters listed below are requested to attend the regularly scheduled meeting of the Auxiliary to be held on July 5th, 2011. Auxiliary President Suzie Forehand stands ready to decorate you with the Continuous Membership awards indicated.

Ten (10) Years Of Continuous Service

Amanda L. Lowry

Five (5) Years Of Continuous Service

Michelle A. Pearson

Treasurer
Elizabeth Moynihan

MOC / MOCA

Tuesday, June 14, 2011 VFW Military Order of the Cooties Women's Auxiliary met at 7 pm.

Due to the floors being waxed and still wet, we gave the men our meeting room and held our brief meeting in the canteen.

Ladies, I want to thank you for a great turn-out. Let's see if we can keep it up and bring more back next meeting.

We will be doing Christmas in July at the VA Hospital on July 24th at 1:30 pm. Meet at the Post at Noon to leave in time to be at the VA Hospital by 1:30 pm. You need not be a member to volunteer! Everyone is welcome!

REMEMBER: Cootie Bash at Patty and Stu's June 25th, 2011

Post 392 Poker Run is scheduled for September 11, 2011. This will be a breakfast run with lunch and door prizes to be around 3 pm.

We will need volunteers for this event. Please contact either Pam Myers or Bill Moran with any questions or help.

Thank you again ladies for a great meeting.

MOCA President
Pam Myers

Fellow Coots,

The last scratch started a new year for Pup Tent Nine. As some of you know the Seam Squirrel Elect Joe Fosnout has vacated his position and at the June Scratch the members voted for me to move up to Seam Squirrel and Dan Jopp to become Blanket Bum.

We opened nominations for High Gimlet which will remain open until the next Scratch. Anyone interested please let me know before the next Scratch which will be July 12th.

I'm looking forward to a good year for Pup Tent 9 and know with your support we will do well.

Until the Next Scratch

Seam Squirrel
Bill Moran

THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY!!

This is the time of the week to unwind from the rat race enjoying a quiet evening of entertainment, socializing with your friends, and taking a great opportunity to make new friends. Social hour prices are in effect from 4 to 6 PM.

From 6:00 to 8:00 PM the kitchen will offer steamed shrimp and our full menu is available.

STATE OF VIRGINIA VETERANS AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVE

Every Tuesday from 11 AM to 4 PM, Ms Elizabeth Bonin is at the Post to answer your questions concerning veteran's affairs.

She has provided this valuable service and helped many of our comrades and sisters get the benefits they solely earned. She stands ready to assist you. So, please come out and talk to her.

Liz Bonin

WEEKENDS AT THE VFW

NO BREAKFAST UNTIL
SEPTEMBER

Weekends at the VFW has something for everyone. The Canteen will open at 11AM on Sundays with all your favorites on tap and in bottles.

We have six (6) TVs, five (5) are large Flat Screens. The 2011 NASCAR Sprint Cup season is in full swing, so come out and cheer for your driver. Social hour prices will be in effect for all Official NASCAR Sprint Cup races.

Come down and spend a great afternoon with your comrades and sisters at the Post.

Chairman
Ralph Stephens
Manager
Betty Stephens

ENTERTAINMENT

Below is the entertainment for the month of July 2011. Come

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enjoy the music with your friends every Friday from 7PM to 10PM.

**Friday
July 1st, 2011**

Monica Arnold
Karaoke & DJ

**Friday
July 8th, 2011**

Tim Hopkins

**Friday
July 15th, 2011**

Capt Moose
Karaoke & DJ

**Friday
July 22nd, 2011**

Jim Berry, DJ

**Friday
July 29th, 2011**

Rick Mann ?

**THURSDAY NIGHT
DINNERS**

July 7th 2011

Pork Chops in
Cream of Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Peas
Hot Rolls
Fresh Salad Bar
Dessert
Cost: \$7.50

July 14th, 2011

Spaghetti/Meat Balls
Corn
Garlic Bread
Fresh Salad Bar
Dessert
Cost: \$7.50

July 21st, 2011

Cream of Chicken
Over Egg Noodles
Green Beans
Baked Beans

Hot Rolls
Fresh Salad Bar
Dessert
Cost: \$7.50

July 28th, 2011

Grill Your Own Steak
Baked Potatoes
Sautéed Mushrooms & Onions
Hot Rolls
Fresh Salad Bar
Dessert
Cost: \$9.50

**CANCER AID AND
RESEARCH**

We would like to thank everyone that helped us raise \$7,702.22 for Cancer Aid & Research last year. We appreciate everyone that donated in some way whether it was by attending our annual cancer dance, a donation to the tips on Thursday night dinners, or just reaching in your pocket and giving from the heart.

Thank you so much! Without each and every one of you this would not have been possible.

We would also like to thank everyone that helped with the Annual George Myers Poker Run. Pam was able to present a check in the amount of \$420.00 at convention last month.

Again, thank you all for your help and support in finding a cure for this awful disease.

Now on to kicking off another year of fundraising. The Ladies Auxiliary will be selling 'SHOP FOR A CAUSE' TICKETS until August 27th.

What this means is for \$5.00 you get to go shopping at Macy's,

either in the store or online, and receive special discounts.

See below for more info on this project.

How does the customer benefit?

When your guests 'Shop for a Cause' on Saturday, August 27, 2011, they'll receive 25% off* on regular, sale and clearance merchandise throughout the store. They will also be eligible to win a \$500 gift card, no purchase necessary.

* Exclusions and restrictions apply. See shopping pass for details. Please see Tina or Judy to buy your shopping pass.

Remember every penny counts so let's raise money to find a cure for this awful disease.

Thank you,

**Tina Brown & Judy Lupole
Cancer Co-Chairman**

"Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom, must, like men, undergo the fatigues of supporting it."

- Thomas Paine



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THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE - 392

SUN		MON		TUE		WED		THU		FRI		SAT	
JUNE 26		27		28		29		30		JULY 1		2	
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3		4		5		6		7		8		9	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INDEPENDENCE DAY 8:00 AM Colors 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VFW / LAUX Meeting 7:00 PM 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USMC League Meeting 7:00 PM 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pork Chop / w Gravy 6 - 7:30 PM 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Shrimp 6 - 8 PM • Entertainment Tim Hopkins 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VA Hospital Picnic 11 AM - 2 PM 	
10		11		12		13		14		15		16	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salty Dawg Meeting 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FRA Branch 166 Meeting 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MOC / MOCA Meeting 7:00 PM 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Legion 110 Meeting 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spaghetti /w Meatball 6 - 7:30 PM 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Shrimp 6 - 8 PM • Entertainment Capt Moose 			
17		18		19		20		21		22		23	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FRA Branch 166 Meeting 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USMC League Meeting 7:00 PM • AOA Assoc Mtg 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cream Chicken with Noodles 6 - 7:30 PM 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Shrimp 6 - 8 PM • Entertainment Jim Berry 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VA Movie 12-3 PM Team One 	
24		25		26		27		28		29		30	
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vietnam Vets Meeting 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House Committee Meeting 7:00 PM 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grill Your Own Steak 6 - 7:30 PM 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Shrimp 6 - 8 PM • Entertainment Rick Mann ? 			
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*VFW Post 392 Presents
The 3rd Annual*

George Myers Memorial Poker Run



September 11, 2011

2408 Bowland Parkway, VB

Behind Blue Horseshoe Tattoo

There will be a 9/11 Memorial Service @ 0800

Registration Begins 0900

First Bike out @ 1000

\$10.00 for Rider \$5.00 Passengers

Breakfast Buffet for \$ 6.00

Hot dogs and Burgers after the run.

Cash prize for Best & Worst Hand

All Proceeds to benefit Cancer aid & Research

