

Franklin-Sloan VFW  
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NEWSLETTER

June 2014



## A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER

Comrades, Sisters, and Brothers,

I'd like to start off saying thanks to each of the officers and committee members for everything you've done this past year and especially a huge thank you to Andy for his dedication to the post. I'd like to also thank everyone that has participated in the recent events at the post and applauded each person who has given up hours of their free time to volunteer, it doesn't go unnoticed. While I'm talking about volunteering please keep in mind we're always in need of more helping hands not only at the post, but also away from the post picking up items we need, contacting people, asking for donations, etc. I ask everyone to give some time to your Comrades, Sisters, and Brothers by lending a helping hand. Too help keep all of the members informed of upcoming and long range events, I have asked Comrade Grimes to send out more frequent e-mails. Finally, the survey responses have been read and we are working on ways to incorporate your suggestions. A new smoke eater was recently purchased due to the comments at the post and from the survey. Many members have stated that it makes a huge difference. If you have not been to the post recently, please come by and chat with everyone.

**David H. Watts**  
**Commander VFW Post 7383**

## LADIES AUXILIARY

Hello Comrades, Sisters and Brothers,

First of all, I'd like to say thank you to Laura Verdon for all of her support and dedication to the Ladies Auxiliary at VFW Post 7383 these past few years! Secondly, a big Thank You to all of the Comrades, Ladies Auxiliary and Men's Auxiliary members of Post 7383 that have been so supportive of my transition into my new role as President. Lastly I'd like to thank all of my sisters who have volunteered their time and energy into taking on an officer role – I'm sure I'll need your help and I look forward to working with you all. I know with Laura moving up in the VFW world I have some very large shoes to fill! With all of your help and support I'm sure it'll be a very successful year and hopefully a smooth transition. While I'm sure there will be a bit of a learning curve (and your patience is appreciated) I know I'm up for the challenge and proud to be involved in and help support such a great organization!

Now onto some business – as most of you know we are in full swing for planning our 5th annual Veteran’s Vendor Fair! The vendor fair will be on July 12th this year from 10-4. Thanks to everyone who continues to show support by coming to meetings and helping us in obtaining vendors and donations to our silent auction. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and I would encourage all of the ladies auxiliary members to get involved in any way that you are able. As we all know – it takes many hands and many hours of work to put this together. Whether that is volunteering at the event, helping to solicit donations or finding vendors I hope each of you will find some small way to help contribute. I’m sure it’ll be our most profitable event to date but we still have a lot of work to do to prepare. That being said; we’ll have weekly meetings at the VFW on Tuesday nights at 6:30pm. I hope to see your smiling faces there! Thank you all again and I look forward to the ensuing year!

*Kerri Zinkievich*  
*Ladies Auxiliary President*



Please keep Comrade Gordon Commodore in your thoughts and prayers.

**For Prayer Requests:**

Please keep our service men and women, as well as their families in your thoughts and prayers.

**Post Chaplain:**  
James Samsel

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**Ladies Auxiliary Chaplain:**  
Diane Waters

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**Men’s Auxiliary Chaplain:**  
Curtis Morris

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If you know of any Comrade, Sister or family members that are sick, ill or in distress, please contact your Chaplain.

**Healing Prayer**

*Heavenly Father, we pray that You will lay your healing Hands upon all those who are sick. We beg You to have compassion on all those who are suffering so that they may be delivered from their pitiful circumstances. In Jesus, we pray. Amen.*

## MEN’S AUXILLIARY

Post 7383 Men's Auxiliary,

Recently installed officers of Post 7383 Men's Auxiliary:

President	Curtis Morris
Senior Vice President	Larry Waters
Junior Vice President	Will Wyrosdick
Treasurer	Tom Breslin
Secretary	Jack Miller
Chaplain	Don Beebe
3-Year Trustee	Tom King
2-Year Trustee	Kevin Williams
1- Year Trustee	John Varnum

There will be a flag retirement ceremony at 1:00 PM on the 70th Anniversary of D-Day, June 6.

I appreciate all the good wishes from my fellow Auxiliary members and Post members. I look forward to making a significant contribution to Post 7383's Mission.

**Curtis Morris**  
**President Men's Auxiliary**

### CARY VFW POST 7383 2014-2015 ELECTED & APPOINTED POST AND AUXILIARY OFFICERS



Officer	Name	Officer	Name	Officer	Name
Commander	David Watts	President	Kerri Zinkievich	President	Curtis Morris
Senior Vice Commander	David "Chainsaw" Wrench	Senior Vice President	Kathy Voss	Senior Vice President	Larry Waters
Junior Vice Commander	Lacy Evans	Junior Vice President	Brooke Gagne-Manix	Junior Vice President	Will Wyrosdick
Quartermaster	James Smith	Treasurer	Amy Johnson	Treasurer	Tom Breslin
Chaplain	Jim Samsel	Chaplain	Diane Waters	Chaplain	Don Beebe
Trustee 1 Yr.	Chris Eargle	Conductress	Rudi Ann Duncan	Secretary	Jack Miller
Trustee 2 Yr.	Rich Lopez	Guard	Jan Gremillion	Trustee 1 Yr.	John Varnum
Trustee 3 Yr.	Charles "CJ" Jackson	Trustee 1 Yr.	Rudi Ann Duncan	Trustee 2 Yr.	Kevin Williams
House Committee 1 Yr.	David "Chainsaw" Wrench	Trustee 2 Yr.	Linda White	Trustee 3 Yr.	Tom King
House Committee 2 Yr.	Bob Perdiue	Trustee 3 Yr.	Laura Verdon		
House Committee 3 Yr.	Jim Roberson	Secretary	Lynn Edwards		
Judge Advocate	Bob Wells	Patriotic Instructor	Christi Wimmer		
Surgeon	Rich Lopez	Historian	Jill McNabb		
Adjutant	Rich Grimes				
Service Officer	David "Chainsaw" Wrench				

# Mark Your Calendar

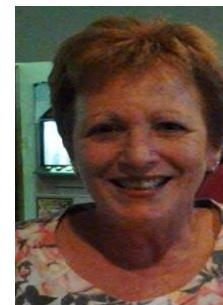
## JUNE

• June 1	Officers Meeting	9:00 AM
• June 5 – 8	Department Convention (Greensboro, NC)	
• June 6	D-Day Anniversary	
• June 6	Flag Retirement Ceremony	1:00 PM
• June 7	Post 7383 Annual Golf Tournament (Sanford, NC)	8:00 AM
• June 14	Flag Day/Army Birthday	
• June 15	Father's Day	
• June 17	Monthly Membership Meeting	7:00 PM
• June 21	First Day of Summer	
• June 28	Filipino Food Fest	NOON

To have important dates or events added to our next Newsletter please contact Beth at: [RobersonB@nc.rr.com](mailto:RobersonB@nc.rr.com)

## MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Thanks for the opportunity to be selected as your Member of the Month. My name is Laura Verdon and I've been the Ladies Auxiliary President for 4 years starting in June of 2010 wrapping it up in June 2014, long time to look at this old face. I joined the Ladies Auxiliary in 2008 under the service of my father. He served in World War II, US Army. He and his twin brother joined together starting in Baltimore, Maryland to receive their medical training and where he met my mother who was training for nursing. A very short courtship, they married before he was deployed. Out of their marriage I have one sister, Patricia and one brother, James, I'm the youngest and to hear them tell it the one that got the most, I think it was because I was just so darn cute.



I'm married, 18 years to Bob Verdon, not our first marriages so we have an extensive blended family our children in order of age; Connie Haithcock, her husband Stuart, Chris Verdon and his pal and our adopted boy, Frank Gates, Robbie Verdon and his wife Cindy, Christi Wimmer with her man friend Bill, and Jeffrey Wimmer with his woman friend Layvonne. We have 6 grandchildren, Amanda, Chad, Callie, Matthew, Carmen, the youngest is Kayden, almost 3 that you hear me talk about the most, we are proud of all the children and grandchildren for their accomplishments.

Employed by First Citizens Bank for 36 years I officially retired in August 2013. I began contracting with the Bank in November 2013 where I continue today.

Recently elected District President, I'm excited to continue my quest to serve Veterans and their families. I will also be the Americanism chairperson for the State Department President, Janice Holms.

I'll continue to support our Ladies Auxiliary and Post now and in years to come and I'm thankful to all that have supported me over the years. Without the wonderful ladies in the auxiliary my four years as President would have yielded nothing and I'm humbled by the number of volunteer hours they give in support of Veteran's and their families.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Verdon



JUNE 14TH:

THE BIRTHDAY OF THE U.S. ARMY

# SHORTIE'S KITCHEN CALENDAR

## June 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 CLOSED ON SUNDAYS	2 OPEN	3 OPEN	4 OPEN	5 CLOSED ON THURSDAYS	6 OPEN	7 CLOSING EARLY FOR HALL RENTAL
8 CLOSED ON SUNDAYS	9 OPEN	10 OPEN	11 OPEN	12 CLOSED ON THURSDAYS	13 OPEN	14 CLOSED FOR POST EVENT - FLAG DAY/ARMY BIRTHDAY
15 CLOSED ON SUNDAYS	16 OPEN	17 OPEN	18 OPEN	19 CLOSED ON THURSDAYS	20 CLOSING EARLY FOR HALL RENTAL	21 OPEN
22 CLOSED ON SUNDAYS	23 OPEN	24 OPEN	25 OPEN	26 CLOSED ON THURSDAYS	27 OPEN	28 OPEN (FILIPINO FOOD FEST)
29 CLOSED ON SUNDAYS	30 OPEN					



CARY VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS  
LADIES AUXILIARY  
522 REEDY CREEK ROAD  
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PRESENTS:



RAFFLE FOR 50" FLAT SCREEN TV

SILENT AUCTION

**5TH ANNUAL VENDOR FAIR**  
SATURDAY, JULY 12TH, 2014  
FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM  
INDOOR EVENT/RAIN OR SHINE

Local Artists, Crafters and Vendor Representatives will be present, such as:  
Pampered Chef, Scentsy, Avon, Thirty-One, & MORE!!  
We will be holding a Silent Auction, and  
We will Also be Raffleing off a 50" Flat Screen Television!!

Thank you for helping us support our Veterans, and their Families.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT AMY JOHNSON AT:

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To keep informed or to see Pictures from previous years, Follow us On Facebook at Veterans Vendor Fair!



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PRESENTS:



LIVE MUSIC!

50/50 RAFFLES!

**5TH ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR AND TRUCK SHOW**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH  
FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM  
RAIN OR SHINE

\$20 Entry Fee (includes Lunch for driver)  
Pre-85 Model Cars and Trucks Only  
Open to Classic, Rods, and Exotics

Free Gift for Drivers  
TOP 5 Trophies  
First Come, First Serve

Registration from 10 AM to 1 PM  
Benefits go to the Cary VFW Post 7383

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