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# THE VETS GAZETTE

Comrades:

Hello all, hope you doing well. Thank you everyone for following the rules with the masks. It is keeping us open. A big thanks to all the volunteers.

We were able to do some donations this month. We donated to the Brainerd fire department-\$500, Gen John Vessey Chapter Xmas-\$200, Brainerd Salvation Army-\$500, and Interfaith Volunteers-\$250.

We also gave out a certificate and a check to Jenna Lee for VFW scout of the year award.

Everyone take care, and if there are any issues that you need help with, let us know. We will help you the best we can.

Chip Borle Commander



Congratulations to Jenna Lee, 2020 Scout of the Year, at the Brainerd VFW. She also won first place in Minnesota's VFW Sixth District. Jenna has been in scouting since first grade and graduated from Brainerd High School in 2020. She is heading to college to become an elementary school teacher. We wish her well.

Brothers and Sisters: Greetings to Everyone,

Well this summer is going by extremely fast. Today I have a new granddaughter, Eleanor Jane and very one is doing fine and one more coming on August 26th.

We had our second in person meeting this month and it is so nice to see everyone face to face. Remember to get your email, cell and landline number to Dawn Garin or myself.

You could text the information to me at 218-821-3364 or email me at janlambertsmith@mns.com or Dawn at bdkgarin@hotmail.com . This will help us to keep in touch with everyone if we need shut down again. I would like to be able to keep everyone updated.

Fall conference is scheduled for September 25th- 27<sup>th</sup> in St Cloud at the Kelly Inn.

I still have 3 Chairmanship available, they are Youth Activities, Legislative, and Scholarships, if anyone would like more information or is interested please let me, Helen or Dawn know.

Also, this year, for the projects that are being sent for judging I am encouraging that we remember to ask our, kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews and friend's kids to enter these contests as many students may still be at home. Watch for updates as we are looking into other ways to get this material to everyone.

I cannot think of anything else at this time. Please stay well and healthy.

Sympathy to those who have lost a loved one and well wishes to those that have had surgery or illness.

Respectfully, Jan Lambert Auxiliary President

#### **The Corner Lot:**

7/25 Tom Neeser

7/27 Darrel Hess

7/29 Dean Schwendeman

8/3 Harvey Samson

8/10 Roy Malmquist

8/15 Wayne Larson

The July 31<sup>st</sup> Red Cross Blood Drive resulted in a success of approximately 50 pints donated.

# **Auxiliary Sunshine Report:**

We wish a speedy recovery to Helen Doucette. Get well wishes to those who have been ill and sympathy to those who have lost a loved one. Sunshine Committee



Look for us on Facebook Brainerd VFW Post 1647

Make sure to like us so you see what's happening at the Post.



#### CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

www.BrainerdVFW.org

Find out what's happening at the Post, stay current with the news and view photos.



### BRAINERD AMERICAN LEGION

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Monday – Thursday: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday: Noon to 5 p.m.

\*DAILY FOOD SPECIALS: Monday through Friday FRIDAY DINNER (Special or Walleye): 5 P.M. FRIDAY MEAT RAFFLE: 5:30 P.M.

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#### Patriotic holidays in September:

**September 11**<sup>th</sup> is Patriot Day, also known as the National Day of Service and Remembrance in memory of those killed during the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack.

**September 18**<sup>th</sup> is POW/MIA Recognition Day which honors the commitments and the sacrifices made by our nation's prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action.

**September 27**<sup>th</sup> is Gold Star Mothers/Family Day which honors mothers and families who have lost a service member in the line of duty or in support of military activities

Fall - Student competitions:

**Grade 5** – Essay Contest 250 words or less

Theme: What the American Flag Means to Me Deadline to be submitted to the Post is 11/1/2020

**Grade 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup>** Patriot's Pen Essay Theme: What is Patriotism to Me?

300-400 words

## Grade 9th thru 12th Voice of Democracy

Theme: Is This the Country the Founders Envisioned? 3-5-minute recording Deadline for the Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy to be submitted to the Post is 10/31/2020.

Full details and rules for the Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy Competitions can be found on the website www.brainerdVFW.org or you can also contact Mark Persons at 218-829-1326.

With back to school still uncertain, please spread the word to friends, relatives, and neighbors.

July is the start of the 2020-2021 Auxiliary year. Do not delay, send your \$20.00 annual dues to Treasurer Dawn Garin, 15751 Firefly Trail, Brainerd or you can drop them off at the club. Your membership cards are mailed from Kansas City, please allow 4-6 weeks to receive your card,

Helen Doucette – Membership Chairman

**Post Dues:** Post Membership Dues are now due for those who pay annually. You can send them to Quartermaster Pat Wing at VFW Post, 309 S 6th Street, Brainerd, MN. 56401. The annual dues are \$35.00



Mark Persons, Webmaster and Post #1647 Chaplain

# **Top Honors!**

The VFW Department of MN gave the "Best Post Website Award "in 2020 to BrainerdVFW.org.

Of the 208 VFW posts in the state, at least four have professionally written websites. BrainerdVFW.org is a volunteer effort. Congratulations and Thank you to Mark Persons for your hard work and dedication.

September 2020

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 5:00 pm Tacos: hardshell, \$2or 3/\$5 softshell \$3or 2/\$5 salad \$4.00 Cribbage – 6:00 pm		Burger Night \$2.00 Burgers French Fries & Domestic tap Beer \$1.00 each	4	5
6	<b>7</b> Labor Day	8 Post & Auxiliary Mtg 7:00pm 5:00 pm Tacos: hardshell, \$2or 3/\$5 softshell \$3or 2/\$5 salad \$4.00 Cribbage - 6:00 pm	3/ \$1.00 Wings \$1.00 fries \$1.00 salad noon - 7pm 500 cards 6:30	Burger Night \$2.00 Burgers French Fries & Domestic tap Beer \$1.00 each	11	12
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VFW Breakfast 8am – noon \$8.00	21	5:00 pm Tacos: hardshell, \$2or 3/\$5 softshell \$3or 2/\$5 salad \$4.00 Cribbage – 6:00 pm Fall Equinox	3/\$1.00 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad noon - 7pm	Burger Night \$2.00 Burgers French Fries & Domestic tap Beer \$1.00 each	Fall Conference At St Cloud	Fall Conference At St Cloud
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