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# VFW Post 1503

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

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**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,

September was a very busy month for the Post and I would like to thank all the members who were involved in the numerous activities that took place. A special thank you to the Auxiliary members who provided food for the Handyman Contractor's as they worked on our past Chaplain for Life Comrade James Lovett's house. For those of you that missed the Member Appreciation Night you missed a fantastic party. There was more than enough great food, thank you Erin and the kitchen staff, and the band was great. Thank you to the Honor Guard who conducted a Flag Retirement Ceremony retiring 211 flags and followed that up with a very somber and touching POW/MIA Ceremony on the 15th. We ended the month with a solid showing at the 10th District Meeting, thank you to all that attended the meeting.

October we have a Gun Show on the 7th and 8th which as you know is a great chance for recruiting new members. Please let me know if you can take an hour or two to recruit. Also on the 7th we will be at the Marine Corps Museum at 0915 to welcome Honor Busses arriving from Norfolk and Richmond, everyone is invited to attend this Welcome Ceremony, which lasts approximately 30 minutes. On the 13th of October we will celebrate the U.S. Navy Birthday in the canteen. On the 28th of October we have the Children's Halloween Party at 1300 hours followed by the Adult Party at 2000 hours these are both great parties. Also on the 28th there will be a Haunted House in B Hall, this will be the last year that Ray VanHorn will be building a haunted house at the Post. He spends all year preparing for this mission and no matter your age there is something or someone in the house that will scare you.

A reminder to all members that our post meeting time is at 1900 hours on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.



## POST OFFICERS

Post Commander . . . . . Tim Brown  
Senior Vice . . . . . Thomas Williams  
Junior Vice . . . . . Thomas Levitt II  
Quartermaster . . . . . Jim Spiker  
Judge Advocate . . . . . Jim Martin  
Surgeon . . . . . Ben Guinan  
Chaplain . . . . . Ed Bennett  
3 Year Trustee . . . . . John Dodge  
2 Year Trustee . . . . . Ron Laney  
1 Year Trustee . . . . . Tom Gimble  
Adjutant . . . . . Ralph Steinway  
Service Officer . . . . . Ed Tatum  
Asst. Service Officer . . . . . Tami Brown  
Past Commander . . . . . Randy Coker

Thank you - Tim Brown - Post Commander

# HAPPY HALLOWEEN

## VFW AUXILIARY

Auxiliary members,

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Children's Halloween Party on Saturday October 28th from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm. We will need volunteers to help with the children's games and donations of cakes and cookies for the cake walk. If you would like to help please send me an email for more information.

Big thanks to Auxiliary Vice President Kelli Levitt for handling the lunch for the Handyman project at Chaplain Lovett's home for the National Day of Service.

We now have Auxiliary shirts for sale in both men and ladies styles. Prices vary based on size and whether you want to add your name to the shirt. If you are interested in ordering a shirt please see Kelli Levitt or send me an email.

Thank you to the hard working staff at the Post for another successful Member Appreciation Event. I was unable to attend but everyone said they had a great time.

Annual Members it is time to renew, if you pay your dues prior to the end of October the cost is \$20.00, members paying after October will be paying \$25.00 for renewal. Please renew sooner rather than later as the Department of Virginia would like to achieve 100% membership as soon as possible in a show of support for our National President Dee Guillory who is from Virginia. You can drop off your renewal payment to the bartender in the canteen (let them know it is for the Auxiliary) or mail to Betty Gimble at 80 Winter Wheat Lane, Fredericksburg VA 22406-4455.

Our next Auxiliary meeting will be October 18th at 7:00 pm in the A hall, dinner to follow. All Auxiliary members are welcome to join us at the meeting.

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FOR UNCOMMON HEROES™

## AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President . . . . . Karla Coker  
Sr. Vice President . . . . . Jim Moore  
Jr. Vice President . . . . . Kelli Levitt  
Secretary . . . . . Regina Meehan  
Treasurer . . . . . Betty Gimble  
Chaplain . . . . . Joyce Del Vecchio  
Conductor . . . . . Milton Moore  
Guard . . . . . Monica Walczyk  
1st Yr Trustee . . . . . Rebecca Moninghoff  
2nd Yr Trustee . . . . . Reginald Garland  
3rd Yr Trustee . . . . . Barbara Thomanek  
Historian . . . . . Joyce Gibbs  
Patriotic Instructor Ernestine Jenkins

Thank you,  
Karla Coker  
Auxiliary President  
kjcoker1503@gmail.com



## MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART

Patriots:

The Chapter approved the sending of \$250 to help with Hurricane Irma victims as we did with Harvey victims to the State MOPH which is combining all Chapter funds to go national to support the Purple Heart victims of the Hurricanes. The Chapter also participated in the retirement ceremony of 211 flags with the VFW, Patriot Day ceremony, POW/MIA ceremony and the United States Air Force Birthday. Patriots were happy to learn that at the National convention that a change to By-Laws was made to change from Ladies Auxiliary to the Auxiliary! This was a suggestion from our Chapter to State Commander on review of By-Laws. The Chapter has also submitted the four required reports to be eligible for Chapter rebate from National Headquarters.

The Chapter will have several Patriots attend the State MOPH mid-year convention scheduled for Saturday, November 4th at the Virginia War museum in Richmond. All Patriots are invited and encouraged to attend. We will also participate in Veterans Day ceremony at Quantico National Cemetery. We thank Patriots Dom Dionne and Leo Filipowicz for volunteering to carry the colors again for that ceremony. We also agreed to have a Chapter cookout on April 21st of 2018.

Our next Chapter meeting is at 1000 on Saturday, October 21st. We need to continue to be proactive in helping our wounded Veterans and their families!! We need our Chapter Patriots to continue to recruit new members. 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



**Halloween**





**Post 1503 U.S.M.C.**

# **Annual Guppie Tournament**



**LISTEN UP!  
1400, SATURDAY,  
21 October! DO YOU  
UNDERSTAND!?!?**

**ALL PROCEEDS  
GO TO YOUR POST U.S.M.C.  
BIRTHDAY BALL!**

**\$100 BUY IN – VFW POST 1503 CANTEN  
BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!**

**POINT OF CONTACTS: RON LANEY, IKE RYAN OR RANDY COKER**

# CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

FUNDRAISER to  
benefit the

**Military Order of  
the Cootie & it's  
Auxiliary**

Supporting  
Hospitalized  
Veterans

OCTOBER 21, 2017

\$20/PP

INCLUDES HOT DOGS,  
CHIPS, DRINKS

SODA \* WATER \* BEER

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

PRIZES

50/50 RAFFLE

GAMES @ NOON

Registration  
BEGINS @ 11Am

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You may sign up and prepay

In the Post Canteen

Kelli Levitt - 703-895-8855

itsmekelli@aol.com

\* teams will be assigned by  
random draw once all players are  
checked in and paid

\* bags will be provided - and  
must stay at each board, NO  
carrying of bags from board to  
board



**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**Sunday, December 31, 2017**

Doors Open at 6:00

Cocktails 6:00 • Dinner 7:00

\$75 per person or \$500 for a Table of 10

(table price good until November 1, 2017)

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Entertainment by **NiteLife**

Dancing starts at 8:30

Hot Station with Salad Bar

Buffet Style Dinner

Assorted Desserts

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***VFW Post 1503***  
***October Entertainment***

***Doctor DJ October 6th***

***DJ Carolokie October 7th***

***DJ Danny October 13<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup>***

***October 14<sup>th</sup>***

***(National Recording Artists)***

***THE WINSTONS***

***Motown Review***

***October 21<sup>st</sup>***

***EDDIE POCKY and BRENT***

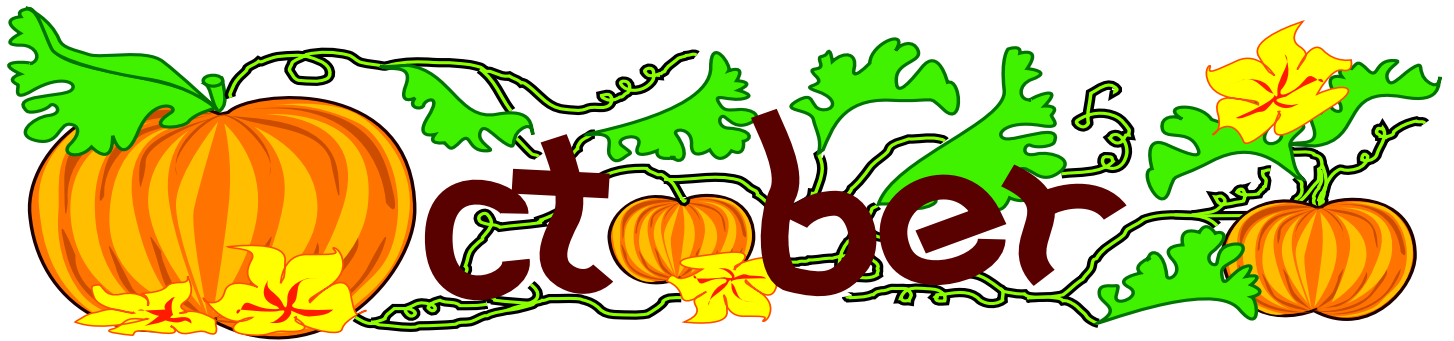
***Country Duo***

***October 28<sup>th</sup>***

***Halloween Party***

***PAM PALANO and BAND***





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Breakfast 9:00 - 12:00	2	3 BINGO 7:30	4 Boy Scouts 7:30	5 BINGO 7:30	6 Dinner 5-9  Doctor DJ Don 8-12	7 GunShow Carolokie Breakfast 9-12 WINGS Weekly Drawings Queen of Hearts
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# Veterans of Foreign Wars

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Next Monthly Meeting

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