

# The Missile



**Commander's Corner**



**Jan, Feb, Mar 2020**

Happy New Decade everyone and welcome to the roaring Twenties. I trust each of you had a very Merry Christmas and hope you were able to spend quality time with your family.

The dedicated volunteers of Home Depot have now completed the renovations to the post with a new, clean look. They certainly worked hard for us and in return, each HD volunteer was given two free tickets for a fish fry dinner and one drink. They will join us at a date to be determined.

The Anniversary Committee is also working hard to make the 75<sup>th</sup> year celebration a joyous occasion on Nov 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020. For those of you who have not grown out of your military dress uniform, wearing it is encouraged. I will need someone in uniform to present the POW/MIA table. For me, the treadmill is my new friend.....or enemy, as I try to fit into uniform again. ☺

By the end of this quarter (March), we will be nominating officers for 2020-2021. Anyone interested in holding a position, please let someone know who can nominate you at the March / April VFW or Auxiliary Meeting.

We may not be blood related....or married, and may not always get along, but we are a family. Families differ in terms of economic, cultural, social, and many other facets, but what we have in common is the shared values, traditions, common experiences and activities. Not agreeing is OK. How we get past that makes us special. Family is what **you and I** make it to be.

**VFW Post 5077 is successful.....TOGETHER!**

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul M. ...".

# AUXILIARY NEWS

Dear Members,

I thank You for Your continued support of Post 5077 Auxiliary. As We close out the year 2019, I'm looking forward to the year 2020's activities, especially our 75th Anniversary Celebration!

Please continue to support our Veterans, and Post 5077.

Mark Your calendars for the following dates:

Auxiliary Meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 7 pm (new members are always welcome).

Pizza Party for V.O.D./Patriot's Pen awards January 19th, 2020

Chili Cookoff at the Post on January 26th, 2020

C of A in Jefferson City Jan 31-Feb 2nd

Super Bowl Party, @ 5pm on Feb 2nd, 2020

First responders Awards on Feb 23rd, 2020

Fish Fries begin Feb 28th, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Brooks

President

VFW Post 5077 Auxiliary

## **Editor's Comments**

In our efforts to update the post, we are asking for input on what our members would like to see. If you have any suggestions on how we can improve our physical space, please see a member of the House Committee. We are also working on updating our website, and will be able to better manage it and keep it more current.

In preparation for our 75th Anniversary next year, we are also asking our Post & Auxiliary members to bring in historic photos if they have any, so we can scan them and create a slide show to show during the Anniversary celebrations.

We have planned a lot of fundraising events for the Anniversary, and would ask our members to support them by attending. Some of the events will be open to the public, so please help us get the word out so we can make these events successful.

Our vision for the Celebrations is to allow our members and invited guests to enjoy themselves and not have to spend all day working at them. In order to accomplish this, we will need to raise enough money to have the work done by someone else, so it is important for our fundraisers to be successful.

As always, we thank all of you for being members and helping our Post go forward and succeed.

Carl Crawford

## Welcome to Post 5077

- 1) Richard Rayfield, Army, Afghanistan
- 2) Richard Bommarito, Army, Vietnam
- 3) Daniel Hogan, Army, Afghanistan
- 4) Hervie Statler, Marine, WWII
- 5) Cary Carrico, Army, Vietnam
- 6) David Luther, Army, Iraq/Afghanistan
- 7) Barbra Sanders wife of Phil Sanders
- 8) Cathy Lane
- 9) Yomina Williams
- 10) Amanda Luther
- 11) Cathy Swengrosh

## Honoring Those Missing From Roll Call

- 1) Emmett Koenig
- 2) Jim Gleba

The personnel listed above will never be forgotten, and honored always.

## Your 2019 – 2020 Officers:

Post		Auxiliary	
Commander	Buddy McEachern	President	Sharon Brooks
Sr Vice Cdr	John Kolek	Sr Vice Pres.	Marge Hoeltge
Jr Vice Cdr	Ed Meier	Jr Vice Pres.	Geri Brunson
Quartermaster	Lynette Lewis	Treasurer	Melody Roebuck
Adjutant	Carl Crawford	Secretary	Tina Page
Chaplain	Joe Aiello	Chaplain	Linda Collins
Judge Advocate	Gene Hoeltge	Conductress	Mary Feldman
Surgeon	Alvie Owens	Guard	
Asst QM # 1 Bingo	Mark Waller	Trustees	Melody Roebuck
Asst QM # 2 Bldg	Mark Waller		Judy Northcutt
Officer O/T Day	Kris Lorenz		Jim Collins
3 Yr Trustee	John Roth		
2 Yr Trustee	Jim Mueller		
1 Yr Trustee	Larry Patzius		

## Post House Committee (PHC) (9 Members):

<b>Elected:</b>	Alvie Owens	Jerry Luetkenhaus
	Bob Leapley	Ron Brunson
<b>Appointed:</b>	Cdr / Chair	Buddy McEachern
	Sr. Vice Cdr	John Kolek
	Jr. Vice Cdr	Ed Meier
	Quartermaster	Lynette Lewis
	Adjutant	Carl Crawford

# VFW 5077 Calendar

## January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
		New Year's Eve	New Year's Day NO BINGO	7:00pm H/B MTG		7:00pm EUCHRE
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2:00pm 75TH ANNIV. MTG			6:45pm BINGO	6:45pm BINGO	10:00am GARDENVIEW VISIT MEMBER MTG @ SEVEN	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
9TH DISTRICT MTG @ TROY NOON		7:00pm AUXILIARY MTG	6:45pm BINGO	LCH @ MEADOWLANDS NOON		1:00pm VA HOME VISIT KARAOKE 7
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
VOD/PAT PEN PIZZA PARTY 2-5	Martin Luther King Day		6:45pm BINGO			
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
CHILL COOKOFF (ENTRIES BY NOON, JUDGING @ 2)			6:45pm BINGO		C of A JEFF CITY	C of A JEFF CITY

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## February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 CHILL COOKOFF (ENTRIES BY NOON, JUDGING @ 2)	27	28	29 6:45pm BINGO	30	31 C of A JEFF CITY	1 C of A JEFF CITY
2 C of A JEFF CITY SUPERBOWL SUNDAY PARTY @ FIVE	3	4 6:45pm BINGO	5 7:05pm HIB MTG	6	7	8
9	10 7:00pm AUXILIARY MTG	11 Lincoln's Birthday 6:45pm BINGO	12 10:00am GARDENVIEW VISIT MEMBER MTG @ 7:05	13 Valentine's Day	14	15 1:00pm VA HOME VISIT KARAOKE 7-11
16 President's Day	17	18 6:45pm BINGO	19 LCH @ MEADOWLANDS NOON	20	21	22 Washington's Birthday
23 5:00pm 1ST RESPONDERS RECEPTION 3-	24	25 6:45pm ASH WEDNESDAY BINGO	26	27 FISH FRIES START FIVE-SEVEN THIRTY	28	29

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## March 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 LEGISLATIVE CONF. IN D.C.	2 LEGISLATIVE CONF. IN D.C.	3 LEGISLATIVE CONF. IN D.C.	4 6:45pm BINGO LEGISLATIVE CONF. IN D.C.	5 LEGISLATIVE CONF. IN D.C. @ SEVEN H/B	6 5:00pm LEGISLATIVE CONF. IN D.C. FISH FRY	7 7:00pm EUCHRE
8 Daylight Saving Time begins 2:00pm PLANNING MTG	9 7:00pm AUXILIARY MTG	10 6:45pm BINGO	11 10:00am GARDENVIEW VISIT MEMBER MTG @ SEVEN	12 5:00pm FISH FRY	13 5:00pm FISH FRY	14 NITE AT THGE RACES. FOOD @ 5 PM, RACES @ SEVEN
15 7:00pm O'FALLON VET COMM MTG	16 ST PATRICK'S DAY	17 6:45pm BINGO	18 LCH @ MEADOWLANDS NOON	19 5:00pm FISH FRY	20 5:00pm FISH FRY	21 1:00pm VA HOME VISIT KARAOKE 7-11
22	23	24 6:45pm BINGO	25 6:45pm BINGO	26 5:00pm FISH FRY	27 5:00pm FISH FRY	28
29	30	31 6:45pm BINGO	1 6:45pm BINGO	2 5:00pm FISH FRY	3 5:00pm FISH FRY	4

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Great news for new and annual Post 5077 VFW members who are interested in applying for Life Membership! The State of Missouri VFW is offering a \$45 reimbursement to any comrade who submits an application for Life Membership on the dates July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. In addition, Post 5077 will reimburse the comrade \$55, for a total of \$100, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 as well. Also, the National VFW will give the individual a \$50 VFW Store credit. The National incentive is effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. The three incentives will not be awarded until the final payment is made for Life Membership. An additional restriction is on the National incentive, whereby the \$50 VFW Store credit must be used before August 31, 2020. It is recommended that you give your application to our Quartermaster, who will then forward this to the higher HQ channels.

Several comrades have asked about applying for Legacy Life Membership. There are three levels of this membership: Bronze, Silver and Gold. Each level offers generous benefits that are exclusive to Legacy Life Members. The costs for an Annual or New member are as follows: Bronze \$400, Silver \$800, Gold \$1200. A flier on our bulletin board details the perks you will get for each level. The Missouri VFW is offering a reimbursement incentive for Life members: Bronze \$45, Silver \$90, Gold \$135 (e.g. from Life to Legacy Life Bronze would be \$400-\$45 or \$355). They will also reimburse Legacy Life members who want to upgrade from one level to another. The reimbursement from Legacy Bronze to Silver equals \$45, Legacy Bronze to Gold equals \$90, and Legacy Silver to Gold equals \$45. Neither our Post nor National is offering a discount for Legacy Life membership. The application should go to our Quartermaster, who will pass this information to the State/Department QM. This incentive is effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

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## CLUB ROOM NEWS

If You haven't been in the club room lately, make it a point to stop in and see what's been done. Thanks to the generosity of Home Depot, the back bar has been completely remodeled, with a new TV, and one-of-a-kind shelves and drawer handles, new cabinets, and new paint. Our meeting room has also been remodeled, with new paint and paneling. We have a much cleaner, brighter look now for all to enjoy. Also, don't forget, the club room hosts Karaoke on the 3rd Sat. of each month, so come in and join in (or just listen to some great Karaoke'rs.)



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