



# Medina VFW 5137

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Jul – Sept 2016

## COMMANDER'S CORNER

Greetings to all post members! Veterans, Auxiliary and Social Members make our post a lively and successful organization. Many thanks to Scotty for his countless volunteer hours and his great example of leadership for all of us. Thanks also go out to all volunteers for cooking, cleaning, moving, planning, painting, fixing, mowing... well the list goes on.

It is an honor to continue serving our post with growth, veterans' service and social events. Hopefully we can continue to grow in numbers and maintain a solid bottom line. The facilities should see improvement starting this summer most notably some work on the pavilion to make it usable for more of the "iffy" weather.

Good luck to all and enjoy a safe and healthy summer.

Commander,  
Jim Hoessle

## LADIES AUXILIARY

Summer is now here. We have a few things planned for the summer. Our Father's Day Lunch went well. Everyone loved the ribs. Suzanne prepped them, and Harry cooked them on the grill.

Golf outing was a success. I'd like to thank Marla, Ang, Janis, and Larry for all their help. Already looking forward to next year. It will be at Ridge Top.

The next hospital treat is July 17. We need cookies and snacks dropped off at the post by July 16.

The Annual Rummage sale is August 18 & 19. Please have all items to sell, priced and dropped off by August 17 (set up day). need volunteers to help set up, and take a shift to sell.

July is right around the corner. Which means dues are due. \$25.00 for annual fee, \$5.00 for life member. Please drop off at post for Gail.

Hope everyone has a great summer. Our next meeting will be on July 11 @ 7 pm

Respectfully,  
Krissie Beliles

## POW / MIA REPORT – Eugene Galandiuk

Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency Reports finding & identifying 40 sets of remains from all services.

Army 2 from Philippines, 4 from N. Korea, 1 from Vanuatu and 1 from Netherlands  
Navy 18 from Pearl Harbor USS Oklahoma, 1 Corpsman on Tarawa and 1 from Vietnam  
Marines 9 from Tarawa Atoll  
Air Force 1 from Vietnam  
Army Air Force 1 from Germany and 1 from Philippines

Other recovery operations are continuing apace.

Eugene Galandiuk



## July - September 2016

Event	Description	Date	Time
Weekly Drawing	Make sure you sign	Every Saturday	9:00 PM
Progressive Drawing	Weekly Progressive Drawing - Make sure you sign	Every Sunday	8:00 PM
Monthly Drawing	First Monday of every month	1st Monday	9:00 PM
Queen of Hearts	The pot continues to grow. If your ticket is drawn then you have a shot at picking the Queen of Hearts and winning the pot.	Every Friday	7:00 PM
Friday Night Dinner	Dinner served every Friday	Every Friday	5 – 7 PM
Regular Member's Meeting	Monthly VFW Regular Member's Meeting	First Tuesday of the Month	7:00 PM
VFW Auxiliary Meeting	Monthly Meeting for Member's of the VFW Auxiliary	First Monday of Every Month	7:00 PM
<b>July</b>			
Dinner	Hot Dog Nite!	Jul 1 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 PM
Fourth of July Food	Food for the post. Happy 4 <sup>th</sup> !	Jul 4 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 PM
Dinner	Fried Chicken	Jul 8 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Steak Blast	Outdoor steak blast. Live music by Nite School	Jul 9 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Dinner	Kielbasi and Kraut	Jul 15 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Wade Park	Hospital Treats	Jul 17 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 PM
Dinner	Food by VFW Auxiliary	Jul 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00 PM
Dinner	Post fish fry	Jul 29 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
<b>August</b>			
Dinner	Hamburger Nite!!	Aug 5 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Post Picnic	Bring a covered dish	Aug 6 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 PM
Dinner	Italian Sausage	Aug 12 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Rummage Sale	VFW Auxiliary Rummage Sale. Set-up Aug 17 <sup>th</sup>	Aug 18 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 AM
Dinner	Dominos Pizza and Wings	Aug 19 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Sock Hop	Outdoor sock hop with Elvis! Food served at 5 pm	Aug 20 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Dinner	Post fish fry	Aug 26 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
<b>September</b>			
Dinner	Hot Dog Nite!	Sept 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00 PM
Labor Day	Food for post members	Sept 5 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 PM
Dinner	Dominos Pizza and Wings	Sept 9 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Dinner	POW/MIA Day. Auxiliary served sloppy joes	Sept 16 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Clambake	Outdoor post clambake. Pre-sale tickets only. Cutoff date: Sept 12 <sup>th</sup> !	Sept 17 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM
Dinner	Ham/Pineapple	Sept 23 <sup>rd</sup>	5:00 PM
Dinner	Post fish fry	Sept 30 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM

## **POST SURGEON** - Phil Grassa

Summer is now here and it is the time for friends and family get-togethers. So as the 4<sup>th</sup> of July approaches (or any other day that grilling makes sense) let's look at a recipe that I enjoy, **Cucumber and Sweet-Onion Salad**. The freshness of this salad offsets the richness of Southern Pulled-Pork Sandwiches.

### **INGREDIENTS**

- 3 English cucumbers, halved lengthwise and thinly sliced on the diagonal
- 1 medium sweet onion, such as Vidalia, halved and thinly sliced
- 1/2 cup fresh dill, coarsely chopped
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons white-wine vinegar
- Coarse salt and ground pepper

### **DIRECTIONS**

- In a large bowl, toss together cucumbers, onion, dill, oil, lemon juice, and vinegar; season with salt and pepper.
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<http://www.marthastewart.com/337284/cucumber-and-sweet-onion-salad>

Try this simple but delightful salad, I think you will enjoy, served with pulled pork sandwiches puts the finishing touches on this meal.

P.S. Place this salad on top of the pulled pork and serve cut up watermelon with it, is a different take on refreshment.

## **FISHING DERBY RESULTS** – Scotty Kopfstein

It was a great time and the weather was perfect. This year's winners are as follows, 4 thru 10 age group, 1st place Mason Dormendo, 15 ¼" bass, 2nd place Lucia Lachendro, 14 ½" bass, 3rd place Hadley Holler, 13 ¾" bass. Age group 11 thru 16, 1st place, Zak Mollohan, 13 ¾" bass, 2nd place Evan Schumacher, 13" bass, 3rd place, Brendan Forster, 12 ½" bass. Congratulations to all and hope to see all of you next year. 1st place got 100 dollars, 2nd place got 75 dollars and 3rd place got 50 dollars in each age group, and those other ones that didn't get a cash prize got McDonald gift certificates. Thanks again to Bruce Rossow and Jack Coyne for helping me out.

Sincerely,

Scotty Kopfstein

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER Patrick Pinkerton;

In the wake of our last week's Memorial Day weekend, several thoughts have come to mind "mind's eye". According to Google, 7.3% of all living today in America have served in the United States Military at some point in their lives. Their numbers dropped each year, having served in WWII and the Korean War many years ago. Vietnam Veterans vastly aging each day as well, are helping those numbers of Americans, having served in our military, at some point, continue to drop off fast.

The backgrounds of the vast majority of our veterans are those of outstanding personal integrity and moral character. Many served their own communities later with Post-military distinction throughout their remaining lives. As we say our goodbyes to those who pass on, rather sorrow – we should rejoice at the honor of serving with them and knowing them as well. If we shake hands, it should bond us with a unity of physical inseparability in whatever struggles are at hand in the present!

Our personal interaction should convey a spirit of mutual trust, in whatever life's struggles are at hand. Let us always honor the powers of principle first, before "might". But never let us stop there, until we all encompass a devotion to "right"; which should be our personal "medallion", to where are our hearts; to share with all United States active duty and, post military personal as well.

With these powers of principal being used, this is what should set our previous' years occupations, and the Armed Forces of our United States of Am to the highest honors of respect, one to another. They should also let others witness our highest standards of integrity and moral character for our nation; with much distinction, and lasting contributions to all.  
And know the hospital report...

While in Columbus, Ed Schulte had a massive heart attack. He is currently home and is improving daily. Don and Judy Duda have been in a bad automobile accident and Judy is still in the hospital. Don is at home and Judy is in the ICU unit of Akron General. Rudy Kerr has had hip surgery and is now at home doing well. Mark Opalka, commandant of the DAV, has passed away. Our thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery to Ed, Don, Judy and Rudy. Our condolences for the loss of Mark to the Opalka family.

Your Chaplain,

Patrick Pinkerton

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