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Special points of interest:

- **Get to know your Members**
- **VA Volunteerism Initiative begins**

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The Franklin-Sloan Mail Call

VFW Commander's Brief

Comrades, Sisters, and Brothers,

Hopefully by now you've heard the great news, we have new HVAC units! We had a member come forward and loan us the amount needed to replace both units. All went well, and as you read this newsletter, both of the units are in and operational! This is an awesome accomplishment for all members of 7383 especially given where

we were at this time last year. Please, keep in mind we still need to pay the loan back to the anonymous member. You're asking, how can I help? Stop by the canteen and bring your friends to beat the heat plus have an ice cold beverage, lead a fundraising event for the building fund, donate to our Go Fund Me campaign, share our Go Fund Me campaign page with everyone. Feel free to do all of the above and know at the

end of the day, you can say I helped pay for those units. Please also come out to our meetings and events, we'd like to see everyone get involved with the Post again. I look forward to seeing you at the Post.
<http://www.gofundme.com/caryvfwpost7383>

David H. Watts
 Commander
 Post 7383



Ladies' Auxiliary President's Address

Sisters, Brothers and Comrades, I hope you're all enjoying the beautiful weather or managing to stay somewhat cool (depending on your preference) this summer! I'd like to start off by reiterating the new and exciting news that was discussed in the joint meeting on July 21st just in case you missed it. It's finally a done deal! The "Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW" has now become the "VFW Auxiliary" - since the National Convention just approved male members to join the organization effective on August 21st, 2015. This has the potential to double our Auxiliary resources so that we can do more for our veterans. We are calling for all qualified male members to submit their applications if you so choose to do so. We want to get new members approved at our August meetings, and mail them out in time to send them to National on the first day that they

will accept them. Let's be first! The number of women serving in our nations military has grown tremendously and therefore, the VFW wanted to be sure their family members were afforded the same opportunity to support them through the VFW Auxiliary as their male comrades. In doing so, it has enabled male and female spouses, grandparents, parents, siblings, children, and grandchildren of a VFW qualifying veteran to join the Auxiliary. The Auxiliary has been in existence for over 100 years serving veterans who served in harm's way for our country and insuring that veterans in need get assistance for themselves and their families. The support also includes ensuring Americans remember that the freedoms we enjoy are due to the honorable and loyal service of our military, so their service is not only remembered but appreciated.

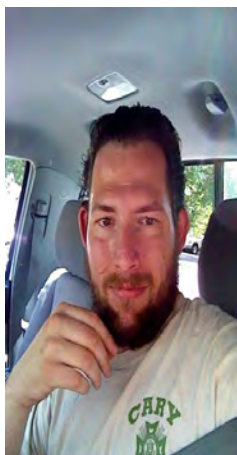
On another note, we are in full swing for planning the Veterans Fall Festival for September 12th. It's our biggest fundraiser of the year and we need all the helping hands we can get! We are hosting meetings for this fundraiser every other Monday night at 6:30 PM at the post. We'll be meeting again in August on the 10th and the 24th so please join us if you can and help make our Fall Festival this year the best its ever been. Our next monthly business meeting is on August 18th at 7 PM and I hope to see you all there. Until then, have a safe summer! Respectfully,

Kerri Zinkievich
 Ladies Auxiliary President
 Post 7383





MON-WED, FRI-SAT
Noon-8:00 PM
919.633-1801
www.shortiescafe.com



Jerred Hawkins



The Cary VFW Thrift Store's
Hours are Tuesday through
Saturday from 10:00-4:00, &
10:00-7:00 on Thursdays.
There are always great deals
and new merchandise every
day.

Men's Auxiliary President's Address

Brothers, Sisters, and Comrades,
we have a recently joined member, Jeff Christian, was in a motorcycle accident. he is doing the best he can be and has been transported from SC to wake county, recovering at a rehab center of SR 751. If you would like

more details please contact Chris Verdon or Frank Gates. We will dedicate the fire pit where we have and will continue to retire our Nation's Flags in memory of our previous Men's Auxiliary President, Curtis Morris, on August 23rd, 2015. The family wishes this to be a

private event, open only to relatives and members. For more information, contact myself or Jack Miller.

William Wyrosdick
Men's
Auxiliary
President



Getting to know your Members: Jerred Hawkins

Jerred Hawkins served in the United States Navy from Feb 15, 2005- Feb 9, 2015, and also served in Operation Iraqi Freedom & Operation New Dawn as a (Seabee) Utilitiesman 2nd (EXW). From a very young age he always knew what he wanted to do in life and that was to serve his country in the US Navy. It was the only way he had to get out of his state. He attended Boot camp at Great Lakes, Ill from Feb 15, 2005-April 15, 2005, A school- Wichita Falls, TX from Apr 18, 2005- Aug 1, 2005, before being stationed at Sigonella Sicily from 2005 to 2007. From there he joined the Naval Special Warfare Group 2

LOGSU CSSD, deployed twice to Baghdad and served with SEAL Teams 4 & 8, as well as working at Camp David towards the end of his Navy Career in 2015.

After leaving the Navy Jerred was ready for a change in life. As much as he loves his family back in Indiana, but it was not a place where he felt like at home. As a suggestion from a friend to look into this area, he did. To his surprise it had everything he was looking for in an area to live and settle down. It has only been 9 months so far and he says, "I'm enjoying my decision to the fullest!" Just to name a few, he enjoys home brewing, fishing, kayaking,

hunting, metal detecting, bicycling, hiking, traveling and exploring the local area.

Jerred joined the Cary VFW stay involved and keep giving back to those that have, still or want to join in the future. "Giving never ends," he says. To New members, Jerred says, "Thanks!! Welcome aboard, the idea that we're instilled in us to always look after our shipmates does not end once we are discharged. Looking out for each other is still a priority that we need to do. Come on into the post and find out the many ways to get involved."

Chaplain's Corner

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Ladies' Auxiliary
Chaplain:
Diane Waters
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Men's Auxiliary
Chaplain
Don Beebe

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Sister Sara Mary Lopez injured her knee last week. Nothing is broken, and she'll follow up on Friday. That being said, the Thrift Store is closed while she recovers.

Jeff Christian, was in a motorcycle accident. he is

doing the best he can be and has been transported from SC to wake county, recovering at a rehab center of SR 751. if you would like more details please contact Chris Verdon or Frank Gates.

Are you a female who have served in the U.S. military?

Please help me with my doctoral dissertation!



My name is Kailyn Bobb and I am a clinical psychology doctoral student at Alliant International University in Sacramento. I am recruiting females have who served in any branch of the U.S. military (I am a female veteran as well!) to complete a set of surveys about veteran identity, preference and use for VA services, and reintegration.

I am looking for:

- Females who have served in any branch and component of the U.S. military
 - Served for at least 24 consecutive months
 - No longer serving
- Were discharged in conditions other than dishonorable

Participation is voluntary and involves the completion of an anonymous survey. Email me at womenveteran@gmail.com for a paper packet or link.

You may also complete it online by clicking:

https://qtrial2014az1.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_0UkzfEkQE6rs5BX

Femle Veteran Identity Survey

Email: womenveteran@gmail.com

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TARHEEL CHAPTER

AAAA Tarheel Chapter 2015 Golf Tournament



TARHEEL CHAPTER

Date & Time:

9 October 2015
0730 Registration
0900 Shotgun Start

Location:

River Ridge Golf Club
3224 Auburn Knightdale Road,
Raleigh, NC 27610

Type Tournament:

4 Person Team, Captain's Choice

Cause:

All proceeds go to the Tarheel AAAA
Scholarship Fund

Contact/Volunteer Information:

If you would like to Volunteer please
contact Patrick Szvetitz at
Patrick.szvetitz@gmail.com
c. (813)625-7009

Fees:

\$75 Per Player
Mulligan's for sale at registration

Includes:

Breakfast and lunch
Green fees, cart, and range balls

Who Can Play:

Tournament is open to the public,
you don't have to be a AAAA Member

Deadline for Registration:

All applications & money must be in by
25 September to finalize details

Prizes for:

Top three teams
Worst team, Closest to pin,
Longest drive

Collars and Soft Spikes Required

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Make Checks Payable to: AAAA Tarheel Chapter

Name	Address	E-mail	Phone #	Handicap/ avg. score

Mail stub and check to: Patrick Szvetitz 7313 Pekin Dr, Willow Spring, NC 27592

Arming Troops at Home

Defense Secretary Ash Carter on Wednesday ordered the military services to develop new policies that could potentially arm more military personnel who are not regularly engaged in law enforcement responsibilities. Entitled "Force Protection Recommendations Following the Chattanooga Shooting," the secretary's memorandum orders the services to review their force protection and security policies, programs and procedures, particularly for the military's 7,000 off-base facilities located on college campuses, in leased shopping mall office space, and elsewhere. His memo focuses on a review of DOD Directive 5210.56, in which the arming of personnel not regularly engaged in security or law enforcement could be extended to qualified personnel based on the threat and immediate need to protect DOD property and lives. Also under consideration could be the application of the *Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004*, which in 2013 was extended to allow credentialed military personnel who actively work in law enforcement to conceal carry while off duty in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. It does not, however, authorize them to conceal carry while on duty, unless their military duties require it. The service secretaries have until Aug. 21 to submit their courses of action. Read Carter's memo at:

<http://www.vfw.org/uploadedFiles/ForceProtectionRecommendationsMemo.pdf>

Shortie's is Going Out of Sight

It is with a heavy heart (and empty stomach) I inform everyone that the last day (until further notice) to get any food from Shortie's Out of Sight Café will be the 15th of August. Due to personal reasons, Lily will be closing for an undetermined amount of time. The house committee is discussing options for this period of time; so, if you have any recommendations, please let a member of the house committee know, or, better yet, attend the next house committee meeting. On behalf of Franklin-Sloan, Cary VFW Post 7383, I would like to thank Lily for all of her hard work and delicious food!! We love you and will miss you... and your cooking!! –RRL



Post T-Shirts are still for sale for \$10. Shirts are available at the Canteen!!

"On behalf of Franklin-Sloan, Cary VFW Post 7383, I would like to thank Lily for all of her hard work and delicious food!! We love you and will miss you... and your cooking!!" – Richard R. Lopez
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Thrift Store & Shortie's Closed on Sundays	3 Thrift Store Closed on Mondays Shortie's Open	4 Thrift Store Closed Shortie's Open	5 Thrift Store Closed Shortie's Open	6 Shortie's Closed on Thursdays Thrift Store Closed	7 Thrift Store Closed Shortie's Open	8 Thrift Store Closed Shortie's Open;
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Cary VFW Thrift Store



FRANKLIN-SLOAN
CARY VFW POST 7383

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When any customer mentions this add, the owner will donate 25% of the bill to the Cary VFW Post 7383!!

The VFW Thrift Store did good for July! We're coming up into the holidays and due to an overwhelming amount of holiday donations, Christmas will be coming early this year. So keep an eye out for sales related to that.

If the store needs to be closed for any reason it will be posted on its Facebook page and sent out via email. If you would like to be added to the email list, email "add me" to caryvfw7383thriftstore@gmail.com.

I'm still working on donations and we are getting steady donations in addition, which is AWESOME! So, definitely keep checking Facebook for anything you may be interested in.

I have a business appreciation board at the store of places I suggest to customers whenever a particular conversation may strike. It includes shoppers businesses, as well as places I've gone to that are willing to promote the store in any way they can. If you or someone you know would like me to post their business card, let me know.

The best way to get a hold of me is by email:
CaryVFW7383ThriftStore@Gmail.com

The Cary VFW Thrift Store
522 Reedy Creek Rd
Cary NC
Tue-Sat 10-4pm/ Thur 10-7pm

Would you like to get daily pictures of all the new donations that come in? If so, please email "add me" to:
CaryVFW7383ThriftStore@Gmail.com



Upcoming Events/Important Dates

August 6th: Bingo Night (Volunteers Needed)

August 10th: Officer's Meeting 6:30 PM*

*(changed due to scheduling conflicts; all invited)

August 11th: Business Meeting (Attend and let your voice be heard!!)

August 13th: Bingo Night (Volunteers Needed)

August 15th: Lily's Last Night Operating Shortie's until Further Notice

August 20th: Bingo Night (Volunteers Needed)

August 21st: Ladies and Men's Auxiliaries to the VFW combine to create The Auxiliary to the VFW

August 27th: Bingo Night (Volunteers Needed)



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If there is anything you'd like mentioned in the newsletter, just email me at Richard.lopez1978@gmail.com.