THE RIVERVIEW MEMORIAL DEBRIEF

Sept 2023

Veterans of Foreign Wars Riverview Memorial – Post 8108 7504 Riverview Dr, Riverview FL 33578 813.671.9845 WWW.VFW8108.ORG

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Post 8108 officers attend FL Department SOI in Orlando



(I to r) Michelle Cameron - Auxiliary Junior Vice Pres, Cody Palmer - Post Junior Vice Commander, Anita Webb - Auxiliary President, Nelson Betancourt - Post Commander.

Commander's Message:

Friends all,

Two and a half months into this VFW year and much has been taking place at Riverview Memorial. Team members attended the Dept SOI in Orlando, we hosted the District meeting last month, conducted a Membership & Buddy Poppy drive on Mac Dill AFB, participated in the 4th of July parade, celebrated several birthdays (USCG, USAF), and we've observed solemn dates too.

Not withstanding the coming cooler months, we plan on moving forward full steam ahead. Closing this month and rolling into the next – I hope to see a few new faces at Saturday's the 30th GI Party, then when we celebrate Women in Service, and at our yearly kids friendly Halloween Trunk-or-Treat on October 31. Don't forget to join the fun at the "Save the Tatas" extravaganza – an Auxiliary cancer aid and research fund raiser. Also come and partake in our Navy birthday celebration, and the rest of the events scheduled throughout the year.

By the way, don't be surprised if over the coming months you get a phone call on behalf of the Post, it's just our way of reaching out, saying hello, and making a Buddy Check.

Looking forward to seeing and greeting you at the post.

Nelson Betancourt Commander, VFW Post 8108 HOOAH!

Auxiliary President's Message:

Happy Fall 8108 family! We wrapped up a successful summer with some awards and recognition at Convention, a successful back-to-school drive, and new auxiliary officer installation.

Our busy months are now upon us. Now is the time for all hands on deck! We are looking for help with volunteers for dinners, breakfast, and upcoming events. We are currently working on our annual Save the TA TA's campaign for Hooked on Hope. I hope to make our new goal of \$1000 to beat last year. You can help by being a contestant on Oct 21, supporting our in-house donations, or showing your appreciation on the evening of the event at 6 pm.

Don't forget it's membership drive time. We are just shy of 30 members to hit our goal for the end of year. Auxiliary or Post members do get credit for referring to either organization. Make sure to put your member ID on the membership form.

Finally, reach out to a post or auxiliary officer if you know of a youth who would like scholarship opportunities with Patriots Pen or Voice of Democracy. The deadline for sign-up is Oct 31. Applicants DO NOT have to be post or VFW-affiliated. This is an opportunity to share with the community what an amazing organization you are part of!

Looking forward to seeing you at the Post.

Yours in Service, Anita Webb VFW 8108 Auxiliary President 2022-2024

Post Hours of Operation:

Monday – Saturday: 1100 ~ 2100 Hours Sunday: 0900 ~ 2100 Hours

Phone: 813. 671.9845

Post Officers 2023 - 2024

Nelson Betancourt – Commander
Thomas Moncrief – Senior Vice Commander
Cody Palmer – Junior Vice Commander
David Stevens – Quartermaster
Chris Walters – Adjutant
Nick Bardash – 3YR Trustee
Joseph Muhlberger – 2YR Trustee
Dwain Hannah – 1YR Trustee
Craig Stinson – Chaplain / Service Officer
Greg Floyd – Service Officer

Auxiliary Officers 2023-2024

Anita Webb – President
Carole Johnson – Senior Vice President
Michelle Cameron – Junior Vice President
Cindy Flowers – Treasurer
Terri Zell – Secretary
Bill O'Keefe – Chaplain
Eileen Burke – Guard
Teresa Ponce – Conductress
Suzy Hunt – Patriotic Instructor
Carol Brower – 3YR Trustee
Eilen Burke – 2YR Trustee
Patti Alley – 1YR Trustee

TAPS

SGM Russ MacDaniel June 26, 2023



Recent Membership & Buddy Poppy Drives at the Mac Dill AFB Post Exchange



Birthday Celebrations!







What's Been Happening At The Post













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Membership Renewal

If your membership has expired, or is about to expire, you can renew online or better yet - just visit the Post, spend some time with us and renew in person. It's that important!

Upcoming Events At The Post



Post GI Party – Part II

Saturday 9.30.23 starting at 0800 Hours.

We can use an extra hand or two.

Be part of this month's volunteer crew.



This and every **Sunday**, **breakfast** from **9 am to Noon**.

Come join us!

More Upcoming Events At The Post

Post Monthly Steak Dinner
October 7. 2023
1700 – 1900 HRS



VFW 8108 AUXILIARY SAVE THE TA TA'S

BREAST CANCER
AWARENESS MONTH



BREAST CANCER TABLE IN HALL
BREAST CANCER RIBBONS FOR SALE
OKTOBERFEST DINNER BY LAURA
MS RIVER RAT 2023 PAGENT
\$5 ENTRY COME TIP THE TATA'S
ALL PROCEEDS GO TO HOOKED ON HOPE
HELP UNDERINSURED BREAST CANCER PATIENTS
IN OUR COMMUNITY

SATURDAY OCT 21, 2023 4:30-6:30 OKTOBERFEST DINNER 6PM PAGENT



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Post Auxiliary sponsored fundraiser, cancer aid & research – 10.21.23.

VFW Post 8108 - September 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 Steak Dinner 1700-1900 HRS
3 Wings Sunday 1300 HRS *Sunday Breakfast 0900-1200 HRS	4 Labor Day	5 TACO Tues	6	7 HC Mtg 1900 HRS	8	9
10 Wings Sunday 1300HRS *Sunday Breakfast 0900-1200 HRS	11 Patriots Day Ceremony 1800 HRS	12 Aux Mtg 1900 HRS * TACO Tues	13	14 Post Mtg 1930 HRS	15 POW/MIA Ceremony 1800 HRAS	16 Aux Dinner 1630-1830 HRS
17 Wings Sunday 1300 HRS *Sunday Breakfast 0900-1200 HRS	18 USAF Birthday - Cake Cutting 1800 HRS	19 TACO Tues	20	21	22	23
24 Wings Sunday 1300 HRS *Sunday Breakfast 0900-1200 HRS	25	26 TACO Tues	27	28	29	30 POST GI Party 0800 HRS