CANNON NEWS

Francis Cannon VFW Post 7589 Manassas, Virginia August 2021



LET'S CELEBRATE VFW POST 7589's 75th ANNIVERSARY!

BBQ AT THE POST AUGUST 7 4:00 PM

PLEASE RSVP BEFORE AUGUST 4 TO:

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The August General Membership Meeting will be August 9 at 7:30 PM

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Commander's Message



Celebrating 75 years of Commitment and Service to Veterans and the Community

The Beginning

Wayne Moore

December 7, 1941, with the enemy attack on Pearl Harbor, war came to America. Millions of men and women of the

"Greatest Generation" answered the call to serve. Manassas, and Prince William County had approximately 30,000 people collectively.

One of the men that met the challenge was France H. Cannon, a Manassas resident and the city's first servicemember to be killed. However, thousands of veterans from the county and Manassas served and sacrificed body, mind, and soul to achieve ultimate victory at war.

On June 30, 1944, he died at the Battle of Saipan and was buried at the United States Cemetery, Saipan. In 1949, Francis's body was returned to the U.S and laid to rest in the Manassas Cemetery.

The war ended in 1945, and returning veterans from Manassas continued their comradeship and mission-oriented spirit and sense of community which is a core value of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The result of their bonding was the establishment of Post 7589 on June 6, 1946, and named in honor of hometown native Francis H. Cannon. First Post Commander John Gregory led the 27 charter members.

Synopsis: Glance Back at Growth and Milestones

Post 7589 Quartermaster Rick Raskin became the Post's first State Commander 2019-2020.

The first elected person of color is Post Commander Wayne Moore 2018-2022.

Post is mortgage-free through the benevolence of some dedicated comrades.

Membership continues to grow since the initial 27; we're now at 510 members.

Post 7589 completed a second merger incorporating Post 1811 in May of 2018.

Winner of multiple awards and recognitions: (e.g., All State, Recruiting, Community Service, and Innovation. Former Post Commander Jerry Martin named Manassas Volunteer of the Year in 2015.

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Auxiliary President



Every year, August 4 is celebrated as the U.S. Coast Guard Birthday, commemorating the military organization for its valor and discipline. Since 1790, the U.S. Coast Guard has kept the nation's waterways safe, playing a critical role in national security. The U.S. Coast Guard patrols our coasts for drug smugglers, human trafficking and both domestic and international terrorism. As the bad guys (and girls) have gotten more savvy with technology, the Coast Guard has

Mary Corkhill

developed sophisticated, effective technology to combat crimes on the water and at our ports. It's a 24/7 job. On August 4 let's give the U.S. Coast Guard the love it deserves.

Purple Heart Day on August 7 is the kind of day created to give back. It's a day for Americans to remember and honor the men and women who bravely represented their country and were wounded or killed whilst serving. These people are decorated with a Purple Heart in the name of the President, and this day is for remembering them and their sacrifice. Some states, counties, and cities pause in recognition, as do some sports and entertainment entities. Military and veterans organizations also hold meetings for remembrance. Join us as we honor those that have been given a Purple Heart.

Upcoming events:

- Since the Post members were not able to celebrate the Post's 75th birthday in June, that event has been scheduled for August 7th at 4:00 pm. Please come and join in the fun
- The District meeting is scheduled for August 21st at 10:00 am in Culpeper at Post 2524.
- There will **NOT** be an August Auxiliary meeting. The September meeting will be on the 13th at 2:00 pm.
- The Auxiliary will be requesting sponsorship for Wreaths Across American again this year.
- The Manassas Fall Jubilee is scheduled for October 2, 2021. More information to follow.
- The Northern Virginia Veterans Parade will be Saturday November 6th at 11 am. Breakfast will be served at the Post before the parade.

The National Home for Children is a small-town community open to the families of active-duty military personnel, veterans and relatives of VFW and Auxiliary members. The family can be one or both parents with one or more children and may live at the Home for up to 4 years. The staff works to identify what is needed and what the family want to accomplish. The families are provided: Housing (42 Single-Family homes), Education (striving to help residents of all ages through student-centered programming that is focused on building a sense of duty to self, family, school and community, Daycare (the Early Education Center, children up to six years of age receive high-quality care) and Basic Needs (Food, health care

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Outstanding contributor and community support: We provide food to local church groups and food banks, conduct nursing home visits to veterans, and are active through our youth activities.

The Post door is open and offers to assist all veterans and active service members with retirement paperwork or space to recruit and conduct induction or retirement ceremonies.

Conducted renovations to the facility in 2012, which cost \$125,000; these changes improved the habitability and utilization of the unit.

Post Commanders have ranged from veterans who served in World War II up to Desert Storm. We are still seeking young blood to infuse our future.

Merged with Centreville Post 8181, February 2001.

In 1998 an electrical fire caused \$50,000 damage to the building.

Post 7589 started Bingo operations in 1980 as a source of revenue and a community builder.

The comrades who started the Post had the wisdom and foresight to purchase the building for \$40,000. As a result, the Post now has an estimated value of nearly 1 million dollars.

Joint Leadership Council

The mission of the Joint Leadership Council of Veterans Service Organizations (the JLC) is to provide advice and assistance to the Governor, General Assembly and the Department of Veterans Services (DVS) on matters of concern to the veterans community and provides a conduit of information to and from the veterans service organizations on policy and legislation, pending and enacted, as well as information on existing services.

The JLC met on July 14. Commissioner John Maxwell presented an operations update which may be viewed at https://5408868112-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/rraskin_vfwva_org/ER-Y2M28tNJBhZAnElHa1QkBl74MGtrHDXhrMWvA8bPxSQ?e=l8XqJG.

The body endorsed nine potential initiatives for the 2021 legislative session. Of note, an initiative put forward by the Marine Corps League to protect Color Guard Firing Parties from possible prosecution aligns with a VFW Department of Virginia resolution, passed at the State Convention, to do the same.

We are also working to help widowed spouses who have lost benefits because their spouses "died of Active Duty" but were not killed in action. This initiative also includes non-combat related deaths that occurred in theatre.

The initiatives will be prioritized and finalized at the September JLC meeting.

Rick Raskin Past State Commander JLC Representative Due to a date conflict with the VFW National Convention, the August general membership meeting will be held on August 9.

August 9 Post meeting At the Hall

Meeting starts at 7:30 PM Zoom also available

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VFW Members Only Please

Minutes of the July meeting are available on the Post website.

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and clothing, if needed). The National Home residents can utilize the facility at no cost while working or attending school. The email address, https://www.vfwnationalhome.org/, will assist you with more information about the National Home.

Ms. Yvonne Sullivan's husband, John, is still at Lake Manassas Rehab Facility. Please keep all families and individuals who are ill, hospitalized or have gone to their heavenly home, in your prayers. Remember, we are still in uncertain and challenging times so please stay safe and let your loved ones know how much you care.

Respectfully, Mary Corkhill VFW Auxiliary President

Youth Committee Update



Lou Filippone

The Youth Committee hopes all VFW members had a great 4th of July celebration and that your summer is proceeding well. We held our last meeting Thursday, 22 July and it turned out to be an extremely productive evening. Our attendees were the regular Youth Committee members Alex and Tina Bliem, Peter MacLeod and yours truly

I know Alex has a lot to mention in his Scouting newsletter so I won't encroach on his report. Let me just say our Scouts have been quite busy this month and are having some awesome Scouting experiences with Camp Goshen, their West Virginia kayak and rafting trip and many other activities. It is an honor for our Post to be affiliated with Troop 1372. They are always busy with Scouting activities, fostering patriotism and Americanism in everything they do. Alex and Tina do so much for our Post and for Troop 1372 and deserve recognition for the success of our Scouting program and are instrumental in supporting the Youth Committee through their Scouting activities. Their son, Eagle Scout Joey Bliem, will be recognized for attaining his Eagle Scout rank at Troop 1372 Court of Honor on 14 August. Look for information on the specifics of this event elsewhere in this newsletter. I know Alex and Tina want as many of us as possible to help Joey celebrate this important Scouting milestone.

A few more things about Scouting and then we'll turn our attention to our Fall Youth and Teacher contests. The VFW sign in front of our Post is in serious need of repair. Some of the wood needs restoration, not to mention a new set of decals and repainting. It looks like Troop 1372 will come to the rescue and restore the sign for us. This will probably be in the fall months since they are so busy right now with other activities. More information will follow as the schedule is finalized. The Scouts will also hold their annual 9-11 Flag Retirement Ceremony soon. This year 9-11 falls on a Saturday and will be held at the Post at 9:00 am. I will discuss this most solemn ceremony in more detail in the September newsletter but for now just make an attempt to save the date. Lastly, our Post and District 8 Scout of the Year for 2020, Eagle Scout Megan Staton, will finally be recognized at the next Post general membership meeting in August. Megan represented us well in the Department Scout of the Year competition and is truly deserving of all her awards. We are all very proud of her.

Now is the season for our Youth essay and Teacher of the Year programs to officially commence. As you know there are three main programs. The first one is for middle school students and is an essay contest called Patriot's Pen. This year the theme of the essay contest is "How Can I Be a Good American?" The high school essay program is called the Voice of Democracy. This year's theme is "America: Where Do We Go From Here?" Lastly, we have our Teacher of the Year contest recognizing teachers who instill Americanism, patriotism and military

appreciation through their teaching at the various grade levels. It is important that these candidates instill these values through subjects such as American history, civics and social studies. Teachers from grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 are recruited for the program. These teachers must be nominated, usually by a student or a parent. All the contests require a completed application and either the essay by the student or a packet submitted by the teacher demonstrating his/her accomplishments. The deadline for these three youth programs is 31 October. If you know any students or teachers willing to participate please let any of us on the Youth Committee know and we'll get you an application. Applications for all programs are also available online at the VFW.org website.

Let me take this opportunity to also commend a member of the Youth Committee, Peter MacLeod, along with his wife Jean, a member of the Auxiliary. Peter as you know is a past Post Commander and preceded me as the prior Youth Committee Chairperson. Peter held both positions for several years and along with Jean have been the backbone of the Post Youth Committee. Over the years they have tirelessly sacrificed countless hours recruiting, judging and presenting awards to our students and teachers and still continue to do so. I could not have successful youth programs on a yearly basis without the help, assistance and guidance from my good friends Peter and Jean MacLeod. Thank you, thank you!

In the next newsletter I'll touch upon other topics such as Veteran's Day Week, the Manassas Fall Jubilee and of course the 9-11 Flag Retirement Ceremony and will provide you with updates on our other activities. In the meantime stay safe and healthy and hopefully I'll see you at one of our meetings. Our next one is Thursday, 19 August at the Post at 7:00 pm. Maybe you can make it?

With best regards,

Lou Filippone Youth Committee Chair

The 2021-22 Voice of Democracy theme is:

America: Where Do We Go From Here?

The 2021-22 Patriots Pen theme is:

How Can I Be a Good American?

Report on Scouting



Alex & Tina Bliem Post 7589 Scouting Representatives

This month was a very fun and exciting month for the Scouts. After an entire year off from summer and high adventure camps because of Covid the Scouts were finally able to get back out for their weeklong camps.

First was the high adventure trip that I had been planning for years for the Scouts. Two trips were canceled because of Covid, but we changed gears, adapted our plan and were finally able to go. I took a total of 15 Scouts/adults and we ended up on a week-long Whitewater Kayak trip up the

New River in W.V. We spent 4 days whitewater kayaking on class 1-3 rapids, and one day on a large raft hitting class 4 and 5 rapids in the New River Gorge.

We met up with other Scouts and adults from around the country, new friendships were made and everyone had a great time together. Along the way we camped along the river each night and the Scouts/guides prepared breakfast, lunch, and, dinner every day. On the last day the camp delivered a special dinner to our campsite, the raw ingredients for a steak and potatoes meal. This time all of the adults cooked for the Scouts, over a fire.

Along the way the Scouts performed their service by cleaning up all of the campsites while we were there and again before we left. Any large items that were found washed up or left along the river were placed in plain site so that the park rangers could see them and pick them up on their boats for disposal.

After kayaking and dinner one night a guide also took those that wanted to go on a lengthy hike out to the "Ghost" town of Thurmond. This was an important town for the area a long time ago and is in the process of being preserved/renovated. The guide told us everything there is to know about the town and it was very interesting.

On the last day we arranged it so that everyone could ride the "Big Zip" at Summit. This is one of their main attractions and is a four cable 3200' zip line. This was a blast and a perfect way to end the trip for everyone.

Another group of Scouts also went to Summer camp at the Goshen Scout Reservation. Here they worked on numerous merit badges, skills, and service projects. They also elected to perform patrol cooking where they cook by themselves at the campsite. No dining hall for our Scouts.

Everyone that participated in either trip had an absolute blast and created great memories that can last for a lifetime.

The younger Cub Scouts, because of their age, are not allowed to participate in these types of events, but they had their own fun. They played miniature golf together, had some ice cream outings and other activities that involved just being together having fun and learning along the way. Next month the Cubs have their own family style camping trip planned. We'll hear more about that later.

The Scouts continue to work toward their individual rank require-

ments and multiple merit badges on a weekly basis. One Scout had his Eagle Scout Court of Honor at the Post this past week. This was done on short notice and they opted to keep it small. Our son on the other hand will have his Eagle Scout Court of Honor on 8/14 at Prince William Forest Park at noon. This will be at the Telegraph Pavilion behind the visitor center. The invitation is in this newsletter if you would like to attend. Please RSVP to abliems@gmail.com so that I can ensure we have enough food and know who to expect. Tina and I will be at our next Post meeting if there are any questions, etc.

Thank you and stay safe,

Alex & Tina Bliem
Post and Scouting members/leaders



The Scouts and leaders prepare to go whitewater kayaking on the New River.



On a large raft hitting class 4 and 5 rapids in the New River Gorge.

PHOTOS BY ALEX BLIEM

Out and About — Post and Auxiliary members in the community







CHARLES T MONTGOMERY

July 17: Post Quartermaster Rick Raskin presented a \$1000 check from our Bingo Fund to American Legion Post 10 Commander Dave Quimby in appreciation for allowing us to use their facility to conduct Bingo during the covid emergency. The donation is to be used exclusively for veteran and family aid. Our Post received a similar donation from Post 10 several years ago when their Hall was damaged and they held Bingo at our hall.

VFW Post 7589/AL Post 10 Joint Color Guard paid their respects to departed Comrade Charles Montgomery on July 10. Kevin Byrne (Bagpipes), Wayne Moore, Pete MacLeod, Roger Nicol and Dave Mattingly.



RICK RASKIN / POST 7589



ALEX BLIEM / POST 7589

Alex Bliem commented on the Scouts' finale of their trip to the New River. "On the last day we arranged it so that everyone could ride the 'Big Zip' at Summit."

Auxiliary President Mary Corkhill presented a bible to Auxiliary 7589 member Bob Zalenski at the July 18 memorial service for his wife, the late Dianne Victor Zalenski.

Commander in Chief Hal Roesch's Homecoming — July 9-10 — Portsmouth, VA



The 2020-21 "Covid Commanders"



Janet & Rick Raskin with Monti & Natthinee Zimmerman



Eric Mallett, Hal Roesch and Maggie Myers



Mark & Jennifer Winn honored for managing hospitality over many years



Bobbiejo Lazzo honored for her work as service officer



Hal honored by the Cooties



Ken Wiseman honored for managing the homecoming





Auxiliary President Mary Corkhill, Department President Carol Vangi and Department Secretary Ellen Stogsdill presented Hal a cross stitch titled "Born to be Free".



Chris Mulholland honored for his Post's community service

VFW Riders presented their check for \$20,000 raised for the Vander Clute Ride to also support Unmet Needs

Photos from VFW VA Facebook, VFW Riders Facebook and Rick Raskin



Commissioner's Corner



There is another person who shares my name but who is much better known than I am. John <u>C.</u> Maxwell is a published author, motivational speaker and clergyman. He has a philosophy of how to approach life and work that resonates with me: To quote:

"I believe that everyone chooses how to approach life. If you're proactive, you focus on preparing. If you're reactive, you end up focusing on repairing."

In my opinion, these words ring true. Being proactive and looking to find solutions to problems be-

fore they occur is the difference between a successful and unsuccessful organization – whether a private business or a government agency. Since joining VDVS last year, I have seen that approach from our leadership and staff. I believe this attitude is one of the main reasons our agency is successful at fulfilling our mission to better the lives of Virginia's veterans, transitioning service members, military spouses, and their families.

One example of this proactive approach is the Military Medics and Corpsmen (MMAC) program. MMAC was recently recognized for innovation with the prestigious State Transformation in Action (STAR) Award presented by the Southern Leadership Conference of The Council of State Governments. The MMAC Program was conceived and created to make it easier for service members with medical and health administrative experience to transition to civilian healthcare jobs when leaving active duty. It is a unique and successful program that has not only been recognized by other states but is being emulated by them.

MMAC itself is an offshoot from another one of VDVS's most successful proactive programs – Virginia Values Veterans (V3). Virginia was the first state to realize that helping our highly trained and disciplined transitioning military, veterans and spouses find jobs in our civilian workforce could be a major boost to our state economy. The V3 Program was developed to teach employers how to best recruit, train and retain veteran talent. It was a completely new concept and needed the "buy-in" of private and public employers willing to commit to hiring veterans. Since its inception eight years ago, more than 80,000 men and women have been hired through this program. Again, other states have looked to develop similar programs based on the success of V3.

With the realization that women veterans are the fastest-growing segment of those we serve, Virginia again led the way with developing specific programs and services aimed for them. Virginia is now home to the highest percentage per population of women veterans in the U.S. Our women veterans face different challenges and opportunities than their male counterparts. VDVS was again proactive in establishing a Women Veterans Program Manager position and holding annual Women Veterans Summits, regional roundtables, and other events aimed just for them.

More recently, we have begun placing added emphasis on supporting military spouses. We are increasing our collaboration with organizations that can help military spouses. Also, we are working to help the spouses of service members stationed in Virginia find employment opportunities here and without restrictions that can make it difficult for those with professional careers such as teaching, nursing and healthcare to be credentialed.

The list of proactive programs at VDVS goes on. From the Virginia Military Survivors & Dependents Education Program (VMSDEP) that makes it easier for the families of those killed in action or disabled to get the financial assistance they need to complete their education – to the Virginia Veteran and Family Support (VVFS) Program that assists veterans and their families facing housing, behavioral health and financial challenges.

VDVS is also proactively anticipating the aging population of so many of the Korean, Cold War, Vietnam and Persian Gulf veterans by building additional veteran care centers. In addition to the Virginia Veterans Care Center in Roanoke and the Sitter & Barfoot Care Center in Richmond, the Puller Veterans Care Center in Fauquier County and the Jones & Cabacoy Veterans Care Center in Virginia Beach are under construction and on schedule to open in 2022.

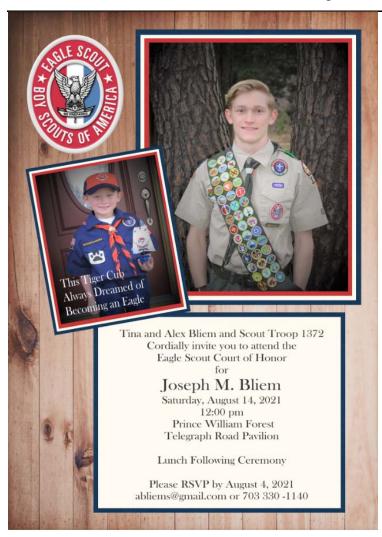
At VDVS, we are here to see that veterans get the help they need every day.

I realize that we may not always anticipate all the needs of our veterans and their families and act as quickly as we would like to meet these needs. This is where we depend on input from our Board of Veterans Services (BVS), the Joint Leadership Council of Veteran Service Organizations (JLC), our partners, and of course, from individuals like you.

Now that pandemic restrictions are loosening, I look forward to traveling around the state and meeting more of you in person over the next few months. As always, our VDVS staff members and I truly appreciate your comments, ideas and suggestions on how we can be proactive in fulfilling our mission to assure that Virginia remains one of the most veteran friendly states in America.

Thank you and enjoy your summer.

John Maxwell, Commissioner Virginia Department of Veterans Services



Beware of VA Claim Sharks:

Last week, Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs Chairman Jon Tester (D-MT) and Ranking Member Jerry Moran (R-KS) sent a letter to VA Secretary McDonough highlighting the continued need for VA to work with veterans service organizations to inform and protect veterans from predatory claims consultants. As the VFW reported in the June/July 2021 issue of the VFW magazine, these predatory companies, referred to as "claim sharks," coach veterans in filing VA disability claims with promises of increasing their ratings while charging fees and taking a portion of the veterans' compensation. Accredited veterans service organizations like the VFW have service officers who provide claims assistance to veterans free of charge, as is the law. If you or someone you know have been charged fees for VA claims assistance, please contact the VFW at wfw@vfw.org.

2020-21 Post Officers

Commander Wayne Moore Senior Vice Commander Lou Filippone Junior Vice Commander **Bobby Knight Ouartermaster** Rick Raskin Ron Knowles Chaplain 1 Year Trustee Tina Bliem 2 Year Trustee Dave Mattingly 3 Year Trustee Heidi BruMar Adjutant Ron Link Ron Link Service Officer

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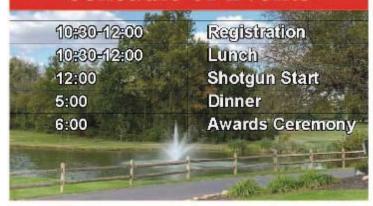
14th Annual Colin J. Wolfe Memorial Golf Tournament



Monday October 4, 2021

Evergreen Country Club 15900 Berkeley Dr. Haymarket, VA 20169

Schedule of Events



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Entry is \$150 per golfer or \$600 per foursome

Register on or before July 31st and receive 10 free raffle tickets per golfer!

2021 Golf Tournament Registration Form

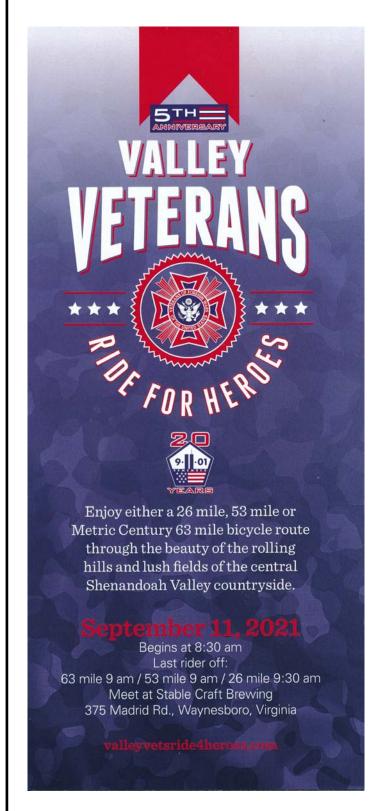
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Another hack attempt— This time from Romania. Don't click on any links in unsolicited or unexpected email.

UPGRADE NOTIFICATION

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ENTRY LEVEL orthodontic assistant. We prefer no experience so we can train you to our standards. Entry level position with entry level pay. We are looking for a quick learner who likes to work as part of a team. Must be reliable, well spoken, have good communication skills and like working with people. If interested, please reply with salary requirement and resume. Responses without salary requirement and resume will not be reviewed. If you are interested in the field of orthodontic assisting and possess the qualities we have listed this might be a great opportunity. You can either call the office at (703)815-0127 or email us at

orthoforyou@aol.com. We look forward to your response.

Upcoming Events

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August 4	Bill Pulsipher Interment — Arlington Cemetery — Arrive NLT 12:30 PM — Service at 1:00 PM
August 7	75th anniversary BBQ — 4 PM at the Post
August 9	Post Meeting — 7:30 PM — Optional video teleconference available
August 11	Joseph Bliem Eagle Scout Court of Honor — 12:00 PM — Prince William Forest, Telegraph Rd. Pavilion
August 19	Youth Committee Meeting — 7 PM
August 21	District 8 meeting — Post 2524, Culpeper
August 22	Recruiting — TBD
August 23	Color Guard Meeting — 7 PM
September 6	Post Meeting — 7:30 PM — Optional video teleconference available
September 11	9/11 remembrance & Flag Retirement Valley Veterans Ride for Heroes
September 13	Auxiliary Meeting — 2 PM
September 16	Youth Committee Meeting — 7 PM
September 17	POW/MIA Recognition Day
September 27	Color Guard Meeting — 7 PM
October 2	Manassas Fall Jubilee
October 4	Colin Wolfe Memorial Golf Tournament — Evergreen Country Club, Haymarket
November 6	Veterans Parade — Manassas (Breakfast available at the Post)
November 18-21	Southern Conference — Hilton Head, SC
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