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FROM THE COMMANDER VFW POST 3349

September-Newsletter

The summer went by so fast. Hard to believe it is September already.

A busy month ahead getting started with all the award program coordination. I have already started work on the firefighter and police officer of the year.

The Post membership records are in need of updating. I will need help to verify our membership. I plan to form a committee in September.

The Bass Pro Fishing for Veterans has been moved to October 12 at the dock in Palatka. I will need help for the honor guard that morning.

I went to the National Convention this year. I spent 2 days there and attended some very interesting meetings.

I would like to see more people at our Monthly Meetings, held on second Wednesday of the month.

Come and see the upgrades to the dining room—Now Smoke Free.

Commander  
Gerald Donnelly



***FROM THE AUXILIARY PRESIDENT***

*School of instruction was on August 9 and 10 in Orlando and was very interesting. Lori, Joyce, Valerie, and myself learned a lot from attending.*

*Auxiliary will be sewing in the back hall on 9/10 at 10.00 a.m. all are welcome to join us even if you don't sew we need pinners, turners, trimmers, and pressers and if you do sew we can always have you help sew. We are making lap quilts for our vets in the hospital and nursing home.*

*Cancer bingo will be on 9/21 from 1-5. Doors open at noon and food will be sold. Remember all money raised will stay in Putman County. Please mark your calendar and come join us and bring your friends along for this worthwhile event.*

*Auxiliary luncheons are always at 11:30 and on 9/18 at Corky Bells, 10/16 at Bradley's, and 11/6 at Beef O'Brady's. No lunch in December due to the busy holidays. On 12/14 we will be having BREAKFAST WITH SANTA from 9 to 11.*

*Please remember school is back in session so be aware of school zones and the children.*

*Respectfully,  
Marian Chialastri, President*





**National V-J Day**  
[www.NationalDayCalendar.com](http://www.NationalDayCalendar.com)

**September 2**  
#NationalVJDay



Somerset County, PA

New York, NY

Washington, DC

Through blurred eyes we find the strength and courage to soar beyond the moment.

We look to the future knowing we can never forget the past.

God Bless America

# September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>Labor Day</i> Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	3 <i>Bingo 6-10 PM</i>	4 Bowling 6 PM	5 House Committee Meeting 7 PM  7 PM	6 <i>Phil's Feast Dinner</i> 6PM	7 <i>Bowling w/ Interlochen</i> 1 PM @Palatka Texas Hold'em 6 PM
8	9 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	10 Aux Sewing 10am <i>Bingo 6-10 PM</i>	11 <i>Joint Post &amp; Aux Meetings</i> 7 PM Bowling 6PM	12  7 PM	13 <i>Steak Dinner</i> 6PM	14 Inhouse Bowling 1 PM
15	16 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	17 Aux Sewing 10am <i>Bingo 6-10 PM</i>	18 <i>Auxiliary Lunch 1130 @ Corky Bells</i> Bowling 6PM	19  7 PM	20 <i>Bruce's Italian Dinner</i> 6PM	21 <i>Cancer Bingo 1-5.</i> Doors open@1200
22	23 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	24 <i>Bingo 6-10 PM</i>	25 Bowling 6 PM	26  7 PM	27 <i>Bill's Rib Dinner</i> 6PM	28 Fall Conference 25/26 Oct Orlando
29	30 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM					

# October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>Bingo 6-10 PM</i>	2 Bowling 6 PM	3 House Committee Meeting 7 PM   7 PM	4 <i>Jerry's Choice Dinner 6PM</i>	5 Texas Hold'em 6 PM
6	7 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	8 <i>Bingo 6-10 PM</i>	9 Post & Aux Meetings 7 PM Bowling 6PM	10   7 PM	11 <i>Steak Dinner 6PM</i>	12 Yard Sale  Inhouse Bowling 1 PM
13	14 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	15 Aux Sewing 10am <i>Bingo 6-10 PM</i>	16 Auxiliary Lunch 1130 @ Bradley's Bowling 6PM	17   7 PM	18 <i>Spaghetti Dinner 6PM</i>	19
20	21 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	22 <i>Bingo 6-10 PM</i>	23 Bowling 6 PM	24   7 PM	25 <i>Beans/ Corn Bread Dinner 6PM</i>	26 Fall Conference 25/26 Oct Orlando
27	28 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	29 <i>Bingo 6-10 PM</i>	30 Bowling 6 PM	31   7 PM		



**POST OFFICERS**

Commander	Gerald Donnelly
Sr Vice Commander	Carl "Bill" Jones
Jr Vice Commander	Bruce Howe
Judge Advocate	Rubin Myers
Adjutant	Mark Retzlaff
Quartermaster	Robert Thropp
Chaplin	Gerald Shuler
Surgeon	Charlie Wellborn
Service Officer	Charles Burkley
Trustees 1 yr	Weldon Taylor
2 yr	William Thompson
3 yr	Ron Sliter
Membership Chairman	Bill Jones
Employment Officer	Weldon Taylor
Legislative Officer	John Dillingham
Disaster Preparedness/Relief	
Historian	John Dillingham
House Committee Chairman	Gene Neiman
National Home for Children	Quartermaster
Communications/Media Relations	Commander

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Chairman	Bill Jones
Members	Commander and ALL Members

**COMMUNICATIONS/MEDIA RELATIONS**

Chairman	Commander
Members	Adjutant and Quartermaster

**HOUSE COMMITTEE**

Chairman	Gene Neiman
Members	Gerald Donnelly
	Gerald Shuler
	Bill Jones
	Mark Retzlaff
	John Dillingham
Canteen Manager	Charlene Dillingham

**AUXILIARY OFFICERS**

President	Marian Chialastri
Sr. Vice	Joyce Donnelly
Jr. Vice	Malinda Taylor
Treasurer	Mary Lou Berry
Secretary	Vickie Dixon
Chaplain	Charlene Dillingham
Conductress	Linda Sliter
Guard	Dorothy Donovan
1Yr. Trustee	Neva Lyons
2Yr. Trustee	Jon Berry
3Yr. Trustee	Kathy Thompson
Patriotic Inst.	Charlene Dillingham

**DISTRICT 14 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Qtr	Date	Post	Location	Time
2st	Nov	TBD	TBA	10am

**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](http://www.vfw.org)

VFW National Web Site for Members: [www.jointhelite.org](http://www.jointhelite.org)

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

VFW Store Online: [www.vfwstore.org](http://www.vfwstore.org)

VFW Department of Florida Web Site: <http://www.myfloridavfw.org>

National Do Not Call Registry [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov)

VFW Post Website <http://vfw3349.org>

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Thank you

Mark Retzlaff - Adjutant