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## Veterans of Foreign Wars

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### VFW Turns 98!

As veterans returned from the Spanish-American War, they formed into several veterans organizations for a variety of reasons. In the next several years these groups began to merge into the American Veterans of Foreign Service formed on 29 September 1899. At the 1909 convention, they were told "You are the natural successors to the Grand Army of the Republic. They are rapidly passing away and it is up to you to keep up the military and patriotic spirit of the nation." The name was changed the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States on 1 August 1914. In the years since, the VFW has been a leading voice of the veteran and has been instrumental in achieving such things as the G.I. Bill.

Who is America more likely to listen to? A group with several hundred thousand members or one of millions of members? Your membership **does** count!. And get another vet. It adds strength to the VFW voice!

For more details on the early days of the VFW, see pages 32 - 34 of the August issue of *VFW* magazine.

### Leroy Moore turns 100!

Leroy Seborn Moore, a World War I veteran and Life Member of Post 3150, recently celebrated his 100th Birthday on 21 August. Comrade Moore served with Co A, 110th Engineers at Meuse-Argonne in France. He and Mrs Moore live in Marshall, Virginia. Happy Birthday, Leroy!

### USAF turns 50!

In Summer of 1908, a number of aviation "firsts" took place nearly in Post 3150's backyard, at nearby Fort Myer, including the first flight on a U.S. Army installation. Shortly thereafter, the Army moved into aviation, sometimes smartly, sometimes hesitantly. Through the years a number of names were used, from the Signal Corps, the U.S. Army Air Service, Army Air Corps, and Army Air Force. Finally the U.S. Air Force became a separate service on 18 September 1947. We will celebrate all parts of the air force, and specifically the 50 year old U.S. Air Force during a special ceremony at Post 3150 on Friday 19 September 1997. Also to be remembered will be all POW/MIAs. And the Ladies Auxiliary will be serving tacos for supper. All services are urged to come on out and join the celebration.

From the Commander:

On the second of September 52 years ago, aboard the battleship USS Missouri, GEN. Douglas MacArthur was senior officer representing the allies at the formal surrender of the Japanese. This formally ended hostilities in the Pacific and World War II. That ceremony was of great benefit to the United States and the world as a whole, including the nation of Japan. As a result of that ceremony GEN. MacArthur, members of his staff and others undertook the effort to provide the Japanese people with America's two greatest exports! Freedom and a form of Democratic government. Those two selfless exports still reside and thrive in the nation of Japan. We as a nation through our troops overseas and other government agencies are trying to bring this concept and practice to all nations of the world. Let us hope that we succeed.

As you may have seen we are starting to do some clean-up and repair work here at John Lyon Post. The House Committee has a list of projects about which various members have expressed concern. It is our intention to get estimates on these project and present them along with a proposed prioritization based on funding ability to membership at the next meeting. As these projects are approved we will be soliciting volunteers, especially certified electricians, plumbers, and persons with other repair/construction skills, to consider donating time and effort toward successful completion of these project. We would also solicit the donation of materials if possible, but only immediately prior to the work starting, this will allow up to keep as much of the post available to member use rather than take up space for mid- to long-term storage.

By working together we can make John Lyon Post even better than it is at this time. Progress is necessary.



E.D. "Doc" Crouch

## **FROM THE AUXILIARY PRESIDENT**

Here it is September, and as I said last month, we are already on our way with all kinds of new ideas and projects in the works. I hope all of you had a good summer. As we move into the Fall season and cooler weather, our activities will pick up considerably and I'm hoping to have the opportunity to see more of you stop by and say hello and maybe join us in some of our endeavors.

Joy has sent out the renewals for our continuous members. If you did not get your reminder, please contact Joy immediately. We will want to verify that we have your correct address. Please think about sending in your 1998 dues today. Knowing that you are with us helps immeasurably. It is because of you that we are able to proceed with our various programs.

Jeannie is preparing the final draft of our membership roster which we will be mailing out to each of you this month. As of this date Jeannie reports that she has not heard from anyone to exclude information so if you don't want your address/phone # included let her know immediately.


Our Auxiliary Officers met with their counterparts of the Post and discussed upcoming projects and events and as a result September is shaping up to be a busy month. Of course, Monday, the 1<sup>st</sup> is Labor Day and we will kick off the month's activities with a cookout at the Post Home at 1:00pm. The big news for us is that the Commander has given us the green light for the Auxiliary to take control of the kitchen on Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup> to sponsor a **"TACO NIGHT."** We are doing this in conjunction with **POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY** and the celebration of the **U.S. AIR FORCE BIRTHDAY.** Please join us. It's very important to show that we can make this work. All proceeds from this effort will go to the Auxiliary to help us with our upcoming projects so we really need **everyone's** support.

Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> is Arlington County **"NEIGHBORHOOD DAY."** Details are still being finalized as we take this newsletter to print and we'll talk about this more at our meeting this month but I need to get volunteers together who may be available for any part of the day. Call me at home as I will have more information to share with you. The men are working on this as well. Let's show everyone that we care about our community!!!

As we move on into the year, I want to remind you that we have our first District meeting on Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1:00pm at the VFW in Springfield. Several of us are District Officers and will be attending. If any of you are interested in joining us, especially if it would be for the first time, call me and we will be sure to help arrange transportation for you if you need it. The District meetings are an excellent opportunity to obtain a better understanding of the purpose and workings of the Auxiliary to the VFW.

Before I close, I want to take a moment to say something important. By virtue of its very nature, all of us in the Ladies Auxiliary count on each other to make our organization successful. We need to remember that we are important to ourselves and to each other for many reasons. With this in mind, I want to express a special message to those of you who may be ill, have suffered the recent loss of a family member or loved one, or are just "under the weather." We are here if you need us. Please let us know if we can do anything to help you out in any way. Sometimes we are unaware of a situation but if you let us know, we'll do whatever we can to make things easier for you. And on a lighter note, this seems to be an appropriate way to say "Happy Birthday" to all the members of the Auxiliary who are celebrating their birthdays this month.

A grateful "Thank you" to all of you who have been so gracious as to comment so favorably on our monthly newsletters. It is my fervent wish to have you feel that this Auxiliary really is yours and your continued support means a lot to me. I can't do this without you. Thank you for letting me know.

  
Cathy Kerns  
President

*From the Adjutant:*

Donald Blanton reports that he is "not lost". But no word yet on the others. Here are several more life members which National Headquarters or the Post Office reports as address no longer good. Several are present or recent active duty Navy.

Stephen Boston  
Charles Hardy  
Raphael Martinez Jr  
Theodore Peralta  
David G. Scott  
Lloyd Van Lanen  
William E. York

If you have contact with any of them, ask them to send us a current address. Thanks.

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### Wilkinson New Chaplain

Comrade James R. Wilkinson was elected Post 3150 Chaplain at the monthly meeting in August. Comrade Wilkinson has held several appointed positions since he joined the John Lyon Post back in 1992. Congratulations, Comrade Wilkinson.

### Labels benefit National Home

Collect Campbells' and Swanson's labels and send them to the Ladies Auxiliary at the address on the first page. See separate page for details.

**Army Air Corps  
Army Air Force**

 **USAF**

**50th  
Birthday  
Celebration Friday  
19 September 1997**

Cake cutting at 1900  
VFW Post 3150, Arlington VA  
2116 No. 19th St., 525-0108

ACTIVE DUTY. RESERVES. RETIREES.  
VETERANS. SPOUSES. TOO!  
Bring your AF friends.

# Campbell's Labels for Education Program

## HERE'S WHAT TO SAVE:

Dear VFW National Home Supporters:

The VFW National Home is accepting Campbell's soup labels as part of Campbell's 'Labels for Education' program. In addition to the soup labels, the National Home can accept other proofs of purchase (i.e. UPC symbols, lids, cash register tapes) from the other Campbell's products listed below. Remember, we must have the front label only from most soups. Your help in sending the labels to the National Home will enable us to order materials necessary for programming needs in the education and recreation departments. Thank you in advance for your help with this project and in getting the correct information out to the people of your state.

PRODUCTS (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)	PACKAGE	WHAT TO SAVE
Campbell's Beans Products	can	front label panel
Campbell's Chunky Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Condensed Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Double Noodle Dry Soup	pouch	back panel with UPC symbol
Campbell's Healthy Request Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Home Cookin' Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Instant Cups	cup	back panel with UPC symbol
Campbell's Low Sodium Soups	can	front label panel
Campbell's Microwave Soups	tub	lid
Campbell's Quality Soup & Recipe Mixes	carton	bottom panel with UPC symbol
Campbell's Ramen Noodle Soups	block	front label panel
Campbell's Ramen Noodle Soups	cup	back panel with UPC symbol
Campbell's Simmer Chef Cooking Sauces	can	front label panel
Campbell's Spaghetti Sauces	can	front label panel
Campbell's Tomato Juice	can	front label panel
Campbell's Tomato Juice	aluminum can	cash register tape with product name
Chef's Kettle (Food Service)	can	front label panel
Early California Olives	can	front label panel
Franco-American Pasta & Gravy Products	can	front label panel
Franco-American Spaghetti Pasta	can	front label panel
Marie's Dressings, Dips & Glazes	jar or bottle	lid or neck band with UPC
Mrs. Paul's Frozen Seafood and Specialty Vegetables	carton	UPC symbol
Open Pit BBQ Sauce	bottle	logo area of label
Pepperidge Farm Products	various	UPC symbol
Prego Spaghetti Sauce/Pizza Sauce	jar	front label panel
Santitas Ramen Pride Soups	block	front label panel
Santitas Ramen Pride Soups	cup	back panel with UPC
Specialty Kitchens (Food Service)	various	top label/lid
Swanson Broths	can	front label panel
Swanson Poultry	can	front label panel
Swanson Frozen Food Products	carton	UPC Symbol
V8 100% Vegetable Juice	can	front label panel
V8 100% Vegetable Juice	aluminum can	cash register tape with product name
Viasic Pickles, Relish, Peppers & Sauerkraut	jar	lid or logo area of label
Viasic Pickles To Go	packet	logo area of label
Viasic Pips Olives	can	front label panel
Viasic Spanish Olives	jar	lid or logo area of label

**Campbell's BEANS**

**Campbell's Soups**

**Campbell's LOW SODIUM SOUPS**

**Marie's DRESSINGS, DIPS & GLAZES**

**SWANSON POULTRY & BROTHS**

**V8 100% Vegetable Juice**

**Campbell's HEALTHY REQUEST**

**OPEN PIT BBQ SAUCE**

**Campbell's CHUNKY SOUP**

**Campbell's HOME COOKIN' READY TO SERVE SOUPS**

**Early California OLIVES**

**Campbell's DRY AND RAMEN SOUPS**

**SWANSON FROZEN BREAKFASTS**

**Campbell's Tomato Juice**

**SWANSON FROZEN FOODS**

**OPEN PIT BBQ SAUCE**

**Campbell's CHEF'S KETTLE**

**SWANSON BEEF STEAK**

**Campbell's MICROWAVE SOUP**

**Campbell's SPECIALTY KITCHENS**

**Prego SPAGHETTI SAUCE AND PIZZA SAUCE**

**PREPARED FOODS READS, COOKIES, CRACKERS, CANNES, GRAVY, FROZEN FOODS & STUFFING**

**Viasic PICKLES TO GO PICKLES, OLIVES, PEPPERS, RELISHES, SAUERKRAUT**

**PREGO PASTA & GRAVY**


**SANTITAS RAMEN PRIDE SOUPS**

**PREPARED FOODS SPAGHETTI**

**Campbell's SPAGHETTI SAUCE**

**Campbell's CHEF'S KETTLE**

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 POST COOKOUT 1:00PM-6:00PM  LABOR DAY 	2 VJ DAY (1945)  VFW MOVIE NIGHT	3	4	5	6
7  GRANDPARENTS DAY	8	9  VFW MOVIE NIGHT	10	11  POST MEETING 8:00PM	12	13  HOSPITAL VISIT
14  SUNDAY BRUNCH 9:00AM-1:00PM	15	16  VFW MOVIE NIGHT	17  CITIZENSHIP DAY	18  U.S.A.F. 50th BIRTHDAY  AUXILIARY MEETING 8:00PM	19  LADIES AUX. "TACO NIGHT"  U.S.A.F. 50TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION  POW/MIA DAY	20
21  10TH DISTRICT MEETING 1:00PM AT SPRINGFIELD VFW	22	23  VFW MOVIE NIGHT	24	25	26	27  ARLINGTON COUNTY "NEIGHBORHOOD DAY"  VFW HIGHWAY CLEANUP DAY
28  POST COOKOUT 1:00PM-6:00PM	29  VFW ESTABLISHED (1899)	30  VFW MOVIE NIGHT				