



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

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2016 Membership Goal: 1,913
Current Status: 1,891 Members

Non-Smoking Facility - Outside Smoking Accommodations Available

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2014 - 2015 OFFICERS

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COMMANDER'S CALL

COMRADES AND SISTERS

Comrades, August seemed to be a slow-starter and then accelerated throughout the month! I was fortunate to attend Department School of Instruction at Post 1115, Hillsville, VA as well as a District 2 SOI here. Senior-Vice, Jr-Vice and Surgeon also were able to attend a Dept SOI at POST 9808 IN Mechanicsville, Va. The Post was honored to have the new District 2 Commander and his staff hold their School of Instruction here as well as the AUX District 2 rep and assembly.

Our Post submitted an application to National to Adopt-A-Unit; i.e. VFA 213 (STRIKE FIGHTER SQUADRON) stationed at NAS Oceana. These warriors spent 9 months in Persian Gulf area deployed on USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH and were awarded Global Warrior on

Terrorism Expeditionary Medal. These active duty sailors have been very pro-active with our VFW Team and AUX including assisting with VA Hospital Visits, and also painting out our meeting room where AUX conduct their monthly business meetings. Received a call and an email from the National Rep stating that our request is strongly approved and Adopt-A-Unit package is in route to us as we speak!

September is right around the corner with our Post meeting commencing on Tuesday 1 Sept; our Post Picnic "SET-UP" is Saturday 5 Sept and Annual Picnic will be held on Sunday 6 Sept noon - 5:00pm, so come one, come all! Look to see you there and enjoy the food, games, dunk tank, music, and camaraderie.

PATRIOT DAY is 9/11 and flag will be flown at Half-staff (sunrise to sunset) and a moment of silence observed in honor of all the individuals who lost their lives on

that day due to terrorist attacks on the United States. National POW/MIA Recognition Day is Sept 18
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- **Post Meeting:** Sept 1st, at 7 PM. All members may attend
- **Post Picnic:** Sept 5, will need set up. Sept 6, clean up, manage games / events, see any Officer
- **VA Hospital Visits:** Sept 12, BINGO at Hampton VA Hospital, see any Officer
- **Tommy Schryver Golf Classic:** Sept 26, need set up, clean up, manage events, see any Officer
- **Memorial Run:** Oct 3, will need set up, clean up, manage events, see Flip or any Officer
- **American Red Cross:** Urgently need blood donors, call 1-800-448-3543, or see any Officer
- **Recruit Members:** Sept 19-20, Oceana Air Show, & Sept 25-27, Neptune Fest, see any Officer

POST 392 - NEEDS YOU!

and an appropriate ceremony will be held by the Post.

Anticipate several recruiting opportunities to be held this month; 19-20 Sept NAS OCEANA AIR SHOW and 25 thru 27 September NEPTUNE FESTIVAL at downtown VA Beach on the BOARDWALK. We need volunteers to assist in both events, so don't be bashful!

Please get involved and take care of yourselves, each other, our fellow comrades and the community. Times are tough right now for a lot of folks, a kind word and helping hand never hurts.

We never leave a VET behind and NOBODY TAKES BETTER CARE OF VETS THAN WE DO!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 9/1 Battle of Tal Afar (Iraq) begins in 2005
- 9/2 V-J Day: Japan surrenders ending WW II in 1945
- 9/11 Patriot Day: remember September 11th, 2001
- 9/13 Battle of Heartbreak Ridge (Hill 931, Korea) begins in 1951
- 9/13 Francis Scott Key writes words to Star Spangled Banner in 1814
- 9/14 Operation Attleboro launches in Tay Ninh, Vietnam in 1966
- 9/17 Citizenship / Constitution Day: US Constitution was signed in 1787
- 9/18 USAF established 1947
- 9/21 POW / MIA Recognition Day commemorated in 1979
- 9/29 VFW established in 1899

NEW MEMBERS

I extend a warm welcome to the new members who were voted in at the last regular meeting:

New/Transfer/ Life Members:
Mitchell J. Peters, Raymond S. Streit

New / Transfer/ Re-Instated / Annual Members:
David W. Bowman, Stephen N. Carothers, Dereck Pagan, Jason D. Ragar, Jennifer S. Williams

Thank you for your service and welcome aboard!

BIRTHDAYS

May I wish a "Happy Birthday" to Joseph G. Brady, Edward S. Garcia, Arthur F. Goodwin, Douglas M. Iles, Nuvia M. Rivera, Lori A. Anderson, Mary Barraco, Phyllis Bledsoe, Mary Ann Brady, Barbara A. Grossnickle, Carole J. Metzger, and 189 other fine Comrades and Sisters!

Post Commander

Douglas M. Iles

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SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Comrades, it's getting to be a busy summer here at the Post. We have got a lot coming up. Starting with the Post picnic scheduled for Sunday Sept. the 6th from Noon to 1700. If you've got an eligible potential Comrade, bring them on down. Maybe we can sign them up to be members. What a better way to promote the Post than a good ol' fashion picnic.

We also have 2 big Recruiting events coming up , Sept. 19-20 at the Oceana Air Show and Sept. 25 -27 at the Virginia Beach ocean front with the Neptune Festival . I ask all Comrade's, if you got a little time to come down and give us a hand at our booth, it is part of what we do and its only a couple hours of your time. Contact me or

the Post Commander for information.

We have Cootie breakfast commencing again on the 13th of September and still need volunteers to come out and provide assistance. All proceeds from the breakfast benefit the Veterans Hospital. I would like to see more members come on down to the Post and enjoy it!

The Canteen's kitchen is open on the weekends now, so come on down get a bite to eat and enjoy the Post amenities.

The Poker tournament is going well as we have raised about \$1000.00 for the General Relief Fund. Remember Comrades, these are the funds we use for Comrade's who need help, so come on down play a little poker and help our cause. There will be no poker in September due the scheduling of events we have going on, the next one is in October; time and date tbd.

In closing, we have a long way to go in our membership goals, so if you know someone who is eligible bring them down to the Post, or get with me and I can show any potential member around. Together we can reach our membership goal.

CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

The following Members have earned Continuous Membership Awards. 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.

45 Years Continuous Service:

Daniel R. Shaw

40 Years Continuous Service:

John J. Balint

35 Years Continuous Service:

William J. Caddies,
John E. Kitzmiller

30 Years Continuous Service:

Richard E. Cabral, William J. Culbertson, Frank C. Domincovitch, James R. Fahringer, John T. Hepler, Lewis T. Keys, Terry W. Maxwell

25 Years Continuous Service:

Thomas A. Cropper, James T. Harty, Richard W. Pound

20 Years Continuous Service:

Lee N. Baronet, Larry R. Daugherty, Tim St. Clair Mitchell

15 Years Continuous Service:

Douglas J. Allen, Patrick P. Koch, Trevor J. Nybo, Donald N. Tillman

10 Years Continuous Service:

Robert W. Eisenberg, Robert J. Hensley, John M. Keyes, Harry I. McBrien, Alex R. Oliver, Ray E. Santee, Robert L. Stevenson, Cory M. Zillig

5 Years Continuous Service:

Walter W. Erb, Danny H. Houghlan, James I. McBee, Robin L. Miller, Denis J. Shea, Jenny L. Turney

Thank you for your service and congratulations!

**SR. Vice Commander
Steven Graves**

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**JUNIOR VICE
COMMANDER**

To the members, family, and friends of VFW Post 392, it has been a very busy month; preparations are fully underway

for the upcoming VFW Post 392 Annual Family Picnic event on 6 September. As I mentioned in the previous newsletters, we are still seeking volunteers to help out in the preparation and orchestration of this picnic event. So, if you have the time, please volunteer; the signup sheets have been posted in the VFW Post 392 or you can just give me a call.

With that said, our weekly planning meetings occur every Thursday from 1830-1900 in the Auxiliary VFW Room, and you are most welcome to drop by and listen. "Flyers" on the picnic event have been posted throughout the VFW bar area and I hope that each of you can come out and enjoy this event with your fellow VFW and Auxiliary members.

During the month of September, I will be involved with the recruiting effort at the Neptune Festival from 25-27 September 2015 at the Oceanfront, Virginia Beach. Again, this is another opportunity for each of you to come out and support the VFW in one capacity or another.

So, as you can ascertain, the key takeaway from all of this is - get involved! Your participation, whether it be small or large, will go a long way in making VFW Post 392 a vibrant organization.

In closing, I am at the VFW Post 392 on most Fridays, and sometimes during the weekend (Sundays). So, if I have not met you in person already, please stop by and say "hello".....I will more than likely be the one in the Tommy Bahama shirt, or the one in the Can-Am biker attire, or both. So take a look at the upcoming September Schedule of Events (SOE), and let me/us know how you can help out. Again, any

recommendations or suggestions for improvement at the VFW are welcomed, because WE want you to be an integral and contributing member of this Post.

**Jr. Vice Commander
Hipolito Camacho**
[jr-vicecommander@
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**QUARTER-
MASTER**

2015 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Annual dues are \$40.00. Annual Members can pay their dues at Post 392, online at vfw.org, 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 of Events are available online, for free! To view them online, go to www.vfw392.org and click on the appropriate link 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 will 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. So when your mailing address changes, be sure to fill out an address change form, and 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 include your telephone number and email address.

**Quartermaster
John H. Phillips**

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

OLD PEOPLE GET LONELY

As I get a little older now and having a conversations, with someone at the Post, I have found gender has no boundaries; the worst part of getting older is the loneliness. Also the loss of a loved one (Spouse) passed away, and none of our children live nearby, they have own family to take care of. Also, when or (if) you go to church, almost no one talks to you; the younger generation seems to avoid you or not even care. But maybe you can encourage people to pay more attention to those who are older.

I certainly can sympathize with your concerns. As friends or loved ones pass away and our health limits our contact with others, it's easy to feel isolated and lonely. We even may be tempted to say with the psalmist, "No one is concerned for me ... no one cares for my life" (Psalm 142:4)

But it doesn't need to be this way! For one thing, we can reach

out to others and make new friends. I also mention that almost no one speaks to at church, but what's to prevent you from taking the initiative and speaking to them? Some may be just as lonely as you, and even a few words of friendship will encourage them and cheer their day.

Ask God to make you a blessing to others. But the most important thing I can tell you is that we are never alone when we know Christ. God loves you just as much now as He did when you were born, He is with you every moment of the day. God's promise is true: "Even to your old age and gray hairs; I am he, I am he who will sustain you" (Isaiah 46:4)

WHY ARE SOME PEOPLE SO THOUGHTLESS?

At our August meeting our Service Officer Joe Brady, spoke up mentioning visiting our Comrades while they in the Hospital to brighten up their lives. I must concur with Comrade Brady. And it really saddens me to see the way some of our Comrades never hear from families or never have fellow Comrades visit them in the time of need. It's almost as if their families just wanted to get rid of them. Why are people so thoughtless?

Over the past six (6) years as your Post Chaplain, I've visited countless local hospitals and nursing homes that our Comrades have been in and without exception, the staff has asked me to stop and greet some of their pro-service members who never had a visitor. I was always glad to do so, of course, but (like you), it also saddened me greatly.

The Bible says "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure

and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress" (James 1:27).

What is the problem? The problem isn't just practical (such as living too far away or not having enough time). The basic problem is spiritual and moral, because we put ourselves before others, and before God. Never forget: Self-love is the greatest enemy of true love! The Bible warns of the time when "People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, and abusive...without love," (2 Timothy 3:2-3).

Someone once said to me, that the reason he never visited his mother in her nursing home was because she wouldn't remember he'd been there. But even if that were true, he still would have brought her comfort for a few hours, and he also would have been able to check on her care. The Bible says, "Honor your father and your Mother" (Exodus 20:12).

Ask God to make you a blessing to those you serve—encouraging them, helping them, cheering them, loving them, praying for them, Remember Jesus' words: "In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you" (Matthew 7:12)

Suggested reading: Eccl 4:7-12

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 Bulletin Board at the Post for most recent up-dates of Members on the Short Term Illness / Injury List.

The following members have serious, long term illness, or injury, requiring continuous care at the location listed below:

- **Larry G. Peterson**
(Home)
- **Terry Steinbaugh**
(Va Bch Rehab, Room 70)

TAPS

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

- **Charles M. "Dutch" Williamson, Sr.**
US Navy (Retired)
Passed: 6 August 2015
- **Robert E. "Bob" Jordon**
Passed: 8 August 2015
- **Ed J. Leake**
US Army
Passed: 17 August 2015

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.

District 2 Chaplain
Post 392 Chaplain
Robert Duvall

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**AUXILIARY
PRESIDENT**

Hello Sisters and Brothers! I am excited to announce that as of August 21, 2015, the Ladies Auxiliary is now known as the VFW Auxiliary! We are now accepting male family members into our family. The requirements for membership are exactly the

same as before. This is NOT a merger of the Men's Auxiliary! Male applicants that were a member of the Men's Auxiliary needs to fill out the new member's application and show proof of eligibility. If anybody has any questions please contact the Membership chairman Tina Brown or our Treasurer Ellen Stogsdill. National is working hard making the changes and as soon as they have the updates we will be sure to pass them down to you!

September has traditionally been a very busy month for us and this year is no exception! We hope to have a Membership drive at the Oceana Air show the weekend of September 19. Also that weekend is POW/MIA day. Additionally, we have Bingo at the Hampton VA Hospital on September 12th from 1-3 p.m. Team 3 should meet at the Post around 10 AM to help with loading the supplies and such. For more information or to volunteer please contact Betz Girouard. Neptune Festival is the following weekend and sign-up sheets are available at the Post.

There is a committee for our Annual Christmas party to be held on December 5 and they are asking for volunteers, suggestions, etc. Contact Dinah Devins or Lorain Crain. Also our Veterans and Family Chairperson is now accepting names of Veterans who may be in need this upcoming holiday season. Contact Judy Lupole.

For our Sisters and Brothers that need assistance, or to let us know if you are suffering due to illness or surgery please contact our Chaplain Ingrid Epperson.

I am excited about the upcoming changes and look forward to welcome all of our new members

at the next meeting September 1 at 7 p.m.! As always, if you have any questions or concerns you can reach me at the Post or my email.

Ladies Auxiliary President
Colleen Lewis
lewiscolleen2@gmail.com



MOC

Listen up Fellow Coots, I would like to thank Flip for taking over as the breakfast team chairman, also Bill, Joe and Larry for taking on Team Captains.

A reminder to all Breakfast season begins Sept 13 and we are still in need of volunteers for all three teams. A reminder that you DON'T have to be a member of the Cooties to volunteer for the breakfast teams.

Dates for Tomb Trek are 30 Oct through 1 Nov. Make your reservations soon, information to follow. More information at: <http://www.lotcs.org>

The Grand Council of Administration will be held at Ocean View Post 3160 on Sept 19th. 0830 is coffee and donuts, and the meeting is 0900.

Cootie Bash will be at Flip and Holly's beginning at 1500. The Battleship Run will be held on 3 Oct more information to follow.

Until the Next Scratch may God Bless our Troops, our Veterans and their families.

Seam Squirrel
Mark Winn



MOCA

Hard to believe summer is gone and everyone is gearing up for fall /winter mode. The Fall council

is Saturday September 19, 2015
9am – 11am, VFW Post 3160
Ocean View.

And our ANNUAL COOTIE
BASH is 9/12/2015 at Flip and
Holly's house (Address: 2900
Fetsch Place, Virginia Beach, VA
23453, located off Lynnhaven
Pkwy in Magic Hollow). It starts
at 3:00 PM and will run until
whenever! Dinner at 5:00 pm with
Burgers, Dogs, Sausage, and Mac
& Cheese.

Don't forget to BYOB/beer and
your favorite side dish. House will
supply ice, mixers, water, and
all the fixings. If you have a
special drink or mix be sure to
bring it and some chairs. We hope
to see everyone there (Adults
Only)!

We also have the 81st Tomb Trek
2015 coming up at Arlington
National Cemetery. This year the
Trek to the Tomb of the
Unknowns will be held on 30
October thru 1 November 2015.
We are staying at the Sheraton
Pentagon City Hotel (900 South
Orme Street, Arlington, Virginia
22204 Telephone: 703-521-1900).

Room rate are \$105.00 plus tax.
Contact Hotel directly for
reservations and mention Military
Order of the Cootie for discount.
Parking is \$ 10.00 per day. Some
other important information: cost
of the wreath is \$25.

You can do the Advanced
Registration: Full Registration is
\$85. Or single events are the
Banquet is \$50, the Bus Ticket is
\$15, and the registration is \$20.

Keep in mind that after 1st of
October 2015, Full Registration is
\$100. And single events will be
Banquet will be \$55, the Bus
Ticket will be \$20, and
Registration will be \$25.

Sr. Vice President Judy Lupole

and Chaplain Dinah Devins stand
ready to assist any members in
need.

Please remember to report your
Hospital work to; MOCA Hospital
Chairman, Gail Payne
gail101@cox.net stands ready to
receive your hospital, nursing
home & rehab hours, mileage and
any donations/gifts of cloths,
books, magazines or food please
report them and dollar amount.

You, the members of MOC/
MOCA #9 and Post 392 & AUX
make a difference in the lives of
our hospitalized Veterans and their
families with the work that you do
each day. I thank you for keeping
them smiling in beds of white.
May God Bless you all.

MOCA President

Jennifer Winn

Jen_moca@cox.net



SEPTEMBER: PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS

Prostate cancer is a disease in
which malignant (cancer) cells
form in the tissues of the prostate.
It is about the size of a walnut and
surrounds the urethra (the tube that
empties urine from the bladder).

This year approximately 217,730
men will learn they have prostate
cancer and more than 32,050 men
will die from the disease. African-
American men are
disproportionately affected by
prostate cancer, having higher
rates of prostate cancer diagnosis
than men of all other ethnic
groups.

The American Cancer Society
recommends that men have the
opportunity to make an informed
decision with their health care

provider about screening for
prostate cancer.

Men at average risk should start
talking to their doctors beginning
at age 50. Men at higher risk,
should talk to their doctor about
prostate testing earlier, including
African Americans, at age 45, and
men who've had a first-degree
relative diagnosed with prostate
cancer, at age 40.

The American Cancer Society
offers a 24-hour toll-free hotline at
1-800-227-2345 that provides
information and a support network
24 hours a day, seven days a week.

For more information on cancer,
aid, & research, visit the National
Cancer Institute online at:
www.cancer.gov. Let's celebrate
less cancer and more birthdays!

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www.cancer.gov.

Chairpersons

Tina Brown & Judy Lupole
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CANTEEN HOURS

Monday-Thursday.... 1100-2200

Friday..... 1100-0000

Saturday-Sunday.....1100-2200
(Sunday's with Cootie Breakfast,
the Canteen opens at 10 AM)

NEW KITCHEN HOURS

Monday-Thursday.... 1100-1400

Friday .. 1100-1400 & 1800-2000

Saturday / Sunday 1200-1800

WEEKENDS AT THE VFW

Football & NASCAR

Start the weekend with Friday's
Social Hour Prices from 4-6 PM!

The Canteen now opens at 11:00

AM on Saturdays and Sundays.

Come out and enjoy a cold beer or beverage.

And - come join our Racing Fantasy League and watch every NASCAR Sprint Cup Race televised at the Post on the multiple big screen TV's. Come out and enjoy the races - bring the family!

SUNDAY FOOTBALL SPECIAL

**392 Bistro
1:00 - 6:00 PM**

Every Sunday the kitchen will be open from 1 PM to 6 PM for Sunday Football! We have nine televisions around the Canteen, so you will definitely have a good view to support your team.

Come join your Comrades and Sisters for some good food, drinks, and football!

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER

Below is the dinner menu available every Thursday from 6:00 - 7:30 PM:

<u>Sept 3rd</u> Stuffed Peppers au gratin potatoes, roll, salad, & dessert \$8.50	<u>Sept 10th</u> Buffet Ham mashed sweet potatoes, greens, roll, salad, & dessert \$8.50
<u>Sept 17th</u> Lasagna spinach, garlic bread, salad, & dessert \$8.50	<u>Sept 24th</u> Grill Your Own Steak bake potato, roll, salad, & dessert \$12.00

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:

Sept 4th

Shane Dollar
DJ

Sept 11th

Tim Hopkins
Live Music

Sept 18th

Shannon Cooper
DJ

Sept 25th

Jim Berry
Karaoke & DJ

If you have any comments or suggestions for our Canteen, please let us know! And thank you for your service!

Chairperson

Pete Gebelein

Manager

Joe Halzack

canteen@vfw392.hrcoxmail.com



POST ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 for our newsletter. We have a monthly circulation of 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 John Phillips, Post 392 Quartermaster, for pricing and availability at (757) 486-5875.

STATE OF VIRGINIA VETERANS AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVE

Please welcome **Virginia Pauley** as our new 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

Fax: (757) 552-1882

virginia.pauley@dvs.virginia.gov

AMERICAN RED CROSS

Donors Needed

American Red Cross's 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: gail101@cox.net. Recording the number of donors reflects in our community services.

www.redcrossblood.org/midatlantic

1-800-RED-CROSS

(1-800-733-2767)

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.

VA HOSPITAL PROGRAM

Volunteers Needed

Just about every month we visit the Veterans at the VA Hospital. We're providing them camaraderie, some fun, and a break from their everyday life at the hospital.

These events are supported by volunteers. If you would like to participate, please contact any of the Officers at the Post.

Please, we could seriously use the help, and I promise you will have a great time! The Vets enjoy our visits, and it's just as fun for us as it is for them!

LADIES AUXILIARY **MEMBERSHIP**

Dear Sisters, It's about that time of year again where we start thinking of our membership dues. "I'm sure you are thinking that "wait, it's only April and I just paid my dues! My dues aren't due until December 31!" Well that is true, but this is for us Early Birds! Remember "The early bird catches the worm" and you could win the Life Membership.

You see, from the months of June through October 31st, your dues will only be \$20.00! And you will be entered into a drawing for a Life Membership! Sounds great, doesn't it? Well it gets better, because if you pay your dues in June through October 31st, you

will have TWENTY chances to win a Life Membership!

The drawing for the Life Membership will take place during our November 3rd meeting. And remember, starting November 1, renewal dues will increase to \$25.00.

Tired of paying yearly dues? Why not consider becoming a Life Member? If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Post at 757-486-5875 and one of our Auxiliary Officers will be glad to help you!

Good luck and hope to see you at the meetings!

2015-2016 Membership Committee

POST 392 PICNIC

September 6th, 2015
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Free to Members & Children
\$5 for all other Guests

We are having our annual Post Picnic on September 6th! There will be plenty of good eats, a selection of adult beverages or soft drinks.

There will be lots to do with music, children's games, face painting, prizes, raffles, Cornhole Tournament, and much more!

Bring your family, come down and join your Comrades and Sisters to enjoy a great time!

Volunteers Needed

We are still looking for volunteers to assist organizing, set-up, clean up, events, etc. for the picnic. Sign up sheets are still posted in the Canteen.

If you have any questions, please contact the Jr Vice Commander) or any Post Officer.



10TH ANNUAL **MEMORIAL RUN**

October 3rd, 2015

Registration: 09:00 - 10:30

\$10 per Rider / \$5 per Passenger

Post 392 presents the 10th Annual Memorial Run / 2nd Annual Battleship Run. Instead of competing for best / worst poker hands, you will be playing a game of 'battleship' with most hits / least hits awards.

It's all in fun, and for a worthy cause. Because ALL PROCEEDS benefit sponsored cancer research and Post 392 Veterans Assistance Programs in memory of George Myers.

So come out and joins us! Before the run, there will be a breakfast buffet (\$6.00). And after the Poker Run, we will have a free lunch at Post 392, along with awards, 50/50 drawings, door prizes, raffles, and more!

And just remember: you do not have to have a motorcycle to be in the run. ALL wheels are welcome.

The organization is off to a great start! Donations are really starting to come in, it looks like we are going to have some terrific door prizes again this year!

**15TH ANNUAL TOMMY
SCHRYVER GOLF CLASSIC**

September 26th, 2015

8:30 AM

Aeropines Oceana

Join us for the 15th Annual Golf Classic in memory of Tommy Schryver at NAS Oceana's Aeropines Golf Course.

We will have Hole in One prize, door prizes, 50 / 50 drawings, and a number of contests: longest drive straight test drive, putting, closest to the pin. Mulligans tickets will be sold and survival bags will be available also.

After golf, we will head back to Post 392 for lunch—grill your own steak. It will be a good tournament, lots of fun, and there will be many prizes awarded!

Registration Forms and volunteer forms are posted in the Canteen, or you can call the Post if you have any questions or need additional information.

VETERANS CRISIS LINE

VA offers a network of support for all our Nation's Veterans and their families and friends. Veterans in emotional crisis and their loved ones can call the free and confidential Veterans Crisis Line at 1-800-273-8255 and Press 1, or send a text message to 838255 to connect with a qualified crisis counselor who can help.

Veterans and people who are concerned about a Veteran can also go to veteranscrisisline.net 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

COOTIE BREAKFAST

Starting September 13th

Breakfast every Sunday

9:00 - 11:30 AM

Where else can you have a fantastic breakfast with family and friends ... and know that all the proceeds go directly to support our local hospitalized Veterans? Please mark your calendars for September to come and join us for a wide variety of breakfast foods, meats, eggs, fruit, and more. There's always coffee, or maybe have something a little stronger if you wish. You won't be disappointed!

Volunteers Needed

We could still use volunteers. You don't have to be a Cootie to volunteer, we welcome anyone who wishes to join us. We are all volunteers working for a most worthy cause. Every penny we make goes to our hospitalized Veterans. In addition to the work, we have a lot of fun and make some great friends. If anyone is willing to help us, please contact Flip or any Post Officer.

ANNUAL COOTIE BASH

September 12th

3:00 PM - until ??

Adults Only

Where: Flip and Holly's House

Address: 2900 Fetsch Place,
Virginia Beach, VA 23453
(located off Lynnhaven Parkway
in Magic Hollow)

Time: 3:00 PM until whenever -

Dinner: 5:00 PM, burgers, hot
dogs, sausage, Mac & Cheese

What to Bring: bring your own

booze and beer, and your favorite side dish

Bash will supply ice, mixers, water, and all the fixings. If you have a special drink or mix you'd like, be sure to bring it with you.

Hope to see all you MOC and MOCA there!

POW / MIA

RECOGNITION DAY

September 19th, 2014

Annual ceremony to be held at NAS Oceana's POW/MIA Flame of Hope Memorial on Oceana Blvd. Contact any Post Officer for more information.

NEW "VFW AUXILIARY"

WELCOMES MEN

As of August 21, 2015, the Ladies Auxiliary is now known as the VFW Auxiliary! We are now accepting male family members into our AUX. The requirements for membership are exactly the same as before. This is NOT a merger of the Men's Auxiliary! Male applicants that were a member of the Men's Auxiliary needs to fill out the new member's application and show proof of eligibility. Please contact the Membership Chairman Tina Brown or Treasurer Ellen Stogsdill.

CORRECTIONS

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

They can be directed to any of the Post 392 Officers, or email them directly to the Newsletter Chairman at:

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or email them directly to the Webmaster at

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	(Aug 31)	1	2	3	4	5
	• VFW / LAUX Staff Meeting 6:30 PM	• VFW / LAUX Post Meeting 7:00 PM	• MCL Meeting 7:00 PM	• VFW Riders Meeting 7:00 PM • Stuffed Peppers 6 - 7:30 PM	• Entertainment Shane Dollar	• Annual Post 392 Picnic Set up
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
• Annual Post 392 Picnic 12:00 - 5:00 PM		• MOC / MOCA Meeting 7:00 PM		• Buffet Ham 6 - 7:30 PM	• Patriots Day • Entertainment Tim Hopkins	• VA Hospital Visit BINGO 1200-300 PM • Cootie Bash 3 PM until ...
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
• Cootie Breakfast 9:00 - 11:30 AM Team 1 • Salty Dawgs Meeting	• FRA 166 Staff Meeting	• IOOB Meeting 7:30 PM	• AOA Meeting 6:00 PM • MCL Staff Meeting 7:00 PM	• Constitution Day • Flame of Hope Ceremony • Lasagna 6 - 7:30 PM	• POW/MIA Day * • Happy B-day USAF (est. 1947) • Entertainment Shannon Cooper	• Oceana Air Show
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
• Cootie Breakfast 9:00 - 11:30 AM Team 2 • Oceana Air Show	• FRA 166 Branch Meeting			• VVA Chap. 969 Board Meeting • Grill Your Own Steak 6 - 7:30 PM	• Neptune Festival • Entertainment Jim Berry	• Neptune Festival • Tommy Schryver Memorial Golf Classic 8:30 AM
27	28	29	30			
• Cootie Breakfast 9:00 - 11:30 AM Team 3 • Neptune Festival	• HRCVO Meeting 7:00 PM	• Happy B-day VFW (est. 1899) • VVA Chapter 969 Meeting 7:00 PM	• House Committee Meeting 7:00 PM • AMRA 7:00 PM		* POW / MIA Day Ceremony at Post 392 at 8:00 AM	
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