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Francis E. Vinyard Post 2749

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July-August 2012

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Kendallville, Indiana

Commander's Comments

Comrades & Sisters:

We just finished another year at the Post and we are starting a new one. I just returned from the VFW State Convention in Indianapolis and our Post walked away with the *top two awards in our category*. We also received the *All-State Post Award*.

In July, I will be going to the VFW National Convention in Reno, Nevada to serve on the Indiana VFW State Committee appointed by our State Commander. While I am in Reno, our Post will receive the highest honor that a Post can receive. We will pick up the All-American Post honor thanks to

all the hard work of our Post, Ladies Auxiliary and Men's Auxiliary, officers and members of Post 2749.

I'm starting my second year as Commander and I was able to keep most of the same officers. *All of our officers did a great job, thanks guys.*

We will be selling bricks again. If you or a loved one would like their name on a brick, please see *Tom Mortimore*.

May God Bless all of you!
Jim McClure
Commander

OFFICERS

Commander *Jim McClure*
Sr. Vice Commander. *Lynn McDonald*
Jr. Vice Commander . . *Doyne Strater*
Quartermaster *Jim Cook*
Adjutant *Jim Cook*
Chaplain *Tom Mortimore*
Judge Advocate. *Ken Ihrrie*
Surgeon. *Jack DeBolt*
Sgt. at Arms *Dennis Nester*
Service Officer *Jan Frazee*
Trustees *Al Countryman*
Jerry Brady, Gary Fisher
House Committee *Ron Coleman*
Louie Slone, Tom Mortimore

Quartermaster's Queries

Hot enough for you? Come on down to the Post and "cool-off"!

The months of May and June have been very busy with District and State Conventions, Club drawings and dinners. It's good to see the amount of events that seem to be growing at Francis Vinyard Post 2749.

Congratulations to our membership and officers for earning the "All-American Post" designation. That means we have excelled in recruitment, donations, public service and veterans service over the past year. As we used to see in old western movies, look for the members in "Special Hats". They are the Good Guys (Hint: hats have been ordered).

Thank you's to *George Klink and company* for the electrical system updates to our facility. To our *Trustees* for keeping our Post well-maintained and the beer cold!!! To our *House Committee* for keeping our finances in order and steady. To *Club staff* who make our canteen a great place to gather with friends. Finally, to *Kim* in the office who keeps things in motion on a day to day basis.

A highlight of our last two Post meetings has been steady financial reports. That doesn't mean everything is rosy! We've experienced some unexpected expenses, but if nothing else breaks down, we're doing okay.

In any event, as of July 1st, 2012, Francis Vinyard Post 2749 VFW will be a smoke-free facility.

Then we have the Indiana state-wide smoking ban. At the June meeting, the membership overwhelmingly voted to be a non-smoking Post. We wanted to stay "family friendly". The officers have started to procure a smoking building for our parking lot, but that's on hold until we get a definition of the type of building permissible. In any event, as of July 1st, 2012, Francis Vinyard Post 2749 VFW will be a smoke-free facility. Smoking

is permitted eight feet from the public entrance to our Post.

Congratulations to our outstanding Ladies Auxiliary for achieving 100% and all you do in support of our Post!

Stay alert for further news on this subject.

Jim Cook
Quartermaster

P.S. Note there will be no meals served on July 4th. Meals will be served thru August every Wednesday. Please see the menus on page 3 of this newsletter.



Men's Auxiliary News

Hello, fellow members!

Elections are over and new officers have started as of June and as you can see, I'm still your President. I'm in need of a secretary at this time. If someone would like to step up to the plate and take this position, it would be greatly appreciated. You would not have to jump right in without help.

I would like to give kudos to all of last year's officers and all they put into their positions. We helped make our Post the top in the 4th district.

This year's \$500 scholarships went to **Tyler Carbone**. He is the grandson of **Florence Feifel (Pat)**. Tyler's strong leadership qualities were a great factor among many more who helped us choose him. Thank you to all the other applicants that were submitted. Everyone deserves

one, but unfortunately, we only give out one. Best of luck to all of you as you start a new journey in life.

Several things we have coming up include horseshoes July 21st. We will also be doing pork burgers August 11th at the corner of US 6 and SR 3. And, of course, we are getting a jump start for our annual golf outing for the children and veterans home. We would really appreciate it if a few more of you golfers could help us get this started and help with some of the many things that go along with making this another successful benefit. There is a lot of work involved with just a few of us working on this, but if a few more guys could step up, it makes it easier for all.

We are having our gun raffle once again this year. We have two different guns this year which can be seen at

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President.....*Ed Wade*
Sr. Vice President..... *John Hall, Jr.*
Jr. Vice President.....*Clyde Tackett*
Secretary..... *Tim Ley*
Chaplain..... *Don Dyer*
Treasurer.....*Denny Rorick*
Trustees *Van Lamore*
Tim Wade
Steve Lein

the Post. Plan on stopping in and grab some tickets to sell to your buddies and coworkers. As like last year, every tenth ticket you sell, you will receive on for yourself.

Ed Wade
President

COMING EVENTS

July 9
MEN'S AUXILIARY
MEETING
6:00 PM

August 11
PORK BURGERS
AT US 6 & SR 3

August 13
MEN'S AUXILIARY
MEETING
6:00 PM



PLEASE EMAIL YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS TO US!
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Ladies' Auxiliary News

Hello, Sisters!

It has been a very productive month. The Ladies Auxiliary is now 100%. Much of this membership achievement is due to the dedicated work of *Carolyn Mortimore*. Thanks, Carolyn!

Thanks to *Betty DeBolt, Gladys Neal, Deb Wallen, Diane Nichter and Sarah Elliott* for running the bake sale in May. They again outdid themselves and had the largest bake sale ever. Also a big thanks to all who brought on goodies that made this possible.

Beverly Bryant is still cooking every Wednesday night at the Post. She reports

sales have been good. Thanks, Beverly, and thanks everyone for supporting her and our Club.

Poppy Sales were brisk and rewarding. Thanks to all who participated.

And to *Janice Wright*, we want you to know we are thinking of you. Hurry and get well. We miss you.

Marcia Smith
Ladies Auxiliary President

P.S. Don't forget to pray for our servicemen.



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Sr. Vice President..... *Diane Nichter*
Jr. Vice President..... *Bonnie Hall*
Secretary..... *Cecelee Shuck*
Treasurer.....*Carolyn Mortimore*
Chaplain.....*Betty DeBolt*
Conductress..... *Janet Allen*
Guard..... *Beverly Bryant*
1 Year Trustee.....*Betty DeBolt*
2 Year Trustee..... *Grace Ley*
3 Year Trustee..... *Becky McClure*

July Dinners

- 11 Cavatini, Salad & Garlic Bread**
- 18 Chicken & Dumplings, Green Beans**
- 25 Beef & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes
Candied Carrots, Angel Food Cake**

August Dinners

- 1 Baked Pork Chop, Mushroom Gravy,
Mashed Potatoes, Peas**
- 8 Sloppy Joes, Macaroni Salad, Cookies**
- 15 Hamburger Macaroni & Cheese,
Kidney Bean, Salad**
- 22 Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Chips
Lime Jello/Cottage Cheese**
- 29 Spaghetti, Garlic bread, Salad**



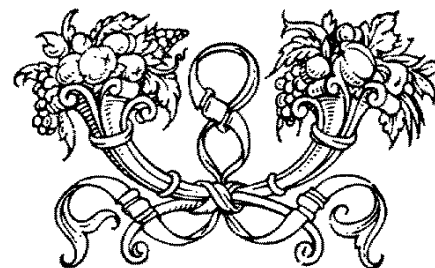
COMING EVENTS

July 12

LADIES
AUXILIARY
MEETING
6:00 PM

August 9

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July

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM POST MEETING 7:00 PM	4 NO WED. NIGHT MEAL DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	5 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	6	7 VFW GOLF ROME CITY 9:00 AM CONEY DOGS 11-2
8 OPEN SUNDAY	9 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS MEN'S AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	10 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	11 CAVATINI WED. NIGHT MEAL DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	12 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS LADIES AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	13	14 CONEY DOGS 11-2 OPEN GUEST
15 CLOSED	16 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	17 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	18 CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS WED. NIGHT MEALS DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	19 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	20	21 HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT OPEN GUEST CONEY DOGS 11-2
22 OPEN SUNDAY	23 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	24 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	25 BEEF & NOODLES WED. NIGHT MEALS DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	26 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	27	28 CONEY DOGS 11-2 OPEN GUEST
29	30 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	31 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM		1 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM		

August

2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 BAKED PORK CHOP WED. NIGHT MEALS	2 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	3	4 Open Guest Day VFW GOLF ROME CITY 9:00 AM CONEY DOGS 11-2
5	6 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	7 Post Meeting 7:00 pm EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	8 SLOPPY JOES WED. NIGHT MEALS	9 EUCHRE 1:- 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS LADIES AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	10	11 PORK BURGERS FOR SALE @ 6 & 3 CORNER OPEN GUEST CONEY DOGS 11-2
12 OPEN SUNDAY	13 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS MEN'S AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	14 Joint Meeting 7:00 pm EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	15 HAMBURGER MACARONI & CHEESE WED. NIGHT MEALS	16 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	17	18 CONEY DOGS 11-2
19	20 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	21 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	22 HAM & CHEESE SANDWICH WED. NIGHT MEALS	23 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	24	25 CONEY DOGS 11-2 OPEN GUEST
26 OPEN SUNDAY	27 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	28 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	29 SPAGHETTI WED. NIGHT MEALS	30 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	31	1 CONEY DOGS 11-2