



# The Palmer Lake Post

January 2009

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Comrades – Post 3915

It is 2009. I hope everyone had a safe and Happy New Year.

It is also the time that we make New Year's resolutions. I, for one, don't make them because I never keep them! The one thing I will say is that with the help of the Members, we can have another successful year.

The events that are coming up are the **Blood Drive on the 5th of January from 2:00-7:00 p.m.** We will get credit for all members that give blood. Sign up with Ray Trebus!

The 14th is the Post Meeting and we will be voting on a new Quartermaster and Chaplain. If you can make the meeting, it is your vote that will decide who will be your new Quartermaster and Chaplain.

January 16-18 will be the Midwinter Conference in St Paul. There will be other events in the coming months, so be sure to read the calendar each month for details. The most up to the minute calendar changes and links with more details can be found on the website!

One last thing this month I want to mention is that **MEMBERSHIP** is the lifeblood of our organization. If you know of a person that is eligible to join the VFW, you should tell him of the benefits of joining.

Yours in Comradeship,  
Bob Hystad - Commander, Post 3915

Comrades – Post 217

Comrades and Sisters, once again Post 217 is going to host a 55 & Alive Drivers four hour refresher course. It will be in May of 2009. Watch the newsletter for more info. Palmer Lake members will be included also.

I read the paper on December 7th and found nothing about Pearl Harbor which was the start of WWII. It hurts me as WWII Vets are my heroes. Some gave their lives so we could live and worship as we please. As long as I have a breath in my body, I shall honor the Greatest Generation. What they gave us we could never repay them, so we must never forget them. Thank You and God Bless the Army, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Merchant Marines and Navy Vets of WWII.

Your Post 217 is going to try and outdo the last eight years in all programs. It is a big challenge but we can accomplish it. We will dig in and get the job done.

I just received a call from the son of a Lifetime Member of our Post. His dad is in hospice and can't tell his family where his discharge papers are located. We have to go through channels now to get a copy which takes time. Comrades, locate your discharge or DD214 papers so your family knows how to find them when they are needed. They do not need the frustration of finding these important papers in a time of sorrow. I just got the call from the son. His father, Warren Lindquist, 217 Lifetime member and WWII Navy Veteran, has joined the ranks of the fallen. He did his duty for his country returned home to make the Brooklyn Center School District a better place as a teacher and a Principal. He served us well and we will miss you. We stand tall and salute you. God Speed.

Till next time,  
Chuck Quigley - Commander - Post 217 - 763-424-6417  
Lois Sather - Auxiliary Pres. - Post 217 - 763-550-1978

**Post 3915 Meetings:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday  
**Next Meeting:** 7:00 p.m. – January 14

**Post 217 Meetings:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday  
**Next Meeting:** 7:30 p.m. – January 21

**Watch for these Post Events:**  
**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – Every 60 Days in 2009!**  
January 5 – March 9 – May 4 – July 13 (Sept. & Nov. TBD) – Time 2:00-7:00 pm at the Post

**Visit our website for Officers, Post Events and Post information: [www.palmerlakevfw.com](http://www.palmerlakevfw.com)  
**REGISTER ON LINE AND YOUR NEWSLETTER WILL BE EMAILED!!**  
**Important: Please notify the Post if you have an address change.****



## PALMER LAKE LADIES AUXILIARY POST 3915

Dear Sisters,

I hope all of you had a very Merry Christmas and I wish you all the best in the New Year! It was a very busy time in December with the decorating, the Children's party, etc. The party was a lot of fun and the kids really seemed to enjoy themselves. Thanks to Santa and Mrs. Claus for taking time out of their busy schedule and thanks to all who helped make it happen!!!!

Unfortunately, we had to cancel the Tour of Lights dinner due to the extremely cold temperatures. It was just too dangerous to bring the Vets out in that kind of weather. I am hoping we can have them visit us for a meal soon though.

Tearing down of all the Christmas decorations will take place starting right after Christmas. We need to have everything down and put away before January 5th because of hall rentals. If you receive this newsletter in time, please come down and help out if you can.

We are assisting the Post with a Blood Drive on January 5th. They are planning a regular schedule of every other month. Please add this to your calendar.

The 7<sup>th</sup> District meeting is set for January 10th in Fridley. We will be putting together a Poppy Display that will then go to Mid-Winter Conference Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>. Check at the Post for times to help with the display if you can.

It was discussed at our last meeting that we try to set up a regular schedule of packing boxes and sending them to our troops. We will be talking about this more at the next meeting and will try to set up something definite. There is a lot of enthusiasm toward making this a regular part of our Auxiliary activities. I hope to see a lot of support for this from all of our Sisters.

We are also still collecting donations of personal care items for the VA hospital and home and for MAC-V. Please drop donations in the box by the door at the Post.

Don't forget to report your Community Service to Francesca Bill. Also, please contact Judy Hystad at 763-561-9122 or the Post at 763-560-3720 regarding any illness or deceased members.

I am very pleased to report that we are over 100% in membership. There are still a few unpaid dues out there. I hope to hear from you!! We are still paying the first \$50 for life membership.

Remember, the best gift we can give our Troops is Prayer. Please be generous with that gift!!

Loyally,  
Kim Mudge, Ladies Auxiliary President – Post 3914  
Email: kim.mudge@yahoo.com

**Ladies Auxiliary Meetings:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday Each Month  
**Next Meeting:** 6:30 p.m. – January 13

**Watch for these Ladies Auxiliary Events:**  
**January 16 - Steak Fry (3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Each Month)**  
**January 25 - Pancake Breakfast (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)**



## PALMER LAKE MEN'S AUXILIARY POST 3915

Members,

With Christmas, December was a slow month for us. Starting in January though, we will have the Mid-Winter Conference with a few of the Officers partaking. We will also start talking about the Fish Fries starting in February. This is one of the events we truly need help from all of the members!

Future meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Come and make your thoughts known and be involved.

For anyone who ordered a jacket or sweatshirt, they are in! See Rod, Lenny or me about them.

If you have any membership issues or want to get signed up, see Rod Opegard, Sr. Vice. If you have any community service to report, contact Stuart Ruud, Jr. Vice, and he will document it for you.

Lastly, I hope you had a very Merry Christmas Season and a Happy New Year!!!

Respectfully,  
Gary Lind,  
Men's Auxiliary President – Post 3915

**Men's Auxiliary Meetings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Each Month  
**Next Meeting:** 6:00 p.m. – January 7

**Watch for these Men's Auxiliary Events:**  
**Fish Fries will start in February!**



## Palmer Lake VFW Calendar January 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>January 1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
Race Sunday 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM  <a href="#">Pancake Breakfast</a> 12 PM - 6 PM Vikings Mania	5:30 PM - 5:45 PM Members Drawing	5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Meat Raffle 5:30 PM - 5:45 PM Guest Drawing	5:30 PM - 5:45 PM Aux. Drawing 7:30 PM - 12 AM Karaoke with Dave and Sandy	New Year's Day 10 AM - 1 PM <a href="#">Commanders Brunch</a>	7:30 PM - 12 AM Y'all Come DJ	12 PM - 3 PM Cribbage 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Meat Raffle 7:30 PM - 12 AM Karaoke with Dave and Sandy
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