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FOR UNCOMMON HEROES

# THE VETS GAZETTE

Comrades:

Hello everyone hope you had a great summer and are enjoying the fall weather.

We gave away \$6500.00 in donations this month. We gave to Brainerd National Child Safety program, Salvation Army, Department Hospital Recreation Fund, National Home, VFW Hockey team, the Pheasants hospitalized Veterans Program, local American Cancer Society, Poppies, and the Art Pub for women Veterans' night.

Thanks to all the volunteer at the club. Without your help we would not be around and thanks to everyone that comes in and supports us. Take care and watch out for one another.

Commander, Chip Borle

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Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

First of all, I'd like to welcome the five new auxiliary members that Helen Doucette recruited this past month. We hope you will visit us often and attend our monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of each month. We really like to get to know you! If you are a bit shy about coming, a mentor can be provided to help you understand how things work. Just give Sue or Helen a call. They'll be glad to help.

Reminder: If you haven't paid your auxiliary dues yet, please get them in to Dawn Garin soon.

*It's football season!* Come to the club on Sundays and watch the Vikings football games with folks who enjoy a good game as much as you do. If you're coming to a noon-time game, bring a dish to share in our potluck. This is Minnesota, dontchaknow! Wearing purple will show that you are a true Vikings supporter. SKOL !!!

Do you have young people in your family or neighborhood? Why not share your patriotic enthusiasm with them and tell them about our two essay contests **with a deadline of October 31**<sup>st</sup>.

Gratefully submitted,

Sue Sterling Auxiliary President

**PATRIOT'S PEN** youth essay contest for students in grades 6-8 encourages young minds to examine America's history, along with their own experienced in modern American Society by drafting a 300–400-word essay expressing their views based on the theme, *How Can I Be a Good American*? Details and entry forms can be found at https://www.brainerdvfw.org/patriots-pen.html

**VOICE OF DEMOCRACY** challenges 9-12 graders with unique opportunity to express themselves in regard to a democratic and patrioticthemed <u>recorded essay</u> with the theme, *America: Where Do We Go From Here?* Details and entry forms can be found at https://www.brainerdvfw.org/voice-ofdemocracy.html

#### The Corner Lot

9/2 Neil R Moede

9/10 Terry Moberg

9/11 All Veterans Memorial



**Flag presentations** 

8/27 Gold Star Families - Camp Ripley 9/2 Lakes Area Foundation - Grandyiew

9/18 Pohl Children's Foundation

#### **Sunshine Report**

Get well wishes to Karen Walton. Sympathy is extended to Deb Schuety on the passing of her husband Michael, to Geraldine Winson on the passing of her husband Marvin and to the families of Genevieve Olson and Marion Siegel. Get well wishes to those who have been ill and sympathy to those who have lost a loved one. Helen Doucette - Chair

Facebook

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

WELCOMES OUR BRAINERD VFW FRIENDS! 708 FRONT STREET · 218-829-2249 www.brainerdlegion255.org

> OPEN 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. Follow us on Facebook!

#### Around the Club:

Sunday breakfast went very well. We would like to say thank you to the 35 and over Softball Team for a great job cooking and serving the breakfast. October finds VFW hosting 2 breakfasts, the regular 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, and the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. The 5th Sunday will be done as a fundraiser breakfast for the Cory Borg-Massanari Fundraiser. This organization helps to place avalanche dogs at ski resorts around the country and also supplies, equipment and training for outdoor safety

Friday October 15<sup>th</sup> there will be a benefit for the 4-H serving Chicken Alfredo.\$10.00 5-7pm. For more info, please call the Club or check the website.

Bingo is going very well The Pohl Foundation is doing great job. The crew for the 3rd Monday is doing a great job, if anyone wishes to help, please call the club, and leave a message. Please don't forget to check out the weekly menu.

#### **October Dates to Remember** This month is cancer awareness month October 11<sup>th</sup> – Columbus Day

October  $13^{\text{th}}$  – US Navy Birthday October  $26^{\text{th}}$  – Day of the Deployed October  $27^{\text{th}}$  – Navy Day October  $31^{\text{st}}$  – Happy Halloween

Check out the 6<sup>th</sup> District Facebook page: MN VFW 6th District Auxiliarv

**July 1<sup>st</sup> 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.



## MAKE A DIFFENENCE DAY

National Make A Difference Day brings community service to a whole new level each year. Organizations join forces on the fourth Saturday in October to make a difference, big or small. Millions of people have united in the common mission to improve the lives of others.

In recognition of Make A Difference Day , the VFW will be honoring our Veterans who have made a difference by serving them a free breakfast at our October 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday Breakfast. Bring you VFW membership card or your military ID to receive your free breakfasts.

October 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Club Hours Mon - Sat: Noon-10pm Sunday: Noon-5pm			Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad noon - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	1	2
3	<b>4</b> Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	<b>5</b> 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1 hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	6 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad noon - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	7 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	8	9
10	<b>11</b> Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	12 Post & Auxiliary Mtg 7:00pm 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage - 6:00 pm	<b>13</b> Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad noon - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	<b>14</b> Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	15 4-H Alfredo Fundraiser 5-7pm \$10.00	16
17 VFW Breakfast 8am – noon \$9.00 MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY Veterans eat free		<b>19</b> 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	\$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad noon - 7pm	21 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	22 Nate's BBQ Dinner Call club for details	23
24 31 Breakfast 8am-noon Fundraiser	25 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	<b>26</b> 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad	<b>28</b> Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	29	30

### Have you made a difference?