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November, December 2015 and January 2016

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Canteen Christmas Party

TURKEY SHOOT
Friday, November 13th
7:00 PM
Admission \$5.00
Tickets on back page

Friday,
December 11th
4:00 to 8:00 pm.
Buffet dinner,
drinks half price.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

1st	Daylight Savings Time Ends
3rd	Election Day
8 th	Veterans Day Parade
11 th	Veterans Day Wreath Laying
13th	Turkey Shoot
15th	Poppy Drive
26th	Thanksgiving

December

7 th	Pearl Harbor Remembrance
12th	Army/Navy Game
11th	Canteen Christmas Party 4:00 to 8:00 pm
20th	Children's Christmas Party 1:00 to 3:00 pm
25 th	Christmas - Canteen Closed
31 st	New Year's Eve

January 2016

1 st	New Year's Day
18 th	Martin Luther King Day

POPPY DRIVE

The Auxiliary will be having a Buddy Poppy Distribution at **Stop and Shop on Bridgeport Avenue on Saturday, November 7th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.**

Stop by to visit, donate or volunteer to sit a while and man a table.

The Post will be selling poppies at

Shop Rite on Cherry Street, Milford on Sunday November 15th, from 9:00am until 5:00pm. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Canteen for volunteers.



**Don't just let the regular few do it.
This is a Post effort.**



Most of this information has already been posted to our Website

www.vfw7788.org

We welcome your feedback and comments.

TURKEY SHOOT



**FRIDAY
NOVEMBER
13th
7:00PM To
11:00PM**

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

See tickets on back page

Buy one or buy'em all!!

Also available at the Canteen

Sunday, November 8th



Veteran's Day Parade

Post 7788 and its Auxiliaries will be participating in the Parade. Wreath laying on November 11th, 11:00am in front of City Hall. All are welcome.



Navy / Army

Saturday, December 12, 3:00 PM on CBS
Lincoln Financial Field, Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania

Army Black Knights

vs

Navy Midshipmen

Watch it at the Canteen

Stop This Insanity

May 30, 2014 EDITOR :

Went to the Veteran's Hospital in Iron Mountain today on business. While there I stopped at the Chapel and found pinky-purple type curtains with mesh at the top, covering the altar. (You know the type. They use them between sick patient beds in the hospital). I stopped in my tracks, shocked at what I saw. Peeked behind the curtain, and found what used to be the welcoming part of the chapel, the Cross, a picture of Christ, and other Christian icons familiar to the majority of Americans.

I found Chaplain Bob Mueller, to ask what the meaning was of this change. This is what he told me. " A couple of months ago, an order came down from Washington DC to cover all things associated with Religion in the VA Hospitals. Their solution is to cover everything in all the VA Chapels across the country." It is supposed to make the chapel non-denominational?

Read more at

<http://www.snopes.com/politics/religion/vachapels.asp#yFdqrXLO500BPz3L.99>

CLEVER!!

When Donald Trump purchased and rebuilt Mar-A-Lago the Grand mansion and estate in Palm Beach, Florida he got into a dispute with the city, who are well known for being strict on zoning regulations.

Trump put up a 50 foot flag pole even though 30 feet is the maximum allowed. The city imposed a 1,000 dollar fine per day. While Trump and the city argued back and forth, and finally when the fine had reached 120,000 dollars, Trump proposed a solution.

He would donate that amount to veteran's organizations, would move the flag and pole to a different location in front of the mansion and would only use a 30 foot flag pole.

The city agreed. So Trump brought in the company who does Golf course construction had them build a 20 foot high grassy hill and put a 30 foot flag pole on top of that.....

Thank you Mr. Trump for flying our flag high and donating to our veterans you're a true American ...

Come Visit Our CANTEEN

The Canteen is open 7 days a week.

Sunday	12 Noon to 11 PM
Monday & Tuesday	2 PM to 11 PM
Wednesday & Thursday	2 PM to 12 PM
Friday	2 PM to 1 AM
Saturday	12 noon to 12 PM



Special Dinners by 'Missy'
Monday and Tuesday Evening

(Doors locked at "Last Call" ½ hour before closing.)

Canteen Christmas Party

Friday, December 11th

4:00 to 8:00 pm.

Buffet dinner, drinks half price.



Children's Christmas Party

Sunday, December 20th



12:00 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.

Street in Milford. A sign-up sheet will be in the canteen. We are redoing our Memorial Brick location in a few weeks. We have ordered a number of them and will be making the area bigger and better. If anyone wants to order a brick, please see Jay Murray, myself or fill out one of the order forms located on the table in the Canteen.

I would also ask that you email your email address to Ed Doran as the mailing costs for the newsletter are quite high.

As always, I am hoping that now the summer has passed we will get more members at our monthly meetings.

Yours in comradship,
Joe Razzaia, Commander

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Greetings fellow comrades,



Another quarter has come and gone. Continuous memberships are coming due in December please don't wait until the last minute to pay your dues. For those who have not paid their dues that were due please do so at your earliest convenience.

I am disappointed that for the first time since its inception; we had to cancel the Family Roast due to lack of participation. This event is not only a fun event but it is a fund raiser for our post. Missy cannot prepare all the food needed for this event on three days notice as to how many people to cook for. It is not fair to her when she hears, "I would have come to the event" the day before the event was to take place.

A one day Poppy Drive is slated for Sunday, November 15th from 9 to 5 at Shoprite on Cherry



AUXILIARY NEWS

Exciting news! The Auxiliary has signed up our first male members! Congratulations to Alexander O'Brian, Matthew O'Brian and Matthew Smith! Alexander and Matthew O'Brian are the sons of our Chaplain, Paula Serpa, and Matthew Smith is the son of Greg & Christine Smith! Welcome aboard guys!

The Auxiliary has a Stop & Shop gift card raffle going on – you may buy your tickets at the canteen. Drawing is Friday, November 13th at the Turkey Shoot. Just in time for all your Thanksgiving Dinner shopping!

For those of you who don't want to cook, the Auxiliary is having their 5th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner in the upstairs hall on Thanksgiving Day, November 26th. Dinner will be served from 12:00 noon until 3:00 pm. Please make a reservation – sign up sheets in the Canteen, or call Nancy Paddock at (203) 878-8527. Last year we served over 80 veterans and their families. It was a wonderful day of fellowship and food. All are welcome!

We look forward to seeing you at one or all of our sponsored events as we continue our “Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes”.

Nancy Paddock,
Auxiliary President



MEN'S AUXILIARY NEWS

Thanks for all the support that everyone has provided to all of the Men's Auxiliary projects and functions.

We are looking forward to a great participation in our Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot. Buy some of the tickets on the back of the newsletter. Hope to see you there.

Men's Auxiliary President
Dan Gregory



Chaplain's Message

A Prayer for Courage

I ask for courage. Courage to face and conquer my own fears.... Courage to take me where others will not go. I ask for strength... Strength of body to protect others.. Strength of spirit to lead others. I ask for dedication... Dedication to my job, to do it well... Dedication to my country, to keep it safe. Give me Lord, concern... For those who trust me and compassion for those who need me. And please Lord..... Through it all be at my side.

Al Carlson
Post Chaplain



TAPS



**6/23/2015 John Broderick USN
WWII Veteran**

7/27/2015 Alan Jepson USN

7/29/2015 Lawrence Sterback

EDITOR'S NOTES

Another issue of the Newsletter is done. I hope you find all the information that you need to know. For the **most up-to-date information for our Post**, check out our NEW website. The **website address is** (www.vfw7788.org).

Attention:

If your dues are not paid, your membership will be dropped and the newsletter will be discontinued.

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