



January 2023



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From the Commander:

Team 4809,

On December 7th, the Post Home remembered Pearl Harbor Day. It was a nice memorial with Past Commander Ron talking about Past Post 4809 Commander Robert “Doc” Brunner who served in Pearl Harbor.

The Army/Navy Game and Chili Cook Off happened at the Post Home on the 10th. Other Post and Auxiliary members participated in a wreath laying at Albert G. Horton Veteran’s Memorial Cemetery.

The Children’s Christmas Party took place at the Post Home on the 17th.

The Adult Christmas Party took place on the 24th @ 1800. A white elephant gift exchange went well.

The Canteen New Year’s Eve Party and Cootie Steak Night will take place on the 31st 6:30 pm. A delicious steak dinner is planned and prepared by the M.O.C. for evening.

REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS - January 3rd **VFW Virginia State Calendars are required to be turned in... All money and left-over calendars are to be returned to Commander Christine or Craig Dudley. It is imperative that calendars/money are turned in as all calendars not turned in by this date will be the responsibility of the member who signed them out and they will be responsible for paying for those calendars.**

The VFW Winter Council will be held from January 13th – 15th at the Portsmouth Renaissance Hotel.

Come join us for all these events!!

Continuing to serve.

Christine Hague-Renwick – 2023-2023

Post Commander, VFW Post 4809

757-537-5928



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Auxiliary President:

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a great end to 2022 it's hard to believe it is now 2023.

I would first like to thank everyone who came and brought dishes for our December Meeting/ Christmas party, it's always good to take a step back and just be able to enjoy one another's company. We also had a fantastic Children's Christmas party, led by our youth chairman, Ashley Johnson. We will look at doing an Easter party this spring if we can get enough participation.

There are a few things on deck for the month of January, please be sure to check out the calendar.

On the 2nd at 7pm we have our regularly scheduled Auxiliary meeting. This will be quickly followed by our dinner on the 6th starting at 6:30. We will be serving Chicken Enchiladas with rice and beans as the sides all for only \$10. As always, we will need help in the kitchen, serving, and clean up. If you have your up-to-date kitchen card, please come out and lend a hand.

Winter Council is the 13th through the 15th, at Renaissance Portsmouth. Along with winter council we also have the Department President and Commanders Homecoming is on January 13th at 5pm also at the Renaissance Portsmouth. You must RSVP by January 6th. Please let me know if you need further information. Have a great month!

Gloria Klinefelter
Post 4809 Auxiliary President
757-620-3180

From the Post Chaplain:

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone had a Wonderful Christmas with family and friends as well as a great New Years.

We had one of our post members pass away since the last newsletter. Life member Mr. Albert Brewster. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Also please keep our post family members who are having health issues in your thoughts and prayers. Check on each other. The weather is really getting cold out. If you need anything, and need assistance getting it, please ask!!!

Please remember if you or a family member should become ill, confined at home, admitted to the hospital, or experience the loss of a loved one, be sure to contact me, Tim Dawley at (757-813-8054 or the Post Home at (757) 463-4343). One of our most important responsibilities as VFW members is to provide emotional support whenever possible to our fellow Comrades, Sisters, and family members. Never forget to pray for each other as well as all our active-duty service personnel, DOD civilians, first responders, medical personnel both stateside and overseas.

Watch out for each other. We are all family. Sometimes just an ear to listen can help someone tremendously.

A thought from Ben Franklin:" Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment".

Very respectfully,
Tim Dawley
(757)813-8054
Timothy.dawley@gmail.com



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From the Auxiliary Chaplain:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Blessings to “you and yours!” We always appreciate you coming out and supporting your VFW! Fun times and memories are made when you share stories and have polite conversation! Come on in and enjoy the Good Times! There are dinners, DJ’s, pool tournaments, and other celebrations planned. Look forward to seeing you there!

Remember just one phone call or a quick visit can bring a smile and lift spirits more than we know.

Let us remember all of those who may be healing and pray for their quick recovery:

And Jesus saith unto him, “I will come and heal him.””
Matthew 8:7

””And Jesus said unto the centurion “Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.”” Matthew 8:13

Father, God, we ask that you send healing to our brothers and sisters in need. We believe in your precious son, Jesus, and know in him is the power to heal. We give you all the praise and glory. We ask this in Jesus’ name, Amen.

If you need anything, please contact me at edwardsmelva73@yahoo.com. If you are sick, in the hospital or know of anyone who is, please call me at (860)-884-5243.

Look forward to seeing all of you, as we come out to support our Veterans!!
God Bless You and keep you!

Susie Melva-Edwards
Post 4809 Auxiliary Chaplain
860-884-5243



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From The Seam Squirrel:

Listen up Cooties,

December was an extremely lousy month. We completed a Scratch and New Year's Eve Steak Night. Thank you to all who came out to enjoy and support the New Year's Eve Party.

I hope a lousy time was had by all. I also hope all are excited for Cootie Burgers and Breakfast to return in January.

On the 18th of December 2023 about ten Cooties and a spouse got together at Captain George's Virginia Beach for lousy time. It was lousy to do something as a group that was not work.

Cooties we are still hopeful to resume VA Hospital Bingo in January. More to follow.

We are always looking for new WORTHY Post members that are ready to be invited to our crummy fraternity. As the working members of the Post, we need members that will support our activities. The meals we prepare are how we raise money to assist Veterans and Post members with any appropriate necessary / unmet needs they may have.

So, it is important that we support these functions. The shopping, the prep work, the cooking, the serving, and the cleanup all need to be done to make our customers happy and keep them coming back. Remember to keep your food handlers' card current and on file at the Post. These expire every three years. Please ensure the Canteen Manger has your Food Handler Card on file.

As the working members of the Post, please continue to support Post and

Auxiliary activities. For these events keep a close eye on the Post newsletter. When supporting these activities wear your Cootie Gear to show off our organization and be on the lookout for new recruits.

We are always looking for new ways to increase the Crummy Duffel Bag. Please bring those lousy ideas to the next Scratch.

Up Coming Events:

03 January – Scratch
09 January – Post Meeting
12-15 January – Winter Council
15 January – Cootie Hospital BINGO
17 January – House Committee Meeting
18 January – Post Hospital BINGO
27 January – Cootie Burger Night
29 January – Cootie Breakfast

I hope to see you all soon. Please safe and look out for each other. Please let me know if you need anything!!!

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,
Craig Dudley
Seam Squirrel (Round 2)
757-618-5624
Craig.VFW4809@gmail.com



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From the Canteen:

We offer Pizza, Cheeseburgers, Hot Dogs, Lumpia, Mozzarella Sticks, French Fries, Tater Tots, Jalapeno Poppers, and Loaded Potato Skins daily in the Canteen. Come on out and enjoy some snacks!

Upcoming Dinners JAN 2023:

06 JAN – Aux Dinner – Chicken Enchiladas.
13 JAN – Post Dinner – **NO DINNER.**
20 JAN – Corp Dinner – Italian Sausage.
27 JAN – **MOC Burgers & Fries.**

Canteen Entertainment for JAN 2023:

13 JAN – DJ Mike in the Canteen.
27 JAN – DJ Mike in the Canteen.

*****WE HAVE A NEW GAME ON THE ETAB MACHINES, AND NEW BET AMOUNTS, CAN WIN UP TO \$1,000.00!! COME ON OUT AND PLAY!!!!*****

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Food Handlers Card reminder: If you are working in the kitchen, you need an up-to-date card. eFoodhandlers.com

COME IN AND SUPPORT YOUR POST AND ENJOY THE COMRADERY!

If you have any questions, please contact the Canteen Manager.

CANTEEN HOURS:

09:00 AM to 02:00 AM MONDAY thru SUNDAY

*****NOTE: Canteen can close at the discretion of the on-duty Bar tender. *****

Pool Tournaments!!!!

Pool Tournaments will be every Saturday of each month starting at 3:30 PM.



WINGS WILL BE ON THE FIRST AND THIRD WED AND STEAMED/FRIED SHRIMP WILL ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH WED. YOU CAN GET IT GO OR EAT IT IN THE CANTEEN.



Respectfully,
Ruth and Theresa

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General Information:

1. **Happy Hour Pricing:** Canteen happy hour price time runs from 5pm to 7pm Monday thru Friday **ONLY**. The Canteen Bar Tender will not accept any happy hour drink vouchers **AFTER 7pm**. If you have happy hour drink vouchers, please utilize them only during happy hour timeframes.
2. **Locker Dues:** Commencing 01 JAN 2023 all locker fees are due for the year, to be paid yearly each calendar year. Also, commencing 01 JAN 2023 all locker dues will increase to \$20.00 a year. Pay your locker dues to the Canteen Manager or put your dues in an envelope and give them to the on-duty Bar Tender.
3. **Food Handler Cards:** Anyone making, cooking, or serving food in the Post Home is required to have a valid Virginia Food Handler Card. Get yours now at www.efoodhandlers.com
4. **Thank You Volunteers!** Thank you to all the volunteers for working on the Post Home upgrades. We continue to need more help, so please come down and lend a Comrade a hand!
5. **Front Door Access:** The Post Home main entrance is locked during normal operation. Please use the keypad to gain entrance. Please call the Canteen if you need the keypad combo at 747-461-1343.
6. **Newsletter Inputs:** All newsletter inputs are due to Dave Alexander by the 20th of each month. Please send me your newsletter inputs at: cwo1967@yahoo.com

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<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
<p>1 Post Inventory Sunday Football In the Canteen!</p> 	<p>2 Aux Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>3 MOC Scratch 7:00 pm</p>	<p>4 Wings in the Canteen 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 Aux Dinner: Chicken Enchiladas 6:30 pm</p>	<p>7 Pool Tournament 3:30 pm</p> 
<p>8 Sunday Football In the Canteen!</p> 	<p>9 Post Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 Fried/ Steamed Shrimp in the Canteen 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 NO POST DINNER. VFW Winter Council Weekend DJ MIKE</p>	<p>14 Pool Tournament 3:30 pm</p>  <p>VFW Winter Council</p>
<p>15 Sunday Football In the Canteen!</p> 	<p>16 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Day (Holiday)</p>	<p>17 HC Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>18 Wings in the Canteen 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Corp Dinner: Italian Sausage 6:30 pm</p>	<p>21 Pool Tournament 3:30 pm</p>  <p>Saturday Football Playoffs</p>
<p>22 Sunday Football In the Canteen!</p> 	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 Fried/ Steamed Shrimp in the Canteen 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 MOC Burgers and Fries 6:30 pm DJ MIKE</p>	<p>28 Pool Tournament 3:30 pm</p>  <p>Saturday Football Playoffs</p>
<p>29 Sunday Football In the Canteen!</p> 	<p>30 Joint Meeting Small Hall 7:00 pm</p>	<p>31</p>				<p>***WEEKLY DINNER MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE***</p>