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## COMMANDER'S CALL

First off, I would like to thank all the Officers for taking care of business and for the support of the other organizations within the Post. Without your support, we would have a failed organization. The events and the support are keeping us on the map. So thank you for all that you do!!



I am still in Ft. Lauderdale and my return date is at the end of the month. I continue to stay informed on the happenings at the Post.

I have not received much feedback on member involvement in community activities. If you are involved in events, please let me know. The information I need is members involved, mileage, and monies to support. You can call me at 850-624-6336 or preferred e-mail at [bdon520@knology.net](mailto:bdon520@knology.net) If you have any other concerns, I can be reached at those contacts or let one of the Officers know and they can relay to me. We have a great place. Let's keep it



running smoothly and give our help to those we are supposed to - the Veteran.

See you at the meeting - hopefully soon!

Don

PS:

Remember to fly your flags on Saturday, September 11th.



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## Quartermaster Corner — Ken Waringa

The new VFW Post 10555 shirts and hats have arrived. We're having an introductory special of only \$15.00 each.

A committee consisting of the Quartermaster, House Committee Chair and Chaplin have been appointed by the Commander to review the volunteer points program. The committee will make their report at the next general membership meeting. The Commander wants a program that will be equitable to the folks that volunteer as well as the people that already have points.

There has been a lot of activity at the Post lately, so be

sure to keep an eye on the calendar and the website for the latest information. Among my other tasks, I've also taken over the job of updating the website. If you have something you would like to see on our website, please let me know. We are working with the people that designed the site to get some more features added, but they do it as time is available for them. Be patient as the changes will take time.

See you around the Post...

Ken

## Ladies Auxiliary News - Jenny Freeman, President

The hot summer is almost coming to an end. With that is the Labor Day holiday. The Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring a cookout on September 6th. Come out and enjoy the great food and socialize with all your friends at the Post.



I have a lot of ideas for some future events to raise money for my special program - the VFW-

PAC. I would really like our Post to raise enough money to make a difference. We need to fight congress to protect the VA benefits. Some of my ideas for the events are a silent auction and a fashion show. Anyone that can help make this a reality would be greatly appreciated along with any additional ideas for fundraising as well as having fun.

See you around the Post,

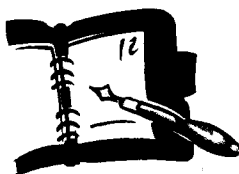
Jenny Freeman

## Men's Auxiliary Memo - Bill McGrath, President

August 20th was fish fry number three. Why three? Because the food is excellent, the price is right and the entertainment is great. The Men's Auxiliary co-sponsored each of these dinners with the Ladies Auxiliary with excellent results. We have one more scheduled and that will be September 17th. If you haven't been to one yet, get there. You won't be disappointed. Also, if you haven't as yet helped out at one of these dinners, we need you there. The duties are simple, but we need to share the duties and not rely on the same three or four members to always step up.

As you know, I suggested at the House committee meeting that we form a committee to plan events well into the future. Basically, I feel that long term event planning can eliminate conflicts and shortfalls that might pop up by trying to do everything on a monthly basis. They agreed and we had our first meeting on the Monday prior to the August House Committee meeting. We'll meet this same Monday each month and will be able to hand off our recommendations to the House Committee each month.

We made several recommendations after the first meeting. The first was to move Bingo to Sunday, thereby freeing up Saturday for event scheduling. We felt we needed to leave that day open for planning and move Bingo to the much slower Sun-



day. The first Saturday event we proposed was an October Fest, tentatively to be held on October 9th. We could have a German band, beer and food along with free mugs. But to make it a success, we would need to fill the hall with guests. All this will be presented to the House Committee who will then have to approve it. I'll keep you informed via email.

Speaking of email, I communicate almost entirely via email. I have about 20 members on my email list and I'm able to keep them abreast of events, changes, problems, etc. Since this is much faster than phoning, I would appreciate anyone interested to furnish me with their email address. For persons without computers, I'll print out the messages and put it near our computer. That way, when you come to the Post, you can browse the emails and make sure you haven't missed anything. Until next month...

Regards,

Bill McGrath



## Musings From The House Committee Chairman - Jim Foreman

Please make sure to watch our bulletin boards and web-site for updates concerning all events and meetings.

We have a special buy on some tee shirts, caps, etc., so check them out. Christmas is just around the corner and giving one as a gift not only makes the recipient happy, but it also supports our Post.

The Post would like to thank those who step up and help out. Remember the Post belongs to all of us, but will not

run itself. Regardless of being a non-profit organization, we are a business and have the same bills to pay as any other business. If you have an idea for an event or any other fundraiser, please step up and chair the event!

See ya around the Post!

Jim



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## A Message From ..... Canteen Manager - Kitty Dye

Our 'Block Parties' end this month, so I hope everyone has met all the neighbors that have been attending on Thursdays.

As always, make sure to show up for Happy Hour during the week, Monday - Friday, from 2-5pm.

Also, check out our drink specials each week.

I hope each and every one of you had a fun-filled summer. I'm looking forward to seeing our winter guests begin to trickle in. We have a lot of fun in the canteen each day, so come on out and spend a little time at YOUR POST! You may begin to feel like we do and find you really enjoy the

fun and friendship here.

Looking forward to seeing you soon...

Kitty Dye, Canteen Manager

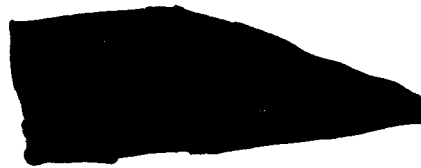




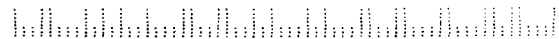
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### Important Dates To Remember

4th - 3-6pm - Boogie Daddy music & Karaoke  
6th - 1-3pm - Labor Day Cookout - \$5.00  
11th - 3-6pm - Music by Al Gough  
14th - 5pm - House Committee Meeting  
17th - 5-6:30pm - Fish Fry  
5-7pm - Music by South Bound Band  
18th - 3-6pm - Boogie Daddy music & Karaoke  
20th - 6pm - Men's Auxiliary Meeting  
21st - 6pm - Gen. Membership & LAVFW meetings  
25th - 3-6pm - Music by Al Gough  
Thursdays: 1-5pm - Ms. Cues Ladies Pool  
6pm - Poker Night  
Saturdays: 1pm - Bingo



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