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Commander's Blog

With January here the Post and the VFW are half way through the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Our Programs should be almost completed as well. There was one entry for the teacher of the year and many entries for the Patriot's Pen essay contest. There was a void in that we did not have an entry for the Voice of Democracy scholarship contest. We can try again next year.

I am hopeful we have entries for the Public Safety awards to present to the Department for consideration.

We are looking for some comrades to begin to participate in other programs the VFW has to offer.

There are grant programs from The VFW Foundation, Home Depot and Lowes. If there is someone who would like to look into any of these please give me a call...

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Message from the Auxiliary



VFW AUXILIARY
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I want to wish everyone a Happy Festivus, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

It has been a year since the VFW Men's Auxiliary was disbanded by National and almost one year since all Men's Auxiliary members were required to apply for membership into the Auxiliary. **Any former Men's Aux members that want to stay active with the Post, must apply for Auxiliary membership.** Membership applications are available at the canteen. Please consider joining the Auxiliary.

For annual members, renewal dues are due at this time. Annual dues will increase to \$22 in 2018.

For all Auxiliary members, MALTA is available as an online membership resource. This resource allows members to verify their membership information, pay their dues and access program and training resources. Members are encouraged to activate their account.

Activate your account today!

Go to <https://vfwauxiliary.org> and click on "Member Login." You will be directed to create a login to MALTA.

Have questions or issues with MALTA?

- Call our support line at [1.800.349.3670](tel:1.800.349.3670) or
- email support@vfwauxiliary.org.

As we get back into a regular schedule after a very wet summer, I want to thank all the members that helped or attended activities this year: Erie County VFW June meeting, Fourth of July Post Open House, Post Garage Sale, DeGlopper Memorial fundraiser. There are upcoming events that I want to tell you:

- January 20 – Soup Night. Soup entries are welcome
- February – Spaghetti night
- March 17 – Corned Beef And Cabbage Dinner
- March 23 & 30 – Fish Fry

For these events to be successful, it is important that any available member help at the event or contribute with support such as desserts or raffle items.

**To receive Newsletter by email
(preferred) or mail please sign up
by:**

Loyally submitted

David Tolejko
President.

-Sign up on sheet in the Post

-Email givfw9249@yahoo.com

Soup-A-Thon

As the weather becomes colder and colder it's time to start looking forward to this year's Auxiliary Soup Night.

Date: January 20, 2017

Time: 4-7pm or sell out

Price: \$7.00 all you can eat soup and bread

Take out soup available after 6pm \$6.00/Quart

Want to make a soup? 2 gallons needed in a crockpot if possible Contact Sam Hill so that we don't have repeats

50/50 and Lottery Tree Raffles will be held as well

Commander Blog Continued

Our sign in front of the building was recently destroyed and we are in the process of getting the necessary bids to replace the sign, lights and fence sections. It is hoped that we can upgrade the sign to some sort of remote digital one.

The Building and property belong to each and every member of VFW Post 9249. With winter here, please assist with the safety around the entrances. If there are slippery spots, throw a little salt on it and if there is a little snow grab a shovel and clear it. Our snow removal contract does not include the doorways. Thanks for your help.

There have been several comrades in VA over the last few weeks, I only found out after the fact for the most part. If you hear or know of one of our members in VA, please let me know. I am at VA almost every week and I would stop in and visit if I knew someone was there.

Have a Happy New Year.

-Dan McMahon

Fish Fry Time is Back

Lenten Fish fries are commonplace in Buffalo and the one that the Men of our Auxiliary put on is one of the best around.

Fish Fry's will be held this year on March 23 from 5-8pm and March 30 from 4-7pm

Dinners are \$10 per person for either Baked or Fried and served with French Fries, Cole Slaw, Macaroni Salad, Bread and Butter and Coffee.

Desserts will be available for additional purchase.

Chicken Finger Baskets are also available \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids.

Come also for the 50/50 and lottery tree raffle.

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




JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Post Meeting 7pm	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 Auxiliary Mtg. 7pm	17	18	19	20 Soup-A-Thon 
21	22	23 Officer/ July 4 th Mtg. 7pm	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 Super Bowl Party 6pm * 	5	6	7	8	9	10 Spaghetti Dinner Night * 
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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

2/4- Super Bowl Party- 5pm Dickies BBQ will be served, 50/50 and raffle for next years Super Bowl Pool Available

2/10- Spaghetti Dinner Night- 4-7pm or sell out Desserts also available Lottery Tree and 50/50 raffles will also be held

3/17- Corned Beef Dinner & St. Patty's Day Party- Dinner 4-7pm Party will follow

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

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