



Veterans of Foreign Wars

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Greetings Comrades,

By now you know of the special meeting called for April 15th to decide if the Post should accept the City of Prior Lake interesting offer to help us build a brand new club room. At the meeting on April 15th Ed Speiker will present a slide show of what the plans are. There will be plenty of time for discussion and then we will vote. A 2/3 vote in the affirmative of paid up members present, is needed to proceed, so your vote and participation is important.

At the March meeting we did nominations for Post officers for this coming year. Hopefully, we can get a complete slate of members willing to step up and take a position. Two of the committees that need members are the house committee and trustees. These are very important positions to ensure our Post is functioning properly. Remember the VFW offers training for post officers at Officer's Training Institute in conjunction with the state convention. March has turned into a very good month for the club. We had a very big burger bash benefit, a wonderful crowd for St Patrick's Day and some very good bingo nights. A special thanks to the manager Suzie for the hard work she does making sure these and other events are successful. Keegan has also stepped up in the kitchen to put out some very good food. Speaking of food; Taco Tuesday has returned to the VFW. Carol and I will be doing the Tacos on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, while Keegan will be doing the other Tuesdays of the month.

The Honor Guard did a funeral in March for a non-member Vietnam veteran. A VFW ritual was conducted before the funeral; we attended the funeral, rendered a salute as the body was placed in the hearse and performed the final honors ceremony at the cemetery. The Honor Guard did all this proudly for a fellow veteran, it's what we do. My question is why this veteran didn't ever become a VFW member. He lived in Prior Lake for over 40 years and I am sure he knew about our Post. How many more eligible Veterans are out there who have never joined? Well here I am preaching to the choir, when I should be getting the word out why the VFW is so important and it's important for all eligible veterans to join us. If you know of an eligible veteran who is not a member please let me know so I can ask them why.

Who likes to fish? Veteran organizations including the VFW are looking for veterans to participate in "Trolling for the Troops 2019". They offer a chance to fish with a professional fisherman at Mille Lacs or on the Mississippi river. The dates are June 6 & 7 and an application can be downloaded from the VFW web-site or contact me and I can send you one.

The VFW has formed its own 501-C-3 entity for the purpose to receive donations from Posts or individuals. This is a perfect way to donate to VFW programs in a will or bequest. The Post gave \$500 to Gold Star Family weekend and \$200 to United Through Reading at the March meeting out of gambling.

Its Fish Fry season and the kitchen crew does one each Friday night. It's all you can eat and your choice of baked or fried. It includes a trip through the salad bar and choice of potato.

See you at the next meeting of VFW Post 6208 on Monday, April 8th at 7:30pm.

Yours in comradeship,

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Greetings Auxiliary Members,

Welcome to Spring, it has been a long time coming.

We have a volunteering opportunity in April. Scott County Veterans Service is planning their 19th Future Leaders Day program on Friday April 26, 2019. This is a one day event for selected seventh, eighth and ninth grade students who are residents of Scott County and are studying government issues to participate in a mock County Board meeting, a mock jury trial or a discovery group. They are looking for volunteers for the day of the event to assist with directing the students during the scheduled activities and serving lunch. If anyone would like to help with this event please call 952-496-8176 or give me a call at 612-865-6656. We could still use a few more volunteers

Thank you to all the chairpersons for getting their reports done and thank you again for taking the chairmanships for me.

During the April meeting we will be electing officers for the coming year. Please consider filling one of these positions. Be proud of our Auxiliary and help it succeed. We need more members to be active.

Bonnie Theis has been selected for the Volunteer of the month for April. Bonnie has worked the Steak Frys for over 40 years. She has also been in charge of the funeral luncheons at the VFW. She helps get the newsletter out and has volunteered a lot. We appreciate all the work she has done over the years. She can use the Auxiliary Presidents parking space for the month of April. Congratulation Bonnie!

Dates to remember:

- * Friday, April 26th – volunteer for the Future Leaders Day
- * Saturday, April 28th – District meeting and Loyalty Day in New Ulm

A deceased member of the auxiliary's family has donated some clothes that belonged to her. They are in wonderful condition sizes range from 14 to 20. There are dresses, skirts, jackets, slacks and blouses. This member wanted the clothes to go to the Auxiliary; we will have them available at our next meeting for anyone who wants them.

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 8th 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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Commander	Michael Martin	Auxiliary President	Caroline Martin
Senior Vice Commander	Rachel Maloney	Senior Vice President	Josie Schmalz
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	Sherri Beaupre	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	Nancy	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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NIGHT TIME BOOGIE 13th
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WEEKLY EVENTS

- * Burger Monday
- * TACO Tuesday
- * BINGO Wednesday
- * Steak Fry 2nd & 4th Saturday
- * Meat raffle—Mondays and Thursdays

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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	1 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT Gun Training	2 TACO NIGHT  Beyond Yellow Ribbon	3 BINGO 6pm Full Kitchen Menu	4 Meat Raffle Fluff & Puff pillows 7am-3pm HC Meeting 7pm	5 DINNER MENU All-you-can-eat Fish Fry Friday	6 MN Conservation Banquet
7  Dakota Ramblers 1-5PM	8 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT  VFW Post/Aux 7:30pm	9 TACO NIGHT Sportsman Club	10 Snowmobile Club BINGO 6pm Full Kitchen Menu	11 Meat Raffle Gun Training	12 DINNER MENU All-you-can-eat Fish Fry Friday	13 Steak Fry 2nd District VFW Mtg at noon  Night Time Boogie
14	15 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT  Legion Meeting	16 TACO NIGHT Hook Setters	17 BINGO 6pm Full Kitchen Menu	18 Meat Raffle  Marine Corps 7:00pm	19 DINNER MENU All-you-can-eat Fish Fry Friday	20 Spaghetti Banquet Limited DINNER MENU
21 Easter Sunday Closed	22 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT	23 TACO NIGHT Last Man Standing 5pm	24 BINGO 6pm Full Kitchen Menu	25 Meat Raffle	26 DINNER MENU	27 Steak Fry  American Flyer
28	29 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT SNOTRAILS	30 TACO NIGHT				