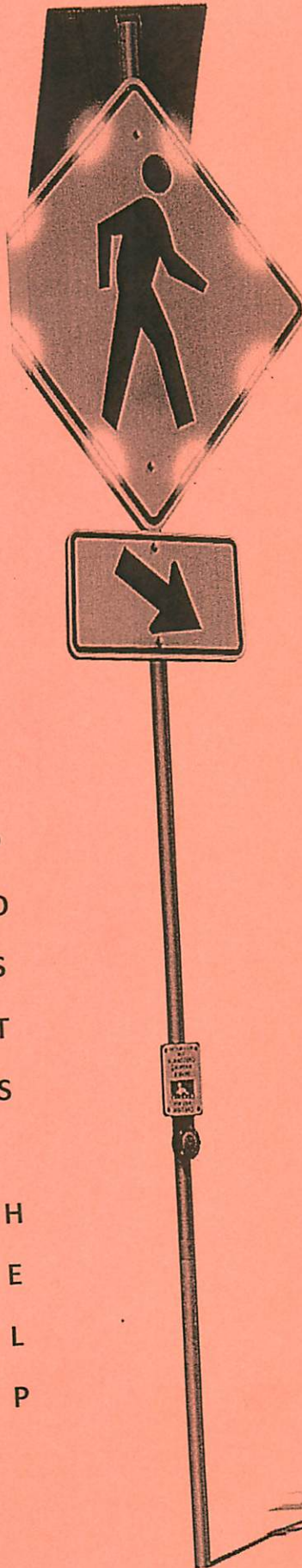


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As mentioned by the State Commander at the last Council Meeting, he wanted to do something in the Safety area where ALL the VFW Posts and Auxiliaries could get involved in a joint effort.

After speaking to Tammy Marzik the CT VA Commissioners Administrative Assistant, it was determined that the Rocky Hill Veterans Home has been trying for a few years to get 6 free standing Solar powered crossing signs where someone, even in a wheelchair, could press a button and the lights would flash, warning the driver of a car to stop and allow the person to cross the street safely.

These would be used on campus at 3 locations and would provide a safe way for the Veterans to cross the street. The VA will install them.

The price of each one of them is close to \$4,000.00 or shy of \$24,000.00 for the 6 that are needed. (Might get 20% off the price)

With a hundred VFW Posts in the state, and the CT VFW Auxiliary partnering with us, this is a project we all really need to get involved in to help keep the Veterans at the Veterans Home safe.

Please bring this to the attention of your members at your next post or auxiliary meeting and ask for the their support of this project. .

YES, We want to help keep our Vet's safe.

Enclosed is our donation of _____

VFW Post # and Name _____

Auxiliary Post # and Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Please make check out to VFW and Mail to VFW –
P O BOX 429 – Rocky Hill, CT 06067 -Thank You!!

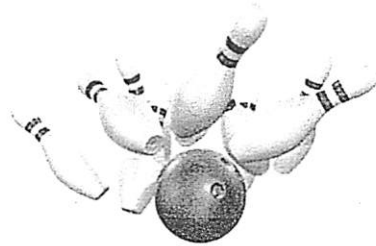


Division of Foreign Wars of the United States

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY



Department of Connecticut American Legion & Veterans of Foreign Wars Family Bowling Tournament



Saturday April 27, 2019, 1:00 pm
Bowl-O-Rama
2143 Berlin Turnpike
Newington, CT

Tournament is open to all American Legion & VFW members and the Family. Proceeds benefit each Commander's Project. Please get together your 4 person Teams by April 22, 2019.

Only 30 lanes will be available.

Cost is \$20.00 per person, Includes shoe rental, 3 Games of Bowling and Pizza

Please return this portion with your names in the order you will be bowling. They will be entered into the automated scoring system before you arrive.

Mail Checks Payable to: "American Legion Dept of CT"

American Legion Department of Connecticut
ATTN: Bowling Tournament
PO Box 208
Rocky Hill, CT 06067-0208

Team Name _____ Check# _____

Name	Post/Unit	District	Contact Information
1.)			
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**DISTRICT FOUR
DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT
Veterans of Foreign Wars
and VFW Auxiliary**



TESTIMONIAL DINNER

HONORING

**Dominick Cortese
District 4 Commander**

**Lorraine LaCroix
District 4 President**

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019

**HARLEY P. CHASE VFW POST 1265
160 South Broad Street
Pawcatuck, CT 06379**

Cocktail Hour 12:00 Noon to 1:00 PM – Dinner 1:30 PM

**Roast Beef
Salad, Rolls and Butter
Mashed Potatoes
Vegetable
Coffee, Tea and Dessert**

Tickets: \$25.00 per person

Table Reservations in Groups of 8 Reserve _____ Table(s)

Please Reserve _____ tickets at \$25.00 each \$ _____

Deadline for tickets: March 19, 2019

No tickets will be sold at the door. Reserved tickets will be held at the door.

Make checks payable to District 4 VFW and mail to:

Kenneth C. Hartline, Quartermaster
135 Asher Avenue
Pawcatuck, CT 06379

Name: _____ Post/Aux. _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

JIM DELANCY, STATE COMMANDER

MEMBERSHIP STANDINGS AS OF

1/31/2019

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<u>DIV 7</u>	<u>5 POSTS</u>	<u>D#</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>% NOW</u>	<u>+/-</u>
9422	WEST HAVEN	2	66	63	95.45%	-3
1926	SIMSBURY	3	57	54	94.74%	-3
597	ANSONIA	2	60	56	93.33%	-4
9544	SUFFIELD	3	64	58	90.63%	-6
10321	HAMDEN	2	61	50	81.97%	-11
9990	STAFFORD SPRING	3	63	45	71.43%	-18
<u>DIV 8</u>	<u>18 POSTS</u>	<u>D#</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>% NOW</u>	<u>+/-</u>
2212	TAFTVILLE	4	45	48	106.67%	3
12084	SEYMOUR	2	51	54	105.88%	3
10201	BROOKFIELD	1	47	49	104.26%	2
8776	HEBRON	3	45	45	100.00%	0
10362	MIDDLEFIELD	6	51	50	98.04%	-1
9836	NEWINGTON	3	46	45	97.83%	-1
4608	LEDYARD	4	48	46	95.83%	-2
1607	SOUTHURBY	2	52	49	94.23%	-3
10251	SOUTH WINDSOR	3	47	41	87.23%	-6
10273	BRIDGEPORT	1	46	40	86.96%	-6
6726	ESSEX	6	46	40	86.96%	-6
10052	CHESHIRE	2	53	44	83.02%	-9

<u>DIV 9</u>	<u>10 POSTS</u>	<u>D#</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>% NOW</u>	<u>+/-</u>
1840	MIDDLETOWN	6	36	38	105.56%	2
2774	SALEM	4	35	35	100.00%	0
10112	COS COB	1	42	41	97.62%	-1
10466	SHELTON	1	43	41	95.35%	-2
10690	HIGGANUM	6	41	38	92.68%	-3
10589	COVENTRY	3	36	33	91.67%	-3
3336	EAST HADDAM	6	44	40	90.91%	-4
6990	COLCHESTER	4	35	31	88.57%	-4
6121	PORTLAND	6	44	38	86.36%	-6
<u>DIV 10</u>	<u>18 POSTS</u>	<u>D#</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>% NOW</u>	<u>+/-</u>
9243	LAKEVILLE	5	16	17	106.25%	1
10169	DURHAM	6	22	23	104.55%	1
935	BETHEL	1	25	26	104.00%	1
938	WEST WILLINGTON	3	28	28	100.00%	0
572	THOMASTON	5	27	26	96.30%	-1
3052	RIDGEFIELD	1	19	18	94.74%	-1
10190	GEORGETOWN	1	25	23	92.00%	-2
9856	CORNWALL	5	17	15	88.24%	-2
1009	BLOOMFIELD	3	32	23	71.88%	-9

<u>DISTRICT #</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>% NOW</u>	<u>+/-</u>
<u>DISTRICT 4</u>	2797	2650	94.74%	-147
<u>DISTRICT 1</u>	1845	1747	94.69%	-98
<u>DISTRICT 3</u>	2285	2140	93.65%	-145
<u>DISTRICT 5</u>	1394	1282	91.97%	-112
<u>DISTRICT 6</u>	817	732	89.60%	-85
<u>DISTRICT 2</u>	2326	1943	83.53%	-383
<u>AT LARGE</u>	13410	12286	<u>91.62%</u>	<u>-1124</u>
<u>TOTALS</u>	24874	22780	91.58%	-2094

DISTRICT COMMANDER OF THE MONTH
Dominic Cortese DISTRICT 4

<u>DIVISION COMMANDER OF THE MONTH</u>		
DIV 1	Steve-Evangelista	9460 STRATFORD
DIV 2	Paul-Schlemmer	149 DANBURY
DIV 3	George-Baldwin	9452 PRESTON
DIV 4	Roger-Ochs	2083 EAST HARTFORD
DIV 5	William-D'Appollonio	10688 CANTERBURY
DIV 6	John-Barnas	254 HARTFORD
DIV 7	Freddy-Jackson	9422 WEST HAVEN
DIV 8	David-Buchan	2212 TAFTVILLE
DIV 9	Frank-Martini	1840 MIDDLETOWN
DIV 10	Christopher-Ohmen	9243 LAKEVILLE

<u>COMPARATIVE FIGURES</u>			
	<u>6/30/18</u>	<u>06/30/19</u>	
LIFE	9521	9611	
NEW	58	156	
REINSTATES	13	53	
<u>CONTINUOUS</u>	<u>3819</u>	<u>2466</u>	
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>13411</u>	<u>12286</u>	91.61%

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DIV 1 2 POSTS						DIV 4 8 POSTS							
D#	2018	2019	% NOW	+/-		D#	2018	2019	% NOW	+/-			
9460	STRATFORD	1	435	403	92.64%	-32	2083	EAST HARTFORD	3	106	120	113.21%	14
7330	OAKVILLE	5	685	626	91.39%	-59	5849	NIANTIC	4	98	97	98.98%	-1
							6851	CANAAN	5	153	151	98.69%	-2
DIV 2 11 POSTS						DIV 5 14 POSTS							
D#	2018	2019	% NOW	+/-		D#	2018	2019	% NOW	+/-			
149	DANBURY	1	300	297	99.00%	-3	574	PLAINVILLE	3	137	135	98.54%	-2
2046	MANCHESTER	3	222	218	98.20%	-4	603	NORWALK	1	100	97	97.00%	-3
1724	WILLIMANTIC	4	239	231	96.65%	-8	189	NEW LONDON	4	139	134	96.40%	-5
10004	JEWETT CITY	4	309	296	95.79%	-13	10689	ELLINGTON	3	110	105	95.45%	-5
9965	YALESVILLE	2	201	192	95.52%	-9	6933	NOROTON HEIGHTS	1	140	132	94.29%	-8
594	NORWICH	4	213	202	94.84%	-11	308	NEWTOWN	1	128	119	92.97%	-9
1672	NEW MILFORD	5	220	207	94.09%	-13	10732	BERLIN	3	133	121	90.98%	-12
10060	MONTVILLE	4	212	198	93.40%	-14	8075	PROSPECT	2	106	95	89.62%	-11
9929	WEST HARTFORD	3	247	230	93.12%	-17	5157	WATERTOWN	5	124	103	83.06%	-21
1265	PAWCATUCK	4	215	200	93.02%	-15	3272	AVON	3	140	114	81.43%	-26
5095	EAST HAMPTON	6	203	186	91.63%	-17	7666	GUILFORD	2	101	80	79.21%	-21
3263	MYSTIC	4	218	196	89.91%	-22							
511	NEW BRITAIN	3	221	189	85.52%	-32	DIV 6 14 POSTS						
7788	DEVON	2	284	242	85.21%	-42	D#	2018	2019	% NOW	+/-		
591	WALLINGFORD	2	260	219	84.23%	-41	10688	CANTERBURY	4	83	79	95.18%	-4
201	WATERBURY	2	203	160	78.82%	-43	6573	WATERFORD	4	93	87	93.55%	-6
1946	NAUGATUCK	2	320	218	68.13%	-102	1467	OLD LYME	4	80	73	91.25%	-7
							10059	TRUMBULL	1	78	71	91.03%	-7
							2650	DANIELSON	4	92	81	88.04%	-11
							4740	WINDSOR	3	79	69	87.34%	-10
							9617	STAMFORD	1	83	70	84.34%	-13
							9918	CLINTON	6	82	67	81.71%	-15
							2096	MADISON	2	85	69	81.18%	-16
							12106	BRANFORD	2	94	73	77.66%	-21
DIV 3 12 POSTS						DIV 6 14 POSTS							
D#	2018	2019	% NOW	+/-		D#	2018	2019	% NOW	+/-			
9452	PRESTON	4	158	173	109.49%	15	254	HARTFORD	3	73	79	108.22%	6
6123	WINDSOR LOCKS	3	173	170	98.27%	-3	10361	FARMINGTON	3	65	64	98.46%	-1
399	WESTPORT	1	185	179	96.76%	-6	9427	FAIRFIELD	1	78	76	97.44%	-2
2138	ROCKY HILL	3	161	154	95.65%	-7	583	MIDDLETOWN	6	67	63	94.03%	-4
1523	PUTNAM	4	157	145	92.36%	-12	4908	EAST KILLINGLY	4	73	67	91.78%	-6
5446	PLAINFIELD	4	187	171	91.44%	-16	653	NEW CANAAN	1	71	65	91.55%	-6
296	WINSTED	5	152	137	90.13%	-15	12150	NEW HAVEN	2	75	68	90.67%	-7
10153	OLD SAYBROOK	6	181	149	82.32%	-32	10088	THOMPSON	4	68	60	88.24%	-8
1979	WOLCOTT	2	176	143	81.25%	-33							
DEPARTMENT AT LARGE													
15007	HARTFORD	99	1946	1792	92.09%	-154							
Comrades,													

Every month I'm hoping to find our VFW near to the top of the national rating, even 20th place would be a show that we are working to create a strong VFW to help our Veterans; but we are losing ground, Why? When we don't call our expiring members to remind them that their dues are due - When you don't check on why a long time member hasn't been to a meeting or the Post in a while, and when we are not out visible working in the community, there so many reasons to call them, and there is NO reason good reason for not doing it! PR is our best advertising to gaining new members, P R (Public Relations). P R Personality Required (always be positive when talking about the VFW). P R, Proud to Recruit), (show your belief in the VFW), P R Positive Review, only give positive answers, if questioned about something that is not positive, remember, we deal with all problems to correct or remove the problem. P R Positive Reinforcement, (tell a potential member we are there to help them their families and communities, and guide them through the VA system if necessary).

Once again, your District and Department Officers are there to help you. You JUST HAVE TO ASK!!! Jim Delancy, State VFW Commander.

VFW Department of Connecticut District 2 Testimonial Dinner



Appetizers

Shrimp w/Cocktail Sauce, Deviled Eggs,
Vegetable Platter.

Dinner

Roast Beef, Fancy Green Beans,
Roasted Red Potatoes, Ziti w/Marina Sauce,
Tossed Salad.

Cake

Water, Soda, Coffee, Tea.

Honoring

Commander Joseph Razzaia

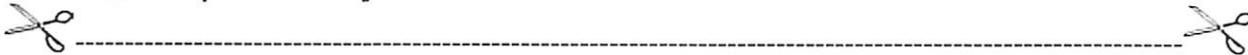
President Kathrine Fleischauer

Post 7788 Devon, CT

Sunday, February 10, 2019

Cocktail Hour 1pm, Dinner 2pm

Tickets \$30.00/Person



Please mail this slip and your check, payable to District 2, VFW CT, to:

John C. Leblanc

District 2 Quartermaster

36 Patricia Ln

Naugatuck, CT. 06770

Number of Tickets: _____ Amount of Check: \$ _____ Post/Aux _____

LIST WILL BE AT THE DOOR, DEADLINE FOR TICKETS FEB, 6

COMMANDER'S CHALLENGE

Commander-in-Chief B.J. Lawrence has laid down a challenge to all VFW Posts for the month of February 2019!



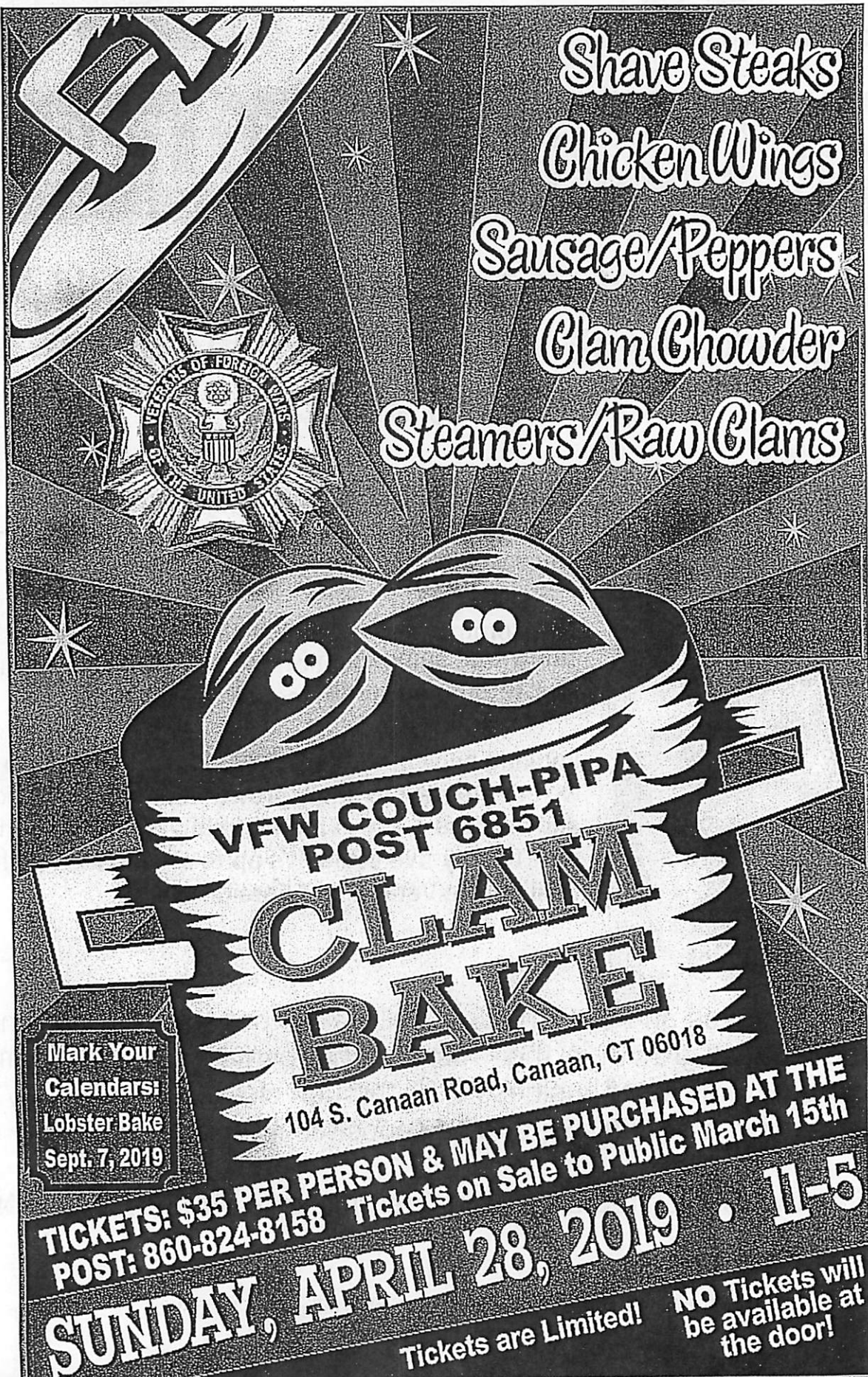
To most people, February brings thoughts of Valentine's Day, a romantic holiday to spend with the ones we love.

The Commander-in-Chief is challenging all of us to show that same devotion to our mission of recruiting and retention over the month of February!

Looking back at the first half of the membership year, we are on track to show growth as an organization and surpass 100% in membership for the first time in over twenty-five years! It's up to all of us to reach that goal for the Veterans of Foreign Wars!

At close of business on February 28th, 2019, the Post in each Division that shows the highest growth in their membership percentage for the month (measured from close of business 1/31 through close of business 2/28) will receive a **\$1,000** award to be deposited into the Post Fund!

It's time to focus on recruiting and retention, let's **MAKE IT HAPPEN!**



Shave Steaks
 Chicken Wings
 Sausage/Peppers
 Clam Chowder
 Steamers/Raw Clams

VFW COUCH-PIPA
 POST 6851

**CLAM
 BAKE**

104 S. Canaan Road, Canaan, CT 06018

Mark Your
 Calendars:
 Lobster Bake
 Sept. 7, 2019

TICKETS: \$35 PER PERSON & MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE
 POST: 860-824-8158 Tickets on Sale to Public March 15th

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2019 • 11-5

Tickets are Limited!
 NO Tickets will
 be available at
 the door!

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
AND VFW AUXILIARY
DISTRICT 4

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY – PATRIOT’S PEN
AWARDS LUNCHEON

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2019

WILLIAM L. MERCIER VFW POST 5446
7 WINSOR AVE
PLAINFIELD, CT. 06374

STUFFED CHICKEN BREAST DINNER – 1:00 PM

TICKETS: \$15.00 PER PERSON

Please reserve _____ tickets @ 15.00 each \$ _____

Deadline for tickets: February 18, 2019

Checks payable to District 4 VFW and mail to:

Kenneth C. Hartline, Quartermaster (860) 599-5252

135 Asher Ave. – Pawcatuck, CT 06379

Name: _____ Post/Aux. _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

VFW SEYMOUR POST 12084

IRISH
DINNER



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NIGHT
DANCE

MARCH 17, 2019 3pm-8pm

La Sala Banquet Hall, Sons of Italy

73 High St. Derby CT 06418

"ALL YOU CAN EAT" sit down Dinner & Dancing Corn Beef, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, ziti and broccoli salad, rolls, cake, coffee, soda, water.

Cash Bar-Music-50/50 Raffle-Door Prizes:

Proceeds to benefit Local Veterans of Foreign Wars:

Donation \$20/ kids \$9/ under 5 free CALL:

AL@203-736-7981/STEVE@203-654-1002