The Hashmark

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Your presence is requested!
Next Post/Aux Meeting

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CHILI COOK OFF

BRING YOUR BEST POT OF CHILI AND ENTER THE CONTEST
TO VOTE ON THE BEST CHILI WILL BE
A \$5 CHARGE
WE WILL SUPPLY THE CORNBREAD
THERE WILL BE SOME FUN DRINK
SPECIALS BUT THEY WILL BE A
SUPPRISE!



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Commander's Corner





President's Pen



Dear Brothers and Sisters

Comrades

As we start to wind down our year there are so many to thank for making this Post a better home. We've had a new camera system installed and the bar is taking shape. The floor has a new nonslip coating, and the mirrored bottle shelf has been removed. The bar top and sides should be done by the end of February (we hope) and the glass sanitizer has been rebuilt. We are also looking at new tile.

We really want to thank all of the donors who have made this possible. We can't name them here but will be doing something special to recognize them.

We are still short on funds to complete the bar area so any contributions would be greatly appreciated.

As of this writing mid-winter has concluded and District #9 did well, but not our Post, even though we had 92 participants. We already have next year's theme so we will be contacting the teachers to get a head start.

We still need 51 members to renew their membership to become an All-American post this year. Dues are \$45 as of February 1, 2023; however, if you pay the Quartermaster by February 15th, the dues will only cost you \$30. Last chance deal!.

Yours in Comradeship, David L. Ware Post 51 Commander Commander@vfw51.org New Years Greetings,

We as an Auxiliary are broaching the New Year with much optimism! Hope shines bright on our goal to continue to serve and support our veterans and with your continued help these goals can and will be met. January was quite a month as our few volunteers needed to regroup from the holidays and ever changing weather. The winter months are notorious for colds, flu, and the crud, we are asking as a Post and Auxiliary, if you aren't feeling well or have a runny nose, cough or fever please stay home and rest, and take care of yourself. We only have a few volunteer bartenders if one or more get sick we are facing another day to be closed and that doesn't help anyone. Please be prudent with your health.

Our Auxiliary member in the spotlight this month is Jean Rosado. Jean has been a Auxiliary member since she was 16! She has served in many positions, twice as District #9 President, no less than three times as Auxiliary Post 51 President, Sr. and Jr. Vice, and many many chairmanships. She is a mecca of wonderful information regarding the Auxiliary. She lends countless hours to many different organizations and groups and is a consistent attendee at the City Council meetings and volunteers at numerous schools helping in the classrooms. She embodies the true spirit of the VFW Auxiliary! Please extend your much appreciated thank you's the next time you see her.

Birthday greetings this month go out to Nancy Agee, Pam Burns, Florence Carrico, Vicki Codd, Pat Custer, jordyn Feuz, Amy Flaig, Loressa Hardee, Michele Hudson, Nelly Hudson, Elizabeth Koesterman, Crystal Ottinger, Young Phillippee, Candy Shipley, Fanette Stewart, Amie Tyvan and Leslie Wunderle. Happy Birthday to each and everyone.

May our hearts overflow with love and caring this month and throughout the year!

"The Soldier above all others prays for peace, for it is the Soldier who must suffer and bear the wounds and scars of war." Douglas MacArthur.

Respectfully Lynne Larson Auxiliary President

From our Chaplain

As we enter the month of February we must look to the future. What does it hold for the VFW? Only you, the members of this Post can decide it. This last month Post 51 presented a new US Flag to the Northeast Youth Center, replacing the tattered one.

We must reach out to the veterans who are shut in and cannot get out and about and check on their needs to see how we as an organization can assist them. We must also look to the youth of our com

munity and our organization to "Educate the youth of today to be the leaders of tomorrow."

Our Mission is: "To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military, and our communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans." This is the future of the VFW as an Organization as well as a Post.

Yours in Comradeship Wes Anderson Post 51 Chaplain Post 51 Service Officer Department Chaplain



HASHMARK DEADLINE: February 22nd by 6pm HASHMARK FOLD: February 27th at 10am

If you would PLEASE give us your e-mail address, we can send your Hashmark out and you will get it quicker.

Contact the Quartermaster quartermaster@vfw51.org or the Adjutant@vfw51.org

A word from our Canteen Manager

Happy February, it's a time for love. Love of your family, VFW family and our veterans. Many holidays can be hard for our members that look forward to seeing all of you. Please take the time to invite someone you haven't seen in a while to meet you at the post to simply spend time with them. We want them all to know that we care how they feel, and you never know they may need us so show the love for each other.

The KOC will be cooking a Valentines' dinner for us on February 10th, Roasted Pork Loin or Baked Cod Fillets for \$20, with Happy Hour being from 5pm to 6pm and Dinner at 6pm. Reservations for the dinner are due on February 8th.

This month we are going to be having a chili cook off on February 12th!. Bring your best pot of chili and enter the contest. There will be a first, second and third place. We will supply the cornbread. To vote on which chili that is your favorite it will cost you \$5. Not bad for a fun day to spend with your brothers and sisters. Tickets will be passed out when you arrive for random door prizes. Who doesn't like a chance to get something for free? Please let the post know if you are entering. You can come by and let us know or give us a call. We will have some fun drink specials but that is going to be a surprise. If you are curious then show up and you too will know. OH... don't forget to wear your favorite team logo.

The weather is starting to give us a little break so come on down we've missed you all and want to know what's been going on so far this year.

Laura Bondurant Canteen Manager



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Sundays 12pm to 5pm Mondays 12pm to 8pm Tuesdays,Wednesdays Closed Thursdays Fridays and	VFW POST 51 (509) 327-9847 AMERICAN LEGION POST #9 326-4168	1 Closed	Open 12pm to 8pm 12pm Poker 12pm to 1pm Lunch 5pm to 8pm SON Dinner	Open 12pm to 8pm	4 Open 12pm to 8pm 1pm Bingo 5pm Seabees
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