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**Commanders Message**

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**Commander Bobby Jeans -** June 10th our last meeting of the year before summer recess will also be our installation of Officers meeting for the year 2010 and 2011 season. I would like to see as many members present as possible to show honor to the men and women who have taken their oath to advance the goals of the VFW. I would like to congratulate our recently elected officers and wish them all a successful coming year.

**2010-2011 VFW OFFICERS** Commander Robert Jeans, Sr. Vice Commander Brian Hirth, Jr. Vice Commander Dan Simms, Quartermaster Richard Banks, Post Adjutant Bill Salzmann, Service Officer Joseph Weaver, Judge Advocate Terry Dempsey, Chaplin Bill Boll, Asst. Chaplin Ed Sulenski, Surgeon Jerry Dobbins, Officer of the Day Paul Campanelli, Guard Bo Haniak, Trustee 3 year Ed Sulenski, Trustee 2 year Rich Harrison and Trustee 1 year George Kloss. Congratulations to all.

**Memorial Day Activities** We completed another successful year showing honor and tribute to our fallen comrades. Over 75 supporters were mustered in at the KVC for breakfast then off to Graceland Cemetery for flag deployment. Our turnout just gets bigger and bigger each year. Thanks to all who helped. Memorial Day services at the KVC had the biggest turn out ever. All went as scheduled and was well attended by the membership.

**VFW DISTRICT 5 -** District 5 held their convention on May 19th 2010 at the KVC. The 2010-2011 officers were elected. For the first time since it's inception in 1928 District 5 has elected the District Commander Bob Jeans for a third term of office. Congratulations Bob on a well deserved title. The State convention is scheduled for June 16th thru the 20th at the Convention Center in Wildwood, NJ.



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**Poppies** I would like to thank Chairman Ed Sulenski of the Poppies Committee and his staff John Genega, Ray Scheuerer, Joe Weaver, Charlie Jason, George and Paul Klose, Brian Hirth, Harold Scheidegger and of course our girl in the lounge Kathy Curren. Thanks to all for another sell out year all 3,500 poppies received donations. Job well done by all of you.

**BOY SCOUTS** – VFW sponsored BSA Troop 83 hosted the Court of Honor for Jeffery Jaeckel on Sunday May 16th at the KVC. Jeffery is the fourth Scout from troop 83 in as many years to achieve the highest BSA rank of Eagle Scout. Job well done Scoutmaster and VFW member John Kozak.

**Cell Phones For Soldiers** - Just wanted to remind everyone that our Cell Phones for Soldiers program is still going strong. If you are disposing of your old cell phone drop by the post and drop it in our basket in the Lounge. If you can't make it to the post call Bobby Jeans and he will make arrangements to have the phone picked up.

**Sr. Vice Commander – Brian Hirth** On behalf of the Post and it's members I would like to thank Ed McDyer and his Maintenance Crew for an outstanding job in keeping our post and the KVC in spic and span order. I would like the membership to know that with the many many rentals and weather conditions being what they are they have performed above and beyond our expectations. Bill Sinkowitz has devoted several hours per day in completing maintenance task. Many of these individual projects were long past due for much needed attention. Bill a job well done and please keep up the good work.

**Jr. Vice Commander Dan Simms** - As the newly appointed chairman of the Scholarship Committee I would like to report that we have the brochures for the Youth Essay/Patriotic Pen and Voice of Democracy contest for the 2010-2011 program year. We will have them in our three schools before the next meeting. The senior awards program for the 2009-2010 year took place in the High School Auditorium on Thursday June 3, 2010 at 7:00pm. KVC/VFW awardees were Nick Fields, Kelli Ann Seibert, Dominick Vitale. Special recognition Eagle Scouts Zachary Kozak and Jeffery Jaeckel.



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Out of District Awardees and Honorable Mention Robert Schielke Jr. and Nicole Lodato. All received scholarships of \$500.00 for the Voice of Democracy Competition. Our awardees for our Patriots Pen Award were Allysa Preya Kemraj and Marcos Recio.

**Chaplin – Bill Boll** Comrades with summer approaching I would like to extend my best wishes to all of you and your families as you depart home for vacation spots around our country. May God bless your trips and may you all return safely with God's Blessings.

**Sick Call -** Our prayers and thoughts to Richard (Dick) Weber who is currently residing at Valley Manor Rehab and Nursing Home Center 7650 Route 309 Coopersburg, Pa.

**TAPS:** Our deepest condolences, prayers and thoughts go out to the families of our deceased members Lawrence Stickle who passed away on April 1st, 2010 and Joe Sapienza who also passed away in April 2010. God bless you both you will be missed and remembered.

**Quartermaster – Richard Banks** – All quarterly reports have been completed and submitted to the National. The books are balanced and it appears that we will again be 100% for the 10th year in a row. Congratulations Post 2230 on this remarkable achievement. After working with Treasurer Rob Schielke we are upgrading our status with the IRS and completing our 990N reports. Hopefully I will be able to report that we will comply with the new IRS standards by our September meeting.



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### KVC NEWS:

**President Jerry Dobbins** With the year half over and the summer quickly coming upon us I would like to extend my personal thanks and gratitude to all those that help make this post and the KVC a success. We would not be where we are at today if it were not for so many of you who dedicate your time, energy and hard work. Thanks one and all. Please make every effort to attend our June meeting. Refreshments will be served and it will be our final meeting until September 2010.

**Vice President – George Klose** With summer on top of us don't think for a minute that I will not be working hard to secure the best oil prices that are available for the upcoming year. We were very successful last year while all oil and gas prices were rising our oil cost were kept to a minimum and I will strive to do the same for next season. Enjoy your summer and return from your vacations safely. By the way if any of you plan to be vacationing in the Gulf area this year I have 50 gallon drums that I would gladly place in your vehicle to be loaded on your arrival with the best of washed up oil crude.

**Bar Chairman – Gerry Grasso** My favorite time of year. All those ladies in their fine skimpy bikinis. Oh what a sight. I have yet to meet a lass young or mature who fails to meet my expectations of bliss. I will certainly find the time to break away from the Lounge to feast upon all those sights. I am looking forward to another successful year at the Post Lounge. Just when I begin to think we can't do any better, we do. Stop in for a cold one, watch a game on one of our TV's and enjoy our air conditioning.

**Treasurer - Bob Schielke** We continue to out due ourselves. The post is in the best financial shape as ever. We not only are solvent but we are rock hard cemented in place. All our bills are paid, the books are balanced and we continue to move forward. It's not me that is doing it I just record and report the figures it is all of you that are working hard to make this post and the KVC a success. Lets keep moving forward. Enjoy your vacation.



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**Secretary – Bill Salzmann** Welcome aboard to our new members Andres Alarcon, Kevin Mulroy and Harold Welsh. Our membership is growing we now have 233 VFW and KVC members and several applications being processed at this time. I hope that all of you enjoy a very pleasant summer season and all of you and your families return safely from your trips. See you all in September.

As a reminder to all members I am a Notary for the State of New Jersey anyone wishing to have papers Notarized please let me know in advance of our meeting so I can bring my seal with me to the meeting.

**Membership Committee - Harry Scheidegger** reports that we currently have 53 KVC members and 180 VFW members. All member cards for members who have paid their dues are in the mail. If you have not paid your dues for this year please do so as soon as possible so that I can get your cards out to you.

**Kenilworth Veterans Web Page -** The web page is up and running thanks to Bill and Gina Tipton. Updates are added frequently and the information is always changing. Check out the calendar which is kept current on all of our event dates. Visit our web page at [www.kenilworthveterans.com](http://www.kenilworthveterans.com)

**CONGRATULATIONS KVC HAPPY EVENTS** - Congratulations to Travis Literate son of Todd and Denise Literate and Grandson of Jerry and Helene Dobbins. Travis has been nominated to attend the Junior National Young Leaders Conference to be held this summer in Washington, D.C. Travis was nominated based on his academic achievements and leadership potential by his teacher Ms. Jessica Layden who recognized Travis as one of a select group of students with the scholastic merit, maturity and strength of character to represent Roselle Park Middle School at this unique leadership program.

Congratulations to Al Fiorillo on his retirement. Al retired from Scherring/Plough after 40 years of honorable service on April 1st 2010. Al was honored with a dinner at the KVC by his peers. Good luck Al and enjoy your Golden Years with a lot of well deserved relaxation.



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Congratulations to Stacie Jeans daughter of Commander Robert and Lenore Jeans who graduated from Montclair State with honors this past May. Stacie is currently enrolled in the Masters program at Kean University.

Congratulations to Anthony Pantano nephew of fellow member Harold and Debra Scheidegger who also graduated with honors this past May from Montclair State University with a degree in Finance.

**Trustee's Bob Vesselli and Al Fiorillo** - Bob and Al will be Co-Chairman of the Awards Recognition Committee. Anyone having recommendations for Recognition Awards please pass your recommendations to the committee chairman. All details should be finalized by our October meeting.

**A Tribute to Dads on Father's Day - Ed Miller** May the Blessings and Love of Our Heavenly Father be yours in abundance on this Father's Day. May your warm smile be as big as your heart. May all the love you have given us throughout the years come back to you a thousand times over on your special day. I could not think of a more appropriate time for us to look into our hearts and express to Dad on Father's Day, our deepest feelings by saying "I Love You Dad." Have a wonderful Fathers's Day. May God Bless All our Fathers.



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