

JOHN M. DANGERFIELD VFW POST 9509 & AUXILIARY

September 2025 Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF SHANNON GASKINS: POST COMMANDER

Comrades,

We have officially kicked off our fiscal year, and while it is only just beginning, there is a strong sense that this could be one of our best years yet.

Earlier this month, we held the Fly-In event. Despite the rough weather, the community showed up in full force and made the day a success. We have also entered what we call the "Season of Busy Times" for our volunteers—and once again, the community has stepped up to support us.

The District Meeting took place on August 23rd and offered a wealth of valuable information. We are excited to put what we learned into action as we move forward.

With August upon us and school back in session, it is time to start thinking ahead!

If you have children in school, remember we are encouraging students to participate in this year's Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen essay competitions.

These programs are a fantastic opportunity for students to express their views on democracy, patriotism, and American values — and potentially win scholarships and recognition! If your child is interested, please contact the Commander for more information. Let us support our youth as they find their voice and grow as future leaders!



THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!!!



VFW POST 9509 BUSINESS CONT.

Turkey Shoots Starting Soon!

- Begins: Saturday, September 20th
- September Schedule: Saturdays only
- Starting October 2nd: Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays

All help is appreciated—thank you for your support!

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR GENERAL MEETING FOR COMRADES IS ON SEPTEMBER 15TH AT 7:00PM.

A few important dates to keep in mind:

- **September 1st - Labor Day**
- **September 10th - House Committee @ 1830**
- **September 13th - Chicken Truck**
- **September 18th - U.S. Air Force Birthday**
- **September 19th - POW/MIA Recognition Day**

Do not forget about our weekly Food Nights!

If you are interested in volunteering for the upcoming year, whether for food nights or any other activities, please do not hesitate to reach out and let us know. Your involvement is always appreciated!

Yours in Comradeship,

Shannon Gaskins, Post Commander

“THE COST OF FREEDOM IS ALWAYS HIGH, BUT AMERICANS HAVE ALWAYS PAID IT. AND ONE PATH WE SHALL NEVER CHOOSE, AND THAT IS THE PATH OF SURRENDER, OR SUBMISSION.”

- JOHN F. KENNEDY

WING NIGHT

THURSDAY

SEPT 4TH & SEPT 18TH



6 Wings
\$6.00

Fries
\$3.00

FRIED CHICKEN WINGS WITH CHOICE OF
SAUCE, FRENCH FRIES (SOLD SEPERATELY)

From 6 PM - 8 PM

GRILLED AND COOKED TO ORDER

STEAK NIGHT

SATURDAY

SEPT 6TH & SEPT 20TH



Steak Dinner
\$22.00

Chicken Dinner
\$12.00

CHOICE OF STEAK OR CHICKEN;
SERVED WITH BAKED POTATO, SALAD,
SAUTÉED ONIONS AND MUSHROOMS

From 6 PM - 8 PM

PHILLY
CHEESESTEAK

THURSDAY

SEPTEMBER 11TH



**Steak
\$13
or
Chicken
\$11**

**GRILLED STEAK OR CHICKEN PHILLY,
ONIONS AND PEPPER COVERED IN CHEESE
SERVED WITH FRIES**

From 6 PM - 8 PM

BLT

THURSDAY

SEPTEMBER 25TH



**BLT
Sandwiches
with Fries**

\$9.00

**BACON, LETTUCE AND TOMATO
SANDWICHES SERVED WITH FRIES**

From 6 PM - 8 PM



COMMUNITY TRUCKLOAD FRESH CHICKEN SALE
PRE-ORDERS ONLY!!

SATURDAY, SEPT 13TH, 2025

VFW

1141 SOUTH LIVE OAK DRIVE
MONCKS CORNER, SC 29461

9AM - 12:30 PM

ALL FRESH PRODUCTS, NEVER FROZEN
SOLD IN 40 LB. BOXES

40 lbs PARTY WINGS - \$88

40 lbs BREAST - \$100

40 lbs JUMBO TENDERS - \$84

40 lbs BONE-IN THIGHS - \$44

40 lbs BONELESS THIGHS - \$80

40 lbs DRUMSTICKS - \$36

40 lbs LEG QUARTERS - \$32

10 lbs CHICKEN SAUSAGE - \$50

(ORIGINAL, ITALIAN OR JALAPENO CHEDDAR)

HOW TO PLACE YOUR ORDER:

1. Go to www.HouseofRaeford.Store
2. Choose the case/cases you want & pickup time 9am-12pm
3. Pay by Credit Card or Debit Card
4. DEADLINE is **Thursday, Sept 11th at 12pm**

***** PLEASE BRING YOUR 5 DIGIT ORDER NUMBER ON YOUR RECEIPT*****

READY, AIM, FIRE!



SHOOTING COMPETITION FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

YOU COULD HIT THE "RINGER" WITH TURKEYS, HAMS, BOSTON BUTTS, AND RIBS, ALL WHILE BACKING LOCAL VETERANS.

SEPTEMBER 20TH & 27TH

OCT 2ND - DEC 20TH: THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

START TIME IS AT DARK -
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

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FROM THE DESK OF CHRIS GIARDINI: AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Hello Auxiliary Brothers, Sisters and Comrades:

I hope all is well. August was a great month , We had visitors for our meeting. Beth Tufts and Sharon Peterson joined us. I also would like to welcome new member Christine Berry . Our Auxiliary Fish Fry was a huge hit , We sold out which was unexpected. Thanks to all the volunteers and a special thanks to Ben who caught and donated the majority of the catfish. The Breakfast Fly-In attendance was low due to the weather but we managed and had a great time with the people that did attend. The Lifetime Membership Drawing cut off was August 31 and drawing will be held at our Sept. 15th meeting . The winner if not present will be notified by email and phone . Good luck to the annual members that paid before the 31st.



Gabrielle Giardini who is the Chair woman in charge of the Buddy Poppy display this year will be having meetings for anyone that wants to help out . We need to decide on what we want to make the display of along with gathering the supplies to make it happen. These dates will be posted on our Facebook page when they are made available.

Trunk or Treat will be upon us before we know it. The Post is asking for donations of candy for the kids. For every large bag of candy donated the Comrades will enter you into a drawing for a free Steak Dinner. Let's make this the best year yet for the children .

Our Auxiliary is hosting a Veterans Day fundraiser called "Operation: Flag a Yard for Veterans Day". Information can be found on our [Facebook Page](#), on our [website](#) and at the post.

Volunteers are needed to read to the students of Windsor Hill on the 10th of November.

Veterans Appreciation Banquet will be held November 17th - The event will be Catered and Tickets to attend will be \$10 per person.

Finally, my Officers and I are incorporating an Appreciation Gift drawing at every meeting this year. Each member present at the meeting will receive a ticket. We will draw numbers at the 'For The Good of the Order' portion of the meeting for up to 5 people to pick from the awesome prizes that are available. New Prizes will be added every month. August winners were Abby Lilly, Pat Pruitt, Patrice Lamb, Sharon Peterson and John Woods.

Chris Giardini, President



TRUNK OR TREAT CANDY DRIVE

**DONATE ONE LARGE BAG OF HALLOWEEN CANDY AND BE
ENTERED TO WIN A FREE STEAK DINNER IN NOVEMBER!**

DRAWING DATE: OCTOBER 29TH

**HELP US MAKE THIS YEAR'S TRUNK OR TREAT A
SPOOKTACULAR SUCCESS—YOUR CANDY DONATION MAKES
ALL THE DIFFERENCE!**

DROP OFF CANDY BY OCTOBER 24TH



VFW POST 9509 AUXILIARY FUNDRAISER

OPERATION: FLAG A YARD



FOR VETERANS DAY

SURPRISE YOUR VETERAN, FRIENDS AND FAMILY THIS VETERANS DAY! ORDER A BUNDLE OF FLAGS AND WE'LL PLACE THEM IN THEIR YARD OVERNIGHT ON NOVEMBER 7TH IN CANE BAY, 8TH IN FOXBANK AND 9TH IN MOSS GROVE, READY FOR VETERANS DAY.

THE FLAGS ARE THEIRS TO KEEP!



YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE –

100% OF PROCEEDS GO TO PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR LOCAL VETERANS.

Thank you for your support!



Insurance Option: \$30 – Keep your yard safe from being flagged.

ALL ORDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY OCTOBER 15TH.

FLAGS WILL BE DELIVERED OVERNIGHT ACCORDING TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD SCHEDULE, READY FOR VETERANS DAY!

Flags are SMALL yard size. They will be STUCK into lawn.



ORDERS START NOW SCAN THE QR CODE
OR

VISIT WWW.VFW9509.ORG TO SUBMIT ORDER.
PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE THROUGH VENMO.



AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS: MEMORIES IN THE MAKING

US COAST GUARD BIRTHDAY



WINNERS OF THE AUXILIARY MONTHLY MEETING DRAWING



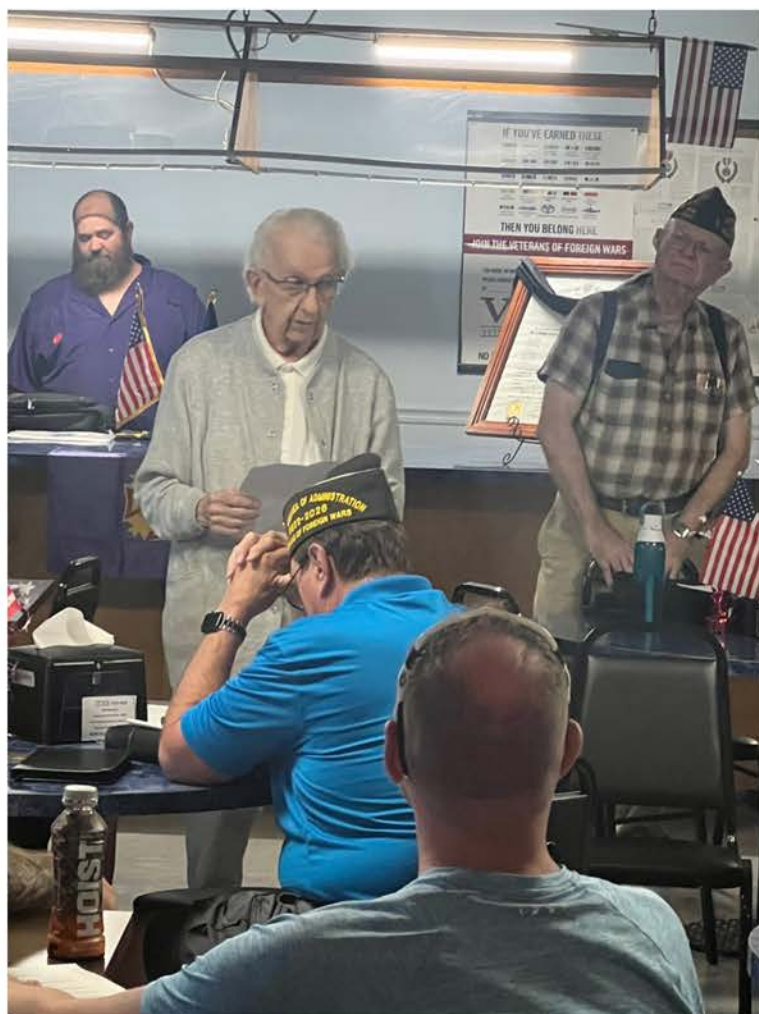
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**MR. LOU GIVING HIS
APPRECIATION SPEECH FOR
HIS QUILT OF VALOR AT THE
AUGUST GENERAL MEETING**

AUGUST 2025 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 DARLINGTON @1800	1 LABOR DAY	2	3	4 WING NIGHT @1800	5	6 STEAK NIGHT @1800
7 WORLD WIDE @1500	8	9	10 HOUSE COMMITTEE @ 1830	11 PATRIOTS DAY PHILLY CHEESESTEAK @1800	12	13 CHICKEN TRUCK @ 0800 BRISTOL @1930
14	15 GENERAL MEETING @1900 AUX/COM	16	17	18 WING NIGHT @ 1800 USAF B-DAY	19 POW/MIA DAY	20 STEAK NIGHT@1800 TURKEY SHOOT @ DARK
21 ABATE MEETING @ 1400 NHMS @ 1400	22	23	24	25 BLT NIGHT @1800	26	27 TURKEY SHOOT @ DARK
28 GOLD STAR DAY KANSAS @ 1500	29	30	1	2	3	4