

July 2021



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 4809

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From the Commander:

Comrades and Auxiliary,
Happy Birthday America!!! Congratulations to Past Post Commander Dave Alexander and all of Post 4809 for achieving over 101% in Membership making VFW Post 4809 All-American eligible for 2020-2021. This could be the 21st time that Post 4809 has been recognized as an All-American Post since the program was established in 1983-1984.

Great job to all volunteers that assisted in installing the fence on the Post property. We are working with the Auxiliary to plan events in the pavilion. If you have an idea for an event, please talk with any of the Post or Auxiliary Officers. Additionally, thanks for all that assisted with the Memorial Day Picnic, or Flag Day Ceremony and Post Dinner. The volunteers are the lifeblood of Post 4809.

Our Post Surgeon, Lewis Bush is coordinating with the Frogmen Motorcycle Club for a Red Cross Blood Drive on Friday, July 9th. The goal is to have 30 pints of blood collected. Spread the word.

Commander's Beer of the Month promotion for July will feature Modelo and White Claw Black Cherry. Give them a try and let us know what you think. We are canceling the Post Dinner this month due to the fact that many members will be attending National Commander-In-Chief Hal Roesch's Homecoming. We

will have a picnic on Sunday, July 4th at noon and an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, July 18th at 2pm.

Congratulations to the Ron Riffle for winning our Life Membership Drawing, he will receive Legacy Life Bronze Level. The next drawing will be held as soon as we have over \$450 in our Life Membership Drawing Fund which is from the Post 50/50 during meeting nights. Buy some tickets!!! Volunteer sign-up sheet will be available at Post Dinners, meetings, and other functions. Just talk with any Post Officer for information.

Post 4809 is a great place to enjoy some time with friends and family and we are all in this together.

Still Serving,
Ron Riffle
Commander VFW Post 4809



ice cream social



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Auxiliary President:

Happy 4th of July! Thank you to everyone who helped with the Father's Day breakfast, we had a great turn out!

A few important things going on for the month of July. First, our Monthly meeting has been moved to July 19th at 7pm. We will be holding elections for Jr. Vice and 3 Year Trustee. Also, the Commander will be stopping by to introduce himself to everyone. Let's make sure we have a good turn out to show our support and welcome him in as our new commander.

Jumping back to the beginning of the month we will have our dinner on July 2nd starting at 6:30. You will have a choice of Chicken or Tuna Salad sandwiches and the sides to go with it for \$6.00. So, take a night off from cooking and come down to support the Auxiliary.

Will we also have a fourth of July picnic starting a noon, please be sure to bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share with everyone and their families.

My last important thing I want to mention is Early Birds. We will be running our early bird membership special of \$14 from July until the end of August. If you are an annual member this is a great time to save a few bucks and be entered into a drawing for a free life membership.

As always, the Auxiliary need you to make these events run. Please make sure to stop by and volunteer when you can.

Respectfully,
Josie Riffle
President of Auxiliary Post 4809

Fundraising Opportunity:

The Post is looking for up to six businesses that would like to advertise in our newsletter. The rate is \$60 for six months or \$110 for 12 months. If you are interested contact Jr Vice Craig Dudley either by emailing Craig.VFW4809@gmail.com or call his phone 757-618- 5624.

From the Post Chaplain:

Comrades and Sisters -

Sad to report that we lost one of our Comrades, Johnnie L. Holland. At our next regular meeting at the post we will remember Comrade Johnnie with "Draping of the Charter" ritual. This is a very important part of our monthly meetings. A solemn prayer of tribute and remembrance on behalf of Johnnie will be given with all members standing at attention while rendering a hand salute followed by the playing of "TAPS", for now he is the hands of our Lord and Savior. Please keep any Comrades, Sister and family members who have tested Positive for the Corona Virus -COVID 19 any other members that might be undergoing health issues in your daily thoughts and prayers. They continue to require any support and assistance we can provide in their time of adversity.

Also remember if you or a family should become ill, confined at home, admitted to the hospital or experience the loss a loved one be sure to contact me Jim Wold at (757) 532-2993 or the Post Home at (757) 463-4343. One of our most important responsibilities as VFW members to provide any emotional and physical support whenever possible to our fellow Comrades, Sisters and family members.

Never forget to pray for all our active duty service personnel, DOD civilians, first responders, medical members aiding the fight against the Corona Virus (COVID- 19) epidemic both stateside and overseas especially those serving in combat theaters of operation and all of the many doctors, nurses and medical personnel worldwide assisting and caring for those afflicted with the deadly virus.

Hope everyone has a most enjoyable and safe 4rh. See everyone at the Post Picnic.

With My Utmost Respect,

Jim Wold
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jimwold@cox.net



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From the Auxiliary Chaplain:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I am Susie Edwards, and it is my pleasure to be your Auxiliary Chaplain for 2021 - 2022. I look forward to serving our Auxiliary! If you need anything, please do not suffer in silence. We cannot allow our fellow Auxiliary membership to feel isolated and think she (or he) does not have a place to turn to in times of adversity.

If any Auxiliary member is sick, or in the hospital, please call me at (860) 884-5243, and I will get in touch with you as soon as I can.

In your service,

Susie Edwards

VFW Post 4809 Auxiliary Chaplain

Community Service Opportunity:

Batteries Plus Bulbs VFW Post 4809 Discount:

VFW Post 4809 has been approved for a Post and Auxiliary Member discount at Batteries Plus Bulbs. It is recommended that when we have a need that we contact Lamar Ross (his information is below) with the type of battery that needs replaced. He will research the price that they can offer for our members. Our discount number is #RM-000011836695 Members should contact Lamar directly Office: 757-410-4820 • Fax: 757-842-6546 Cell: 757-581-5300; 929 Ventures Way Suite 102, Chesapeake, VA 23320
levar.ross@batteriesplus.com

From the Seam Squirrel:

Listen up Cooties.

Very Lousy job to those that helped with last month's burger night and breakfast. I know a lot of hard work went into the events. Thank you!!! We will have another steak night on the 23rd since there are 5 Fridays this month.

The Cootie Safari is on this year. It is scheduled for 21 August and we are the first stop!! Not sure of time yet but be ready to serve a breakfast.

The Post is getting the fence put back in place to take advantage of the extra space when conducting events in the pavilion area. We will be installing a couple horseshoe pits and room for corn hole games. I would like to get a Luau set up maybe once a year for fun and games.

When doing the meals, remember to bring and wear your mask (if not fully vaccinated) and plan to assist where needed. We need all the help we can get since the summer is here with many of us going on much needed and well-deserved vacations.

Please verify your food handlers' cards expiration dates!!! Renew BEFORE they expire!

We are still looking for new members to recruit who will participate in all our activities. The meals we do are supposed to be fundraisers for the Pup Tent, so it is important that we support these functions. The shopping, the prep work, the cooking, the serving and the clean up all need to be done so we can keep our customers happy and coming back.

Continue to support the Post and Auxiliary activities and dinners so keep an eye on the post calendar. When attending the activities, wear your Cootie gear to show off our organization and try to recruit.

The Post/Cootie coasters for the canteen are on order!!!

Upcoming events:

4 July – Post picnic

6 July -- Scratch.

20 July – House Committee Meeting.

23 July – Steak night!!

25 July – Cootie Breakfast.

30 July – Cootie Burger night.

I hope to see you all soon. Please stay safe and look out for each other. Please let me know if anyone needs anything!!!

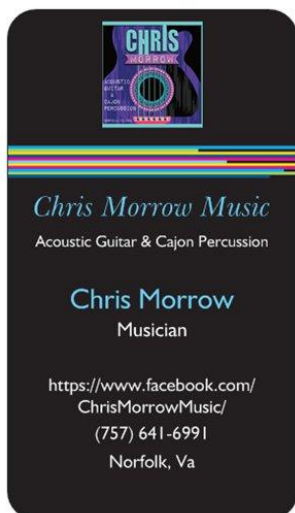
Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Tim Dawley

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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 July 2021:

July 2: AUX Chicken/Tuna Salad Sandwich

July 9: POST: NO DINNER

July 16: Corp: Chicken Caesar Roll ups

July 23: Cootie Steak

July 30: Cootie Burger

Canteen Entertainment for July 2021

July 2: Robbie

July 9: NO Entertainment

July 23: Mike

July 30: DJ Mike

*****WE HAVE A NEW GAME ON THE ETAB MACHINES. THERE IS ALSO A PROGRESSIVE GAME AND THE FINAL JACKPOT FOR THAT IS OVER \$6000.00 COME ON OUT AND PLAY!!!!*****

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

Go to efoodhandlers.com for your training and certification.

COME IN AND SUPPORT YOUR POST AND ENJOY THE COMRADERY!



CANTEEN HOURS:

MONDAY thru WEDNESDAY - 2PM TO 10PM

THURSDAY 2 PM – 8 PM

FRIDAY – 12PM TO 12pm

SATURDAY/Sunday – 12PM TO 8PM

REMINDER: IF YOU HAVE A LOCKER AT THE POST, YOUR \$5 IS DUE!

Pool Tournaments will be the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month starting at 4:00. We will be having beer specials on draft beer.

OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT WINGS AND SHRIMP WILL BE TAKING A SUMMER BREAK. WE SHALL START THAT BACK UP IN SEPTEMBER. THANKS TO ALL WHO CAME OUT AND ENJOYED THEM. SEE YOU ALL IN SEPT!

AS OF 28 MAY WE HAVE NO RESTRICTIONS ON OCCUPACY AND SOCIAL DISTANCING. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO WEAR A MASK IF YOU ARE FULLY VACCINATED. IF YOU FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE WEARING A MASK PLEASE DO SO.

If you have any questions, please contact the Canteen Manager.

Respectfully,
Martie and Ruth

General Information:

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

cwo1967@yahoo.com

1. The Post Home main entrance is locked during normal operation. Please use the keypad to gain entrance. Please call the Canteen if you need the keypad combo at 747-461-1343.

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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>
				1 Post Inventory	2 AUX Dinner – Chicken/Tuna Salad Sandwich 6:30 pm Robbie Bradshaw	3 Buddy Poppy Pool Tournament 4:00 pm 
4 4 th of July Post and Auxiliary Picnic!!! 12:00pm 	5 4 th of July (Observed Holiday) 	6 MOC Scratch 7:00 pm	7	8 Commander- In-Chief Hal Roesch's Homecoming	9 Commander-In- Chief Hal Roesch's Homecoming ***NO POST DINNER***	10 Commander- In-Chief Hal Roesch's Homecoming
11 Sports in the Canteen (Baseball/ NASCAR)!	12 Post Mtg 7:00 pm	13	14	15	16 Corporation Dinner – Chicken Caesar Roll ups 6:30pm	17 Buddy Poppy Pool Tournament 4:00 pm 
18 Sports in the Canteen (Baseball/ NASCAR)!	19 Aux Mtg 7:00 pm	20 HC Meeting7:00 pm	21	22	23 MOC Steak Night 6:30pm Summer Olympics Begin  DJ Mike	24
25 MOC Breakfast 9:30 am Sports in the Canteen (Baseball/ NASCAR)!	26	27	28	29	30 MOC Burger Freedom Fries/Onion Rings 6:30pm DJ Mike	31