



Veterans of Foreign Wars

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Greetings Comrades,

Thanks to all who came to the membership dinner, good turnout with almost 100 showing up. Special thanks to Ed & Jenny, Floyd & Jan, Louanne, Chef Jim and manager Susie for their help in making it a success. We have two nominations this month for Volunteer of the Month. They are very similar in many ways. Tom Loftus and Bob Schmokel are longtime residents of Prior Lake. They both served in the Army in Vietnam and each was wounded there, both are active participants in the Post Honor Guard and each of them volunteer in many ways for post functions. Tom serves on the house committee and helps with monthly inventories. Bob serves as youth activity chair person. Our volunteer of the month is both Tom and Bob, great job guys.

At our recent meeting we had a very lively discussion on the future of our post. We are presently in excellent shape financially and in personnel. The Post leadership in the key positions is very experienced and dedicated. The Quartermaster Ed, Gambling Manager Chuck, Adjutant Lee, House Committee Chair Dave and Trustee Rich are all doing super jobs. That was evident by the way the Post passed the 2nd District inspection recently. A big part of leadership is for future planning. For instance, do you think the executives at Sears wish they had made better decisions when Walmart came around? The future decision facing us is do we maintain our aging post home or start over with a new and modern one. The big question is which option is best for us and can we afford it. The first step in coming up with a long range future plan is determining what our members want and will support. We are presently working on a survey to help guide us into the future. We will mail it out to all members and when it arrives please take the time to give us your honest opinion.

Important upcoming dates:

- Vets in the Classroom on Thursday Nov. 8th
- Scott County Veterans Lunch on Tuesday Nov. 6th
- Post 6208 Veterans Day Dinner on Sunday Nov. 11 (RSVP to the Post; spouses welcome)

Coming up in December we have the Auxiliary Craft sale on Dec 1, high school band breakfast on Dec. 2nd, Lions breakfast with Santa on Dec. 8th, and Dec. 16th the Post-Christmas party. Remember to support your Post by coming to the events we host, plus our in-house events like Burger Monday, Taco Tuesday, Bingo Wed, Meat raffles on Thurs, regular menu on Fridays and Steak Fries on Saturdays.

Joe Wise, a longtime volunteer, has resigned from the house committee and we thank him for his service to our Post. We now have an opening on the house committee which we will need to fill.

See you at the next meeting of VFW Post 6208 on Monday, November 12th at 7:30pm.

Yours in comradeship,

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Greetings Auxiliary Members,

The membership dinner that was held on Sunday, October 7th had a great turn out of almost 100 members. Thanks to all the people who helped Mike and I especially Jan & Floyd, Ed & Jenny, Louanne, Jim and Susie.

We are having a dinner at 1pm on Veterans Days Sunday Nov. 11th for all veterans. I would like a few members of the auxiliary to help serve. If you would be willing to help please let me know.

The Farmers Market is done, thanks to everyone who helped make it a success by attending the market, working selling corn, manning the registration table, making and selling pork chops on a stick and corn, and helping set up and take down the tents. The Post and the Auxiliary will split over \$1000 in profit from the corn sales. I want to give a big thank you to Colleen Callahan who organized the market and made sure everything ran smoothly; without her, there would not have been a Farmers Market. We should be getting a report soon.

Membership – Carol D. sent letters to annual members who have yet to pay their dues. I'm hoping that that will be the push they need to pay them. It would be great if we could make it to 100%. There are financial benefits to the Auxiliary if we can get there as soon as possible. Also if anyone knows of someone who is eligible to join, please encourage them to join.

Soon the snowbirds will be leaving. If you have a forwarding address can you please send it to Louanne Krueger at louanne.k@integra.net or call her at 952-447-2398. It does cost the Post money for all newsletters that are postal service returned so we'd like to reduce that and also make sure our members get their newsletters. If you would like to receive your newsletter by e-mail instead of by mail you can also let Louanne know and she will update her records.

Dates to remember in December:

- Saturday Dec 1st the craft sale 9am-3pm; remember baked goods for the auxiliary bake sale
- Monday Dec 10th Lions Christmas luncheon at noon; we are looking a few auxiliary members to help serve lunch, please let me know if you can help
- Sunday Dec 16th Post and Auxiliary Christmas Dinner

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 12th 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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Junior Vice Commander	Dave Thompson	Junior Vice President	Mary Giles
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	Rich Davidson	Guard	Louanne Krueger
Gambling Chairman	Chuck Dresen	Trustee - 1 Year	Darlene Davidson
House Committee Chairman	David Lathrop	Trustee - 2 Year	Sharon Draeger
Legislative Chairman		Trustee - 3 Year	Mary Lou Lannon
Blood Chairman	Chuck Dresen	Americanism	Liz Speiker
Steak Fry Chairman		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

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				1 Meat Raffle BEAN BAGs	2 DINNER MENU Grilled Teriyaki Pork Chops	3 Charity Benefit
4 Football Happy Hour/Potluck Daylight Savings Time	5 Meat Raffle BURGER NIGHT	6 TACO NIGHT! BEAN BAGs  Beyond Yellow Ribbon	7 BINGO 6PM Full Kitchen Menu	8 Meat Raffle BEAN BAGs HC Meeting 7pm	9 DINNER MENU Steak & Sesame Grilled Shrimp	10 Bird Dog Marine Corp 8-day  Dinner 5-8pm (good will offering)
11 Veteran's Day 1pm Meal	12 Meat Raffle BURGER NIGHT  VFW Post /Aux 7:30	13 TACO NIGHT! BEAN BAGs Sportsman Club	14 Senior Dance BINGO 6PM Full Kitchen Menu Snowmobile Club	15 Meat Raffle BEAN BAGs  Marine Corps 7pm	16 DINNER MENU Chicken Artichoke	17 Boys Baseball Spaghetti Dinner
18 Football Happy Hour/Potluck	19 Meat Raffle BURGER NIGHT  Legion Meeting	20 TACO NIGHT! Hook Setters	21  Solid Gold	22 Thanksgiving CLUB CLOSED	23 DINNER MENU Chicken & Rib platter	24  Steak Fry Dakota Ramblers
25	26 Meat Raffle BURGER NIGHT SNO TRAILS	27 TACO NIGHT! Pack 339	28 BINGO 6PM Full Kitchen Menu	29 Meat Raffle	30 DINNER MENU Beef Burgundy	

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WEEKLY EVENTS

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