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THE VETS GAZETTE

Comrades –

Hello everyone, I hope you have enjoyed this summer and are ready for Fall.

We have done some paint work in the men’s bathroom and the floor will be done soon also. Give Tammy a big thanks for all the work she has done in the kitchen. This will be her last month.

We are working on getting a few extra TVs around the bar at our customer’s request.

We had around \$17,650 in donations this month. We gave to an Eagle Scout project, Sons of the Union Veterans of Civil War, Big Lake Marine, Brainerd Water Tower, Gabriel’s Home for rescued horses and people, Woodland for rebuilding the gardens, Cub Scouts Chapter Pack 36, and VFW Picnic.

A big thanks to all our volunteers again for all they do, and to the volunteers at the fair.

Commander - Chip Borle

9-11-2001, that fateful day when 2996 innocent people died in an attack on our country.

We all remember where we were that morning in 2001. I heard a news bulletin come over one of our local radio stations. Then to a television to see the horrific event unfold. It shook me to the core thinking of how our country could be attacked. It is a sad commentary that others would try to gain by destroying so many lives.

This kind of treachery cannot stand. My thanks to our nation’s all-volunteer military for taking up the challenge of avenging 911. Many service members died in the process. It is a sobering reminder that the War on Terror is not over.

Mark Persons – Chaplain

Greetings all,

Summer is behind us now. If you’d like to see what our members have been up to this summer, check out the EVENTS tab at our website, <https://www.brainerdvfw.org/>. I hope you enjoyed some time in the sun and are looking forward to the cool autumn weather.

With autumn comes thoughts of back to school. I want you to know that the Post and Auxiliary have several opportunities for our kids to earn scholarships. Please reach out to your friends and family members and share the following information with them

Scholarships are available through **Voice of Democracy** with an audio essay contest for grades 9 – 12, and the **Patriot’s Pen** essay contest for grades 6-8. Entry deadline to the VFW Post/Aux is October 31, 2022. Full details can be found at <https://www.brainerdvfw.org/voice-of-democracy.html> and <https://www.brainerdvfw.org/patriots-pen.html> or you can contact Post member Mark Persons by calling 218-829-132 or email to mark@mwpersons.com.

For those who are college bound, there is a Continuing Education Scholarship to assist members and their immediate family members. The applicant must be 18 years of age or older, be a current VFW Auxiliary member, or a spouse, son, or daughter of a current auxiliary member. For information, go to [National VFW Auxiliary Continuing Education application](#).

AND...if you are looking for something to keep you busy this fall, come to our next meeting on September 13 at 7 pm and we will get you involved in one of our many programs.

Cheers,
 Sue Sterling - Auxiliary President

The Corner Lot

7/26 James Schlosser
 7/30 John Siera
 8/2 Richard Hull
 8/6 Donald Letendre
 Post Colors
 8/12 Gold Star Families @ Camp Ripley
 8/21 BIR Nationals



Auxiliary Sunshine Report

Get Well Wishes to Kim Jensen, Jan Lambert, and Lynda Hummel and a speedy recovery to those who have been ill.

Sympathy to all those who have lost a loved one and especially to the families of June Erickson, Delores (Dolly) Zitar, Cheryl Hull, and Kimberly Hull on the passing of Cheryl's husband Richard and Kimberly's father, to Faye Abrahamson on the passing of her daughter, Susan Fraune, and to Suz Pohl on the passing of her stepfather Tim Bolin.

Helen Doucette & Brenda Collins
 Co-chairman

Make sure to "like" us so you see what is happening at the Post.



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Look for us on Facebook
 Brainerd VFW Post 1647



CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

www.BrainerdVFW.org

Find out what is happening at the Post, stay current with the news and view photos.



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Monday – Thursday: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 Friday: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
 Saturday and Sunday: Noon to 5 p.m.

*DAILY FOOD SPECIALS: Monday through Friday
 FRIDAY DINNER (Special or Walleye): 5 P.M.
 FRIDAY MEAT RAFFLE: 5:30 P.M.

Follow us on Facebook!

Around the Club: Mercy summer is really on the downward swing soon to leave us. Again, we had a great turnout for our monthly breakfast. Thank you to those who came and enjoyed a great meal.

A huge thank you to all our wonderful volunteers. Without our great VOLUNTEERS, we would not succeed. Thank you so much to our Kitchen Staff on board every Monday to Thursday, our great Bartenders Monday thru Sunday, and to all the others who keep the Club going. Volunteers are the name of the game at VFW 1647 Post and other events we participate in. Be sure to thank these generous members.

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY & PATRIOT'S PEN

_2022/2023 Voice of Democracy Topic:

"Why Is the Veteran Important?"

Student Deadline to Posts: October 31, 2022

2022 – 2023 Patriot's Pen Topic:

"My Pledge To Our Veterans"

Student Deadline to Posts: October 31, 2022

Details, including entry forms, are available

at: <https://www.brainerdvfw.org/voice-of-democracy.html> and <https://www.brainerdvfw.org/patriots-pen.html>



Check out the 6th District Facebook page:

[MN VFW 6th District Auxiliary](#)

July 1st was the start of our 2022-2023 year.

Please send your dues to Treasurer Dawn Garin or drop them off at the club. Let's try to have our membership at 100% by December 31st. Better yet consider becoming a Life Member.

Your \$20.00 annual dues can be mailed to:
 Dawn Garin, 15751 Firefly Trail, Brainerd MN 56401.

Your membership cards are mailed from Kansas City, please allow 4-6 weeks to receive your card,
 Helen Doucette – Membership Chairman

Post Dues: Post Membership Dues are now due for those who pay annually. You can send them to Quartermaster Pat Wing at VFW Post, 309 S 6th Street, Brainerd, MN. 56401. The annual dues are \$35.00.

Americanism Program

Coloring Contest Theme: My American Hero

Grades K-1 Color one of the two photos provided

Grades 2-3 Color one of the two photos provided

Essay Contest Theme: My American Hero

Grades 4-5 Write a 50-75 word essay describing who their American Hero is and why.

Rules: All entries on 8 ½ X 11 white paper. All entries to have students first name only, grade, and name of school at the bottom. Coloring contest can be done in crayon, color pencil, or markers. Essay contest should be hand-written or printed in pencil or ink.

Entries are to be submitted to the Auxiliary Chairman Sandra Swearingen by October 20th. Additional information can be found on the website www.brainerdVFW.org or by contacting Sandra Swearingen at 218-330-6530.

September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Club Hours Mon - Sat: Noon-10pm Sunday: Noon-5pm				1 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	2	3
4 Elks Breakfast	5 Labor Day NO BINGO	6 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	7 .50 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm	8 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	9	10
11 Patriot Day Eagle's Breakfast	12 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	13 Post & Auxiliary Mtg 7:00pm 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	14 .50 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm	15 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	16 POW /MIA Recognition Day	17
18 VFW Breakfast 8am – noon \$9.00	19 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	20 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	21 .50 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm	22 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each Autumn Begins	23 Fall Plymouth	24 Conference Crowne Plaza
25 Legion Breakfast	26 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	27 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	28 .50 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm	29 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	30	