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THE VETS GAZETTE

Comrades –

Hello everyone, I hope that your new year is going well.

We are having a Super Bowl Party on February 13th. Come and join the fun.

Also on February 13, this year's pistol competition is at the Palmer Lake VFW Post #3915. Anyone who is a member in good standing of the VFW, or the Auxiliary can participate in the pistol competition. The Post would pay for your entry fee.

Not a lot of donations were given out this month; just one to the Women's shelter for \$3000.

I hope you notice the new arm rails at the bar. They look great.

If you like hockey, support, and cheer on our sponsored VFW team. The Brainerd VFW hockey team schedule is posted on our website.

Remember that we serve breakfast every third Sunday of the month. Enjoy a great breakfast and support your club.

Keep up the search for new members. If you are a new member, you can get your name mentioned on the website.

Happy Valentine's Day! Bring your sweetie into the post. We would love to see you.

Commander,
Chip Borle

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Brothers and Sisters-

It's cold outside. I hope this missive finds you all tucked in and warm. It's hard to get up the energy to leave your home on the cold nights, isn't it? Since we had such a low attendance at our January 11 Auxiliary meeting, I'll fill you in on some of the items we discussed.

The three winners of the 5th Grade Essay contest were there to receive their awards. Taking first place was Macayla Green from Nisswa, second went to Clare Caughey from Fort Ripley, and taking third was Dominick Melin from Deerwood. It was heartwarming

to see these young people and their families excited about patriotism. I want to thank Sandra and Paula for their time and talents in making this contest memorable for the students.

The Covid pandemic has severely restricted our Buddy Poppy fundraising during the past two years, and our funds are severely low. In an effort to replenish the Auxiliary's bank balance, we are going to host a Parking Lot Event on Armed Forces Day, May 21. We will be forming a committee to plan and make this a magnificent event. Please call Sue, Dawn, or Helen so we can inform you when the first committee meeting will be held. We welcome all ideas and will be needing many volunteers. We are counting on many of you to make this an event the public will want to participate in. More details to come as the date gets closer.

For those that might not be aware, cancer grants are available to auxiliary members through VFW Auxiliary National HQ office. A member can receive two grants in a lifetime by filling out the Cancer Grant application at **816.561.8655** or <https://vfwauxiliary.org>, or you can call the Auxiliary for an application.

Brighten the day of a veteran with wild, colorful socks! The next District meeting is on February 5. We would like to take a box full of socks to contribute to the veteran's homes. Next time you shop, why not grab some socks, and drop them off at the club. Fun socks (any theme) are what they are asking for as Valentine's Day gifts for their residents. We took a load of regular socks to the **St. Cloud Stand Down** and they were very much appreciated.

Sue Sterling
Auxiliary President

P.S. Keep saving those aluminum pop can or beer can tabs and drop them in the bucket in our bar.



The Corner Lot

1/8/22 Paul Fraune
1/10/22 Warren Thompson
1/15/22 Daniel Barto
1/21/22 Edward Heikkenen



Sunshine Report

Auxiliary Sunshine Report

Get Well wishes to Bruce Mogensen , Joyce Johnson and anyone else who has been not feeling well.

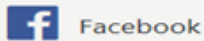
Sympathy to Dorothy Priebe and Family on the passing of her husband Howard, To Beverly Justin and Family on the passing of her husband Frank and to the family of Janis Goff .

A speedy recovery to those who have been ill. Sympathy to those who have lost a Loved On.

Helen Doucette - Chairman

“Remember that the happiest people are not those getting more, but those giving more.”

H. Jackson Brown Jr.



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Brainerd VFW Post 1647

Make sure to like us so you see what's happening at the Post.



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www.BrainerdVFW.org

Find out what's 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.

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Membership

Just a reminder now is the time to pay your Auxiliary Dues. Please send them to Dawn Garin. Auxiliary Treasurer 15751 Firefly Trl. Brainerd, Mn.56401 Dues are \$20.00 per year.

Helen Doucette, Membership Chairman

THANK YOU - THANK YOU - THANK YOU

A big thank you to Fran Breerwood, Paul Gode, Ron Robbins and Larry Christenson for the great job done in replacing the bar railing covers. It looks Great!!

Thank you to the members that have sent a donation to the Auxiliary for a Bake-less Bake Sale. Your donations are greatly appreciated as we are not able to do fund raisers due to the Covid and cold weather.

We would like to thank the members that have stepped up to help with the monthly breakfasts and the 3rd Monday Bingo. We have awesome volunteers. THANKYOU



Join the
FUN
February 13th

Check out the 6th District Facebook page:
MN VFW 6th . Auxiliary

July 1st starts our new 2021-2022 year. For those members that pay their dues annually, this is a reminder to send your dues to Treasurer Dawn Garin or drop them off at the club. There is no time like the present. 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.



**5th Grade
Essay
Competition**
theme –
"What have
you done for
veterans
today?"

pictured L to R Essay coordinator Sandra Swearingen 1st place Macayla Green, Clare Caughey, Dominick Melin and Auxiliary President Sue Sterling

February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	2 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	3 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	4	5
6 Elks Breakfast	7 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	8 Post & Auxiliary Mtg 7:00pm 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	9 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	10 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	11	12
13 Eagles Breakfast Super Bowl Party	14 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	15 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	16 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	17 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	18	19
20 VFW Breakfast 8am – noon \$9.00	21 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	22 5:00 pm Tacos: \$1hardshell, \$2 softshell, \$3 salad Cribbage – 6:00 pm	23 Wings \$1.00 fries & \$1.00 salad 3pm - 7pm 500 cards 6:00	24 Dollar Night Burgers / French Fries & Beer \$1.00 each	25	26
27 Legion Breakfast	28 Bingo & Basket Food 6:00 pm	Club Hours Mon - Sat: Noon-10pm Sunday: Noon-5pm				