



September 2021 Newsletter



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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.



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NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.

Quarter- master's Report

Greetings Comrades in Arms,

It is my privilege to be a member of the Nation's oldest major war Veterans' Organization. The VFW started to fight for veteran service members and their families in 1899. Our VFW Post 3349 was established on July 12th, 1935 and has been helping local veterans and charities ever since inception. Be proud that at some point, sometime, each of our members has been on the front line to defend our nation. Now we try to support all our veterans as they return home to their families because each of us has been in the same situation time and again. We know the difficulty of assimilation back into civilian society. The camaraderie we find in our local VFW post makes the transition so much easier because we have all been there. Nationally we have over 1.5 million members and over 6,000 posts. Over 10 million service hours are contributed by VFW members each year. Our post has contributed over \$26 thousand dollars to veterans and local charities in the past two years, COVID notwithstanding. While this seems an impressive number we could be doing so much more with just a little extra help. We don't need money so much as we need local members to contribute some of their time. Come help with our Cancer Fund drive Bingo day; help with the poker run that supports averting Veteran suicide; give out Buddy Poppies at the Memorial day parade; the list is endless. Just come in and visit the Post, no strings attached.

One more BIG plug; if you have children, grandchildren or friends with children; tell them about the Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen Competitions. The scholarships available are lucrative if you are the top winner. We at the Post level give hundreds of dollars to our winners. Visit our web site VFW3349.org for more information.

Thank you comrades for your attention.

Gerald W. Shuler Quartermaster



September 2nd

V-J Day The official end of WWII



The formal signing of the Japanese Instrument of Surrender took place on board the battleship USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay. At that time, President Truman declared September 2nd to be the official V-J Day.



Upcoming Partner Event



VETERANS GAMES **Making Veterans Whole Again**

October 2, 2021

Register Online

<https://operationbarnabasfl.com/>

Boogerville Hideout, 6043 US-17,

Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

Raylan Heck 904 401 2972



Motorcycle & Jeep Poker Run led by Lori & Dean of Wind Therapy NEFL.

**Registration Place and Time
Boogerville...0930-1100,
Kick Stands Up @ 1100 A.M.**

Stops In Order

1. Boogerville Hideout, GCS
2. VFW, Palatka
3. Lit'l Ceasars, Interlachen
4. The Howling Wolf, Melrose
5. Crossroads Palatka (last bike 1530, group ride to Boogerville)

Two Person Tactical Teams

Check In @ 8:00 am
Event Starts @ 9:00 am

\$80 Per Team

**Veterans & First
Responder Events**

- Sims Round Active Shooter Engagement
- Patient Medical Triage
- Axe Throwing
- Weapons Station

Raffle

**M18 Sig Sauer
Comemerative Edition
(5,000 Made)**

Tickets \$20 Monthly
Sponsors

Get Double Tickets @
Operationbarnabasfl.com



**Starting Approximately 1600
will be The
Star Spangled Banner, &
Operation Barnabas success
stories.**

**There will be 50/50, raffles,
auction, live music, food,
games and more.**

**VIP SEATING: \$50 PER SEAT COVERED SEATING MEAL.
MOTORCYCLE AND JEEP EVENT INCLUDED.
BAR ACCESSIBLE IN VIP AREA.
ALL PROCEEDS GO TO OPERATION BARNABAS ATTACKING
VETERAN SUICIDE AND HOMELESSNESS.
POC: Raylan Heck 904 401 2972**

September 2021

Canteen Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday - 3:00 to 9:00 PM Friday - 1:00 to 9:00 PM Sat - noon to 5:00

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm	Bingo 6 pm	1 Queen of Hearts 7 pm	2 <i>Darts / Bowling</i> 7 pm	3 Grilled Ham- burgers & Fixins? 6PM \$6.00	4
5	6 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm House Committee 7:00 pm	7 Bingo 6 pm	8 Queen of Hearts Post meeting at 7:00 PM	9 Darts 7 pm	10 6PM Dinner Dinner Steak Night \$12.00	11  <i>In House Bowl- ing at 1:00 PM</i>
12	13 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm	14 Bingo 6 pm	15 Queen of Hearts 7:00 PM	16 <i>Darts / Bowling</i> 7 pm	17 6PM Friday Special Supper \$7.00	18 <i>Auxiliary Yard Sale 8 AM to Noon.</i>
19	20 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm	21 Bingo 6 pm	22 Queen of Hearts 7 pm	23 <i>Darts / Bowling</i> 7 pm	24 6PM Friday Night Dinner— Aux Dinner \$7.00	25 <i>In House Bowl- ing at 1:00 PM</i>
26	27 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm	28 Bingo 6 pm	29 Queen of Hearts 7 pm	30 <i>Darts / Bowling</i> 7 pm	Oct 1 Friday Dinner— TBA	Oct 2 <i>Poker Run for Operation Barnabss here approximately 1130 am</i>
Oct 3	Oct 4 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm	Oct 5 Bingo 6 pm	Oct 6 Queen of Hearts 7 pm	Oct 7 <i>Darts / Bowling</i> 7 pm	Oct 8 6PM Dinner Dinner Steak Night \$12.00	Oct 9 <i>In House Bowl- ing at 1:00 PM</i>

POST OFFICERS

Commander	Gerald Donnelly
Sr Vice Commander	Bruce Howe
Jr Vice Commander	Rubin Myers
Judge Advocate	Ray Dixon
Adjutant	Gerald Shuler
Quartermaster	Gerald Shuler
Chaplin	Kevin Donnelly
Surgeon	Jim Jones
Service Officer	Bruce Howe
Trustees 1 yr	William Thompson
2 yr	Ron Sliter
3 yr	Weldon Taylor
Membership Chairperson	Bruce Howe
Homeless Veterans Chairperson	Kevin Donnelly
Programs Chairperson	Gerald Shuler
Disaster Preparedness/Relief	
Historian	John Dillingham
House Committee Chairperson	Gene Nieman
National Home for Children	Quartermaster
Communications/Media Relations	Commander

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Chairperson	Bruce Howe
Members	Commander and ALL Members

COMMUNICATIONS/MEDIA RELATIONS

Chairperson	Commander
Members	Adjutant and Quartermaster

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Chairperson	Gene Nieman
Members	Gerald Donnelly
	Gerald Shuler Rubin Myers
	John Dillingham Bruce Howe
Canteen Manager	Vickie Dixon

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

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

DISTRICT 14 MEETING SCHEDULE

Qtr	Date	Post	Location	Time
2nd	11/13/21	10082	Lake Butler	1000

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 Magazine: <https://www.vfw.org/media-and-events/vfw-magazine>

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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Thank you

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