

# January 2020



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## **From the Commander:**

Comrades and Auxiliary,

I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas with family and friends and I hope that you all will have a prosperous and blessed New Year.

Our Patriots Pen winner won at the District level and will be competing at the State level!!! In addition, our Voice of Democracy winner took third place at District. Outstanding job by all and congratulations!!!

I want to thank everyone so very much to the ones who volunteered to fill the gift bags and the outstanding job at the VA hospital's Christmas party. In addition, a special thanks to this year's Santa who filled in when our scheduled Santa became ill. Santa actually face timed with one of the veteran's grandson, who was able to tell Santa what he wanted for Christmas.

Please get out and recruit members for the Post. At last count, we were at 87%. We need people!!!

The Army/Navy game party was a great success. Thanks Leo for the great job setting that up.

The pool tournament scheduled the first Saturday of January is cancelled. We are looking at the option of starting earlier to gain more participation. Look for the new updated time and dates for the monthly Pool Tournament in February 2020.

On 23 January is the next meeting for the National Commander-in-Chief (Hal Roush) homecoming at VFW Post 3219 in Phoebus starting at 1800 (6:00pm).

I also want to thank the individuals who participated in performing the VFW funeral ritual for a Vietnam Veteran who passed away who was a VFW member in Pennsylvania. The family was greatly appreciative. We did this for the family even though he was not a member of our Post. Again thank you.

The next District meeting will be 15 February at Post 8545 in Smithfield. I hope you will join me in attending. There will be a lunch starting at noon with the meeting starting at 1:00pm.

Just a heads up, we will be having a fund raising event in February. We will be having a Valentines dinner/party/dance on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be going on sale for \$15.00 a person or \$25.00 a couple.

VFW Winter Council is January 10<sup>th</sup> thru the 12<sup>th</sup> at the Renaissance Portsmouth Hotel Portsmouth, Virginia. Friday night there is a Dance sponsored by the VFW riders of Virginia. Meetings all day Saturday then finishing up on Sunday.

The tablet at the Post is up and running. If you have not done so already, enter in your cell phone number on the tablet to receive text messages containing information about what is happening at the Post.



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Upcoming events are as follows:

- 10 JAN - Post dinner and is shake and bake pork chops.
- 10-12 JAN - Winter Council.
- 13 JAN - Post meeting.
- 21 JAN - House Committee Meeting.
- 23 JAN - Homecoming meeting for the National Commander-in-Chief at Post 3219.

That is all for now. Have a great month and come on out and support the Post.

Yours in Comradeship,  
Tim Dawley  
Commander VFW Post 4809

### **From the Auxiliary President:**

Comrades, Brothers, and Sisters:

Happy New Year! I would thank everyone for their hard work this year, together we have accomplished many great things.

Auxiliary dinner January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm is Gloria Klinefelter's Chicken and Dumplings. Yum Yum! The Auxiliary meeting is January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. You will need your 2020 membership card for this meeting. If you have not paid your Auxiliary dues please see Carol Watson or any Auxiliary officer to get you up to date on your membership.

VFW and Auxiliary Winter Council Meeting is at the Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth, VA from January 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome!

Respectfully,  
Theresa Alexander  
Auxiliary President

### **From the Post Chaplain:**

Comrades and Sisters,

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 very thankful for. Please continue to remember our Comrade Gordy Dotson and any other Comrades, Sisters and family members who are undergoing health issues in your daily thoughts and prayers. They continue to require our love and any support we are able to render.

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 loved one should become ill, confined at home, 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 at (757) 461-1343. One of our most important responsibilities as VFW members is to provide support and assistance whenever possible for our fellow Comrades, Sisters and family members in their time of adversity.

By the time you receive this newsletter the holidays will be over. One of biggest events of the year we host and undertake is the Christmas Party at the Veteran's Hospital in Hampton, VA. This event was successful due to the generosity and efforts from some of our wonderful members: Tim Dawley, Lisa Dawley, John Dawley, Dick Helm, Bob Clinebell, Lanie Musick, Kevin Jared, Gloria Klinefelter, Carol Watson, Clint Hartman and a few others I may have failed to mention. At least 57 or more patient veterans were most appreciative and thankful. "Try to remember to thank someone - you'll feel better than they do".

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

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

January has arrived along with cold weather and sniffles. We need to pray for those sick among us and for those tending to the sick.

January is a time for New Year Resolutions, and a new beginning. Let us start out fresh with forgiveness and kindness. Sometimes things can be misunderstood or misinterpreted simply by presentation. I have walked this out in my own family so I do understand the hurt it can cause.

As we enter this New Year, may we come together in love and forgiveness as Jesus Christ first forgave us. If there is anyone, sick or in the hospital please let me know at 508-6268.

Respectfully,  
Pam Snedecor  
VFW Post 4809  
Auxiliary Chaplain  
757-508-6268

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## From the Seam Squirrel:

### **SEAM SQUIRREL (2.0), MOC Pup Tent 2**

Listen up, Cooties:

I hope everyone had a Lousy Christmas and will have a Crummy New Year!

The Supreme By-Laws require election and installation of Shavetails between 15 JAN and 31 MAR each year. Now is the time to consider nominations for Seam Squirrel, Blanket Bum, Hide Gimlet, Custodian of the Crummy Duffel Bag, and three (3) Tightwads. In addition, we need Cooties to step up and fill one of the many appointed positions. I will open nominations at THIS MONTH'S scratch (7 JAN) and hope to hold elections at NEXT MONTH'S scratch (4 FEB).

January sked:

**7<sup>th</sup>** - Scratch;

**19<sup>th</sup>** - Hospital Visit (Bingo) at VAMC Hampton;

**24<sup>th</sup>** - Cooties' Steak Dinner;

**26<sup>th</sup>** - Cooties' Breakfast;

**31<sup>st</sup>** - Cooties' Burgers & Fries.

Let us support all MOC, MOCA and VFW activities. The hospital visits, Buddy Poppy Drives, the Canteen (including Queen of Hearts, Pull-Tabs (paper and electronic)) and the Auxiliaries' functions, all need our support. I really appreciated all that was done by those who did show up to help @ last month's events.

The dinners and breakfast are supposed to be fundraisers for the Pup Tent, so it is important that we support these functions. Shopping preps, cooking, serving and clean up all need to be done so we can keep our customers coming back. Successful meals help the canteen, too.

Yours in LOTCS,

Richard Helm

757-467-3695 (H) - Leave a message. I do not answer blocked Caller ID's or unfamiliar phone numbers.

[subvet66-pt2va@yahoo.com](mailto:subvet66-pt2va@yahoo.com) – E-mail

## From the MOCA President:

No Input this month. See the Post calendar for events.

**"We keep 'em smilin' in beds of white"**



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## **NEW Pool Tournament coming in FEBRUARY!!!!**

**NOTE: WE ARE UPDATING OUR POOL TOURNAMENT OPTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 2020. DETAILS WILL BE OUT IN THE POST MEETING AND FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER.**

## **Wednesday Dinners in the Canteen!**

By popular demand, we are honored to serve our valued Post Members Wednesday meals starting at 5:30pm.

**NOTE: WE ARE STARTING A NEW MENU FOR JANUARY! LOOK AT JANUARY'S CALENDAR FOR THE UPDATED MEALS ON WEDNESDAYS.**

We currently have THREE TEAMS up and running to cook delicious Wings on Wednesdays!

Our current teams are:

Past CDR Scott Bannon and Crew – **TEAM RUN SILENT RUN DEEP!**

Sr. Vice CDR Dave Alexander and Crew – **TEAM GATOR NAVY!**

Aux Member Dave Smith and Crew – **TEAM SEABEE NAVY!**

We are ALWAYS LOOKING for support! Come out and join a top-notch team, or make a team to serve your fellow Veterans, Comrades and Sisters!!!!

Come on down and enjoy Wednesday meals every week (see calendar for details). With three crews you will receive variety in your choices, and the teams are always in need for volunteers to help out!



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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 Jan 2020:**

January 3<sup>rd</sup>: AUX Dinner - Chicken & Dumplings.  
January 10<sup>th</sup>: POST Dinner – Shake and Bake Pork Chops.

January 17<sup>th</sup>: MOCA – TBD.

January 24<sup>th</sup>: COOTIE Steaks.

January 26<sup>th</sup>: COOTIE Breakfast.

January 31<sup>th</sup>: COOTIE Burgers.

## **Canteen Entertainment for Jan 2020:**

January 3<sup>rd</sup>: Rick Mann  
January 10<sup>th</sup>: Karaoke with DJ Mike.  
January 31<sup>st</sup>: 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!!!!\*\*\***

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**\*\*\*Wings and Shrimp are back!\*\*\***

**\*\*\*Beginning 01 JAN 2020, there will be an additional charge of \$.50 cents for any "To Go" food boxes used during Post meals\*\*\***

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

COME IN, 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**

I want to thank Theresa for the awesome job she did as Canteen Manager, and for the numerous years of dedication to the Post. Enjoy yourself!

Respectfully,  
***Martie 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:

[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 <b>JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>!</b> <b>HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!</b> <b>2020</b>  <b>Post is Open!</b>	2 Post Inventory 7am	3 <b>AUX Dinner – Chicken &amp; Dumplings 6:30pm</b>  Rick Mann	4
5	6 Aux Meeting 7pm	7 <b>MOC Scratch 7pm</b>	8 Wings – <b>TEAM “RUN SILENT RUN DEEP”</b> 5:30pm - 7:30pm	9 VFW Winter Council – 09 JAN thru 12 JAN 2020 – Portsmouth, VA.	10 <b>Post Dinner – Shake and Bake Pork Chops 6:30pm</b>  DJ Mike	11
12	13 Post Meeting 7pm	14 <b>MOCA Meeting 7pm</b>	15 Fried Shrimp – <b>TEAM “GATOR NAVY”</b> 5:30pm - 7:30pm <b>Post VA Hospital Visit</b>	16	17 <b>MOCA Dinner – TBD. 6:30pm</b>	18
19 <b>MOC/MOCA - VA Hospital Bingo Visit</b>	20	21 HC Meeting Sm Hall 7pm	22 Wings – <b>TEAM “SEABEE NAVY”</b> 5:30pm – 7:30pm	23	24 <b>COOTIE Dinner - Steak 6:30pm</b>	25
26 <b>COOTIE BREAKFAST 9:30am 11:00am</b>	27	28	29 Baked Potato Bar – <b>TEAM “RUN SILENT RUN DEEP”</b> 5:30pm - 7:30pm	30	31 <b>COOTIE Dinner- Burgers/Fries 6:30pm</b>  DJ Mike	***WEEKLY DINNER MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE***