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#### Monthly Meetings

Ambulance Board
1st Thursday of the month at
7:00pm

VFW Membership 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm Auxiliary

2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm

#### Post 764 Web Site

Check the website for the most up-to-date information on events and Post 764 news.

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#### COMMANDER COMMENTS

Comrades and Friends,

I hope the summer rain didn't affect you too much. I know it put a damper on some of the activities I had planned. On the plus side the lawn never looked so good in September.

The 4th of July parade appeared to have a better than usual turn out. The Auxiliary decorated our float and even had "Betsy Ross" there with them. At least a look-alike. The day was very hot and some of their members walked the parade route with cold water and cold towels. Our thanks to them, we needed it!

All that attended the Post Picnic had the opportunity to play; corn hole, horse shoes and volley ball. Not to mention all the food that was there. Our thanks to the Auxiliary for the cake.

Since the Post went Non-Smoking we have seen more families having dinner. The patio still has some work to be done. We will have a heater out there in the next couple of weeks and it will be enclosed. Our Post is one of 60 (there are over 500 Posts in PA) in the state that have gone Non-Smoking. I believe we are the only Post to be Non-Smoking in District 24.

You may have noticed the VFW shirts hanging around the Canteen. You may want to purchase one of them, just ask the bartender. We have a variety of colors, both men's and women's. If we don't have your color we can order it for you but it will take approximately 6 weeks.

The New England style clam bake went over very well. We've been asked to have it more frequently than once a year. You can weigh in and let Kelli know if you would like to have it more often.

We continue to make improvements to our (Con't pg 2)

## **QUARTERMASTER COMMENTS**

The 2019 dues notice for continuous members (those whom renew each year) have been sent out by National for those members whose dues expire on 31 Dec 2018. For those members whom renewed or joined after Jan 2014 your dues are to be paid by your anniversary date. Please be on the alert for your renewal notices. If you have any questions relative to your dues, please call me at 724-941-3358 and I'll check with Kansas City as to when your dues will expire. Our goal for this year (2018/2019) is 441 Regular VFW Members and we have 248 "Life Members" and 193 "Continuous Members." If any of you whom are continuous members and wish to become life members please give me call at the above number and I'll let you know how much a "Life Membership" costs. You can spread it out over the course of a year if you wish to be a "Life Member," as many people do.

The next Dist.24 meeting is on 21 Oct at 2 PM at Waynesburg Post 4793. We also have Dist. Meetings on 17 Feb 2019 at McMurray Post 764 and 28 Apr 2019 at Post 8308 in Lawrence, PA. Hope to see you there.

Since this is the final newsletter for 2018, please let me extend a "Happy Holiday" to all Post 764 members both regular and associate. Hope to see you all at the Canteen over the holiday season.

Welcome new members: Harry Vilsack/ Army/Vietnam and Steven Meyer/Navy/ Armed Forces Exp. Medal and one transfer from At Large: Tony Guadlip. Welcome!

Michael Klauer, Quartermaster





# CANTEEN

Oct

Sat 6; DJ Mel 7-10 PM Sat 13; Aux Pig Roast \$15

5-8 PM,

Entertainment 6:30-9:30 PM: Night Star

Sat 20: Bar Bingo Sat 27; Bar Bingo

Nov

Sat 10; Bar Bingo Sat 17; Bar Bingo



Dec

Sat 1: Bar Bingo

Sat 8: Kids Christmas Party 12-3 PM

Sat 15: Adult Christmas Party

\$5 cover per member and \$10 per guest Dallas Marks Country Western Music

Steeler parties will continue throughout the season. Watch for Penguin game drink specials. Watch message board for other events.

#### HELLO FROM THE AUXILIARY

It you aren't a member of the Auxiliary you missed out on a lot of fun. We had a great time making cards to give to our Veterans, we sent a package of goodies to our Veterans overseas and we will be going to the SW Hospital to make treats and play bingo with their Veterans.

If you get this newsletter before October 13th, we certainly hope you have a ticket to our famous Pig Roast. The food is always delicious and Night Star is a great way to be entertained. We made an exceptional raffle basket this year. Not only is it full of good alcohols, we have included gift cards for some restaurants and lottery tickets. This function is very important to us because all the funds we make we give to Veterans. We are even looking into supplying funds for a comfort dog or cat to a Veteran that is in need of one, for their comfort.

Remember our meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7 PM and we would love to have you join us. You will really find it very rewarding. We do not meet in December and we all want to wish you and your family a safe, healthy and Happy Holiday Season.

Sincerely, Sara Redinger, Auxiliary President



#### FINAL SALUTE

## JOSEPH ORIENT STANLEY MARKIEWICZ



(Commander Con't)

Post. We will be working on a concrete pad for the dumpsters this fall. If you can help please contact Andrew MacArthur. You will notice the updated Post Officers wall. Our thanks to Dan Bench and Dennis Hixson for their time and effort in making this improvement. I have asked the Boy Scouts to paint the concrete car stops in the lot and they have agreed. This is a weather dependent task and may go to the spring. Especially with all the rain we have been getting. We will also be putting a TV in the bar area that will be showing the up coming events and food specials. We think this will help keep all of us better informed.

The football season has begun and the Steelers are off to a rocky start but I'm sure they will get it together. I'm looking for an all Pennsylvania Super Bowl. Come on out and root the Black and Gold on to victory! You will also want to check with Kelli for any specials we will be having.

Be sure to check out our Web Site. We have been making updates and improvements. Your input is valuable and any suggestions you have should be given to Dennis Hixon or Andrew Mac Arthur. As always I hope to see you at the

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Gary MacArthur, Commander





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