

# November 2018



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## **From the Commander:**

My Fellow Comrades and Auxiliary,

Well October is now behind us. It was again a busy month. I want to thank everyone who volunteered for the Veterans Health Fair on the 6<sup>th</sup>. A special **THANK YOU** goes to our Auxiliary for providing lunch for everyone during the health fair. A Thank you also goes out Kathy Goodall for the outstanding recruiting efforts. She has recruited over 20 new members for the Department of Virginia.

The post meeting for November has been moved to the 19<sup>th</sup> due to the Virginia Beach Veterans parade is on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Anyone wanting to participate in the parade please be at the muster area NLT 8:30 AM between Virginia Legends park and 12<sup>th</sup> street on Atlantic Avenue. As the same as last year shuttles will be running from the convention center parking lot to Atlantic Avenue. Be there early to ensure you get a ride. There will be space on the POW/MIA float for anyone who can't walk the route.

Eagle Scout candidate Roger Riffle broke ground on the flag retirement fire pit on October 20<sup>th</sup>. By the time you read this it should be complete. We will be holding a dedication and flag retirement ceremony on Veterans

Day, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM Please come out and help make this a special day for this young man.

The Thanksgiving dinner for the patients from the VA Hospital will be November 18<sup>th</sup> at 1200. We will be needing volunteers, so please come help make this a successful event for our Veterans.

## Upcoming Events

Nov 9 <sup>th</sup> Post Dinner	7 PM
Nov 11 <sup>th</sup> Flag Retirement	1:30 PM
Nov 12 <sup>th</sup> Veterans Parade	8:30 AM
Nov 18 <sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Dinner	12 PM
Nov 19 <sup>th</sup> Post meeting	7 PM
Nov 20 <sup>th</sup> House Committee	7 PM

Please remember our Service Members deployed by wearing a red shirt every Friday. On random Fridays if you have a red shirt on you will get .50 cents off your first beverage of the day.

Respectfully Yours,  
Commander Scott Bannon

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## From the Auxiliary President:

Brothers, Sisters & Comrades,

We begin November with our Auxiliary dinner November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 PM. Amanda Hill will be preparing chicken pot pie, salad and roll for \$8 donation. Please come out and support your Auxiliary. The Auxiliary meeting is Nov 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. We would love to see you!

November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veteran's Day and at 1:30 PM there will be a special dedication a flag retirement ceremony. Auxiliary Life member Jossie Riffle's youngest son Roger has been working diligently on his Eagle Scout project. I am especially proud of this fine young man whom I watched grow up since he was a small boy visiting me on every Halloween trick or treating.

November 18<sup>th</sup> Post Thanksgiving dinner: Patients from the VA hospital will be arriving at the post around 10:30 or 11 AM. Auxiliary members please remember your side dishes or desserts which everyone truly enjoys. We look forward to a wonderful meal and a day to give thanks to all our Veterans and their families. If you would like to help we would truly appreciate having you.

2019 Annual membership dues are being collected now. Early bird special is \$14 from now until Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 2018. Your current card will expire then and dues will be \$25. Get yours in the mail today and save \$\$\$\$.

Life membership is available at any time.

Happy Thanksgiving and Bless You All,  
Georgette Bannon  
Auxiliary President



## From the Post Chaplain:

Comrades and Sisters,

Once again we have been very fortunate in that we did not have any news of anyone passing away since our last newsletter. This announcement is always gratifying and something to be thankful for. Please continue to pray for Gordy Dotson, Phil Klinefelter, Tim Dawley's wife, Wayne Sutton's wife, Christine Anglin's brother and any other Comrades, Sisters and family members that might be undergoing health issues in your daily thoughts and prayers. They continue to require any love and support we are able to provide.

Never forget to pray for all our Active Duty Service Members, DOD civilians and their families both stateside and overseas, especially those serving in combat theaters of operation.

Also remember if you or a family member should become ill, are injured, admitted to the hospital or experience the loss of a loved one, be sure to contact me, Jim Wold at (757) 532-2993 or the Post Home. One of our most important responsibilities as VFW members is to always offer support and assistance whenever possible to our fellow Comrades, Sisters and their families.

Remember how critical it is to love your neighbors - or fellow VFW veterans - as yourself. This means giving generously of your time and resources to those in need, despite an inability to support us in return. Your true worth will be determined by how much you give - not what you receive in payment. Your work often times will seem to be unappreciated, but it is till valuable work. Always try to give the best you have regardless of how it's received.

With My Utmost Respect, Jim  
Wold  
757-532-2993  
jimwold@cox.net

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### **From the Auxiliary Chaplain:**

Brothers, Sisters, and Comrades,

It saddens me to report that we have lost a past Department President, Laine Beckwith. Instead of sending flowers the family has requested a monetary donation to help with funeral expenses.

Keeping you all in my prayers,

Pam Snedecor  
VFW Post 4809  
Auxiliary Chaplain  
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The VFW National Home for Children gives active-duty military, Veterans, their families and descendants of members of the VFW and VFW Auxiliary the tools they need to build better lives.

Qualifying military and Veteran families can live rent- free for up to four years while receiving educational support, child care, counseling, life skills training and more at no cost. Visit [vfwnationalhome.org](http://vfwnationalhome.org)

Respectfully,  
Gloria Klinefelter

### **From the Auxiliary Buddy Poppy & National Home Chair Person:**

Dear Comrades and Auxiliary Members,

I am the “Buddy Poppy” and National Home chairperson this year. I am enclosing some information that you might be interested in. It is my hope that this will help all know why we do what we do with Poppies and National Home funds raised.

Please read below:

#### **\*\*\*BUDDY POPPY/**

#### **VFW NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN\*\*\***

While in the past, “Buddy” Poppy and the VFW National Home for Children fell under the Veterans & Family Support Ambassador, this program year, this mighty little flower and the wonderful safe haven that is the National Home will have its own National Ambassador – Renee Fulk.

The “Buddy” Poppy has been an integral part of the VFW community for more than 95 years. As the VFW’s official memorial flower, the poppy represents the blood shed by American service members. The “Buddy” Poppy has raised millions for the welfare of Veterans and their dependents. “Buddy” Poppies are still assembled by disabled, hospitalized, aging and in-need Veterans. The program also provides financial assistance in maintaining state and national Veterans’ rehabilitation and service programs, and partially supports the VFW National Home for Children.



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### From the Seam Squirrel:

Fellow Cooties,

Good Day! I Hope everyone had a lousy October especially with all the scary critters running around during Halloween. First, I would as always like to thank all of my lousy, but, special volunteers every chance we get. Unfortunately, we are not seeing many new faces and this concerns me. Please reach out to our counterparts and recruit a lousy Cootie (even lousier than me). Would really enjoy some new volunteers that we can see around our organization that is going to be willing to support what we do.

Secondly, we are starting to come into the Holiday Season. With that said after heavy discussion I have decided to cancel the Cootie Steak dinner night November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018. We will still continue to have our breakfast and Cootie Burgers for the month of November. Please be safe during the Holiday Season and reach out to someone that does not have a place to go over the holidays especially our military that visits the post. Invite them in as I remember it is very hard during the Holiday Seasons (Nov-Dec) when you have no place to go and you are away from their family.

Cootie Scratch – 6 November 2018  
Cootie Steak – **CANCELLED** 23 Nov 2018  
Cootie Breakfast - 25 November 2018  
Cootie Burgers – 30 November 2018

In addition, I will be traveling for work to New York leaving 24<sup>th</sup> of Oct. and returning 7 Nov 2018. If any questions or concerns come up, please let myself or Blanket Bum (Martie) know so we can take care of it. That is all for now until next month!!

**“Busier than a Bee” “Closer than a Brother”  
“Keep them Smiling in Beds of White”**

Yours in LOTCS,

John “MOOSE” Cleary  
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### From the MOCA President:

Thanks for the support for our pork chop dinner. Had great feedback.

It seems fall is finally here, weather is a bit cooler and Sunday football is here. Georgette always puts on a great spread while we watch the games every Sunday. Hope to see you there.

The Veterans will be visiting the Post from Hampton VA hospital, so there will be NO Bingo at the hospital this month.

Our meeting will be Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>. The only way to have the organization you want is by participation.

MOCA dinner will be a Taco Bake with rice & beans on Nov 16.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family!

MEETING NOV. 13<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00

Thanks for all your support.

"Keep'em smiling in beds of white" – With Your Help!

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## From the Canteen:

We offer Pizza, Cheeseburgers, Lumpia, Mozzarella Sticks, and Loaded Potato Skins daily in the Canteen. Come on out and enjoy some snacks!

## **Upcoming Dinners for NOV 2018:**

November 2nd: The AUX Dinner.

November 9th: The POST Dinner

November 16th: The MOCA Dinner.

November 23<sup>rd</sup>: **NO DINNER.**

November 30th: COOTIE Burgers and Fries/Onion Rings.

November 25th: **SUNDAY Breakfast** by the COOTIES from 0930 to 1100.

## **Canteen Entertainment for NOV 2018:**

November 2nd: Lou Caretta.

November 9<sup>th</sup>: Karaoke with DJ Mike.

November 30th: Karaoke with DJ Mike.

**\*\*\*WE HAVE A NEW GAME ON THE ETAB MACHINES, AND NEW BET AMOUNTS, CAN WIN UP TO \$1000.00!! COME ON OUT AND PLAY!!!!\*\*\***

**\*\*\*We are serving Shrimp and Wings in the Canteen on Wednesday's from 5:30 till 7:30 \*\*\***

**Food Handlers Card reminder: If you are working in the kitchen you need an up to date card. eFoodhandlers.com**

COME IN AND SUPPORT YOUR POST AND ENJOY THE COMRADERY!

## CANTEEN HOURS

**MONDAY thru THURSDAY - 2PM TO 10PM**

**FRIDAY – 12PM TO 12AM (MIDNIGHT)**

**SATURDAY – 12PM TO 12AM (MIDNIGHT)**

**SUNDAY - 12PM TO 8PM**

**Reverse Raffle:** Tickets \$40.00 and only 400 will be sold.

**Tickets are open to the public.**

First 17 tickets will win \$100.

18<sup>th</sup> ticket will win \$1,000.00

19<sup>th</sup> ticket will win \$3,000.00

20<sup>th</sup> ticket will win \$5,000.00

The profit will be split by the Corporation, Post and Auxiliary.

Come in and ask about more details.

Respectfully,

**Theresa and Ruth**

## General Information:

1. All newsletter inputs are due to Dave Alexander by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Please send me your newsletter inputs at:

[cwo1967@yahoo.com](mailto:cwo1967@yahoo.com)



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<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
***WEEKLY DINNER MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE***				1 Post Inventory 7am	2 AUX Dinner – Chicken Pot Pie 6:30 pm  Lou Caretta	3
4	5 Aux Meeting 7pm	6 MOC Scratch 7pm	7 Wings - Canteen 5:30pm – 7:30pm  Cribbage – Sm Hall	8 VFW Post 4809Riders Sm Hall 7pm	9 Post Dinner - 6:30pm  DJ Mike	10
11 <b>Veteran's Day</b>  <b>Flag Retirement Ceremony</b>	12 Veteran's Day (Observed)  <b>Parade (Ocean front)</b>	13 MOCA Meeting 7pm	14 Shrimp – Canteen 5:30pm - 7:30pm  Cribbage – Sm Hall	15	16 MOCA Dinner – Taco Bake 6:30pm	17
18 <b>VA Hospital Thanksgiving At the Post Home!</b>  <b>Ocean Breeze Band</b>	19 Post Meeting 7pm	20 HC Meeting Sm Hall 7pm	21  <b><u>No Dinner.</u></b>  Cribbage – Sm Hall	22 <b><u>Happy Thanksgiving!</u></b>  <b><u>Post is Closed.</u></b>	23  <b><u>No Dinner.</u></b>	24
25 MOC Breakfast 9:30am	26	27	28 Wings – Canteen 5:30pm - 7:30pm  Cribbage – Sm Hall	29	30 MOC Dinner – Burgers and Fries/Onion Rings 6:30pm  DJ Mike	***WEEKLY DINNER MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE***