



Medina VFW 5137



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Commander's Corner — Nicole Mollohan

Happy New Year! I can't believe 2018 is here already. 2017 was jam packed with so many good happenings, it almost outweighs all the bad (as least I keep trying to tell myself)! I would like to take this time to thank all of the members of this great establishment! Whether it's volunteering to help with a meal on a Friday night, helping around our post and on the grounds, Buddy Poppies, going to Wade Park, Honor Guard, working our books, serving our fine members, helping to prepare for our fundraisers, catering to our families and children every holiday with parties and shopping. There are so many things to be involved with at our Post. If I didn't name a position, job or event, please do not feel left out, you are important! And I thank YOU too! If it weren't for our volunteers, this Post would not be able to do as much as we do for veterans, their families and our community.

As much as I would love for our days to slow down a bit, we can't slow our pace here at the Post! We have a calendar full of events this year! Please look at your calendars now! Pencil us in. Consider donating a few hours of your time every month. Angie's "Souper Bowl" is coming up. Friday night fish fries are starting in February! Please sign up! We need all the volunteers we can get as there are going to be a few changes to make our fish fries even better! Come dine with us and find out what those changes are! We will be having a few NEW events this year! We are preparing for our first ever Gun Raffle in August. We will host a Medina Community Days where we will open our doors to the public and let everyone know exactly who we are and what we do here at Post 5137. We need to educate the community. Sign up for Buddy Poppies, Armed Forces Day weekend. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board for both Buehler's grocery stores.

Welcome all new members who have recently joined our Post. We thank all of our veterans for their service to our country and encourage all of you to become active in our future events.

Thank you, to everyone that has helped me and guided me to be a better commander. Thank you for helping make our Post go and grow. As we go into 2018, I encourage all members to support our VFW. Medina Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5137 and all of our members.... We are a family. Thank you for being a part of it. I wish you all a healthy and prosperous 2018. Be kind to one another. Hope to see you soon!

Your commander,
Nicole Mollohan
USAF/Desert Storm Veteran

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NOTICE: If you are a V.I.P, visibly intoxicated person, and are refused service, please respect your server. This is for your safety and the protection of the post Charter LCB license. Thank you!

POW/MIA Report “...let us never forget.” — Gene Galandiuk, Chair

Last quarter 2017

Defense department POW/MIA Accounting Agency reports that in the last quarter 43 sets of remains were recovered and id'd.

Army had 6 from Korea.

AAF had 8 from World War II.

Navy had 14 from World War II and 12 from the Oklahoma.

Marines had 13 from World War II and 2 from Korea.

Happy New Year to all!

Eugene Galandiuk

Chaplain's Report — Pat Pinkerton

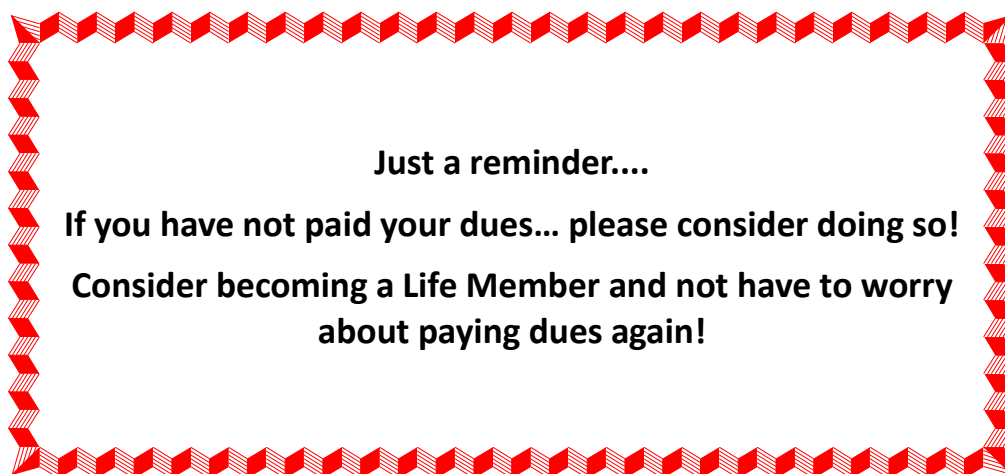
Our Christmas season is now upon us. Our V.F.W. Chapter is again hard at work, as we bear our own loads. We must not grow weary, even if we feel the pains of our labors this season. Our strength will come from God, even in our “Long Sufferings.” Jesus said, “My yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” He also said “the harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few!!!” Let us all then, not grow weary, while we are doing good; for in due season, we shall reap if we do not lose heart!!! If we then sow our seeds in the spirit of God, we shall, “reap what we sow”, even everlasting life which our Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, so many years ago!!! Merry Christ-mas.

We extend our condolences to the families of our departed members, James King, Walter Goldbach and Aunt Jean.

Yours in him...

Patrick Pinkerton

Chaplain



Joke Corner

A HAGGARD-LOOKING MAN stumbled into the Bureau of Motor Vehicles office and asked where to go to turn in his driver's license. "I can't drive in the city anymore", he declared. "I just don't have the vocabulary for it!"

A MAN COMES HOME and sees a note on the refrigerator from his wife: " This isn't working. I'm at my mother's." He opens the fridge, the light turns on, and he mutters to himself, " I don't get it. The fridge is working fine." Harry Walton

Auxiliary Report – Angela Clabaugh

I want to thank everyone for an amazing 2017 and I look forward to an even better 2018! We are growing and learning how to be a better auxiliary every day!

As most of you know we

Lost our beloved “Aunt Jeanne” on December 4. There will be a celebration of her life at the post on January 20th at 2pm.

Fish fries are right around the corner and as anyone knows who has been here “it takes a village” lol so please please if you have any free time on Friday nights consider helping as we need members galore every week to make this a success.

March 17 is a Saturday this year Ruebens and Corned beef sandwiches will be available at the post from 12-5 eat in or take out.

Remember folks, we are only as great as we make ourselves!!! We need the volunteers to help out to make each event a success!!! If you find yourself not liking something that being done please..... become part of the solution not part of the problem!

Serving you humbly,

Angela Clabaugh

Auxiliary President

SCHOLARSHIPS

Not too many people are aware that we have scholarships available for middle school and high school students and even teachers of all grades!!

We are all about helping our community, our next generations and our Veterans and their families. Our scholarship programs provide scholarship opportunity for our teachers, students, boy scouts and girl scouts who display standout citizenship, patriotism and love of country with the opportunity to be rewarded with college scholarships of up to \$5,000. Judging starts at our post level. Here is a list of our scholarships: (to print, go to <https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education>)

Patriot's Pen

The Patriot's Pen program is open to students in grades 6-8 (on the October 31 deadline), who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial school or home study program in the United States and its territories. The 2018 theme is To Be Announced at a later date. 1st \$750, 2nd \$500, 3rd \$250

Voice of Democracy

The Voice of Democracy Program is open to students in grades 9-12 (on the October 31 deadline), who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the United States and its territories. Voice of Democracy 2018 Theme To Be Announced at later date

1st \$1,000, 2nd \$750

Scout of the Year

Deadline: March 31, 2018. Amount to be determined at a later date.

Teacher of the Year

The VFW Teacher of the Year award contest recognizes exceptional teachers for their outstanding commitment to teaching Americanism and patriotism to their students. Each year, a classroom elementary, junior high and high school teacher whose curriculum focuses on citizenship education topics — for at least half of the school day in a classroom environment — can be nominated for the Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher Award. 1st \$150

Please do not pass up the opportunity to challenge our youth and help them advance. Scholarships can be turned in by individual or classroom as a whole. Once complete, please turn into Medina VFW Post 5137, 3916 Pearl Rd. Medina, Ohio 44256. Deadline for 2018 To Be Announced. PLEASE SHARE!!! Please spread the word about our scholarships! Any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Without our nation's veterans, America wouldn't be the great nation it is today. Our youth deserve to learn about our rich history, traditions and the role of our veterans in creating and shaping America.

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Commander

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January – March 2018

Event	Description	Date	Time
Post Meeting		Jan 2	7:00 PM
Gibson	Chicken <u>Paprikash</u>	Jan 5	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Championship College Game	Please bring snacks to share Come watch with us.	Jan 8	8:00 PM
Auxiliary Meeting	Back Office Area	Jan 8	7:00 PM
Fish Fry		Jan 12	7:00 PM
Gibson	Fish Fry	Jan 19	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
BBQ in the Snow	Rib Dinner= \$10, Chicken Breast Dinner- \$10; Chicken Leg Quarters (2)= \$9. All dinners served with baked beans, potato salad and dessert. Proceeds support <u>Mantrell Price Foundation's</u> Scholarship Recipients Pay to Play Fees	Jan 26	11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Soup R Bowl	\$5 entry fee and \$5 tasting fee	Jan 28	1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Gibson	Stuffed Cabbage	Feb 2	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Auxiliary Meeting		Feb 5	7:00 PM
Post Meeting		Feb 6	7:00 PM
Gibson	Ham Dinner	Feb 9	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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Valentine's Day Dinner	Steak & Lobster \$25 per person. See barmaid for tickets	Feb 10	5:00PM – 7:00 PM
Fish Fry		Feb 16	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Fish Fry		Feb 23	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Bowling Banquet		Feb 24	5:00 PM
Fish Fry		March 2	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Auxiliary Meeting		March 5	7:00 PM
POST Meeting		March 6	7:00 PM
Fish Fry		March 9	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Fish Fry		March 16	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Comed Beef and Reubens		March 17	12:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Kids Easter Party		March 18	11:00 AM
Fish Fry		March 23	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Fish Fry		March 30	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM