

Fall Newsletter



Commander's Message

We have accomplished several needed maintenance prospects the past couple of months. The damaged floor tiles behind the bar have been replaced; the walk-in cooler has been relined to the point you need sunglasses; the emergency and exit lights are in working order; the sound system was moved from the bar to the dining room for Bingo and meeting use. These projects have been completed by the Men's Auxiliary and volunteers—to you guys, all I can say is Thank You, Thank You, Thank You.

We will no longer hold-ing diner every Friday night—only the first three of the month—look at the calendar to see who's hosting. We hosted the Sept

District 3 meeting on Sept 18, with a potluck lunch and meeting. It was a great opportunity to meet our officers and comrades from the district.

We could use help at the Thursday night Bingo, even if you are willing to help out occasionally. Contact Quartermaster Pam Gabarron, and she can find a place for you to help out.

It was a wet spring and hot summer. Autumn is in the air, school has begun and the summer is almost over. We held a Post picnic on Labor Day as a fundraiser to raise funds to help pay for the emergency maintenance projects that have occurred this year. Not many people showed up, but the food was good and we made a little bit of

money.

As always, it sure would be nice to see more attendance at the Post meetings. Come on Comrades, it only takes about 1 hour of your time once a month. If you would like a ride, just let us know.

To those whom have been ill or lost loved ones, get well soon and our condolences.

Till next time.

Dick Larson
Commander

Voice of Democracy & Patriot's Pen

It's that time of year again for our Youth Programs.

The theme for the Voice of Democracy is "Is There Pride in Serving in Our Military?" This contest is for students in grades 9-12, and is a recorded essay.

The theme for Patriot's Pen is "Are you Proud of Your Country?" This contest is for students in grades 6-8, and is a written essay.

Contest rules can be found at www.vfw.org/ community and then look under scholarship pro-

grams. Deadline for both programs is November 1, 2011.

If you are interested in judging the entries this year, contact the Post Jr. Vice Commander, Russ Scott. He will need the volunteers in November.

Special points of interest:

- *Calendar of Events—Oct, Nov, Dec*
- *New Cantina promotions—Member's Birthday Bashes, starting in October. Come celebrate your birthday with 1 drink on the club.*
- *Thanksgiving and Christmas is right around the corner—we will continue our community benefits this year, and can use your help and support.*

Schedule of Events

- Sat, Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29—Poker, with Real Poker Experience, 7pm (rounds start every hour)
- Thurs, Oct 6, 13, 20, 27—Bingo, starting at 6:45p
- Thurs, Oct 6, Men's Auxiliary Meeting, 7pm
- Oct 7—American Legion Dinner, 5-7pm
- Oct 8—October Birthday Bash for Members, 4-8pm (potluck, finger food)
- Oct 11—VFW Post and Ladies Aux Meeting, 7pm
- Oct 13—Homeboard, 4:30pm
- Oct 14—Post Dinner, 5-7pm
- Oct 18—American Legion Meeting, 7pm
- Oct 21—Ladies Auxiliary Dinner, 5-7pm, Kraut Burgers (can be pre-ordered)
- Oct 22—Kraut burger pickup for pre-order sales
- Oct 26—Thanksgiving Planning Meeting, 6:30pm
- Oct 29—Kids Halloween Party, 1-3pm; Adult Halloween Party, 8pm-close

October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <i>Poker</i>
2 <i>Am Leg Breakfast</i>	3	4	5	6 <i>Men's Aux Mtg; Bingo</i>	7 <i>Dinner</i>	8 <i>Mbr B-day Bash; Poker</i>
9 <i>Mens Aux Breakfast</i>	10	11 <i>Post & Aux Meetings</i>	12	13 <i>Bingo; Home-board</i>	14 <i>Dinner</i>	15 <i>Poker</i>
16 <i>Post Breakfast</i>	17	18 <i>Am Legion Meeting</i>	19	20 <i>Bingo</i>	21 <i>Dinner</i>	22 <i>Kraut bgr; Poker</i>
23	24	25	26 <i>Thanksgiving planning mtg</i>	27 <i>Bingo</i>	28	29 <i>Halloween Parties; Poker</i>
30	31					

Quartermaster's Corner

Hi everyone, it is that time of the year that you are receiving your renewal notices. You can now renew your membership online at www.VFW.org, or by sending your money to me to process your renewal. Have you thought about upgrading your annual membership to a lifetime membership? They take 12 monthly installments if you wish to convert your membership. If it seems like you just renewed your membership, remember that the membership year is from July to June, and they would like it paid by December. I know the dates can be confusing, so let me know if you have any questions.

As our commander has indicated, we have had a lot of maintenance repairs around the Post this last year. Because of this, we are doing our best to keep the Post above water. However, we will be holding a variety of fundraisers in the next few months, as well as making some other changes to implement cost saving measures. Some of the changes are coming in the way of special member events at the Post, as well as look-

ing at changing the hours of the Cantina.

If you have a particular skill, such as electrical, mechanical or even refrigeration, and are willing to support any of our maintenance needs, please provide me your contact information so we can use your help when the time comes—and we can work out a deal that would benefit both parties. Included are some pictures of our recent projects, so if we can keep the work in-



The newly updated walk-in cooler to meet health code requirements—Men's Auxiliary did the work.

house, it would really benefit everyone involved.

If you know anyone that qualifies for membership in the VFW, recruit them!! Our organization can use the support of increased numbers. We have membership applications at the Post, and we did a membership drive on Sept 10 at Fort Lupton Days. Thanks goes out to Gary Raley and David Castaneda for helping man the booth in Fort Lupton.

Once again, please don't hesitate to contact me about renewals, membership or special skills you possess.

Thank you.

Pam Gabarron
Quartermaster
aka—Mrs. Brighton
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November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>VOD/PP Deadline</i>	2	3 <i>Men's Aux Mtg; Bingo</i>	4 <i>Dinner</i>	5 <i>Poker</i>
6 <i>Am Leg Breakfast</i>	7	8 <i>Post & Aux Meetings</i>	9	10 <i>Bingo; Home- board</i>	11 <i>Veterans Day Beef Stew</i>	12 <i>Mbr B-day Bash; Poker</i>
13 <i>Mens Aux breakfast Dist 3 Mtg— Lafayette</i>	14	15 <i>Am Legion Meeting</i>	16	17 <i>Bingo</i>	18 <i>Dinner</i>	19 <i>Cooties Poker</i>
20 <i>Post Breakfast</i>	21 <i>Thanksgiving Meal Prep</i>	22 <i>Thanksgiving Meal Prep</i>	23 <i>Thanksgiving Meal Prep</i>	24 <i>Thanksgiving Dinner Served NO Bingo</i>	25	26 <i>Poker</i>
27	28	29	30			

Schedule of Events

- Thurs, Nov 3, Men's Auxiliary Meeting, 7pm
- Thurs, Nov 3, 10, 17—Bingo, starting at 6:45p
- Sat, Nov 5, 12, 19, 26—Poker, with Real Poker Experience, 7pm (rounds start every hour)
- Nov 4—American Legion Dinner, 5-7pm
- Nov 8—VFW Post and Ladies Aux Meeting, 7pm
- Nov 10—Homeboard, 4:30pm
- Nov 11—No dinner, free Beef Stew for Veterans Day
- Nov 12—November Birthday Bash for Members, 4-8pm (potluck, finger food)
- Nov 13—Dist 3 Mtg in Lafayette, lunch noon, mtg 1pm
- Nov 15—American Legion Meeting, 7pm
- Nov 18—Post Dinner, 5-7pm
- Nov 19—Cooties meeting, 1:30pm
- Nov 21-23—Thanksgiving Meal Prep
- Nov 24—Thanksgiving Meal (Meals on Wheels); Thanksgiving Dinner, noon

Ladies Auxiliary President's Message

It's hard to believe we are beginning yet another year. I would like to thank Sheila Humphrey and her officers for all of the great work that was done last year, and look forward to another successful year at Post 2841.

I am excited to work with the Post Commander and the Men's Auxiliary President to make changes and do fun things with a smile and enjoyment for our veterans. I know we as a post and auxiliaries have had a past hard year! I am hoping that we are able to climb up and be the post that can and does great things when our veterans are in need of our help!!

At this point it's always a busy time of year for us, with all of our programs going out and with all the changes sent down from Dept that change every year! Please mark your calendars — we do bingo every Thursday at the post at 7:00 p.m. The Ladies Auxiliary handles the concessions and help is always in need. Also, please don't forget that Sept 18th is our Dist 3 meeting in Brighton — lunch will be held at noon and meeting is at



Myranda (in the background) with her daughter at the Labor Day Picnic Fundraiser

1:00p.m. It will be potluck so please come. It will be our first Dist meeting and a lot of good info will be given at this meeting — I hope to see a lot of the ladies there!!

We are in need of ladies to make it to our meetings and events. Even if it is only for an hour; or if you are in need for a ride to make it

to our meetings, please call. I would love you see everyone!!

The Ladies Auxiliary 2841 does have an email, so if you are unable to make it but need to, or let us know something is going on, please email us and it will be shared at our meetings Ladiesaux2841@gmail.com. Otherwise ladies, I would like to thank you guys for your support and hope that I will have you guys to help make this a great year. Thank you for what you do for our veterans!!

Sincerely,

Myranda Straface 2011-2012

Ladies Auxiliary President

Schedule of Events

- Thurs, Dec 1, Men's Auxiliary Meeting, 7pm
- Thurs, Dec 1, 8, 15, 29—Bingo, starting at 6:45p
- Sat, Dec 3, 10, 17—Poker, with Real Poker Experience, 7pm (rounds start every hour)
- Dec 2—American Legion Dinner, 5-7pm
- Calendar planning mtg for 2012, 6:30pm
- Dec 8—Homeboard, 4:30pm
- Dec 9—Ladies Auxiliary Dinner, 5-7pm,
- Dec 10—October Birthday Bash for Members, 4-8pm (potluck, finger food)
- Dec 13—VFW Post and Ladies Aux Meeting, 7pm
- Dec 16—Post Dinner, 5-7pm
- Dec 17—Kids Christmas Party, 1-3pm
- Dec 19—Start putting together Christmas baskets
- Dec 20—American Legion Meeting, 7pm
- Dec 24—Bar closes at 4pm
- Dec 25—Closed
- Dec 31, New Years Eve Bash, 7pm-close

December 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>Men's Aux Mtg; Bingo</i>	2 <i>Dinner</i>	3 <i>Poker</i>
4 <i>Am Leg Breakfast</i>	5	6 <i>Calendar planning mtg</i>	7	8 <i>Bingo; Homeboard</i>	9 <i>Dinner</i>	10 <i>Mbr B-day Bash; Poker</i>
11 <i>Mens Aux breakfast</i>	12	13 <i>Post & Aux Meetings</i>	14	15 <i>Bingo</i>	16 <i>Dinner</i>	17 <i>Kids Christmas Party Poker</i>
18 <i>Post Breakfast</i>	19 <i>Start food basket prep</i>	20 <i>Am Legion Meeting</i>	21	22 <i>NO Bingo</i>	23	24 <i>Bar closes at 4pm</i>
25 <i>Closed</i>	26	27	28	29 <i>Bingo</i>	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve Bash</i>

Ladies Auxiliary Treasurer Report

Ladies its that time of year. We need to get our dues in to make our members in good standing for 2012 .

We have several programs going— Bingo on Thursday nights where the Ladies Aux does concessions and could always used extra hands.

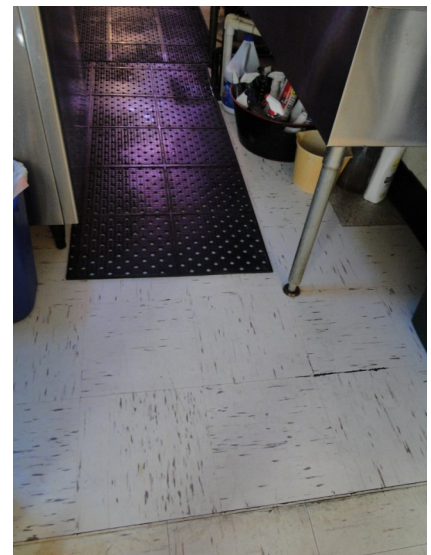
Sept 18 was the Dist 3 meeting at our post, lunch was at noon and meetings at 1:00p.m..

We need each and every one of our sisters to become more active with the auxiliary to keep us productive and working for our veterans.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Connie Motter



New tile floor behind the counter

Longnecks Captured!



Today in Brighton, an alert **VFW employee, noticed some odd activity centering on a local trailer park. Thanks to this employees quick decision to notify authorities, the elusive **Longnecks** are now in custody and available for **Only \$2 every Thursday & Saturday from 6 PM to Close!!****

The bank is running low
and we need
everyone's help.



*No Over-
night Tabs!!!*



The Brighton, George B Williams VFW Post 2841 is a private club for members and guests only. Under state law anyone who is not a current member in good standing of the VFW or American Legion and their Auxiliary's must be signed in as a guest by a current member in good standing.

The only exception is for special events open to the general public such as meals, bingo, poker league, bereavements and so on.

This is a great organization with a proud history and we welcome qualified new members. If you would like to apply to become a member please see the bartender or a post officer for further information.

Everyone's help with maintaining the requirements of our charter and state law is greatly appreciated! This is your post. Please help to make it one we can all be proud of.



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Look for us on Facebook



Our Sr. Vice cooking at the grill on Labor Day for our fundraiser

We're on the Web
www.vfw2841.org

American Legion Commander's Message

American Legion Post members and friends in VFW Post 2841,

It has been a pretty hot August; I hope everyone survived the heat and I, for one, am looking forward to a cooler September. More importantly, I am writing this in September to be included in the forth quarter newsletter. As we all know this September is the tenth anniversary of 9/11 and there are numerous events and special activities to honor those who lost their lives in the attack, those to gave their lives responding to the attack, and those who continue to sacrifice through their current service to our great county. If you can, I encourage you to attend one of the many ceremonies to show our continued support of our first responders and military personnel. If you are not able to attend a ceremony in person, consider sharing a moment of silence on 9/11.

September is also National Preparedness month. If you take the time to personally get prepared for any hazard and share a little of your time and expertise to help your community get better prepared, it would be a meaningful way to show support for those

who have fallen and those who serve our country today.

September also means Labor Day, which is a time to enjoy the end of summer. So get together with family and friends to have a good time during the waning days of summer. If you include attending Post meetings or the numerous opportunities for breakfast or dinner at the VFW hall, it would be great to see you enjoying the camaraderie and helping the two Posts. We would even let you help with meal preparations if you are so included to continue your service in that way.

For God and County,

Terry Young

American Legion, Thomas C. Acklam
Post 2002

