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Commander's Comments

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Dear Comrades, Sisters and Friends,

Happy New Year to our members and to the Women's Auxiliary and their family's. Our wish is for a happy, healthy, and prosperous new year. As we move forward, we will continue to serve our fellow veterans and our community. Our dedicated staff of volunteers are the best. They are always willing to do more than expected. This was displayed at our monthly bingo nights, the annual summer barbecue, and the Christmas party (with enough Chinese food to feed China).

Similar to your tax forms, I want to advise our members to check on their benefits status. Many changes have been made by the Veterans Administration during the past year, and it is in all of our best interest to be aware of them. Most cities and towns have Veterans agents whose duty is to provide details on these important changes. These agents can be found by calling your town offices.

During the past year we have lost many beloved members. As you may know, membership is declining, and attracting new members is a challenge. Any suggestions on how to reach out to our servicemen and women is always welcomed. Despite our shrinking size, we still won the Community Service Award for 2015 at the National VFW Convention in Pittsburgh, PA. This is an honor we all can be proud of.

James A Logan VFW Post and the Auxiliary are happy to present Patriotic Art Contest program to the SH school. We are happy to represent these students as participants in this State and National Contest. Only one entry from each participating auxiliary may be entered into state. Only one entry from each state is eligible to enter at the national Patriotic Art Contest. State and local auxiliaries give awards to top winners. National grants prizes to the top winning students in the country. As Chairman of this program for James A Logan 6800. I am very pleased with the response. It is important to keep our youth involved and insure we provide the information required for them to participate. Promoting programs and contests also helps the students to learn something about the VFW. Submitted by: Marilyn Curran, President James A Logan Auxiliary to the VFW

I thank you for all your help and dedication over the year, may 2016 be good to us all.

Yours in Comradeship,

Tom Leyne

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Next Four Meeting are:
Saturday February 13th 2016 at 10:00 AM at the post quarters 124 Highland Ave. Somerville, MA 02143-1664

Saturday March 12th, 2016 at 10:00 AM at the post quarters 124 Highland Ave. Somerville, MA 02143-1664

Saturday April 9th, 2016 at 10:00 AM at the post quarters 124 Highland Ave. Somerville, MA 02143-1664

Saturday May 14th, 2016 at 10:00 AM at the post quarters 124 Highland Ave. Somerville, MA 02143-1664



Officers Reports:

Adjutant's Orderly book: Hope all is well with everyone and their family's. We need members to attend post meetings so that we can continue with all of the programs we have planned. We are planning a tour of Norwich university on April 29th. If you want to go please let me know by phone (617-776-7432) or in person at a post meeting on or before April 9. We will leave the post at 9AM so that we will arrive at the university at Noon, we will be having lunch with the three cadets that were awarded our scholarships for this year. Then we will have a guided tour of the campus from 1 Pm to 3:45PM, then we

will watch the pass and review of the Cadets. It should be over about 5:15PM we then will leave about 5:30 and stop for supper on the way home. We should get back about 10PM. Hope we get a good showing for this Tour. Yours truly Lenny.

Chaplain's Corner

Hello Comrades: If you know of any sick member please notify me so we can put his/her name in the news letter and so we can send him/her a card. We need more members to come to the meetings and help us grow in membership. If you know of any member that has moved please let us know the new address of the member that has moved.

You're Chaplain, PC Bob King, Phone # (781) 454-9035

SVC. Report Red Hogan asks you to : Help Recruit New or Reinstated Members, to keep our 69 year tradition of Veterans serving fellow veterans and their families. We need your help to bring new members to any Post meeting.

JVC. Report Josh Bagley:

The Voice of Democracy Essay winners are: 1st place Nicole Santana 2nd place Anmoi Mainl 3rd place David Matthews at this time we do not know what the theme for the essay for 2016-2017 Thank all that help to make this year a success.

JRBAGLEY@aol.com

VA Program: PC Tom Leyne, PC Bob King, are running Bingo for the inpatients at The Bedford VA. Every month (Except, February - Golden Gloves, July - Ice Cream, August - Cookout and December - Christmas Party) on the third Monday at 6:30 PM. **Volunteers are needed for a few hours a month to help out with all of these programs.**

Service Officer Report Arthur O'Loughlin : Our Find A Grave website is growing. We now have 412 people listed and 309 photos. Everyone listed on our site are men from Somerville who were killed in action from all wars, as well as men who died during the wars. Also our deceased post members. We started this website because anyone who served should not be forgotten. NEVER FORGET THE PRICE OF FREEDOM. Anyone who would like to help, give me a call. 978-447-5551. Semper Fi.

Taps : September 2015 to January 2016

Donald J Drew - Anthony J Delicato

Timothy F Kavanaugh



Notice! VFW Grave Markers Flags are available Free at the Post Home for those who want to decorate a loved one's grave. Come by our regular post meeting and we will be happy to provide you with these items.

Post Schedule for the next four months

February 2016 - Post Schedule

- Sun. 7th Super Bowl Sunday
- Sun. 7th District 18, Meeting at 10: AM at Post 1538 in A.L. Post 440 in Newton
- Sat. 13th Regular Post and Building Association Business Meeting, 10:00 am. at the Post Quarters 124 Highland Ave. Somerville. **And Bryan Bishop the veterans service agent for Somerville will talk to us at this meeting.**
- Sun 14th Happy Valentine's Day
- Mon. 15th President's Day
- Sat. 19th Post 19 AL Meeting starts at 10 AM E-Board 11 AM Post meeting at Post Quarters
- Thur. 25th Golding Clove Fights at Lowell, For the Bedford VA Patients.

March 2016 - Post Schedule

- Thurs. 10th Somerville Allied Veterans Council meeting at AMVET Post 4, 6:30PM
- Sat. 12th Regular Post and Building Association Business Meeting, 10:00 am. at the Post Quarters 124 Highland Ave. Somerville. (Nomination of Post Officers)
- Sun. 13th District 18 Meeting at 10: AM at Post543 in Woburn
- Thurs. 17th Happy St. Patrick's Day
- Sat. 19th Post 19 AL Meeting starts at 10 AM E-Board 11 AM Post meeting at Post Quarters.
- Mon. 21th Logan Post Bingo at the Bedford VA. Hospital, Meet! in the Parking lot behind Building No. 7 at 6:30 PM. Come On! Let's give our Bingo Committee a hand.
- Sun 27th Easter Sunday

April 2016 - Post Schedule

- Sat. 9th** Regular Post and Building Association Business Meeting, 10:00 am. at the Post Quarters 124 Highland Ave. Somerville. (Nomination & Election of Post Officers)
- Sun 10th** VFW. District 18 meeting 10:00 am. at Post 3007 in Lexington.
- Thurs. 14th** **Somerville Allied Veterans Council Meeting at 6:30PM at A.L. Post 19**
- Sat. 16th** Post 19 AL Meeting starts at 10 AM E-Board 11 AM Post meeting at Post Quarters.
- Mon. 18th** Logan Post Bingo at the Bedford VA. Hospital, Meet! in the Parking lot behind Building No. 7 at 6:30 PM. Come On! Let's give our Bingo Committee a hand.
- Fri 29th** **Tour of Norwich University Leave Post quarters at 9AM Sharp**

May 2016 - Post Schedule

- Thurs 12th** **Somerville Allied Veterans Council Meeting at 6:30 PM at VFW Logan Post 6800 in AL Post 19 Quarters**
- Sat. 14th** Regular Post and Building Assn. meeting, 10 am. at the Post Quarters 124 Highland Ave.
- Sun 10th** VFW. District 18 meeting 10:00 am. at Post 1012 in Medford.
- Mon 16th** Logan Post Bingo at the Bedford VA. Hospital, Meet! in the Parking lot behind Building No. 7 at 6:30 PM. Come On! Let's give our Bingo Committee a hand.
- Sat. 21th** Post 19 AL Meeting starts at 10 AM E-Board 11 AM Post meeting at Post Quarters.
- Sat 28th.** **Memorial Day Ceremony for Lt. James A. Logan at 9AM on May 28th 2016 at the veterans cemetery of Somerville**
- Sun 29th.** At 8 AM at the Post Quarters at 124 Highland Ave. Somerville Memorial Day Joint ceremony for the Lt. James A. Logan VFW Post 6800 and American Legion Post 19. The Memorial Day Parade starts at 1PM.
- Sun 29th** **Memorial Day Ceremony at 1 p.m. Bourne National Cemetery, Assemble At Main Gate**

**Membership: 198 out of 211 members for 93.83 % as of January 15,2016
We have Steve Moniuk as a new member to report for this news letter.**

Post web Site is: www.VFW6800.org