## POST SCRIPTS

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#### **COMMANDER'S CONNER**

Dear Comrades, Sisters, and Brothers,

I could not be prouder of all that Post 9430 and Auxiliary accomplished the last two months. In September, we welcomed back our Auxiliary breakfast and bake sale and Auxiliary dinner from their summer break, started our Seahawk viewing parties, and started our Monthly Birthday Night at the Post the last Friday each month. I will not go over everything as I know you will enjoy the articles and pictures in the newsletter showing all the programs and events that Post 9430 and Auxiliary have been doing.

These past 2 months have gone by so quickly and here we are now already going into our Holiday Season. Please do what you can to assist the chairman in their programs these next two months as we do what we can to assist families from our Post and Auxiliary, active military adopted units, and our community. There are volunteer opportunities for many programs and events these next two months so again, please do what you can to assist our program chairmen both Post and Auxiliary. There will be more details within the chairman articles.

We have had an increase in the use of the Post home for birthdays and family gatherings these past two months. Thank you, as I have been saying for years, this is your post home, use it! Bring your family and friends together and celebrate life-do not wait for a celebration of life! Contact a post officer or the Club manager if you would like to do an event at the Post home

Our Pool table is good, our shuffle board is available, our dart board is having some electrical problems now, but we are working on getting it repaired. We do currently have axe throwing and every Friday Night is game night (1st Friday is Wii Bowling, 2nd Friday is Bunko, 3rd Friday is Corn Hole, Last Friday is Horse Races). So, bring your friends and family up for some fun events, dinner and dances, game nights, seahawk viewing parties, hamburgers, and other programs and events listed in our calendar.

Try to attend a Veterans Day event in the community, at our Post Home or at one of our local schools. It is up to us to continue to teach and mentor our youth and community in Patriotism and Americanism and the importance of remembering and honoring our Veterans, those who have served and those currently serving alike!

I cannot thank our Core of shakers and movers enough, a small group that does so much! Thank You! I also want to thank some new volunteers who have started helping with programs and events. Welcome to the active member and supporter club!

I look forward to another two months of doing great things for our Veterans and Community and getting together in friendship, fellowship, comradery, and doing our VFW mission together while having fun!

In Comradeship

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Sisters, Brothers and Comrades,

Tis the season of thankfulness and giving!

NEEDED: Donations of canned and shelf safe foods are needed for our Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets. We also need donations of toys for our Santa Parties. To make it easy on yourself, we are also accepting cash and checks. When you come in, there are envelopes on the table in the calendar stands. Use that for your donation and put the envelope in the box at the guest sign in station.

Since this is the season of thankfulness and giving, I want to make sure I put a Thank You, out for everyone who came and supported our vendors at our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Bazaar. I also need to thank everyone who helped make our Halloween party a tremendous success. So many families and children came for a Spooktacular time. This is certainly a Halloween tradition for our Post and our Skyway Community. There are many pictures posted on our VFW Post 9430 Facebook page. I am grateful and honored to work along so many inspirational and dedicated people who believe in our mission in supporting our Veterans and our community. I give thanks in my prayers to the people who give of their time and resources to events like the Bazaar, the Halloween party, burgher nights, Friday game nights, breakfasts, football potlucks, dinners, karaoke, and Poppy Drives. I would list all the names (you know who you are) however, I do not want to risk not listing someone. My heart is full of your faces, and you are remembered with love and thankfulness.

Finally, we are always looking for new volunteers to step up and give our core group some help. All the events you will find listed at the end of the newsletter and in our monthly calendars. Have a blessed holiday season, stay safe, be warm, and share your graces with others

Respectfully and humbly,

Margie Lindberg

Auxiliary 9430 President

## SENIOR VICE COMMANDER/ ADJUTANT AND POST CORRESPONDENCE

We need new Post and Auxiliary members at Skyway VFW Post 9430. When I joined Post 9430, we had 262 members as of November 1. We are currently below 300 now. As you are out shopping or site seeing, talk to those you notice with military hats. Invite them and their families to the Post for an event, tell them our story, what we do for Veterans and the Community and that we are here for them too. If each of us recruited just 1, we would have the membership that was here when I joined our Post.

In Comradeship Jesus Alvarez – Post Adjutant

#### **QUARTERMASTER**

Greetings Comrades, Sisters, Brothers and Supporters,

Our financial situation remains like my last newsletter input. Our basic expenses (utilities and routine expenses), remained about the same (\$3400.00 per month), but we did see an improvement in our sales at the club thanks to several special events which increased our balance in that account.

Thanks to everyone who have graciously donated \$1229 to Toys for Kids and \$1210 to Food Baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas. We also received a \$1000 donation to Heroes Holiday and got an \$800 MAP grant for 2-17 FA Battalion's Trunk or Treat at JBLM. We received \$1370 from National VFW for our membership dues and will help the Post General fund which is currently in the Red. Our Post insurance renewal is this month with an increase from \$580 per month to \$670 per month with the annual increase this year of about \$1490.

Due to the increase cost of food, starting January 1<sup>st</sup> Hamburger Dinner (Thursday) will be \$7 with \$1 for each burger sold going to the Building Fund.

I do want to leave you with the reality that we are still not as financially well as I would like to see us. We are rapidly approaching the Holiday Season where we traditionally provide a tremendous amount of funding to support very deserving events for our community, local Veterans, and Active-duty military families. The reality is that we are not making as much profit from Post Dinners and Dances, and other events as we have in past years. The list of Christmas Families to adopt will be out after Thanksgiving, so please take a family or a child if you can. Thank you

So please, continue to support our Post and bring your friends and families with you when you come to the post. If you are able, pleased volunteer to help us with food baskets, presents for adopted families, toys, wrapping presents, community, and veteran holiday parties. We can succeed with your donations and support!

Thank You! In Comradeship Randy Brickell – Post Quartermaster

#### **AUXILIARY 9430 Treasurer**

#### **FOR SALE**

A ceramic Christmas village was donated to the Auxiliary, it has 7 buildings, trees, and people. If you are interested, any offer will be considered. We didn't want to just drop it off at the Thrift Store.

Contact Cheryl 206-300-0533

#### **HOUSE AND CLUB**

The Post home is in pretty good shape.

Don't forget, if you are planning any receptions or parties, the downstairs hall is available for rental too.

If you notice any problems with the building, please let us know. Any concerns, please contact me at 206-963-3516.

Steve Scheeler House & Club Chairman

#### **CHAPLAIN**

Almighty God, we ask for Your blessing with indebted hearts that You continue to protect our servicemen and women serving our country near and far. We ask that You grant them strength and courage in their righteous service in defense of our Nation. We pray that You keep their families in Your heart and grant them peace and love as they too bear the heavy burden of sacrifice for our country. Heavenly Father, we ask that You extend Your unending love, protection, and comfort to our Veterans and their families, especially those in need and suffering. Lastly Father, we ask that you guide and support our Veterans and our community. We pray all of these blessings in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Comrades, Families, and Supporters of VFW Post 9430, Although we are losing more sunlight in each passing day as we enter the dark and gloomy season here in the Greater Seattle Area, know that Gods holy light continues to shine brightly in our hearts and through our deeds. I ask each of you to please take the time to reach out to a Comrade, a neighbor, or a faraway friend or family member and check-up on them. Sometimes a kind and genuine gesture, a simple "how are you?" is all someone needs to feel seen, loved, and valued. As always, please do not hesitate to contact the Post Chaplain for service or support

In Comradeship
Joseph Strong – Post Chaplain

#### **KITCHEN REPORT**

We will be having our Auxiliary breakfast and bake sale on November 3, from 9-11:30 am. The building will be open for the Seahawk game viewing at 1 pm against the Rams with potluck.

The Auxiliary Thanksgiving dinner will be on November 9 at 6:00 pm with Music by Lauren from 6:30-8:30 pm. Tickets available at the bar for \$15 advance. Please make your reservations in advance. The dinner will include Turkey, gravy, dressing, vegetables, rolls, salad, and pumpkin pie.

The 49ers game will feature our annual chili cookoff on November 17, dust off your best chili recipe. Event starts at 12:30 pm with a 1:00 kick off.

Auxiliary breakfast and bake sale on December 1. The bake sale will feature Christmas Cookies. The Seahawks vs Jets kick off is 10 am.

The Post dinner in December is KCFD 20 Meatloaf dinner at 6:00 pm with music by Lauren Petri from 6:30 – 8:30 pm.

The hamburgers will still be served on Thursday Nights from 5:30-6:30 pm for \$6.00. We will be raising the price of burgers to \$7.00 in January. As you are aware the price of groceries has gone up. It will still be the best deal in town! We are always looking for new kitchen volunteers, let me know

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For additional information please contact me 206-300-0533. See you soon for a meal

Cheryl Scheeler - Kitchen Manager

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#### <u>CANTEEN CORNER</u> SHERI JO TOPPING---CLUB MANAGER

Post Home Open Hours will be as follows:

Mondays Post Home Closed

**Tuesdays** 7:00-10:00 PM Canteen Service Available **Wednesdays** Closed

(1st Wed of Month Open from 6-9 PM with limited Canteen services before and after meeting)

**Thursdays** 4-8 PM Canteen Service Available with Burgers from 5:30 to 6:30 PM

**Fridays** 4-9 PM Canteen Service Available with \$6.00 Dinner from 5:30 to 6:30 PM

Saturdays with no event 2-6 PM

(watch flyers and FB Posts for Special Events)

Sunday closed (watch flyers and FB Posts for Special Events)

#### **Important Canteen Information**

## Old drink tickets are no longer valid, we are only accepting the new drink tickets. Thank You

If you haven't put your name up on the bar, it is not too late. Bar poppies are still available and we will make room. \$1 - \$5-\$10 or any donation of your choice buys a poppy. Write your name or message and we place it up on the wall with love and gratitued. The money for the poppies goes to the Post Relief Fund which enables our Post to help our Veterans and Community. We have raised over \$500 so far and hoping to raise \$1201 by the end of the year just so I can say we beat Chad's record. Help the bar beat Chad.

The Shake a day jar is over \$200 to split if a 5 of a kind is rolled. The split goes to the building fund. The dice have been on fire lately and given away several prizes for the 4 of a kind. It is only a matter of time before that 5<sup>th</sup> one decides to fall into place. Who will be the winner???

We have added a small snack menu to the bar. We would like to see if anyone has any suggestions as to what other items we should add. You can let Trish, Dwayne, or I know while you are visiting or just give me a call.

 Pizza \$2.50
 Edamame \$2.00

 Pork Rinds \$2.00
 Red Vines \$2.00

 Peanuts \$1.00
 Popcorn \$1.00

If you have a party planned and need a space, you can use our space. Members have the option of using our Post Home upstairs, as well as renting the hall downstairs. Call me for more details.

#### Reminder for you

\_Thusday Night Best \$6.00 burgers in town (going to \$7.00 in January)

Friday Night we have \$6.00 meal and game night

1st Friday is Wii bowling

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday is Bunco

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday is Corn Hole

Last Friday is Horse Races (If 5 Fridays, like November, 4<sup>th</sup> Friday is Karaoke)

Come Join us for Seahawk viewings and fun!

#### <u>Back by Popular Demand, Seattle Seahawk Viewing Parties</u> <u>at Skyway VFW Post 9430 on the 150 in HD Big Screen</u>

#### **SEAHAWK GAME SCHEDULE**

November 3 VS RAMS 1:00 PM Open 1:25 PM Kick Off

Pot Luck 12:30 PM (Sunday)

#### NOVEMBER 10 BYE WEEK

November 17 VS 49ers 12:30 PM Open 1 PM Kick Off Chili Cook Off 12:30 PM (Sunday)

## November 24 VS Cardinals 1 PM Open 1:25 PM Kick Off Pot Luck 12:30 PM (Sunday)

December 1 VS Jets 9 AM Open 10 AM Kick Off Auxiliary Breakfast and Bake Sale 9 AM (Sunday)

## December 8 VS Cardinals 1 PM Open 12:30 PM Kick Off Pot Luck 12:30 PM (Sunday)

December 15 VS Packers 4:30 PM Open 5 PM Kick Off Pot Luck 4:30 PM (Sunday)

## December 22 VS Vikings 12:30 PM Open 1 PM Kick Off Pot Luck 12:30 PM (Sunday)

December 26 VS Bears 4 PM Open 5 PM Kick Off Burger Night 5:30 PM (Thursday)

## Reminder, we have stopped our monthly 50/50 drawing fundraiser for the Builidng Fund

I am looking to start some Saturday afternoon Tournaments, Like Cribbage, Corn Hole or if you have one you would like see, let me know. We want to bring family and friends together doing things they enjoy!

Sheri Jo – Canteen Manager 760-310-7605

#### **BIRTHDAYS AT THE POST HOME**



Happy Birthday Bob, Judy, Les, Cheryl, Cathy, and Geo Mom Thank You! For Celebrating at the Post Home with your Family and Friends. We all enjoy it when our members and supporters use our Post home for Special Event Celebrations and gatherings!

#### **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY NIGHT**



Thank you for Coming to celebrate September Birthdays on the Last Friday of the Month. Happy September Birthday to Bob Berleen and Judy Wright.

#### **OCTOBER BIRTHDAY NIGHT**

Don't Forget the Last Friday of the Month there is Birthday Cake for everyone with birthdays that month. We had no October birthdays celebrated the last Friday in October. Make sure if you have a Birthday in November or December you come to the Post Home for your November and December Birthday Month event on the last Friday of the Month

#### **CATHY DELEON CELEBRATES 70 YEARS**







Cathy Deleon Celebrated her 70<sup>th</sup> birthday at Post 9430 with family and friends. Family that couldn't make it zoomed in on the big screen too. What a fun event, and all the ladies that attended played a game and took home a new purse!

#### LES JACOBS 98<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY





Thank you, Les, for coming up to celebrate your 98<sup>th</sup> Birthday with your VFW and Auxiliary Family during Burger Night and Seahawk Viewing. We all missed seeing you and it was a very nice to be able to spend an evening at the Post Home again with you! Happy 98<sup>th</sup>

#### RUBY ORTIZ 83<sup>RD</sup> BIRTHDAY, ELVIS AND KARAOKE





Thank you for celebrating your 83<sup>rd</sup> Birthday at Post 9430 and for bringing Elvis in for a fun evening followed by Karaoke!

#### **MCDERMOTT FAMILY GATHERING**



Thank you, McDermott Family for getting together at your Post Home for some family time!

## PAST COMMANDER LES JACOBS MEMBERSHIP PIN PRESENTATION



As Post Commander, I had the honor and privilege of presenting Les Jacobs with his 55 year membership pin and patch, 60 year membership pin and patch and 65 year membership pin and patch. It is hard to believe the guy that helped me make a tracking roster of our membership was behind by 15 years in his own membership pin awards. Congratulations, I look forward to presenting you your 70 year pin and patch in the near future! What a huge part of this post you are Les Jacobs, from being a part of the beginning of this Post Home by taking out a loan to build it, to serving 65 consecutive years as an officer of the Post. Your mentorship and guidance has been and still is greatly appreciated by all!

#### POPPY DRIVE AT METALLICA CONCERT



September 1 poppy drive at Metallica Concert. Thank you, Daniel Scheeler, Emma Hassebroek, and Chad Hassebroek.

## PAST POST 9430 COMMANDER RANEY WRIGHT MILITARY HONORS AT TAHOMA NATIONAL CEMETERY







Post 9430 Officers conducted Military Honors for Past Post Commander Raney Wright at Tahoma National Cemetery. Raney was currently serving as Post 9430 Service Officer which he held that position for many years assisting Veterans and their families with their earned benefits.

#### RANEY WRIGHT VFW TRIBUTE AND CELEBRATION OF LIFE

#### **ANNUAL KCFD 20 PIG ROAST**







Thank you to everyone who came and celebrated the Life of our Friend and Comrade Raney Wright. It was an honor to perform the VFW Memorial Tribute for our Past Post Commander and Service Officer





The members, past and present, of the King County Fire District 20 held their annual Pig Roast and get together at Skyway VFW Post 9430. It was great seeing these Heroes of our Community have a relaxed evening with family enjoying a pig roast and other great food. Thank you, to the bar staff of Sheri Jo, Trish, and Emma and to Chad and Robert for hosting Karaoke for the event. Shout out to the Pig Roasting Crew and to the Chefs in the Kitchen too! Chief Hicks also wants to thank the membership of Post 9430 for hosting the event and allowing them to get together at our Post home.

## 13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PATRIOT DAY 9-11 REMEMBRANCE BOOTH AT RENTON FARMERS MARKET





Thank you, Chad, Emma, Cheryl, Margie, and Wayne for setting up the annual booth at the Renton Farmers Market to remind everyone about Patriot Day and to never forget the horrific and tragic events of 9-11. It was great having Wayne from Post 1263 assisting for a few hours with the booth. This year we also gave out American Flags and Certificates to kids that said the pledge of allegiance to the flag and let them know about the youth essay contests and upcoming Halloween Party. It was a great VFW and Auxiliary event showing patriotism and Americanism to the local community.

#### 9-11 PATRIOT DAY REMEMBRANCE AT POST 9430





Post Commander Chad Hassebroek and Auxiliary President
Margie Lindberg held a 9-11 remembrance program at Post
9430 to honor those we lost, and to pledge to NEVER
FORGET. Thank you, to those who came for this program and shared your commitment and promise to never forget.

#### SEAHAWK VIEWING AND SCHOOL SANTA FUNDRAISER



Thank you, for coming out for School Santa Pancake Breakfast fundraiser and Seahawk Viewing. Kid friendly-always!

## CSM VANCE CHANGE OF RESPONSIBILITY WITH CSM MONTEZ (2-17 FA BN "STEEL")





Had the honor of attending CSM Vance's change of responsibility at JBLM. He is a member of our Post and is retiring. He was a huge supporter of the VFW and our mission and was a great partner in our adopted unit program. As we bid farewell to the 2-17 FA BN CSM Vance, we welcome to our adopted unit Battalion, CSM Montez. Before the Change of Responsibility CSM Vance received numerous awards for his achievements as the 2-17 FA Battalion Command Sergeant Major. I was also able to spend some time talking to the Battalion Commander LTC Ward and the 7<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Commander Major General Schmidt.

#### **BURGER NIGHT AND POW/MIA PROGRAM**



Welcome back to the cooking crew, Lance and Darleen McDermott. Thank you, Harold and Karen for assisting with burgers night. I want to thank our Auxiliary President Margie for stepping up last minute and doing the POW/MIA program for me tonight. For those that don't know, Margie is a family member of a POW/MIA and brought her family photos to the post and talked about life as a family member of a POW/MIA.



Join us every Thursday Night for Burger Night at the Post.

Bring your family and friends for the best full meal deal in the

County! See you Thursday!

#### **HUMANA SPONSORED RESOURCE FAIR**



Skyway VFW Auxiliary President Margie Lindberg set up an information booth at the Human Resource Fair at Post 1263 on September 20<sup>th</sup>. She put out information on POW/MIA Day, Vietnam Veterans Program, Kids Halloween Party and other Patriotic and Americanism information.

#### JERSEY NIGHT KARAOKE



What a fun night of Karaoke and Dancing, it was so much fun, we forgot to take pictures. Thank you, to all who put on their favorite Jersey for the event and to the cooks of the pot luck dinner and to the Karaoke hosts and to the Karaoke singers and to the dancers and to all those who just came to hang out and have fun with friends! We are always family friendly at Post 9430 and look forward to seeing you at the next Karaoke event!

#### MATTHEW SCOTT LUNNING MEMORIAL



Post 9430 and Auxiliary members attended the memorial service for Matthew Scott Lunning, a long-time supporter of Skyway VFW Post 9430. His kids came to our Halloween and Easter Parties for many years.

#### **VIETNAM VETERAN PROGRAM AND DINNER**





VFW Post 9430 recognized our Vietnam Veterans with a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration pin and certificate and 4 surviving spouses were recognized at the event. Vietnam Veterans had a free dinner and music by RON.

#### **SCOUT TROOP 419 OCT 1 MEETING**



Our Scout Troop 419 met the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in September for a planning meeting and decided on doing collecting merit badge work this year. We will be starting with Coin Collecting, then Stamp Collecting, then collection which includes anything we are interested in having a collection of. Our Scout Troop will also be making some awesome paintings for us to use at our Auction signed by the Scout Artist that creates it to raise funds for our Post Programs at Heroes Holiday and Champagne Breakfast. Pictures above are from our first Official Scout Meeting for this year on October 1.

#### **OCTOBER 3, 2024 AUXILIARY MEETING**



Our Post Commander Chad Hassebroek visited our October Auxiliary monthly membership meeting to share with us the newly received 2023-2024 National Community Service Award Sign from VFW National Commander in Chief Dwayne Sarmiento. What an honor for our Post to receive this award for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time! Thank you to the Post and Auxiliary members that turn in their community service hours each month and for the many hours of community service we do each year, month after month!

#### PAST COMMANDER/CHAPLAIN VIST



Our Past Commander/Chaplain Les Jacobs decided to get out of the house today and come and visit the Post Home on October 3<sup>rd</sup> to have a hamburger.

## DEPARTMENT VFW AND AUXILIARY SR VICE OKTOBERFEST FUNDRAISER OCT 5th



Skyway VFW Post 9430 hosted a fundraiser for Department VFW Sr Vice Drew James and Auxiliary Robyn Sterrett with an Oktoberfest Theme. We had German Beer, German dinner, Axe Throwing, a dessert auction and some raffles and door prizes. It was a very fun event for a great cause. Assisting our future leaders in their travels and expenses while they represent us (VFW and Auxiliary Members) at our Western Conference and National levels. Sadly, Robyn got sick right before the event and was unable to travel from Spokane to be here in person, but there were members from all over the state and both sides of the mountains here at this event to show their support for our future Commander and President.



We had great German music throughout the social hour and dinner and after the cake auction, we had some fun singing and dancing with Karaoke!

#### NATIONAL DAY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA



ROC (Republic of China), commonly known as Taiwan celebrated National Day of the Republic of China downtown Seattle. I had the honor of being requested to be on the Color Guard for this year's event. The patriotism these people have for America and for ROC is incredible! The event started with Lion and Dragon Dancing, then presentation of colors. Some singers and speakers and then food and celebration. They passed out American and ROC Flags for everyone to wave at the peak of the event. Every year at National Convention we pass a resolution to support the Republic of China.



It was truly an honor to have been asked to be a part of the celebration of the National Day of the Republic of China.

#### HONOR GUARD AT TAHOMA NATIONAL CEMETERY



Post 9430 joint Honor Guard at Tahoma National Cemetery the  $1^{\text{st}}$  Monday each Month. We are looking for more volunteers to help out with performing military honors at Tahoma. If interested contact Chad, Randy or Alan. The Veterans deserve these honors and the families need us there for them!

## POST 9430 ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST DINNER AND FESTIVITIES





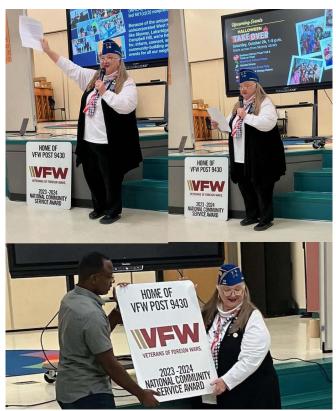
Our Annual Oktoberfest did not disappoint. We had chicken Schnitzel, Oktoberfest beer, music by Lauren Petri, and an Axe throwing Competition. Congratulations to our Chaplain Joe for 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Cheryl Hicks 2<sup>nd</sup> Place! Of course, the Selfie Station is always a great hit and lots of fun to do silly pictures with friends and family!

#### **NAVY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED 249 YEARS**



Happy Birthday, United States Navy. 149 years! Thank you, to our Navy Veterans that were here to honor this special occasion! Anchors Away!

#### WEST HILL COMMUNITY QUARTERLY MEETING



Our Auxiliary President Margie Lindberg attended the Quarterly West Hill Community Meeting in October. She let the community know about all of the events coming up at Post 9430 like the Craft Bazaar, Halloween Party and Trunk or Treat, Youth Essay Programs, and other activities. She also shared our achievement of National Community Service Award and what that award means to our VFW Post and our Community. Thank you, Margie for attending this meeting and representing the Post and Auxiliary membership.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL AUXILIARY CRAFT BAZAAR



Our Auxiliary 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Craft Bazaar was a success. Thank you, to the set up and tear down crews. Thank you, to all the venders and those who came and supported the venders.

## ANNUAL ADULT HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY

#### **AND KARAOKE**



The annual event had many great decorations for taking photographs and selfies. Halloween is in the air and shout out to everyone that brought food for the pot luck! It was delicious!



So much fun at the selfie station, had some great singers and many were in to mood to do a little dancing and monster mashing throughout the event. Some singers even tried coaxing the dragons into being good!



And there were costumes! We are always grateful for those who get into the spirit of our events and dress up! This year our \$50 best female costume was Patty – the Voodoo Witch Marie Laveau and the \$50 best male costume was David – Mr Rogers. So much Fun and monkey business during the event!

#### **TROOP 419 HIKE AT CORN MAZE**



Our Scout Troop 419 went on a fun outing at Carpinito Brother's corn maze. They had a lot of fun. Danny was the leader through the maze.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT HORSE RACES OCTOBER



We had some fun Friday Night with horse races, we may have been missing a few jockeys and participants, but what a crowd and what a night. You all make Friday Night Horse Races and baked potato night super fun! Steve makes sure that the dice are rolled properly and calls the numbers and the jockeys move or sometimes they do not. If you have not been up to Horse races the last Friday of the month, you should come check it out, you will not be disappointed! We accept all to jockey a horse or just come and shake the dice.

## SKYWAY VFW POST 9430 ANNUAL KIDS HALLOWEEN PARTY AND TRUNK OR TREAT





Skyway VFW Post 9430 and Auxiliary held its annual Kid's Halloween Party and Trunk or Treat at our Post Home. West Hill Community joined into our event for the second year with a take over of the Skyway business area along with KCFD 20 and KC Sheriff Storefront. We had Punch, juice boxes, coffee, and other drinks available during the event. We also had free hot dogs and chips available for the event. There was a face painting station, a cookie decorating station, a spooky fishing station for tricks or treats, and an activity station with Halloween coloring inside. So much going on and so many kids and families attending again this year. What an incredible turn out!



Outside we held a trunk or treat for the kid's to safely trick or treat for candy in our parking lot. It was a little wet, but that did not stop the kids from trunk or treating. It was great to see so many faces and meet so many people from our community at this event as well as active-duty military families from our adopted units at JBLM!



We also had a costume contest by age group and awarded a lot of prizes and gift cards to our winning costumes. There were so many kids and all of the costumes were awesome. Everyone that participated in the costume contest got a second chance at the fishing booth as a runner up treat!





Let us not forget our DJ music for the event and of course our Monster Cake Walk. We cake walked from start of the event to the finish and all 25 chairs stayed full. It was such an awesome turn out and so much fun watching the kids (and sometimes adults) monster mashing around the cakes until the music stopped and waiting to hear what number was drawn. The event pictures do not do the turn out justice. Our parking lot and our Post Home stayed full from 1pm till after 5 pm with families enjoying the activities we provided our community at this event! There are more pictures on our Skyway VFW Facebook page, check them out!



#### 2-17 FA BATTALION "STEEL" TRUNK OR TREAT



Prepping the photo area and VFW haunted house trunk for the trunk or treat with our adopted unit 2-17 FA BN "Steel"



Post 9430 cooked and served hot dogs and chili dogs for the event along with hot cocoa, punch, and coffee. The unit was very grateful and the chili dogs were a big hit!



The line was continuous for the food and drinks. The hot cocoa and hot coffee were hits on a rainy trunk or treat night!



These are just a few of the over 40 trunks that signed up for this year's Battalion Trunk or Treat. It was great to see so many trunks this year! Lucky that I had the Battalion Chaplain to help judge the trunks. There were all kinds of trunks from bowls of candy to Jurassic Park and everything in between. This really made it a fun event for the kids. We found out during the event that it was advertised to all of JBLM that it was happening. So that was interesting but fun to have kids from throughout JBLM able to attend the event and have some Halloween fun!



Post 9430 Chaplain along with the Battalion Chaplain gave out the prizes and gift cards to the winning costumes and trunks for this year's event. Some of the winners of the events are pictured with our Chaplains.

Skyway VFW Post 9430, We Remember!

Our Post has no Memorial Members this newsletter

Post 9430 and Auxiliary welcomes our new members

Our Post has no new members to introduce this newsletter

## FRIDAY NIGHT GAME NIGHT

#### **NOVEMBER SCHEDULE**

DOORS OPEN 4:00 PM



NOV 1 Wii NOV 8 Bunko NOV 15 Corn Hole

NOV 22 NO GAME KARAOKE NOV 29 Horse Races

Friday Dinner and Sign Up 5:00 PM Games begin 5:30 PM

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### FRIDAY NIGHT GAME NIGHT

#### DECEMBER SCHEDULE

DOORS OPEN 4:00 PM

December 6 Wii

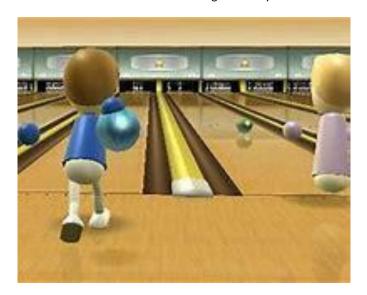


December 13 Bunko
December 20 Corn Hole
December 27 Horse Races

Friday Dinner and Sign Up 5:00 PM Games begin 5:30 PM

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Join us at Skyway VFW Post 9430 the **first** Friday Night of the month at 6 PM for Wii Bowling hosted by Marcia



#### Friday Night Bunco Night with George and Jess

Join us at Skyway VFW Post 9430 the **second** Friday Night of the month at 5:30 PM for Bunko hosted by George and Jess





#### **Friday Night Corn Hole**

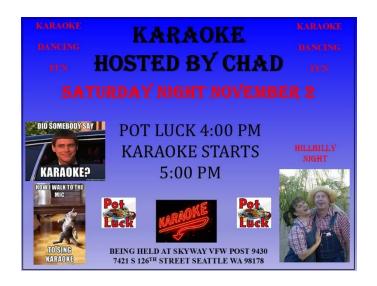


Join us at Skyway VFW Post 9430 the **third F**riday Night of the month at 5:30 PM for Corn Hole

#### Friday Night Horse Races with Chad



Join us at Skyway VFW Post 9430 the **last** Friday Night of the month at 5:30 PM for Horse Races hosted by Chad



## SKYWAY VFW POST 9430 AUXILIARY BREAKFAST AND BAKE SALE \$10.00 SUNDAY---SUNDAY---SUNDAY

## NOVEMBER 3, 2023 9 TO 11:30 AM

JOIN OUR AUXILIARY
FOR A GREAT BREAKFAST AND A BAKE SALE
TO RAISE FUNDS
FOR THE AUXILIARY VETERANS PROGRAMS





# SATURDAY NOVEMBER 17 CHILI COOKOFF BEST

<u>BEST</u> IN THE WEST

- · BRING YOUR CHILI FOR JUDGING
- · JUDGING STARTS AT KICK OFF
- \$5 DONATION GETS YOU A JUDGING CARD, A SAMPLE OF EACH CHILI FOR JUDGING AND ACCESS TO THE POTLUCK TABLE
- AFTER SAMPLING FILL OUT JUDGES CARD AND TURN INTO BOX ON TABLE
- WINNER WILL BE THE CHILI WITH THE MOST VOTES
- PRIZE AWARDED FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> AND 3<sup>rd</sup> PLACE CHILI





2:00 TO 6:00 PM POT LUCK 2:00 PM

Thanksgiving Friendsgiving Day Potluck Dinner. You don't have to be alone for Thanksgiving this year, come to your Post Home with your VFW and Auxiliary Family and enjoy Thanksgiving with us at our Friendsgiving Day Potluck

Please coordinate potluck items with Emma so that we have everything covered



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SKYWAY VFW POST 9430 AUXILIARY BREAKFAST AND BAKE SALE \$10.00 SUNDAY---SUNDAY---SUNDAY

## December 1, 2023 9 TO 11:30 AM

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## 2023 Toys For Kids Drive December 7, 2023

Motorcycles Arrival, Unload Toys and Final Toy Collection 11 AM TO 12 PM NOON

Welcome 12:30 PM

Cheryl and Rena's Hot Food

2:45 PM 3:00 PM

Raffle Drawings Group Picture and Move Toys

#### We are now accepting donations

of new and unopened toys for our Skyway VFW Post 9430

and ADG MC 26th Annual Toys for Kids Drive. Don't like shopping, Cash donations welcome and our Santa Elves will shop for the toys for you!

Your donations this year will be going to Support Local Community kids and children from our Adopted Military Units during these difficult times

The ADG MC President, Post 9430 Commander and 9430 Auxiliary President thank you, for your support of this program and to all the many mbers of ADG MC, other local MCs and Post 9430 members and supporters for volunteering, collecting toys and promoting this awesome program

## **NO KARAOKE ON DECEMBER 7TH**

## 2024 Toys For Kids WRAPPING PARTY

CONTACT CHAD OR EMMA TO SIGN UP FOR A DATE

December 7, 2024

**SORTING AND WRAPPING STARTING AT 3:00 PM** 

December 8, 2024

WRAPPING STARTING AT 4:00 PM

December 9, 2024

LOADING UHAUL FOR JBLM STARTING AT 9:00 AM

December 12, 2024

WRAPPING 2ND GIFT FOR SCHOOLS IF NEEDED AT 10 AM



Skyway VFW Post 9430 Website

Vfw9430.org

# **SATURDAY DECEMBER 14** MEATLOAF DINNBR

KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 20

\$15.00 ADVANCE \$17 DAY OF **DINNER SERVED FROM 6 TO 7:30 PM** 

DANCE TO MUSIC LAUREN PETRI FROM 6:30 TO 8:30 PM

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**SKYWAY VFW POST 9430 ANNUAL FAMILY CHRISTMAS** DECEMBER 21st 2024

**Family Christmas Party** 

1-5 PM

**Arts and Crafts** Music Santa Visit **Reading of the Night Before Christmas Snacks AND Pot Luck Dinner** 















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## Skyway VFW Post 9430 New York New Years Eve Party December 31, 2024

5-6 PM SOCIAL HOUR 6-7 PM NY STEAK DINNER 6:30 – 9:30 Music by Ron 9 PM CHAMPAGNE & BALL DROP







Reserved Tickets \$30.00 At the Door \$40.00

New York Steak Dinner Door Prize Party Favors Glass of Champagne Included with ticket



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## Skyway VFW Post 9430 New York New Years Eve Party December 31, 2024







ADVANCE TICKET SALES

\$25.00

OCT 10 TO NOV 30 2024

DECEMBER 1 TO 30 RESERVE TICKET \$30 At the Door \$40.00

New York Steak Dinner
Door Prize
Party Favors
Glass of Champagne
Included with ticket

5 PM SOCIAL HOUR

6 PM NY STEAK DINNER

6:30 – 9:30 MUSIC BY RON

9 PM BALL DROP

SKYWAY VFW POST 9430 NEW YORK NEW YEARS EVE PARTY 2024

NAME ON RESERVATION

NUMBER OF PERSONS IN YOUR PARTY

**TICKETS** 

 $$25.00 \text{ till nov } 30^{\text{TH}}$ 

\$ \_\_\_30.00\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_ TICKETS
Cost per ticket # of tickets needed

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL TO** 

SKYWAY VFW POST 9430 PO BOX 78231 SEATTLE WA 98178

#### Don't Forget -

#### **Thursday Night Burgers**



Join us every Thursday Night for burgers from 5:30 to 6:30pm, \$6

Friday Night \$6.00 Bar Dinner 5 PM - 6 PM



## Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Skyway Post 9430 and Auxiliary

## Message from the Post Commander Chad Hassebroek

# WE NEED YOU



Many volunteer opportunities available from cooking, kitchen assistance, program support, event support, outside clean up, inside renovations, information booths, buddy poppy distribution events, adopted unit events at JBLM, Unit Organization Day support, and many other. Skyway VFW Post 9430 and Auxiliary is active daily preparing for military, veteran, and community support and assistance, executing veteran and community support and assistance, maintaining our Post Home for our veterans and community, and coming up with more ways to reach and assist our veterans and the community. If you would like volunteer to assist in any way, please fill out this form below and become part of the Active Team of Skyway Post 9430 and Auxiliary. "Get involved, Make a Difference, Change someone's life"

NAME:
CONTACT NUMBER:
EMAIL:
WHEN I AM AVAILABLE:
MY VOLUNTEER INTEREST ARE:



# COUNT ON ME!



## Please join us in reaching out to families this holiday season!

Skyway VFW Post 9430 and Auxiliary Toys for Kids Drive

RETURN THIS FORM TO SKYWAY VFW POST 9430 PO BOX 78231 SEATTLE WA 98178

Complete the information below:	YES, I am committed to helping Skyway VFW
Name:	Post 9430 and Auxiliary Toys for Kids Program supporting kids from Lakeridge, Bryn Mawr,
Company:	Campbell Hill Elementary Schools and active military kids from supported JBLM Units.
Email:	I have included a check in the amount of \$
Phone:	(Please make checks payable to Skyway VFW Post 9430 with "Toys for Kids" noted in the memo.



# THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

The Holidays are just around the Corner. Our Post is looking for donations to support holiday food baskets. We help families in our local community and soldiers and their families at JBLM during Thanksgiving and Christmas. Your donations, which are an act of Kindness, makes a huge difference for these families.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns

Thank You,

Diane Brickell

1-253-205-4565 or dianebrickell@gmail.com

## Needed Items/Non-Perishable

Canned Vegetables	Dried Pasta	Oatmeal	<b>Instant Potatoes</b>
Canned Fruit	<b>Dried Beans</b>	Pancake Mix	Gravy
Canned Soup	Bags of Rice	Peanut Butter	Rice A Roni
Ramen Noodles	Hot Cocoa Mix	Jelly	Mac & Cheese

All items collected will be used for Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Baskets for Local Community and Veterans. Cash donations are also welcome.

## **NOVEMBER 2024**

Spring Hours: Sunday closed unless Special Event; Monday closed; Tuesday 7:00-10pm; Wednesday closed (1st Wed open 6-9pm)

Thursday 4-8pm; Friday 4-9pm; Saturday 2-6pm when no event; Sunday Closed (watch for flyers & FB posts for Special Events)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
VJ Day					1 Friday Night Snack, \$6 Wii 6pm	2 Hillbilly Theme Karaoke and Potluck 4 PM
3 Aux Breakfast Bake Sale 9am to Noon \$10 Seahawk vs RAMS 1:25 PM Kick Off Pot Luck	4 Post Closed	5 Canteen Service Available Bryn Mawr Program 2 PM	6 Post/Auxiliary meeting 7:00pm	<b>7</b> Burger, potato salad, chips & a sweet treat \$6 5:30-6:30pm Veteran Day Program 5 PM	8 Friday Night Snack, \$6 Friday Night Game Night Bunko 5:30 pm Lakeridge 2PM Program	9 Auxiliary Dinner Reserve Tickets \$15 Dinner 6pm Music by Lauren 6:30-8:30 PM
10 Marine Corps Birthday Seahawk Bye week	Post Closed	Canteen Service Available	Post Closed Air Force Birthday 1947	14 Burger, potato salad, chips & a sweet treat \$6 5:30-6:30pm	15 Friday Night Snack, \$6 Friday Night Game Corn Hole 5:30 pm	16 Dist 11 VFW Meeting Enumclaw 1 PM Aux Renton 1 PM
17 Chili Cook Off 12:30 PM Seahawk vs 49ers 1 PM Kick Off Pot Luck	Post Closed	19 House & Club 2pm Officer Calendar 3pm Canteen Service Available	Post Closed	Burger, potato salad, chips & a sweet treat \$6 5:30-6:30pm	Christmas Karaoke Ugly Sweater Contest 4 PM Potluck	Food Basket Shopping 9 AM Basket Pick Up 1 PM
24 Seahawk vs Cardinals Open 1 PM 1:25 PM Kick Off Pot Luck	Post Closed	26	27	28 Friendsgiving Pot Luck 2-6 PM NO BURGERS	29 Friday Night Snack, \$6 Friday Night Game Horse Races 5:30 pm November Birthdays Cake	30

## **DECEMBER 2024**

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Thursday 4-8pm; Friday 4-9pm; Saturday 2-6pm when no event; Sunday Closed (watch for flyers & FB posts for Special Events)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Aux Breakfast Bake Sale 9am to Noon \$10 10:00 PM Seahawk vs Jets	Post Closed	Canteen Service Available	4 Post/Auxiliary meetings 7:00pm Aux White Elephant Bingo	<b>5</b> Burger, potato salad, chips & a sweet treat \$6 5:30-6:30pm	<b>6</b> Friday Night Snack, \$6 Wii 6pm	7 NO KARAOKE Toys for Kids 12pm -3 pm Gift Wrapping 3 PM
8 12:30 PM Open Seahawk vs Cardinals 1 PM Kick Off Pot Luck Gift Wrapping 4 PM	9 Post Closed	Canteen Service Available	11	12 Burger, potato salad, chips & a sweet treat \$6 5:30-6:30pm Gift Wrapping 10 AM if needed	13 Friday Night Snack, \$6 Friday Night Game Night Bunko 5:30pm	14 Firefighter Meatloaf Dinner Reserve Tickets \$15 Dinner 6 pm Music by Lauren 6:30 PM
15 Seahawk vs Packers 4:30 PM open Kick Off 5 PM Pot Luck	Post Closed	House & Club 2pm Officer Calendar 3pm Canteen Service Available	18 Post Closed Navaho Code Talker Day Japan Surrenders 1945	Burger, potato salad, chips & a sweet treat \$6 5:30-6:30pm	<b>20</b> Friday Night Snack, \$6 Friday Night Game Night Corn Hole 5:30pm	21 Family Christmas Party 1-5 Potluck  Food Basket Shopping 9am
12:30 PM Open Seahawk vs Vikings 1 PM Kick Off Pot Luck	Post Closed	Post Closed	Post Closed	Burger, potato salad, chips & a sweet treat \$6 5:30-6:30pm Seahawks VS Bears 5 PM Kick Off	Friday Night Snack, \$6 Friday Night Game Night Horse Races 5:30 pm December Birthdays Cake	28
29 1:00 PM Open Seahawk vs Bills 1:25 PM Kick Off Pot Luck	Post Closed	31New Years Eve 4 PM RON 6:30 to 9:30 Ball Drop 9 PM JAN 7	JAN 1 Post Closed JAN 8	JAN 2 Burger, potato salad, chips & a sweet treat \$6 5:30-6:30pm	JAN 3 Friday Night Snack, \$5 Wii 6pm  JAN 10	JAN 4 Party Pot Luck 4 PM Karaoke 5 Pm  JAN 11
Aux Breakfast Bake Sale 9am to Noon \$10 Seahawks VS Rams Time TBD	Post Closed	Canteen Service Available	Post/Auxiliary meeting <b>7:00pm</b>	Burger, potato salad, chips & a sweet treat \$6 5:30-6:30pm	Friday Night Snack, \$6 Friday Night Game Night Bunko 5:30pm	Auxiliary Dinner 6 PM Lauren Petri 6:30 PM

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### **November/December 2024**

#### Honor - Courage - Virtue

"Never give in, never give in, never, never, never, never – in nothing, great or small, large, or petty –

never give in except to convictions of honor and good sense." – Winston Churchill

#### 2024 - 2025 POST & AUXILIARY OFFICERS

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#### ETERNAL REST GRANT THEM O LORD AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.

"On the battlefield, the military pledges to leave no soldier behind. As a nation, let it be our pledge that when they return home, we leave no veteran behind." – **Dan Lipinski** 

#### God bless our troops and keep them safe!

WE NEED TO REMEMBER OUR FALLEN HEROES