



Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States
General MacArthur Memorial Post 392
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www.vfw392.org



2017 Membership Goal: 2,025
Current Status: 1,972 Members

Non-Smoking Facility - Outside Smoking Accommodations Available

SEPTEMBER 2016 - VOLUME 28, NUMBER 3

2016 - 2017 OFFICERS

Post Commander.....	Steven E. Graves	VFW Auxiliary President.....	Jennifer A. Winn
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Surgeon.....	Robert Cordona	M.O.C. Seam Squirrel.....	Peter A. Gebelein
Judge Advocate	David R. Goldstein	M.O.C.A. President.....	Colleen Lewis



COMMANDER'S CALL

COMRADES AND SISTERS

"It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit"

(Harry S. Truman)

Things have been picking up as of late, we have several recruiting events coming up and will be soliciting some help from our Comrades and Auxiliary members, after all - this is a team event where we can help each other.

We will need volunteers to support our recruiting booths at the Oceana Air Show from 9th to 11th of Sept, Neptune Festival from 30 Sept to 2 Oct, and Virginia Beach Gun Show from 15 -16 of October.

We also have a blood drive scheduled for Sept 11th at the Post from 1300-1800. We need 40 volunteers to give blood to make this happen. If you unable to give blood you're welcomed to help

assist and support those who do.

On another note, we're working diligently to get the message TV up and running like it should. We've found the major problem and are correcting this. Once we get it fixed, there will be better Wi-Fi service, which I know has been a sore spot for our members.

I feel I need to ask all our members who visit the Post and have complaints to bring their complaints to the Canteen Manager or myself vice airing them on social media. We're working to increase membership and support of the Canteen and Post events, the negativity does nothing to help our cause.

Given this, I have one question to those of you who fit this description: why complain if you're not willing to step up and help make this Post a better place to visit? Those of us to who work the hardest are the ones that catch the most grief.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- **Post Meeting:** Sept 6 at 7 PM. All members may attend
- **Post Picnic:** Sept 4 at noon. Need set up, clean up, manage games / events, donate baked goods, see any Officer
- **Thursday Night Dinners:** need cash register attendants, dish washers, servers, see Canteen Manager or any Officer
- **Membership Committee:** Oceana Air Show Sept 9-11, Neptune Festival Sept 30-Oct 2, see any Officer
- **American Red Cross:** Sept 11 1-6 PM, Blood Drive at Post 392, see any Officer
- **Tommy Schryver Golf Classic:** Sept 17, need set up, clean up, manage events, see any Officer
- **Cootie Breakfast:** every Sunday, see Cooties or any Post Officer
- **Patriots Pen/Voice of Democracy:** student entries due by Nov 1st, see any Officer

POST 392 - NEEDS YOU!

So please, instead of being the problem, let's all start helping solve the problem. It's just a fact of life that we're all part of a changing society.

Our active members have been working very hard to make this a great Post. But it'll take a lot more to from ALL of us to get there. I need your support to make this happen.

Let's remember our membership mission for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, which is to recruit, retain, and mentor a stable membership base, including ALL generations of Veterans, well-versed in institutional knowledge and actively involved at all levels of the organization. We MUST build a strong organization for the future.

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 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
- 9/23 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/ Installment Life Members:

Hans S. Flammang, Kenny R. Herren, Mark A. McNeil

New / Transfer/ Re-Instated Annual Members:

Miguel A. Figueroa, Robert J. Gibson, Taira L. Shull, Justin M. Wilton

Thank you for your service and welcome aboard!

BIRTHDAYS

May I wish a "Happy Birthday" to Michael A. Botchie, Joseph G. Brady, Edward A. Foxwell, William A. Geiger, Douglas M. Iles, Fredrick G. Nootnagel, Robert D. Slycord, Lori A. Andersen, Mary Barraco, Phyllis Bledsoe, Mary Ann Brady, Barbara A. Grossnickle, Norine Kuhn, Carole J. Metzger, and 197 other fine Comrades and Sisters!

Post Commander Steven E. Graves

[commander@
vfw392.hrcoxmail.com](mailto:commander@vfw392.hrcoxmail.com)



SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Comrades, Brothers, and Sisters, we have three recruiting events coming up over the next few months. The first being the NAS Oceana Air Show, September 9th thru 11th. The signup sheet is posted on the door at the Post. Looking for two comrades and one Auxiliary member to volunteer.

Other events we have coming up are the Neptune Festival Sept 30th thru Oct 2nd. And then there is the Virginia Beach Gun Show Oct 15th thru 16th. If you have any questions or have time to help, please contact any Post Officer.

I would like to thank all the volunteers that have been helping

with Thursday and Friday night dinners. The support is very much appreciated. We're still looking for others that are willing to help. Please pick the night that you are able to help and signup.

I know there are a lot of members that are doing volunteer work that may not be getting logged in the book outside the office. If you are doing the work on behalf of the Post, we need to account for it. The areas that we tacking are Americanism, Community Service, Safety, Youth Activities, and Hospital. Please make sure you log this info in the book. The work done at the Post is tracked by Department and National and directly supports our efforts to become an All-State and All-American Post.

V-J Day Commemoration Washington DC: visitors can join in a Victory Over Japan Day observance at the National World War II Memorial Sept 2 at 11 AM.

The WWII Memorial has very few disability parking spaces, and street parking will be very limited (it's a workday and still tourist season). Taxis to the memorial are plentiful and recommended. The two closest Metro stations are the Federal Triangle and the Smithsonian. Both about a half-mile away. Learn more about this and other events at:

www.wwiimemorialfriends.org

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.

65 Years Continuous Service:

Bernard T. Hanrahan

35 Years Continuous Service:

Charles A. Aardahl

30 Years Continuous Service:

Delbert L. Vanetta, Dennis C. Haas, Michael J. Dunn

25 Years Continuous Service:

Kenneth L. McMurray, Jeffrey L. Waugh, James D. Smith, Donald E. Brown, William Cox, Johnny R. Wertz

20 Years Continuous Service:

Calvin W. Hall, Richard W. Gray, Charles R. Montgomery Jr., Samuel Johnson, Gary E. Mock

15 Years Continuous Service:

Bryan K. Sowers

10 Years Continuous Service:

David R. Drew, William D. Bankart, William A. Maxcy, Robert E. Norman, Joseph D. Rasmussen

5 Years Continuous Service:

Thomas J. Camp Jr., Maria A. Ruiz, Shawn P. Landis

Thank you for your service and congratulations!

SR. Vice Commander

Mark K. Winn

sr-vicecommander@vfw392.hrcoxmail.com



**JUNIOR VICE
COMMANDER**

Comrades and Auxiliary, the Post Picnic is almost upon us, only a few short weeks away. The Committee has been working hard to ensure this year's function is one of the best in recent memory. We are taking lessons learned from last year's picnic and incorporating them to make our day exciting and hopefully filling.

The usual suspects are returning to provide a wonderful meal that

will include several salad options, Barbecued Chicken, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Pulled Pork, and all the fixings. To quench our thirsts Sodas, Ice water, Lemonade, Iced Tea, and Adult beverages.

Our Sisters and Brothers in the Auxiliary are sponsoring a dessert table where you can partake of assorted baked goods for a donation - all proceeds will support veteran activities.

Games and activities are planned for the day, the ever popular bounce house is back along with the artistry of our in-house face painting specialists. Children's events are planned with prizes for winning entrants.

Are you looking to get someone wet? The Dunk Tank will be operating and manned by members of legal age for your sadistic pleasure.

Who'll be crowned this years Champion Corn Holer? It could be your team. Sign-ups announced well in advance of event.

Volunteers are still needed for setup, food prep and service, games, etc. Sign-up sheets are posted between the Canteen and Main Hall, or contact me or the Picnic Co-Chair Lorraine Crain.

I look forward to seeing each and every one of you on the 4th!

Upcoming events: Oceana Air Show Sept 9-11th, Children's Halloween Party Oct 28th, Buddy Poppy Dinner and distribution Nov 3rd-Nov 6th.

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

Jr. Vice Commander

T.J. DeChamplain

jr-vicecommander@vfw392.hrcoxmail.com



**QUARTER-
MASTER**

2017 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'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. 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. And please include your telephone number and email address.

Quartermaster
John H. Phillips
post@vfw392.hrcoxmail.com



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

MONTHLY BREAD

Almighty God and merciful Father, we praise and glorify you. Thank you for the many blessings you have bestowed upon our great nation and us. Heavenly Father, we beseech you to guide our POW/MIA comrades through every day and night.

Give them unbound strength and courage to continue their efforts to survive and return to their loved ones. Give them Your peace when they reflect on their own captivity no matter how long ago or how enduring it was. And if they perish, Lord, we ask you to welcome them to the house that you have prepared for them, where they will rest in peace. We ask this in your great and holy name. Amen

Suggested Reading: Psalm 10:17, James 1:12

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:

- **Maria Cassidy**
(Home)
- **Douglas R. Keller**
(Home)
- **Joseph C. Palmer Sr.**
(Sentara Nursing Home, Room 211)

TAPS

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

- **Charlotte T. McCabe**
Civil Service
Passed: 4 Aug 2016
- **Robert "Doc" Clark**
US Navy (Retired)
Passed: 6 Aug 2016
- **Mary U. Stogsdill**
Passed: 16 Aug 2016

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
William P. Moran
chaplain@vfw392.hrcoxmail.com



AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Happy Labor Day!! I hope everyone is able to stay cool and hydrated in this hot weather we've been having.

The School of Instruction and our first District 2 meeting was a huge success thanks to all the Auxiliary members and comrades that came out to attend. I'd also like to say a special thank you to Bob

DeChamplain and his team that help put the luncheon together for all to enjoy.

A reminder that Post 392 Family Picnic is September 4th at Noon. If you wish to help or donate any baked goods please contact Lorrain Crain.

We still are looking for volunteers to come out and help serve, run cash register and wash dishes on Thursday night and Friday shrimp night dinners. If you're able to come out and help please either let Post Commander Steve Graves, myself (Jennifer Winn), or Canteen Manager Colleen Lewis know. There is also a sign up sheet on the double doors in the canteen.

We will have a recruiting booth at the NAS OCEANA Air Show on September 9th - 11th.

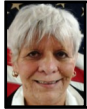
Our amazing Chaplain Ingrid Epperson stands ready to assist any member in need.

At the VFW Auxiliary National Convention it was voted and approved to raise the Life Membership dues up by 15%. This takes effect January 1st 2017. If you have not gone Life and been thinking about it - now is the time. You may want to strongly consider it and do so before the increase.

If you have any ideas for our Auxiliary, please let's hear them come to a meeting or contact me. Our meetings are the first Tuesday of each month.

May God Bless each of you, keep you healthy, happy & safe! Looking forward in seeing you all soon .

VFW Auxiliary President
Jennifer Winn
jen-laux@cox.net



AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP

2017 ANNUAL DUES NOTICE

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 notice is for us Early Birds! Remember "The early bird catches the worm" and you could be the lucky one to never have to pay dues again.

In the months of June through September 30, 2016, your dues will be \$20.00, and you will have TWENTY (20) chances to win a Life Membership! Starting in October 1, 2016 renewal dues will increase to \$30.00.

The drawing for the Life Membership will take place during our meeting on October 4, 2016.

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!

Tina Brown
Ellen Stogsdill

CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP

AWARDS

The Sisters listed below are requested to attend the next regularly scheduled meeting of the VFW Auxiliary. Our Auxiliary President stands ready to decorate you with the awards indicated:

30 Years Continuous Service:

Barbara H. Hass

20 Years Continuous Service:

Sandra K. Drew

15 Years Continuous Service:

Dawn M. Thiele, Dana B. Johnson

5 Years Continuous Service:

Clara I. Camp

Thank you for your service and congratulations!

VFW Auxiliary Treasurer

Ellen Stogsdill

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MOC

Let me start this by saying - I am very honored to be the Seam Squirrel for 2016-2017, thank you all for entrusting me.

Breakfast startup is effectively on track. I would like to sincerely thank Brother Moran and Sister Moran for all of their hard work on this. We've incorporated a few changes for this season ... one of which is that Cootie Breakfast now runs from 0830 thru 1100.

One factor that is essential on a successful breakfast season ... is volunteers. You don't have to be a Cootie to help out, and we certainly use the extra hands serving, cooking, doing dishes, and cleaning up. If you have some extra time on Sunday morning, some out and have some fun with us on a Breakfast Team.

I held my first Scratch in August, and was a little disappointed on the turn out. Somehow, we need to get the rest of the Cooties to attend meeting and have a lousy time. Any ideas, please let me know.

Our next Scratch is scheduled at 7 pm on Sept 13th. Until then may God Bless our Troops, our Veterans, and their families.

Seam Squirrel
Peter Gebelein



WW II Victory Medal
(1941 - 1946)



MOCA

Greetings Coots and Ladybugs! Yes, I know, but a ladybug is the name of the insect not the gender!!

September is upon us and boy am I glad it has cooled down (at least, at the time I am writing this I hope and pray it will)!! The Breakfast teams are gearing up for our first breakfast fundraiser on September 18th starting with Team 3! Also, breakfast is open at 8:30 now (vs. 9:00) and will close promptly at 11. We're hoping the new hours will be more accommodating to those of us that like to eat our meal early in the day!

The sign up sheets are still up and the Teams all welcome you with open arms! You do not have to be a MOC or MOCA member to volunteer at the breakfasts!

The Auxiliary chairman has been working hard to get a schedule for our monthly VA Hospital visits in Hampton! The 1st one was August 27th with Team Dinah. Next one is September 24th with Team Katie! Of course, things happen so please feel free to call if you have any questions or concerns!

The MOC/MOCA is hosting a Wine Tasting event in November! This is our first and we know it will be a success! Our Sr. Vice Pres Lorain is heading up this endeavor and tickets and information is forthcoming!

Our next Bingo at the Post is September 24th starting at 1 p.m. If you haven't joined in this game we have a lot of fun! And yes, even the youngsters have fun too! (Must be with parent or guardian to play) Everybody is a winner!!

Our Chaplain, Noni, is standing (or sitting) at the ready for

anything you may need. And so am I!

Keep the Smiling in Beds of White!

**MOCA President
Colleen Lewis**



CANTEEN

CANTEEN HOURS

Monday-Thursday.... 1100-2200

Friday..... 1100-0000

Saturday-Sunday1100-2200

Cootie Breakfast Sunday 1000-2200

NEW KITCHEN HOURS

Monday-Thursday.... 1100-1400

Friday 1100-2200

Only Appetizers available after 2100

Saturday / Sunday 1200-1700

CANTEEN MANAGER NOTES

Thursday Dinners

August saw the re-opening of our New Thursday night dinners and I must admit it was a challenge! We are improving, however, and I know with everybody's cooperation, patience, and constructive criticism we can move forward to an enjoyable Thursday night evening at the Post!

As a reminder, if the dinner special isn't "your cup of tea", we do have an extensive dinner menu available! Over the Labor Day weekend the kitchen will be closed due to preparation for the upcoming Post Picnic! I apologize in advance for any inconvenience but I know you will be pleased at the Picnic Sept. 4th! Kitchen will re-open on Monday at the regular time.

The volunteer force has been wonderful for our Thursday and Friday night dinners!! A lot of the members have commented how

fun it was to serve, take orders, or even to wash the dishes! It really does help out to keep the cost down for the meals, which I know everybody likes! There is a sign up sheet at the double doors by the bathrooms for those interested in helping out!

Thursday night dinners start at 1700 hours now, and on Fridays, the kitchen is open from 1100 to 2200 (appetizers only after 2100)!

As you will notice, we also have some new entertainment on Friday! Along with the usual dance music, the DJ will be playing a variety of music from the past! So please come and check out the Blast from the Past!!

Keep an eye on Saturdays folks! We are working to bring some fun time entertainment starting in October!

As always, I am here to serve you! I welcome your feedback, good or constructive!

WEEKENDS AT THE VFW

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

Saturday / Sunday the kitchen's open from **noon to 5 PM!**

The Canteen opens at 11:00 AM on Saturdays and Sundays (10:00 AM on Sundays when Cootie Breakfast is being served).

Come out and enjoy a cold beer or beverage and enjoy NFL and NASCAR on 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 - 8:00 PM**

Below is the dinner menu available Thursdays for this month. **And please remember -**

regular menu items are also available if the dinner menu doesn't appeal to you:

Sept 1st

Baked Ziti
with sausage and
peppers, side
salad, roll,
dessert, coffee/
iced tea

\$7.50

Sept 8th

Pancit, Adobo
Chicken,
Lumpia
side salad,
dessert, coffee/
iced tea

\$7.50

Sept 15th

Beef Stroganoff
w/ egg noodles,
side salad, roll,
dessert, coffee/
iced tea

\$7.50

Sept 22nd

Baked Ham
with homemade
macaroni and
cheese, side salad,
roll, dessert,
coffee/iced tea

\$7.50

Sept 29th

Meatloaf

w/ mashed potato and gravy, side
salad, roll, dessert, coffee / iced tea

\$7.50

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 2nd

Crash
Entertainment
"Blast from the
Past"

Sept 9th

Jukebox Night

Sept 16th

Shannon Cooper
DJ

Sept 23rd

Jim Berry
DJ

Sept 30th

TBD

CANTEEN SPECIALS

Friday: Shrimp Special

6 - 9 PM

EZ Peel Shrimp are back & larger!

1/2 lb for \$6.00 or 1 lb for \$12.00

Saturday: Pizza / Wings

Noon - 5 PM

12" PIZZA

homemade crust & sauce! cheese
& pepperoni \$6.00, additional
topping are 50¢ each

WINGS

hot, mild, BBQ, garlic parmesan,
or teriyaki

\$.65 ea (min. order 6 each)

Sunday: New Menu

Noon - 5 PM

Hard or Soft Shell Tacos \$.75 ea
meat, cheese, lettuce, tomato, sour cream, salsa

Nachos \$3.75
chips, cheese, jalapenos

Nachos Supreme \$7.50
*chips, meat, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes,
onions, sour cream, and salsa*

Wings \$.65 ea
mild, hot, BBQ, garlic parmesan, teriyaki

Sample Platter \$9.95
*4 mozzarella sticks, 4 jalapeno poppers,
4 egg rolls, 4 chicken tenders*

Basket of Fries \$1.75

Basket of Onion Rings \$1.75

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

Chairperson **Manager**
Pete Gebelein **Colleen Lewis**

canteen@vfw392.hrcmail.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 (Va Beach)!

She is available weekdays to
work with you concerning your
VA questions and interests at:

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

Blood Donors Needed

Sunday, September 11th

1:00 - 6:00 PM

American Red Cross is holding a
blood drive at Post 392 - come out
and donate in honor of 9/11.

If you are able to donate, please
schedule an appointment
redcrossblood.org and use the
sponsor code "VFW392". We ask
to schedule because we need at
least 40 donors to make this event
happen.

All donors receive a coupon for a
FREE haircut from Sport Clips!

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)
- 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.



POW/MIA CEREMONY

**NAS Oceana's Flame of Hope
Sept 15th at Dusk**

This annual ceremony will be
held at Naval Air Station Oceana's
Flame of Hope Memorial (801
Oceana Blvd, Virginia Beach) at
dusk on September 15th. Sunset is
approximated to be at 7:10 PM on
that day, so please plan
accordingly. Contact any Post
Officer for more information.

NASCAR AT THE VFW

Start the weekend with Friday's

Social Hour Prices from 4-6 PM!

The Canteen opens at 11:00 AM on Saturdays and Sundays, and the kitchen is open from **12 to 5 PM!**

Come out and enjoy a cold beer or beverage with your comrades and sisters. Enjoy **NASCAR's Sprint Cup Series** races on multiple big screen TV's. Bring the family, the Canteen is smoke free, and Wi-Fi is readily accessible.

For this month there are these Sprint Cup Series races:

- Sunday, Sept 4 at 6:00 PM
Bo-Jangles' Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway
- Saturday, Sept 10 at 7:30 PM
Federated Auto Parts 400 at Richmond International Raceway
- Sunday, Sept 18 at 2:30 PM
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 400 at Chicago-Land Speedway
- Sunday, Sept 25 at 2:00 PM
New England 300 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway

POST PICNIC

**September 4th
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

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

We are having our annual Post Picnic on September 4th! There will be plenty of good eats, a selection of adult beverages or soft drinks.

There will be lots for children to do activities and games - potato sac race, face painting, bounce house, treasure hunt, and much, much more!

The adult activities include prizes, 50/50 raffle, Cornhole tournament, dunk tank, 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.

KITCHEN CLOSURE NOTICE

September 3-4

The Post's kitchen will be closed the weekend prior to Labor day. We apologize for any inconveniences this may cause, please know that this closure is to allow us full kitchen use for the Post 392 Picnic preparations.

TOMMY SCHRYVER MEMORIAL GOLF CLASSIC

**September 17th
8:00 AM**

Aeropines Oceana

Join us for the 16th 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 raffles, 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 dinner by Outback Steakhouse. 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.

COOTIE BRAEAKFAST

**Starting September 18th
Breakfast every Sunday
8:30 - 11:00 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!

\$8.00 per Adult, **\$3.00** per children ages 6-12, it's **free** for ages 1-5 and for WWII Vets!

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 Cooties or any Post Officer.

MOCA BINGO

**September 24th
1:00 - 3:00 PM
VFW Post 392**

Our next Bingo at the Post is September 24th starting at 1 PM. If you haven't joined in this game yet, you should! We have a lot of fun! And yes, even the youngsters have fun too! (Must be with parent or guardian to play) Everybody is a winner!!

The cost is free, however donations are accepted. There will be door prizes, 50/50 raffle, snacks

provided, and the winner of watch game receives a prize

VFW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

VFW offers scholarships for Students (Middle School and High School), Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, Teacher's Awards, Patriotic Art (High School), and Scout of the Year.

Voice of Democracy is a typewritten essay and then dictated onto a CD or Flash drive. It is open to all high school students throughout the state. But if you live in Virginia Beach, your essay should be sent to a local Virginia Beach Post. The same with students who live in Norfolk, their essays go to a local Norfolk Post.

As with all the scholarship programs through the VFW, there are several levels of winning. As long as you are in first place with the local Post, you will then move up to the District Level. The upward progression then goes to Department and finally National.

The National Prize for Voice of Democracy is \$30,000.00 and includes a trip to Washington DC with one parent or guardian. Each winning level will have an award. The deadline for the local Post entries is November 1, 2016.

Patriot's Pen is an essay for middle School students, 6th through 8th grades. The 300-400 word essay is titled, 'The America I Believe In.' It must be typewritten and then submitted to the local VFW Post.

The top National prize is \$5,000.00, and also with a trip to Washington DC with a parent or guardian. In order to get to National, as above, you must stay in first place through the levels. There are 54 levels of winning in the National Division with prizes ranging from \$5,000.00 down to

\$500.00 at 54th place.

Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher Award is for a Teacher who possesses that special skill and dedication to the students. This teacher shows innovative teaching and resource development methods. The winning teachers will be selected from groups K-5, 6-8, and 9-12.

A teacher may be nominated by another teacher, a parent, a principal, or a couple of students. The only person not able to nominate a teacher is a self-nominee or relative of the teacher. The person nominating a teacher must fill out the brochure and write a 350 word essay on why they feel this nominee should be selected.

We recommend that when you nominate a teacher, it is a good idea to give the teacher a copy of the brochure so they will be able to gather the information that will be needed. These items are a one-page resume, up to five pages of documentation of their teaching experience (references, news articles, etc.) and a head-and-shoulder photo of themselves.

The deadline for this Scholarship Award is February 15, 2017 and should be sent to the local VFW Post. The National prize is \$1,000.00 for the teacher and \$1,000.00 for the school.

The Young American Creative Patriotic Art Awards is a program sponsored by the VFW Auxiliary. This scholarship is open to students in grades 9-12 who are in High School art classes. The instructions are very specific and should be read carefully. No digital or photographic art is accepted. A short typed explanation of the patriotism expressed in the art must be included with the entry brochure. (please note - when drawing an

American flag, follow the Federal Flag Code).

National prizes include \$10,000 for first place, \$5,000 for second place, \$2,500 for third place, \$1,500 for fourth place, and \$500 for fifth through eighth place.

As with all other entries for any VFW scholarship - entries are sent to the local Post. Deadline to the local VFW Auxiliary is March 31, 2017.

Scout of the Year Program is open to anyone who makes the following awards this year: Eagle Scout, Girl Scout Gold Award, Venture Summit Award recipients and/or Sea Scout Quartermasters who have risen above their peers.

Applicants must be registered in their troop, be at least 15 years of age, demonstrated exemplary Citizenship in school, Scouting, and community. The brochure explains all of the documentation necessary to be submitted.

The top prize for National is \$5,000 for first place, \$3,000 for second place, and \$1,000 for third place. The deadline again to the local Post is March 1, 2017.

For more information: Call VFW Post 392 at 486-5875 and ask for the Scholarship Chairman.

CORRECTIONS

Last months August newsletter incorrectly listed "July" on the title (page one). Please accept our apologies for any confusion or issues the errors may have caused.

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 mcullen4@live.com, or to the Webmaster at webmaster@VFW392.org
