

# May 2009 Newsletter

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## VFW OFFICERS

Commander – Elmo Langley	Trustee – Earl Sechler
Sr. Vice – Jeff Friar	Trustee – Jack Kerns
Jr. Vice – Terry Beaver	Trustee – Alvin Jones
Quartermaster – Leo Long	Chair. House – Ken Lee
Chaplain – Jerry Overman	House – Jim Hopkins
Judge Advocate – Dallas Hudson	House – Steve Coulson
Surgeon – Skip Hunt	

## LADIES AUXILIARY

President – Colleen Sakala	Guard – Karene Sakala
Sr. Vice – Deanna Long	Trustee – Teri Thompkins
Jr. Vice – Betty Morris	Trustee – Debbie Fox
Treasurer – BJ Rape'	Trustee – Christy Railey
Chaplain – Janice Gatti	Patriotic Inst. – Christy Railey
Conductress – Dotty Brimhall	Secretary – Elaine Friar

## Commanders Corner:

**May 16, 2009**, the Color Guard is sponsoring a Children's Christmas Fund variety show. For only \$12.00 you will enjoy a spaghetti dinner at 6:00-7:00 pm and then entertainment at 7:30-11:00pm. For tickets, call Brenda Morgan at 704-334-4479. Join us to show support for our military reserve and deployed, as well as their families.

I hope everyone has had a great spring this year and are doing well. Thanks to everyone who came to eat and those who worked at the fish fry. The post elections have been held and listed in the news letter below. Congratulations to everyone elected and pray for a successful coming year. Do not forget the upcoming events at the post as the members do a lot of work for these events. GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS. THANKS.

***Elmo (Butch) Langley, Commander***

## Quartermaster:

The new Post Officers for the upcoming year are:

Commander	Jeff Friar	Trustee	Alvin Jones
Sr. Vice Commander	Terry Beaver	Trustee	Earl Sechler
Jr. Vice Commander	Lewis Hunt	Trustee	Jack Kerns
Quartermaster/Adjutant	Leo Long	House	Ken Lee
Chaplain	Jerry Overman	House	Jim Hopkins
Judge Advocate	Dallas Hudson	House	Butch Langley
Surgeon	Skip Hunt		

They will assume their positions following the Department Convention June 18-21, 2009.

FYI, Carolinas Rehabilitation is the sole rehabilitation hospital in North Carolina to accept TRICARE insurance. This is the health care program for active duty and retired military members, their families and survivors.

***Leo Long, Quartermaster***

## House Committee:

**May 25**, at 1:00 pm we will be holding a Memorial Day Ceremony at the Post. Following the ceremony, lunch will be served. Join us and show respect for our veterans who gave so much for us and our country. We will be serving barbecue, baked beans, cole slaw and rolls for lunch.

***Ken Lee, Chairman***

## Ladies Auxiliary:

We hope you have purchased your tickets for the upcoming party. **May 2, 2009**. The ladies Auxiliary is hosting a "Military Ball" and tickets are on sale now for \$12.00 each. Come and enjoy a fantastic meal, special guests and great music. Wear your finery and join us for a terrific evening starting at 6:00 pm with dinner and then music at 7:30pm.

Members, thank you for your hard work and jobs well done this past year. Congratulations to the new officers elected and we look forward to a successful year to come. Following the Department Convention June 18-21, the officers will assume their responsibilities. Auxiliary officers are:

President	Colleen Sakala	Guard	Karene Sakala
Sr. Vice President	Deanna Long	Trustee	Mary Ann Robinson
Jr. Vice President	Betty Morris	Trustee	Teri Thompkins
Treasurer	BJ Rape'	Trustee	Debbie Fox
Chaplain	Christy Railey	Patriotic Inst.	Erin Fox
Conductress	Dotty Brimhall	Secretary	Elaine Friar

We are continuing the food drive for those needing assistance during these stressful economic times. If possible, please share your bounty and bring non-perishable food items and place in the designated barrel.

***Colleen Sakala, President***

**Military Order of the Cootie Auxiliary:**

Next meeting will be **Sunday, May 3rd at 2:00 p.m.**

We celebrated St. Patrick's Day with the patients from Salisbury and the Charlottetown Manor on March 25 with a wonderful dinner of corn beef, cabbage, and boiled potatoes. I would like to thank our post House Chairman for donating the ice cream for dessert. Our April dinner was fried chicken, pinto beans, slaw & rolls.

MOC/MOCA Grand Convention will be held in Hickory on **May 29 – May 31, 2009**. The hotel is the Quality Inn and Suites, 1725 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. Drive NW, Hickory, NC 28601. Telephone: 828-431-2100. Website: <http://www.vfwwebcom.org/nc/grandofnc>.

Next patient's visit will be **May 27<sup>th</sup>**. This will be the last time we have the patients to come for dinner until September. Please come and show our veterans how much we appreciate what they have done for us and our country. Don't forget your dessert.

***Dottie Brimhall, MOCA President***