

I would like to say thanks to all the members that have been working around the post. We brought 5 new members across the floor in August. I know that we can bring in an additional 5 members in September with just a little work. We have to get working on our programs now. We have no reason not to have just one or two applications for all of our programs. I know that on September 11th the Auxiliary will hold a ceremony at 18:00 hours at the Rogers airport. We will be giving the Avoca Fire Chief a plaque that night from the members of the VFW. Avoca Fire department has given us great support.

We will be holding our POW/MIA Day on the 15th of September starting at 18:00 hours. It will be held in the courtyard by reading the names of the POW/MIA from Arkansas that have not returned. We will have our tiger cage and tower up that evening. Following the ceremony we will have dinner with sides. We had one of our members donate a hog, so we will be smoking the hog on Thursday. We will be celebrating the VFW Birthday on September 29th at 18:00 hours. This also is our supper club night. So please come out and show support for your post that night.

On 1 October we will be dedicating our monument on that Sunday, so we will be very busy this month. If anyone wants to volunteer with any of these projects don't be shy, we always need help. If anyone has any ideas to get more participation at the post I would like to hear about them. We have a great post and there should not be any reason that we have the same people coming in and getting involved, this is our post. I will be getting with the Auxiliary President to talk about upcoming events for the year.

Next meeting is 16 September. You must be there so you can be heard if you want your opinion known.

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As you know August was a fairly slow month as we regrouped from all the July activities. We are now gearing up for Sept. which is going to be busy for us.

Our next taco nights are Sept 6th & 20th. They seem to be going well, if anyone wants to donate food or their time please contact Diane English (our Way's and Mean's committee chairperson) She can be contacted at 479-445-5375. Diane will let you know what we need.

Next will be our Sept 11th Ceremony at the Rogers Airport starting at 6:00pm, followed by our Spaghetti Dinner at the Post.

The Auxiliary is scheduling a Poppy Drive in Sept. If you can help please contact Brenda Black at 479-721-9830 for specific dates and locations.

We moved our fish fry to Oct 1st to coincide with the dedication of the new monument. at the VFW,

Nancy Randall has volunteered to be this years "Cheer Box" Chairperson. Yes, Christmas will be creeping up on us faster than you think.

Now I am going to bring up once again Hamburger Night. Although we have volunteers who have stepped in to help out on Tuesday nights there is still room for more participation. Our sales are going down. We have all speculated it is because of the summer weather but there are some of us that feel something else is causing the down slide of Burger Night. Remember, this is basically the only source of income the Auxiliary has and if we lose this we will lose a lot more than you realize. We can't fix something if we don't know what the problem is. So I am asking for your help. I would like to hear your impute as to what you feel can be done to make things better. I encourage you to either e-mail me at hdconniefields07@yahoo.com or call me at 479-372-1923. Anyone submitting to this request will remain anonymous but your information will be taken into consideration and dealt with accordingly.

Thank you,

Connie Fields, President

What do you get out of a grudge?

If someone insults you then you have every right to be hurt. Some insults should never be tolerated.

But... if you hold on to your anger, criticism and pain without expressing it, you only end up feeding your ego and hurting yourself.

Now you become vindictive - hurtful motivated by spite.

Solution: If you feel you have a grudge against someone, go to the source. Lay it all out on the table and air your feelings. You'd be amazed at how much better you will feel.