

# JOHN LUKAC VFW POST 12093 NEWSLETTER

## July-August, 2024

### MEET YOUR VFW OFFICERS



Post Senior Vice Commander  
Lucky Kyle

Lucky joined the Air Force in 1972 and served as a radio repairman and forward air controller before finishing college and going to officer training school (OTS). He served as a Minuteman III launch officer and then back to electronic communications officer until retiring in 1992. After retiring from the Air Force, he worked as an electronic technician for 21 years in South Korea and Okinawa before retiring again in 2015. Lucky joined the VFW in 2009 while in the Philippines and transferred his VFW membership to Red Rock Post 12156 until consolidation with Post 12093. He has served as trustee, junior vice, adjutant and senior vice.

#### 2024-2025 POST OFFICERS

Commander: David McNeill  
Senior Vice: Lucky Kyle  
Junior Vice: Darren Weidauer  
Adjutant: Sean Schmitt  
Quartermaster: Darryl LeBouef  
Chaplain: Jerry Bouck  
Sgt at Arms: Crystal Sullivan  
Surgeon: Larry Sullivan  
Service Officer: David McNeill



Auxiliary Senior Vice President  
Alison McNeill

Alison joined VFW 12093 auxiliary in March of 2022 under the service of her husband David. In Alison's first year, she was elected guard of the Auxiliary and in her first attendance of the VFW Convention held in Mesquite, Nevada was appointed Department Historian. She received 2nd place for Nevada's entry into the National Historian And Media Relations category her first year, and continues to serve for our Dept. President Maryanne Berdan for the 2024-2025 year. Alison is presently serving as Auxiliary Senior Vice President, Historian, Hospital chair and Trustee. She also is Patriotic Instructor for District 5. David and Alison share 5 children and have 1 granddaughter, 3 grandsons and another grandson the way.

#### 2024-2025 AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President: Nancy Paddock  
Senior Vice: Alison McNeill  
Junior Vice: Lorraine Comacho  
Secretary: Linda Lakin  
Treasurer: Debra Worden  
Chaplain: Debbie LaRocca  
Conductress: Kate Nolan  
Guard: Linda Shields  
Patriotic Instructor: Helena Lukac



## **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

July 27<sup>th</sup> – National Convention Louisville, KY  
August 3<sup>rd</sup> – Children’s DYI Home Depot  
August 6 – 6 pm Auxiliary meeting  
August 8 – 6:30 pm Post meeting  
August 17 – District Meeting Post 12093 hosting

## **YOUR VFW IN THE COMMUNITY**

Your VFW Post and Auxiliary continue to be active in the community. They partner with Home Depot located at Tropical and Centennial on the 1st Saturday of the month from 9 AM to Noon for the In-Store Kids Workshops. Each child receives a DYI kit and store personnel and VFW volunteers assist the children with their project. You must register your child to participate.

The Post and Auxiliary have been supporting Peggy’s Attic, a non-profit that serves foster children in the Las Vegas community, with donations of small suitcases, sneakers and clothing.

The Post and Auxiliary continue to collect non-perishable foods for the Paralyzed Veterans of America pantry. Our efforts help to provide over 50 meals every week to veterans in need.

### **Editor’s Note**

Here’s the latest issue of the John Lukac VFW Post and Auxiliary Newsletter! I hope you enjoy it! I welcome any suggestions for what you would like to see in the newsletter! Nancy Paddock

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Post and Auxiliary would like to re-start the Thursday Morning Membership Table at the YMCA. One or two volunteers each from the Post and Auxiliary are needed from 9 am to noon to man the table every week. Please contact Post Commander McNeill or Auxiliary President Paddock if you would like to volunteer.

Nevada Veterans Foundation (which supports Fisher House and Veterans Treatment Court) is hosting a golf tournament on October 12<sup>th</sup> at Durango Hills Golf Course. Volunteers are needed in many areas. Contact Nancy Paddock or Debra Worden if you can help out that day.

## **AUXILIARY TRAINING**

Department President Maryanne Berdan will have an auxiliary training session prior to the District meeting on August 17<sup>th</sup>, from 9 am to 10 am at the YMCA Community Room. Please bring your Podium Book if you have one! This is only one of three training sessions held throughout the state, so please try to attend if you are able.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

There will be a Celebration of Life on September 28, 2024 for Past Post Commander Lee LeBouef, who passed away in June. Place and time will be announced as the date draws near.

September 29<sup>th</sup> is the VFW’s 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! It is also Gold Star Parents and Families Day. Stay tuned to see how our Post plans to celebrate!