



VFW POST 10066

AUGUST 2019 NEWSLETTER



Commander's Corner:

We did it!!! VFW Post 10066 made All-American this year - for the second time in our Post's long history. (The Post turns 52 years old on Aug. 3).

I proudly accepted All-American awards for Post 10066 during the VFW National Convention in July and All-State awards during the VFW Florida State Convention in June.

This was the 120th National Convention for the VFW. It was by far and away one of the best conventions I have attended. Got to hear Secretary of State Mike Pompeo speak and VA Secretary Robert Wilkie speak about all the positive changes coming forward from the VA to ensure better healthcare for veterans. Picked up a lot of material for distribution to our members. It was truly my pleasure and honor to receive the All American Awards on behalf of our Post . Thank you all for making this achievement possible.

The All-American designation is awarded to the top 50 VFW Posts in the United States (in our size-division). Post 10066 made this happen by supporting national, state and local veterans programs, youth and teacher scholarships, local charities (such as Honor Flight), recruiting new members and renewing memberships.

Last month was a very busy month at the VFW. We installed a new dance floor, refurbished the marquee, trimmed trees and shrubs, washed the front of the Post building, put on a new shed roof and repaired picnic tables.

Thank you Buddy, Billy, Jim & Diane, Greg & Pat and especially Wayne for all your hard work.

We had a lot of patriotic fun in July too. Everyone at the July 4 BBQ at the Tiki Hut, wore patriotic attire with red, white and blue leis (donated by Josie and daughter Kathy Spute) to celebrate our nation's birthday.



VFW Worker-Bees got the jobs done!

At the VFW District 11 Roundtable meeting July 27, I was elected District 11 Surgeon and will proudly represent Post 10066 at the district level for the next year.

Next month, we will salute our nation's combat wounded on Purple Heart Day, Wednesday, Aug. 7. The Purple Heart decoration was created in 1782 by General George Washington and is awarded to those wounded or killed while serving in the United States Armed Forces.

We are planning a VFW Commanders & Auxiliary Presidents Appreciation day on Saturday, Aug. 31, the start of Labor day weekend. Join for Philly Cheesesteaks & Burgers and with entertainment by the Southern Blend Band from noon - 3 pm.

I encourage everyone to join us every Friday night (there are five of them this month) for Vince's special dinners and live bands. I invite members to the Post general meeting on Monday, Aug. 12, in the Al Pond Hall.

In Comradery, Commander Ron Ansara

VFW Auxiliary News:



Beverly Brier
Auxiliary
President



Just back from the National VFW Convention in Orlando. It was a busy two days for Tim & I . Sandy Garbers and Jackie Pascarello attended as well as Shirley Cornell who attended with our Commander Ron Ansara. Congratulations to our Post and Ron for making All American Post.

It was fun to chat with people from all across this country from different Auxiliaries and Posts - even from Hawaii. Lots of walking as this center was very large. Most people rented scooter type chairs to get around. Mike Pompeo had a great speech that we both enjoyed. I was also happy to hear that the VFW National Home got well over the money they needed for the new kitchen.

A quiet month of August coming up. Snow birds are away and people are taking vacations. But the Post is planning a Labor Day Weekend BBQ to recognize all past Post Commanders & Auxiliary Presidents on Saturday, Aug. 31, at the Hut. So mark your calendars!

Don't forget our next Auxiliary meeting on Aug. 8. See you at the meeting.

Beverly Brier
Auxiliary President



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