

### **August 2012 Newsletter**

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CHARTER 1965

Good Day Members,

Well the National Convention is behind us. It was a long five days with plenty of activity. One day, the current President of the United States, Obama, addressed the group and on the second day, Presidential candidate, Romney addressed the group. I learned a great deal and made new contacts from other Posts throughout the US, Europe, and Latin America/Caribbean.

Good news to report, if you have not already heard, MNDOT forced us to remove the US flags from the overpasses here in BP. Just before the National Convention, Comrade Ulferts called me to convey the message that MNDOT has taken a new stance (after tons of emails, news media coverage, and Facebook posts), they will allow the flags back up. As a matter of fact, they will now be responsible for the installation and the upkeep even though Palmer Lake volunteered to supply the flags. Thank you to all who voiced their concerns and thank you to our State Commander, Lee Ulferts, for getting this to the media.

I want to thank the Pig Roast team for all their hard work. We have representatives from all three groups; nice work team.

Just a quick update on our Memorial that was destroyed out front; we now have all the paperwork done and will be getting the new stone pillar in the near future.

I have appointed Tony Belot to be our Social Media Chairman. He will be making some additions to how we communicate with our members. More to come in the next few months.

Lastly, I want to thank Comrade Don "Nellie" Nelson for his 30 plus years of service to this Post as our Adjutant. He has decided it is time to retire and get out of MN during the winter. Well deserved my friend. Nellie will stay on to help coach our new Adjutant whom I appointed, Scott Hanson. Scott just returned from his tour in Afghanistan. Welcome Scott and Welcome Home.

August 20<sup>th</sup> is Blood Drive. Next Post meeting is August 8<sup>th</sup> at 1900 hrs.

Yours in Comradeship, Scott Bill, Commander, Post 3915



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Post & Auxiliary Members,

I need your help! We are looking for a Fireman, Policeman and an EMT to honor. If you know any one to recommend, call me. We would like to honor them.

Our membership count took a hit so we have a steep hill to climb to get to 100%. If you know any one who is a qualified Veteran, call me and let me know as we need your help.

We would like to see more of you at the Post Meetings, also Auxiliary members too. The meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm. Give it try, you might like it. Thanks!

#### REMEMBER

Our new Veterans need our help, our support, our guidance and prayers.

Chuck Quigley, Commander, Post 217, 763-424-6417 Candy Pelz, Auxiliary President, 612-521-5232



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Dear Sisters,

It is with great pride to share with all of you our Post Commander, Scott Bill, was awarded the All-American Commander accommodation during the 113<sup>th</sup> VFW National Convention in Reno, NV, during July. Scott was the only Minnesotan to receive this prestigious award and was one of 185 across the VFW delegation. Job well done! During the National Convention, pictures and captions were uploaded to the Palmer Lake VFW Facebook page. If you haven't "liked" the Facebook page, please do so. You are missing out on instant updates between our monthly newsletters. This medium for instant communication gives our Post and Auxiliaries an opportunity to provide all of our members with current events, important articles, and tools for our Veterans, families, and the community. Check it out!

Please note our August meeting starting at 6:00 pm will be held a week earlier due to a conflict with the hall on the second Tuesday of the month. The August meeting will be held Tuesday, August 7, at 6:00 PM. Committee Chairs, please be sure to have a brief 3-5 minute report ready. Bulletins from Department General Orders are emailed to each of you in advance of the meeting. Please review your material and incorporate any ideas or suggestions you may have for your program for the ensuing year. Our meetings are a great place to show what we are doing to promote these programs and a forum for help from you, our Auxiliary sisters.

Ladies, it is almost Pig Roast time! Pig Roast will be held on **Sunday, September 9, from** 1:00 – 5:00 PM. We need volunteers throughout the day to help with setup, food preparation, ticket takers, and cleanup. This also includes help with our raffle as well as our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual POW/MIA Balloon Release and Patriot Day. We will be introducing something new this year which should be lots of fun. Give it your best shot with the Dunk Tank and see if you can drop the leadership team of Palmer Lake into the water! All proceeds will go to both the Ladies and Men's Auxiliary programs. Marcie Short is our Pig Roast Coordinator, so please contact her for ways you can help out at 612-619-2333 or mshort7725@comcast.net.

Remember to report your community service! Please contact Marcie Short at 612-619-2333 or mshort7725@comcast.net. Whether you are running errands for the elderly or visiting a loved one in a medical facility, your volunteerism counts, report it!

Yours in Sistership, Francesca Bill, Ladies Auxiliary President, Post #3915 -Frankie-

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Members,

Upcoming events include:

**August 1** - Military Stand Down (See below)

**August 11** - All Airborne Days (See below)

**August 25** - Veterans Helping Veterans (See below)

**September 8** - Men's Auxiliary Golf Outing (See below)

**September 9** - Post 3915 Pig Roast (See flyer on line for details. We will once again be the host of the Classic Car show which starts 1:00. Several Classic Cars will be displayed around the VFW parking lot.)

October 13 - Booya (See flyer on line)

**November 6** - Election Day

The Post and Auxiliaries will be helping out with the Stand Down again this year. Lee Ulferts has been the breakfast person in recent years. This year some of the Auxiliary members will be helping out. If you are interested in being part of the Stand Down, please contact Lee. This is major day for many of our local Veterans in need and a very self-rewarding event to be part of. Thank you to all of our volunteers.

The 17<sup>th</sup> annual All Airborne Days hosted by the Midwest All Airborne Alliance will be held on August 11. Colors will be posted at 12:00 at the Contact Club of the Minnesota Air National Guards. A pig roast begins at 1300 hours and this is a major eating event. The Air Guard Museum will be open and the event includes vintage street rods, raffles and Airborne Camaraderie. A flyer with map on the back is available on the Post bulletin board. If you are Airborne, this is a can't miss event. P.O.C. Jack Running 651-488-4227.

The Men's Golf Outing on September 8 starts at 9:00 am this year at Brookland Executive Golf Course. We will once again have a scramble. The cost is \$30.00 and includes golf, prizes and lunch. If you want a golf cart, you must call a week ahead and arrangements will be made. Thanks to all our hole sponsors. If you would like to sponsor a hole, please contact Gary Lind or Dale Palm. Lunch and prizes will follow the event at Post Home.

Membership **dues are due**. Please put your money or check into a sealed envelope with your name on it and give it to one of the Men's Auxiliary officers. Let's get this done early this year.

The Forest Lake VFW Post 4210 & Forest Lake American Legion Post 225 will host "Veterans Helping Veterans" at the VFW Post 556 SW 12<sup>th</sup> Street Forest Lake on August 25. This is open to ALL veterans regardless of discharge status. Come be a part of a special day of helping Veterans. For more information call 651-464-6827.

#### As Shorty would say, "Yeah Baby, Thanks to all of you that served."

If you would like to donate blood or help with the Blood Drive, call Gary Archambault at 763-432-9828 or sign up at the Post. The next Blood Drive is August 20. Your help is appreciated!



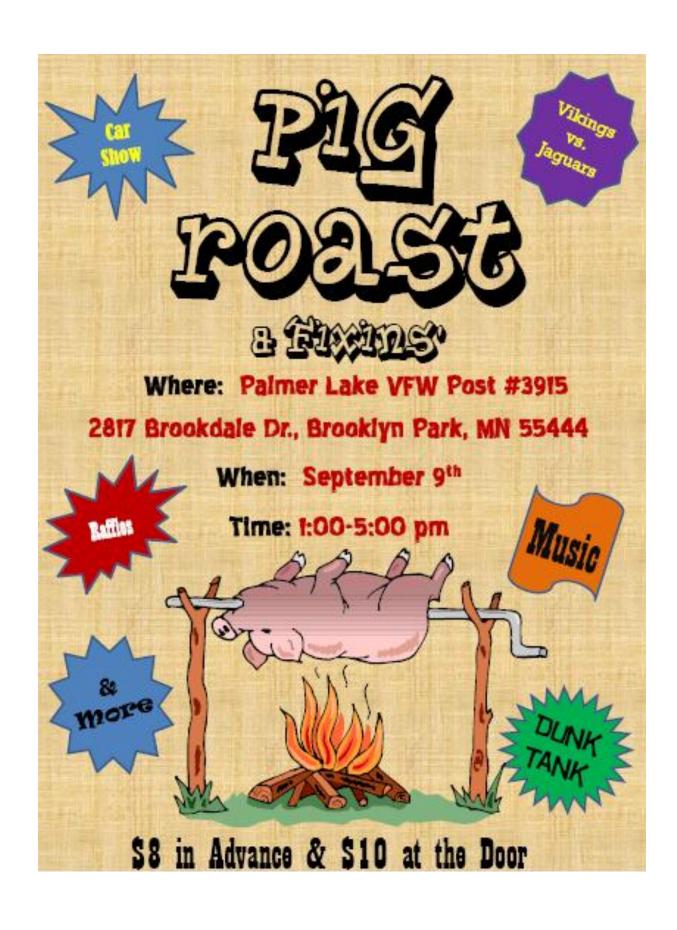
For membership issues or payment of you annual dues, please contact Mike Marthaler or any Auxiliary Officer. For any member referrals, contact any of our members. Please remember to turn in your community service hours to Stuart Ruud, Jr. Vice.

For God and Country Dale Palm, President Palmer Lake VFW Post 3915 Men's Auxiliary

## PALMER LAKE VFW

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30 5:30 pm Member Drawing 9 pm - 1 am Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	Twins Night - Win Tickets 5:30 pm Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Guest Drawing 6 pm-Horseshoes	August 1 Taco's - Two for \$3 5:30 pm Auxiliary Drawing 6 pm 3915 Men's Auxiliary Mtg. 7:30 -11:30 pm Karaoke	2 Chili Dogs - \$2.00 4:30 - 6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	3 State VFW Golf Tournament - Mankato 5 pm - 7:30 pm Buck Burgers 7:30 pm Bargo	4 State VFW Golf Tournament - Mankato 3:30 pm Meat Raffle 7:30 - 12 am Karaoke
5 State VFW Golf Tournament - Mankato	6 5:30 pm Member Drawing 9 pm - 1 am Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	7 Twins Night - Win Tickets 5:30 pm Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Guest Drawing 5:30-6:30 pm House Com. Meeting 6 pm-Horseshoes 6 pm - 3915 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting {Special Night}	8 Taco's - Two for \$3 5:30 pm Auxiliary Drawing 7 pm Post 3915 Meeting 8 pm Karaoke	9 Chili Dogs - \$2.00 4:30 - 6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	10 5 pm - 7:30 pm Buck Burgers 7:30 pm Bargo	11 3:30 pm Meat Raffle 7:30 - 12 am Karaoke
12	5:30 pm Member Drawing 9 pm - 1 am Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	14 City of Brooklyn Park - Primary Election Polling Site Twins Night - Win Tickets 5:30 pm Guest Drawing 5:30 pm Meat Raffle 6 pm-Horseshoes	15 Taco's - Two for \$3 5:30 pm Auxiliary Drawing 7 pm Post 217 and Auxiliary Mtg. 7:30 - 11:30 pm Karaoke	16 Chili Dogs - \$2.00 4:30 - 6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	17 5 pm - 7:30 pm Buck Burgers 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Grill Night - Steak,Chicken or Salmon 7:30 pm Bargo	18 3:30 pm Meat Raffle 7:30 - 12 am Karaoke
19	20 2 pm - 7 pm Blood Drive at the Post 5:30 pm Member Drawing 9 pm - 1 am Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	21 Twins Night - Win Tickets 5:30 pm Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Guest Drawing 6 pm-Horseshoes	22 Taco's - Two for \$3 5:30 pm Auxiliary Drawing 7:30 - 11:30 pm Karaoke	23 Chili Dogs - \$2.00 4:30 - 6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	24 5 pm - 7:30 pm Buck Burgers 7:30 pm Bargo	25 3:30 pm Meat Raffle 7:30 - 12 am Karaoke
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