

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 8189 NEWSLETTER "DUMAS HARTSON





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Veterans-Auxillary



FROM THE DESK OF THE POST COMMANDER:



Flag Day for the year 2021 is celebrated/ observed on **Monday**, **June 14th**. Flag Day is observed on June 14 to honor and commemorate the adoption of the American flag which occurred on this day in 1777 by the Second Continental Congress. The United States Army also celebrates its birthday on this day. One year earlier the United States declared **Independence** from Great Britain with the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776.

Jim Fuller

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Sr Vice	Doug Tonnant
Commander	Doug Tennant
Jr Vice	Ed Carpenter
Commander	Eu Carpenter
Quartermaster	Les Kline
Adjutant	Larry Haynes
Judge Advocate	Ron Williams

Chaplain	Milo Stewart
Surgeon	Lloyd McWethy
1 yr Trustee	Al Anderson
2 yr Trustee	William Fowler
3 yr Trustee	
Service Officer	JJ Kenney

Commander

YOUR OFFICERS

FROM THE DESK OF THE SR VICE COMMAND AND HOUSE COMMITTEE CAIRMAN:

Greetings. It is nice to see the return of many of our members now that the vaccinations are common. It is such a relief to get back to a semblance of normal again.

I am happy to report that we think we have finally, once and for all fixed our problems with the air conditioning. It's been an ongoing one-year struggle with many days of discomfort. New ductwork has been installed along with some additional vents.

We have a new bigger walk-in cooler conveniently located next to the kitchen. This enabled us to retire the refrigerators located at the back of the hall and give that corner a nice clean look.

Kitchen hours have changed with the addition of a part-tike cook who is sharing the job with Ed Carpenter. Be sure to check the calendar for the new hours.

Queen of Hearts was won by Auxiliary member John Charette. The new game has been started so be sure to stop in and play.

Elections were held this month. Jim Fuller will remain Commander. Doug Tennant will remain Senior Vice. Ed Carpenter is the new Junior Vice. Les Kline will remain as Quartermaster. Milo Stewart is the new Chaplain.

Most of the snowbirds are now gone leaving us to enjoy the Summer. Hope to see you at the Post enjoying some of our games and, entertainment and adult beverages. Regards,

Doug Tennant

Sr Vice Commander and House Committee Chairman



FROM THE DESK TO THE POST QUARTERMASTER





A Special Thanks

Milo Stewart

In appreciation for all your efforts going "Above & Beyond"

VFW POST 8189 2020 ~ 2021



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Milliam Peters

In appreciation for all your efforts going "Above & Beyond"

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The Post had no known member pass away this past month.

FROM THE DESK OF THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMEN:

Age attained on	Payment in Full Total	Installation Plan Initial	Installment Plan 11
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Through Age 30	\$425.00	\$45.00	\$38.64
31-40	\$410.00	\$45.00	\$37.27
41-50	\$375.00	\$45.00	\$34.09
51-60	\$335.00	\$45.00	\$30.45
61-70	\$290.00	\$45.00	\$26.36
71-80	\$225.00	\$45.00	\$20.45
81 and over	\$170.00	\$45.00	\$15.45

Dick Bachtel, Membership Chairman



NOTE FROM EDITOR

The official birthday of the United States Army is June 14th, 1775. It's easy to assume that this date implies the creation of a fully realized standing army, but the truth is that when the first shots were fired in the American Revolution, the troops involved in fighting the British could be compared to a guerrilla force; colonists from a variety of militias in the area banded together to fight the "Redcoats."







Dick Bachtel, Editor

From my house to your house -- stay safe and healthy -- GET THE SHOT



FROM THE DESK OF THE POST AUXILIARY PRESIDENT:

Well Auxiliary members can you believe May has come and gone? We sure stayed busy with the mission though. On May 3rd we dropped off snacks and drinks to the Lecanto Primary School and The Rock Crusher Elementary School for the fifth-grade test takers. The theory is that having snacks during the test helps their little brains concentrate and get good scores. We were glad to contribute.

On May 6th a bunch of our Auxiliary members got together and reviewed 15 applications for the Joshua Langston White scholarship. Of the 15 we chose 4 very worthy students at the Crystal River High School to present the scholarships to. The winners were:

Laura Adkins with a 3.7 GPA. She will attend Faulkner University and study English.

Chiara Miller with a 4.74 GPA. She will attend University of Florida and study Neuroscience.

Jaiden Green with a 4.3 GPA. She will attend Florida Southern College where she will work to receive a Bachelor's in Science Nursing.

Jason Stukes with a 4.46 GPA. He will attend the University of North Florida where he will study Civil Engineering.

May 10th our officers for 2021-2022 were sworn into office by District President Nancy Heterington. Nancy also presented our Auxiliary a "Good Job Award". Thank you, Nancy, for seeing District 7 through a tough year! We also received two National Awards for our work with the Veterans and Families program and they were shown to members at the meeting.

May 15th Auxiliary members and Post member Jerry Webb met other groups at the Stage Stand Cemetery where we filled 12 bags with trash and debris, cleaned 100 stones of Veterans, raised 7 headstones that were sinking out of sight and trimmed around all the Veterans stones.

On May 19th our Auxiliary with the Post and Riders presented a check to Jack Oehm of the Tunnels to Towers organization. This wonderful organization helps first responders, disabled Veterans and Gold Star families.

On May 20th, Bill Peters and Milo Stewart recognized by the Post for their work repairing the home of an elderly female Veteran whose house was in horrible shape.

On May 24th Auxiliary Conductor Joel Steele, son Joel Steele and myself cleaned up around the Old Homosassa Veterans Memorial and spread mulch in preparation for Memorial Day.

On May 28th, our Auxiliary Ambassador Barb Cushman delivered a \$500 check to the VFW National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids Michigan. Thank you, Barb, for representing our Post and Auxiliary in person! You Rock! On May 29th we placed flags on the graves of over 350 Veterans at Fountains Memorial Park for Memorial Day. Finally on Memorial Day we held a well-attended ceremony at Stage Stand Cemetery.

It sure was a busy month and June will be nearly as busy so make sure you get some rest!

Thank you for all you do!

Auxiliary President Roger "Jay" Ingall

YOUR AUXILIARY OFICERS



Sr Vice President	Joanne Peters	1 yr Trustee	Grace Moshier
Jr. Vice President	Breana Williams	2 yr Trustee	Gail Young
Treasurer	Juliene George Crowe	3 yr Trustee	Judy Franks
Secretary	Renee Tennant	Hospital Chairperson	Nona Pesnell
Chaplin	Tammy Morris Shannon	Youth & Scholarship Chairperson	Joel Steele
Conductor	Joel Steele	Legislative Chairperson	Roger Ingall
Guard	Bill Peters		







HEROES ON THE WATER DICE RUN





On Saturday, May 22, 2021, a motorcycle run was made for the "State Commander's Special Project," dubbbed "Heroes On The Water." Members from VFWRG 8189, VFW District 7, American Legion Riders 166, and many others, all rode together on a dice run to raise money for the project. A total of \$1,500 was raised, and a good time was had by all. Many thanks to all who participated! The spirit of American Freedom thrives strongly in the hearts of all true patriots! Submitted by Roy "Jughead" Thibodeau, auxiliary member VFWRG 8189.

























"NOBODY DOES MORE FOR VETS"

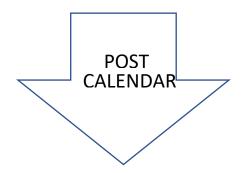












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