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THE VETS GAZETTE

Comrades,

I hope everyone had a great 4th of July and survived the hot weather. The Color Guard did a great job Marching in the Crosby Parade and Brainerd Parades.

Remember that the VFW picnic is August 8 at 1200. Hope to see you there.

We had quite a few donations this month, a total of \$32,500. They went to the Brainerd Warrior weight room, Pohl Group, Freedom Ranch, Salvation Army, Vets Van fund and to LARSP and also a Scout project at Evergreen Cemetery.

Thanks to all are volunteers, you have a been a big help keeping the club going.

Commander, Chip Borle

Greetings Friends,

Ah, my first newsletter as Auxiliary President of Post 1647. I promise to do my best to lead this organization respectfully and patriotically. Special thanks to Helen Doucette and Dawn Garin for their guidance and tutoring of this novice president.

I would like to thank our members who participated in the Brainerd and Crosby Fourth of July Parades. They represented us proudly and let the people of this community know we are here to support our veterans. The parades were well attended, and the public was very respectful as we and the Post Color Guard marched by them with the American flags.

Thank you for the privilege of attending the State Convention in June. It was quite an education

for me in the protocols and functions of the Auxiliary, and I learned a lot about how things were run at the State level. Please be patient with me as I learn all the ins and outs of this job.

Mark your calendars now for our annual picnic at St. Mathias on August 8. It starts at noon with food to follow shortly thereafter. If you see me there, stop and introduce yourself so I can get to know you. This is your opportunity to share your ideas with me about future. And don't be afraid to call me if you have something to contribute. My phone number is at the top of this newsletter!

One last item – a few of us auxiliary members are getting together on Sunday, August 29, to make greeting cards for our veterans. If you are into scrapbooking/card making and would like to join us, give me or Saundra Swearingen a call for more details.

Yours respectfully, Sue Sterling Auxiliary President



The Corner Lot

6/24 Post Colors – USPS

7/4 Crosby & Brainerd Parades

7/12 Walt Straka

7/16 Francis Richardson

August 3rd – 8th Crow Wing County Fair Come visit us & the Legion at the Beer Garden

Auxiliary Sunshine Report

Get Well wishes to Jess Kowalke and Beverly Roscoe.

Sympathy to the families of Laurel Waddell, Juanita Gakin and Jay Beebe,

Get Well wishes to those who have are ill and sympathy to those who have lost a loved one Helen Doucette - Chairman



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.



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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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Around the Club:

**a BIG THANK YOU to all our new Bingo volunteers and our Sunday Breakfast volunteers. Bingo and Breakfast is back and doing well. Our volunteers do an awesome job! The Post has decided to increase the cost of Breakfast to \$9.00 starting in August. We will have 2 breakfasts in August as there is a 5th Sunday. We hope to see many of our members and families there. **The Annual VFW Picnic will be held on Sunday August 8th at St. Mathias Park starting at noon. The picnic will be again catered by Wal Mart. There will be games, prizes, and lots of fun for all. Please come and enjoy the day. **Post 1647 will be once again manning the Beer Garden in the location of the Mills Stage Please check with Dave Meyer to see if he needs help. **Congratulations to the new officers for the coming year for both the Post and Auxiliary. *Thank you, Sue Sterling Auxiliary President and

Facebook contact we thank, you for the support.

members in both the Post and Auxiliary. So very

**Congratulation to Mark Persons on your AWARDS for the website and the newsletter article. We really have some very talented

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lucky to have you.

July 1st starts our new 2021-2022 year. For those members that pay their dues annually, this is a reminder to send your dues to Treasurer Dawn Garin or drop them off at the club. There is no time like the present. Your \$20.00 annual dues can be mailed to: Dawn Garin, 15751 Firefly Trail, Brainerd MN 56401. 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.



Congratulations

Brainerd VFW Webmaster Mark
Persons gave a talk about how this
website was honored as the #1
Minnesota VFW post website, two
years in a row. There are 203 VFW
posts in the state of which at least
ten have commercially produced
websites. He said our website was
written from the inside with the
help of many post
members. Thank you Mark, for
your hard work and dedication.
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August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	5:00 pm Tacos: \$1 hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad noon - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	6	7 6 th District Meeting @ Monticello
8 VFW Picnic @ St Mathias Park noon	Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	10 Post & Auxiliary Mtg 7:00pm 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1 hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage - 6:00 pm	Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad noon - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	13	14
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22	Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	5:00 pm Tacos: \$1 hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	25 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad noon - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	26 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	27	28
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