OLD SETTLER NEWS

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES OLD SETTLERS POST 4659

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JULY - AUGUST 2017

VEW A659

Commrades & Auxiliary Members

We have entered a new administrative year. As your new Post Commander, allow me to introduce myself to all of you. I am Bill Dobbie. I served with the U.S. Army in Vietnam in 1967-68 as an infantryman with the 4th Infantry Division. I joined Old Settlers Post 4659 in 1984 and served as Post Commander from 1989.

to 1992. These were three very successful years. I served through to District chairs and was elected District 5 Commander for 1994-95. After serving the Department of Michigan VFW as Community Service Director, Department Inspector and Americanism Director, I was elected State Junior Vice Commander in 1999-2000 and was elected VFW State Commander in the 2001-02 year. Later I was Post Commander from 2007 to 2010, three more successful years.

In 2009, I was elected to serve two years as a National Council Member representing the Departments of Michigan and South Dakota. After ten years I look forward to another successful year as Post Commander in 2017-18. We will work to earn funds to help us do what we need to do to fulfill our duties to our Veterans and our Community, we will work on increasing our Post membership, and we will try to have a good time while we do it.

So, come out to the Post for a meeting or a visit to your Club Room and meet some of your Comrades and Auxiliary Sisters and Brothers. You may wish to come out and play Bingo on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Come along for the ride and be an active part of one of the finest VFW Posts in Michigan.

If you know of an eligible Veteran in your neighborhood, church or another acquaintance that is not yet a member of the VFW, I ask that you speak to them and send me the name and an address or phone number of that Veteran so that I can contact them regarding membership. You may call my cell at 586-322-3304 or e-mail me at wadobbie@prodigy.net with that contact information.

I offer my congratulations to all of those that have stepped forward to accept positions in the Post for the new year. We should also thank Past Commander Mike Perusich for his successful years as Post Commander.

In closing, let me say thank you for the confidence you have shown in me and I wish you all the very best for the coming year.

Bill Dobbie Post Commander



Upcoming Events

The Gold Star Mothers 69th Annual Victory in Japan Day Service

Sunday August 6, 2017

At White Chapel Memorial Park Cemetery
Located at 621 West Long Lake Rd. Troy, MI. 48098-4597
Line up for all marching units is 11:00 AM
With Parade of Colors at Noon
Public Welcome
Any Questions Contact Kenneth Klee
586-260-4200 or email k.j.klee@comcast.net





Volunteers Needed!

Come see the Thunderbirds, tell your Friends & Neighbors, it's FREE, see the Static Displays, Vintage Aircarft etc. Our Post will have a Tent set up in the Veterans' area where we hope to recruit new members, we need help Saturday & Sunday, those interested please contact our Air Show Coordinator Scott Metcalf 313-418-7609 email: ChiefMSGT@aol.com



Charity Golf Outing to Benefit Veterans

Sunday, August 20th, 2017

Timberwood Golf Course 23700 31 Mile Rd. Ray Twp INCLUDES:

18 Holes w/Cart - Driving Range - Coffee & Donuts - Hot Dog & Chips on the Turn Pop, Beer, Mixed Drinks - On the Course - Two Meat Buffet Dinner &

Two Hour OPEN BAR

Contact Rich Kiempisty 586-801-6755 email kiem2015@comcast.net

John W. Smith Old Timers Golf Outing

Scholarship & Michigan Department

Comrades and Auxiliary Members

Our Auxiliary first place winning entry in the Young American Patriotic Art Contest was sent to the Department Chairman for judging in the State competition. Sehrish Hussein was awarded second place on the State level. Her certificate and \$850.00 check were presented to her mother at our Department Convention. Sehrish was not available to attend as she was taking

her College Entrance Exams. This is the highest award presented for an entry from our Auxiliary. We are so proud of this high honor. If you haven't had the opportunity to see the artwork, please contact me. I have a photograph of each of our entries.

While the students are enjoying their summer, they will have time to consider entering the Voice of Democracy or Patriot's Pen Contests. The Voice of Democracy is an

audio /essay contest open to all students in grades 9 through 12. The Patriot's Pen Contest is an essay contest open to all students in grades 6 through 8. The deadline for entries to the Post is November 1, 2017. Early information can be found on the National VFW website.

On a personal note, I'd like to take the opportunity to once again thank my Post and Auxiliary for their support as I became Department President. With the close of the State Convention, I have achieved the title of Past Department President. Thank you for supporting me through all of my endeavors. Since I could not attend the June 2016 convention where I was installed as State President, Post Quartermaster and 4659 Honor Guard Member, Jay Benner escorted me into the convention room on Saturday morning this year. Since I was not present when our Honor Guard escorted the officers and my family into the room last year, Comrade Benner asked if he could do this for me. Again, it was a first in the Auxiliary! Thank you, Jay, for being there for me!

As Past Department President, I'd like to congratulate Auxiliary President Colene Nichols and Auxiliary 4659 for receiving the Auxiliary Achievement Award. It was a wonderful recognition for a job well done by our Auxiliary officers and Chairmen.

I will provide information regarding scholarships for the 2017 /2018 year, as it becomes available.

Gloria Dobbie Auxiliary 4659 Scholarships Chairman 586-739-8095 wadobbie@prodigy.net



We have medical equipment at our post. If you have a need for:
Walkers, Wheel Chairs, Crutches
Electric Chairs, Shower/Toliet Needs

Please Contact our Post for Help.





To Our Auxiliary Members of Old Settlers Post #4659

Camp Trotter



Fund-Raiser

We are having a very special Fundwill benefit our Camp Trotter Raiser and need your help. This fund-raiser programs. Please open your hearts and your

check-books to enjoy our Bake Less -Bake Sale. You decide on the your date when you would not like to bake.

BAKE - LESS BAKE - SALE

A bit of news we have today,

A bake sale is on the way.

In these busy days now who could bake
Pies, cookies or even a cake?

You'd be surprised if you counted the cost
Of materials, heat and time you have lost,
Baking for a sale is extra work
Yet no one really wishes to shirk.

So we have thought of a plan that's really grand,
And feel quite well you'll understand,
In a little envelope, please put the price
Of a cake, pie, cookies or something nice.

Without fuss or bother, you've done your part,
We are sure you will give with a willing heart
This is the end of our little tale.
Wishing success for our "Bake-less Bake-Sale"

Thank You for all your help and support.

Make checks payable to VFW Aux #4659 by August 31 and send to:



Colette Kove 54077 Shelby Rd. Shelby Twp., MI 48316



POST UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Holly National Cemetery Honor Guard – 1st Wednesday of each Month
Post Meetings – 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each Month – 7 PM
House Committee Meeting – 3rd Wednesday of each Month – 7 PM
Auxiliary Meeting – 2nd Monday of each Month
Post 4659 VFW & Auxiliary Bingo – Tuesday & Thursday at 10:30 AM
Veteran Outreach Sessions @ Post 4659 – 2nd Monday of Each Month 10 AM – 430 PM

IMPORTANT DATES

July 4th - Independence Day

July 22nd - 26th VFW National Convention New Orleans LA

July 21st - First Moon Walk - Neil Armstrong

July 27th - Korean Armistice Signed

August 4th - US Coast Guard Established 1790

August 7th - Congress "Approves all Necessary Action" in Vietnam 1964

August 11th - All US Combat Forces Leave Vietnam - 1972



"It is foolish and wrong to mourn the men who died. Rather, we should thank God that such men lived." ~ General George S. Patton



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CLUBROOM NEWS.

Comrades, Family Members and Friends,

Before I make my introduction I would ask that you join me in giving Larry Kogelman a big Thank You for his past two years of outstanding service as your post Canteen/Club manager. I also thank you Larry, not for just the two years of a job well done but, for your mentoring and guidance as I continue to make the transition as the new Canteen/Club manager. I have some big shoes to fill and only hope that my performance comes close to what you have accomplished. Enjoy your new found time with your family Larry and continue to drive the ball straight off the tee Sir.

I would also like to thank you, my Comrades and your family members who I have already had the privilege meeting. Your words of encouragement and support are heartfelt and mean so much to me. I look forward to the honor of making the acquaintance of those of you I have yet to meet and greet.

A corn fed lowa boy I enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1981 as an Air Freight/Loadmaster. Except for a brief period of time stationed at Altus AFB, Oklahoma most of my enlistment was spent in the Pacific theatre, Yokota AB, Japan. I enjoyed the opportunity to visit some of the most beautiful and exotic places in the Far East. In 1990 prior to Desert Storm I was deployed to Cairo, Egypt to manage the air transportation of troops, equipment and aircraft deployed in theatre. In 1991 after hostilities ended I was re-assigned to Offutt AFB, Nebraska where shortly thereafter I ended my active duty Air Force Career. I was also a reservist for three years in the Command Post at Selfridge ANG base.

I look forward to continuing the long tradition of Old Settlers Post 4659 comradeship, fun and service to you. As I continue to grow into the Canteen/Club manager's position I would again like to thank you and my outstanding staff for all your support.

Sincerely,

Randall Pierson

Special Occasion?



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VFW BINGO – TUESDAY MORNINGS DOORS OPEN 9:30 AM – STARTS 10:30 AM

VFW AUXILIARY BINGO – THURSDAY MORNINGS DOORS OPEN 9:30 AM – STARTS 10:30 AM

Veteran Outreach Sessions at Post 4659 Monthly, 2nd Monday 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM Lisa Maria (586) 463-3538

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