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THE VETS GAZETTE

Comrades:

Hello everyone, hope you enjoyed the warm fall season. We got the AC/Heater updated last month so hopefully; we have no problems.

Thanks for the help getting new members to join. We had three new members this last month.

We had a lot of donations this month, around \$13,000. We donated to the Boys Hockey, Big Lake Marine Veteran Campground, Marine Corps League Toys for kids, Breath of Life, General John Vessey Fund, and Vacation Land Ice Skating Club.

Remember to say thank you to our volunteers.

Thanksgiving is coming up so reflect on what you are thankful for.

Commander,
 Chip Borle

Happy Fall Y'All,

We have some requests for unique donations that I'd like you to consider helping with. You can read about them on the following pages of this newsletter. I'd like to share with you, though, what's been happening in October.

We've had a busy October and I want to share some of the happenings with you.

October 9 was the State Fall Convention in Willmar. It was a great experience for me as a new officer. I learned a lot and had a good time sharing the experience with Dawn Garin. There is so much I don't know, and she was there to help answer my questions. Thanks, Dawn.

On October 15 we hosted a fundraiser dinner for the local 4H group, they had it well organized with the kids doing the serving. and it was a great success. It was good to see the young people working and earning money toward their goals for the future.

On Sunday, October 17, we offered veterans a free breakfast as part of National Make a Difference Day. There were 46 veterans partaking of the offer, as well as 126 breakfasts served. And, since there are five Sundays in October, we hosted a second breakfast on October 31. We do make a good Sunday breakfast. I want to thank everyone that helps make them such a success.

On October 22 we hosted a Paint-a-thon for female veterans in an effort to familiarize them with the club make them feel welcome. I'll tell you more about that next month. Be sure to read about the requests we have.

Respectfully submitted,
 Sue Sterling
 Brainerd VFW Auxiliary President



The Blue Light Project

This holiday season consider being part of the nationwide movement to support our police force and

remember our fallen officers.

A simple Blue Light shining in a window, a porch light or an entire tree will show we care!

Like our Veterans, these men and women put their life on the line 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

This year along with our VFW red, white and blue Christmas tree a Blue Light will shine at the Club.

Peace to All,
 Karen Williams
 Community Outreach Chainman

The Corner Lot

9/28 John Wlasiuk

9/29 Stewart C Mills Sr

10/7 Richard Anderson

10/15 Clellan (Tom) Cahoon

9/28 Never Forget Garden dedication
At Arboretum



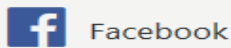
Sunshine Report

Get Well wishes to Ricky Mogenson, we wish you a speedy recovery.

Sympathy to Beth Zahn on the passing of her husband Scott and to Evelyn Toth on the passing of her son Scott Zahn.

Get Well Wishes to those who have been ill and sympathy to those who have lost a loved one.

Helen Doucette Chairman



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Look for us on Facebook
Brainerd VFW Post 1647

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



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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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BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER



The Auxiliary will be holding a Bake Sale in November and December during the regular VFW Breakfast:
Sunday, November 21st
Sunday, December 19th.

If you are able to donate to the bake sale, either baked goods or cash, please call Chairman Lynda Hummel at 218-828-4466.

Your contribution and participation in these events will be greatly appreciated.

Lynda Hummel - Chairman

Mark your calendar, we are expecting Santa on December 18th, 11am – 1pm

Veterans Day is November 11, 2021.

Let's celebrate and honor America's Heroes for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good on veterans Day.

Check out the 6th District Facebook page:
MN VFW 6th . Auxiliary

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.

Auxiliary Requested Needs:

Need #1: At the Sixth District meeting on October 9 this director of the STANDDOWN in St. Cloud shared their purpose and needs of the veterans who come to them, often from off the street. It is a place where any veteran, male and female, can walk in and ask for help, physical, mental, or financial. But what they do need in the coming months is socks – plain white socks – and he requested that we ask our members for donations. Next time you go shopping, why not pick up a package of socks and bring them into the club. We will make sure they get to the STANDDOWN in St. Cloud.

Need #2: The Hospital Committee is asking us to make “shirt protectors” from 22x44 inch towels for the Veterans Homes and hospitals. If you know how to sew and would like to make some of these to donate, patterns are available for cutting out the neckline and sewing in the seam bindings. No Velcro or fasteners are required. If you don’t sew but would like to contribute, please feel free to donate the required size of towels and we will take care of it from there. Low-cost towels can be purchased at Wal-Mart and Target. Contact Lynda Hummel to get a copy of the pattern.

Need #3: Fun socks for our veterans’ homes and hospitals for February. We are told that fun socks are a much-desired items and we would like to cheer up our veterans by distributing happy socks around Valentine’s Day. When you see them hanging on the shelf while you’re shopping, add a pair or two to your cart. They don’t have to be Valentine theme, just something to make a good conversation starter! Bring them into the club and we’ll

November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	2 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	3 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	4 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	5 Red Cross Blood Drive 10am-4pm	6
7 Daylight Savings Time Ends	8 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	9 Post & Auxiliary Mtg 7:00pm 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	10 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	11 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each VETERANS DAY	12	13
14	15 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	16 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	17 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	18 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	19	20
21 VFW Breakfast 8am – noon \$9.00 BAKE SALE	22 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	23 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	24 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	25 HAPPY THANKSGIVING Closed	26	27
28	29 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	30 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm		Club Hours Mon - Sat: Noon-10pm Sunday: Noon-5pm		