VFW Post 8794 TOWN CRIER - Newsletter

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Message from the Sr Vice Commander

Hello Comrades,

I am subbing in for Bob our Commander because he and his family have had some very rough times lately. His family, as many of you know, lost his mother recently and just a week ago they lost his father Robert Burns Sr. who was a Sergeant Major in the Army and a Life member of our VFW Post. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Burns family. I know once Bob completes all his family matters, he will once again return to help with our VFW Post as he has always done in the past.

We have a couple events coming up that you will want to attend, our 9/11 Ceremony will once again be on September 11, 2024 at 6pm. It is always well attended by the Community and supported by the Whitehall High School Band, Fire Department & Police Department. Dinner will be served after the Ceremony.

We will also have the VFW National Commander & Auxiliary President visiting our Post for our Founder's Day Friday Night Dinner on September 27th which will feature Oktoberfest Cuisine. Founder's Day will be September 28th at 10am at Greenlawn Cemetery. It will be a big event this year for the 125th Year Anniversary of the Founding of the VFW.

Please make sure you check out the calendar for our events, September will be a busy month.

Remember the Post Meeting for this month has been changed to September 19th, Thursday at 6:00pm, all members are welcomed and encouraged to attend. We are back to regular meetings.

God Bless the U.S.A.

Christine Curry
Sr Vice Commander 2024-25

Message from the Auxiliary President

Hello Auxiliary members,

I would like to start off by saying that this year marks the 23th Anniversary of the 9/11. Let us not forget those who gone before us who lost their lives on that tragic day. Let us thank the many brave men and women who help protect our freedom every day. We will be hosting a 9/11 ceremony at the Post that starts at 6pm all are invited to attend this event. Please check out our Facebook page and newsletter for more details. We will need volunteers to help service food for this event so if you have some extra time, please stop by to help. Following up on that note, we are in desperate need for volunteers to help with bingo concessions. We would like to have a few extra crews that would lighten the load on our regular crew that do bingo all the time. So, please see me or Hutch for more details. We have sent out dues reminder back in July we are getting some positive results so far. Do not forget to pay your dues before the end of October to be entered for a "free" life membership.

Let us continue to keep up the unwavering support for heroes. Until, we meet again.

God bless America!
Sincerely,
Pat Kelly
Auxiliary President, 2018-25

Message from the Quartermaster

Greetings to all members.

We start a new year in July so keep up on your membership renewals. We are going to continue the Lifetime Program and if you would like to join as a **VFW Post 8794 LIFETIME MEMBER, WE have an offer you cannot refuse through 2025, we will pay your first $100 of whatever the cost of your Lifetime Membership is.** (See below Chart for your age group)

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP COST

		VFW 8794	YOU PAY
Through Age 30	$425.00 –	$100 =	$325.00
31-40	$410.00 -	$100 =	$310.00
41-50	$375.00 -	$100 =	$275.00
51-60	$335.00 -	$100 =	$235.00
61-70	$290.00 -	$100 =	$190.00
71-80	$225.00 -	$100 =	$125.00
81 and over	$170.00 -	$100 =	$ 70.00

If you are interested in this program and want to Join Lifetime, see me or call me and I will make it happen! This is a great opportunity. - Richard Curry, QM, 2021-25

Message from the Canteen Manager

Hello all,

WELCOME ALL MEMBERS TO OUR FOXHOLE CANTEEN! **IT'S FOOTBALL SEASON!** Tailgate time at the VFW Canteen!!! Yes, we already had the first gamin in the books on August 31st and it was a great tailgate party, thanks for coming in. We will have some great events so take some time to stop by and enjoy some down time with us at the Foxhole Canteen. **Our Queen of Hearts is growing again**, it is now over $38,000, nice! See Calendar for all events. Texas Hold-Em on Tuesdays 6-9pm. Come in and sit in on some card games where we play for fun. We have our Pool league on Sundays. Our back patio is looking great, so step out and enjoy our Foxhole "Biergarten". Do not forget to wear your Rat-Bastard shirt on designated days so you can get a free drink! Buy one today if you do not have one, it supports the cure for cancer program. **SOMETHING NEW: WE WILL OPEN ON SUNDAYS AT 1 pm FOR NFL GAMES COME IN AND ENJOY THE GAME WITH OUR BEER SPECIAL *$2 FOR ALL DOMESTIC BEERS DURING ALL GAMES!***

Canteen Hours: Monday – Thursday 3 to 10pm
Friday - Saturday 1- Close
Sunday 1- 9 pm

R.G. Kouns
Canteen Manager

Fundraising Events

New VFW Ball Caps – See sample in hallway display case, ask your bartender, RG or QM for one only $18 apiece.

New Foxhole Canteen Shirts – See sample in hallway display case, ask your bartender, RG or QM for one only $28 apiece.

Foxhole Canteen Logo Glass with your favorite drink, ask the bartender for one! See samples in hallway display case.

Rat-Bastard Shirts to cure Cancer - $30.00 each.

Message from the Bingo Manager

Hi Bingo Family,
I would like to thank my bingo volunteer staff; the Sunday I was out (Actually every Sunday). All of you did a great job!!!
Hog Wild has a jackpot and Horse Jackpot is growing. The Magic Ball still has 2 jackpots!
Our Monthly Drawing will be September 29th
Thank you for my new bingo volunteers, it is greatly appreciated!
Thank you to all our bingo players and the volunteers that make our bingo sessions happen.
Sunday doors open at 4pm and bingo starts at 6pm.
Also, I would like to mention that the VFW in Reynoldsburg has started a small-town bingo on Thursdays the same time, doors open at 4 and bingo starts at 6pm.

The Guru Says – "It is all fun and games…. until someone yells Bingo!!"
Thanks, Becky Kelly, The Bingo Guru, O-74……. Good Number!

Safety Message

September Safety Tips

Events Committee

We will still need your support! We will still need you to volunteer. Come on its fun, help out where you can? If you have a great idea you would like to present bring it to the Events Committee Meeting now meets on the **4th Monday of the month at 6:00pm**. Get involved, it doesn't hurt…..much! All Members are welcome at the meeting.

SEE CALENDAR FOR EVENTS.

Post Officers 2024-25

COMMANDER: Bob Burns

SR. VICE CMDR: Christine Curry

JR. VICE CMDR: Dan Miller

QUARTERMASTER: Richard Curry

ADJUTANT: Christine Curry

CHAPLAIN: R G Kouns

JUDGE ADVOCATE: Bobby Oliver

SURGEON: Shannon Devera

OFFICER OF THE DAY: Frank Clements

GUARD: Don Dionne

SERVICE OFFICER: Rick Curry

LEGISLATIVE CHAIR: Shannon Devera

3-YR. TRUSTEE: Ellen Brandes-Mattingly

2-YR. TRUSTEE: Sherry Kemp-Woodyard

1-YR. TRUSTEE: Gary Pfaff

House Committee Members

Rob McKee, 1-Yr. Ron Pannell, 2-Yr. Frank Clements 3-Yr

Auxiliary Officers 2024-25

PRESIDENT Pat Kelly

SENIOR VICE Janice Ritchey

1ST VICE David Hutchison

TREASURER Dan Neidert

SECRETARY Nancy Johnson

CHAPLAIN Carmen Johnson

GUARD Saundra Hill

CONDUCTOR Shane Gibson

3-YR. TRUSTEE

2-YR. TRUSTEE Roberta Thacker

1-YR. TRUSTEE Linda Clements

Welcome New Members

(VFW Members)
John Watkins
David Adams

(Auxiliary Members)

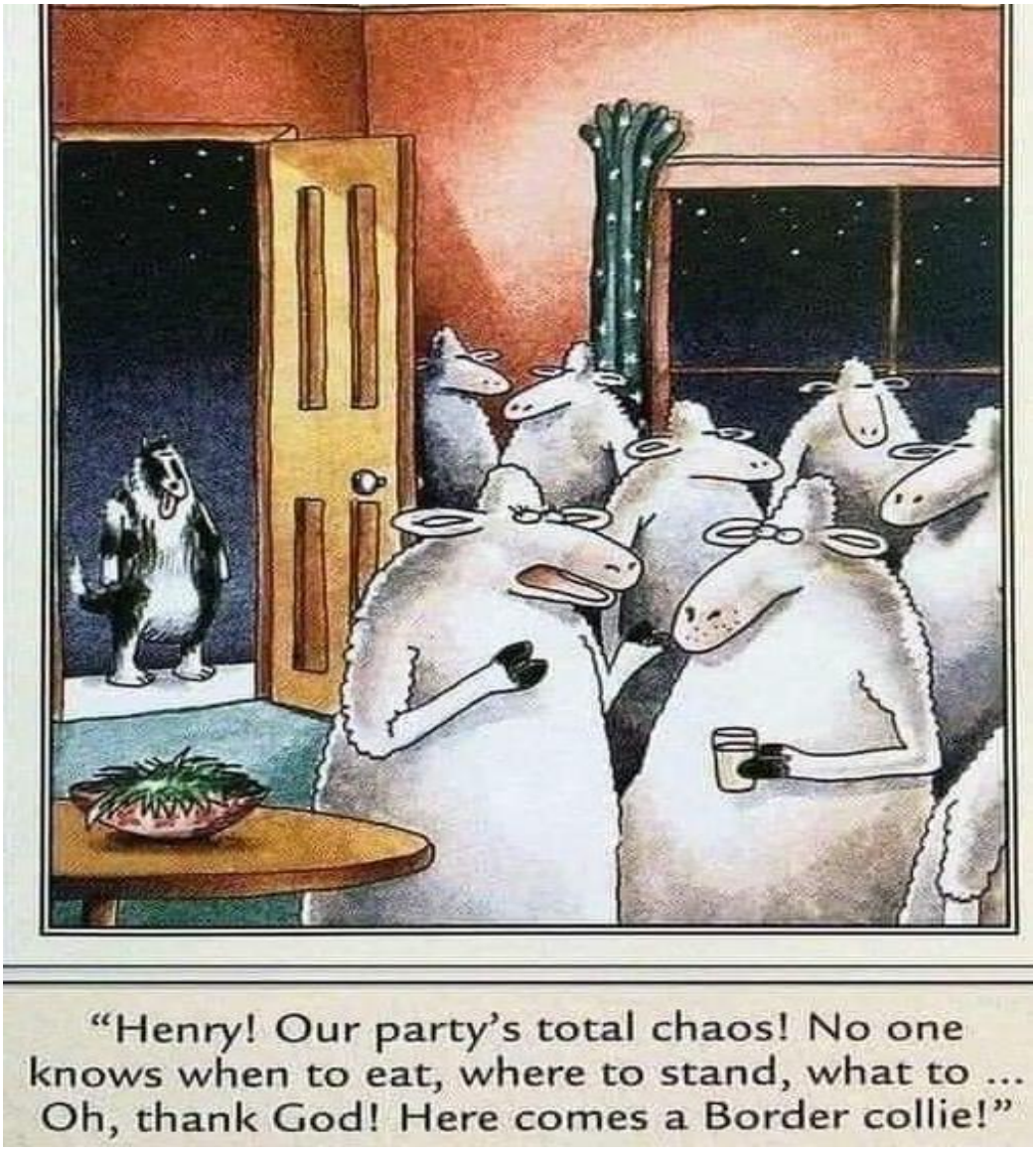
(Associate Members)

SICK CALL

Bob Kapp

Kathy Manley

TAPS 2024-25

Robert Burns Sr.

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