

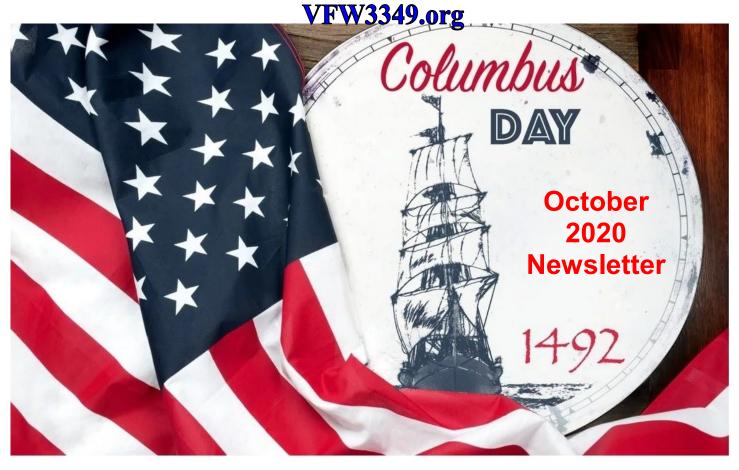




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FROM THE COMMANDER October 2020

The month of September was a busy month. The Post had a memorial for 9/11 and POW/Mia with a prayer by Gerald Shuler our chaplain. There were 25 people at the events.

There is a special event scheduled for October 30, 31 and November 1 at Kay Larkin Airport in Palatka. Time is October 30, 0900 and October 31, 0800 and November 1, 0900. The event is called Operation Blackcat IV. The event is to honor our Vietnam Veterans. On Saturday, October 31 the post is going to do a Membership drive from 0800 to 1400 hours at the airport. We will need help with this membership event. Let me know if you can help.

There will be a Veteran's Day Poppy Drive at Hitchcocks to raise money for the Relief Fund on Nov 12, 13 & 14. The time is 9 to 5 on Thursday and Friday. Saturday is 9 to 2. We need volunteers to man our booth in 2 hour segments. Sign up sheets will be posted in the Canteen or talk to Rubin if you can help.

The post is going thru some rough times with Post Members and relatives passing away. The post is going to have a memorial for Wayne Towles on October 10 at 10 AM. Wayne loved to bowl on our bowling machines here in the post and we will miss him coming in the door with a smile on his face.

Charley Burkley is another of our Comrades who passed on Sunday, September 20th. We will be having a Memorial service for him also. The date has not been set as of yet. He was a great service officer for us in the past few years. We will miss his kindness and good cheer.

Hope everyone is doing well with everything going on.

Commander Gerald Donnelly



FROM THE AUXILIARY PRESIDENT October 2020

- -October is a busy month for the Auxiliary: Yard sale, Cancer Bingo & The VFW Fall conference are all on the schedule so please mark your calendars.
- -10/2 Marian and Valerie are making beef stroganoff with salad and desert for \$6.00
- -10/3 Auxiliary yard sale from 8 to noon.
- -10/17 is Cancer Bingo. Doors will open at 11 a.m. Food will be sold for lunch with choices of Sloppy Joes and chips or Pasta Salad and crackers for \$3.00 each. Bingo will be played from 1 to 5. We sell packets for 12 games for \$12 each packet. If you wish to play more than one card per game you must buy more packets when you arrive before playing begins. "Cover All" cards are still sold individually for \$2.00 each before we play the final Jackpot game. We have a lot of door prizes, a 50/50 drawing, and of course the Cookie jar. All money raised from the Cancer Bingo stays in Putnam county. Please plan on coming and invite your friends to come and support this worthy cause to help cure Cancer.
- -10/21 is sewing at 10 and lunch at Beef O'Bradys at noon.
- -10/23 thru 10/25 is the fall conference in Orlando. Valerie, Dorothy, Joyce and myself are planning on attending and will give a report of what changes are happening this year with the auxiliary at our November monthly meeting.
- -We are in need of bingo callers. If you or anyone you know would be able to call please let us know. Training is available for anyone without experience on our Bingo machine. If we can get enough callers you would only need to call once every 4 to 6 weeks. Bingo is one of our fund raisers so please come out and support your auxiliary.

Respectfully,

Marian Chialastri, Auxiliary President

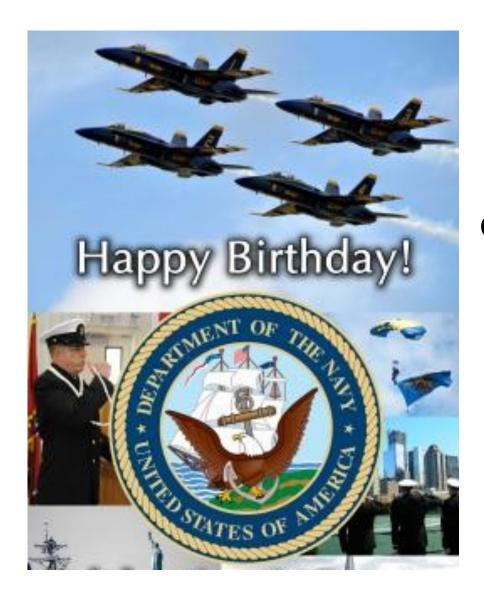
The Canteen is now open for Service at 50% capacity. Please be aware of all COVID-19 precautions that still must be taken and have a concern for your Comrades around you.

Canteen Hours will be as follows until further notice.

Monday through Thursday 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Friday 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Saturday: noon to 5:00 PM



The official birthday of the United States
Navy is
October 13, 1775

245 Years Young

October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				I Queen of Hearts Darts / Bowling 7 pm	2 Friday Night Dinner - Beef Stroganoff	3 Yard Sale 8 to noon
4	5 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm	6 Bingo 6 pm	7	8 House Meeting 7 pm Queen of Hearts Darts / Bowling	9 Friday Night Dinner Steak Night \$10.00 2001-Enduring Freedom	10 In House Bowling at 1:00 PM 10 AM— Wayne Towles Memorial
2:00 PM Charley Burkley Memorial	12 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm	13 Bingo 6 pm Navy Birthday	14 Post & Aux Meetings 7 PM	Queen of Hearts Darts / Bowling 7 pm	16 Friday Night Dinner—Fish Fry by Gene & Connie	17 Cancer Bingo Noon to 5 PM
18 Women in Military Service Recognition	19 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm	20 Bingo 6 pm	21	Queen of Hearts Darts / Bowling 7 pm	23 Friday Night Dinner - German Pot Luck VFW FALL	24 In House Bowling at 1:00 PM CONFERENCE
25	26 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm	27 Bingo 6 pm	28	29	30 Jerry's Spaghetti with Italian Sausage - \$6.00	31 Halloween

POST OFFICERS

Commander Gerald Donnelly
Sr Vice Commander Bruce Howe
Jr Vice Commander Rubin Myers
Judge Advocate Ray Dixon
Adjutant Vacant
Quartermaster Robert Thropp

Chaplin Gerald Shuler
Surgeon Frank Caisineau
Service Officer Bruce Howe
Trustees 1 vr William Thompson

2 yr Ron Sliter
3 yr Weldon Taylor
Membership Chairman Commander
Employment Officer Weldon Taylor
Legislative Officer John Dillingham

Disaster Preparedness/Relief

Historian John Dillingham
House Committee Chairman
National Home for Children
Communications/Media Relations

John Dillingham
Gene Neiman
Quartermaster
Commander

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Chairman Gerald Donnelly

Members Commander and ALL Members

COMMUNICATIONS/MEDIA RELATIONS

Chairman Commander

Members Adjutant and Quartermaster

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Chairman Gene Neiman

Members Gerald Donnelly Robert Thropp Gerald Shuler Rubin Myers

John Dillingham Bill Thompson

Canteen Manager Vickie Dixon

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

Marian Chialastri President Sr. Vice Jovce Donnelly Jr. Vice Matthew French Treasurer Valerie French Secretary Lori Thropp Chaplain Dorothy Donovan Linda Sliter Conductress Guard Gerald French 1Yr. Trustee Joyce Donnelly Kathie Thompson 2Yr.Trustee Dorothy Donovan 3Yr. Trustee Dorothy Donovan Patriotic Inst.

DISTRICT 14 MEETING SCHEDULE

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Useful Web Sites

Get copy of DD Form 214 or other discharge documents: http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/

Request Lost and Replacement Medals: http://www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel/public/awards-and-decorations.html

VFW National Headquarters Web Site:

www.vfw.org

VFW National Web Site for Members:

www.jointheelite.org

VFW eMembership: http://emem.vfw.org

VFW Store Online:

www.vfwstore.org

VFW Department of Florida Web Site:

https://vfwfl.org

National Do Not Call Registry

www.donotcall.gov

VFW Post Website

http://vfw3349.org

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