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## VFW Commander's Message

Greetings all to a new year in the VFW organization cycle.

First, I want to thank and express my admiration to Cy, Brian, Mel, Ellis and the leaders in our Auxiliary, for addressing and conquering the myriad complex challenges that they encountered during this past year. It is largely because of their hard work that Post 10018 still exists as a functional organization. In the near future, I fully intend to build on what these terrific Comrades passed to us.

Second, I am both humbled and excited to be your Commander for this coming year. I am humbled because, even though I feel in comparison to all the war stories I have heard in the canteen, that I had a relatively mundane military career. I consider it an honor to be in the company of men and women who have demonstrated the selfless courage to serve their country; often putting yourselves in harm's way to do so. Yet even after hanging up your service uniform, you continue to demonstrate a desire to serve.

I am excited that, having gone through a harrowing year and half of clinical threats (COVID-19) associated with fits and starts at opening for business, our Post is about to break out into a very, active period. To kick things off, we look forward to enjoying another Post BBQ this August (more specifics about this later in this newsletter) which I anticipate will be the harbinger of reopening a refurbished, well-equipped kitchen.

We will also see the resuscitation of Bingo, Pony Races, and other enjoyable activities as we fully reopen our Canteen to full capacity.

This past year the pandemic has curtailed any opportunity to call our community neighbors' attention to the price our comrades have paid for freedom with Buddy Poppy drives. This interaction

is always enjoyable for both the volunteers to distribute those beautiful red flowers as well as for the public to stop and share their support and remembrance of their service or that of a family member.

This is only a partial list of activities we plan to engage in this coming year, and we need everyone to put on their volunteer hats to ensure that each event is successful. So, raise your hands guys and gals. When you are asked to "help out" with an event, activity or service, please know that your skills and talents are sincerely needed. Your participation, dear Comrades, brothers and sisters, is fundamental to the continued success of our Post. Everything you will do to help us help you, will make this an active, successful, and exciting year.

I look forward to getting acquainted with all of you and working hard to make Narrows Bridge Post 10018 the best we can be. We are the product of our history, now let us make history that those who follow will be eager to build on.

Al Schweitzer

Post Commander elect, VFW 10018

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### AUXILIARY President's message

Another newsletter to everyone!! The auxiliary is again paying for the mailing of this month's newsletter so information can be sent to all, however, to limit costs, it is only one page again.

We are so glad our post canteen is again **open** for business with safe distancing **enforced**.

We will be having "in person" meetings on **WEDNESDAY'S, July 7<sup>th</sup> and August 4<sup>th</sup> with meetings at 7:00 pm (1900 hrs.)**.

See you at our BBQ on August 28<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

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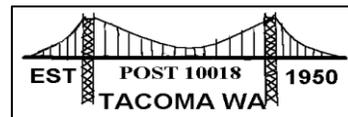
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### **FREE BURGER BURN,**

**that's right FREE as in FREE.**

As our way to WELCOME BACK our membership after the long Covid winter we're going to have a membership get together/picnic on **August 28th 2:00 till 6:00**. This is also a membership drive as well, so reach out, find a prospective member, bring them along and sign them up! The club will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs and all the fixings and you can bring a salad- dessert or any special side dish you wish.



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