



# The Tidewater Post

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## Father's Day; State Convention

Commander  
 Fellow Comrades & Sisters,  
 My year as your Commander is coming to an end. The **Installation of Post Officers** was held on the 8th of May. Congratulations to the Incoming Officers of this great Post who will take charge at the close of the State Convention on June 13:

Commander..... Bob Clinebell; Sr. Vice Commander ..... Eric Mallet; Jr. Vice Commander .. Juan Gonzalez  
 Quartermaster .... Richard Crockford  
 Surgeon ..... Phil "Durbin" Chaplain..... Leonard Horsfall  
 Come out and support your newly elected Post Officers. Congratulations

go out as well to our newly elected Ladies Auxiliary Post Officers.  
 What a pleasure it was to serve as the Commander of the best Post in Virginia – Post 4809. I want to take this time to thank the **Junior Girls** for the work they have done this year – from helping serve the Vets from the VA Hospital to making hospital visits. Thank you for your service to the Veterans.

To my Line Officers and Comrades who stepped up to the plate to take care of things while I was working or out of town: I cannot thank you enough. I know that I am leaving the Post in good hands. Thanks for a job well done.  
 To my Madam President and Sisters of this great Post, you have done an outstanding job serving the Post and our Veterans. Thanks, each and every one of you, for all that you have done this year. I salute **YOU!**

A Special Thanks to **Gary and Mary** for all the time they have spent in the kitchen this year, and the wonderful food you have prepared for us. Thank you so very **MUCH!**


Please check the Calendar on the front of this Newsletter for events, programs, and meetings for the month of June.

I have signed my newsletter article for the past several years with the phrase, *"Together We Can"*. Today, I will change that to *"Together We Did"*. Thanks so very much for allowing me to serve as the Commander of Post 4809.

The **Volunteer of the Month** is **Madam President Liz Wilson..** Thank you for your service to this Post and our Veterans.

*"Together We Did"*  
 ... Bill Holtzner

### JUNE, 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:30 pm COOTIE SCRATCH  Band Practice	2 WEDNESDAY NITES: FREE Juke Box, POOL & Darts Cribbage \$5.00 Pizza	3 7:00 pm JOINT MEETING  Remote Control Club	4 6:30-8:00 pm AUXILIARY STEAK DINNER Ocean Breeze in Canteen	5 3:00 pm JR. GIRLS  N.A.R.T.U. Picnic PWP Dance
6 9:00-11:00 MOCA BREAKFAST  Maharlika	7 7:00 pm Ladies Aux Meeting	8 7:00 PM MOCA MEETING  Pepper Lovers Club	9  Coin Club	10 Rifle Club  Civic League  STATE CONVENTION	11 No Post Dinner  STATE CONVE NTION	12 Coin Club
13 U.F.A.S  STATE CONVENTION	14 7:30 PM POST MEETING FLAG DAY Partilite Candles	15 7:00 pm B.O.D  AM: CWA/RMC Band Practice	16 Post/Aux Hospital Visit  1st Roller Coaster(1884)	17 Polaroid patent (1970)  Alhambra	18 6:30-8:00 MOCA Steak Dinner  PremiumBlend in Canteen	19 Sub Vets  PWP Dance
20 9:30-11:30 BREAKFAST MOC/MOCA Hospital Visit  Father's Day	21  Summer Begins	22 Fleet Reserve  Partilite Candles	23 Public Service Day	24	25 KARAOKE BIRTHDAY BASH Burgers & Fries	26 9:45 am De-Stress Vets
27 9:30-11:30 COOTIE BREAKFAST  Jolly B's	28 7:30 pm Post Meeting  World War I Ends (1919)	29	30 GI Bill for the 21st Century Signed into Law (2008)	DATES TO REMEMBER: 6: D-Day: Allied Invasion of Europe (1944) 14: U.S. Army Founded (1775) 22: Pledge of Allegiance Recognized by Congress (1942) 22: GI Bill Signed Into Law (1944) 25: Korean War Began (1950)		

Senior Vice-Commander  
Comrades & Sisters,

As my term as Senior Vice Commander comes to an end, I want to thank everyone for their support during this past year. I also pass along my personal thanks to Commander **Bill Holtzner** and Junior Vice Commander **Juan Gonzalez** for all their efforts in leading this Post to another successful year.

On June 14 at 7:00 p.m., the Post will have a special ceremony to commemorate **Flag Day**, a day for all of us to show respect for our flag. Our flag is representative of our independence and our unity as a nation and is nicknamed "Old Glory" or "Star-spanned Banner".

It is believed that the idea to have an annual day to celebrate the Flag originated in 1885 in Fredonia, Wisconsin. A school teacher by the name of B. J. Cigrand, arranged for the pupils of Fredonia Public School, District 6, to observe June 14 as "Flag Birthday". This date happened to correspond with the 108th anniversary of the official adoption of *The Stars and Stripes* as our National Flag.

Similar ceremonies started around the country a few years later and Flag Day was eventually established on May 30, 1916 by a Proclamation by President Woodrow Wilson. Flag Day continued to be celebrated around the country after President Wilson's proclamation; but it was not until August 3, 1949 that President Harry S. Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14 of each year as **National Flag Day**.

If your **Annual Membership** has expired, or it is getting close, renew now! If you know of a Comrade who has let their membership lapse, contact them and encourage them to renew as well. If you are not a Life Member, please consider a Life Membership. Fees are as follows and can be paid through a 12- or 24-month payment plan:

Here are the **Life Membership** Fees:  
Up to age 30 . \$425    31-40 . . . . . 410  
41-50 . . . . . 375    51-60 . . . . . 335  
61-70 . . . . . 290    71-80 . . . . . 225  
81 & over . . . . . 170

**Please note, however, that the 24-month payment plan will no longer be available after June 30, 2010** – so take advantage of this option before it ends!

... *Bob Clinebell*

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### Chaplain

Comrades & Sisters,

We had two more Comrades who passed on. They are: **Richard L. Baker** and **Jack E. Hull**.

Sick Comrades: **Richard Crockford**, **Darryl Moyers**, **Gilbert Clark**, **Gene Broughman** (home), **Eric Mallet**, **Richard Nebe** (Uncle passed away), and **Jake Pena** (brother passed away).

Sick sisters are: **Donna Fearn**, **Georgette Dausey** (hand surgery), **Shawn Dellert**, (surgery-home), **Rhonda Leaver** (neck surgery), and **Bobby Manning** (surgery).

Let's keep all of these Comrades, Sisters and their families in our prayers for a quick recovery.

Also, we want to keep all of our Comrades and Sisters who are in harm's way in our hearts and prayers.

God Bless, and keep everyone safe.

*Leonard F. Horsfall*

### Ladies Auxiliary

Dear Sisters & Comrades,

This is my last newsletter, and this has been the hardest one yet.

First of all, I want to thank my Sisters for the most wonderful year. We worked hard, we played hard and we accomplished a lot; and I'm very proud of what we have done. To our Comrades, I thank you for always being there for me whenever I asked – and even when I didn't ask.

To "My Commander", I also wish to say "Thank You". By our ability to work together; and by staying in constant communication, we were able to prove that "together we can" was possible and it made for a GREAT year. I am very honored to have served as your "Madam President". My last reminders: Don't forget about our **Dinner** on June 4. Our **Hospital Visit** will be June 16.

I also hope to see many of you in Richmond at the **Department Convention** June 10-13. Please check your calendar for additional events and times.

I wish **Margaret**, her line officers and committee chairmen the best! I know you will all do well! Good luck and best wishes for the year ahead.

Sisters and Comrades, let us never forget why we are here and our purpose for being. Let us continue to fight for our Veterans, their families and their rights; and while doing so, let us strive to make this the best Post and Auxiliary in the Department of Virginia.

Think about **Life Membership**. It's the best way to go!

**Life Membership** rates are as follows: (Attained Age as of December 31 of the year applying:

Thru 20 . . . . .	\$220	21-25 . . . . .	210
26-30 . . . . .	200	31-35 . . . . .	190
36-40 . . . . .	185	41-45 . . . . .	175
46-50 . . . . .	170	51-55 . . . . .	160
56-60 . . . . .	150	61-65 . . . . .	140
66-70 . . . . .	130	71-75 . . . . .	115
76-80 . . . . .	95	81-85 . . . . .	75
86-90 . . . . .	60	91 & over . . . . .	50

May God bless our Veterans here and those who are fighting for our freedom on foreign soil. Also bless our Post and God Bless America!

My heartfelt gratitude and love to you all,

... *Liz*

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### Seam Squirrel

Listen Cooties,

To ALL Cooties: Thank you for giving me the honor and the privilege of serving you as Seam Squirrel of Pup Tent #2 this past year. I've really had a very lousy time.

There are a number of people I owe a great deal to for their support throughout this past year:

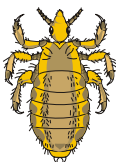
§ *Hungry Cootie, Charlie* – thanks for keeping me out of trouble at the Scratches. I know I've tried your patience a hundred times or more this past year; but you stayed the course. I really appreciate all your efforts to teach me more about the working of the MOC. In my mind, I truly believe you're a real asset to this Pup Tent, and Post 4809.

§ *Custodian of the Crummy Duffel Bag, Gordy.* You've been a real inspiration to me in all that you do for Pup Tent #2 and Post 4809. Thanks – it seems like such an insignificant word to express my gratitude for all your help this past year. I've really enjoyed working with you.

§ *Sky Pilot, Leonard:* I can't begin to thank you enough for the outstanding job you've done for our hospitalized Vets and members of Pup Tent #2 and Post 4809. I really appreciate all your help; and the dedication you have demonstrated in the performance of your duties as Sky Pilot. Your performance has been above and beyond the norm, and for that I am grateful to you.

§ To the *Breakfast Crew: Gary, Rich, Dick, Craig, Gordy, Charlie, Leonard, Phil, Eric, Skip and Steve:* Thanks for all your hard work and support. You all did a superb job.

The end of my year as Seam Squirrel has arrived; so I'm asking all Cooties to start looking at what you can do to support our incoming Seam Squirrel, **Phil Durbin**. Please give him all the support you can.



Please continue to remember our servicemen and women serving at home and abroad in your daily prayers.

I look forward to seeing you at the **Scratch** on June 1, and our **Breakfast** on June 27.

May God Bless You; and **God Bless America!**

L.O.T.C.S.

... *Don Scholten*  
<mailto:co1968@yayoo.com>

M.O.C.A.

Dear Sisters,

Thank you for all your help this year. Let's make next year a great year also.

Seam Squirrel **Phil** and I are planning a fund-raiser for MOC and MOCA in the near future.

We had a good time at the **VA Fair**. Our Schedule is on the front calendar. Please attend your Auxiliary meetings and MOCA meetings when you can; and help when you can – we are both working to help our Vets.

Remember to keep them smiling in beds of white.

Sincerely,

... *Patty Poo Baines*  
 ... President

Junior Girls

Dear Sisters & Comrades,

The year has just about come to an end and I look forward to working with you as your Ladies Auxiliary President this year.

The **Installation of Officers** went well; and for those who were unable to attend, the newly elected Officers are:  
 President . . . . . Savanna Nobles  
 Sr. Vice . . . . . Haley Pavona  
 Jr. Vice . . . . . Ashley Wheat  
 Chaplain . . . . . Erin Powers  
 Secretary . . . . . Alyssa Twisdale  
 Treasurer . . . . . Holly Klinefelter  
 Conductress . . . . . Abigail Mills  
 Asst. Conductress . . . . . Haleigh Nobles  
 Guard . . . . . Caroline Mills  
 Patriotic Instructor . . . . . Nikki Woodson  
 Historian . . . . . Emily Dudley

Congratulations to you all.

Your advisor for 2010-2011 will be **Gloria Klinefelter, Rhonda Leaver** and **Michelle Semones** who is now an Auxiliary Member.

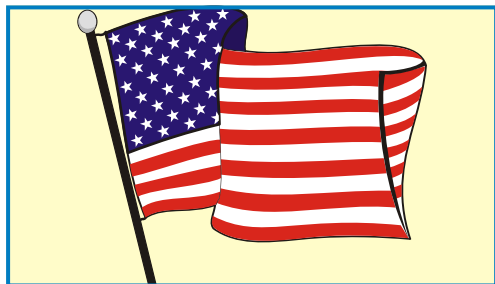
We will have a regular **Meeting** on Saturday, June 5 at 3:00 p.m. Please bring your \$2.00 **Membership Dues** if you have not paid for the new year.

"Thank You" to **Haley Pavona** and **Holly Klinefelter** for attending the **VA Hospital Carnival** and for helping out with the **Duck Pond**. Thanks to all who came out to help with the **Memorial Day Picnic** assisting our Veterans from the VA Hospital in Hampton. You have earned some hospital hours also.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Meeting

Sincerely,

... *Margaret*



## DOVER BUS TRIP

We now have the 55 people needed to fill the bus to Dover and all arrangements have been made with FunTours. The bus will pick us up and depart from the VFW at 0730 promptly (*that's a.m. for ex-Air Force and civilian personnel*) on Saturday, July 10, 2010, and will return the same day, arriving back at the VFW at approximately 9:30 p.m.

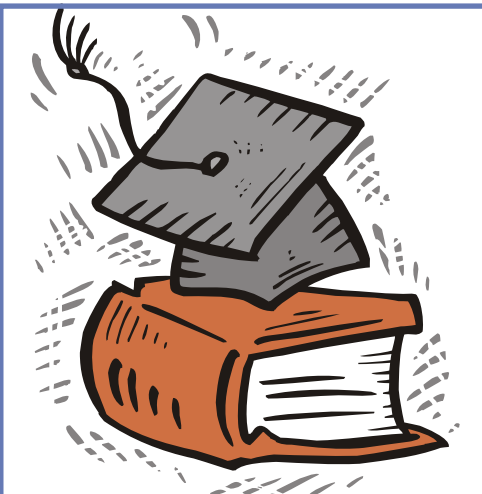
We will be permitted to carry small coolers and/or thermoses filled with your beverage of choice, plus any snacks you might wish to bring.

We'll be running a few money drawings, Bingo; and the bus is equipped with video monitors throughout so we can have a movie or two.

Any ideas? Contact me at 424-7499 or at the Post.

(I go there once in awhile.) **BE ON TIME!**

... *John Gebhardt*



From the Canteen

Canteen Hours

Mon thru Thurs - 2:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Fri & Sat - :10:00 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.

Sun & Holidays - 10 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

We will have FREE Pool, Juke Box and Darts, \$5.00 Pizza will also be available on Wednesday Nights. Ocean Breeze will be in the Canteen on the 4th; Premium Blend will be in the Canteen on the 18th; and the Karaoke Birthday Bash for May will be on the 25th.

Don't forget: Entertainment this month on Fridays the 4th, 15th and 25th. We need your support to make this work in the Canteen.

In the Bar, we now have Cheeseburgers in addition to our Hot Dogs and Pizza.

There are a few lockers available at \$5.00 per year. Locker Dues are due July 1st.

Help! Help! Remember we are not a bank; please try to keep your checks and big bills (100s & 50s) to a minimum; we have an ATM machine for your convenience.

We are being overwhelmed with members' bottles and have ran out of room. Some members have 3, 4 and even 5 bottles - this is NOT acceptable. We will start dating bottles and any bottle left over 60 days will be disposed of. There are still lockers available @ \$5.00/year.

Looking forward to your patronage,

... Phil & Bill

Veterans Affairs  
Spouses Tuition Assistance  
Program Restored

On February 16, 2010, the Defense Department (DoD) unexpectedly announced a temporary halt to the Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts program that offers up to \$6,000 in financial assistance to eligible spouses pursuing education and training in portable career fields.

Then, just as abruptly, DoD resumed the program about a month later. The My Career Advancement Accounts (MyCAA) restored tuition benefits to 136,583 military spouses who had applied for and been enrolled in the program. No new applications are being accepted at this time. For more information, visit the MyCAA website at <https://aiportal.acc.af.mil/mycaa/>

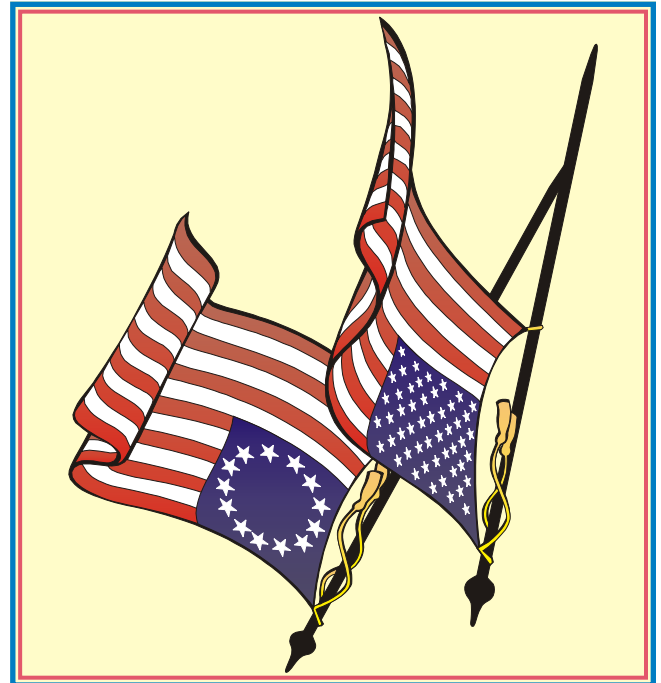


Quartermaster  
Post 4809 Members Due  
Continuous Service Awards:  
June, 2010:

Justice, Lee O., Jr. ....	40
Byers, Kenneth L. ....	25
Daughtrey, Walter E. ....	25
Weaver, Edward S. ....	25
Kofira, Bernard P. ....	20
Casady, Paul D. ....	15
Gregoire, Glenn M. ....	15
Howsare, Arland Jr. ....	15
Marshall, Frank A. ....	15
Moore, Robert E. ....	15
Smith, Edward B. ....	5
... Richard Crockford	

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