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## All State!

Early afternoon on Saturday, 14 May, Commander Nelson Betancourt received a phone call from State Commander Jim Martin that Post 3150 had been named an All-State Post, one of the top posts in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The designation was limited to the top fifteen posts in the state and reflects all aspects of Post life including membership, certain administrative requirements, community activities, and other programs, including participation in Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, and Teacher of the Year programs. This was the twenty-first time in the last twenty-three years that the Arlington Post has been so honored



## New Officers for John Lyon Post

<<< Nelson Betancourt (right), Lola Kane, and R. Michael "Red" Lowe, respectively Post 3150 Commander, Ladies Auxiliary President, and Men's Auxiliary President for the Year 2011 - 2012, pause after the recent Installation Ceremonies. The trio and their officers will assume their new positions about noon on Sunday, 12 June, when the new State Commander is installed at the State Convention in Richmond.

## **From The Commander:**

Dear Friends, as I stand here looking back, I find it a little hard to believe that a year has already gone by since first taking office in June of 2010. You may recall that back then I foresaw it being a productive and rewarding year, one full of opportunities. Well, I'm pleased to report that my hunch was right.

A lot of hard work and effort by many went into these past twelve months. It has certainly been a growing and rewarding experience for me. And as expected – we met or exceeded all of our immediate goals. Thereby the Post has attained ALL STATE status again this year; and that speaks volumes of your support to the Post. Support by your membership and your dues, support by participating in our activities, support by attending the meetings, support by recruiting new members, and support by proudly letting others know that you belong to the best Post this side of paradise!

Post membership numbers are strong, and the finances are stable. Post maintenance has been ongoing and the Post home is looking great. The backyard is ready for the summer events and the BBQ grill, being refurbished, is due back any day now. Our Post was the first in District 10, and quite possibly in all of Virginia, to acquire an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) - we hope the need will never arise, but in the event of cardiac arrest the Post now has the necessary equipment to provide emergency assistance.

Please allow me a moment to thank some of those volunteers that helped shoulder the load: Annie McCormick and the Ladies Auxiliary; William 'Tennessee' Binkley and the Men's Auxiliary. And of course - our Post officers: Mark Wolfe, Dewey Carter, Richard Hoffman, J. Gary Wagner, Connie Agresti, Gary Woods, Grant Vaught, Mark Pando, William Paine, Arnold Dixon, Shawn Poulin, John Godsey, Eric Anderson, John Mallon, Mike McCartney and John Lundquist. Also thanks to all that in one way or another quietly, diligently and unselfishly went out of their way to help make the programs happen: Jay, Scott, Fuzzy & Nancy, Jim, Patrick, Wauleah, Dennis, Tom, Red, Shirley, Wilbur, Karen, Belle, and you and you and you.

Finally, I'd be remiss if I didn't also thank my "Cmdr-in-Chief" – my wife Laura and my daughter Michelle. They graciously allowed me the flexibility to freely share my time between them and the Post. Muchas gracias! (I promise I'll get to that "Honey-Do list" eventually.)

Comrades, please accept my sincere gratitude for the great honor and privilege of working for all of you this past year. I truly hope to have earned the confidence you placed on me.

Now, having just been re-elected, "tomorrow" we get to start all over again. I look forward to another year full of opportunities. Together we can do it. Are you ready?

Yours in comradeship, Nelson Betancourt,  
Commander, VFW Post 3150

## **From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary:**

Hail and Greetings: It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as the Ladies Auxiliary president this year. I thank your Officers for their service. Your new Officer line up is another talented team of sisters. By now they are getting ready to assume their responsibilities and duties. Please show them your support.

Extra special thanks to Gail Hoffman who has served exceptionally as Secretary this past year. She has gone "above and beyond" on many levels. Sister Hoffman was nominated for the Outstanding Auxiliary Secretary Award, the winner of which will be announced at the Department of Virginia Convention in Richmond in June.

Much gratitude to the Men's Auxiliary. They have been instrumental in making our fundraising dinners possible. We have enjoyed working together on our co-sponsored dinners and on the Post's brunches and dinners. "Tennessee", Wilbur, "Red", et al, are loyal and dedicated members of our John Lyon Family. It's been a pleasure volunteering with them this past year and I know there will be many upcoming events when we will work together in the next year as we support our VFW Post and our veterans.

## *From the President of the Men's Auxiliary:*

June 6th is D-Day. In 1944, General Dwight D. Eisenhower said "we will accept nothing less than full victory." The conviction of that statement continues in our veterans young and old. It is also our duty to carry through as we help our veterans and their families and we honor the men and women in uniform who preserve our freedom.

June 6 is also the anniversary of my marriage to my Marine. I thank my husband and your Service Officer Arnold Dixon for his loving support this past year and always. Semper Fi, Arnie.

June 14th is Flag Day. The most precious and glorious sight is our United States Flag. We see our colors flown at libraries, post offices, schools, hotels, at federal buildings, on top of buildings and construction cranes and at homes. When a flag is not suitable for display, it must be disposed of properly. Look for the red mailbox at our VFW. The VFW and Boy Scouts will properly dispose in a ceremony at a later date. Also Happy 235th Birthday to the US Army on June 14.

Sisters, our next meeting is Thursday June 16 at 7:30. Please attend and provide your valuable input. Consider volunteering in some capacity this year. Seek out a prospective member and invite her to your Post home to meet our John Lyon family. Outreach to our veterans and their families is one of many ways we help our community.

I shall miss writing this column to you each month. It has been an honor to have this space and your time while you read the award winning John Lyon Gazette.

On behalf of our Ladies Auxiliary, I thank our John Lyon VFW Post for the opportunity to support the mission to Honor the Dead by Helping the Living.

In Fortitude and Loyalty,

Mary Anne McCormick, President,  
Ladies Auxiliary to John Lyon VFW Post 3150

Greetings One and All. This is my last newsletter and I begin by trying to thank all the people that have helped me through the past two years. It is impossible to name everyone, but some must be noted. Mike Lowe, Wilbur Rawlings, Dennis Gerrity, and Steven Utley in the Men's Auxiliary are all tireless in their efforts for both the auxiliary as well as the post. Annie McCormick, Charlene Spollen, Shirley McAlhaney and all of the Ladies Auxiliary are always ready to do everything and anything to help and it is much appreciated. From the Post; Tom Kane, Richard Hoffman, Eric Anderson, Arnie Dixon, Doc Crouch, Gary Wagner...the list is far too long. All the Post members are always supportive and ever-ready to both help and council. I thank you all and ask you to continue your support for Mike Lowe. He will need your wisdom and experience to help the Men's Auxiliary as we pursue both state and national recognition.

New members this month are Robert May, Jason Hawkins, and Walter Coon. Welcome aboard gentlemen, and congratulations. Come to our next meeting at 7:30 PM on June 14, at the Post home and begin your personal journey in support of our veterans.

The next Men's Auxiliary fundraiser is slated for Saturday evening, on June 18, from 4 PM to 7 PM. The menu is a repeat of our past success...New York Strip steak, French baked potatoes, tossed salad, dinner roll, and cake cooked just prior to the dinner. Be sure to get your name on the sign-up sheet at the Post canteen to ensure you get a steak. At the last steak dinner, we sold every steak. Don't be left out!

I close by reminding everyone to remember our valiant troops and their continuing fight for our freedom. This past month shows us all that the bravery and strength of our service people is a constant we all can be proud of.

Sincerely,

W. L. Binkley, President,  
Men's Auxiliary, John Lyon Post 3150

## **Special Day Post Meeting on Tuesday, 7 June**

Due to the VFW Department Convention's scheduled beginning on Thursday, 9 June, the Post meeting has been moved to Tuesday, 7 June at 7:30 pm. The House Committee and Officers Call meetings will follow the D-Day Commemoration on 6 June.



## **Flag Day, Army Birthday, 14 June**

The post's observance of Flag Day and the U.S. Army's birthday, both on Tuesday, 14 June, will begin at 7 pm. In previous years, John Lyon members from all services gathered for the first of the service birthdays and continued this tradition throughout the year.

## **Welcome to Our New Members**

Welcome to new Post members: Douglas Beer (Army - Iraq) (Trans), Anthony Bolden (Army - Korean Service), Sharon Bolden (Army - Korean Service), John Kane (Army - Desert Storm / Afghanistan), Devin Kornaus (Army - Korean Service), Clay Marshall (Army - Iraq), Jeffrey Myzie (Army - Afghanistan) (trans), James R Thomas (Navy - Korean War), Brian Depoy (Army - Iraq) (Life Trans), Heidi Miller (Army - and Daniel Vice (Army - Afghanistan / GWOT; and new Men's Auxiliary members Walter Coon, Jason Hawkins and Robert May all elected at recent meetings and whose paperwork is complete.

## **State Convention**

The Department of Virginia's state convention will be held 9-12 June 2011 at the Ramada Plaza Richmond West Hotel. Those planning to attend should let the Post know so that we can coordinate several events with you.

## **Men's Auxiliary Dinner**

The Men's Auxiliary will host a Steak Dinner on Saturday, 18 June from 4 - 7 pm. The menu includes New York strip steak, baked potato, green beans, salad, and dessert for \$15.. Sign up in the canteen or call 703-525-0108.

## **A Buddy Poppy Thanks**

Thanks to the many members and friends who sent in a donation for the Post Relief Fund. Your generosity will help ensure our Relief Funds will be ready for the next year when needed. As the envelopes are still arriving, a full tally will be available next month. Since new postal machines and regulations prevented our mailing Buddy Poppies with the newsletter without great additional expense, the poppies were only mailed, starting 17 May, to those requesting them. (See May newsletter.)

## **Upcoming Next Month**

Not counting Sunday brunches and the normal meetings, the following are the highlights of next month's calendar. See next month's newsletter for more details.

Mon, 4 Jul: Natl Bell Ringing Ceremony, 1:50 p  
Cookout, 3 - 5 pm

Sun, 10 Jul: Post/Auxiliaries Planning Mtg, 1:30 p

Sat, 23 Jul: Highway Cleanup, 8:30 am

Wed, 27 Jul: Korean War Veterans Armistice Day ceremony, 7 pm



## **Happy Father's Day**

Happy Father's Day to all of our Fathers and husbands on 10 June! Wherever you are, you are close to our hearts.

## Hours for Post Canteen

The Post Canteen is open as follows:

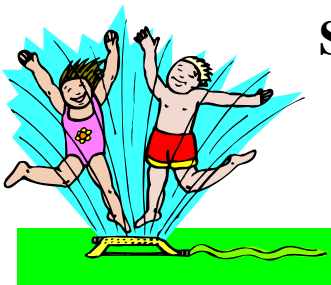
Sun (1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> )	12 noon – 9pm
Sun (2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , "Brunch")	9 am – 9 pm
Mon - Thurs	3 – 9 pm
Fri	3 – 10 pm
Sat	12 noon–10 pm
Holidays	open 12 noon

## Extended Hours on Friday and Saturday?

During June the Post will continue to test extended hours, staying open until 12 midnight on Fridays and Saturdays. If no one is there, the Post will close earlier.

## National VFW Convention

The 112th National VFW Convention will be held in San Antonio, Texas, 27 August - 1 September, 2011. Information can be obtained from the national VFW ([www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org), then News & Info, 112th Convention), the state of Virginia's General Orders ([www.vfwva.org](http://www.vfwva.org)), from the Post, and current issues of the VFW magazine. You must book by early July for group rate, and via mail, fax, or the Internet. Virginia's hotel is the Marriott Rivercenter. Anyone planning to attend should let the post know so that we can coordinate several items with you.



**School's out.  
Watch out  
for kids  
enjoying  
summer!**

## Marching off...

Longest Post 3150 Life Member, **Robert A Kelley**, 91, on 17. Kelley was a Coast Guardsman from May 1941 to May 1947. He served in the Caribbean in World War 2 from 1943 to 1946, earning the American Campaign Medal. He was born in Bluemont, VA on 5 January 1920 and lived recently in nearby Reedville where he was listed a Director Emeritus of the Shriners Kena unit. He joined Post 3150 on 10 July 1947 and became a Life Member on 1 January 1953. Most VFW Life Members have 5 or 6 digit Life Membership numbers. His membership number, lowest in Post 3150, was #833!

## D-Day Ceremony

The Post will conduct a commemorative ceremony marking the 67<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the D-Day Invasion at Normandy at 7:30 pm on 6 June.

## Cancer Aid and Research

Donations for Cancer Aid and Research are being accepted by the Ladies Auxiliary during early June for presentation during the Department Convention in June. If you care to donate, send your check to Treasurer Catherine Graham at the Post address.




Adjutant J.Gary Wagner presented the Veterans of Foreign Wars Award to AF Junior ROTC Cadet Edwin Alas, during recent ceremonies at the Arlington Career Center. Cadet Alas, of the VA 821<sup>st</sup> Cadet Corps, attends Wakefield High School in Arlington. (AFJROTC photo)

**Sunday Brunch \$7.00**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays**  
**9 am - 12 noon**

**VA Hospital Visit, 25 June**

Post 3150 will do a hospital visit on Saturday, 25 June to the VA Hospital in Washington. Meet at the Post 12 - 12:30 pm.



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**Purple Heart Eligibility Revised**

“Both the Army and the Marine Corps will allow more battlefield concussions to be eligible for the Purple Heart. The decision to expand the definition for concussions means thousands of Purple Heart medals could be going to soldiers and Marines who may have been denied in the past. The new eligibility still requires all injuries to be the result of direct or indirect enemy action. The change is retroactive to Sept. 11, 2001.

\* Soldiers should reapply through their chain of command; Army veterans can call 888-276-9472 or send an e-mail to [hrc.tagd.awards@conus.army.mil](mailto:hrc.tagd.awards@conus.army.mil). Read more at <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/index.asp>.

\* Marines should consult the Commandant's coordinating instructions at <http://www.marines.mil/news/messages/Pages/MARADMIN245-11.aspx/>. Read more at <http://www.marines.mil/unit/hqmc/Pages/Marineswithconcussion,mildbraininjuryqualifyforPurpleHeart.aspx>.

\* The Departments of the Air Force and Navy are still considering regulation changes.” (Source: VFW Washington Weekly, May 20, 2011)

The new Sunday Brunch menu is seen above. All you can eat from the menu, including reorders. For only \$7 Kids under 10 eat free.

**Post Newsletter in Your Email?**

If you would like to receive the monthly newsletter electronically, please send an email to the Adjutant at [adipost3150@va.vfwwebmail.com](mailto:adipost3150@va.vfwwebmail.com). We will then transfer you from the snail mail list to email list and you will be notified to download it from the Post webpage. And it's in color! (Go to [www.vfw3150.org](http://www.vfw3150.org) to check it out.) As with your regular mail, the Post protects your email address and will not release it to others. All others will continue to receive the newsletter in their designated mailbox as usual

**What Happened to May Newsletter**

The May newsletter was delivered to the Post Office in Merrifield on Wed, 27 April. The northern Virginia zip codes (220,221,222,223) are processed there. The others go to (Greenville?) North Carolina for processing. Two weeks later reports from the “other” zip codes showed they had received theirs but none of the NoVA ones were to be seen. A call to the Post Office led to a search and the missing editions began to be delivered a week later. No explanation has been given. Normally, delays in delivery can be attributed to your local post office.

## ***From the Post Service Officer...***

### **Survivor benefits often daunting for families**

Not all veterans are entitled to benefits at their time of death and not all survivors are entitled to benefits once the veteran has died. Each situation is unique to that veteran, so the survivor must understand what may or may not be in place when the time comes.

Here is a checklist that will make it easier for survivors to work with your VFW Post Service Officer to apply for any possible benefits.

- Create a military file that includes copies of retirement orders, separation papers, DD Form 214, service medical records and any other pertinent military paperwork. If applicable, create a Department of Veteran Affairs file, including copies of all VA disability rating award letters.
- All Veterans who have not done so should immediately enroll in the VA Medical Benefits (form 10-10 EZ) <https://www.1010ez.med.va.gov/sec/vha/1010ez/Form/1010ez.pdf> Once you have your ID card, put it in your Department of Veterans Affairs file. This is important even if you do not plan to use the VA Medical Benefits, because you may have a debilitating injury or illness that leaves you unable to care for your self. The VA Medical Benefits ID card will make it easier for your family to work with your VFW Post Service Officer to obtain home care or place you in a VA sponsored nursing home or hospice.
- If applicable, create a military retired pay file, including contact information for the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, as well as an annuity file, containing information about the military Survivor Benefit Plan; any applicable Civil Service annuity; all previous employers that provides pension and/or death benefits, etc.
- Create a personal document file that has copies of marriage certificates, divorce decrees, birth certificates, adoptions, naturalization papers, etc.
- Other important documents and information that should be compiled include copies of income tax returns; property tax information, including copies of tax bills, deeds, mortgages, etc.; insurance policies including life, property, accident, liability

and hospitalization policies; listing of all bank accounts, safety deposit boxes, savings bonds, stocks, bonds and any securities owned; listing of all charge accounts, credit cards, outstanding loans, etc., including account numbers and mailing addresses; listing of all associations and organizations of which the veteran is a member; listing of friends and business associates who may be helpful to the survivor, including addresses, e-mail, and telephone numbers.

To ensure that your wishes are carried out, take the time to create a will and see that it is filed with the Clerk of the Court in your county of residence. If you do not have a funeral home that you want to handle your burial and you are a VFW or Ladies Auxiliary member you have as one of your membership benefits, Dignity Memorial ([www.dignityveteransvfw.com](http://www.dignityveteransvfw.com)) or 1-800-300-0436 to assist you in planning your funeral.

Some of these things may seem simple to you now, but to someone reeling from the death of their loved one, nothing is simple.

# Arlington Little League



Post 3150 sponsors the AAA Red Sox team in the Arlington Little League. The team recently invited the Post to a game to show its appreciation for the sponsorship and interest in the county's youth. Behind the team are (l to r) coach Joe Mazel, J.Gary Wagner, Commander Nelson Betancourt, Head Coach Jonathan Gaffney, Grant Vaught, and Bobby Franklin.

## John Lyon at Tenth District

John Lyon remains visible at the Tenth District. Nelson Betancourt moves up to Judge Advocate and Margo Sheridan moves to One Year Trustee. In the Ladies Auxiliary, Cathy Graham remains as Treasurer. New on the scene is Annie McCormick in the position of Conductress

## Tenth District Elections

The following were elected or appointed to district positions during the recent Tenth District Convention.

### VFW Positions:

Commander: B.J. Richardson (7916)  
Senior Vice Commander: Stan Dixon (9478)  
Junior Vice Commander: Bill Atkinson (9478)  
Quartermaster: John Dodge (1503)  
Judge Advocate: Nelson Betancourt (3150)  
Surgeon: Travis Potts (9478)  
Chaplain: Bob Smith (9274)  
Three Year Trustee: Wayne Yancey (7327)  
Two Year Trustee: Sterling Moninghoff (1503)  
One Year Trustee: Margo Sheridan (3150)

### Ladies Auxiliary Positions:

President: Linda Bond (7327)  
Senior Vice President: Sarah Dugas (1503)  
Junior Vice President: Joyce DelVecchio (1503)  
Secretary: Patricia Jurgensen (609)  
Treasurer: Catherine Graham (3150)  
Chaplain: Floy Lipscomb (7327)  
Conductress: Annie McCormick (3150)  
Guard: Mary Smart (1503)  
Dep Chief of Staff: Ellen Carleton (1503)  
Three Year Trustee: Janne Best (7327)  
Two Year Trustee: Alice Merrill (7327)  
One Year Trustee: Betty Gimble (1503)  
Patriotic Instructor: Pam Koberg (9478)  
Historian: Mary Smart (1503)  
Color Bearer #1: Nancy Fowler (8241)  
Color Bearer #2: Roberta Simmons (8241)  
Color Bearer #3: Janne Best (7327)  
Color Bearer #4: Betty Gimble (1503)  
Flag Bearer: Nancy Huff (7916)  
Banner Bearer: Becky Eide (7916)  
Soloist: Ellen Carleton (1503)  
Assistant Conductress: Alice Merrill (7327)

## Military Band Performances

One of the great things about living in the Washington area is the many military band concerts and other performance during the summer months. And two of them happen right here in Arlington.

The USAF Band performs at the Air Force Memorial near the Pentagon on Friday evenings at 8 pm, and Tuesday evenings on the west steps of the US Capitol, from 3 June to 30 August. For information and weather updates, call 202-767-5658 or go to <http://www.usafband.af.mil/>. Click on story about "...Summer Concert Series" for these and other concert times.

US Marine Corps holds its Sunset Parade at the Iwo Jima Memorial on Tuesday evenings, 6 June - 23 August, at 7 pm. Lawn seating and limited street parking. Roslyn Metro 2 blocks away. For info on this and other events, such as the Friday Evening Parade at 8<sup>th</sup> and I (8:45 pm through 26 August). Go to <http://www.marines.mil/> then type "parade" in the search box.

The Army Band performs in Washington on Wednesday (Twilight Tattoo at Ft McNair, 7:00 pm, through 8 June), and Friday nights on the west steps of the U.S. Capitol at 8 pm, 10 June through 13 August. Their 1812 Overture will be 16 August at the Sylvan Theater at the Washington Monument. There are exceptions. During the cooler months, they perform at Brucker Hall on Fort Myer. Call 703-696-3399 *or go to* <http://www.usarmyband.com/> for info.

The Navy Band performs at 8 pm, many Mondays at the west side of the Capitol and Tuesdays at the Navy Memorial, through 27 August. Call 202-433-2525 (including weather) or go to Summer Concert Schedule at <http://www.navyband.navy.mil/> for information.

The Coast Guard Band has no regularly scheduled performances in the Washington area. Go to <http://www.uscg.mil/band/> for info.



# Recent Events Around the Post

Post Commander Nelson Betancourt >>> presents Marian MacIntyre with a rose on Mother's Day. The guys of the Post and Men's Auxiliary gave the ladies a day off and took over dining room duties for the annual Mothers Day Sunday Brunch. Post 3150 honors all our lady members and guests with a rose on Mother's Day. And \$182.25 in tips was presented to the Ladies Auxiliary for their Cancer Aide & Research fund.



<<< Commander Nelson Betancourt presents a check and certificate to Frederick Mitchell during a recent presentation at the Post. Mitchell was selected as the Post 3150 Eagle Scout of the Year for 2010-2011

Commander Nelson Betancourt (right) and, from the left, Junior Vice Commander-elect Michael McCartney and Junior Vice Commander Dewey Carter gather at Station 4 – Clarendon Fire Station to present an OXY Backflash Arrester to Arlington County firefighters John Bryant and Homer McElroy. The device was presented in name of Bryant, Post 3150's Fire Fighter of the Year and Robert Beer, Emergency Medical Technician of the Year who declined their honorariums in lieu of the Post's donating the OXY Backflash Arrester.



# Installation of Officers 2011 - 2012



<<< New Post Commander Nelson Betancourt, (from the right), Senior Vice Commander Dewey Carter, and Junior Vice Commander Michael McCartney take the oath of office as new Post 3150 officers. Other new officers are lined up in a “V” behind them. Past Commander Tom Kane was Installing Officer and Past Commander Eric Anderson was Aide de Camp.

The Installing Officer, Past Tenth District >>> President Catherine Graham, presents new President Lola Kane with her gavel following the Oath of Office taken by new officers of the Ladies Auxiliary 3150. The Installing Conductress was Past President Karen Stewart.



<<< Incoming President R. Michael “Red” Lowe is escorted to the altar by Aide-de-Camp, Past Commander Eric Anderson, in preparation of the installation of the Men’s Auxiliary 3150 officers for the new year. Installing Officer was Past Commander Tom Kane.

# VFW 3150

## June 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Movie Night	2	3	4 Ladies Auxiliary Taco Night 4 – 7 pm
5	6 D-Day 7:30 pm House Committee & Post O Call 7:45 p	7 SPECIAL NIGHT Post Meeting 7:30 pm	8 Movie Night	9 Awards Night at the State Convention, Richmond	10 State Convention, Richmond	11 State Convention, Richmond
12 Sunday Brunch 9 am - 12 n  State Convention, Richmond	13	14 Flag Day and Army Birthday 7 pm  Men's Aux Meeting 8 pm	15 Movie Night	16 Ladies Aux Meeting 7:30 pm	17	18 Men's Aux Steak Dinner 4 - 7 pm
19 FATHER'S DAY	20	21	22 Movie Night	23	24	25 VA Hospital Visit 12:30 pm
26 Sunday Brunch 9 am -12 n	27	28	29 Movie Night	30		

**Post meeting moved to Tues 7 June**

**4<sup>th</sup> of July: Bell Ringing 1:55 pm Cookout 3 - 5 pm**

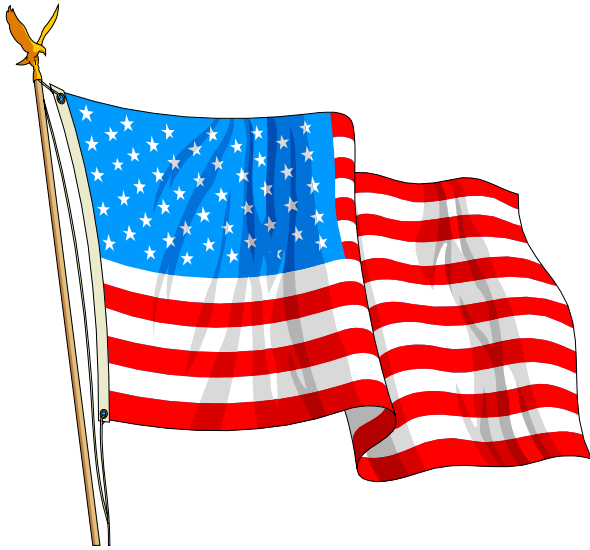


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## **Flag Day, 14 June 2011**

The Flag Act of April 4, 1818, provided for thirteen stripes, representing the thirteen original colonies, and one star for each state, to be added to the flag on the Fourth of July following the admission of each new state. The Flag Act was signed by President Monroe. Flag Day was established in 1916 by President Woodrow.