



VFW & Ladies Auxiliary
District I Dep't of Washington
March 2014



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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS

Upcoming Events for the 2013-14 Year

March 1st	Newsletter Award entries to Department. Scout of the Year entries to Post Post recognition Citation Requests to National
April 1st	Veteran of the Year nominations, Scout to the Year entries, and Humanitarian Award nominations entries to Department
April 5th	District Memorial Service and meeting, Practice 11AM, Lunch 12PM, Meeting 1:00PM
April 30th	Publicity Award entries to Publicity Chair. VFW Special Projects to National. NMS recognition deadline
May 17th	District Convention-Alderwood Boys and Girls Club-Lunch 12PM, Meeting 1:00PM
June 4th –6th	Department Convention, Yakima
July 21st-24th	National Convention, St. Louis

Commanders Only Meeting

I want to thank everyone who attended the meeting. I think we got a few ideas from each other that we can put in use at our own Posts. I will be interested in seeing how our signage that we are placing in businesses around Snohomish County work. If veterans can't find you, they can't join. How they find you is what we discussed in length. Post 8870 is copying Post 2554's lead and plastering signs over Edmonds. If we get positive results, we will see if we can apply it to the other Posts in the District. Nothing ventured, nothing gained.

Social Media and VFW

Most of us who returned from overseas had no means of contacting our fellow veterans other through organizations like the VFW, American Legion, or the Vietnam Veterans of America. Today, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram immediately puts a young veteran into contact with not only other veterans, but with fellow soldiers, shipmates, and Marines who he or she served with. To some young veterans this is enough, but what is missing is how to give back to the less fortunate among us, how to assist a fellow veteran or his family looking for services, providing a framework for participating in the community, and to meet fellow veterans who served in earlier (or later) conflicts. I have had the pleasure of meeting and becoming good friends to WWII and Korean vets even though I served in Vietnam. I doubt if many of them know what Facebook or Twitter is or even care. I am afraid there is going to be a generation of veterans who become disconnected from the personal contact of their fellow veterans and that is a shame. VFW isn't about sitting around and trading war stories—its about veterans helping veterans. Now to get that point across.

Fund Raiser Breakfast

Goldbar Auxiliary #9417, is again hosting a pancake breakfast. The date is March 22nd from 8-11:30 AM at the VFW Hall in Gold Bar. Donations are \$5 per person. The proceeds will be donated to the American Lake Veterans Golf Course, Department President's special project. This is a great opportunity to visit another Post and support the good work the Auxiliary does.

Rock Roth

Rock Roth who was District I's Voice of Democracy Chair, passed away unexpectedly on February 27th. Rock was a retired Navy Captain and a long time member of Post 8870 where he has served as the Post's Chaplain. Please keep Rock and his wife, Marilyn, in your thoughts and prayers.

District I Auxiliary Fund Raiser

The District Auxiliary needs help in filling shifts for the Smokey Point Coffee Stop. Please let Mary Davenport know if you can fill one or more of the shifts.

April 21

1 p m - 6 pm Mary Davenport- 425-760-0102

6 pm - 10 pm OPEN

10 pm - 2 am OPEN

April 22

2 am - 6am OPEN

6 am - 10 am OPEN

10 am - 2 pm OPEN

2 pm - 6 pm Lynn & Richey 425- 345-1457

6 pm - 10 pm OPEN

10 pm -2 am OPEN

April 23

2 am - 6 am OPEN

6 am- 10 am OPEN

10 pm - 1 pm CLOSING Mary Davenport

MAY 5

1 pm - 6 pm Mary Davenport

6 pm - 10 pm OPEN

10 pm - 2 am OPEN

May 6

2 am - 6 am OPEN

6 am- 10 am OPEN

10 am - 2 pm OPEN

2 pm - 6 pm OPEN

6 pm - 10 pm OPEN

10 pm - 2 am OPEN

May 7

2 am- 6 am OPEN

6 am -10 am OPEN

10 am - 1 pm Mary Davenport

May 28

1pm - 6 pm Mary Davenport

6 pm - 10 pm OPEN

10 pm -2 am OPEN

May 29

2 am - 6 am OPEN

6 am - 10 am OPEN

10 am - 2 pm Connie Daily 425-672-2581

2 pm - 6 pm OPEN

6 pm - 10 pm OPEN

10 pm - 2 am OPEN

May 30

2 am - 6 am OPEN

6 am - 10 am OPEN

10 am - 1 pm Mary Davenport 425-760-0102 closing

New VA Health ID Cards

I'm not sure if everyone noticed this but I thought a number of questions may come up over the next few months as the new health ID cards arrive in our mailboxes. This is a heads up as to the changes being made by the VA.

VA is introducing a new, secure identification card called the Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC). VHIC replaces the Veteran Identification Card (VIC), which was introduced in 2004. VA is committed to providing the high quality, safe and effective health care Veterans have earned and deserve, and part of this effort includes ensuring the personal security of Veterans. As part of a phased rollout, on February 21, 2014, VA began issuing the newly designed, more secure VHIC to newly enrolled and other Veterans who were not issued a VIC. Starting in April VA will begin a replacement effort to automatically mail the more secure VHIC to Veterans who have the old VIC. All Veterans who are enrolled and have the old card should have their new replacement card by July. VA expects to complete mailings of the replacement VHICs by July. To ensure receipt of the new VHIC, enrolled Veterans should make sure that VA has their correct mailing address. The new VHIC is distinguished by additional security features and will have a different look and feel. The Social Security number and date of birth were removed from the barcode and magnetic strip. Similar to a typical health insurance card, the VHIC displays the Veteran's Member ID and branch of service emblem, a new unique identifier, as well as a Plan ID which reflects the Veteran's enrollment in VA health care. - See more at: <http://www.va.gov/health>.

By Law Updates

Just a reminder to check out the Tally Sheet from Department and make sure your By-Laws are up to date. Most Posts increased their dues so make sure the By-Laws support the dues being charged.

VFW
District One
April 5, 2014

Noon lunch
1 PM Memorial Service
Followed by Meeting

All Post Commanders and Auxiliary Presidents are urged to attend District Meetings including the District Memorial Service. If you cannot attend, please send a replacement.
"We need your participation".

A typed list of *Deceased Members*, with expiration date, between March 1, 2013 and March 1, 2014 are due to Ron Haley by March 10th 2014.

Remember we will have practice at 11:00AM and Gold Bar and Sultan are hosting the luncheon. I am sure they would appreciate any assistance you would be willing to lend.

Post Tallies

Post	bylaws	Articles	insp	990's	audits			poppies	Bonds	
					1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr		QM	Club
921	2/19/13	11/4/13	9/14	11	9/30	10/28	1/28	2,000	100k/3k/3k	
1040	12/13/12	X	10/3	13	7/10	10/10	1/7	1,500	60k/3k	
1561	11/2/10	X	9/3	12	7/12	10/17	2/10	5,000	90k/3k	
2100	3/22/13	X	10/23	11	10/1	2/11		2,000	30k/3k/3k	6k
2554	Nat'l 2/25	X	9/12	12	8/9	12/19	1/29	500	4k/3k	
7511	5/22/01	X	10/10	12	9/16	11/4	1/15	500	15k/3k	
8870	1/7/14	X	10/11	12	7/10	10/15	1/21	15,000	30k/30k	
9417	3/27/02	X	9/5	12	7/19	10/30	1/18	500	10k/8k	
Dist 01	8/2/13	X	1/4	12	7/19	10/16	1/16		5k/3k	

Comm. Svc

Post	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
921	5/28	7/8	8/9	9/3	10/1	11/6	12/6	1/9	2/7	
1040	6/11	7/3	8/2	9/6	10/4	11/8	12/6	1/3	2/7	
1561	6/20	8/27	8/27	9/19	10/15	11/13	12/13			
2100	8/21	7/9	7/31	9/9	10/1	11/20	12/10	1/10	2/10	
2554	7/19	7/19	8/9	9/4	10/1	12/10	12/12	1/29		
7511	7/11	7/11	8/20	9/9	10/30	11/12	12/16	1/8		
8870	5/29	6/27	7/29	8/28	9/24	10/31	12/2	12/26	1/30	2/28
9417	8/30	8/30	8/30	11/1	10/30	1/18	1/18	1/18		
Dist 01										

Chaplain

Post	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
921	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
1040	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
1561	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
2100	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
2554	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
7511		X	X		X	X	X			
8870	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
9417	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Dist 01										

VFW Membership as of February 28th

<u>Post</u>	<u>Life</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Reinst</u>	<u>Cont</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Adjusted</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>N/R LM</u>	<u>Prior</u>	<u>Retention</u>
921	57	0	0	2	59	61	96.72%	0	6	50.00%
1040	200	11	8	67	286	285	100.35%	2	87	95.40%
1561	103	3	1	35	142	168	84.52%	0	68	58.82%
2100	710	17	7	47	781	825	94.67%	7	87	68.97%
2554	25	1	0	3	29	33	87.88%	0	5	60.00%
7511	32	0	1	4	37	36	102.78%	0	6	100.00%
8870	152	7	4	37	200	214	93.46%	3	70	71.43%
9417	53	2	0	7	62	66	93.94%	1	14	50.00%
	<u>1,332</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>198</u>	<u>1,596</u>	<u>1,688</u>	<u>94.54%</u>	<u>13</u>		

Post & Auxiliary Meetings (same time and place unless otherwise indicated)

If you change the date or time of your meeting, please let both District and Department know of the change.

Gay Jones Post #921

Meeting Place: Snohomish Boys and Girls Club
402-2nd Street
Snohomish, WA 98290-3097

Meeting Date: 2nd Saturday - 1:00 P.M.

Walter A. Deebach Post #1040

Meeting Place: Alderwood Boys & Girls Club
19719—24th Ave. W.
Lynnwood, WA 98036

Meeting Date: 1st Thursday - 7:00 PM

Boyer Daniel Post #1561

Meeting Place: Arlington High School ROTC portable. That is at 18821 Crown Ridge Blvd Arlington, WA 98223

Meeting Date: 1st Tuesday—7:00PM

Old Guard Post #2100

Meeting Place: Everett Post Home
2711 Oakes Ave.
Everett, WA 98201
425-252-2100

Meeting Date: Last Thursday-6:30PM - Auxiliary 2nd Monday—6:30PM

Stoehr Glidden Post #2554

Meeting Place: United Methodist Church
211 Birch Ave.
Sultan, WA 98294

Meeting Date: 2nd Thursday -7:00 PM

Monroe #7511

Meeting Place: I.O.O.F. Hall
610 So. Lewis St.
Monroe, WA 98272

Meeting Date: 2nd Thursday - 7:00PM - Auxiliary 2nd Thursday—12:00PM

Edmonds Post #8870

Meeting Place: Edmonds Senior Center
220 Railroad Ave.
Edmonds, WA. 98020

Meeting Date: 2nd Friday-12:30 PM (Lunch at 11:45AM)

Martin-Osterholtz Post #9417

Meeting Place: Gold Bar Post Home
301-3rd St. P.O. Box 663
Gold Bar, WA. 98251

Meeting Date: 1st Thursday - 6:00 PM - Auxiliary 4:00 PM