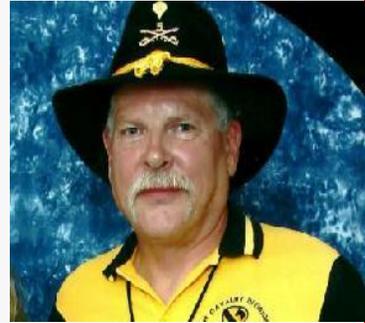


## Greetings from Bremen Post 2791

A message from our Post Commander:

Fall is in full swing and we are looking forward to another great season of camaraderie here at the Post. The new games we have implemented at our Monday nite bingo are very popular. Doors open every Monday for bingo at 4:00 pm, and the early raffle games begin at 6:30, followed by the regular bingo program at 7:00 pm. Raffle games and pull tabs are played all nite long with plenty of cash prizes for the lucky winners. Come on down and support your Post and enjoy some of the great food items prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary.

The 16th District kick-off dinner will be on October 13th at the Calumet City Post 8141 starting at 1:00 pm. The Post has purchased ten tickets to the event, any Veteran member in good standing with the Post can go to the dinner to represent our Post. If you are interested, contact me at 708-428-3642 for more info.



Bill Conner  
Post Commander

Sr. Vice-Commander Fred Cagle

It's time to renew your commitment to our nation's veterans and our organization. If you have not yet renewed your membership, please try to do so before the next dues increase goes into effect. Our annual post dues are currently \$30.00, but will increase to \$40.00 on January 1st as decided at the National convention in August. By renewing your commitment to the VFW and the veterans you served alongside in the military, you make a difference.

If however, you would like to make a lifetime commitment to the VFW, we have an easy Life Membership fee schedule which will allow you to pay for a lifetime membership by spreading the dues over a 12 or 24 month period after making a modest \$35.00 down payment. After you complete the payments on the installment plan you never have to pay dues again. Contact our Post Quartermaster to initiate the payment plan.

Let me be the first to say "Thank You" for your commitment to our nation's Veterans and welcome you back as a member of post 2791.

Jr. Vice Commander Ben Heemstra

Thanks again to all of our volunteers who helped out at the summer events. We can always use more help, so get ready to suit up for next year's events. October will be a slow month for activities here at the Post. Our next event will be the Veterans Day programs and luncheon. More info will follow in the November newsletter.



### Buddy Poppy distribution dates.

Our Post and Auxiliary members will be distributing the Buddy Poppy's and collecting donations in the Tinley Park area on Friday October 25 and Saturday October 26. There are a number of locations still available where you can help, all it takes is a two hour commitment on either day. All of the contributions are deposited into our relief fund and are only used for specific purposes as outlined in the VFW National by-laws. Stop in at the Post and sign up. Remember, some day you may be the Veteran who might need the help.

Ray Mankowski  
Buddy Poppy Chairperson



### Ladies Auxiliary news

**We have a number of events and activities coming up in October and, as always, all members of our Auxiliary are welcome to participate.**

**The annual 16th District kick-off dinner will be held at the Calumet City Post this year on October 13th. Tickets can be purchased when you arrive for \$20.00, which includes the dinner. A cash bar will be available.**

**Your Auxiliary will be helping out at the Halloween party for our Veterans at the Manteno Veterans Home on Saturday October 27th from noon until 4 pm. Volunteers are encouraged to arrive in costume to entertain the Vets.**

**The dates for the annual distribution of Buddy Poppy's for this year will be October 25 and 26. Many locations are available, stop in the canteen and sign up for a two hour block to support your Veterans and Auxiliary.**

**Bingo every Monday nite-volunteers for kitchen help are always welcome.**

**For more information on these and other activities contact Auxiliary President Janis Cepek at 708-822-0779.**

### Mens Auxiliary notes:

Mark your calendar now for the 2014 VFW Mens Auxiliary golf outing. Saturday, June 7 will be the date. Tee time will be announced later as we firm up the details. Meanwhile, a big thanks to all of our golfers and volunteers for making this years event our biggest and best outing ever. We had over 80 golfers, the weather was perfect for golf and the steaks were great.

This years meat raffle at the annual Post picnic was successful as usual. Prizes ranged from a hind quarter of beef to a 10# box of burgers. Thanks to all who participated and congratulations to the winners.

Randy Presner  
Men's Auxiliary President

American Veterans Motorcycle Riders Association  
Chapter X



On behalf of the members of our motorcycle association I would like to thank you all for attending and supporting our recent pancake breakfast on September 15th. The turnout of volunteers and supporters was terrific and allowed us to raise funds to support our Veterans and their families.

Our next event will be our Christmas Day dinner for the sailors. Once again this year we will be bringing sailors down to the VFW from Great Lakes Naval Training Center for a well deserved Christmas dinner and day of relaxation. If you would like to find out how you can help, e-mail me at [jbarto1947@att.net](mailto:jbarto1947@att.net) or call me at 708-915-3275.

After Christmas, we will have our Chili Cook-off at the daytona 500 party on February 23rd and our Spaghetti Dinner on April 26th.

John Bartosiewicz  
Chapter X Commander

### *Queen of Hearts raffle game*

We have our first winner on the Queen of Hearts raffle game. Greg from Joliet picked card number 19 which revealed the Queen of Hearts. Greg wins \$4608.00. Our new game starts up next

Wednesday October 9th with a minimum \$500.00

jackpot. Get in on the fun, stop in any day while we are open and buy your tickets, one dollar each or six for five bucks.



### Canteen Activities

September was a pretty busy month around the canteen and the banquet hall. Thanks to a grant from the Home Depot Foundation we have made some improvements and upgrades in the banquet hall. The walls and ceiling have all been painted, new trim installed around the top and bottom of the wainscoting, and new lighting sconces on the walls. The next project will be a new dance floor, then new carpeting some time after the new year begins.

A new beer tapping system has been installed in the canteen, allowing us to offer 12 brands of draft beer. We continue to have the standard beers we've always had, but now we can add some seasonal products that our customers are asking for. Stop in and try out some of the new products, or just stop in for a pop and a chat. You do not have to be a drinker to spend time here at your Post, we have many of our members who do not consume alcohol.

Our next Karaoke nite will be on Friday October 25th. Stop in and join in the fun. Now that regular season baseball is over for the year, Bears football and Blackhawk hockey are back in full swing. All of the games are televised on our big screen televisions in the canteen. Join your fellow Vets in cheering on our hometown favorites.

Bart Kirchner  
Assist Canteen Manager

Sincerely,  
Roger Barton  
VFW 2791