



July 2013 Newsletter

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CHARTER 1965

Good Day Members,

Welcome to summer finally. PLVFW had a very successful Summer Convention. I want to welcome Francesca Bill as the new 7th District Ladies President, Kim Mudge as the current PLVFW Ladies Auxiliary President, and Dave Thompson as the Men's Auxiliary President. Team, we have a great deal of work in the year ahead but with your team's support, I expect to carry on the traditional success. So we scored some awards: Ladies won Best Poppy Display, the Post gained more awards in the membership column as well as Captain of the All State Commanders and All American Post for the 2nd year in a row - the only Post in the State of MN. Thank you all for your hard work.

As we move into the new year, I could really use Post and Auxiliary members' help with some of our programs. If you have time and are interested, please send me an email which is under my signature box at the end of my column.

Post Summer Clean-Up is scheduled for 20 July 2013 from 0900-1200. We will need some help as well as donations so we can get some new hostas and day lilies around the Memorial in the front.

Please make sure you stop by the Post and check out our new PLVFW branding gear. Dan, from the Men's Auxiliary, is the man to see if you want to order anything

Memorial stones around the front of the building will once again be available for sale. I am working with the vendor to see if we can get better pricing. I have appointed Terry Wagner, the House Committee Chairman, to oversee this activity. Doesn't matter if you are a Post member or Auxiliary member, we can accommodate. What a great gift to give to a loved one who wants to be internally added to our Memorial area.

For the Member Dinner this year, which is 20 October by the way, the Post will be sending out a mailing to capture those who may not always get a newsletter via email. Also, once the deadline passes for you to RSVP, we will not be able to accommodate as last year we had too many last week, last day RSVP's and it makes it challenging for your team trying to put on this activity. So please send them in on time.

State VFW Veterans Activities:

- I. 33rd VFW State Horseshoe Tournament July 6th 2013: Location Owatonna MN:
Information: Call Tournament Director Mike Meyer (507) 451-3574

- II. 44th Annual State VFW Golf Tournament August 2, 3 & 4, 2013, Mankato MN:
Information: Call Tournament Director Dave Oberle (507) 625-1375.

Lastly, if you need to contact me for any reason, please note the email change under my name at the end of my section. Enjoy your summer and I will see you around the Post.

Next Post meeting is: 10 July 2013 @ 7pm
Next Blood Drive is: Aug, exact date TBD

Yours in Comradeship,
Scott Bill, Commander, Post 3915
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Comrades and Sisters,

The State Convention was a winner for Post 217. The Auxiliary got a plaque for Poppy Display, the Post got a plaque for most new lifetime members, and we received our eleventh All State Commanders Hat. I was also honored from the State Commander with a Lifetime Achievement Award. What an honor!! It was a great convention with many good times. Nola filled in as soloist for the Memorial Program and did an outstanding job with "Soldier Boy." Many tears were shed.

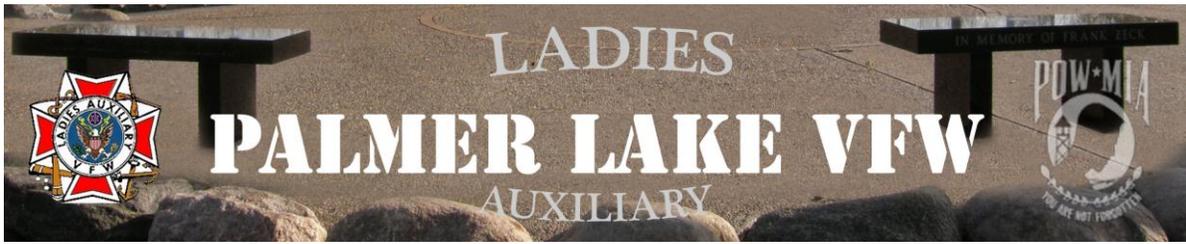
Come to a meeting - third Wednesday every month at 7:00 PM and find out how much work your Post puts in on programs.

REMEMBER

When a coffin is draped with a flag "they" defended it
and it's too late to thank them.

DO IT NOW - God Bless our Vets and those serving!

Chuck Quigley, Commander, Post 217, 763-424-6417
Candie Pelz, Auxiliary President, 612-521-5232



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Dear Sisters,

As I write this I am feeling a strange sense of Déjà vu! I am truly honored to be chosen again as your President. I would like to say a big THANK YOU to President Frankie for her years of service to our Auxiliary and her on-going support for our Veterans. I know you all join me in wishing her all the best in her upcoming year as District 7 President.

As we go into the new year, we have a lot of things coming up. To focus on July, the first thing that comes to mind is the 4th of July. I wish all of you a safe and happy holiday! Please take a few moments to reflect on what we are really celebrating on this day. On July 13, the Ladies Auxiliary is hosting a golf tournament. Details and sign-up are posted at the Club.

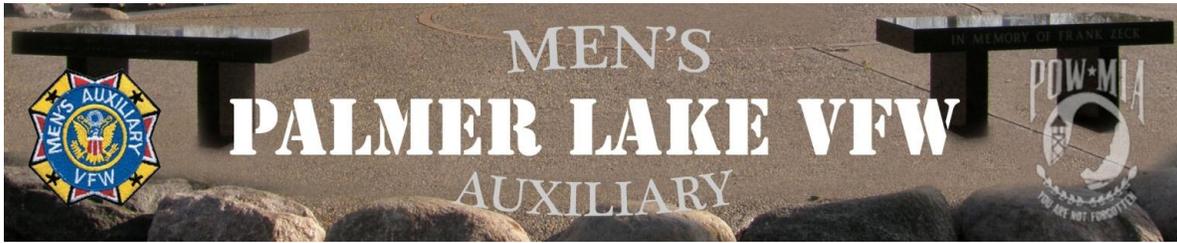
I have heard several people talk about how they are helping out at various festivals, parades, etc. Please don't forget to report your community service hours for these events. I know that many of you do many things that go unreported. Let's blow our horn and let Department and National know how much we do for our Veterans and for our community.

We are still collecting personal care items i.e., soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc., for MAC-V and for homeless and battered women's shelters. Please do not drop off hotel samples, especially those that have been opened. Travel sizes however are accepted. We are also collecting pop/beer tabs for the Ronald McDonald house. (THINK COMMUNITY SERVICE)

I look forward to the many wonderful things we are going to accomplish in this upcoming year as the Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW celebrates its 100th year. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or questions. I will do my best to help resolve issues and find answers!

Remember to report your community service! Please contact Marcie Short at 612-619-2333 or mshort7725@comcast.net.

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Members,

I'd like to start my year as President by thanking Mr. **Dale Palm** for the fine job he did as President the last two years. He certainly left the Men's Auxiliary in good shape. Between Gary Lind and Dale, they have built up our organization to a very respectable Men's Auxiliary. Dale was instrumental in organizing the Membership Committee and the Clothing/Apparel Committee. In 2012, Dale volunteered his and our time to do the weed whipping and lawn mowing responsibilities for the last part of 2012 and all summer this year. This saves Palmer Lake VFW several hundred. Please join me in expressing gratitude to Dale for the many things he does for our Post. Dale is currently on the Post's landscape and outdoor committee and is our new Chaplin.

Speaking of the Clothing Committee, Commander Scott Bill, Sr. Vice Scott Hanson (designer of our logo), and our Clothing Committee are coming out with a new clothing line that proudly displays the new 6 star logo. The initial order has been placed and the shirts will be out for sale shortly. **Dan Maas** of the Men's Auxiliary is the Chairman of the Clothing and Apparel Committee and is open to your suggestions. We are proud of our Post's accomplishment and our 6th All American Post status. Please consider picking up one of the new shirts. They make a great birthday present for someone who has everything and they are sharp looking.

Gary Lind recently represented us at the state convention in St. Cloud. A statewide Men's Auxiliary meeting was held. A better state organization and support group for the Men is one of Gary's passions, including leadership to guide the many Men's Auxiliaries in the state. For those of you that don't know Gary, he was President of our Men's Auxiliary for 4 ½ years and currently chairs the Donation/Contribution Committee and is a 3 Year Trustee.

I am sorry to inform you that 2014 dues are due. Even though our cards read 2013, the real dates are July 1 thru June 30 each year. Maybe this is something Gary can straighten out at the state level for us. In any case, please pay your dues to Del or one of the officers. **Del Lottman** is the Chairman of the Membership Committee. Del will be working on renewals and new memberships (see email address below). If you know someone that is eligible to join the Men's Auxiliary, please contact Del.

If you would like to donate blood or help with the Blood Drive, call Gary Archambault at 763-432-9828 or sign up at the Post. The next Blood Drive will be scheduled in August. Your help is appreciated!

Mike Marthaler recently golfed in the MN Wounded Warrior Charity Golf event. Mike stated that it was an eye opening and humbling experience. Post 3915 and both Auxiliaries made cash donations to this event that raised over \$63,000.00. **Bob Whitcraft** a Post 3915 member is the Tournament director. Bob has given countless hours of his time to promote the event and raise funds. Thanks, Bob, for all you do for the Wounded Warriors. (Did I really use Mike's name and humbling in the same sentence????).

2013 MINNESOTA WOUNDED WARRIOR CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



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Mike Marthaler, Jim Hamann, Stu Whelan, Steve Peterson

Our next clean-up day has been scheduled for July 20th from 9:00-12:00 Noon. Clean-up on June 1st went rather well. We accomplished many chores and had a good turn out. We still have several jobs to do to enhance the appearance of the Post. Please mark the 20th on your calendar even if you only have a few hours. I'd like to challenge the Ladies Auxiliary to make a showing that day. Only 2 Lady Members made it to the June 1st clean-up. We need your help. Also thanks to some nonmembers that came and helped. Thanks to the Men's Auxiliary members and Richard for helping out with the lawn duties. It's been a nice surprise to have new members James and John pitch in. Thanks guys.

Donations for the October 12th Booya are starting off with a bang. It gets easier every year. Monies made from Booya are shared between the Ladies and Men's Auxiliary accounts and spent on Military families in need during the holidays. All the Booya ingredients have been donated the last two years. We spend zero dollars to make and distribute the Booya. This is wonderful. The Palmer Lake VFW community and several nonmembers make it happen. My need this month is wild rice. I need someone to step up and donate 10 Pounds of wild rice or maybe part of the 10 pounds. Thanks in advance. We have picked up our first two corporate sponsors: Minneapolis Financial Group, Carl Lottman and Blind Installation and Repair, Mike Marthaler. Thank you sponsors & everybody who helps bring a quality Christmas to families in need.

For membership issues or payment of your annual dues, please contact Del Lottman, [catcher12@comcast.net]. For any member referrals, contact any of our members. Please remember to turn in your community service hours to Stuart Ruud, Jr. Vice.

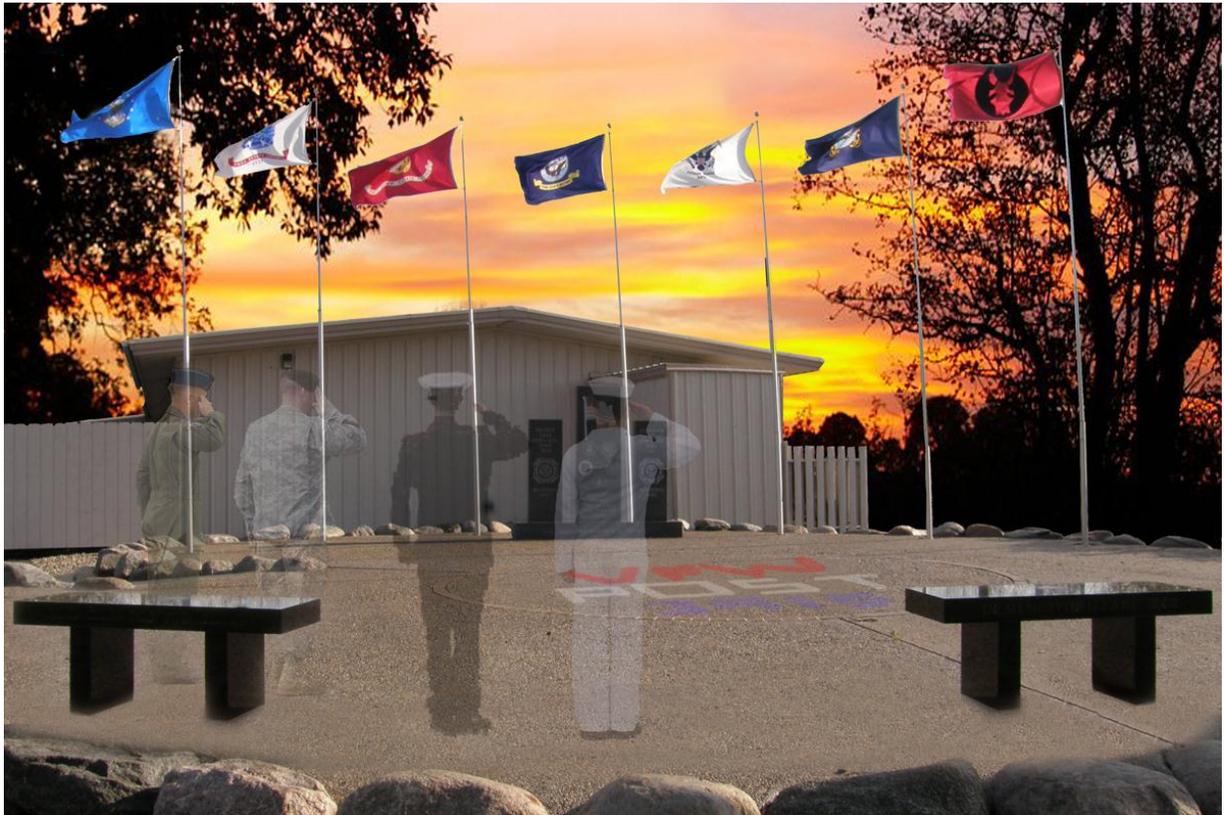
For God and Country,
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PALMER LAKE VFW - JULY 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	July 1 5:30 pm Member Drawing 9 pm-12:30 am Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	2 5:30 pm Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Guest Drawing 6 pm Horseshoes (Sign-up at 5:30)	3 Taco's-2 for \$3 5:30 pm - Auxiliary Draw. 6 pm 3915 Men's Auxiliary Mtg. 7:30-11:30 pm Karaoke	4 Independence Day-4th of July Chili Dogs - \$2 4:30 - 6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	5 5 - 7:30 pm Buck Burgers 7:30 pm Bargo 9:30-12:30 am DJ (After Bargo)	6 3:30 pm Meat Raffle 7:30 - 12 am Karaoke
7 2 - 6 pm Karaoke Crooners - Dave & Sandy - In the Hall - Open to Public	8 5:30 pm Member Drawing 9 pm-12:30 am Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	9 5:30 pm Guest Drawing 5:30 pm Meat Raffle 6 pm Horseshoes (Sign-up at 5:30) 6 pm 3915 Ladies Auxiliary Mtg.	10 Taco's-2 for \$3 5:30 pm - Auxiliary Draw. 6:15 pm Housing Committee Mtg. 7 pm - Post 3915 Mtg. 8 pm-Karaoke	11 Chili Dogs - \$2 4:30 - 6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks 7:30 - 10:30 pm Music & Song on the Patio with Trey ZehrGrimm	12 5 - 7:30 pm Buck Burgers 7:30 pm Bargo 9:30-12:30 am DJ (After Bargo)	13 11:30 am Auxiliary Golf Tournament - Brookland - Everyone welcomed! 3:30 pm Meat Raffle 7:30 - 12 am Karaoke
14	15 5:30 pm Member Drawing 9 - 12:30 am Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	16 5:30 pm Guest Drawing 5:30 pm Meat Raffle 6 pm Horseshoes (Sign-up at 5:30)	17 Taco's-2 for \$3 5:30 pm - Auxiliary Draw. 5:35 pm Booya Planning Mtg. 7 pm Post 217 and Auxiliary Mtg. 7:30-11:30 pm Karaoke	18 Chili Dogs - \$2 4:30 - 6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks 7:30 - 10:30 pm Music & Song on the Patio with Trey ZehrGrimm	19 5 - 7:30 pm Buck Burgers 5 - 7 pm Grill Night - Steak, Chicken or Salmon 7:30 pm Bargo 9:30-12:30 am DJ (After Bargo)	20 9:00-12:00 Clean-Up Day - Help is Appreciated! 3:30 pm Meat Raffle 7:30 - 12 am Karaoke
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