



November 2023



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From the Commander:

Family 4809,

We started October this year by honoring one of our fallen comrades of the USS Cole bombing, ITSN James McDaniels, at Woodlawn cemetery along with his family on the 12th of October. Thank you to everyone that came out to support and reminisce with us. In fact, I would like to thank each one of the committees for their extremely challenging work with everything that went on this month.

What is happening now:

As some of you may know that next year is our Post's 80th birthday. Our Senior Vice Commander Lewis Bush is putting together a committee to plan our celebration. If you are interested in being part of the planning committee or if you have any ideas to make this the best celebration ever, please make your voices heard.

Upcoming in November:

Election Day is on the 7th, so get out and vote!! On the 9th come out and join us to place flags at the Albert G. Horton Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery. On the 10th we are having a Veterans Day service here starting at 6PM. That day we are also hosting a Red Cross blood drive, and that is starting at 10AM. The next District 2 meeting is going to be held at Post 3160 on the 18th at 9AM. Thanksgiving dinner will be held here at noon with the hopes of having the Vets from Hampton VA Medical Center on the 19th. It is open to all

VFW members and their families free of charge. As other things come up, they will be put out through our messaging system and on our Facebook pages, keep an eye out.

The next Post dinner will be Shepherd's Pie. I hope to see all of you that day to enjoy a delicious meal.

Next Post meeting will be held on Monday, November 13th @7:00PM. Every member of the post is invited and highly encouraged to attend. 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



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Auxiliary President:

Welcome to Fall! Hopefully all that Hot weather is behind us!

I would like to congratulate our two winners from our raffle, Charlie Walden, and Curtis Bobbit. A big thank you to all who participated, the Auxiliary appreciates your support!

There will be a District II meeting on Nov 18 at VFW Post 3160 in Norfolk at 9:00 AM. If you have not ever been to one, you should come by and see what it is all about. Lunch **is not** provided.

The Post and Auxiliary will be hosting the Veterans from the Hampton VA Hospital on Sunday Nov 19th. The Vets show up between 10:30 and 12:00. We will need volunteers to help with setup, cleanup, and help serve the Vets. I am asking members to bring a side dish or dessert to share (Green Beans, Deviled Eggs, Sweet Potatoes, Potato Salad, etc.).

Veterans Day is Saturday Nov 11. Come to the Canteen and help celebrate that incredibly special Day!

There will be a Toys for Tots box in the Post Home Nov 1 thru Dec 14. Please consider donating a new unwrapped toy.

We will be decorating the Post Home Canteen for the Christmas Holiday season on Saturday 25 NOV. Please come out and spread some Holiday spirit volunteering!

The Aux dinner is TACOS, with Rice and Refried Beans on Friday Nov 3 at 6:30, \$10:00. Come early, you do not want to miss out!

Our next meeting is Monday Nov 6, 7:00 PM. Hope to see you there.

Sincerely,

Martie Braunshausen

Post 4809 Auxiliary President

757-289-1686

From the Post Chaplain:

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone had a fun filled Halloween handing out candy to all the little kiddies. I know we are also looking forward to serving our VA Hospital Veterans a great Thanksgiving meal this month as we do every year.

Please keep our post family members who are having health issues in your thoughts and prayers. One of our World War II Veterans, Mr. Irving Jones, has been admitted to Beth Shalom Rehab with health issues.

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.

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

1 Thessalonians 5:18

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Very respectfully,

Tim Dawley

(757)813-8054

Timothy.dawley@gmail.com



From the Auxiliary Chaplain:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Blessings to "you and yours!" As we enter our festival fall season let us show our support by coming out and enjoying the Fun Times! There are dinners, DJ's, pool tournaments, and other celebrations planned.

Let us remember:

"The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart, trusted in him, and I am helped; therefore, my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him. Psalms 28:7

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

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From The Seam Squirrel:

Listen up Cooties,

October was an extremely lousy month! We completed a Scratch, Model Car Show Breakfast and Lunch fundraiser, Cootie Burger Night, and Cootie Breakfast. Thank you to all who helped on our wild Cootie events! Your LOUSY EFFORTS were noted and NOT APPRECIATED at all! We also were able to support the VA Hospital with BINGO on the 15th of October.

We are always looking for new WORTHY Post Comrades who are willing and able to be invited into the seams of our crummy Pup Tent! As a COOTIE we are the working members of the Post, we need able bodied Comrades that are willing to support our crummy events. The meals we prepare are how we raise money to assist Veterans and fellow Comrades with any appropriate necessary / unmet needs they may have.

It is especially important 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:

- 07 NOVEMBER – Scratch
- 10 NOVEMBER – Blood Drive
- 10 thru 12 NOVEMBER – Bodacious Bazaar
- 13 NOVEMBER – Post Meeting
- 17 NOVEMBER – VFW VA Dept CDR Visit
- 18 NOVEMBER – VFW Dist. II Meeting
- 19 NOVEMBER – VA Hospital Veteran Thanksgiving Meal
- 21 NOVEMBER – House Committee Meeting
- 25 NOVEMBER – Christmas Canteen Decorating

I hope to see you all soon. **OUR SCRATCH IS ON 07 NOV!**
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 NCAA Football, NFL Football, World Series Baseball, and NASCAR in the Canteen at VFW Post 4809!!



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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 NOVEMBER 2023:

03 NOV – Aux Dinner – Tacos.
10 NOV – Post Dinner – Shepard's Pie.
17 NOV – Corp Dinner – Meatloaf.
24 NOV – **NO Dinner.**
26 NOV – **NO Breakfast.**

Canteen Entertainment for NOVEMBER 2023:

10 NOV – DJ Mike in the Canteen.
24 NOV – **NO DJ.**

*****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 first and third Saturday of each month starting at 4:00 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, Zach Nettles, Mo Maurizzio

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. **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.

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Upcoming Events



FOOTBALL

**NFL
FOOTBALL
IS
BACK AT
4809!**

**EVERY GAME
SUNDAY, MONDAY
AND THURSDAY**

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VFW POST 4809

THANKS
GIVING
Luncheon

Sunday, November 19


12PM @ 5728 Barte St. Norfolk, VA

Inviting You to Celebrate Thanksgiving Day

Donations greatly appreciated

Questions - call 757-461-1343

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>***WEEKLY DINNER MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE***</p>			<p>1 Post Inventory Wings - Team Run Silent Run Deep 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm <i>World Series</i></p>	<p>2 Thursday Night Football</p> 	<p>3 Aux Dinner: Tacos 6:30pm</p> <p><i>World Series</i></p>	<p>4 <u>NCAA FOOTBALL SATURDAY!</u> Pool Tournament 4:00 pm</p>  <p><i>World Series</i></p>
<p>5 ← CLOCKS 1HR NASCAR IN THE CANTEEN! NFL FOOTBALL SUNDAY IN THE CANTEEN!</p> 	<p>6 Aux Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>7 MOC Scratch 7:00 pm</p>	<p>8 Fried/Steam Shrimp – Team Flattop Navy 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>9 FLAGS@ AGH Veteran Cemetery – 9am Thursday Night Football VOD/PP ESSAY GRADING</p>	<p>10 BLOOD DRIVE 10am</p>  <p>Post Dinner: Shepard's Pie 6:30pm DJ MIKE</p>	<p>11 <u>VETERAN'S DAY! PARADE – VA BCH LUNCH AT POST HOME AFTERWARDS.</u></p> <p><u>NCAA FOOTBALL SATURDAY!</u></p>
<p>12 NFL FOOTBALL SUNDAY IN THE CANTEEN!</p> 	<p>13 Post Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Wings – Team Bluejacket Navy 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>16 Thursday Night Football</p> 	<p>17 Corp Dinner: Meatloaf 6:30 pm</p> <p>VFW VA DEPT CDR Post Home Visit</p>	<p>18 <u>NCAA FOOTBALL SATURDAY!</u> VFW DIST II MTG Post 3160 - 9am Pool Tournament 4:00 pm</p> 
<p>19 <u>VA HOSPITAL THANKSGIVING BIG HALL – 12pm</u> NFL FOOTBALL SUNDAY IN THE CANTEEN!</p> 	<p>20</p>	<p>21 HC Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>22 No DINNER!</p>	<p>23</p>  <p>Post Is Closed.</p>	<p>24 No DINNER!</p>	<p>25 <u>NCAA FOOTBALL SATURDAY!</u> Christmas Decorating in the Canteen</p> 
<p>26 No BREAKFAST! NFL FOOTBALL SUNDAY IN THE CANTEEN!</p> 	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Fried/ Steamed Shrimp – Team Gator Navy 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm</p>	<p>30 Thursday Night Football</p> 		<p>***WEEKLY DINNER MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE***</p>