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VFW Post 10555 News: Ken Waringa, Commander

A new year is upon us and I hope it will be a good year for everyone. As we start the New Year please take a minute to reflect on our past year. We lost some very good friends, and made a lot of new ones. We had some great events at the post. The American Legion has grown by leaps and bounds.

For the New Year I'm hoping for some changes around the post. I hope we can get more members involved with running the post, events and participation at meetings. If you want to help run the post, participate in the monthly meetings. If you can help at an event please let me know. I'm not asking for help at every event, just a couple times a year will help.

Starting January 1st we will only have happy hour on Wednesday and Sunday. We had thought about raising drink prices, but we're going to try doing away with happy hour first to see if that helps our financial situation.

In January we have a full calendar with some great events going on. We should have something for everyone so come out and enjoy your post.

***Please Come Out and Support YOUR Post!
Remember Our Veterans and Those Deployed!***
KEN WARINGA

The NEW, All-Inclusive VFW Auxiliary: Kitty Dye, President (kdye8918@yahoo.com)

December was a busy, busy month for the Auxiliary. We had the fish fry, helped the Post with their yard sale, cooked a light breakfast for the yard sale, which went very well, and had a Holiday Bake Sale. I want to thank everyone who helped with these events. Without you none of this would have gotten done. We will be assisting the Post with the New Years Eve event and our northern guests with a Sock Hop. The Auxiliary will be sponsoring a Snowflake Ball in February with music by Russ Chandler. There will be dinner and dancing. Tickets are \$15.00 per person or \$25.00 per couple. We will need assistance with this dinner. As we look forward to the new year please keep in mind that we of course need your membership but please consider giving some of your time to assist your veterans. It is very difficult for 5 or 6 people to do all the work. Each and every one has something to offer, small or large it will be appreciated. Our Post is very precious to us and we want it to succeed. On that note, please be advised that if you have not paid your 2016 dues by now, you are unfortunately not a member in good standing. Members not in good standing will have to reapply. This is different from years past. Dues had to be at the Department by 12/24/2015. Until next month, be safe. If you need a ride to meetings, the doctor's office or someone to be with you, let me know at 850-234-8918.

Kitty Dye, President VFWA 10555



PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO REMEMBER ALL THOSE SERVICE MEMBERS THAT ARE DEPLOYED.

American Legion Update: Post 402 Commander Jim Bowers (scootin1923@yahoo.com)

Happy New Year fellow Legionnaires. 2015 went by in a hurry, but was a successful year for us. We started two new Post entities, the American Legion Riders Chapter and the Sons of The American Legion Squadron, and started the process for an American Legion Ladies Auxiliary unit at the Post. BRAVO ZULU to all involved. We should be looking forward to a successful 2016. Post 402 has several events scheduled this month, the SAL Bingo on the 9th, our Legion dinner and Bingo on the 15th, the Hotzee Run making a stop on the 16th, "Lunch with Russ Chandler" on the 24th, Legion Bingo on the 30th, and the Riders Unity Ride will be through the Post on the 31st. If your entity has an event, step up to help. It is not too early to start thinking of elections this year. The Post needs your participation in holding Post offices. Please think of our Legion Board as a way to honor any veteran.

Remember to keep our military and veterans in your hearts. Thank you and God Bless America! Jim Bowers, American Legion Post 402 Commander

The Perception of the Post Manager, Billie Jones

Happy New Year, 2016 is here!!! January calendar is out with all the upcoming events, dates and time. If you need to, please call 850-249-3025 and we will let you know what is going on at your post. Hope to have a busy month and hope to see your smiling face while having a few drinks.

Thanks to Gail, Cindy, Dallas and Jacii for all the hard work they do and I appreciate their time and energy! Also to Reba who is helping us out and hoping she will stay – great to have her back as a bartender. Please remember to "tip" the bartenders for serving you.

Remember not to discuss "post business" in the canteen or hall. Come to the monthly member meeting to discuss "post business".

Hope to see you soon. **Best Regards, Billie Jones Post Manager**



VFW Post 10555 Quartermaster's Two Cents Rob Smith (robsmith127@gmail.com)

Happy New Year!

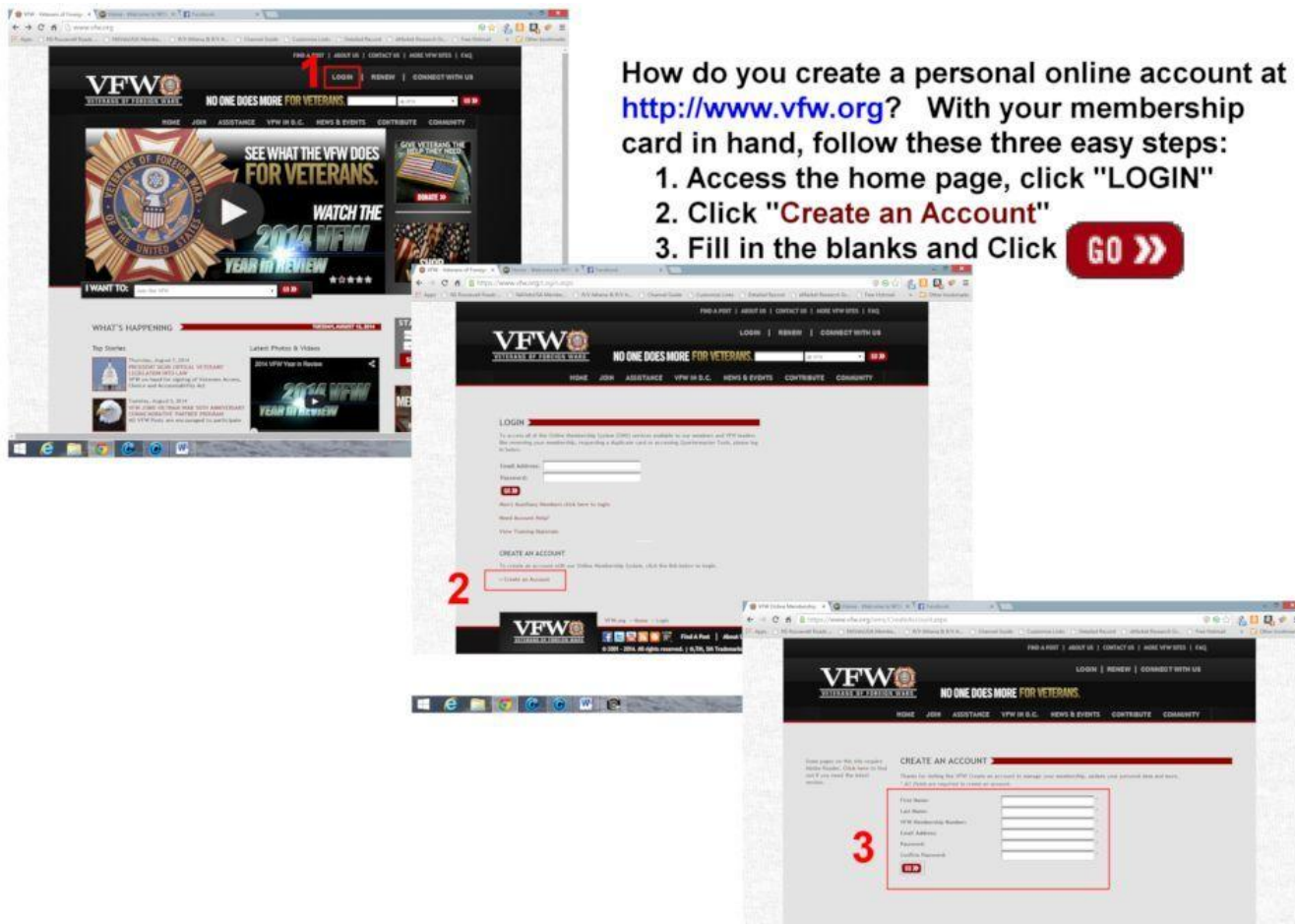
I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year's Eve celebration! Hard to believe another year has gone by. Let's hope for a great 2016 for the Post! It is our anniversary year, we'll be celebrating the 35th anniversary of Post 10555 in February. Hope to see you all that day, it will be great as we have an Anniversary Committee working hard to get all the details ironed out. I would like to ask our bingo players for a favor: if you are looking for a dabber in the box and find one that is empty (or nearly so), please throw it away. Don't just throw it back in the box. We do go through the box occasionally to weed out the empty dabbers, but it would help us a lot if you could throw them away as you find them. That way, we can better keep the box stocked with working dabbers. Thanks! And for those members whose memberships are expiring soon, please renew. You can either mail it back to National, or just drop it by the Post and we will take care of the rest. And while you are there, have a drink and socialize!

Have a safe, happy, and prosperous 2016.

See You Around Our Post! Rob

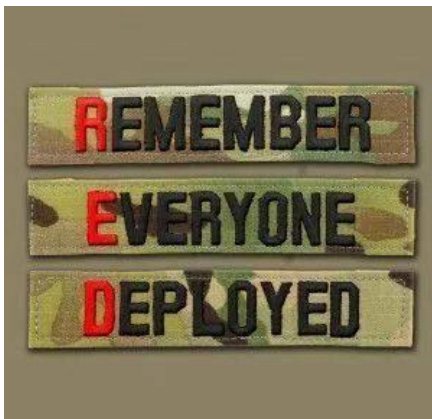
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January 2016						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	R.E.D. FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Sign up for this calendar by email at vfw10555@knology.net	WHERE TO FIND US 17680 Ashley Dr Panama City Beach, FL 32413 (850) 249-3025	LIKE US ON FACEBOOK		1 Happy New Year Post open 1 to 6	2 VOL Bingo 1 PM
3 Happy Hour 12 to 6	4 VOL Mtg. 3PM Darts 1 PM Legion Officer Mtg. 5:30 PM Legion Mtg. 6 PM SAL Mtg. 6 PM	5 Men's Pool 1-5 PM Riders Mtg. 6 PM	6 Happy Hour 2 - 6 Big AI & Meat Raffle 2:00	7 Ms. Cues 2 PM Cards 6 PM Darts 6 PM	8 Bocce Ball 12:00 AUX Officer Mtg. 2 PM AUX Fish Fry \$9.00 5:30 - 6:30 PM Karaoke 6 - 9	9 SAL Bingo 1 PM
10 Happy Hour 12 to 6	11 Darts 1 PM	12 Men's Pool 1-5 PM Entertainment Com. Mtg. 4:30 PM Officer Mtg. 5 PM House Committee Mtg. 5:30 PM	13 Happy Hour 2 - 6 Big AI & Meat Raffle 2:00	14 Ms. Cues 2 PM Cards 6 PM Darts 6 PM	15 Bocce Ball 12:00 Legion dinner \$5.00 5:30 - 6:30 PM Legion Bingo 6-8 PM	16 Hotzee Run (no bingo) Dick Clark Bandstand \$10.00 Dinner 5:30 Play to follow
17 Happy Hour 12 to 6 Pool Tournament 8 Ball 2 PM	18 Darts 1 PM	19 Men's Pool 1-5 PM Gen. Membership & AUX Mtg. 6 PM	20 Happy Hour 2 - 6 Big AI & Meat Raffle 2:00	21 Ms. Cues 2 PM Cards 6 PM Darts 6 PM	22 Bocce Ball 12:00 VFW Wings 5:30 to 6:30 Bingo 6 to 8	23 AUX Bingo 1 PM Scottish Evening 6 PM
24 Happy Hour 12 to 6 Spaghetti Lunch with Russ 1 to 4 \$10.00	25 Darts 1 PM	26 Men's Pool 1-5 PM	27 Happy Hour 2 - 6 Big AI & Meat Raffle 2:00 Vietnam Peace Accord Ceremony 5:00	28 Ms. Cues 2 PM Cards 6 PM Darts 6 PM	29 Bocce Ball 12:00 VOL Tacos 5:30 to 6:30 Bingo 6 to 8	30 Legion Bingo 1 PM
31					VFW Winter Conference	

EDITOR'S NOTE: This Calendar of Post/AUX/Legion events is painstakingly developed at the House Committee Meeting every second Tuesday of the month. EVERY member of our units in good standing is welcome to attend that or any other committee meeting and EVERY member of our units in good standing is welcome to reserve the hall (Fees are charged for private parties, that is to say any event not open to all). For hall fees/reservations, contact the Post Manager, Billie Jones, at the Post 850-249-3025. **When all else fails, JUST STOP BY! PLEASE!**



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