



Lt. James A. Logan Post, VFW 6800
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Commander's Comments

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Dear Comrades, Sisters and Friends,

I have almost completed my second year as your Commander. To all of you that trusted me and voted me that opportunity, I thank you.

Over the past two years we have done what we have always done, made the lives of Veterans better. However our post members are getting older and finding it more difficult to accomplish our goals.

Our Auxiliary is one of the BEST in the state, but are suffering from the same fate as the VFW. We are trying to find ways to infuse new ideas and new younger members without success.

We have temporary moved our meeting place from American Legion Post 19, 124 Highland Ave., Somerville to VFW Post 1012 in Medford, 114 mystic Ave., Medford, while Post 19 is rebuilt. It should take 18 to 24 months before we return to the Post 19.

If you wish to get involved again with the post, or have one of your friends join, please call my phone number is (781) 620-2945 and leave a message and number and I will call you back.

Respectfully yours in Comradeship,

Alfred C. Carfagna, Commander

U.S. Army Retired

Next Four Meeting are:
Saturday October 12th 2019
 at 10:00 AM at the VFW post
 1012 on 114 Mystic Ave,
 Medford, MA 02155
Saturday November 9th 2019
 at 10:00 AM at the VFW post
 1012 on 114 Mystic Ave,
 Medford, MA 02155
Saturday December 14th 2019
 at 10:00 AM at the VFW post
 1012 on 114 Mystic Ave,
 Medford, MA 02155
Saturday January 11th 2020
 at 10:00 AM at the VFW post
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Chaplain's Corner: Hello Comrades: My name is Jim Pitts, I presently hold the office of chaplain. Most recently we have laid to rest comrades Marco Mirlocca and Francis Casey.

Membership: 85 out of 150 members for 56.66 % as of September 23, 2019

Officers Reports:

May they rest in peace. I'm a Vietnam veteran and have been a member of Logan post for 50 years, I live in Billerica with my wife Joan, a past president of the ladies auxiliary (now called auxiliary). Comrades if you know of any sick or deceased members or auxiliary members, please call me.

You're Chaplain, Jim 'Jimbo' Pitts, Phone # (978) 670-6090



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Officers Reports:

JVC. Report Steven Moniuk: The Lt. James A. Logon Post 6800 has been busy this past summer as they transitioned from their once a month pizza/bingo get together for the patients of building 7 of the Edith Norse Rogers Memorial Veterans Hospital in Bedford MA to the summertime outdoor activities.

One of the festivities is the July pool party and cookout for members of the post and their spouses at the Pitts' residence in Billerica, where everyone was greeted to a warm, sunny day with plenty of swimming, eating and drinking.

The highlight of the summer is the cookout on the Voluntary Services grounds, sponsored by our post, again for the patients of building 7 and adjacent buildings. Well over 100 patients enjoyed the hog dogs, hamburger and sausages with all the trimmings. This was followed by watermelon, pies and snacks along with soft drinks. Music was provided by Voluntary Services. While all the Post members and Ladies Auxiliary were kept busy serving the patients and other guests for over three hours. This is a tradition that the Post has been providing for many years, along with the Christmas Party catered by the Great Wall in Bedford during the holiday season.

The summer season ended with a bus ride north to Norwich University in Vermont to witness Norwich Cadets 30 -24 victory over St. Lawrence. This was the last summertime activities and now we are back to the monthly pizza/bingo get together in building 7. Anyone who is interested in joining the Post and partaking in these wonderful events should contact the Commander Alfred Carfagna at 978-406-1359

VA Program: Commander Alfred Carfagna and JVC Steven Moniuk are running Bingo for the inpatients at The Bedford VA. Every month (Except, July - Ice Cream, August - Cookout and December – Christmas Party) on the third Monday at 6:30 PM.

Service Officer Report Arthur O'Loughlin : Before I give you my report I would like to thank our post members and auxiliary for the cards and phone calls during my cancer treatments and after my surgery while I was in the hospital and recovering at home. Thank you all. This just shows how much we care about each other, and we always have each others backs. Not only do we have the best post in the state but in the country.

As of now we have a total of 655 in out Find A Grave Website. There are also other people who have some of our KIAs and members registered 312 that I know of. This started out to be heroes from Somerville who were killed in action in WWI, WWII, Korea and Vietnam, so they will never be forgotten. We later decided to also include our deceased post members and auxiliary, they should not be forgotten either.

Any one who would like to visit the site give me a call or email. 978-447-5551 or adizzy1069@comcast.net Art O'Loughlin, Post Service Officer.

The post bought a memorial brick at Norwich University to help the University with the fund raiser to help support the scholarship program and to show our support. Here is a picture of the brick that is on the Norwich University Campus forever.

