



Veterans of Foreign Wars

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November/December 2008

★ CALENDAR OF EVENTS ★

Friday, October 31st

Men's Auxiliary Meat Raffle/Feather Party

Raffles, 50/50 Cash Drawing
Please support our Men's Auxiliary



Sunday, November 2nd - Daylight Savings Time Ends

Remember to set your clocks back before you go to bed Saturday night. ("Fall Back")

Thursday, November 6th

Men's Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00 pm



Friday, November 7th Sock Hop

Join us for some good old 50's fun, food, and dancing. Food starts at 5:00 pm.



Monday, November 10th - Meeting

Post and Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00 pm



Veterans Day

**Tuesday, November 11th
Veterans' Day Parade**

Line up at 9:00 am. Step-off at 9:30 am.

Parade starts at Parking Lot #5 between Main & Whitney Blvd.
Men's dress - Service uniform or gray slacks, navy blazer and tie.
Ladies' dress - Navy slacks, white blouse & shoes. If cold, white sweatshirt.

Please join us and support our Veterans.

In case of inclement weather, service will be held at VFW.

Serving Hots and Brats at 5:00 pm.

Lounge open normal hours.



Friday, November 14th - Feather Party

Meat raffles in the Lounge with benefits going to the Scholarship Fund.
Starts at 5:30 pm

Saturday, November 15th Spaghetti Supper

Fund Raiser for the Belvidere/Boone County Food Pantry 5:00 - 7:00 pm / \$5 per person
Come out and support this worthwhile organization.



Friday, November 21st Men's Paid-Up Membership Dinner

Cocktails at 6:00 Dinner at 7:00
Please try to pay your dues before then.



Sunday, November 23rd - Breakfast

8:00 am til 11:00 am
ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT

Adults - \$5.00 • Children 12 and under - \$2.00

Sunday, November 23rd

Birthday/Anniversary Bash

Starts at 5:30 pm in the Lounge.

Sign up at the bar with your birthday or anniversary date & bring a dish to pass. All others just bring a dish to pass and come join the fun.



Thursday, November 27th



Lounge hours 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Free Appetizers. First Tom & Jerry FREE with any food donation to the needy Christmas baskets.



Friday, November 28th - Feather Party

Meat raffles in the Lounge with benefits going to the Scholarship Fund.
Starts at 5:30 pm

Thursday, December 4th

Men's Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 6th Children's Christmas Party



1:00 to 3:00 pm for members' children and grandchildren ONLY.
You MUST sign your children/grandchildren up at the club by November 22nd. Sign up sheets on the shelves in the entryway.

Monday, December 8th - Meeting

Post and Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00 pm



Friday, December 12th - Feather Party

Meat raffles in the Lounge with benefits going to the Scholarship Fund.
Starts at 5:30 pm

Saturday, December 20th - Christmas Baskets

For those in need - we will be collecting dry goods and canned foods in the Lounge between Thanksgiving and Friday, December 19th. We NEED VOLUNTEERS to help fill and deliver baskets.

Monday, December 24th – Christmas Eve
Lounge closes at 4:00 pm

Tuesday, December 25th – Christmas Day
CLOSED



Friday December 26th – Feather Party
Meat raffles in the Lounge with benefits going to the Scholarship Fund.
Starts at 5:30 pm

Sunday, December 28th
Birthday/Anniversary Bash

Starts at 5:30 pm in the Lounge.
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Wednesday, December 31st
New Year's Eve Party
Toast in the New Year at the Club with FREE champagne, party favors and hot and cold snacks.

Thursday, January 1st, 2008
Club will be OPEN normal hours.



Our deepest condolences are extended to the families and friends of the following deceased:

Comrade William Bloodworth
Comrade Wayne Wright
Comrade Delbert Briggs
Sister Betty Trowbridge



If you know anyone in the hospital, let us know.
Men's Hospital Chairman
Gordy Hammond 815-547-6501
Ladies' Hospital Chairwoman
Betty Lundvall 815-399-3030

Gentlemen, do you qualify for the Men's Auxiliary or know someone who does? See Brian Harbison or Dick Myers to sign up.
Or go to our website and download an application.

85 - 1 Club

If anyone is interested in signing up for the next **85-1 Club**, inquire in the Lounge. It's the best deal in town.

HOW IT WORKS:
You "join" by paying \$30. Then every Friday a name is drawn. If you are present, you will receive \$20; if you are not present, you still win \$5. At the end of 25 +/- weeks, you and a guest will enjoy a dinner consisting of steak, baked potato, salad and dessert. Before dinner you will be served delicious snacks, dips, cheese and relish trays and an open bar for 1 hour. After the steak dinner, each person attending will be given 3 drink tickets to be used that evening.

What a great way to have an evening out and possibly win some of your \$30 back.

The next dinner will be Saturday, April 25, 2008. Cocktails at 5:00; Dinner at 6:00.



Don't forget to bring your Campbell's Labels for Education in to donate for the VFW National Children's Home.



Also, bring in your old cell phones and chargers. They will be sent to Cell Phones for Soldiers and turned into talk time for overseas troops. (cellphonesforsoldiers.com)



Don't forget to check out our website. Newsletters are usually posted on the website a few days before you get them in the mail.

<http://www.vfw1461.com>

A Message From the Ladies' Auxiliary:

We would like to thank everyone who donated time or money for our annual fundraiser Swiss steak dinner on October 11th. It was a great success thanks to all who bought tickets and especially those who volunteered in the preparation, serving, and clean-up. The winner of the \$50 drawing was Betty Lundvall, and the winner of the toaster oven was Kent Williams.

Mary Taylor, President

Ladies, do you qualify for the Ladies' Auxiliary but have not yet joined? Or do you know someone else who qualifies? Contact Evie Rickelman or a Ladies' Auxiliary member or go to our website and download an application.

Commander – Greg Kelm
Ladies' Aux President – Mary Taylor
Men's Aux President – Brian Harbison
Bar Manager – Dolly Hamill



Tacos in the Bar on:

November 10

December 8

\$1.00 each

Commander's Message:

Thanks to all the members who support our club. Our club will be as strong or as weak as we decide to make it.

Thank you to those who participate in our Sunday "Support the Troops" weekly drawing. We are still looking for our first "big" Sunday winner. We have raised over \$750 to help send packages and buy items for soldiers serving overseas. To date we have sent over 7,500 pounds of items.

In the months of November and December we will be serving five Thursday night suppers for only \$5 each. If you enjoy a great home-cooked meal, please come to the Post for the suppers

Thursday Night Suppers

Nov. 6 – Beef Stew

Nov. 13 – Tuna Casserole

Nov. 20 – Chicken & Biscuits

Nov. 27 – No Supper

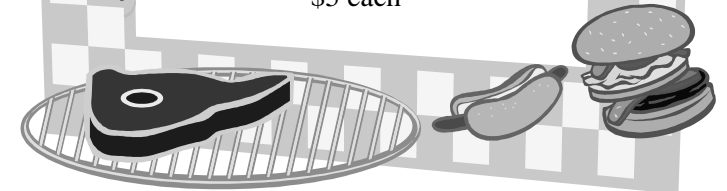
Dec. 4 – Beef Stroganoff

Dec. 11 – No Supper

Dec. 18 – Spaghetti

Dec. 25 – No Supper

Meals are served from 5-6:30 pm unless sold out before 6:30 and are \$5 each



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					Oct 31 Men's Auxiliary Feather Party 5:30	1 Set your clocks back 1 hour before you go to bed.
2 Bingo 1:00 pm Daylight Savings Time Ends	3	4	5	6 Men's Aux Meeting 7:00 pm Beef Stew Supper 5:00 pm	7 Sock Hop - Eat at 5:00 pm	8
9 Bingo 1:00 pm	10 Post & Ladies' Aux Meeting 7:00 pm Tacos in Bar 5:00 pm	11 Veteran Employment Rep here 2:30 - 4:30 Parade 9:00 am	12	13 Tuna Casserole Supper 5:00 pm	14 Feather Party 5:30 pm	15 Spaghetti Supper for Food Pantry 5:00 pm
16 Bingo 1:00 pm	17	18	19	20 Chicken & Biscuits Supper 5:00 pm	21 Men's Paid Up Dinner 6:00 pm	22
23 Breakfast 8-11:00 Bingo 1:00 pm Birthday/Anniv Bash 5:30	24	25 Veteran Employment Rep here 2:30 - 4:30	26	27 Thanksgiving Open 10-6:00	28 Feather Party 5:30 pm	29
30 Bingo 1:00 pm						

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