

# **Commander's Comments**

Comrades,

The month of November is here, the Post is going to be busy. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of the month the Post will be participating in the Veterans Day Parade in downtown Abilene. After the parade come by the Post for our Open House, we will be serving hotdogs and hamburgers with all the trimmings followed by a cake to celebrate Veterans Day. The 28<sup>th</sup>, Thanksgiving Day, members will have a potluck dinner. There is a signup sheet for all those interested. Remember to pick up the calendar to keep up with all our events. We have an open position that must be filled at our next membership meeting, *1 Year Trustee* is now available. Please make sure you have the time to dedicate to this position and understand all the responsibilities before accepting. To all Post members, Auxiliary, families, Bingo workers, and employees of the Post Happy Thanksgiving! I hope everyone has a great day.

See you around the Post,

# Senior Vice-Commander

Fellow Comrades,

I want to thank all of you who voted me in as your Senior Vice Commander and trusted me to look after your interest in our Post. I want everyone to know that a lot of tough discussions are required in this position. Keep in mind that you run the Post as members, we as line Officers, can only advise. The truth is sometimes stretched, but you must know the facts. Our Canteen is losing approximately \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00 each month. We are taking profit monies from our RV Park and paying the Canteens responsibilities. We don't want to close our Canteen, so we must cut back on hours of operation. This cutback will not be enough to cover the deficit and save our Canteen. We need member participation, ideas, and recommendations. The **Post** will not close. However, we must stop the drainage of monies lost each month from our Canteen. Our life meeting this month had 10 people in attendance, and our members meeting had about 30. People we have over 900 members. Most months it is even a smaller amount. We have even less of a crowd in the Canteen weekly, and that does not pay our bills. We are borrowing money we can't pay back to the RV Park account. We must be prepared for our next members meeting on November 12<sup>th</sup>. It will be a meeting with lots of questions that need to be answered. Please show your support, we as your officers, need help saving and solving all areas of concern.

COME TO THE MEETING.

# Mackie Crossan





### LAUNDRY CENTER SHOWERS & RESTROOM

ACCEPTING ALL

- VFW- AUX MEMBERS
- ACTIVE DUTY
- RETIRED VETERANS
- SPONSORED VFW GUESTS
- NO RESERVATIONS

## **BINGO SNACK BAR**

Monday-Friday 10:00 AM -2:00 PM Saturday & Sunday 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

## **CANTEEN OPEN**

Monday-Friday 4:00 PM – Close Saturday & Sunday 11:00 AM - Close

#### Kitchen Open Friday Nights at 7:00 PM – Closing.

Canteen Manager Linda Westerman

#### POST OFFICERS

CommanderRodell Whitmore
Senior ViceMackie Crossan
Junior ViceGary Blake
QuartermasterRichard Marshall
Judge AdvocateJimmy Carter
SurgeonDavid Sabo
ChaplainCharlie Bowen
3 Year Trustee Aivars Jurkis
2 Year TrusteeMike Reilly
1 Year Trustee *OPEN*
AdjutantRichard Marshall
Service OfficerCharlie Bowen
House ChairmanMelvin Harper
Past CommanderMackie Crossan

# Junior Vice Commander

We will have a float in the Abilene Freedom Parade on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Following the parade, we will have our annual Open House with our Veterans Day VPR @ 1400.

The Marines will have a cake cutting ceremony the  $8^{\text{th}}$  @ 1530

On the 28<sup>th</sup>, Thanksgiving Day, we will have Pot-luck dinner here at the Post, please sign up with the food items you will be bringing.

## Gary Blake

# <u>Auxiliary</u>

Auxiliary Members,

The holidays are ahead, and everyone's time is taken with family and friends. At this time, please remember our veterans who are not as fortunate as you are. November is the time for Veterans Day Parade, where we will have a float. Parade is November 2nd. Post will have an open house after the parade. We have reached the time for mid-winter reports all chairmen turn in your mid-year reports by December 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you need help, please contact me. November 12th will be our meeting night, and we will have our Thanksgiving dinner that night. We will have turkey, please bring a dish to share. I wish to take this time to thank everyone for their work. Ladies/gentlemen, it takes every one of us to keep this auxiliary going. Every one of us needs to support and help all our chairmen. These programs are for our veterans, they are the reason we are members of the auxiliary.

## Darline Jurkis

# Service Officer/Chaplain

All military ID cards must be renewed before January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, including dependents, into the new format.

Remember to keep guns stored safely to help prevent suicides. Contact Josh Baker for access to gun trigger locks.

Remember to vote.

Please let us know about members in the hospital or who have passed on.

Leave a lot of happy tracks as you go down life's road.

**Charlie Bowen** 

**KITCHEN HOURS** 

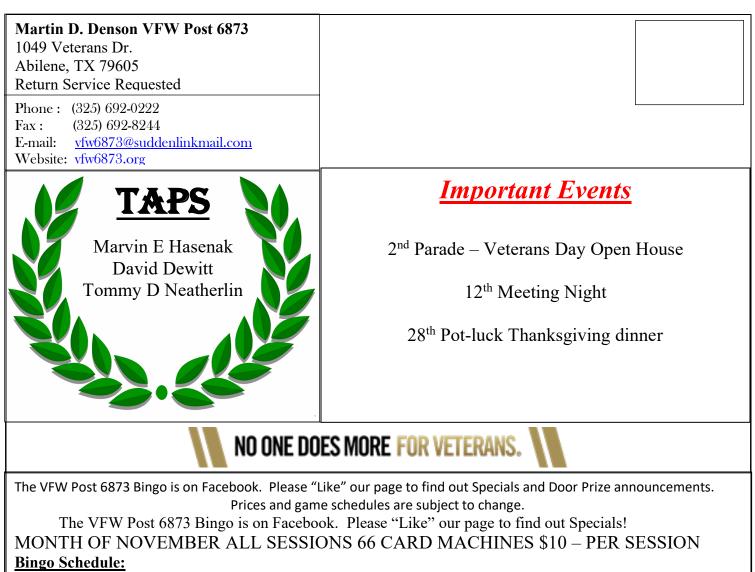
BINGO SNACK BAR Monday – Friday 10:00 AM -2:00 PM Saturday & Sunday 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM Friday Night 7:00 PM till Closing



# BINGO

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- Friday & Saturday Nite Time Bingo Doors open at 7:30 PM, the first game starts at 10 PM. \$10 66 card machines.
- Paper packs are \$4.00, Specials are \$2.00, and Double Actions are \$1.00.

## **NO BINGO THANKSGIVING DAY**

#### Reminder:

Kitchen will be open on Friday Nights (No outside food or drinks on Friday Nights Sessions). Please, bring your own food and drink on Saturday nights.

No children *under 10 years old* allowed in the bingo hall. Children 10 thru 18 must be with their parents or guardians and must be playing bingo. Parents will be responsible for their children's behavior. No unattended children allowed in the parking lot and/or sitting in cars.

#### Specials:

NOVEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 27th BIRTHDAY SPECIAL

#### \$10 – 66 CARD MACHINES PER SESSION. FREE THANKSGIVING DAUBERS WHILE SUPPLIES LAST FREE BIRTHDAY DAUBER & PAY A PENNY FOR A 45 CARD MACHINE PER SESSION (PHOTO ID WITH BIRTHDATE REQUIRED)

Monday - Friday9:30 AM - 3:00 PMSaturday & Sunday11:30 PM - 5:00 PMFriday & Saturday Nights7:30 PM - 11:30 PM