

POST *SCRIPTS*

The official publication of Skyway VFW Post 9430 and the Auxiliary
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COMMANDER'S UPDATE

Dear Comrades, Sisters and Brothers,

Congratulations to our Auxiliary and all of the Awards they received at State Convention this year!

Congratulations Skyway VFW Post 9430 for Being an All-State Post and Congratulations are in order for our Post Quartermaster and Commander earning All-State White Caps.

I am so proud of what our Post and Auxiliary accomplish each year. We truly are the Post all others strive to be! The joint work we do together as Post and Auxiliary is amazing!

We are not letting our foot off the gas, as we finished up last year, we are entering this year at a sprint, with July birthday celebrations, A huge 250th Birthday of our Great Republic on July 4th along with a historical presentation of our Nation through the 27 flags of our Nation. We have breakfast fundraisers for our programs, dinner nights to assist with our bills and repairs, National Convention, Renton River Day Parade with our Scout Troop, Karaoke, Santa Breakfast, Meatloaf Dinner, and End of Summer Picnic at the Post. Add in school of instruction for our Post and Auxiliary and you have a full calendar in July and August.

Our organization is continuously changing, but I am proud that our Post and Auxiliary still hold true to organizational traditions, and staying focused on our true mission, assisting Veterans and their Families and bettering the communities in which we live!

This year, we need to get back to having all our membership come back to our Post Home again, bring family and friends to the events, and keep our doors open, so that we can continue to do great things for our Veterans and their families. It takes all of us, each and every member, family member, and supporter of the Post to ensure that we are here for many years to come.

By the way, we are already planning our 80th Birthday of Skyway VFW Post 9430 in May, so that will be a great event! If you want to help with the planning and event, please contact myself or Auxiliary President!

Chad Hassebroek-Post Commander

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello and happy summer sunshine to everyone.

I'd like to start with all the awards we won at convention not only did we get your good job auxiliary award from the veterans of family support chairman Rose Green, we also received

several outstanding awards for our programs. Cheryl Scheeler received awards for Americanism scholarship extension and revitalization. Emma Hassebroek received awards for historian and media, veterans and family support, and youth activities. A new program chair this year Darlene McDermott received an award for our Buddy Poppy and national home program.

Our auxiliary works very hard as a team with our post. Each one of us puts in hard work. hard work and dedication that shows our commitment to serving veterans their families and our community. This year our fourth year in a row, we have achieved the Lora Waters, outstanding auxiliary of the year award. I am so proud of each and every one of you for making our auxiliary one of the best in the state.

I also want to introduce you to our new department Line Officers. Our President is Tracie Tomsen, Senior Vice Adrienne Halverson, Junior Vice Rebecca Pellechi, Secretary Cindy Burkey, Treasurer Christina Dougherty, Chaplain Emily Arnold, Conductor Margie Lindberg, and Guard Tom Huffman. we are looking forward to another really exciting year as your department Line Officers.

I do want to inform everyone that this year school of instruction will be held on August 22, 2026 in Yakima Washington. It will be broadcast virtually, but the auxiliary will be meeting. meeting and having our school of instruction in person so if you can make it please join us there's a lot of great information that gets put out there. Thank you.

I hope to see you soon at some of our upcoming events or just come for burgers or breakfast. Check the calendar at the end of the newsletter. Take care and stay cool. Have a Purrfect Day!

Margie Lindberg, Auxiliary president

POST CHAPLAIN CORNER

Comrades, Families, and Supporters of VFW Post 9430,

"But blessed are those who trust in the Lord and have made the Lord their hope and confidence."

Jeremiah 17:7

As we move further into summer, I want to thank each of you for the continued dedication you show to our Post, our fellow veterans, and our community. Whether you're volunteering at events, attending meetings, or simply checking in on a fellow member, your efforts make a difference!

This month is a great time to stay involved. I encourage everyone to participate in our upcoming Post activities and continue supporting the programs that allow us to serve veterans, their families, and our local community. Every hour volunteered and every hand extended helps strengthen the mission of the VFW.

As many of us spend more time outdoors this month, please remember a few important safety reminders: stay hydrated, protect yourself from the heat, wear sunscreen, and never hesitate to take breaks when working outside. If you're traveling or attending summer gatherings, always designate a sober driver and watch out for one another.

Finally, take a moment to reach out to a fellow veteran you haven't heard from in a while. A simple phone call or conversation can mean more than you realize. Looking after one another has always been one of our greatest strengths.

In Comradeship,
Joseph Strong – Post Chaplain

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS & FAMILIES

Merciful Father, our hearts extend to the families of our veterans, whose unwavering support and sacrifices often go unseen.

In the quiet moments of waiting and longing, be their source of strength. Bless them with comfort in times of separation, courage in times of uncertainty, and the knowledge that their sacrifices are valued and appreciated.

May they find solace in the bonds of love that tie them to their veteran, and may their own sacrifices be recognized as an integral part of our nation's tapestry. Surround them with Your grace, and let them feel the warmth of our gratitude. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Sr Vice Report

Membership for the Post ended at 103%! We are currently at 0.67% for our new year. Keep working on getting new members and their families into our Post and Auxiliary.

Congratulations are in order, as our Post has met all of the qualifications to be an All-American Post this year as well as an All-State Post

Let us commit to growing our membership this upcoming VFW year and everyone bring in a new member.

Jesus Alvarez – Post Sr Vice Commander

Jr Vice Report

The Youth Essay, Patriot Pen, and Voice of Democracy forms for 2026-2027 year are Posted on our Facebook page, going on our Post 9430 Website and can also be found at the end of this newsletter. Get the word out early and let the kid's have some extra time to work on their essays before October 31 deadline.

ADJUTANT REPORT

Post Dates to Remember are updated monthly and placed around the Post and calendars are available in the newsletter and on our vfw9430.org website.

You can also find Post events on the Skyway VFW Facebook page and other information on vfw9430.org vfwwa.org vfw.org.

Check the door and information board for event and program flyers and updates.

Dr. Rob Khmara – Post Adjutant/Quartermaster

HOUSE & CLUB REPORT

Our downstairs room is available for parties and other events. Contact the club if interested.

Let House and Club members know if there is anything in the building that needs attention.

Sincerely,
Steve Scheeler -- 206-963-3516, House & Club Chairman

Post Scripts is the official means of notification to the membership and notices in Post Scripts fulfills the notification requirements of Article II, Sections 203; 206; and 220; of the National By-Laws

POST SCRIPTS

The bi-monthly newsletter of
Skyway

A not-for-profit organization
Chad Hassebrook

VFW Post 9430, Editor

ADVERTISING RATES

Standard Business Card \$50/year

Double Business Card \$100/year

KITCHEN REPORT

Watch your calendars for kitchen events (Food Service). We have breakfast many Sunday's. The next breakfast is July 5 to benefit Santa School Parties. Keep an eye on the calendar.

The Post is hosting the annual Luau on July 11. Dust off your coconut bra and board shorts to join the fun. We continue to have our \$7 burger dinner every Thursday from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. Light Dinner on the 3rd Friday of the Month for \$6 at 5 PM.

If you have interest in helping with any meals please contact Cheryl.

Cheryl Scheeler-Kitchen Coordinator 206-300-0533

JR VICES – YOUTH ACTIVITY UPDATE

End of Summer Picnic is coming up the last Saturday in August, we are in need of volunteers to help with games and events for the kids (and the young at heart). Please get the word out in the community about the event and if there are any community organizations that would like to set up a table for information or sponsor a youth activity or event.

-Curtis Little/Emma Hassebroek – Post /Auxiliary Jr Vice and Youth Activities Chairman

VFW RIDERS CHAPTER 4 NEWS

Our riders meeting is the 3rd Friday each month at 6PM if interested, come join us. We have updated our bylaws and are starting to put together some rides, so come check us out on the 3rd Friday of the Month or at any of our events.

In Comradeship
Rob Khmara – Post 9430 Chapter 4 President

AUXILIARY 9430 MILITARY VETERANS AND FAMILY SUPPORT CHAIRMAN REPORT

Our Hero Holiday Rainier game was a huge success, we took a total of 61 military members and their families to the Sunday afternoon game.

Thank you, to the VFW, Auxiliary, and Supporters who also came out and enjoyed the afternoon of baseball and hanging out with the military from our adopted units. Many in the group we brought deployed the day after the game.

We worked with VFW Post 969 Commander and Adjutant to host Soldiers that are working the FIFA world cup in Seattle to a picnic with games, fun and Karaoke. There were about 75 Soldiers from 8 states at the event. Post 969 sponsored all of the food and served for the event and Skyway hosted, cooked, provided games and Karaoke. It was an awesome joint event that we look forward to doing more of in the future!

We are working on a joint project with two other VFW Posts to assist us with a Single Soldier Welcome Home from Deployment in the September/October time frame.

I am working on getting the list of items from the unit and what we would like to add to make the welcome home baskets for the Soldiers of our Adopted Unit. Watch for the flyer on what we are needing for the baskets.

If you would like to donate to getting the baskets, please mail to the Post and ear mark the donation for Welcome Home baskets. Thank you.

Emma Hassebroek – Auxiliary 9430 Military Veterans and Family Support Chairman

Post Home Open Hours will be as follows:

Mondays Post Home Closed (Unless special event)

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
\$6.00 Dinner from 5:00 to 6:00 PM on 3rd Friday

Saturdays with no event 2-6 PM
(watch flyers and FB Posts for Special Events)

Sunday Watch Flyers for Breakfast

(watch flyers and FB Posts for Special Events)

CANTEEN CORNER

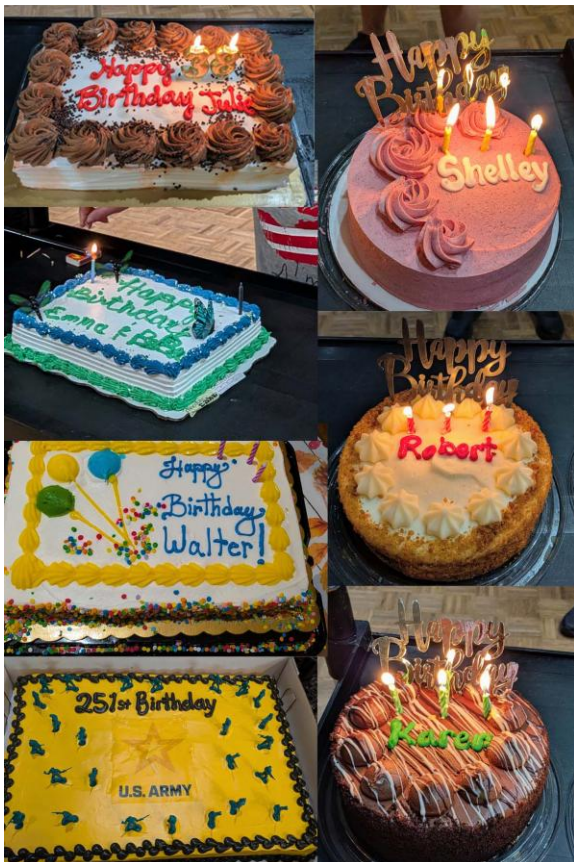
We still have our Shake a Day to split if a 5 of a kind is rolled. The split goes to the building fund and the roller

Thursday Night Best \$7.00 burgers in the State

Friday Night we have Social and 3rd Friday is a \$6.00 meal and Rider meeting

Sheri Jo – Canteen Manager
760-310-7605

May and June Birthday's at our Post Home



Happy Birthday Emma, Mark, BB, Julie, Walter, Dave, Robert, Shelly, Karen, and U.S. Army! Thank You for choosing to celebrate your birthday's with family and friends at Skyway VFW Post 9430!

May 1st Gayanne's 80th Birthday at the Post Home



Happy 80th Birthday Gayanne, Thanks for Celebrating with us at Post 9430!!!!!!

May 2nd Loyalty Day and Volunteer Awards



Our Scout's along with our Eagle Scout of the Year opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and KCFD 20 Chief Hick's assisted us in honoring our Firefighter and EMT of the Year



Our Scout and Eagle Scout of the Year and Volunteer awards



So grateful for our volunteers that make our Post successful!



So great to recognize so many that do so much!

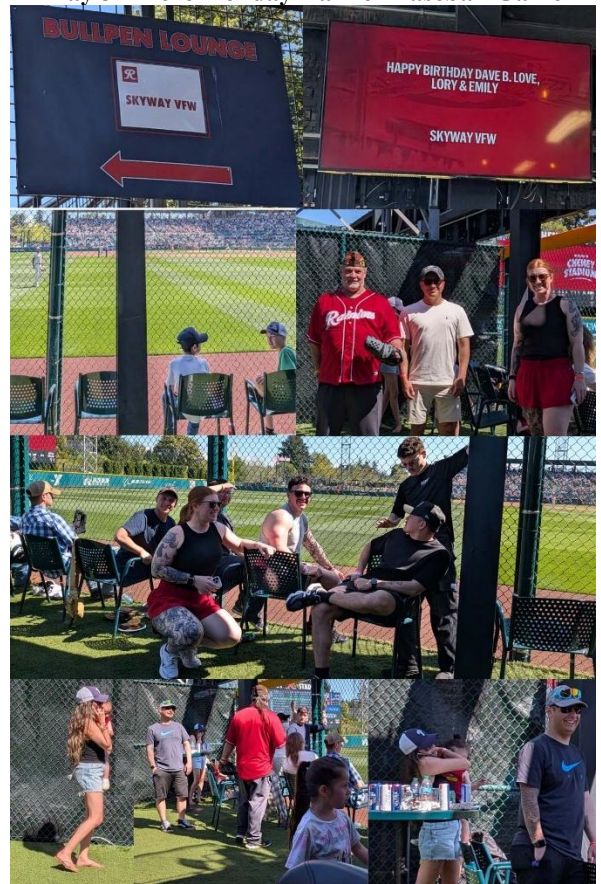


Congratulations! Loyalty day recipients Shelly, Karen, Kyle, Shane, Diane, and Anna. Congratulations to our Volunteer of the Year Trisha Gray, Post Home Hero Steve Scheeler, Outstanding Community Organization Partner CHG Building Systems and our Veteran of the Year Chad Hassebrook. This year we got a special Skyway VFW Post 9430 Volunteer 2025-2026 Pin

May 2nd Karaoke with Chad and Robert



May 3rd Hero Holiday Rainier Baseball Game



Awesome send off for 61 Soldiers and Family members as many of the Soldiers from our Adopted Unit that came to the game deployed the following day. Thank you to all who supported this great event!

May 6th Joint Installation of Officers



Congratulations to our 2026-2027 Post and Auxiliary Officers we are looking forward to an outstanding year. Thank you, Jason Paxton, Department Judge Advocate (Now Jr Vice Commander) and Cheryl Scheeler District 11 President for being the installing officers for Post 9430 and Auxiliary Joint Installation of Officers.

May 16th Country Western Night



Emma's famous BBQ Chicken and Ribs at our annual Country Western Night. Thank you, to those who came and supported this event. Our Country Western Winners Gail and Chuck!
Thank you to all that dressed up and joined us!

May 17th Rider Breakfast



Thank you, all who joined us for Omelet Breakfast raising money for Cash for Kids to assist with sponsoring military families from JBLM with their Christmas wishes.

May 19th Scout Troop 419 Meeting



Scout Troop 419 has been busy working on their merit badges for Wood working, Metal working, and Leather working. Our troop has really enjoyed working on these badges and are very proud of all of the projects they have each created. They are looking forward to showing them to everyone at the court of honor in June.

May 21st Post and Auxiliary Memorial Program



Blue Angel Sea Cadet Color Guard and Scouts from Troop 419 assist with the opening ceremonies along with Aux Chaplain Chuck G, Aux Pres Margie and Commander Chad with Terry Miller as Sergeant at Arms

May 21st Post and Auxiliary Memorial Program



Thank you to all who came to honor the VFW and Auxiliary members who passed this year and all the loved ones also mentioned and honored during the ceremony. We are thankful for our Blue Angel Sea Cadets that assist each year with this program, our Scouts from Troop 419 and all of our VFW Post 9430 and Auxiliary members and supporters that come and make this program such a success in honoring those who have gone before us and keeping their memories!

May 22nd Memorial Program at Seattle VA Hospital



It is always an honor to get the call each year to present the colors and taps at the Seattle VA Hospital for their annual Memorial Day program

May 22nd Emma Birthday Karaoke at the Post Home

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We had a great Karaoke Party Celebrating Emma's Birthday at the Post Home, we also celebrated BB's birthday and also Mark (Mark Mark Mark gotta Mike Mike Mike) Thank you everyone who came and celebrated

May 23rd Post 9430 Day of Service Flags at Bonney Watson



Skyway VFW Day of Service at Bonney Watson Memorial Cemetery this year Our Post and Auxiliary teamed up with our Scout Troop 419, the Blue Angel Sea Cadets, Scout Troop 307, Scout Troop 841, LDS, and many local community volunteers to help us clean off the headstones and place flags for each Veteran at the cemetery.



Thank you, Pam and Connie for working the table to get everyone their flags, pokers, and maps to where we need to go making this another successful VFW Day of Service!

May 25th Memorial Day Program at Tomb of Unknown



It was an honor to present the Department of Washington VFW Wreath at the memorial program at the tomb of the Unknown in Bremerton WA

May 30th Department VFW Heroes in the Ballpark



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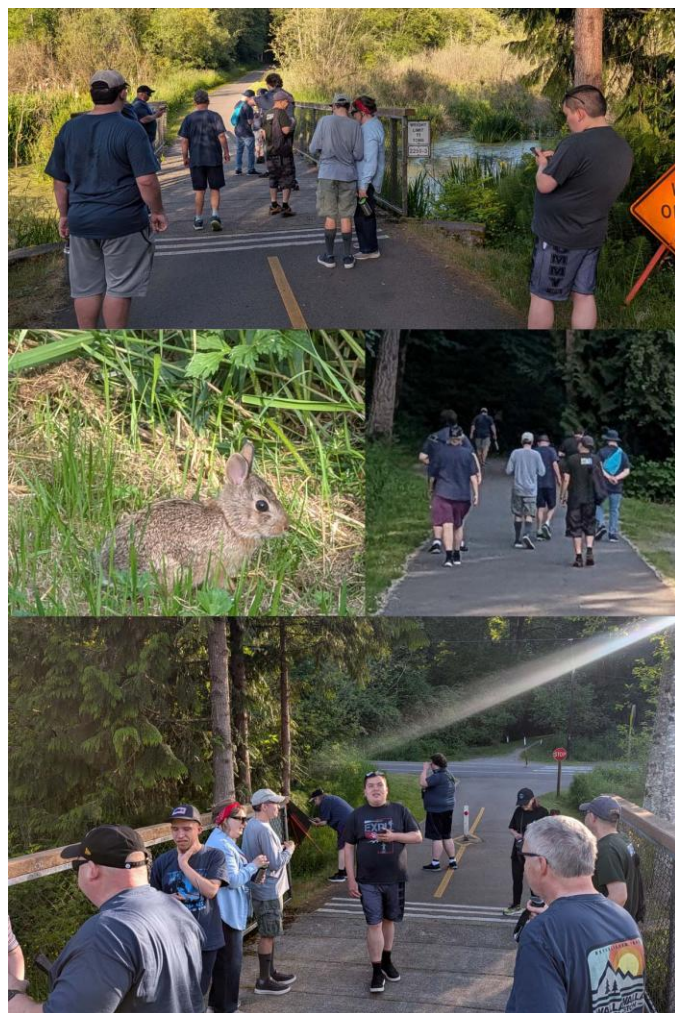


A great event with Active Military members and their families, Veterans, VFW, Auxiliary, Vet Centers, and Supporters at this years Department of Washington Heroes in the Ballpark. VFW Night at Tacoma Rainiers!

May 31st Bar Breakfast

Keep watching for flyers and when you attend events at the Post Home please feel free to send me photos to add to the newsletter as I try and make every event, but cannot make them all. Thank you, continue checking calendar and information board on the next Bar Breakfast to raise money to help pay the utility bills of our Post Home.

June 2nd Scout Troop 419 Hike



Scout Troop 419 hike was a fun night in the Kent area, we saw wildlife, water, birds, and many different plants on our hike. Our Scouts took many pictures as they are working on their photography merit badge.

June 6 Karaoke with Chad and Robert



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Watch for Karaoke Flyers and Facebook posts as we have come up with many different times to do Karaoke the past couple months, so keep on the look-out as it is always a fun time with great people, great food and tons of entertainment!



Another great night of Karaoke, we also celebrated Robert, Shelly, and Karen's Birthday, so that you all for celebrating at Skyway VFW Post 9430!!!

June Organizational Streamer sorting



Thank you, Past Post Commander Lance McDermott for taking the time to untie all of our streamers for Post 9430 and actually attach them properly on our Post Colors. As you can see, our Post has done great things for many years from the first earned streamer in 1949, just 2 years after opening, to our newest streamer this year awaiting presentation and attachment. We have a long history of being the Best of the Best and it is always because of the hard work and commitment of each and every member, volunteer, and supporter to make our programs, Post and Auxiliary, so successful in supporting our Veterans, Families and Community each and every year!

June 7 School Santa Pancake Breakfast



Thank you, all who come and support or School Santa Party Pancake Breakfast, it is greatly appreciated as we know December comes up quickly! Check for flyers for the next one and join us for great food for a great cause!

June 12th Walter Birthday Karaoke at the Post



And the hits keep on rolling, thank you for celebrating your birthday at the Post Walter! Another fun night of great friends and Karaoke!

June 13th Army Birthday Celebration



US Army 251st Birthday Program and Celebration at Skyway VFW Post 9430

June 13th Pirate Night Brisket



Thank you, Kyle and Emma for a great pirate night meal!

June 13th Pirate Night Brisket



Of course, we had a bunch of Pirate night shenanigans at the selfie station as always. It was great to see everyone having so much fun. If you haven't been to the Post Home for a dinner, we have 4 rotating musicians, they all play great music and the food cannot be beat!

June 14th Rider Breakfast and Flag Day Program



Thank you, everyone who came to the Rider Omelet Breakfast in support of the Cash for Kids program. Great job, Aux President Margie for her Flag Day Program she put on for everyone. Thank you, Chad and Carlos for cooking.

June Convention



Conventions gives us a few moments to share with people you don't get to see every day, re-connecting with people or connecting with them for the first time.

June Convention



Convention award banquet, I want to personally thank Steve Scheeler for coming to this convention and representing Skyway VFW Post 9430.



As you can see in the pictures, everyone comes to hang out with Skyway Auxiliary

June Convention



Quartermaster of the Year award by State Quartermaster Chad Hassebroek (Skyway VFW 9430), Service Officer of the Year award by Gabriel Leach (Skyway VFW 9430) Department Service Officer, President of the Year awards to 9430 Auxiliary 9430 President Margie Lindburg and District President of the Year to District 11 President Cheryl Scheeler (Skyway VFW Aux 9430)



All State Post Award 9430 and All State commander Award to Post 9430 Commander Chad Hassebroek and All State Quartermaster Award Dr. Rob Khmara. Our Post 9430 All State Streamer

June Convention



Great people, and closing out of the 2026 State Convention

June Visitor to the Post Home



Never know who will show up on a Tuesday Night in June. It was great to see Brett Munsey pop in to say hi!

June 29th Soldier joint event with Post 969



Awesome joint effort between Post 9430 and Post 969 taking care of the Troops from 10th Civil Support Team as they do their FIFA World Cup 2026 Weapons of Mass Destruction Mission in Seattle WA. Pool, Shuffle Board, Axe Throwing, Corn Hole, Karaoke, and Food!

June 29th Soldier joint event with Post 969



Introduction, Information about the VFW and Unit Award Presentation. Post 9430 and Post 969 also received certificates from the unit!

June 29th Soldier joint event with Post 969



More awards, Let's eat, and it is Karaoke Time!

June 29th Soldier joint event with Post 969



Post 9430 gave out restaurant food gift cards to the Pool Shark, Shuffle Board King, Axe thrower, and Corn hole champ. The unit presented Post 9430 with their CST World Cup Emblem that is in our display case. It was truly a great joint effort, amazing what two posts can do when they work together! Looking forward to many more joint missions!

June 30th Scout Troop 419 Court of Honor



Opening Ceremonies, Scout Oath candle lighting and introduction of scouts and their guests

June 30th Scout Troop 419 Court of Honor

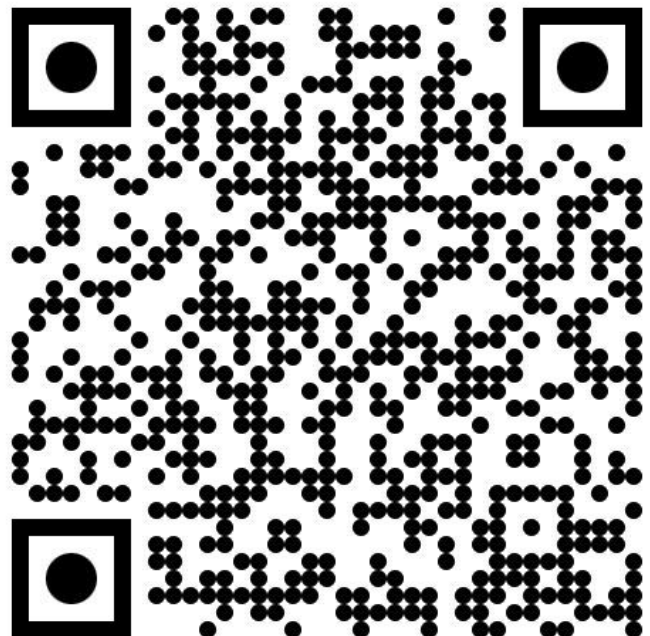


June 30th Scout Troop 419 Court of Honor



Birthday card for the Post Commander from the Scout Troop and some of the projects our scouts made to earn their merit badges in Wood working, Metal Working, and Leather Working these past few month.

Newsletter QR Code



Merit Badge presentation from Scout Master and special Volunteer gift to the scouts and their parents from the Post Commander as a "Thank You" for all our Scouts and their families do for our VFW and Auxiliary program support.

Share this with your Friends and Family



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UPCOMING EVENTS-

FRIDAY JULY 3, 2026

DOUBLE NICKEL BIRTHDAY!

WHAT YOU CAN BUY FOR TWO NICKELS THEN & NOW!

1971 (10¢) vs. TODAY (10¢)

IN JULY 1971 2 NICKELS:

- A Hershey Bar
- A Postage Stamp
- A Bottle of RC Cola

NOTHING* STILL NOTHING* AND ABSOLUTELY NOTHING

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE CHAD HASSEBROEK'S 55TH BIRTHDAY!

JULY 3, 2026

SATURDAY JULY 4, 2026

SKYWAY COMMUNITY Celebrates AMERICA'S 250th BIRTHDAY

Hosted by Skyway VFW Post 9430 & King County Fire District 20
In partnership with Westhill Community Association & Women United

Thursday, July 4th, 2026

10:00 AM – The Twenty-Seven Flags of the United States
King County Fire District 20 Training Area.
Ceremonial presentation of America's historic flags.

11:00 AM – America's 250th Birthday Program
Skyway VFW Post 9430
Commemorating the Semiquincentennial with honor, unity & reflectione

Traditional 4th of July Picnic
Immediately Following the Program • At Skyway VFW Post 9430
• Hamburgers • Hot Dogs • Watermelon • Root Beer Floats
• Community Booths & Family Activities.

Skyway VFW Post 9430
7421 S. 125th Street, Seattle, WA 98178

SUNDAY JULY 5, 2026

SKYWAY VFW POST 9430 PANCAKE BREAKFAST

\$7.00

JULY 5TH

9:00 AM-11:00 AM

JOIN US AS WE RAISE \$ FOR SCHOOL SANTA FUND FOR CAMPBELL HILL, LAKERIDGE, AND BRYN MAWR ELEMENTARY

PANCAKES – SAUSAGE – SCRAMBLED EGGS

SATURDAY JULY 11, 2026

JOIN US JULY 11
Special Event
ANNUAL POST LUAU



Luau Dinner 6-7:00 PM
Fun throughout the night
Party Favors-Best Luau attire Music
by LAUREN 6:30 – 8:30 PM



Pansit (Noodles)
Chicken Adobo
Rice
Oriental Green Salad
Roast Pork
Watermelon



TICKETS
\$15 RESERVED DINNER
\$20 Day of event

Skyway VFW Post 9430
7421 S 126th Street
Seattle WA 98178



AUGUST 1, 2026

KARAOKE

DANCING

FUN

KARAOKE

WITH CHAD & ROBERT

SATURDAY NIGHT AUGUST 1

KARAOKE

DANCING

FUN



POT LUCK 5:00 PM
KARAOKE STARTS
5:30ish PM

BEACH PARTY



BEING HELD AT SKYWAY VFW POST 9430
7421 S 126th STREET SEATTLE WA 98178

SUNDAY AUGUST 2, 2026

SKYWAY VFW POST 9430
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
\$7.00

AUGUST 2ND
9:00 AM-11:00 AM

JOIN US AS WE RAISE \$ FOR SCHOOL SANTA FUND FOR CAMPBELL
HILL, LAKERIDGE, AND BRYN MAWR ELEMENTARY

PANCAKES – SAUSAGE – SCRAMBLED EGGS

SATURDAY AUGUST 8, 2026

SATURDAY

AUGUST 8

POST

MEATLOAF

DINNER

\$15.00 ADVANCE \$20 DAY OF
DINNER SERVED FROM 6 TO 7:30 PM

ENTERTAINMENT

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

BEING HELD AT SKYWAY VFW POST 9430
7421 SOUTH 126TH STREET SEATTLE WA 98178
PHONE 206-772-9982

SATURDAY AUGUST 16, 2026

Skyway VFW Post 9430



OMELET BREAKFAST

FUNDRAISER for the Building Fund

AUGUST 16, 2026

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Serving Omelet of Choice, Sausage & Toast

\$10.00 PER PERSON



Join Us & Support the Building Fund!

SUNDAY AUGUST 23, 2026

SKYWAY POST CANTEN PANCAKE BREAKFAST

\$7.00

SUNDAY---SUNDAY---SUNDAY

**August 23, 2026
9 TO 11:00 AM**



JOIN our CLUB STAFF
FOR A GREAT BREAKFAST
TO RAISE FUNDS
FOR THE UTILITY BILLS



SATURDAY AUGUST 30, 2026



SAT AUG 30, 2025 1PM TO 5:00 PM END OF SUMMER PARTY AT THE POST



Skyway-Bryn Mawr-Renton
Community



2-17 FA BN



17 FA BDE



5-3 FA BN



Hammer Company
H Co 1-17 Inf

MUSIC

CORN HOLE

GAMES AND PRIZES

COMMUNITY BOOTHS

POTLUCK FOOD

Burgers and Hot Dogs

ARTS AND CRAFTS

BEING HELD AT SKYWAY VFW POST 9430
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PHONE 206-772-9982

SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

★PATRIOT DAY★



THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE
OF SEPTEMBER 11TH 2026



FIREFIGHTERS



**LAW
ENFORCEMENT
&
911
OPERATORS**



TRI-MED



**MEDICAL
&
AMBULANCE**



CIVILIANS



**PROGRAM OPEN TO
THE COMMUNITY**



**ALL ARE WELCOME TO
ATTEND THE PROGRAM**

Program is on September 11, 2021, at Skyway VFW Post 9430 at 7421 S 126th Street, Skyway
WA 98178. Doors open at 8:30 AM Program begins at 9:03 AM. Fundraiser breakfast at the
VFW following the program from 10AM to 1 PM

SKYWAY VFW 9430

OPEN HOUSE INFORMATION BOOTH

AUGUST 30, 2025

Join us on Saturday August 29, 2025 from Noon – 5 PM for
our Skyway VFW Post 9430 Open House

Skyway Community Support Organizations are welcome to request a table for the event to put out information about your organization to the Skyway Community. This event is running along side our annual Family End of Summer BBQ with many kid's and family activities.

If you are interested in having a table, we will be happy to have you join us. The table will be in the parking lot in front of our building if the weather is good and downstairs if we have rain.

There is no cost for the table, but asking a \$10 donation if you are able to help offset the cost of the kid's event. We are wanting an event that brings the Community together, shows them what the Skyway Veterans of Foreign Wars does, and allows them to meet the other organizations in the Community that are here to help make the Skyway Community Great!

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:

CONTACT PERSON:

PHONE NUMBER:

Please return this form to
Skyway VFW Post 9430
PO Box 78231
Seattle Washington 98178

Every Thursday Night from 5:30 to 6:30 PM
ONLY \$7.00 FULL MEAL DEAL!



Skyway VFW Post 9430 New York New Years Eve Party December 31, 2026



ADVANCE TICKET SALES

\$30.00

NOW TO NOV 30 2026

**DECEMBER 1 TO 30 RESERVE TICKET \$35
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
LAUREN PETRI
9 PM BALL DROP

SKYWAY VFW POST 9430
NEW YORK NEW YEARS EVE PARTY
2026

NAME ON RESERVATION

NUMBER OF PERSONS IN YOUR PARTY

ADVANCE TICKETS
\$30.00 till NOV 30TH
\$ ____ 35.00 ____ X ____ TICKETS
Cost per ticket # of tickets needed

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

MAIL TO

SKYWAY VFW POST 9430
PO BOX 78231
SEATTLE WA 98178

VFW RIDERS CHAPTER 4 WANTS YOU!

SKYWAY VFW POST 9430

**CHAPTER 4
RECRUITING DRIVE**

If interested please contact:

Chad @ 580-704-7995 or
vfwmember@yahoo.com

Rob @ 206-693-9872 or
robkhmara@gmail.com

Dean @ 360-914-2618

RIDERS WANTED

We are seeking VFW members, VFW Auxiliary members, combat veterans, veterans, active duty military personnel, family members, friends, first responders, and dedicated supporters who share a passion for riding, camaraderie, and making a difference. Join us in supporting our military, veterans, their families, and our community.

The VFW Riders Group is dedicated to supporting the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and its Auxiliary by enhancing public awareness of the VFW, its programs, and the National Home. Through community service, participation in veteran support events, and responsible motorcycling, we proudly represent the values and mission of the VFW.

Our group consists of VFW Post and Auxiliary members in good standing, as well as non-members who serve as support personnel. We are a family-oriented community of riders who share a passion for motorcycling and a deep commitment to serving our active military, veterans, and our community.



2026-2027 COMPETITION

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY

POST 9430



Olivia M. Drewniak
VOD Winner 2025

APPLICATION DEADLINE

OCTOBER 31, 2026

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY

- Open to students in grades 9-12 enrolled by Oct. 31st deadline
- Submit a 3-5 minute audio essay
- This year's theme is, "What a Veteran Taught me about America"
- National Prize is currently \$35,000

ELIGIBILITY

Students must be lawful U.S. permanent residents or have applied for permanent residence (for which the application has not been denied) and intend to become a U.S. citizen at the earliest opportunity.

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2026-2027 COMPETITION

PATRIOT'S PEN

POST 9430



Andrew Ge
PP Winner 2025

APPLICATION DEADLINE

OCTOBER 31, 2026

PATRIOT'S PEN

- Open to students in grades 6-8 enrolled by Oct. 31st deadline
- Submit a 300-400 word written essay
- This year's theme is, "What a Veteran Taught me about America"
- National Prize is currently \$5,000

ELIGIBILITY

Students must be lawful U.S. permanent residents or have applied for permanent residence (for which the application has not been denied) and intend to become a U.S. citizen at the earliest opportunity.

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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AND ITS AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON



**Official Entry Form
Youth Essay Program Grades 3-4-5
2026 - 2027**

THEME: **"What I Would Say to a Founding Father"**

Grade Level: _____ Word Count: _____

Date Due to Sponsoring Post/Auxiliary: **October 31st**

PLEASE NOTE: This entry form must be completely filled out and accompany the essay.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

Students Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____ Parent email: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____ Parent Phone: _____
To be completed by a person instructing student

Instructor's Name _____ location _____

Address of School or Home _____

To be completed by Post/Auxiliary

Name & Number of Sponsoring Post/ Auxiliary: _____

Address: _____

Chairman's Name: _____ District Number: _____

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED AT THE POST/AUXILIARY LEVEL

Disclaimer. The School District does not sponsor this event/activity/offer and the district assumes no responsibility for it. In consideration for the privilege to distribute these materials, the School District shall be held harmless from any cause of action filed in any court or administrative tribunal arising out of the distribution of these materials, including all costs, attorney's fees and judgments or awards.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars and Its Auxiliary
Department of Washington
State Youth Essay Program Rules and Regulations
Grades 3-4-5**

1. Participants must compose their own essay.
2. The essay must be clearly handwritten, typed or computer prepared.
3. Judging will be under the guidance set by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Washington. Judging will include 30 points for addressing the theme, 30 points for clarity of Ideas, 40 points for Theme Development.
4. Since this program is completely voluntary, a student does not have to go through his/her school to participate. Any student from any school in the State of Washington may enter the program by contacting a local Post or Auxiliary for rules and Official Entry form. Home Schooled students are also eligible.
5. A copy of the Official Entry form must accompany the essay. All sections of the official entry form **MUST** be completed at the Post/Auxiliary level. Entry forms **MUST** be signed by a parent.
6. All essays become the property of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Washington. If copies are desired, you must make your own.
7. Contest begins at the start of the school year.
8. Length: Not to exceed 250 words.
9. Student's Name, City, or School **MUST NOT** be on the essay, only on the entry form.
10. Essay must stay within the prescribed subject matter and there can be **NO** added color or artwork.
11. Essay written in poem form **will not be accepted.**
12. The Post or Auxiliary sponsoring the school **MUST** do the judging at the local level.

Essays due to local Post/Auxiliary by: October 31st

Any Essay not **received** by the deadline **will not** be accepted.

Please submit 1 winner for every 15 entrees for 3rd grade, 1 winner for every 15 entrees for 4th grade, and 1 winner for every 15 entrees for 5th grade to your District for judging by Nov. 15th.

JULY 2026

Fall Hours: Sunday closed unless Special Event; Monday temporarily closed; Tuesday 7:00-10pm; Wednesday closed (1st Wed open 6-9pm); Thursday 4-8pm; Friday 4-9pm; Saturday 2-6pm no event; 2nd Saturday 4-9pm (watch for fliers & FB posts for Special Events)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Post / Auxiliary Joint Meeting Awards 7pm Potluck Following	2 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM	3 Chad 55 th and July Birthday Bash 5 PM with Karaoke	1 4 th Of July Open House 27 Flags Program 10 AM at Fire District 20 Training Area 250 th Independence Day Program at Post 9430 11 AM Burgers Hot Dogs Water Mellon and Root Beer Floats following program
5 School Santa Pancake Breakfast \$7 9am to 11am	6 Post Closed	7	8 Post Closed	9 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM	10 5:00 PM Social	11 Post Luau \$15 6 PM Lauren Petri 6:30 – 8:30 PM Riders 10AM registration Poker Run
12	13 Post Closed	14	15 Post Closed	16 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM	17 Dinner \$6 5:00 PM Social Chapter 4 Riders Meeting 6 PM	18
19	20 Post Closed	21 House and Club 6 PM	22 Post Closed	23 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM National Convention	24 5:00 PM Social National Convention	25 Scout Troop 419 Renton River Day Parade 9AM see Chuck G for Details National Convention
26 National Convention	27 Post Closed National Convention	28 National Convention	29 National Convention	30 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM National Convention	31 5:00 PM Social National Convention	

AUGUST 2026

Winter Hours: Sunday closed unless Special Event; Monday temporarily closed; Tuesday 7:00-10pm; Wednesday closed (1st Wed open 6-9pm); Thursday 4-8pm; Friday 2-9pm; Saturday 2-6pm no event; 2nd Saturday 4-9pm (watch for flyers & FB posts for Special Events)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Karaoke 5PM
2 School Santa Pancake Breakfast \$7 9 – 11 am	3 Post Closed	4	5 Post/Auxiliary Meeting 7PM	6 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM	7 5:00 PM Social	8 Meatloaf Dinner 6 PM \$15 adv Laurin Petri 6:30-8:30 Coast Guard Birthday Program 5 PM
9	10 Post Closed	11	12 Post Closed	13 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM	14 5:00 PM Social	15
16 Building Fund Omelet Breakfast \$10 9am – 11am	17 Post Closed	18 House and Club 6 PM	19 Post Closed	20 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM	21 Dinner \$6 5PM Rider Meeting 6PM	22
23 Bar Pancake Breakfast \$7 9 – 11 am	24 Post Closed	25	26 Post / Aux Joint Awards Meeting and Potluck 7 PM	27 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM	28 5:00 PM Social	29 End of Summer Open House and Picnic at the Post 1pm to 5pm
30	31 Post Closed	Sept 1	Sept 2 Post/Auxiliary Meeting 7PM	Sept 3 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM	Sept 4 \$6 Dinner 5:00 PM	Sept 5 Karaoke 5PM
Sept 6 Auxiliary Breakfast and Bake Sale 9-11 am \$10	Sept 7	Sept 8 25 th Anniversary Patriot Day at Renton Farmers Market 1-7pm	Sept 9 Post Closed	Sept 10 Burger Meal \$7 5:30 to 6:30 PM	Sept 11 9:00 AM 25 th Anniversary Program Remembering 9-11 5:00 PM Social	Sept 12 Auxiliary Dinner 6 PM \$15 adv Laurin Petri 6:30-8:30

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July / August 2026

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

2026 – 2027 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