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### Commander's Corner

The election results are in and here is our slate of officers for the coming year:

Commander – Larry Brown  
 Sr. Vice - John Johnston  
 Jr. Vice - Keith Steimle  
 Quartermaster – Bob Kaplinsky  
 Judge Advocate – Gary Pfaff  
 Surgeon – Steve Trimmer  
 Chaplain – Russ Bradshaw  
 3 Yr trustee – Alan Perlman  
 1 Yr trustee – Roy Cox (to fill vacant position)

House Committee – Mark Pheister,  
 Leroy Clendenen, Ty Thomason, Keith Steimle and  
 John Johnston.

There's a lot of exciting things happening at the Post, yet only 17 members were at the meeting to elect officers. Below are some opportunities to get involved. I encourage all members to join in.

Poppy sales will be 8-9 May, please sign up for a time slot to make this year's event a success.

Now that warm weather is here we have to start thinking about the repairs that are needed to be done to the outside of the Post building. We will be getting a list of projects together. Hopefully you will be able to find time to help out with some of them.

A little preventative maintenance goes a long way in keeping things in good condition. If you have anything that you think needs repaired, please tell one of the Post officers.

It is time to start planning this year's Post Picnic. Look for meeting notices, volunteer sign up sheets, etc. We need everyone's participation to make this work, thanks in advance for your help. Please see Larry Brown if you have questions or want to help.

Memorial Day (Observed) is the 25<sup>th</sup> of this month and the Color Guard will be busy as usual. Please try to attend the ceremony at the Post at noon that day.

Remember to fly your Flag. Also fly it on the REAL Memorial Day 30 May.

Dates to remember:

- 1 May – Law day/Loyalty Day  
                     No Pants Day (please do not try this in the canteen)
- 7May – Unconditional Surrender of all German  
                     Forces Signed (1945)  
                     National Day of Prayer
- 8 May - V-E Day declared
- 10May – Mothers Day
- 11 May – Eat what you want day (thought that was everyday!)
- 15 May – Peace Officers Memorial Day
- 16 May - Armed Forces Day
- 22 May – National Maritime Day
- 25 May – Memorial Day (observed)
- 30 May – Memorial Day

**Alan Perlman, Commander**





**Ladies Auxiliary President**

Congratulations to the ladies who were elected at this months meeting for the upcoming year (2009-2010).

They are as follows: President - Zonna Moehl

Senior Vice - Terri Wilhelm

Jr. Vice—Nancy Cox

Treasurer - Anna Clendenen

Chaplain—Kelly Cruse

Conductress - Dottie Vanderpool

Guard—Shelia Johnston

Please come out to support these ladies with all of our programs to help our Veteran's and the community. We can not do this without the help of our Auxiliary members.

May 2nd is Loyalty Day. There is a parade in Sunbury at 10:00 am, please come out to join us. There will be a reception at the Sunbury Post to follow. Check with the Post to see when the Memorial Day celebrations will be held.

Hospital visit is the fourth Sunday of the month. We are still in need of pop and coffee if you could donate any please drop it off at the Post.

May's dinner will be on May 1<sup>st</sup> with Nancy Cox cooking Pork Chops with Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable and Cherry Cheese Cake for dessert. Please come out and eat. The proceeds going to Cancer Aid and Research. Dottie is having Breakfast on May 31, proceeds also go to Cancer Aid.

Our prayers go out to Marion Kramer who is at Wesley Ridge. They also go out to anyone in need including our men and women in harms way.

**Mary Shop**

**614-402-7993**



**Canteen Manager**

We will be cleaning up the patio in the month of May. We need help and ideas to make the patio area clean and inviting. If anyone has any old patio furniture or accessories in decent condition we would like to take it off your hands.

The Post is sponsoring a Mothers Day breakfast on May 10th, we need help and customers. We will give each mother a flower and need all to attend. Proceeds to Annual Picnic Fund. Flyers will be posted with more information.

We need volunteers to cook the first and third Wednesday in May. Men's Auxiliary takes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday with beer and brats and 4th Wednesday manned by Color Guard.

Memorial Day, the Post will supply the meat and we need everyone to bring a dish. Sign up sheet at the canteen. Our Color Guard will be performing a ceremony at the Flag Pole at Noon, among many other destinations for that day. Please plan on attending.

**Terri Wilhelm-Canteen Mgr.**

**Men's Auxiliary**

Greetings again from the Men's Auxiliary. Elections will be held this month please come to the meeting after the Fish Fry and cast your vote. Currently our slate of officers is:

Ron Stake Sr.- President, Ron Stake Jr. - Vice President, Roger Cruse - Treasurer, Tony Mossor—Secretary and Corbett Doss—Sgt at Arms. Your officers are dedicated to the Men's Auxiliary and the Post. We sincerely appreciate being part of VFW Post 9473.

Don't forget about our membership drive. It's an opportunity to win up to \$150 in free gas. Thank you to all who come out for our Fish Fry. Your patronage has made this a success. Hope to see you at the Post.

**Ron Stake—President**



**New VFW Website**

The website is coming along nicely. The Gallery is up and running with two pages of Post related images. I encourage members to send their Post related pictures in for inclusion. The Color Guard had a photo shoot on Monday, that picture is now available on the website, via the Color Guard page.

The News feed page has been updated, and now includes two feeds from the Veterans Affairs website. News Feeds are updated automatically from the source, such as the VFW.org site or VA.gov. Also new to the site are a FAQ and "Exchange" pages.

As of today (12 April) the post web site has had 6505 hits, With a maxim 2008 hits on April 9th. April is rapidly catching up to last months total of 7273.

The site is also going to be entered in the VFW 2009 Web Award Competition. There are two categories: State and District/Post. The VFW Post 9473 site will be put in for the District/Post category. For details, please visit the VFW News Feed on our site.














As always a copy of the Newsletter can be found on the web site. If there is something members think the site needs, or should be fixed, please have them contact me. htjefferson@ieee.org

**Howard Jefferson**



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| Sun  | Mon  | Tue   | Wed   | Thu   | Fri  | Sat  |
|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|
|  |  |   |   |   | <b>1</b> <br>Ladies Aux<br>Dinner—Pork<br>Chops, M Pot.<br>Veg Proceeds to<br>Cancer Fund | <b>2</b><br><b>Loyalty<br/>           Day at<br/>           Sunbury<br/>           10 AM</b> |
| <b>3</b>   | <b>4</b><br>Poppy Sales<br>this Fri &<br>Sat., please<br>sign up for a<br>slot   | <b>5</b> <br>Finance<br>Committee<br>Mtg.<br>1900                              | <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b> <br>House<br>Committee<br>Mtg<br>1930 | <b>8</b> <br>Color Guard<br><b>Steak<br/>           Cook Out</b>                          | <b>9</b><br>Poppy Sales<br>8th and 9th,<br>please HELP<br>8 am to 4 pm                       |
| <b>10</b> <br><b>Mothers<br/>           Day<br/>           Breakfast<br/>           8 to Noon</b>   | <b>11</b> <br>Ladies Aux.<br>Meeting<br>6:30 PM | <b>12</b> <br>Post<br><b>Member<br/>           Mtg.<br/>           7:30 PM</b> | <b>13</b> <br><b>Brats &amp;<br/>           Beer</b> | <b>14</b>   | <b>15</b> <br>Men's Aux.<br>Fish Fry<br>Mtg Follows<br>David & Faye DJ                    | <b>16</b>  |
| <b>17</b> <br><br><br>Officer<br>Installation<br>2 PM | <b>18</b>  | <b>19</b>   | <b>20</b><br>We need<br>cooks for<br>Wednesday<br>Nites   | <b>21</b>   | <b>22</b><br><b>Canteen<br/>           Nite</b>  | <b>23</b>  |
| <b>24</b> <br><b>V A<br/>           Hospital<br/>           Visit</b>   | <b>25 - Memorial<br/>           Day (Observed)</b><br>Color Guard<br>Ceremony at the<br>Flag Pole<br>NOON                        | <b>26</b>   | <b>27</b><br><b>Color<br/>           Guard<br/>           Cooking</b>   | <b>28</b>   | <b>29</b><br><b>5th Friday<br/>           Surprise<br/>           Volunteer<br/>           to Cook!!</b>   | <b>30</b><br><b>Memorial<br/>           Day<br/>           (For Real)</b>                    |
| <b>31</b><br><b>Dotties<br/>           Breakfast<br/>           8 to Noon</b><br>Proceeds to<br>Cancer Fund  |  |   |   |   |  |  |

## Reynoldsburg Community Easter Egg Hunt

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the annual Reynoldsburg Community Easter Egg Hunt.

Thank you to Kenny Young, VFW Men's Auxiliary, VFW Color Guard, VFW Post Charities, Target, Lions Club and Walmart on State Route 256 as well as our VFW Ladies Auxiliary for their donations.

Thank you to all who helped stuff and distribute the eggs and those that helped man the Easter Lines at the Park. Without you this would not be a success.

Once again thank you!!

Fran Trimmer  
Youth Chairman

## Loyalty Day (From the VFW Website)

Loyalty Day originally began as "Americanization Day" in 1921 as a counter to the Communists' May 1 celebration of the Russian Revolution. On May 1, 1930, 10,000 VFW members staged a rally at New York's Union Square to promote patriotism.

Through a resolution adopted in 1949, May 1 evolved into Loyalty Day. Observances began in 1950 on April 28 and climaxed May 1 when more than five million people across the nation held rallies. In New York City, more than 100,000 people rallied for America. In 1958 Congress enacted Public Law 529 proclaiming Loyalty Day a permanent fixture on the nation's calendar.

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