



## Veterans of Foreign Wars

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Greetings Comrades,

For my second newsletter as your commander I am going to continue with my theme of highlighting one of our hundreds of volunteers. Dave Lathrop is an extraordinary volunteer. Presently he is the Honor Guard Commander and the house committee chairman. He makes up pounds of fried onions for burger night and makes sure everything is ready to go. He helps set up and take down the Veterans Farmer Market. At month end he makes sure the physical inventory for the bar and kitchen is completed. He has taken on some paid positions that nobody wanted in becoming bingo chairman and kitchen supervisor. The kitchen can be challenging with seasonal fluctuations, unpredictable turn outs, staff turnovers and old equipment. In June he was able to bring the kitchen in with a profit! Way to go Dave.

Another un-heralded volunteer is Chuck Dreasen. He is our gambling manager and manages a department which pays lots of the bills and still produces enough revenue that the Post is able to contribute to many good causes. In the last few months the Post was able to donate to MN Dare (Youth Drug Prevention), Sheriffs child safety program, Disable youth camp, Wounded Warrior holiday party, Ms. Trams bike ride, Prior Lake fireworks and \$6000 to Laker Education fund for local scholarships. He ensures that all of Post 6208 reporting requirements are submitted in a timely and accurate manner. His hard work and expertise allows us to maintain a 5-Star rating with the state. Chuck is also in the honor guard. In his spare time he likes to attend meetings. In addition to our post meetings he also attends district, state and national conventions and has served in many positions. Way to go Chuck.

The Post is having its annual picnic at Veterans Park on Sunday Aug. 5 at 1pm. Food and refreshments will be provided by the post; you can bring a dish to pass but it's not necessary. Please sign up at the post or email me at [mmartin462@live.com](mailto:mmartin462@live.com) that you are going to attend. Would be nice to have some children there, does anyone have grandchildren?

On August 7<sup>th</sup> the Taco crew will be celebrating their two years of being in business. Help us celebrate! We will be having Taco specials, prize drawings every half hour and a Margarita special at the bar. If you don't like tacos keep supporting our other events like Monday Burgers, Wednesday Bingo, Thursday Farmers Market, meat raffles and our monthly steak fry. Remember the kitchen is open every Friday and Saturday. Watch for an article I have written that will appear in the Prior Lake American about membership. We need new members to continue to have a strong and viable club. If you know of someone eligible but hasn't joined yet let me know and I will contact them.

See you at the next meeting of VFW Post 6208 on Monday, August 13th at 7:30pm.

Yours in comradeship,

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## Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary

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Greetings Auxiliary Members,

Summer is going by very quickly. Hard to believe that it is almost August. It has been a busy summer. Keep Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup> open that is the day of our annual members' picnic. It will be held at veterans' memorial park at 1pm. Food and refreshments will be provided; bring a dish to pass if you like. We will have door prizes and games. Please call the post 952-226-6208 to RSVP with number of adults and number of children attending. Let's make this a great event!

July 21<sup>st</sup> we had the Wheels & Heels car show at the VFW. Several auxiliary members helped Liz Spieker sell pop and ice cream.

During our meeting we approved a letter, which was written by Darlene Davidson and Sharon Draeger, to be sent to new members, to give them some information about the Auxiliary. Thank you, I'm sure this will be well received by the new members.

It is time to get your annual dues paid. We would like to be 100% this year. Please send your dues to Carol Dresen at 16803 Lyons Ave S.E., Prior Lake, MN 55372. If you have questions please contact Carol at 952-447-7715. If you know of anyone who is eligible to be a member please encourage them to sign up.

We could use more people to sign-up to help selling ice cream and pop on burger night Mondays. If you are unable to commit to every month, try once every two months, as any help would be really appreciated. The Farmers Market is doing well; we have 2-3 farmers every week. We are again participating in the POP (Power of Produce) program this year. Seniors over 62 and children from 6 to 12 will receive a \$2 token to be used for vegetables and fresh fruit at the market each week. Come support this event and enjoy some great produce at a very reasonable price.

As many of you know my husband Mike is the commander this year. The club has designated parking spaces for the commander and the Aux president. Since Mike and I usually come together to the post if we are both going, we decided to give up one of the parking spaces for the volunteer of the month. Just let Mike or I know if you want to nominate someone, it's open for anyone who volunteers. We will draw a name out of a hat at our meeting. The space will be available for the winner for the month following the meeting. For August we have selected Louanne Krueger, she volunteers a lot working Burger Night, Taco Night (every week), Bingo, Newsletter, Steak Fry, and Farmers Market. I'm sure she does more but that is just what comes to mind. Thank you Louanne for all that you do.

Our next meeting will be Monday, August 13th at 7:30pm; please join us if you're able.

To those who have been ill, we wish you a speedy recovery. To those who have lost a loved one, our prayers are with you.

Loyally,

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## VFW Post And Auxiliary Roster 2018 - 2019



Commander	Michael Martin	Auxiliary President	Caroline Martin
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Adjutant	Lee Seurer	Secretary	Freida Barlage
Quarter Master	Ed Speiker	Treasurer	Carol Dresen
Chaplain	Cheryl Burton	Chaplain	Darlene Davidson
Surgeon	Floyd Nagler	Conductor/Patriotic Instructor	Ron Tessmer
Judge Advocate	David Lathrop	Guard	Louanne Krueger
Gambling Chairman	Chuck Dresen	Trustee - 1 Year	Darlene Davidson
House Committee Chairman	David Lathrop	Trustee - 2 Year	Sharon Draeger
Legislative Chairman	Tom Faxvog	Trustee - 3 Year	Mary Lou Lannon
Blood Chairman	Chuck Dresen	Americanism	Liz Speiker
Steak Fry Chairman	Mike McGahey	Hospital	Pat Cates
Pancake Breakfast Chair	Robert Herubin	Legislative	Rick Draeger
Americanism	Mike McGahey	MN Scholarships	Darlene Davidson
Honor Guard	David Lathrop	National Scholarships	Maria Belden
Youth Activities	Bob Schmokel	Veterans & Family Support	Ann Cole
POW/MIA	King Cole	Youth Activities	Louanne Krueger
Service Officer	Floyd Nagler	Buddy Poppy/National Home	Caroline Martin

**AUGUST  
2018**

# PRIOR LAKE VFW POST 6208



## LIVE MUSIC

**SOLID GOLD 4th**  
**JAMBONE 25th**



**\$2.75 BEER SPECIAL**

## WEEKLY EVENTS

- \* Burger Monday
- \* TACO Tuesday
- \* BINGO Wednesday
- \* Harvest market— Thursdays
- \* Steak Fry 4th Saturday
- \* Meat raffle—Mondays and Thursdays

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			<b>1 BINGO 6pm</b>  Full Kitchen Menu	<b>2 HARVEST MARKET Meat Raffle</b>  Lake Front Days	<b>3 DINNER MENU</b> Steak and Grilled Shrimp special Lake Front Days	<b>4 DINNER MENU</b> Lake Front Days  <b>SOLID GOLD</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT</b>	<b>7 TACO NIGHT</b>   Beyond Yellow Ribbon	<b>8 Senior Dance Snowmobile Club BINGO 6pm</b>  Full Kitchen Menu	<b>9 HARVEST MARKET Meat Raffle</b>  HC Meeting 7pm	<b>10 DINNER MENU</b> Chicken and Rib combo	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT</b>   VFW Post/Aux 7:30pm	<b>14 TACO NIGHT</b>	<b>15 BINGO 6pm</b>  Full Kitchen Menu	<b>16 HARVEST MARKET Meat Raffle</b>   Marine Corps 7:00pm	<b>17 DINNER MENU</b> Beef Stroganoff	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT</b>   Legion Meeting	<b>21 TACO NIGHT</b>  Hook Setters	<b>22 BINGO 6pm</b>  Full Kitchen Menu	<b>23 HARVEST MARKET Meat Raffle</b>	<b>24 DINNER MENU</b> Grilled pork chops 1pm Fantasy football	<b>25 Steak Fry</b> 1pm Fantasy football  <b>Jambone</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT</b>  SNOTRAILS	<b>28 TACO NIGHT</b>	<b>29 BINGO 6pm</b>  Full Kitchen Menu	<b>30 HARVEST MARKET Meat Raffle</b>	<b>31 DINNER MENU</b> Whiskey marinated sirloin special	