

VFW Devon Post 7788  
422 Naugatuck Avenue  
Milford CT 06460  
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

U.S. Postage Paid  
Non-Profit Organization  
Permit #36  
Milford, Connecticut 06460



# TRAVIS C. KITCHEN POST 7788

[www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org)

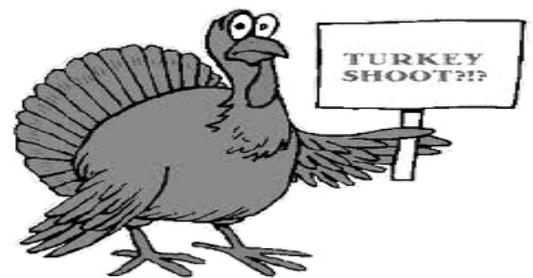
October - November - December 2014  
January 2015

Place label here

## Family Outing



Honoring *Paul Liscinsky*  
Saturday, October 4th  
At the VFW Pavilion and  
Picnic Grounds



**TURKEY SHOOT**  
Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 PM  
Admission \$5.00  
Mark Your Calendar

## October

4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Family Outing</b>
13 <sup>th</sup>	Columbus Day
19 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Halloween Party
26 <sup>st</sup>	Testimonial Dinner
31 <sup>st</sup>	Halloween

## November

1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Poppy Drive</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Daylight Savings Time Ends
4 <sup>th</sup>	Election Day
14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Turkey Shoot</b>
9 <sup>th</sup>	Veterans Day Parade
11 <sup>th</sup>	Veterans Day
27 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving

## December

7 <sup>th</sup>	Pearl Harbor Remembrance
13 <sup>th</sup>	Army/Navy Game
19 <sup>th</sup>	Canteen Christmas Party 4:00 to 8:00 pm
21 <sup>st</sup>	Children's Christmas Party 1:00 to 3:00 pm
25 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas - Canteen Closed
31 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Eve

## January 2015

1 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Day
15 <sup>th</sup>	Martin Luther King Day

### VETERANS

***"It's not what you pay to belong,  
its the price you paid to be eligible"***

### OYSTER FESTIVAL 2014

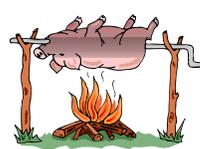
My fellow Comrades,  
I would like to thank all who participated in Yesterday's Oyster Festival: Greg and Christine Smith, Ed Doran, Dan Gregory, Tim Mead, Bob Raynor, Don Lareau, Sean Bell, Jim Hessberger (for the loan of his truck) and Jim Goldstein (who tried in vain to make it but was turned away, it's the thought that counts)  
In my opinion, the day was a huge success: we received 13 new applications which will have to be verified, Greg has I believe 5 more. We sold \$173. worth of product and collected \$253.21 in Donations or a grand total of \$426.21. This was an outstanding day.



### FAMILY OUTING

#### **In honor of Paul Liscinsky**

Saturday October 4, 2014 11:00 am to 6:00 pm  
Liver Bacon & Onions,  
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chili,



#### **Fresh Roasted Pig (served at 4 pm)**

Corn on the Cob, Potato Salads  
and **FREE Draft Beer**. Music  
& Dancing, Horseshoes, Volleyball, Water  
balloon Toss.

**Tickets are on sale NOW** at the Canteen.  
\$20.00 per person, (children 12 and under  
are FREE). Bring your Family and Friends  
and enjoy the day at our VFW Pavilion and  
Picnic Grounds. Come hungry we will have  
plenty of good food. Cash Bar available.

For additional information contact Missy  
McGeough on Monday, Tuesday, or  
Thursday evening at the VFW (203-874-  
9982) after 6:00 pm.

### **VFW WEBSITE UPDATE**



Yes, we have a website ([www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org)) and it is updated and functional. What does that mean? It means that you can get all of the most up-to-date information ([www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org)) about the Post, the men's and women's auxiliaries, the canteen, all of our functions and services. Why do we need a website ([www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org))? We have notices in the canteen and a newsletter and everybody telling us about all the latest events... OK, what if you are not at the canteen ([www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org)) or you misplaced your newsletter ([www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org)) or you haven't talked to anybody recently? The website ([www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org)) will give you access to everything right from your home.

So, go to [www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org) and take a look. Did you look at it?? OK, look again.

[www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org) There will be a test!!

Read the NEW WEBSITE article, next page.



The Army/Navy game will be played on Saturday, December 13, 2014. Details are still pending.  
**POPPY DRIVE**

The Post will be selling poppies at **Stop & Shop, 855 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford on Saturday November 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday, the 2<sup>nd</sup>.** We



We will be selling at both doors and we will be in need of your help. We need four people per hour for two days.

Come and help for an hour or two. A sign-up sheet is located in the canteen. **Don't just let the regular few do it. This is a Post effort.**

○ \* \* \* \* \*

**TURKEY SHOOT**



**FRIDAY  
NOVEMBER  
14TH  
7:00PM To**

**11:00PM**

**FREE**

**DRAFT BEER - HOT DOGS - CHILI  
RAFFLE - DOOR PRIZES  
- CASH BAR -  
\$5.00 Per Person**

○ \* \* \* \* \*

**Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup>**



## Veteran's Day Parade

Post 7788 and its Auxiliaries will be participating in the Parade. All are welcome. Ladies Auxiliary will be selling Poppies.

### VFW NEW NEW WEBSITE



Did you  
really look  
at our  
website??

([www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org)) How come it is not all up to date?

**Because, we have a new website under construction!!**

So, we want you to peruse the old website, see what is there and become familiar with it.

**Why?** So you can compare the old with the new and see the advances that the new technology provides. Initially, we will have basically the same information available. However, keeping it all up to date and making changes and improvements will be greatly simplified.

We have retained Lone Armadillo Marketing Strategy and Consulting to develop and implement the new website. As soon as the specifications are approved we will get started. We should have a completion date shortly thereafter.

## Testimonial Dinner

**Honoring State Commander, Greg Smith  
and State Auxiliary President, Carol  
Preston.**

Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>  
Grand Ballroom of the

Rocky Hill Sheraton Hotel  
100 Capitol Boulevard  
Rocky Hill, CT

**Flyers are at the Canteen.**

## Kids Halloween Party



**Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>  
1:00 to 3:00 pm.**  
Sign up sheet in the  
Canteen.

Make sure you sign up your children or grandchildren. See Missy for details.



## Canteen Christmas Party

**Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>  
4:00 to 8:00 pm.**

Buffet dinner, drinks half price.

## Children's Christmas Party

**Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> 1:00 to 3:00 pm.**

Make sure you register your children or grandchildren so every child gets an age-appropriate gift.

Sign up sheet will be available in the Canteen.



## WHAT'S COOKIN' ??

Every Monday and Tuesday evening  
*somebody*

for you at the  
Did you know



cooks dinner  
Post Canteen!  
that you can

get a home cooked meal for just five  
bucks?

There is something different each day  
and it comes with a smile.

### COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



My fellow comrades it has  
been a very good three  
months since I became your



commander. I would like to thank you for your support, kindness and advice. I look forward to do even better during the next quarter. By the time this message goes to print we will have gained at least 8 new members. The golf tournament will have been completed which I know will have been successful. The Post Pig Roast and Family Outing would be well attended.

I still am looking for more attendance at the monthly meetings. This is your post and only by participation can we make it better. The Website has been updated. Please go to it and take a look. It will contain all upcoming events and notices pertaining to our post. The Poppy drive is set for November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> at Stop and Shop on Bridgeport Avenue. We will need volunteers to man it as we are covering both doors. A sign up sheet will be posted in the Canteen.

Yours in comradeship,  
Joe Razzia  
Commander



### LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS

Greetings All

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. The ladies have held their first meeting and we have so much going on! We'd like to welcome the following new members, **Judge Beverly Streit-Kafalas, Larissa Watt, Cory Bromley, Karen Thomas, Maureen**

**Dalton and Crystal Rose.** We are always looking for new members so please help us spread the word!

We have our two scholarship contests Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy going on as well as a Teacher of the Year award. We will be at the Red White and Blues Veterans Celebration in downtown distributing poppies on Sat. 8th- this is a day long celebration honoring our Veterans so be sure to come down, the day will end with a Salute to Veterans Fireworks display! We will also be walking with our Post in the Veterans Day Parade. You will see us at all of the Post events this fall so stop by and say hello!

Respectfully submitted,  
Kim Rose,  
Ladies Auxiliary President



### MEN'S AUXILIARY NEWS

**Hello** and good tidings to my fellow aux members. Summer is gone and Autumn is upon us already, where did the time go? The next three months are going to be busy, we have the men's auxiliary tag sale on Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 9AM in the upstairs hall. It is the day after the Family Outing. If you have items you would like to donate to the Tag Sale please Call Kenny Ruff or Garry Saxton for so we can arrange pick up or drop off. Kenny's # 203 395 9435, Garry's # 203 824 2139 Also items can be dropped off the day before, see myself or Garry or Matt Please no furniture or clothes, more manly items like tools or small appliances. All profits are going towards the purchase of new beer coolers at the canteen. We want our beer Frosty! The posts Turkey Shoot date is Friday November 14 at seven o'clock in the downstairs hall,

We need volunteers to help with the event. Please see me or Garry. We will need ticket sellers and kitchen help, too. Last year's Turkey Shoot was a success; let's make this one a success as well!! Let's remember Men there is no I in team, we need more members to show at meetings and Get involved in events, your voice will be heard at the meetings, I would like to thank our new Post Commander, Joe Razzia for doing his best to help this post. Keep up the great work!

And also Ed Doran as newsletter editor and website coordinator, and all the rest of you who make this the best V.F.W. post there is thanks.

\*\*\*\*\*

Men's Auxiliary President  
Dan Gregory



### Chaplain's Message



### TAPS



- 6/3/14**      **Eugene Heslin**  
**USMC**      **Korea**
  
- 6/26/14**    **Arthur Streit**  
**US Army**
  
- 7/1/14**      **Ronnie Gilbert**  
**No details available**
  
- 7/3/14**      **Conrad Shedek**  
**US Army**      **WWII Philippines**  
**A last member of the horse cavalry**
  
- 8/26/14**    **Lawrence Pitcher**  
**Vietnam**
  
- Edward J Fedorowicz**  
**No details available**



God bless our troops who are serving in hostile areas around the globe. It is by their efforts and sacrifices that we are able to enjoy our freedom and liberty. May God protect them from harm and return them safely home.

Al Carlson  
Post Chaplain

### EDITOR'S NOTES

Another issue of the Newsletter is done. I hope you find all the information that you need to know. The Newsletter is a little more work than I thought, but it is an interesting endeavor. The only problem is that the newsletter is quite an expense to the Post. I know that most of you have e-mail accounts and I know that you have probably provided your e-mail before, but, if you will **send your e-mail address to me** this one last time, I will add you to my database and I won't bother you again. I will take you off the snail-mail list and provide you with your own copy of our newsletter right on your computer. You don't have to worry about misplacing a paper copy or piling up paper on your desk. And, if you delete your newsletter, you can always find the current issue on our website. ([www.vfw7788.org](http://www.vfw7788.org)) Yes, we will update the old website with current items until the new one is ready!!

Ed Doran, Jr  
e-mail [doranjr@optonline.net](mailto:doranjr@optonline.net)