



April 2023



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From the Commander:

Team 4809,

March Events Completed:

March 2nd - Norfolk, (Premium Outlet Mall location) Mission BBQ provided us dinner in honor of our Veterans @ 1745.
March 18th - Norfolk St. Paddy's Day parade was held. Thanks to all who participated in the parade. Great job with the Honor Guard! - March 20th – Honored Women Veteran's Day. Combined with the Tidewater Women Veteran's meeting.
March 23rd – WWII Veteran's Birthday get together @ Mission BBQ on Independence @ 1100.
March 24th – Repair hand-held flags @ post @ 1300.
March 25th - American Legion Post 327 has invited our Post to be a participant in their event from noon-1500. This is an event providing services and program information for Veterans. The event will be held @ The American Legion Post 327, 705 Lesner Avenue.
March 29th – Vietnam Veteran's Day honoring and remembrance. Scheduled after the shrimp dinner. Dinner to take place @ 1800.

April Events Scheduled:

April 1st – HAPPY BIRTHDAY USN CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS!
April 1st and 2nd – Hampton Gun Show recruiting event.
April 8th – Commanders meeting @ post 4809 @ 0900.
April 8th – Quilts of Valor Ceremony @ 1100.
April 9th – HAPPY EASTER!!!!

April 10th – Post Meeting at 7pm. We will have elections at this meeting.

April 10th – Annual Corporation Meeting immediately following the Post meeting.

April 14th – Post Dinner – Lasagna with Garlic Bread.

April 20th – Single Marine Program Day of Service. SMP has invited us to provide information and set up a recruitment table at this event. I have scheduled our attendance from 1200-1400.

April 20th – VFW VOD/PP Awards Ceremony at 6pm. I encourage all my Officers to attend! Post membership please come and support this vital VFW Program.

April 21st – 23rd – Spring Craft Recruiting Event in Virginia Beach.

April 29th – VFW Riders Poke Run. Information to follow.

April 29th – Post Auxiliary Flea Market.

Continuing to serve.

Christine Hague-Renwick – 2022-2023 Post Commander,
VFW Post 4809



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Auxiliary President:

Dear Auxiliary and Post Members,
Hello everyone,
This weather has not beat you up, I hope! The wind knocked me over a few times. So now maybe we can look forward to a lot of sunshine.
News is kind of short this month but few reminders from me.
April 7th. Auxiliary Dinner, - Soup and sandwiches Soup made by Ladies and Sandwiches from BJ's.
April 3, Auxiliary meeting , this is important as we need to vote on Delegates for the year and OFFICERS to be elected, COME show your support as to who you will Nominate and Vote for.
The Flea Market is on the 29th of this month, Ryan has been pushing this for a long time ,lets support him.
On the 20th we will take part in the Community Service Awards, see the Post Calendar for time. We need support by having a large attendance on our part so plan to join in with this.
There has been a lot of sickness going around so be careful and pray for all that God will lay his healing hand on them.
See you around,

Sincerely,
Gloria Klinefelter
Post 4809 Auxiliary President
757-620-3180

From the Post Chaplain:

Brothers and Sisters,
I hope this finds everyone well.
Keep our Post family members who are having health issues in your thoughts and prayers. Check on each other. If you need anything, or need any kind of assistance, 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. Respect especially among VFW members – we share a critical common experience, and that is especially deserving of mutual respect. It is always a promising idea to grant a compassionate ear to our members of different generations and actively listen to what they have to say. You may just learn something – and you might just find out you have more ground than you ever thought possible.

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves." —Philippians 2:3

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



From the Auxiliary Chaplain:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
Blessings to “you and yours!” There are many events going on; Lunches, DJs, Dinners, and our pool tournaments to name a few. Come on down and support our Veterans! You will enjoy the good company and make memories! Remember a call or a quick visit can bring a smile and lift spirits more than we know.
Let us remember our Veterans and the wonderful work that this organization performs to Honor them and our God. Please Pray for the Ukrainian People and all those that are supporting them.
“May all the blessings of the Lord be yours in abundance in the year.” Isaiah 43:19
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 have come out to support our Veterans!!

God Bless You and keep you!
Susie Edwards
VFW Post 4809 Auxiliary Chaplain

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From The Seam Squirrel:

Listen up Cooties,

March was an extremely lousy month. We completed a Scratch, Steak Night, Breakfast and Burgers. Thank you to all who came out to enjoy and support our March events. We also voted and installed our new officers. Thank you to Dave Alexander for stepping up for his second round as Seam Squirrel.

I hope a lousy time was had by all.

Cooties we are excited to have completed our fourth trip to the VA Hospital for bingo with the Veterans. This has been long awaited and we continue to have a LOUSY time at the VA.

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:

- 04 April – Scratch
- 09 April - Easter
- 10 April – Post Meeting
- 16 April – Cootie Hospital BINGO
- 18 April – House Committee Meeting
- 19 April – Post Hospital BINGO
- 20 April – Community Service Awards
- 28 April – Cootie Burger Night
- 30 April – Cootie Breakfast

I hope to see you all soon. Please stay 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



Baseball is here!!



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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 APR 2023:

07 APR -Aux Dinner – Soup and Sandwiches.

08 APR – Saturday Night Dinner at the V!

Sign up at the bar 😊👍

14 APR – Post Dinner – Lasagna.

21 APR – Corp Dinner – Meatloaf w/ sides.

28 APR – **MOC Burgers & Fries.**

30 APR – **MOC Breakfast.**

Canteen Entertainment for APR 2023:

14 APR – DJ Mike in the Canteen.

28 APR – 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.



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND – WING AND SHRIMP TEAMS!!!!

TEAM “BLUE JACKET NAVY” – Bill Cusson and James Reid

TEAM “RUN SILENT; RUN DEEP” – Curtis Bobbitt and Zach Nettles

TEAM “GATOR NAVY” – Dave Alexander and Martie Braunshausen

TEAM “FLAT TOP NAVY” – Tim Dawley and Kathy Goodall



Respectfully,
Theresa and Curtis

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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
7. **Shrimp and Wing Teams:** Anyone interested in joining or starting a Wednesday shrimp and wing team, please see Dave Alexander to be included in the watch rotation.
8. **Annual Corporation Meeting:** The Annual Corporation Meeting will be held immediately following the Post Meeting on April 10, 2023. All VFW and Auxiliary Members are welcome to attend.
9. **Canteen Price Increases:** Please be aware certain items in the Canteen have increased in pricing.




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Upcoming Events:

08 April – Liver and Onions and/or Salisbury Steak Dinner! Sign up at the bar for your delicious meal!



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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>***WEEKLY DINNER MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE***</p>						<p>1 Post Inventory April Fool's Day!</p> <p><i>HAPPY BIRTHDAY USN CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS!!!!</i></p> <p>Pool Tournament 3:30 pm </p>
<p>2 <i>BASEBALL AND NASCAR IN THE CANTEEN!</i></p>	<p>3 Aux Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>4 MOC Scratch 7:00 pm</p>	<p>5 Wings – <i>Team Gator Navy</i></p> <p>5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 GOOD FRIDAY</p> <p>Aux Dinner: Soup and Sandwiches 6:30 pm</p>	<p>8 Pool Tournament 3:30 pm </p> <p><i>Liver and Onions and/or Salisbury Steak Dinner!</i> 6pm 👍 😊</p>
<p>9 HAPPY EASTER!!!!</p> <p><i>BASEBALL AND NASCAR IN THE CANTEEN!</i></p>	<p>10 Post Meeting with Elections 7:00 pm</p> <p>Annual Corporation Meeting (after Post</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 Fried/ Steamed Shrimp – <i>Team Run Silent Run Deep</i></p> <p>5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>13 Trivia Night in the Canteen 6:30 pm</p>	<p>14 Post Dinner: Lasagna and Garlic Bread 6:30pm</p> <p>DJ MIKE</p>	<p>15 Pool Tournament 3:30 pm</p> 
<p>16 <i>BASEBALL AND NASCAR IN THE CANTEEN!</i></p> <p>MOC VA Hospital</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 HC Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>19 Post VA Hospital Visit</p> <p>Wings – <i>Team Blue Jacket Navy</i></p> <p>5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>20 Post Community Service, VOD/PP Awards 6pm</p>	<p>21 Corp Dinner: Meatloaf with sides 6:30 pm</p>	<p>22 Pool Tournament 3:30 pm</p> 
<p>23 <i>BASEBALL AND NASCAR IN THE CANTEEN!</i></p> <p>30 MOC Breakfast 0930 – 1100</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 Fried/ Steamed Shrimp – <i>Team Flat Top Navy</i></p> <p>5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>27 Trivia Night in the Canteen 6:30 pm</p>	<p>28 MOC Burgers and Fries 6:30 pm</p> <p>DJ MIKE</p>	<p>29 Pool Tournament 3:30 pm </p> <p>Auxiliary Flea Market 10am to 3pm</p>