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**JULY/AUGUST 2025
"NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS"**

COMMANDERS' CORNER

During this past year the post has achieved three very important milestones:

All-State eligible

All-American eligible

102% Post Membership

In addition, we recently received the following impact statement of what the District 6 accomplishments were for the past year. A message from the District 6 Commander is quoted below:

****I'm so damn proud of our District and every one of our Posts - this year we have accomplished some pretty amazing things. I have a few facts for you before I close that will show you the impact the Posts in our District had (even with missing the reporting of many of our accomplishments and services):*

- Military Appreciation Programs: \$9,005 expended*
- Foundation Community Support: \$10,500 expended*
- Youth Programs: \$13,315 expended**
- Community Service Hours: 93,828 (441.5% increase from last year's 17,327 hours)**
- Community Service Money Donated: \$793,572 (372% increase from last year's \$167,982)**
- Total Community Service Financial Impact: \$3,935,857!! (447.4% increase from last year's \$718,989)**

**These are all the most of any District in the VFW Department of Florida, and account for over 10% of the overall Department Community-service numbers! BZ!*

Regards,

Rich Possert, Jr.

Other accomplishments during the past year were complete painting, soffit replacement, gutters with leafguard installed for the entire building as well as a complete remodel of one of the men's restrooms.

JD Steichen, Commander

QUARTERMASTER

Hello everyone. We are still moving in the right direction. Our finances are maintaining but soon we have a few expenditures that are coming out like our insurance which is around \$19,000.00 for the next year so we need to be diligent with our budget. As I have been emphasizing over the past year we are always in need of volunteers at the post, even for me. Have safe and productive days ahead.

Kemp Harris, Quartermaster

CHAPLAIN

Spiritual Salute – July & August | VFW Post #7909

As we welcome the heart of summer, let us take a moment to reflect on the blessings of freedom, the sacrifices that made it possible, and the hope that continues to guide us as veterans, patriots, and believers.

July 4th is more than fireworks and parades. It's a sacred reminder that freedom is not free. It was earned through the blood, courage, and prayers of generations past—many of whom stood where we have stood and served where we have served. Let us pause this Independence Day not only to celebrate but to give thanks to God for the liberty we enjoy and the country we hold dear. As Scripture says in Galatians 5:13, "For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another." Let us use our freedom to lift others, to serve our fellow veterans, and be the light in our community.

As we move into August, we look forward to honoring events such as Purple Heart Day (August 7th) and National Airborne Day (August 16th)—dates that remind us of the valor, sacrifice, and spirit of our brothers and sisters in arms. May we remember those who carry the wounds of war—seen and unseen—and commit ourselves to walking alongside them in faith, support, and fellowship.

To all our Post members and families: we wish you a safe and joyful summer. Stay strong, stay faithful, and stay connected. Whether near or far, may the peace of God guard your hearts, and may the spirit of brotherhood burn bright in all we do.

In service and prayer, Ty L. Strong, Chaplain

AUXILIARY NEWS

"EARLY BIRD Dues Special"

Annual Auxiliary Members –Annual renewal dues are \$35. As your 2026 dues will be coming due on July 1st, for the 2025-2026 year we are offering \$10.00 off through Oct. 31st. Your "Early Bird" dues of only \$25.00 may be paid by cash or check. You may drop your dues off at the post, please put in envelope marked Auxiliary dues or mail to the Auxiliary Treasurer: Debbie Tilley, 22 Surfcrest St., St. Augustine 32080.

If you would like to change from Annual to Life, please contact Debbie for details at 904-460-9345 or dktilley@comcast.net.

Kathleen Danahoo, President

REMINDERS:

Only authorized personnel are to adjust thermostats at the Post! All others please leave them alone.

Use of foul language at the post will not be tolerated!

Outside beverages are not allowed into the post!

*The Post Calendar can be found here: <https://vfw7909.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=73416>
The July calendar has been posted to the VFW Post 7909 and the VFWRG websites.*

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