

RAMBLIN' ON

VFW SHEBOYGAN MEMORIAL POST #9156 NEWSLETTER

October 2020

Commander's Comments

Hello Comrades! As we say good-bye to our summer and say hello to our fall we deal with cooler weather and the fall colors. As I was writing this article, I took a minute to look back and realized we, not only as a Post, but each and every one of us have hung in there, continuing to support our Post and have survived the pandemic so far. I am thankful we are one resilient group!

Since our last Rambling-On we continue to have great restaurant support from our members and our public. Also, we are now open seven days a week as of Monday, September 28th. People are not only continuing takeout but are also dining-in with limited seating.

We continue to hold our membership meeting the second Monday of the month and our house committee meeting and Post business meeting the fourth Monday of the month.

We held our third annual golf outing Saturday, September 19th that saw a total of twenty-two teams register, up from eleven teams the previous year. We now have a golf outing committee to plan our future outings. Keep this date, Saturday, September 18, 2021 is our next golf outing. At the last Post business meeting there was a motion and second to take the total proceeds from this event and put towards our scholarship program. Also, our Post has

added a 5th scholarship in the name of John Inovskis for students specifically going into the Information Technology field.

As of now we are planning to hold our Chicken Fry Saturday, November 7th starting at 11:00 am – 6:00 pm. We will not be selling chicken fry tickets as we have in the past. The reason for this is if we need to go to plan B, which would switch the chicken fry to a drive through versus dine-in, tickets could cause potential issues for our cashiers. Hopefully, we will be able to have this event in our hall.

We are still being cautious concerning holding Post events at our Post because of the state/county/city guidelines. We will keep you all posted via our Website/Facebook as changes occur and decisions need to be made going forward.

Since May our hall has been rented for several successful events. As we continue to push forward, we will continue to focus on getting things back to normal.



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Calendar of Events for October

Oct 5	Honor Guard Meeting - 6:00
Oct 12	Membership Committee - 6:30 pm
Oct 14	VFW Auxiliary Meeting - 6:00 pm
Oct 26	House Committee - 5:30 pm Post Business Meeting - 7:00 pm
Oct 31	Halloween

Calendar of Events for December

Dec 5	VFW Aux. Kids Christmas Party RAMBLIN'ON Input Due
Dec 7	Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Honor Guard Meeting 6:00 pm
Dec 9	VFW Auxiliary Meeting - 6:00 pm
Dec 14	Membership Committee - 6:30 pm
Dec 21	House Committee - 6:00 pm Post Business Meeting - 7:00 pm
Dec 24	Christmas Eve
Dec 25	Christmas Day
Dec 31	New Years Eve

Calendar of Events for November

Nov 2	Honor Guard Meeting 6:00 pm
Nov 7	VFW Annual Chicken Fry 11:00 am
Nov 9	Membership Committee - 6:30 p.m.
Nov 11	Veterans Day VFW Auxiliary Meeting - 6:00 pm
Nov 26	Thanksgiving Day
Nov 30	House Committee - 6:00 pm VFW Business Meeting - 7:00 pm

Calendar of Events for January

Jan 1	Rambling-On Input due
Jan 4	Honor Guard Meeting - 6:00 pm
Jan 11	Membership Committee - 6:30 pm
Jan 13	VFW Auxiliary Meeting - 6:00 pm
Jan 25	House Committee - 6:00 pm Post Business Meeting - 7:00 pm

VFW Post 9156 Duty Schedule

Monday 9:00 am (4th Monday)
Set up for business meeting

Tuesdays 9:00 am (morning crew)
Clean, maintenance, burn flags, etc.

Fridays 9:00 am
(Fish Fry), Setup hall for evening, etc.

Fridays 4:00 pm
(Fish Fry), wash dishes, bus tables, etc.

Fridays 8:30 pm
Fish Fry tear down

Fridays
(summer) mow, trim and yard work

Snow days Blow and shovel snow

Chaplain's Corner



At each meeting of the VFW the members recite the Sec. 23102 of our Congressional Charter that begins; “The purposes of the corporation are fraternal, patriotic, historical, charitable, and educational..... We have in our country forces that are rioting, burning our country’s flag destroying historical monuments. They defaced the WWII memorial and are changing our history taught in schools. This is so different from our beliefs as veterans and members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

I want to submit to you this prayer attributed to George Washington:

Almighty God, we make our earnest prayer that thou wilt keep the United States in Thy holy protection; that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of obedience to government, and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large; and, finally, that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility, and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without a humble imitation of whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy nation.

Grant our supplication, we beseech Thee, O Lord!

Say AMEN

Sick Call: *(all R&R at home unless indicated)*

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Auxiliary News

Greetings VFW Post 9156 Auxiliary members:

July 1st was the start of the 2020-2021 year for the Auxiliary. The start of the new year means annual dues **need to be paid by December 31, 2020**. Annual dues remain at \$ 15.50. A second mailing will be sent out to remind annual members that now is the time to pay your dues. Send your check to VFW Auxiliary Post 9156, attention Amy Wieland, 552 S Evans St, Sheboygan, WI 53081.

A donation was received from the Harley Owners Group to go into our scholarship fund. Thank you HOG members for this donation. We were able to award 4 - \$750.00 scholarships this year to deserving students.

Sadly, our auxiliary lost Lynn Fields on August 15th. Lynn was an active 9156 member as well as a current 6th District President. She served as chairperson many years for Vets and Family Support and National Home for Children. She will be missed.

As everything has changed due to COVID, the children's Christmas Party will be scaled down. We will do a drive thru Christmas party on Saturday, December 5th 12:00-2:00. Mr. and Mrs. Santa will be there. We will have a gift for each

child as well as a goody bag of treats. Depending on the weather it may be a drive thru or an indoor walk thru to receive their gift and goody bag. Again, we need the gender and age of each child (up to age 12). Please call me by November 21st at 920-207-7645.

The Auxiliary Christmas Party will be at the Post on Wed, December 9th. We will do cocktails 5:00-6:00 and a meal at 6:00. The price of the meal will be determined at a later date as the menu has not been decided. There will be games and plenty of joy and laughter as we have a great night of fun and fellowship. The gift exchange will be \$10.00. I will need to know by November 30th if you plan to attend.

Tentative date for the annual Chili supper is Sat, February 6th. Time and menu has not been determined as of yet.

Auxiliary meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:00. Please find time to attend one of our meetings. Bring a friend or relative with you.

Respectfully,
Kathy Mallmann – President

“Not how long, but how well you have lived is the main thing.”

Our thoughts and prayers to all Sisters who are ill, have lost loved ones or are in Nursing homes.



**Kathy Mallmann -
President**

Sheboygan Health Services

Sue Morris

Sheboygan Senior Community

Doris Zallar

Pine Haven - Sheboygan Falls

Vivian Veldboom

**Sheboygan Shores Assisted
Living**

Violet Weinberger

Membership Committee

The committee has met in July and August, unfortunately not much has been done with collaboration because of the Covid-19 virus.

We canceled the membership canvassing at the Farmer's market this year because of Covid-19

Book Worm Gardens Haunted Garden in October has been modified not to have any groups handling our treats at the different stations this year.

We are also looking for members to join our Membership committee. If you are interested, please contact any of one of the Membership committee members or Post Commander.

We are also in need of a Membership Committee Chairman. If interested contact the Post Commander.

Membership Committee meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. (CT) on the 2nd Monday of the month.

Respectively Submitted,

Dave Freitag

On behalf of VFW Post 9156 Membership Committee Chairman

House Committee

The House Committee last met September 28th.

Pending Projects:

1. East entrance, West wall is waiting on the vinyl to be installed.

Completed Projects:

1. Parking lot - Patching and sealing.
2. Building floor - Stripping, waxing & burnishing.

Equipment Repairs:

1. Kitchen exhaust fan motor speed issues – Re-wired speed control – Resolved.

Landscape Project:

1. Weeding planting areas – Completed
2. Adding mulch to planting areas – Will be completed Tuesday, October 13th.
3. Trimming brushes – Completed

** Note – Several volunteers, which call themselves ‘The VFW Garden Club’ have recorded over 168 volunteer hours to make the outside of our Post look well-manicured. KUDOS & Thank You!

Bar/Hall Updates

1. Fox Hole – Open seven days a week as of Monday, September 28th.
2. Take-out/Delivery service – Continued as well as dine-in service.

The Business membership has added several members to the house committee.

There are now 12 members on the committee.

House Committee meetings are held at 6:00 p.m. (CT) on the 4th Monday of the month prior to our Post business meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,

Dave Freitag - On behalf of VFW Post 9156 House Committee Chairman

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I know I keep saying it , but “All the great things that we do at our Post would not be possible if it were not for all of you stepping up and making a difference”. Our team is truly a combined effort of VFW membership, VFW Auxiliary, Veteran’s, Non-veteran’s and employees working together to make our Post the Best of the Best! Thank You all for all you do for our Post! I am proud of our Post and all of you! KUDOS All!

Reminder – On the two items below:

1. Please remember the Fox Hole is open to the public, therefore, “**DO NOT**” discuss any VFW business in the Fox Hole!
2. When visiting our Fox Hole please “**Control your swearing and use of offensive language!** Especially when children and women are present!

I appreciate and thank you in advance for your cooperation with both items above!

If I do not see you between now and the end of year, I wish you all an early “Happy Thanksgiving”, A very “Merry Christmas” and a “Prosperous and Happy New Year”!

As always that big wheel continues to turn and is moving forward! Working together as a team has made everything, we do a positive experience! Plus, I always have that big bad fire hose close, reminding me of the way it was when I first became Commander.

Being your Post Commander is an honor and a privilege. I cannot thank all of you enough for all your support and help to make my job a little easier and to make our Post such a great place! I continue to learn something new about being a Post Commander every day. I will continue to be dedicated to our Post and our membership. I will continue to do the right thing for the right reason.

As always, I will refer to my Navy core values to help guide me.

God Bless all of you and God Bless the United States of America.

Please take care, be safe, stay healthy!

Respectfully Yours,
Dave Freitag

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