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Commander's Blog

Members of Charles N DeGlopper Memorial VFW Post 9249

The 2017-2018 VFW Year is almost over. The Post and Auxiliary elections will take place during the April Meetings and in May, Installations will take place. Please support the officers and committees, which will be coordinating your organization for the coming year.

Earlier this year, a car crashed into our sign in front of the building. The damage was so extensive we need to replace the entire sign. The new digital sign, it is hoped will be in place for many of the upcoming events.

The month of May is our 7th Annual Drive through Chiavetta's BBQ Chicken dinner 4-7, **May 2nd, 16th, & 30th**. Take dinner home and never get out of your car. Pre sale tickets will be available each week. The Post's Annual **Buddy Poppy Drive** will be **May 24th - 26th**. Your help for an hour is needed. All of the funds received, stay in our local area to help Veterans and their families.

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Officer Elections will be held at April Meetings. Join us to have your voice heard!

Message from the Auxiliary



VFW AUXILIARY
UNWAVERING SUPPORT FOR UNCOMMON HEROES®

Well, March has been neither a lion nor a lamb, But I am hopeful for Spring as the robins are back and the birds are happily ripping apart the remnants of gardens that didn't get cleaned up before winter. I suppose, for the birds it was a good thing but perhaps they will stay in our yards and eat bugs that also like to enjoy the yard. It would be a win-win! Positivity is a beautiful thing!

As we move into spring the Auxiliary has sponsored several events that will contribute to helping our veterans and their families. Soup night in January was great with many varieties to choose as several new soups were offered. March was also a busy month with a successful Corned Beef and cabbage dinner and two fish fries.

In the coming months, there are events that Auxiliary members should be aware of and help if available. Post clean-up is scheduled for April 28th. We need help both outside and inside to get the grounds ready for a busy summer. The Buddy Poppy drive is scheduled for May 24-26. As always, we need help to staff all the locations and inform the public what the Poppies represent as we distribute them. In June, the Erie County Council of VFW usually meets at the Post and the Auxiliary provides food for the meeting. Once again, help is always welcome.

REMINDER:

April is election month. We are holding elections for Auxiliary officers on April 17th. Anyone wishing to hold office please come to the April meeting for nomination and election.

Erie County Council convention is May 12th at Crosby Post in Kenmore. Anyone planning on attending, please register and make lunch reservations.

District 6 convention is May 19th in Salamanca.

"Our Veterans' Love is More Precious than Gold"

David C Tolejko

President

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(preferred) or mail please sign up
by:**

-Sign up on sheet in the Post by the podium (to ensure your receive it add our email to your contact list)

-Email givfw9249@yahoo.com

**Honor Guard Service
@ Cemeteries on
Memorial Day**

0715 Assemble at Post
0740 Whitehaven Road
0755 Maplegrove
0815 Staley
0830 Assumption
0845 Trinity
0855 St. Stephen's
1000 DeGlopper
Memorial Park

4th of July Raffle Tickets

Enclosed with this copy of the Newsletter are raffle tickets for the 4th of July. Please return as quickly as possible to help keep our post open and running smoothly.

Memorial Day is a day to remember Our Fallen Comrades. The Town event is planned for 10:00 am at the DeGlopper Memorial Park with an open house at the post.

On June 3rd, The student awards will be presented for the VOD and Patriots pen winners. The Auxiliary scholarship, in memory of Liane Dahlberg, will be presented. The 4th of July Committee is hard at work with arrangements for our big day. This event is the largest event the Post has each year. The committee is asking everyone to help us for 1-2 hours on the 4th. If each member does this, we will have a very successful year.

Around the Department, April 5th-8th is the MOC/MOCA annual convention in Little Falls, NY. April 25-27th is the VFW Spring Conference in Albany, NY. Deadlines for Reports to the Department are May 2, 2018. I need the community Service reports from everyone by 20 of April.

Our membership as of the middle of March is only 20 members short for 100%. If you are an annual member, please consider upgrading your membership to Life. This can be done in 12 monthly payments. See Quartermaster Rich Lozo or myself for details. If your dues are due please renew promptly. Each annual member receives at least 3 notices and many receive 6 renewal notices.

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3rd Annual Flags on the Boulevard

“Never forget our Fallen”

For Memorial Day, May 28, Large Flags will be placed in Charles N. DeGlopper Memorial, intersection of Grand Island Boulevard and Baseline Road, and flown for 1 week in Memory and Honor of those who have given their lives for our country. The Charles N. DeGlopper Memorial VFW Post 9249 is sponsoring this event to raise money for veterans and the Charles N. DeGlopper Memorial Project expansion.

These flags will be placed with donations of \$50 each. Would you please sponsor one of these flags? Outer edge flags can be sponsored at \$100 each and have a Sponsor's sign (27" x 18") with it. We had 36 sponsors last year and would like 100 flags to be placed at the Memorial. Please help us reach our goal!

Proceeds will go to VFW Post 9249 for veterans and help defray the cost of the Charles N. DeGlopper Memorial Project expansion!

Contact givfw9249@yahoo.com if interested in making a donation or stop by the post to fill out your donation form

WNY Freedom Lounge

Freedom Lounge at Buffalo Airport is asking for your support.

VOLUNTEERS needed to staff lounge servicing travelling military and veterans.

Contact Barbara Tomkins,
Personnel Officer at

WNY.FREEDOM.LOUNGE@GMAIL.COM





Calendar of Events

APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Easter Dinner 4pm	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Post Meeting 7pm	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Auxiliary Mtg. 7pm	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 4 th of July Planning Mtg. 7pm	25	26	27	28 Post Cleanup Day
29	30					

Events with * more info found on Page 5

MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Chivetta's Dinner @ Post 4-7pm*	3	4	5
6	7	8 Post Meeting 7pm	9	10	11	12
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27	28 Memorial Day  Observed	29	30 Chivetta's Dinner @ Post 4-7pm*	31		

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3 Student Awards Ceremony	4	5	6	7	8	9
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July 4th Planning Has Begun

The year may have just begun but the Fourth of July Committee will start started planning what we are sure will be another successful event later this month. All members are welcome to attend meetings and be part of the planning and execution of our BIGGEST EVENT OF THE YEAR! Meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

Biggest thing that we need is YOU! But not just you, we need your friends and family too. Volunteers like you are needed to make this year's 4th of July the best one yet. Sign ups are on the podium at the post but you can also call during business hours and the bartenders will happily sign you up over the phone.

-Fourth of July Committee



Event Details

Chivetta's Dinner- Pre-sale Tickets will be available for purchase at the Canteen the week prior to each sale

Buddy Poppy Drive 5/24-26- Sign up in the post for your location and time.

See the Message Board in the Post for more event details as they become closer

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