

## **Commander's Corner:**

May is a very special month for VFW Post 10066. It's the month we remember and honor fallen veterans on Memorial Day, recognize the heritage of our American freedom on Loyalty Day, reflect on the end of WWII in Europe on V-E Day and honor our mothers on Mother's Day.

We'll also have fun on May 5 at the Post's Cinco de Mayo / Kentucky Derby Fiesta. Join us for \$5 taco dinners, margarita specials and great music by the Southern Blend Band from 2-5 pm at the Tiki Hut stage. Our annual Kentucky Derby hat contest will be judged at 5 pm. You can cheer your favorite horses as we watch the Kentucky Derby on the canteen televisions. The race is 6:34 pm.

On Monday, May 28, VFW and Auxiliary members will march in the Memorial Day Parade in Stuart. The VFW will open at 8:30 am for members to gather flags and banners before carpooling to the parade, which begins at 10 am. Memorial Day services will follow the parade at Veterans Memorial Park on East Ocean Blvd., Stuart. Join us for lunch afterward at the VFW.

Please remember this month to donate to our VFW Post Buddy Poppy Drive as we remember our fallen veterans. 100% of these donations supports VFW programs for needy veterans and families. I hope you have noticed the continued improvements to the Tiki Hut, where we hosted many events

this season. We invite you to donate license plates to hang from the rafters as we continue decorating. Finally, I want to congratulate all the recently elected 2018-2019 VFW and Auxiliary officers who

were installed during ceremonies April 29. These members will take office on June 24. Our VFW will be in good hands under the leadership of our incoming commander, Ron Ansara, who has served this Post in almost every capacity for many years. In comradeship, Commander John Gardenier



VFW Post 10066 Commander-Elect Ron Ansara presented VFW certificates, medals, ribbons and \$150 sholarships to Jensen Beach High School JROTC cadets Major James Beard and Capt. Kellie Pietersen-Sullivan.

## VFW Auxiliary News:



Beverly Brier Auxiliary President



We were so proud to join the Post in giving Southeast Florida Honor Flight a check for \$ 3503.00. That's what I call teamwork! We had our annual District 11 convention at Big Lake on April 21st. As Donna was unable to attend, I excepted an apple trophy and check for \$ 150.00 for District 11 Elementary Teach of the Year Donna Vojcsik. Donna has been chosen our own teach of the year for the last two years. She has been a valuable resource for our Auxiliary and Post participating with her class at several patriotic functions.

The Auxiliary has a couple of new officers this year. New member Barbara Schwartz will be the new Conductress, Bethel Farrish will be Guard, & Gisela Williams will be third-year Trustee. All other officers remain the same.

It was a sad month as we lost two members. Long-standing life member Glenice Trainor was a fixture here at the Post for many years. She was well known and loved by all. We also lost life member Barbara Davies, who attended many functions here, "Show me the money," golf tournaments, bingo and enjoyed Friday night bands when she could. Both will be missed by all. The Auxiliary will Drape the Charter for them at our May 10th meeting.

Our snow birds, have a safe trip home, we will miss you. See you all in the Fall.

Respectfully, Beverly Brier, President Post #10066 Auxiliary



VFW & VFW AUXILIARY OFFICER INSTALLATION





Commander John Gardenier



## VFW Post 10066 2018-2019 Officers

Commander: Ron Ansara Sr. Vice: Bernie Gowen Jr. Vice: Ken Russell Quartermaster: Harry Keat Chaplain: Paul Little Judge Advocate: John Gardenier Surgeon: Leo Ferguson Trustee 1 yr: Jonathon Shay Trustee 2 yr: Steve Horton Trustee 3 yr: Charlie Korievo

## VFW Auxiliary Post 10066 2018-2019 Officers

President: Beverly Brier Sr. Vice: Dan Trainor Jr. Vice: Barney Barnett Treasurer: Jackie Pascarello Secretary: Barney Barnett Conductress: Barbara Schwartz Chaplain: Linda Camire Guard: Bethel Farrish Patriotic Instructor Pat Moore Trustee 1 yr: Terry Cerniglia Trustee 2 yr: Jeanne Royer Trustee 3 yr: Gisela Williams



VFW Post 10066 Commander John Gardenier and Auxiliary President Beverly Brier present Teacher of the Year Donna Vojcsik with the District 11 awards - a crystal apple trophy and \$150 check.