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# VFW Post 1503

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

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2017

**CANTEEN HOURS:** Sunday / Monday / Wednesday 12 Noon - 11 PM  
Tuesday / Thursday / Saturday 12 Noon - 12 Midnight • Friday 12 Noon - 2 AM

## COMMANDER'S CORNER

Comrades and Auxiliary Members,

Thank you to all the members that helped with the distributions of the Buddy Poppies. The total amount collected is unavailable at this time but I will report it in next month's newsletter. I would also like to thank all the volunteers that helped out with the Family Fun Day activities on Memorial Day. A special thank you to our in-coming Senior Vice Commander Thomas Williams for coordinating the event.

On the 3rd and 4th of June the Assistant State Service Officer, our own, Comrade Ken Wiseman will be at the Post assisting veterans with their VA Claims. He will be available from Noon to 4 p.m. on both days on a first come first served basis. On the 10th of June our comrades and auxiliary will be going to McGuire Hospital to visit the veterans. On the 15th through the 18th of June we have the Department Convention in Williamsburg, VA. On the 30th of June recruiting for the past year is completed and national will announce the final membership standings. As of now we are on pace to be named the largest post in the world, but we cannot stop once this recognition is achieved, we must continue to recruit, opening our post to new members and bringing our annual members back into the post.

A reminder to all members that our post meeting time has been changed, we will still meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month but the starting time is at 1900 hours.



## POST OFFICERS

- Post Commander . . . . . Tim Brown
- Senior Vice . . . . . Jim Martin
- Junior Vice . . . . . Thomas Williams
- Quartermaster . . . . . Jim Spiker
- Judge Advocate Sterling Moninghoff
- Surgeon . . . . . Donah Samuel
- Chaplain . . . . . Jim Lovett
- 3 Year Trustee . . . . . Ron Laney
- 2 Year Trustee . . . . . Tom Gimble
- 1 Year Trustee . . . . . John Dodge
- Adjutant . . . . . Ralph Steinway
- Service Officer . . . . . Ed Tatum
- Asst. Service Officer . . . Tami Brown
- Past Commander . . . . . Randy Coker



Thank you  
Tim Brown  
Post Commander



# FAMILY FUN DAY



## VFW AUXILIARY

I would like to thank the Auxiliary and the Post for all their support this year. We have been able to accomplish so many things. Helping to take care of Veterans. We have also helped children in our community with backpacks, supplies and coats. Without all of you this would never have been possible. Again thank you for an awesome year. I want to congratulate Karla Coker on becoming Auxiliary President. I know that she will have great year.

In May we recruited eight new members and one transfer. Thank you to all those that worked so hard to continue bringing in new members.

Installation of our new officers took place. Our new Officers for the incoming year 2017-2018. President - Karla Coker; Vice President - Jim Moore; Junior Vice - Kelli Levitt; Treasurer - Betty Gimble; Chaplain - Joyce Delveccio; Conductress - Milton Moore; Guard - Monica Walczyk; 3rd Year Trustee - Barbara Thomawek. Again, Congratulations to all of you.

Thank you to Erin and the VFW staff for serving an awesome meal. To all those working BINGO, thank you. Anyone who wishes to help work bingo, it is on Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting at 6:30. If you arrive early the Post will provide you with dinner for free.

Please don't forget to send prayers to all of our service members here and abroad.

Our next meeting will be 21 June 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

**God Bless You and God Bless America!**

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## AUXILIARY OFFICERS

- President . . . . . Linda Steinway
- Sr. Vice President . . . . . Karla Coker
- Jr. Vice President . . . . . Jim Moore
- Secretary . . . . . Dori Woerheide
- Treasurer . . . . . Betty Gimble
- Chaplain . . . . . Joyce Del Vecchio
- Conductress . . . . . Linda Tipton
- Guard . . . . . Ramon Ayala
- 1st Yr Trustee . . . . . Joyce Gibbs
- 2nd Yr Trustee . . . . . Sarah Dugas
- 3rd Yr Trustee . . . . . Reggie Garland
- Historian . . . . . Joyce Gibbs
- Patriotic Instructor . . . . . Earl Franks

Linda Steinway  
Auxiliary President  
VFW Post 1503

# MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART

Patriots:

We had a very busy month in May. We participated in the State Convention and did a very successful Viola Drive! Thanks to Patriot's Gimble, Konya, Dionne and Ramos for being with us at the convention and special thanks to Patriots Gimble, John David Allen, Dom Dionne, Dick Hansom, and Joe Lopez for helping with the Viola Drive! We received donations in the amount of around \$700 plus! A big THANK YOU to Pitkins Ace Hardware Store and the Food Lion for allowing us to use their stores as our venue for collecting donations!! We also participated in the Memorial Day service at the Quantico VA Cemetery! Special thanks to Patriot Dom Dionne for carrying the Chapter flag! Patriot Joe Ramos did an outstanding job in setting up a special display for the Vietnam 50th Anniversary Commemorative event at the VFW Post 1503 Rolling Thunder Ride on to Washington. We are still in the process of purchasing a Springfield 1911 45 caliber weapon to raffle off to raise funds for our Chapter. We will start this raffle in June.

Thanks to all the Patriots who participated in awarding the High School's Junior ROTC Leadership Awards. Congratulations again to Cadets Chrishon Dollard and Kaitlyn Kelley for receiving a \$500 Scholarship from our Chapter.

Our next Chapter meeting is at 1000 on Saturday, June 17th. We need to continue to be proactive in helping our wounded Veterans and their families!! Our Chapter's mission is to serve our combat wounded veterans and their families. Call me at 703-878-7139

**GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!**

Ron Laney  
Commander  
Semper Fi Chapter 1775



## MOC / MOCA

From the Officers of the MOC & MOCA we hope all COOTIE & L or G BUGS are ready for a new year. The new officers will be in command of their respective positions. As out going Seam Squirrel I thank all MOC & MOCA for your support this last year. The next hospital visit will be on June 10, 2017 so make plans to come down and have some fun. Because of the very heavy traffic on I-95 to and from Richmond in June, we will meet at the post at 8 a.m. to go to Mechanicsville for breakfast. The MOC & MOCA meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The MOC & MOCA are still multiplying. We welcome all the new members to the MOC & MOCA. The wing team WILL be doing wings on 6-3-2017 so come on out to work or to have fun. Make sure you check the June calendar in case wings are cancelled.



**Remember... KEEP THEM SMILING IN BEDS OF WHITE.**

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MOCA PT-14 President  
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## FACILITY HAPPENINGS

Happy June. Wow, don't the months go by faster the older you get. Look forward to seeing you all this month.

As you probably know by now we have on Saturdays nights really built up our crowd's over the years and much of that has to do with the fact that we have the drawing of the \$1.00 book, world famous WINGS and our Queen of Hearts game.

We have been informed by Charitable gaming during a recent audit visit that our rules that we have followed for payouts and seeding of the new game are not allowed because the game is considered a raffle and must be brought down to a zero balance once the Queen of Hearts is pulled, and cannot have any seed money withheld to start the new game. They did admit that they approved it when we applied and said that going forward we must change the way we are doing things even though no exceptions were brought to our attention. This could interrupt the game until we (the Commander and BOD), put together a plan to having the game continue with new rules that conform to there new interpretation for this game.

Reminder if you are planning an event and want to have it here, please contact us at least 3 months out from the date of the event. Recently, getting calls wanting to book the hall's or meeting room and it's for a event within 7 to 10 days. Usually we will not have anything available on that short of notice.

Happy Summer

John Meehan  
Facility Manager

## VFW Department of Virginia Veteran Service Department Official Visit

VFW Post 1503 June 3-4, 2017 12pm-4pm daily

Assistant State Service Officer Ken Wiseman, Accredited Service Officer

### **CLAIMS, QUESTIONS, AND GENERAL INFORMATION FOR VETERANS & FAMILIES**

Phone numbers: (Office) 202-608-8363 (Cell) 860-504-3035

Things needed to file a claim (the more of this brought, the faster things go):

- 1) DD-214 (Must bring)
- 2) Military Medical Record
- 3) Other Medical Records
- 4) Dependent Information
  - a) Birth Certificates
  - b) Social Security Numbers
  - c) Marriage License (current marriage), Divorce Decrees (for both spouses & all times they were issued)
- 5) Death Certificates (for past spouses & deceased veterans if a family is claiming benefits)
- 6) Bank Information (voided checks are fine)

**CALL WITH ANY QUESTIONS!!!**

# VOD GOLF TOURNAMENT

It's time to prepare for the Voice of Democracy Golf Tournament to be held at the Quantico Golf Course on Friday, August 11th. Sponsors are needed. I can use all the help I can get.

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## 33rd Annual Voice of Democracy Golf Tournament Friday, August 11, 2017

Medal of Honor Golf Club • Marine Corps Base • Quantico, Virginia

Check-In 7:00 a.m. • Shotgun Start 8:00 a.m.  
Entry Fee: \$80.00 per person (non-refundable)  
Includes: Green Fees, Cart, Prizes, Steak Dinner

Captain's Choice (Foursome) Prizes: 1st, 2nd, 3rd  
Individual Prizes: Closest to the Pin,  
Men's/Women's Longest Drive, Door Prizes

### ENTRY DEADLINE JULY 31, 2017

**(Entry not reserved without payment by this date)**

Post-Tournament Dinner Immediately Following at VFW Post 1503  
14631 Minnieville Road • Dale City, VA (Dinner for Non-Golfers \$15.00)

Name (Please Print Legibly)

Military Rank (Retired, Active Duty, Eligible Civilians)

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Name of Guests for Dinner Only

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**Return Entry Form, With Payment, To VFW Post 1503**



**VFW  
Post 1503  
June Entertainment**

**DJ Danny 2<sup>nd</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**DJ Carolokie 3<sup>rd</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Doctor DJ Don 30<sup>th</sup>**

**June 10<sup>th</sup>  
Guys and Me**

**June 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Pickin, Grinnin & Sinnin**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 BINGO 7:30	2 Dinner 5-9  DJ Danny Karaoke 8-12	3 <b>State</b> Service Officer <b>Carolokie</b> Breakfast 9-12 <b>WINGS</b> Weekly Drawings Queen of Hearts
4 <b>State</b> Service Officer  Breakfast 9:00 - 12:00	5	6  BINGO 7:30	7  Boy Scouts 7:30	8  BINGO 7:30	9  Dinner 5-9  DJ Danny Karaoke 8-12	10 <b>Hospital</b> Visit <b>Guys &amp; Me</b> Breakfast 9-12 <b>WINGS</b> Weekly Drawings Queen of Hearts
11  Breakfast 9:00 - 12:00	12	13  BINGO 7:30	14  MOCA 7:00 MOC 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30  <b>FLAG</b> <b>DAY</b>	15  BINGO 7:30	16  Dinner 5-9  DJ Danny Karaoke 8-12	17 <b>Purple</b> Heart Mtg. <b>Carolokie</b> Breakfast 9-12 <b>WINGS</b> Weekly Drawings Queen of Hearts
18  Breakfast 9:00 - 12:00  <b>Father's</b> <b>Day</b>	19	20  BINGO 7:30	21  Auxiliary 7 Post Meeting 7 Boy Scouts 7:30	22  BINGO 7:30	23  Dinner 5-9  DJ Danny Karaoke 8-12	24 <b>Pickin</b> <b>Grinnin</b> <b>&amp; Sinnin</b> Breakfast 9-12 <b>WINGS</b> Weekly Drawings Queen of Hearts
25  Breakfast 9:00 - 12:00	26	27  BINGO 7:30	28  Boy Scouts 7:30	29  BINGO 7:30	30  Dinner 5-9  <b>Doctor</b> <b>DJ Don</b>	

LUNCH SPECIALS PREPARED DAILY - (703) 670-9002

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**Flag  
Day**

Next Monthly Meeting

**June 21st!**

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**BASEBALL BUS TRIP  
To Nationals Stadium**



-VS-

***Nationals***

**Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup>  
Bus leaving at 2:30pm**

**\$60.00 per person includes:  
Bus, tickets and beverages  
To sign up see Speedy or Spiker  
before June 9th**