



July 2023



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 4809
5728 BARTEE ST NORFOLK, VA 23502 est. 1944
757-461-1343

VFWPPost4809@gmail.com

www.tidewaterpost4809.org

CDR — Curtis Bobbitt 757-300-9111

Sr. Vice CDR – Lewis Bush 757-609-1417

Jr. Vice CDR – Zach Nettles 757-

Quartermaster- ~~Craig Dudley 757-6185624~~

Chaplain- Tim Dawley 757-813-8054

Seam Squirrel-Dave Alexander 757-574-3564

AUX Pres – Martie Braunshausen 757-289-1686

AUX Sr. Vice – Josie Riffle 757-309-0342

AUX Jr. Vice – Laurie Fary 757-343-8401

AUX Treasurer- Ashley Johnson 757-572-2687

AUX Chaplain– Suzie Melva-Edwards 860-884-5243

Post Service Officer – Bill Cusson 304-712-2828

From the Commander:

Family 4809,

During my first month of being Commander, I have to say that everyone has been so supportive and helpful. It has made doing this job that much easier, and I thank each one of you.

So, in the month of June, we had a Flag Day celebration along with the Army's birthday. It was a great turnout.

The Auxiliary put on an amazing breakfast for Father's Day. Thank you.

The senior vice and I met with the Auxiliary President and her officers to discuss the upcoming year and we came out with some innovative ideas. So, keep a look out, we will be trying some additional new things this year for you to enjoy.

Kathy Goodall has been in contact with Hampton VA Medical Center. The volunteer office is requesting that all volunteers to fill out an application for voluntary service to have your contact information on file in case of an emergency, also a copy of your COVID vaccination card. Again, this is only if you are planning on volunteering at the VA Medical Center. To get an application please see Kathy.

Upcoming in July:

July 4th, we are having a Post and Auxiliary picnic in celebration of Independence Day. That will start at noon. It will be free for all Post and Auxiliary members. \$5.00 for guests.

The Post meeting will be held on Monday, July 10th @7:00PM. Every member of the Post is invited and highly encouraged to attend. July 14th is Post Dinner – Unstuffed Pepper Casserole. **Help is always needed, and never turned away - for Post Functions!** Come find out and be a part of what your post is planning for us!

Still Serving
Curtis Bobbitt
2023-2024 Post Commander,
VFW Post 4809
(757) 300-9111



July 2023

Auxiliary President:

Hello Comrades, Sisters, and Brothers,

The busy month of June is behind us, now onto July. There will be a July 4th Picnic on Tuesday starting at 12:00, Please bring a delicious side to share with all. The Aux dinner is July 7 at 6:30, it will be Chicken in a wine sauce, mashed potatoes, veg, salad and rolls, all for \$10. Come out and support the Aux dinner. There is a lot going on in the month of July, please look at the calendar and come out and support the Post and Canteen.

The AUX meeting will be on July 17 at 7:00 PM, (it has been moved due to the July 4th Holiday). We wish to welcome the following members Joanne Schaffer, Linda Campbell, and Jenn Martinez. When you see them in the Post, please say hello. We also have EARLY BIRD DUES for \$18 until the end of July if you need to renew your annual membership now would be a great time to do it!

I would like to thank all who volunteered for the Father's Day breakfast. You all did an amazing job and we had numerous compliments on the yummy food.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please feel free to ask any officer, we will be more than happy to talk with you. If we do not have the answer, then we have many resources to get the answer.

Early Bird Dues start June 1st through July 31 (\$18)- If you are an Annual Member this is a great chance to save on your membership!

Sincerely,
Martie Braunshausen
Post 4809 Auxiliary President
757-289-1686

From the Post Chaplain:

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone had a great Juneteenth weekend with family and friends.

Please keep our post family members who are having health issues in your thoughts and prayers. Check on each other. If you need anything, and need assistance getting it, please ask!!!

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.

We should be starting up with Bingo as a post again shortly. Watch the calendar and e-mails/texts from Kathy and/or the Post Commander.

Please stay safe and I will see you around the Post home!!

Psalm 29:11 states "The Lord gives strength to His people; the Lord blesses His people with peace."

Very respectfully,

Tim Dawley
(757)813-8054

Timothy.dawley@gmail.com



From the Auxiliary Chaplain:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Blessings to "you and yours!" It is great to see all that turned out for the Birthday Bash!

Looking forward to seeing everyone on the 4th of July picnic! We send our thoughts and prayers to those who cannot be with us.

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

"That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life" John3:15

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 Edwards
VFW Post 4809 Auxiliary Chaplain

July 2023

From The Seam Squirrel:

Listen up Cooties,

June was an extremely lousy month! We completed a Scratch, Cootie Steak Night, Cootie Burger Night, and Cootie Breakfast. Thank you to all who came out to enjoy and support our LOUSY EVENTS. I hope a lousy time was had by all. We also were able to get over to the VA Hospital to host bingo for the Veterans there.

We are always looking for new WORTHY Post Comrades who are willing and able to be invited to the seams of our crummy Pup Tent. As the working members of the Post, we need Comrades that will support our activities. The meals we prepare are how we raise money to assist Veterans and fellow Comrades 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 a working member 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 great organization and be on the lookout for new Nits!

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:

- 10 JULY – Post Meeting
- 11 JULY – Scratch
- 16 JULY – Cootie Hospital BINGO
- 18 JULY – House Committee Meeting
- 19 JULY - Post Hospital BINGO (Possible)
- 28 JULY – Cootie Burger Night
- 30 JULY – Cootie Breakfast
- 26 AUGUST – Cootie Safari

I hope to see you all soon. For planning purposes, the Cootie Safari will be on 26 August. Please be safe and look out for each other. Please let me know if you need anything!!!

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,
Dave Alexander Sr.
Seam Squirrel (Round 2)
757-574-3564
Cwo1967@yahoo.com



Enjoy Baseball and NASCAR
in the Canteen Every Sunday!!



July 2023

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 JULY 2023:

07 JULY – Aux Dinner – Chicken with Wine Sauce.

14 JULY – Post Dinner – Unstuffed Pepper Casserole.

21 JULY – Corp Dinner – Italian Sausage Sandwiches.

28 JULY – **MOC Burgers & Fries.**

30 JULY – **MOC Breakfast.**

Canteen Entertainment for JULY 2023:

04 JULY – DJ Mike in the Big Hall.

14 JULY – DJ Mike in the Canteen.

28 JULY – 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!!!!*****

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 3:00 PM (except during special Post events).



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

July 2023

General Information:

1. **75/25 Daily Drawing:** Due to a change in the Federal tax laws the next 75/25 daily drawing payout will be capped at \$599.00.
2. **Happy Hour Pricing:** Canteen happy hour price time runs from 5pm to 7pm Monday through 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.
3. **Front Door Access:** The Post Home main entrance is now accessed using a Fob. To get your Fob, contact Theresa, Curtis, or Craig!
4. **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.
5. **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
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. **Canteen Price Increases:** Please be aware certain items in the Canteen have increased in pricing.
9. **Canteen Credit Card Purchases:** Minimum credit card charge in the Post Canteen is \$10.00.

July 2023

Upcoming Events:

TIDEWATER POST 4809

4TH OF JULY

BBO
Party

TUESDAY, JULY 04

**5728 BARTEE ST. NORFOLK
STARTING AT 12PM**

**ACTIONS
TO ENJOY**

**CORNHOLE - WATER BALLOONS - LIVE
MUSIC BY DJ MIKE - RAFFLES - FUN
GAMES - FOOD**

VFW MEMBERS FREE - GUEST OF VFW MEMBER \$5.00

FOR MORE INFORMATION: CALL 757-461-1343

July 2023







Early Bird Dues



ATTENTION
AUXILIARY ANNUAL
MEMBERS

June 1- July 31
Dues \$18

July 2023

<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</p> <p>Pool Tournament 3:00 pm</p> 
<p>2</p> <p><i>BASEBALL AND NASCAR IN THE CANTEEN!</i></p>	3	<p>4 HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!</p>  <p>Post Picnic 12:00 pm</p>	<p>5 Fried/ Steamed Shrimp – Team Run Silent Run Deep 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	6	<p>7 Aux Dinner: Chicken in Wine Sauce 6:30pm</p>	<p>8 Pool Tournament 3:00 pm</p> 
<p>9</p> <p><i>BASEBALL AND NASCAR IN THE CANTEEN!</i></p>	<p>10 Post Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>11 MOC Scratch 7:00 pm</p>	<p>12 Wings - Team Gator Navy 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	13	<p>14 Post Dinner: Unstuffed Pepper Casserole 6:30pm</p> <p>DJ MIKE</p>	<p>15 Pool Tournament 3:00 pm</p> 
<p>16 MOC VA Hospital Visit</p> <p><i>BASEBALL AND NASCAR IN THE CANTEEN!</i></p>	<p>17 Aux Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>18 HC Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>19 Post VA Hospital Visit Fried/ Steamed Shrimp – Team Bluejacket Navy 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	20	<p>21 Corp Dinner: Italian Sausage Sandwiches 6:30 pm</p>	<p>22 Pool Tournament 3:00 pm</p> 
<p>23 <i>BASEBALL AND NASCAR IN THE CANTEEN!</i></p>	24	25	<p>26 Wings – Team Flat Top Navy 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	27	<p>28 MOC Burgers/Fries 6:30 pm</p> <p>DJ MIKE</p>	<p>29 Pool Tournament 3:00 pm</p> 
<p>30 MOC Breakfast 0930 – 1100</p>	31					