



Veterans of Foreign Wars

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Greetings Comrades,

As your new Commander for 2018-2019 I think I should start off by telling a few things about myself. My wife Carol and I moved to Prior Lake 3 years ago and brought a townhouse in Deerfield to be near our daughters and grandchildren. I owe my eligibility to the VFW thanks to the 2nd battalion 9th Marines in which I served as a corpsman in Vietnam. I also was recalled to active duty for Desert Storm and served with Marine Wing Support Group 47. I retired from the navy Reserves with 28 years of service.

The first time I was ever in the club room was during Lake Shore Days 4 years ago. I was impressed by the lively crowd, friendly people and Mich Golden Light as beer of the month for only \$2.50. I told my wife then that this is the kind of VFW I wish I belonged to.

Since joining the Post the thing that impressed me most is your volunteers. The list and number of volunteers go on forever: burger night, meat raffles, bingo, pancake breakfast, steak fry and Honor guard. When the opportunity opened up to take over Taco Tuesday I jumped at it as a way to contribute to the club I had joined. Thanks to volunteers Louanne Krueger, my wife Carol and my son-in-law Paul Skelly we have been doing Tacos going on almost two years now. If you haven't been to Taco Tuesday yet come on down, because it's really Taco's and more. I have also observed other volunteers take charge of things that have to be done around the club with little recognition. I know there are many more volunteers worthy of recognition but in my first newsletter I am only going to mention three. Lyle Krueger put new upholstery on all the bar stools and the bar padding. Kermit Mahlum, who is not even a member, cleaned up and fixed up our lower level after a water backup; he also has mowed our lawn for two years now. Floyd Nagler does little odd jobs that need to be done. Ask him about the squirrels in the clothes dryer.

With the members, staff and volunteers help I am looking forward to the coming year.

See you at the next meeting of VFW Post 6208 on Monday, July 9th at 7:30pm.

Yours in comradeship,

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Greetings Auxiliary Members,

I moved here from Cottage Grove 3 years ago with my husband Mike. I was very active at my previous post 8752 in Cottage Grove. I was the secretary for 14 years and volunteered for many of the activities. I'm hoping we will have a great year; I'll try to do my best to make that happen.

Elections were held in April and here are the results.

President – Caroline Martin	Senior Vice President – Josie Schmaltz
Treasurer – Carol Dresen	Chaplain – Darlene Davidson
Conductor – Ron Tessmer	Guard – Louanne Krueger
Trustee #3 – Mary Lou Lannon	Trustee #2 - Sharon Draeger
Trustee #1 – Darlene Davidson	Historian – Frieda Barlage
Patriotic Instructor – Ron Tessmer	Americanism – Liz Speiker
Hospital – Pat Cates	Legislative – Rick Draeger
Membership – Josie Schmaltz	Scholarships – Maria Belden
Veterans & Family Support – Ann Cole	Youth Activities – Louanne Krueger

We have the Farmers Market starting in full swing on Thursday June 21st. 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. Come support this event and enjoy some great produce at a very reasonable price. Also support the events that the Post puts on like Monday Burgers, Tuesday Tacos, Wednesday Bingo, and Saturday Steak Fry.

The National Convention will be held in Kansas City, Mo July 21 – 25, 2018.

On the 1st of June four couples went to the Hastings VA home to make brats and hamburgers for the residents. Good time had by all. I want to thank the members of the auxiliary who went to play Bingo at the VA Day center on June 6th. Meghan Hjerpe winner of the Patriots Art completion came to our meeting to accept her award. She won 1st place for the district and 3rd place in Department. We are very proud of her representing our Auxiliary. I want to thank Lynda Allen for being our auxiliary president for the past two years, she did a great job.

Our next meeting will be Monday, July 9th at 7:30 p.m.

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
Senior Vice Commander	Rachel Maloney	Senior Vice President	Josie Schmalz
Junior Vice Commander	Mike Martin	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	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

**JULY
2018**

PRIOR LAKE VFW POST 6208



LIVE MUSIC

SOLID GOLD 21st

DAKOTA RAMBLERS 28th



\$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
1	2 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT	3 TACO NIGHT  Beyond Yellow Ribbon	4 Independence Day CLOSED	5 HARVEST MARKET Meat Raffle HC Meeting 7pm	6 DINNER MENU Grilled Pork Chops Sp.	7 DINNER MENU
8	9 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT  VFW Post/Aux 7:30pm	10 TACO NIGHT	11 Senior Dance Snowmobile Club BINGO 6pm Full Kitchen Menu	12 HARVEST MARKET Meat Raffle	13 DINNER MENU Chicken Marsala Sp.  MUSIC FEST	14 Brats & Hotdogs by Marine Corp League 1-5pm  MUSIC FEST
15	16 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT  Legion Meeting	17 TACO NIGHT Hook Setters	18 BINGO 6pm Full Kitchen Menu	19 HARVEST MARKET Meat Raffle  Marine Corps 7:00pm	20 DINNER MENU Italian Beef Stew Sp.	21 Burgers, Fries & Tots 2-6pm Heels & Wheels  SOLID GOLD
22	23 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT	24 TACO NIGHT	25 BINGO 6pm Full Kitchen Menu	26 HARVEST MARKET Meat Raffle	27 DINNER MENU Sirloin Steak and Lem- on Pepper Shrimp Sp.	28 Steak Fry DAKOTA RAMBLERS 
29	30 MEAT RAFFLE BURGER NIGHT SNOTRAILS	31 TACO NIGHT	Phone: 952-226-6208 www.vfwpost6208.com			