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OCTOBER 2017 VFW POST NEWSLETTER

Commander's Corner

Greetings comrades!! September started out with a very nice Labor Day Post picnic. We had a great turnout. Thanks to all for the covered dishes and goodies. A special thanks to Skip for BBQing the burgers etc. Great job as always!! The Post joined with the Auxiliary and two Honor Guard members on the 15th for a short but very meaningful POW/MIA ceremony. Thanks to all who attended and thank you Auxiliary for setting it up. Your Post sent approximately \$1,000 of donated non-perishable items to Texas in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey. We also "adopted" VFW Post 3904 in Rockport, Texas. Your Post and Auxiliary along with donations sent \$500 worth of \$25 Lowes gift cards to be used by their members. Vets helping vets...that's what it's all about. Sure makes a person proud!! The October Birthday Bash will be the 24th. Come sing Happy Birthday and have a good time. 28 October brings the VA Fall Festival. It's a great time with the patients and we can always use some help. Lasts about 4 hours Saturday morning. Our Halloween party 🎃 is on the 30th. Wear a costume (or not) and come have a good time. Snacks etc. are welcome as usual. Costume contest, shuffleboard, music, food and drink...how can you not have a good time. That's all for now folks. Y'all stay well and I'll see you at the Post

Jerry Kaminski, Commander

Cooties Section

Listen up Cooties, we are having a great year, let's keep up our advances to the cause. We as the Honor Degree of the VFW need to get out and visit our Veterans. Our last month's breakfast went very well, thanks again for the donations and those who volunteered their time. By the time you get this newsletter, we will have had a Cootie food night, thanks for those who volunteered to cook and make donations, it is greatly appreciated. Don't forget the monthly VA Bingo at 2pm on 8 Oct, also the next scratch is 17 Oct at 1900L. I want to thank everyone who donated items for the Cootie cooler of cheer and those that took the time to sell and buy tickets. It is an honor to be a part of this great organization, as I write these comments it has been 118 years since the American Veterans of Foreign Service was formed and officially became known as the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States since Aug 1914. We will also be having our Grand COA on Oct 27th and 28th in Biloxi at the Super 8 hotel, come out and have a lousy time! "Honor, Loyalty, Perseverance and Industry".

L.O.T.C.S, Johnny Potter, Seam Squirrel

Auxiliary Corner

Sisters and Brothers of Auxiliary 6731:

Please come to our meetings. They are held at the Post on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. This month it will be October 10, 2017. Your Auxiliary is doing many things for your veterans, current service members and their families. Don't forget about the Scholarship Programs we have going on right now. Parents, your child could win up to \$30,000 in scholarship money!☺☺☺

Our **Smoked Pork Fundraiser** with Auxiliary 2434 was very successful! It was a lot of fun, but also a lot of work! Thanks to Auxiliary members **Mike Vierling, Karen Farry, Rachel White** and Auxiliary members from Auxiliary 2434, **Betty Doucet, Kirsten Surgi and Ann Backhurst**. A great big **THANK YOU** to **VFW member Quinn Holbrook** for coming up with the idea and smoking the pork.

The **"Birthday Party"** at the Biloxi VA Blind Rehabilitation Center was held on September 13, 2017 **Juanese Collins** prepared her Chocolate Delight Cake and served Blue Bell single serving ice cream cups. **Mike Vierling** and his wife **Kerri** helped serve. The

veterans were all very happy! The VFW and Auxiliary has a **2nd Sunday “Bingo” at the VA** and is held at 2:00 pm for the veterans in Building 15. **Betty Gavliniski** volunteers for this event. If you would like to help, please come. All help is appreciated!

VFW Post 6731 and its Auxiliary held a **POW-MIA Ceremony** on Friday, September 15, 2017 at the Post. Thanks for everyone who attended the solemn ceremony remembering and thinking about our lost soldiers! **Rick Arbogast and Rene Escobar of the Honor Guard** assisted with the Ceremony.

The Auxiliary has voted to send money to Texas, Louisiana and Florida for damages done by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Commander Kaminski has sent the VFW and Auxiliary donation to Texas. Still working on other disaster states.

Come to the monthly Birthday Party at the Post. I had a wonderful time playing shuffleboard. Come out!

Our Auxiliary Dinner will be held on **Friday, October 13, 2017**. We will be serving **pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, baked beans for only \$8.00. *Please come and enjoy a great meal!***

Last month we welcomed **Jenelle Little, Kerri Vierling and Ann Backhurst** into our Auxiliary.

Continuous dues for 2018 are NOW DUE! Our Auxiliary’s membership is currently at 87.8% and we need 15 to be 100%. Please get your dues in as soon as you can. Think about upgrading to life membership, members will not have to worry about getting dues notices! Hope to see you at our next meeting!

Yours in Service,

Carol Fetters, President

Quartermaster Comments

Presently, we have 264 members in the Post. Our newest life member is Roger Rugg. Please welcome him when you see him. We have two delinquent members at this time. We need everyone’s help around the Post! Please volunteer to work a Sunday breakfast or a first and third Friday dinner. You can’t beat the price for our Sunday breakfast or Friday night meals, so come on out to the Post and buy a plate and have a beverage of your choice. We need your support to keep the Post running! The Post is open to any fund-raising ideas you may have and the Post Hall, Pavilion, and Kitchen are open for rental for your personal gathering. Spread the word to your friends and neighbors to support Veterans’ Charity Bingo. We rely on Bingo to support the many Veteran and Community programs to which we contribute. You can play all the games for \$25.00 on Wednesday and Saturday evenings starting at 6PM. Angie’s snack bar is open for both sessions. Events for October are listed on the monthly calendar. Please check out our Facebook® page, “Oswald L. Fayard North Bay Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6731”, and “Like” it. There are many statuses concerning the VFW, the VA, military historical events, current events, and local happenings at the Post.

Skip Klinger, Quartermaster

Chaplain's Chat

We need your prayers for two of our good Post members; Gene Morgan and Walt Keck. We wish them a speedy recovery. We are collecting relief supplies for the hurricane victims, if you have any donations please bring them to the Post. May God bless our troops and God bless America. Psalm 125.

Chaplain Rick Arbogast

Service Officer Comments

Service Officers will be available to help any Veteran submitting disability claims or to answer VA related questions; by appointment only, just contact one of the officers below. If you or if you know of a veteran who needs some assistance, please come on over to the post or call (228)392-1152.

Service officer POCs: Matt Dawson (228)731-2403, Jerry Wisniewski (228)324-3539, John Kelly (228)207-9324

Honor Guard

Please come out to the Post and support your Honor Guard by getting some good chow at our dinners and breakfasts. Watch the newsletter to see when. Drill for October will be the 21st at 3pm at the post.

Rick Arbogast, Honor Guard Sgt.



BINGO SUPPORT YOUR VETERANS BINGO

Saturday & Wednesday: Early Bird 6:00 PM -- Regular 7:00 PM

Oct 14 - \$200 Door Prize Give Away

Oct 18 - \$1,000 Coverall Give Away

Oct 28 - Halloween Bingo Party. Halloween Costume Contest with prizes for the best 5 costumes. \$200 in Door Prizes.



Happy Birthday to:

Sharon Nelson - 4
Melissa Porter - 7
Avery Cummings - 8
John Watson - 10
Robert Sell - 10
Faye Overstreet - 11
Deborah Montique - 11
Robert Husman - 11
Willie Faulk - 12
Geneva Souza-Williams - 15
Harold Smith - 15

Gerald Kaminski - 16
John Wisniewski - 17
Bobby Marcellus - 18
William Shaw - 20
Danielle Farry - 22
Linsey Porter - 25
Joe Roberts - 26
Albert Kinworthy - 26
Alex Cumberland - 29
Jerry Delahoussaye - 31



Happy Anniversary to:

Lou & Ann Berryman - 9
Johnny & Linda Kelly - 29

