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COUNTIES FOUR POST 10076 AND ITS AUXILIARIES
SERVING MARYLAND COUNTIES OF CARROLL, FREDERICK, HOWARD AND MONTGOMERY

Commander's Message — Alan Yeater

I want to wish everybody a Happy New Year, and hope that more of you will spend this new year at the post, enjoying the camaraderie of fellow veterans. Your post offers a lot to enjoy here in Mt. Airy, and one of the best things are the delicious meals provided monthly by our Ladies Auxiliary, led by their president, Marilyn Browning. She and all the members of the Ladies Auxiliary do so much for the post, and deserve a hearty THANK YOU! Don't forget that your post also does a lot for the people of the Mt. Airy community. Your post, as always, was involved in the VFW's Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Programs which make local primary school students more aware of the meaning of patriotism. Students in grades 6 to 8 write essays about a patriotism-related theme, and students in grades 9 to 12 also write essays, and present them verbally in a recorded CD. I am proud to announce that not only did we have a second place winner at the district level in the Patriot's Pen Contest, Colton Ramsey, an 8th grader at Mt. Airy Christian Academy, but also a first place winner in the Voice of Democracy Contest, Abigail Hilton, a junior at Linganore High School. The first place winners move on to the state competition, competing against Maryland's other 12 VFW districts' first place winners, and Abigail Hilton won first place! She has received a total of \$1500 dollars in awards from our post, district, and state VFW. This very talented young lady is the granddaughter of Robert Hilton, a lifetime member of our post. I believe she stands a good chance of being the first place winner in the national competition, where the winner receives \$30,000. Let's cheer her on! Thanks for your service!

Commander Al Yeater



Dates to Remember:

February 3—Post/Aux meetings

February 5—Ladies Aux Dinner
Lasagna, salad and bread. \$10.00

February 14—Valentine's Day
Chocolates & Dinner Raffle

March 3—Post/Aux meetings

March 5— Fried Chicken \$10.00

March 17—St. Patrick's Day
Corned Beef or Ham Dinner
\$10.00

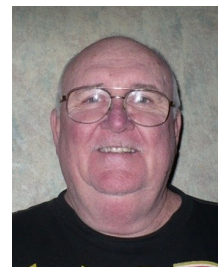
April 2— Baked Fish and Fried
Shrimp \$10.00 per plate

Apr 7—Post/Aux meetings
Officer Elections

Men's Auxiliary Message - John Mullinix

Our Men's Auxiliary membership stands at 43 members for 2014... thanks to all who paid their dues.

If you are one of the few who have not yet paid, please do it before you forget. Thanks!



Ladies Auxiliary Message - Marilyn Browning

Ladies, as the new year begins we are almost at 100% in membership.

I want to thank everyone for their donations to our department president's special project of open air benches at the VA hospitals. We have collected enough to sponsor a whole bench. The veterans at the hospitals appreciate the thoughtfulness.

May you have fond memories of 2013 and look forward to 2014 with hope for a brighter tomorrow.



Latest happenings at the Post

2013 VFW Christmas Party

The Christmas Party had rough start being delayed due to a weather event, but this did not deter anyone from celebrating the holidays at the VFW. We had approximately 80 people in attendance for the event.

A special thanks to Cindy Baker, Margaret Shaw and Marilyn Browning for taking the time to solicit the donations every year.

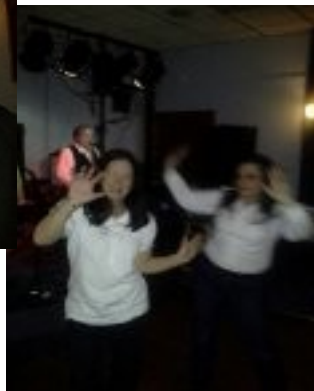
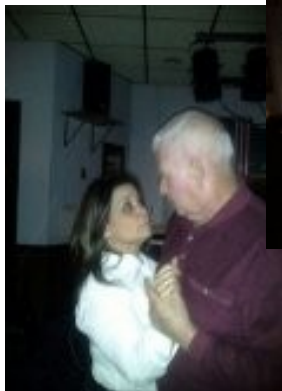
The Post would like to thank everyone who made donations to the VFW for our Christmas Party and congratulations to those who won!

Thank you to the following Mt. Airy Donors: Ace Hardware, Becky Brown, Blossom & Basket Boutique, California Tortilla, Concetta's Italian Grocer, Eagle Jewelers, Exclusively Amber (Baker), Greene Turtle, J&P Pizza, Memories Charcoal House, Mt. Airy Inn, Mt. Airy Tavern, Mt. Airy Train Depot Store, Olde Town Restaurant, Patapsco Bike & Sport Shop, Retro Metro/Hive and The VFW Post Beer distributors.

We would also like to thank our Damascus donors: Bank of Damascus, Beall's Florist, G&G Landscaping, Hair Razor's of Damascus and Ned Duvall Hair Stylist.

Men and Machine— January 25, 2014

The band Men and Machine came and performed at the Post on January 25th. A great time was had by all who came out to listen and dance with the band!



Latest happenings at the Post

Superbowl Party—February 2, 2014

Thanks to all that came to the post to watch the Super Bowl and brought some delicious food.



Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen Contests

The Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen winners were honored at an awards ceremony on Monday, January 6, 2014, prior to the post meetings. Monetary awards were given by the Post and the Ladies Auxiliary, as well as from District 7 and their Ladies Auxiliary, to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. This year's Post first place winner for the Voice of Democracy contest won 1st place at the District 7 contest as well as 1st place at the Department level, and will continue on to Nationals. Good Luck, Abigail Hilton.

The 1st place winner in the Patriots Pen contest took second place in the District 7 contest. Congratulations on a job well done, Colton Ramsey

Congratulations to all of the participants for making it hard for the judges to make their decisions!

The winners are as follows:

Voice of Democracy (high school)

1st place - Abigail Hilton (winner of District 7, the Department and is continuing on to Nationals)

2nd place - Katie Fleming

3rd place - Kathleen Kyak

Patriots Pen (middle school)

1st place — Colton Ramsey (placed 2nd in the District 7 contest)

2nd place — Kady Trevino

3rd place — Josh Ritter



UPCOMING EVENTS - DON'T MISS OUT!

Valentine's Day— Bring the love of your life out to enjoy some chocolate covered strawberries and a chance to win a romantic dinner for two.



St. Patrick's Day — Join the Post for the traditional Corned Beef or Ham and Cabbage dinner on St. Patrick's Day. Please sign up by March 10th so we know how many people to prepare for. Cost for dinner is \$10.00.



MD PATRIOT GUARD RIDERS ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2014

2:00 PM – 8:00 PM

THE CORNER (FORMERLY J & P PIZZA)

2600 WEST LIBERTY ROAD

WESTMINSTER, MD 21157

CORNER OF RT. 26 & 27

50/50 & LOTS OF RAFFLES

LIVE MUSIC BY THE TWINE TIME BAND & MOJO RYZAN



THE POST SENDS THEIR PRAYERS

Deceased



Leroy Hansberger
Norman (Reds) Sarver
Orman Rippeon
George Rue



Sick Call

D. Maxey
D. Naples
M. Naples

If you know of a member or one of their family that has passed away, is sick or in the hospital, please contact your chaplain so they can offer them some peace and/or encouragement. Also, take a moment and send them a card or visit if you can. It can really brighten someone's day. You may also notify the post at 301-829-1682 after 2 p.m.

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Stay current with all of the news at the VFW

Phone number: 301-829-1682

Friend us on Facebook @ Mt Airy VFW Post 10076

VFW Website: [Http://VFWPost 10075.tripod.com](http://VFWPost10075.tripod.com)

And the VFW now has Wi-Fi—feel free to bring your laptops, I-Pads and Blackberries!

Baby It's Cold Outside!

Well it has been quite a cold and snowy winter so far! I hope all have been careful when shoveling snow and staying adequately bundled up when going outside. Make sure that you are wearing the appropriate attire when going out...hat, gloves and scarf.



ACE OF SPADES with JOKER'S WILD DRAWING

Stop in and get your tickets for a chance to win. Jackpot is up to \$3000.

Drawings are on Friday nights at 8:15 p.m. You must get your tickets **each week** by 8:00 p.m. Friday to be eligible. Winner gets 60% of the jackpot if present and 40% if not present. Come take a chance. Yours could be the lucky one.



NEW DUES BEGAN JANUARY 1, 2014

This summer, at the National VFW convention in Louisville, Kentucky, the delegates voted to increase the annual dues an additional \$10.00 effective 1 January 2014. As you may or may not know, dues is collected as of 1 January each year, and there is no adjustment if you pay after January. The dues you paid this year will be for the year commencing 1 January 2014. The list of members who have not paid this year is too long. If you haven't paid yet your Post privileges have been suspended. So pay your dues now and be a member in good standing. Remember, this is YOUR post!

MEETINGS

A few of you have listened to our request for participation and joined us on the first Monday of the month at 7:30 pm. With the total membership this post has, combined with the Ladies and Men's auxiliaries, this post should be bursting with energy on meeting nights as well as the rest of the week when we are open. As it is, we have approximately 20 members show up for meetings between all three groups. Seems a little sad to me for an organization that represents so much for so many.

MEMBERSHIP: 2014 Dues are now past due!

Did you pay your dues by Dec 31? If not, you are now delinquent and your canteen privileges have been suspended. You can still pay and be reinstated, so take a moment and remit you dues.

If possible, consider becoming a life member and forget about the yearly notifications. Life memberships can be paid by credit card if so desired.

Remember—if you don't want to receive annual notices, buy a life membership!

Post Life Memberships:

AGE	ONE PAYMENT
30 and younger	\$425
31-40	\$410
41-50	\$375
51-60	\$335
61-70	\$290
71-80	\$225
81 and older	\$170

Ladies Auxiliary Life Memberships:

AGE	PAYMENT	AGE	PAYMENT
20 & younger	\$220	56-60	\$150
21-25	\$210	61-65	\$140
26-30	\$200	66-70	\$130
31-35	\$190	71-75	\$115
36-40	\$185	76-80	\$95
41-45	\$175	81-85	\$75
46-50	\$170	86-90	\$60
51-55	\$160	91 & over	\$50

11 month installment plan available

Men's Auxiliary does not have life membership.

Mail your dues to the following:

Post members: (\$30.00)

Make check out to VFW Post 10076 and mail to:
VFW Post 10076
Attn: Quartermaster
P.O. Box 13
Mt. Airy, MD 21771

Men's Aux: (\$20.00)

Make check out to VFW Post 10076 Men's Aux and mail to:
VFW Post 10076 Men's Aux
P.O. Box 191
Mt. Airy, MD 21771

Ladies Aux: (\$20.00)

Make check out to LAVFW-10076 and mail to:
VFW Post 10076 Ladies Aux
Attn: Diann Linton
203 Flower Ct
Mt. Airy, MD 21771

VFW Post meetings and the Men's and Ladies Auxiliary meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the first Monday of each month.



SCHOLARSHIPS

Counties Four VFW Post 10076 of Mount Airy, Maryland announces its scholarship program for this year. There are six \$500.00 scholarships to be awarded: The Sam Jewell Memorial Scholarship, the Frank Dertzbaugh III Memorial Scholarship, the Robert Stevenson Scholarship, the Bill and Chad Ruth Memorial Scholarship and the Ladies Auxiliary Post 10076 Scholarship. At least one of the above mentioned scholarships will be awarded to a graduating high school student. The Margaret J. Shaw Nursing Scholarship will be awarded to a student accepted to and enrolled in a Registered Nurse Certification Program.

Applications must be received not later than May 1, 2014 and can be obtained at the post home at 111 S. Main St, Mount Airy, MD 21771 or by contacting Mr. William Guilday at 301-829-6590. The post home is open after 2 p.m. For questions or further information contact Mr. William Guilday at 301-829-6590. Encourage our youth to apply.