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- **Get to know your Members**
- **Arming the Guard**
- **VFW Survey**
- **POW/MIA Recognition Day**

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VFW Commander's Brief

Comrades, Sisters, and Brothers,
Thank you to those that helped out with Lazy Daze and our Buddy Poppy drive. We didn't collect as much as we wanted this year mainly because we couldn't cover the entrances as we've done in the past. Please keep in mind that we need everyone's help at our events. All of the money we raise goes back into the Post or the relief fund to support Veterans in need. I'd also like to express my thanks to Tom Snipes who donated three produce boxes which in turn

were distributed to three members of our Post. For those that didn't attend the dedication Sunday Aug. 23rd, Jack Miller put together a touching ceremony for the unveiling of a plaque in honor of Curtis Morris. The family couldn't stop thanking us enough for all of the things we've done for the Morris family and the honor we bestowed upon Curtis. If you haven't seen the plaque I encourage everyone to stop by the flag retirement area and take a look. For those few that offered to assist with a booth for the

Military Expo Sep. 12th & 13th at the fairgrounds, we've decided not to have a booth, because we don't have enough participation to man the booth both days. We're working hard to schedule events at the Post for fall so keep watching your email plus follow us on Facebook for the latest updates.

David Watts
Commander
Post 7383
Cary, NC



Ladies' Auxiliary President's Address

Hello Sisters, Brothers and Comrades,
Can you believe it's September already?! Me either. 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 the first! The number of women serving in our nation's 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. New applications for the Auxiliary have been put behind the Canteen if there is anyone interested in applying now...life membership anyone?!?!
Don't forget... our Veterans Fall Festival is happening on 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 (EXCEPT for Monday September 7th, because it's Labor Day we'll meet on Tuesday at 6:30 instead). We'll have live music outside from 2-6, outdoor food trucks, indoor vendors from 10-4 and a silent auction from 10-3. Also, the door prize this year is a Yeti Tundra 65 Cooler (\$400 value). Tickets are on sale NOW for \$5 each – please see the bartender at the canteen if you'd like to purchase them before the event – you do NOT have to be present to win, just make sure we have your name and phone number.

Our next monthly business meeting is on Tuesday, September 15th at 7 PM and I hope to see you all there.

Kerri Zinkievich
Ladies Auxiliary
President
Post 7383



On Sale Now!!!

The Auxiliary is selling **\$5 raffle tickets** for a **Blue YETI Tundra 65** cooler!!!

We'll be raffling the YETI off as part of our Veterans Fall Festival this year on September 12th – no need to be present to win, just put your name and phone number on the ticket. The Drawing will take place on **Saturday September 12th at 3:30 PM.**



The Yeti Tundra 65 costs \$399.99 retail price and is currently SOLD OUT on their website. It holds 39 Cans of Beer (2:1 ice to beer ratio) OR 56 pounds of ice alone OR a quartered deer. This thing is a beast. Just in case you were wondering... it's also bear proof and will hold a 500 lb man... just in case you need to use it as a step stool or a casting platform.

Ask the Bartender or one of your Auxiliary members for a ticket(s).

Men's Auxiliary President's Address

I would like to thank all who attended and assisted with the Dedication of our Flag Retirement Area to Curtis Morris, the 2014 President to the Men's Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Franklin-Sloan

Post 7383 , Cary, NC. It was a clear day , and although it was a little warm, we had a good turn out of members from all our entities of the Post, and family and friends of Curtis.

I would also like to remind all of our mem-

bers that they need to submit their annual membership dues. Thanks!!

William Wyrosdick
Men's Auxiliary
President
Post 7383



Getting to know your Members: Diane Waters

My name is Diane Jeffreys Waters and I joined the Ladies Auxiliary in 2010 and have been the Chaplain for the last four years. I was honored to join the Ladies Auxiliary coming in under the service of my father, Walter Macon Jeffreys. My dad served in the U.S. Army in the European Campaign in World War II as did his four brothers. He has quite an array of metals which include the Purple Heart. It was quite unusual for that time for five brothers to go to war and all five were blessed to return home to their loved ones.

I have been married to Larry Waters for 46 years. Larry has been a member of the Men's Auxiliary since its inception. He has served in

several capacities within the Auxiliary such as President, Sr. Vice, Jr. vice and Trustee. We have 2 wonderful children. They are Kim, who is also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary and lives in Cary, and Larry, Jr., who is a member of the Men's Auxiliary and lives in Wilmington. I'm sorry to say we don't have any grandchildren, just grand dogs, so if there are some out there in need of grandparents, please let me know, we'll take them.

My interests are varied, but the ones I enjoy the most are gardening and taking my two dogs, Pepper Lewis and Riley Ray, to obedience/training classes. Pepper Lewis is studying to become a Pet Therapy Dog and Riley Ray is enjoying win-

ning jumping competitions in agility.

I worked for about five years in small law firms and in 1974 was offered a position with the North Carolina Attorney General's Office. I retired in May, 2004 after working for 35 years in the legal profession.

In addition to being Chaplain for the last four years, I have chaired the Silent Auction which we hold each year in conjunction with the Veterans Fall Festival. We have been very fortunate to have proceeds in excess of \$4,000 almost every year.

I am honored to be among, and work with, such an outstanding group of ladies in the Auxiliary.



Meet Your Members:
Diane Waters



The Cary VFW Thrift Store's
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through Saturday from 10:00
am to 4:00 PM. There are
always great deals and new
merchandise every day.

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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Sandi Watts, Commander Dave Watts' wife, is recovering at home from her recent shoulder surgery.

We would like to wish Jane Rockwell and Claudia Tucceri the best as they begin a new chapter in their lives. They are giving up hearing the "sounds of progress" in the Morrisville area and

moving to the coast in order to hear ocean waves crashing on the shore, and enjoying that peaceful walk on the beach in the early morning and late afternoon. Ladies, we wish you well and we'll miss you.

Carol Freeman continues to make excellent progress with her cancer treatments. She has recently completed another phase of treatments and will be heading on for the next round. We send Carol our best wishes and hope to see her back at our monthly meetings soon.

NC Governor Signs Bill Allowing Armed Security at National Guard Recruiting Offices

18 August 2015

WBT Radio

North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory has signed a House Bill to allow designated members of the National Guard to carry concealed weapons in public facilities such as recruiting centers and armories.

“We must fulfill our obligation to protect those who protect us,” Governor McCrory said in a statement Tuesday. “This law will give the National Guard the tools they need to keep themselves, and the public, safe.”

The law is in response to Governor McCrory’s call for more protection for Guard personnel in the aftermath of the Chattanooga shootings in July. During that rampage, a lone gunman shot and killed four unarmed U.S. Marines and one Navy sailor during attacks on a recruiting office and a Naval Operations Support Center.

The day after the Chattanooga shooting, Governor McCrory instructed Adjutant General Gregory A. Lusk to station military police at some of the most public National Guard recruiting offices, which are located strip malls.

Under House Bill 371, General Lusk can now designate National Guard members, who have a concealed weapon carry permit, to carry concealed weapons while on duty in state buildings like recruiting offices and armories.

The bill also provides North Carolina citizens legal remedies if they happen to be victims of a terrorist attack or harmed by someone who materially supports terrorism. The new law allows a victim to sue the perpetrators for up to three times the amount of actual damages or \$50,000, whichever is greater.



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

“We must fulfill our obligation to protect those who protect us,”

–GOV Pat

McRory

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The VFW Wants to Hear from You

In our continued effort to better represent the needs of our membership on Capitol Hill, the VFW is asking you to take a short survey on what's important to you when you seek health care. To take the survey, click here: <https://www.research.net/r/VACareSummer15>.

National POW/MIA Recognition Day 2015

The third Friday in September is designated as National POW/MIA Recognition Day every year. This year it falls on Sept.18, and VFW Posts nationwide will be recognizing those who were captured and returned, as well as remembering the 83,000 Americans who have yet to return home from their wars and their families who continue to hope and pray. A suggested POW/MIA Recognition Day speech is now available online in the member's only section of www.vfw.org, and 2015 posters are now available for order or download from the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency at: <http://www.dpaa.mil/Families/Posters.aspx>.

VA Announces New Rules Regarding Service Animals

VA announced new rules regarding access allowed for service animals on VA property. The goal of the revised regulation is to keep VA in line with legal and sanitary requirements. It states that only dogs individually trained to perform work for an individual with a disability will be considered service animals. Other animals will not be permitted in VA facilities, unless expressly allowed as an exception under the regulation for activities, such as animal-assisted therapy or for other reasons such as law enforcement purposes. To read more, click here: <http://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=2723>.



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FIRST ANNUAL 10K RUN FOR



SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2015
START TIME 7:30 AM
at WALK/ RUN BELMONT
200 N Main St BELMONT NC, 28012



**FIRST EVER 10K
IN BELMONT, NC**



**1 MILE KIDS DASH Starting at
7:45AM SIR PURR
at Start/Finish**

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September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00	2 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00	3 Thrift Store open from 10:00-7:00	4 Thrift Store Closed for Family Event	5 Thrift Store Closed for Family Event
6 Thrift Store Closed on Sundays	7 Thrift Store Closed on Mondays Labor Day	8 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00 Fall Festival MTG	9 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00	10 Thrift Store open from 10:00-7:00	11 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00	12 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00
13 Thrift Store Closed on Sundays; Officers Meeting, 1030am	14 Thrift Store Closed on Mondays	15 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00 Monthly Business Meeting 7:00 PM	16 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00	17 Thrift Store open from 10:00-7:00	18 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00	19 Thrift Store open from 10:00-4:00
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Cary VFW Thrift Store

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The VFW Thrift Store saw low sales for August. We did, however, get in a great number of donations. We are coming up into the holiday months which hopefully means better sales. I'll be posting my days off on the door in addition to email and Facebook. Thank you everyone for your donations, sales, and word of mouth promotions.

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

Sara Mary Lopez
VFW Post7383
Thrift Store Manager



Upcoming Events/Important Dates



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- SEPT 3RD: Bingo Night (Volunteers Needed)
- SEPT 5TH: Bingo Night (Volunteers Needed)
- SEPT 7TH: Labor Day
- SEPT 8TH: Veterans Fall Festival Meeting, 6:30pm)
- SEPT 10TH: Bingo Night (Volunteers Needed)
- SEPT 12TH: Veterans Fall Festival, 6:30 PM
- SEPT 13TH: Officers Meeting (Changed from 1st Weekend due to Labor Day)
- SEPT 17TH: Bingo Night (Volunteers Needed)
- SEPT 18TH: Business Meeting (All are encouraged, as important Post Business will be discussed and voted on. Let your Voice Be heard!!)
- SEPT 22ND: Veterans Fall Festival Meeting, 6:30pm)
- SEPT 24TH: Bingo Night (Volunteers Needed)

Note from the Editors:

Well, this month the newsletter is on time! If, in the future, you wish to add an article or flyer, contact me at Richard.lopez1978@gmail.com RRL