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Commander's Corner

It is hard to believe that a year has passed and this is my final newsletter article. Now you can all stop the celebrating and yelling that we don't have to read that long winded Commander's articles anymore.

Seriously, I would like to thank you all for your support this past year. I know that you will give the incoming Commander all the support and help he and his officers may need. Special thanks to my officers, we made it through and didn't get lynched.

I wish the new Post Officers as well as the new officers of the Ladies and Men's Auxiliaries the best of luck. I will continue to support you and the Post to the best of my ability.

For all those who made it to the Mortgage Burning, I hope you had a good time, and that you got enough to eat. This is another example of how the Bailey Trust has benefited the Post, and will continue to do so for many years to come. Just a reminder that we will have some projects coming up and help is always appreciated.

We had a great turnout for the Mother's Day breakfast and thanks to everyone that helped and thanks to Gary Bainter for buying all of the mother's breakfast supplies.

And finally, a big THANK YOU to our Color Guard for once again representing the Post on Memorial Day, by Honoring those who came before us.

Dates to remember:

- 6 June – D-Day : Allied Invasion of Europe 1944
- 14 June – U.S.Army Founded 1775/ Flag Day
- 21 June – Father's Day / First Day of Summer
- 22 June – Pledge of Allegiance recognized by Congress 1942
- GI Bill signed into Law 1944
- 25 June – Korean War Began 1950

Alan Perlman, Commander



Ladies Auxiliary President

Thanks to all who helped me with the last two years as President. Good Luck to the incoming officers on the coming year.

Dinner for Ladies Aux Friday is Open Face Roast Beef Sand, please support our dinner, the proceeds are for the V A Hospital Carnival on June 6th. If anyone wants to volunteer please see me.

District Meeting at our Post on June 7th, elections will be held and installations to follow.

June 24th thru the 28th is the VFW Department Convention.

We donated \$150 to the Reynoldsburg 4th of July parade, The parade begins at 2 PM. If anyone wants to participate in the parade, contact Anna Clendenen.

Thanks to all for your donations of coffee and pop for the V A Hospital.

Mary Shop

614-402-7993





Color Guard

This year has all but come to a close for your Post Color Guard. Many Funerals have been performed, laying our Brothers to rest, with all the dignity, respect and recognition they deserve, and have earned.

This Color Guard has presented the colors at many ceremonies, dinners, special events for Boy Scouts, school functions, senior citizens facilities and extended care homes where many of our Veterans reside, also every District and State function that was a required responsibility as the appointed State Color Guard, and ordered by the State Cmdr.

The Reynoldsburg Post Color Guard has been appointed Approx. 15 times since Cmdr. Terry Roan was elected State Cmdr. in 1991/1992. These Color Guard members have made a commitment to the members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States to always uphold the Dignity, Pride, and Honor, we represent as members of this great organization. The members of all of the Reynoldsburg Color Guards, and we are represented from other Post members as well) have never forgotten that we are Family, Comrades, but most of all, we are brothers first and foremost.

The meeting of the Color Guard in May brought a few changes in the election of Officers for the Year 2009/2010; Color Guard Capt. Steve (Tracks) Trimmer, Second Lt. Gary (Jaws) Pfaff, and First Lt. Mark (Chili Man) Pheister, who is also our Treasurer, Geoff Ludwig was also appointed as the Sgt. at Arms. Congratulations to all of those accepting these positions.

Many thanks goes to Geoff Ludwig for the eight years Geoff has given to this Color Guard, his dedication and commitment to the funerals and special programs has been a major reason this Color Guard is as respected around the State and that other posts are following our every move. Geoff has definitely brought respect and recognition to this Color Guard, again thanks for all you have done for us.

Our last duty will take place on June 24th thru the 28th, when we will be at the state convention in Cincinnati. This will be the final responsibility for this year as we will honor our State Cmdr. Richard Uzl Jr. in his final days and dedicate ourselves to the newly elected State Cmdr. Leon Johnson from Dist. Two in Spencerville Ohio.

This Color Guard will not be the State Color Guard in 2009/2010, as newly elected State Cmdr. Leon Johnson has asked his own Post Color Guard to represent the State. I, along with all of the rest of the members of our Reynoldsburg Post 9473 wish you the best in your year as State Color Guard, congratulations.

I, as Captain of this Color Guard, would like to thank all of the members who have dedicated and made a commitment this year as State Color Guard, you have brought a great deal of respect to this Post and it's members, again thanks for all of your support, but our job is not done nor will it ever be as long as our brothers are in harms way.

May God Bless All of our Veterans serving in harms way, in Iraq, Afghanistan and throughout the World, and keep them safe, to return home to their loved ones.

Gary Pfaff—Color Guard Capt.



Men's Auxiliary

Greetings again from the VFW Post 9473 Men's Auxiliary. Thanks to all who come out and support our monthly Fish Fry and our Beer, Burgers and Brats. Please check the calendar for the dates each month.

Please pass the word about our new member campaign. Referring a new member to the Men's Auxiliary can win you up to \$150.00 in free gas. By joining the Men's Auxiliary you are showing your support for our veterans, our troops and our country. We are an important part of the community.

Our meetings follow the Fish Fry on the third Friday of the month at approximately 8:30 PM. Please try to attend.

Ron Stake—President



Canteen Manager

2nd Wednesday is brats and beer with the Men's Auxiliary, 4th is chicken wings. We still need help for Wednesday Dinners, if no one steps up, we will only have two of them every month. I need a list of people for July to sponsor a Wednesday Dinner.

June 12th Color Guard Cook Out PLUS DJ & Karaoke with David & Faye. Come on down for Food and Fun!

We will hold a Father's Day breakfast on June 21st. We will need all the ladies to help plz!! 9am till Noon, it will be as good as Mother's Day.

We are having a summer Christmas party soon, so start buying your gifts and look for flyers in canteen for dates. We will be planning party's outside when the weather improves. Watch for flyers and check the web site often for new events!

Would like to thank all who helped to make the canteen so much better!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
God bless our troops!

Terri Wilhelm-Canteen Mgr.



JUNE 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 House Committee Mtg.	5 Ladies Aux. Open Face Roast Beef Sandwich	6 Patients Summer Carnival 1-3 PM Chillicothe VA
7 District Mtg. At our Post 10 AM Elections and Installation following	8 Ladies Aux. Mtg. 6:30 PM	9 Post Member Mtg. 7:30 PM	10 Brats, Beer & Burgers	11	12 Color Guard Steak Cook Out DJ David—KARAOKE	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Men's Aux. Fish Fry Mtg. follows	20
21 Fathers Day Breakfast 9 AM to Noon	22	23	24 Chicken Wings Dept. Convention Thru 28th	25	26 Canteen To be announced.	27 Yard Sale 10 to 5 Sun 11 to 5
28 V A Hospital Visit	29	30				

VFW Website

The web site set a new record of visits in April with just over 14,000 hits, nearly doubling that of March. Images from the mortgage burning party are now on the site. We have a new "**Services**" page coming to the site. A little background:

One of our members got a bad deal from a contractor on a home repair. Along with a series of discussions on work members were performing for the Post, it was suggested that a list be developed of services Veterans could do for other Veterans and the community.

So we now have a Services web page for that very reason. These are not free services, but services at a reasonable rate **by Veterans for Veterans**. If any member of the Post, including the Ladies Auxiliary, Mens Auxiliary, or Color Guard have a service they would like to provide (home repair, car repair, landscaping, etc.) for other Veterans, VFW members, or the community, and would like to advertise it, please have them send me an email:

{webadmin@vfwpost9473.org} for inclusion on the list.

For members that do not have email, please call me: 614-546-8303. This is a great opportunity for free advertising and exposure. The services page will be linked from the main page on our website: www.vfwpost9473.org

If you have any content you would like posted to the website, especially of historical or Post interest, or if you find something wrong with the site, please contact me.

Keep on WebSurfing.

YARD SALE

June 27th and June 28th 2009 YARD SALE

Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM, Sunday 11 AM to 5 PM

Tables \$10—Individuals \$20 to Vendors call the Post for details

Proceeds to benefit local Veterans and Community

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