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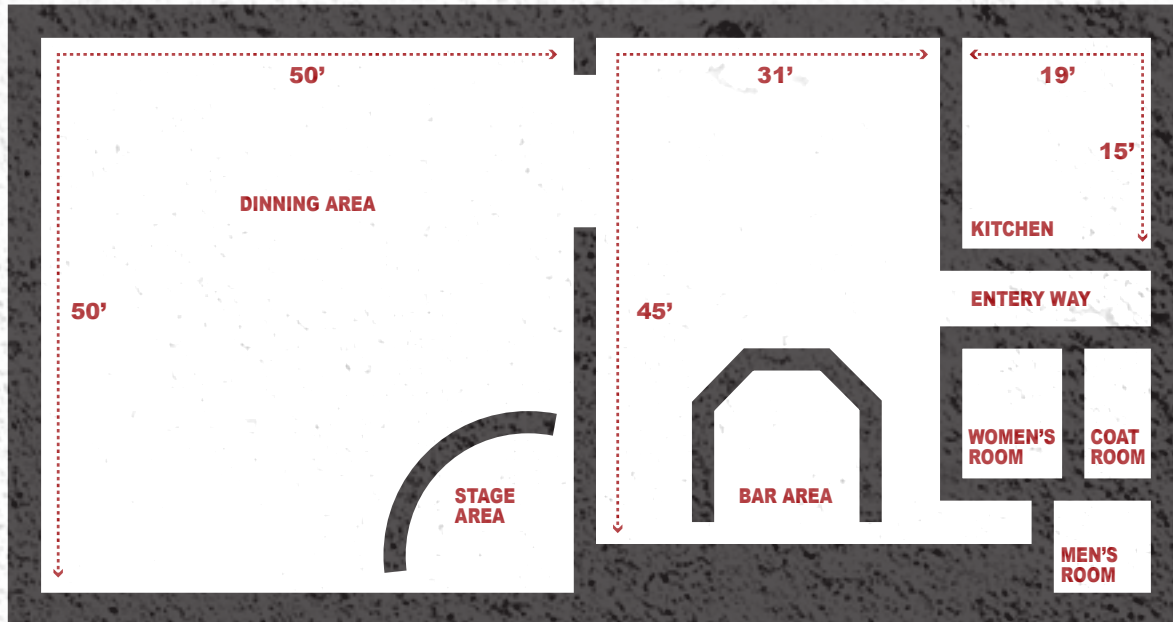
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Comrades & Sisters

Comrades, I hope everyone had a safe and memorable summer. I've mentioned this before, but for those members that are not on Facebook or have not been very active as of late, our Post was named an All State Post this last officer/membership year. Out of the 282 Posts in Wisconsin, only ten earned this honor. Again, I would like to congratulate and thank everyone for their hard work that has been put in by our members to represent our Post. The support we give our fellow Veterans and members in the community has not gone unnoticed. We are currently off to a great start for this fiscal year to hopefully extend the posts accolades. One of the most recent changes that has happened is in the Auxiliary. Mary Lou has stepped down from her position as President after many years—THANK YOU MARY LOU! Kimberly Hable (Little Kim) jumped at the opportunity to succeed her. With her has also been a few more active Auxiliary Members in Kimberly Goss, Kathy Kochenderfer, Laura Schiffli and Sharon Kamrowski. Their energy will be greatly accepted and add to our already amazing Auxiliary. Thank you all to the meals after meetings, and the countless hours put in for the chicken Q's and everything else in between.

With fall right around the corner we will be wrapping up the chicken Q season. It is that time of year again for the annual Ham and Turkey Raffle. The last few years have really been a success not only because of our turnout at the club but because of the countless time that members spend selling raffle tickets for the guns and/or cash prizes. This year the raffle will take place on November 3rd so please mark your calendars. The guns are purchased and should be on display soon in local business.

Cochrane Fountain City Football Coach Steve Lyga again put on a fantastic Veterans Appreciation Night September 7th. There were 12 Veterans honored in the starting lineup, a rock wall for the kids and a Color Guard before the game. I want to thank Al Kochenderfer and those involved in rounding up the Veteran "starting lineup" for the event.

I have also been in contact with C-FC History teacher Brian Janezich. We talked about how a handful of years ago Glen Averbeck would come and speak to the 11th grade Social Studies class and how we should continue that practice again. We haven't ironed out the details yet, but this is something we are both looking forward to making

happen. Once I am informed on the War/Conflict that he or any other faculty member would like a presenter for I will ask if there are any members interested. I believe this is a great way to get Veterans back into school and tell our stories to America's young minds.

Lastly, I would like to touch base on membership. We need 5 new members to replace those lost, please be on the lookout for that Veteran that may be looking for a home. Always remain vigilant for new members to continue to grow our organization, and our Post.

Remember to check out the Posts Facebook page, and/or visit our website <http://www.vfwpost10406.org/> or simply come to a meeting to keep current with activities and mingle with your fellow Veterans. With the fall also comes activities in our great outdoors. Remember to stay safe while hunting in the woods and on the water.

Mike Stanton
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COMMANDERS COMMENTS: Mike Stanton - VFW Post 10406

What's New?



2018 District Meeting
Al, Dick, Krist Represented
Post 10406 in September!



All-State Team Award
Only 10 EARNED Out Of 270
Posts In The Entire State!



Chicken Q Volunteers
Your Hard Work Is Greatly
Appreciated - Thank You!

We were presented the White Hat at the VFW State Convention. There were only 10 EARNED out of 270 posts in the entire state of Wisconsin! This award is made possible because of the work YOU put in. Thank you for your dedication and let's earn another one. Check the website for more details. www.vfwpost10406.org.



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We have more to do and we are working hard at it. One of our first next projects is posting this letter on our website as it is published quarterly. Some of you may have already seen our digital versions online the past few months. Look for the newsletter to become a permanent part of our website.

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QUARTERMASTERS COLUMN: Jim Goss - VFW Post 10406

Fundraising 2018

VFW Post 10406 has its last Charcoal Chicken for the year on Saturday, October 13, 2018. Stop in for an excellent dining opportunity or pick up a meal to take home; let's make the last one of the year a huge success! Our Charcoal Chicken events help fund our club community projects and the club hall operations.

Saturday, November 3rd, 2018 is our 38th Annual Ham, Turkey and Gun Raffle which supports our C-FC High School VFW Scholarship, Patriots Pen & Voice of Democracy Programs. We also support various local youth and Veterans programs. The continued support of "your VFW" events is what makes VFW Post 10406 successful. Thanks for all you do, and we hope to see you at our last VFW Charcoal Chicken and Ham, Turkey & Gun Raffle. Sell all the tickets you want; we will print more! Please bring in any new or transfer memberships and help make us an All State Post for the second year in a row!

Jim Goss

VFW Post 10406 Quartermaster

CLUB MANAGER: Gary Krause - VFW Post 10406

Post Activities 2018

JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
July 4th VFW 4th of July Parade at Buffalo City	August 4th VFW Chicken Fry	September 9th Scout Meeting	October 2nd Scout Meeting
July 10th Belvidere Town Mtg	August 9th VFW/AUX Meeting 7:00pm	September 10th Scout Meeting	October 11th VFW/AUX Meeting 7:00pm
July 12th VFW/AUX Meeting 7:00pm	August 14th Belvidere Town Mtg	September 13th VFW/AUX Meeting 7:00pm	October 13th VFW Chicken Fry
	August 22nd Scout Meeting	September 15th VFW Chicken Fry	October 23rd Alliance Bank

All calendar events are also online on the VFW Post 10406 website

www.vfwpost10406.org/calendar.html

38th Annual VFW POST 10406 - Cochrane-Buffalo City **2018 HAM & TURKEY RAFFLE**

Saturday, November 3rd, 2017
5:00 to 9:00pm



1st Prize: Core - 15 M4
Scout 5.56
or \$600.00 Cash



2nd Prize: Savage Axis 6.5 MM
Creedmoor w/ Scope
or \$500.00 Cash



3rd Prize: Smith & Wesson
Shield 9mm Pistol
or \$400.00 Cash



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Editor's Comments

I need to expand on some of the accomplishments of our post that earned us an ALL-STATE POST (White Hat) award. As Cmdr Mike said, only 10 of the 282 VFW Posts in Wisconsin met the extremely high standards.

1. The post exceeded 100% in membership, i.e. we more than replaced members who moved/transferred and our deceased members—no easy task! This means we grew in our ability to continue to do all the things we do for Veterans and our community.
2. We excelled in supporting the VFW youth programs. We conducted the patriotic writing/oral essay program, Voice of Democracy (VOD) for Senior High students at C-FC as well as the patriotic essay writing program, Patriots Pen for Junior High students at C-FC. VERY SIZABLE financial awards were given to the top three winners in each program.
3. We selected a "Teacher of the Year" at C-FC and forwarded his nomination thru the Wisconsin VFW system. Mr Lyga took second place amongst the 282 VFW Posts in Wisconsin! This program/award recognizes a teacher that promotes patriotism in the classroom, school and community.
4. We give two VERY SIZABLE scholarships to C-FC graduating seniors. One for a 2-year institution and one for a 4-year collage.
5. The annual 4th of July Parade is 100% sponsored by the Post. We attracted approximately 4000 people this year before the rains came. This is done in support of the C-BC Lions Club 4th of July celebration. The profits the Lions Club makes from this huge crowd is largely returned to our communities via their projects.
6. We were the first charter financial supporter for our Buffalo County Quilts of Valor chapter. They have hand made with love over 40 quilts that have been presented to deserving area veterans with more to come!
7. We participate in our areas Memorial Day and Veterans Day programs.
8. We provide Military Funeral Honors to ANY deceased veteran whose family requests such. We have no requirements of membership in the VFW.
9. We maintain and make available a first-class club facility for use by local residents and organizations. This facility is essential to many activities in our little communities.
10. We conduct 8 charcoal chicken/brat events each year. We know our Post/Auxiliary put out the best chicken/brat dinner in the area!
11. In support of our basic core reason for being we provide unlimited support for vererans locally through the national level. All of the above activities require money—lots of money! I need to say that our auxiliary is an integral part of all we do—Without them we could not do what we do—Thank you!

We are the kind of post/organization that any person would be proud to be a part of—Contact us if you feel you might be an eligible veteran today. (Continued)

EDITORS COMMENTS: Al Kochenderfer - VFW Post 10406

2018 Raffle Tickets & Volunteers

Our biggest, essential funder raiser of the year is our Annual in Ham & Turkey Raffle and the Gun & Cash Raffle. Enclosed are your gun/cash tickets. Please buy or sell these tickets. Your support is essential! Proceeds from this event are essential for our post to continue to do the many good things listed above!

Come join us for a good old-fashioned Ham and Turkey Raffle (plus many other items) from 5pm - 9pm on Saturday, November 3rd, 2018 at Post 10406. The gun/cash raffle drawing will be held at the end of the evening.

Please mail your ticket sales money to:
VFW Post 10406
PO Box 84, Cochrane, WI 54622

Or

Better yet bring them with you to the Raffle on Saturday, November 3rd, 2018.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Allen W Kochenderfer
Editor



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AUXILIARY PRESIDENTS MESSAGE: Kimberly Hable - VFW Post 10406

2018 Auxiliary Officers

I first want to say thank you to everyone for making this year very successful and productive. Without all the volunteer time that the auxiliary puts in our post would not be as thriving as it is. Our goal is to support the VFW and together strive for excellence in everything we do.

We started out the spring with election of officers, and as you are aware this has already been an interesting journey for a new President. Without the support of my fellow officers and members of the Auxiliary, I could not be an effective leader. It takes a team and that is the philosophy of all our members.

President	Kimberly Hable
Senior Vice	Kimberly Goss
Junior Vice	Mary Lou Stewart
Secretary	Kimberly Goss
Treasurer	Debra Kujak
Chaplain	Diane Bossert

Conductor/Conductress	Judith Ann Krause
Guard	Laura Schiffli
Trustee	Marian Averbeck
Trustee	Ruthmary Farner
Trustee	Ruth Leahy

2018-2019 Auxiliary Officers

One of my goals as the incoming President was to establish a communication process with all the members. This initiative has been successful and thank you to all of you who returned letters to obtain this information.

Throughout the summer we have successfully navigated chicken Q's, provided support for funerals and birthday parties, and helped with a great event hosted by the Quilts of Valor group. These opportunities to represent Post 10406 in a way that impacts our community in a positive way is to be commended. Volunteerism is a tradition that without the support of our members we could not maintain. We are providing an example to our youth (such as Marylou's granddaughters) that hopefully will last a lifetime. With the help of many we were able to again this year take part in the 4th of July parade alongside the VFW. What a great time we had laughing, throwing candy, and showcasing our Auxiliary.

Kathy Kochenderfer and I attended our first District 9 meeting and were proud to receive an award for 101.52% membership for the past year. Way to go and let's keep up the good work of recruiting new members, the bar is set high.

The year is not complete, and we have more work to do with upcoming events, but as your Auxiliary President I hope to be your voice, work side by side with you to make this the best Auxiliary we can possibly be.

Thank you and keep reaching for the stars.

Kimberly Hable - VFW Post 10406
Auxiliary President

COMMANDERS COMMENTS: Mike Stanton - VFW Post 10406

2018 Post Officers

Comrades, I would first like to thank Krist Beseler on the job he's done over the past years as our Post Commander. There have been many changes in the club during his tenure as Post Commander and he leaves some big shoes to fill. With that being said, my intentions for the Post are not to remain stagnant and continue to bring in new ideas.

I look forward to this new experience as Post Commander. I have high expectations of myself not only because of the job that Krist had done, but for what this Post meant to my Grandfather. Thank You all for your dedication.



Mike Stanton
Commander



Krist Beseler
Senior Vice Commander



John Dehnke
Junior Vice Commander



Jim Goss
Quartermaster



Douglas J Ratz
Adjutant



Richard Mueller
2nd Year Trustee



Edward Robelski
Chaplin



Jim Goss
Judge Advocate



Burt Schafner
Surgeon



Richard True
2nd Year Trustee



Al Kochenderfer
3rd Year Trustee



Gary Krause
Club Manager

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