

**POST &
AUXILIARY
MEETINGS**
3RD Thursday
both 7 p.m.

Benson VFW Post 2503
OCTOBER 2022
www.vfwpost2503.org
(402)-571-8397

**Honor Guard
Meeting**
2nd Thursday
every month
7:00 pm



POST 2503 OFFICERS 2022-2023
Commander: Larry Quilliam
Sr. Vice Commander: Al Dorn
Jr. Vice Commander: Sharon Cooper
Quartermaster: Dan Raabe
Chaplain: Dennis Kerr
Surgeon: Jim Sorensen
Judge Advocate: Tom Penke
Officer of the Day: Mike Hackenberg
Adjutant: Richard Runnels
Guard: T Trotty
Service Officer: Paul Riccio



AUXILIARY OFFICERS 2022-2023
President: Micky Dorn
Sr. Vice President: Linda Humphrey
Jr. Vice President: Jan Davis
Treasurer: Sue Stark
Secretary: Luanne Rosso
Chaplain: Mary Dalton
Conductress: Marcia Jones
Guard: Jeanne Shadden
Patriotic Instructor: Luanne Rosso

From the Commander

Greetings everyone! Hope you all had a great summer and are ready for fall weather!
As our motto says, "No one does more for the Veterans than the VFW" and our Post proved it this month! The VFW Post 2503 donated \$500 from the closed VFW Post 2503 Riders fund to the 50 Mile March/Papillion Foundation on September 1. The donation will go towards the Moving Vets Forward, Guitar 4 Vets, and Operation 22 Freedom organizations.
On Sunday, September 11, 2022, the Post held its final car show of the season with all proceeds going to the First Responders, Ponca Hills Fire Department. With the help of the Auxiliary, the Post was able to donate \$310 to the Ponca Hills Fire Department. The donation will go towards the purchase of an ambulance for the fire department. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the car show. Every little bit helps!
The Post held a POW/MIA Ceremony on Friday, September 16. This year the Post had the privilege of having guest speakers Joe Smith, VFW Department of Nebraska Chief of Staff and General Paul Cohen, retired, having served 35 years in the U.S. Air Force and Nebraska National Guard. Did you know that there are still more than 80,000 service members still missing-in-action from World War II to the present? I would like to thank Jim Beerman, Ron Braun, Duke Humphrey, Mike Rosso, Rod Ulfers, and Charles Wolf who represented the VFW Post 2503 Honor Guard in performing the Table of Honor Ceremony.

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From the Auxiliary President

Hello Auxiliary and friends,
Next auxiliary meeting is Thursday October 20, 2022. We are making holiday plans for the VA, Veterans Home, and upcoming events. I encourage you to come to a meeting and help us make decisions.
Dues for annual members: Send in soon, please.
The Auxiliary is serving cake to celebrate our 90th Anniversary on Hamburger night, October 19, for everyone and a few surprises. Come and join us.
We are planning for the annual Bake Sale on Veterans Day, November 11th, during the Post's Spaghetti Dinner from 1-7 PM. More information next month.
Election Day is November 11th. Be sure to register. Register if you have changed your address or party affiliation. We will see you all soon.
Respectfully submitted
Micky Dorn, President 402 850-5075



POW/MIA Ceremony at the Post on Friday, September 16

From the Commander

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It was, once again, an emotional event. On September 25th, the Northeast NE Suicide Foundation sponsored a seminar, "Talk Saves Lives" at the Post. The event started at noon until 3:30 and included a free lunch. This event helped veterans with PTSD:

It's not the person refusing to let go of the past, but the past refusing to let go of the person. Do not forget to support the Post by coming down to the Post for the Nebraska Tailgate Parties! Hot dogs and chips are sold for \$5 along with other additional foods brought by the members. **SAVE THE DATE:** Friday, November 11th, is Veterans Day. It will be an important event! Carry on,
Larry Quilliam
VFW Post 2503

ROOM RENTALS at VFW POST 2503

**NORTH ROOM
OR
SOUTH ROOM**

Contact Mary Miller at 402-943-9067 to reserve your date. Spread the word to your friends and family.

The Post's rooms look great decorated for weddings, birthdays, and graduation parties.



The Voice Of Democracy 2022-23

theme is:

"Why is the Veteran Important?"

and

The Patriots Pen 2022-23

theme is:

"My Pledge to Our Veterans."

Voice of Democracy is for grades 9-12, and Patriots Pen is for grades 6-8. Copies of the entry information will be placed on the Post's Canteen tables. Entry deadline is 31 October 2022. CONTACT SHARON COOPER at 402-676-5253 or e-mail to purplebelt@cox.net

MORE POW/MIA CEREMONY



NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS THAN THE VFW!

**VFW POST 2503
MEMBER DICK
SATIROFF AND
HIS WIFE BERNIE
DONATED THIS
FINE USED TRUCK
TO A YOUNG
VETERAN IN NEED.**



SATURDAY NEBRASKA FOOTBALL 2022

Indiana **Oct 1, 6:30 PM** @ Nebraska
@ Rutgers **(Fri) Oct 7, 6:00 PM** Nebraska
@ Purdue **Oct 15, TBD** Nebraska
Illinois **Oct 29, TBD** @ Nebraska



**SEE YOU AT THE POST !
BRING A POTLUCK DISH OR**



VFW POST 2503 PATIO PROJECT IN PROGRESS ON THE NORTH SIDE TO BE COMPLETED BY OCTOBER 1



Preparing To File A VA Disability Claim

For the fastest way to get a decision from the VA, file a "Fully Developed Claim." You should submit all supporting documentation with your VA claim for benefits. This documentation includes:

- Medical evidence such as doctor evaluation, both military and civilian documentation
- Attach any copies of your DD214 or separation documents
- Dependency records such as marriage & children's birth certificates

If you don't have any of your records, you can request them from the government.

Never send the VA original documents.
COPIES WILL SUFFICE.



OCTOBER DONATIONS

Coming into fall and winter, we need to get stocked up on coffee, sugar, coffee creamer, and hot chocolate for the volunteers and the veterans.

Questions? Please contact Kathy Raabe at kfr14819@cox.net OR (402) 392-0210
Thank you all for your generosity.

GULF WAR AND IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN VETERANS

One of the best ways to serve brother & sister veterans is to be a VFW Post 2503 HONOR GUARD member.



Presenting the tri-corner American Flag to the families of Burn Pit victims and others will feed your soul.

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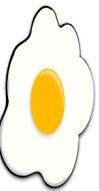

KITCHEN NEWS for OCTOBER

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers to head up or work a Wednesday night crew. Also needed is someone who can come in during the day EACH Wednesday to help with prep and setup for Wednesday night hamburger nights. Please contact Linda at 531-205-5641

HAPPY COLUMBUS DAY



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Post Closed	Post Closed	Post Open	Post Open	Post Open	Post Open	Post Open
2 Room Rentals Available	3	4	5 Hamburger Night BROASTED CHICKEN Crew— The Bayers Marine Corps League Meeting	6	7 NEBRASKA FOOTBALL @ 6:00 N HAPPY HOUR 4 TO 7	8 10 point pitch @ noon Room Rentals Available
9 POST OPENS @ 8 AM BREAKFAST 8 AM to NOON 	10 COLUMBUS DAY 	11 7 PM BOB FIELDS BAND 	12 Hamburger Night MEATLOAF Crew— Am Legion 112	13 Sewing Ladies 1:00pm 172nd Trans 5:00 pm Am Legion 7:00 pm Honor Guard 7:00 pm	14 SONS OF AMERICAN LEGION MEETS @ 6 PM HAPPY HOUR 4 TO 7	15 NEBRASKA FOOTBALL TBD N 10 point pitch @ noon Room Rentals Available
16 Room Rentals Available	17	18 US Coast Guard Aux MEETS @ 7 PM	19 Hamburger Night BRATS & KRAUT Crew— J Becker	20 POST/AUX Meeting 7:00 pm House Comm Meeting @ 6:00pm Sewing Ladies 1:00pm	21 HAPPY HOUR 4 TO 7	22 American Legion Outside Kids HALLOWEEN PARTY 10 AM—1 PM 10 point pitch @ noon Room Rentals Available
23 AMERICAN LEGION BREAKFAST 8:30—11:30 AM  Room Rentals Available	24	25	26 Hamburger Night CHICKEN FRIED STEAK Crew— S Schaefer Quilts of Valor@6:30	27 Sewing Ladies 1:00pm MOC COOTIES @ 7:00pm Quilts of Valor @ 6:30	28 HAPPY HOUR 4 TO 7	29 NEBRASKA FOOTBALL TBD N 10 point pitch @ noon Room Rentals Available



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SUNDAY BREAKFAST
HAMBURGER NIGHT
NEBRASKA FOOTBALL

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

From Your Honor Guard Captain Dan Raabe

MILITARY RITES: AUGUST 2022

Military Members Deceased	Cemetery	#	Hours
8/03/2022 Larry Nemitz	Omaha National	6	18
8/04/2022 David Samson	Westlawn	4	12
8/04/2022 Gary Roudebush	Omaha National	6	18
8/05/2022 Virgil Michalski	Forest Lawn	7	21
8/05/2022 Russell Mauntz	Westlawn	5	15
8/09/2022 Robert Burns	Omaha National	9	27
8/09/2022 John Inbuls	Omaha National	10	30
8/10/2022 Glen Flowers	Holy Spirit Church	9	27
8/11/2022 Fred Willis	Omaha National	9	27
8/12/2022 Robert Kier	Omaha National	11	33
8/12/2022 Leon Quigley	Omaha National	11	33
8/15/2022 Ralph Adkins	Omaha National	6	18
8/16/2022 *Margaret Reece	Westlawn	8	24
8/16/2022 Larry Solko	Omaha National	8	24
8/16/2022 Darreal Averett	Omaha National	7	21
8/17/2022 William Gaffeny	Resurrection	10	30
8/17/2022 Eugene Josey-Lighthart	Westlawn	10	30
8/19/2022 Kare McCearry	St. Paul Mi. Church	5	15
8/19/2022 Olen York III	Omaha National	5	15
8/22/2022 Leo Pezedretz	Calvary	8	24
8/24/2022 Mike Rogers	Omaha National	7	21
8/25/2022 Guy Bullard	Omaha National	9	27
8/26/2022 Galvin Humphrey	Omaha National	9	27
8/26/2022 James Kelly JR	Forest Lawn	8	24
8/26/2022 George Raishy	Roeder Chapel	7	21
8/27/2022 Riley Chadwell	Evergreen	4	12
8/29/2022 *James Camenzine	Omaha National	10	30
8/29/2022 Mike Linch	Resurrection	8	24
8/30/2022 Lydon Shedde	Omaha National	6	18
8/31/2022 Edward O'Neil	Calvary	9	27

* Post Member
Months' Total: 30 Funerals, 231 Member Participation, 693 Hours

AUGUST 2022
All of our brave brothers
And sisters
who have
Passed before us.



NOTICE: All articles should be in the Newsletter Box, **IN WRITING**, at the Post no later than SATURDAY, October **22nd**, for the **NOVEMBER Newsletter**. If articles are not submitted by the deadline, they will have to wait for the next newsletter. *Thank you.*

The Post is selling Memorial Bricks around the memorial walk and flag. Memorial Bricks are being sold by Post 2503 to be put around the outside of the Memorial flag pole. These bricks will cost \$60.00 each. They will be for VFW, Auxiliary, AMVET & Auxiliary members, their families, and people they sponsor. They will be ordered once a year on April 1st, for installation by Memorial Day each year. Max 16 spaces per line, 3 lines, and cost \$60.00 per brick.



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Phone # _____

WORDS ON BRICK

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Checks Only—No Cash / Return this form to the Post