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January 2022 Newsletter



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FROM THE POST COMMANDER

Gerald Donnelly

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-The month of December was very busy. The Post started the month by visiting the National Guard on December 4. The post took member applications to the meeting . Jerry Shuler gave a speech on membership and told the troops that the post would pay their 1st year dues. Gerald Donnelly gave a speech on the programs that the VFW offers. The post is planning a lunch for the National Guard on March 5, 2022.

-On December 11 the post held our Christmas Party for the children. I would like to thank everybody who helped make this a great success. I would like to thank the Auxiliary for a job well done on getting the gifts for the Children.

-On December 18 the post held our bartender appreciation. The Christmas tree that the members put money on for the bartenders raised \$296. Thank you Vickie, Ray, Jim and Lorie for a successful year in the canteen. The post also gave the bartenders a little extra bonus for all they do to make our canteen a “home away from home”.

-January 22nd the VFW will hold their Mid Winter Conference at the Westgate Resort in Orlando, Fl. Information on the Conference can be found on the State VFW web site. The web site is vfwfl.org.

-I hope everybody had a nice Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Commander Gerald Donnelly



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FROM THE AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Marian Chialastri

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We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a happier New Year. It's hard to believe that a new year is already here!

The Children's Christmas Party went very well. Thanks to all the workers who made it very successful. Every child who attended left with multiple gifts and had a great time.



The Auxiliary lunch for January is to be announced.

Valerie and I will be going to the Mid-Winter conference in January from 20-23 at Westgate Resort in Orlando, Florida. We will report on all of the current VFW happenings when we return.

I look forward to seeing each of our members at our January Post meeting on January 12th.

*Respectfully,
President Marion Chialastri*



January 2022

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----|----------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | 1 <i>Bloody Mary's</i> \$1.00 all day |
| 2 | 3 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm | 4 Bingo 6 pm | 5 Queen of Hearts 7PM | 6 House Committee Meeting & Darts 7 pm | 7 Friday Night Dinner— Provided by the Auxiliary TBA | 8 <i>In House Bowling at 1:00 PM</i> |
| 9 | 10 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm | 11 Bingo 6 pm | 12 Queen of Hearts 7 pm Post meetings at 7:00 PM | 13 <i>Darts / Bowling</i> 7 pm | 14 Friday Night Dinner Steak Night \$12.00 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm | 18 Bingo 6 pm | 19 Queen of Hearts 7 pm | 20 <i>Darts / Bowling</i> 7 pm | 21 Friday Night Dinner by Gene & Connie | 22 <i>In House Bowling at 1:00 PM</i> |
| 23 | 24 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm | 25 Bingo 6 pm <i>Vickie & Jim's Birthdays</i> | 26 Queen of Hearts 7 pm | 27 <i>Darts / Bowling</i> 7 pm | 28 Friday Night Dinner will be Bill's Ribs | 29 |
| 30 | 31 Pizza & Bowling 5:30 pm | Feb 01 Bingo 6 pm | Feb 02 7 PM Queen of Hearts | Feb 03 <i>Darts / Bowling</i> 7 pm | Feb 04 Friday Night Dinner TBA | Feb 05 |

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 Chairman | Commander |
| 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 | Gerald Donnelly |
| Members | Commander and ALL Members |

COMMUNICATIONS/MEDIA RELATIONS

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| Chairman | Commander |
| Members | Adjutant and Quartermaster |

HOUSE COMMITTEE

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| Chairman | Gene Neiman |
| Members | Gerald Donnelly Bruce Howe Gerald Shuler Rubin Myers Mark Retzlaff |
| Canteen Manager | Vickie Dixon |

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

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|-----------------|-------------------|
| 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 |
|-----|--------------|------|-----------|-------|
| 3rd | Feb 19, 2022 | 2206 | Lake City | 10 am |

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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Newsletter Editor