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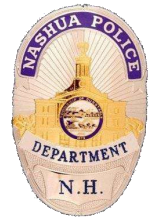
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POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Comrades,

July was a sad month. We lost our dear friend and comrade, Angelo. Let's push forward thinking of our friend and have a better August. Thank you to those who participated in his wake service. The funeral home did say that there will be a burial at the New Hampshire's Veterans Cemetery but the date is unknown as of now. More information to follow.

We need more fundraising ideas, please come to a meeting to discuss.

If you have any ideas about outings or trips, the Post could participate in, please reach out.

As always, if you have any ideas, comments or concerns please let me know.

Yours in comradeship,

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State Commander's Message

The concept that the President of the auxiliary and I tried for the state picnic seemed to be a success. In case you didn't read or hear over the past year was we tried having fruit platters, cheese and cracker platters as an appetizer after the meetings by either group but before the main meal which was three and 1/2 hours sooner than in previous years. So somewhere between 1:30 and 2pm every picnic table had both Aux. and VFW members enjoying a great meal put on by the Winchester VFW and Auxiliary. In talking to few people enjoying the meal I received nothing but positive comments of this concept we tried. I would like too especially thank the Winchester VFW and Auxiliary for hosting the state picnic and putting on a great meal.

We are two months into a new fiscal year. First and foremost I would like to thank every member, post, and district for recruiting efforts and success under the leadership of AJ Corrow. I am asking each and everyone of you to continue those efforts to rebuild not only New Hampshire's numbers but of course our nations numbers. There are many, many service members past and present out there that are eligible for membership in the VFW. So in your travels in your community and the state if you see a person with a hat with some form of military reference take a minute and start a conversation with them. You may find out that you have hobbies in common and possibly that they may be eligible for our great organization. There are plenty of people out there that have not heard of the VFW and do not know that we exist. If you're a member of the American Legion or other military organization ask members at meetings or events about their military service and recruit them if their eligible. District commanders and post commanders send Paul Lloyd a message asking for expired members names or a list of members at large and give them a call. We (the VFW) need your help to get our organization back to where it was a few years ago and that was over a million members strong.

We have a GREAT team in New Hampshire. Currently in my phone I have all the posts entered with a day to come and visit your post and a few district meetings. During the month of August I will be visiting a post meeting in Jaffrey and a district meeting in Hudson along with other commitments in august including the national convention in Columbus Ohio. My hope is to visit each and every post this fiscal year. This is an aggressive schedule along with my part time job and my personal life and family. If I'm unable to make a scheduled time or need to reschedule a visit I will get in touch with that post.

Enjoy the rest of the summer in our fine state and start getting ready for the fall, it'll be here before you know it. Check in with all your post members that all your regular members in your post haven't seen in a while. Thank you all for what you have done in your time in the vfw up to this point. I know that all state commanders past and present all share my sentiments.

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RENEWAL INFORMATION

If you want to renew your membership by sending your dues to the post for processing, you can scan the QR Code below and pay your dues by selecting the membership form on the Zeffy site. Once the funds are transferred to the post account your membership will be renewed. You can also renew online at www.vfw.org or send your payment to the post by check or pay in person with cash.



RENEW EARLY



Dick Mohrmann's 100th Birthday Party



Dick Mohrmann's 100th birthday party held by Post 483.



Eagle presented to Dick Mohrmann on his 100th Birthday at the Post Party by the Post



Richard "Dick" Mohrmann 100 years old and 75 year member of the VFW.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Greetings from the Chaplain's Desk

Deceased Members:
Angelo Ruocco

Hope this finds everyone doing well and enjoying the summer. Remember to take added precautions during times of extreme heat and continue to check on friends and neighbors.

It is with a heavy heart that I report the passing of long-time post member and past Commander Angelo Ruocco. Angelo fought a courageous battle with cancer for several months. He was a dedicated participant in all post activities. Every time I visited him, he would always ask how the post was doing and to tell the members he said hello. RIP Angelo as your work here was indeed well done.

Please remember to keep all of our veterans in your thoughts and prayers. Inform the Post if you are aware of any of our veterans that may be in distress, so that we may reach out to them. Sometimes it is not material things that a person needs, but a kind word or a listening ear goes a long way in the healing process.

Yours in Comradeship
Herbert CT Townsend
Chaplain
Post 483

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DISTRICT 6 & C of A MEETING SCHEDULE

The District 6 meetings are shown in BLUE and scheduled for 1000 unless otherwise noted, dress is blues and grays unless otherwise notified. Auxiliary meetings are the same dates as the VFW . C of A Meeting in Brown

17 Aug. 24: Winchester

19 Oct. 24: Franklin

18 Jan 25: TBD

12 Apr. 25: TBD

6-8 Jun 25: State Convention Shelburne

District Meeting in Blue

Sunday, 24 August 2025, Hudson VFW Post 5791

Sunday, 19 October 2025, Pelham VFW Post 10722

Sunday, 25 January 2026, Merrimack VFW Post 8641

Sunday, 19 April 2026, Pelham VFW Post 10722
(Encampment)



MEMBERSHIP



CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Dst	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	Div	R S	City	State	N/R LM
6							%	3		NASH UA	NH	0

2024-2025 GOAL 102%

RENEW EARLY (IT DOES NOT AFFECT YOUR EXPIRATION DATE)

(Just moves it our one year)

DISTRICT 6 MEMBERSHIP

LOCATION	POST #	%
NASHUA	483	5.88%
DERRY	1617	3.08%
HUDSON	5791	3.57%
SALEM	8546	0.00%
MERRIMACK	8641	4.62%
PELHAM	10722	4.10%
HAMPSTEAD	11254	5.71%
HOLLIS	11373	%0.00
TOTALS		3.63%

MEETING REMINDER

22 Jul 25 1900
 26 Aug 25 1900
 23 Sep 25 1900
 28 Oct 25 1900
 25 Nov 25 1900
 23 Dec 25 1900
 27 Jan 26 1900
 24 Feb 26 1900
 24 Mar 26 1900
 27 Apr 26 1900
 25 May 26 1900
 22 Jun 26 1900

New membership year—"Let's Recruit"!!!!!!



FUN PAGE



JOKE OF THE MONTH

A teacher wanted to teach her students about self-esteem, so she asked anyone who thought they were stupid to stand up. One kid stood up and the teacher was surprised. She didn't think anyone would stand up so she asked him, "Why did you stand up?" He answered, "I didn't want to leave you standing up by yourself."

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

But man is not made for defeat.
A man can be destroyed but
not defeated.

[Ernest Hemingway](#)

DID YOU KNOW

The most commonly forgotten
item for travelers is their tooth-
brush

MIND TWISTER

A man is headed to a mountain along with a lion, a goat, and a basket of vegetables. On the way, he needs to cross a river and the boat can only carry two things at a time. If he takes the vegetables, the lion will eat the goat. If he takes the lion, the goat will eat the vegetables. How does he cross the river?



VETERANS INFORMATION

Congress Passes VA Home Loan Program Reform Act: *Both the House and Senate have passed [H.R. 1815](#), VA Home Loan Program Reform Act, and the bill now heads to the president's desk for signature. Introduced by VFW member and House Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Chairman Derrick Van Orden, this legislation would enable VA to cover delinquent payments and work with lenders to prevent unnecessary foreclosures. Thanks to everyone who responded to the VFW Action Alert to help in the passage of this bill to assist veterans in need.*

VFW Presents Vietnam War Artifacts to Vietnamese Government in Washington: In a symbolic gesture of reconciliation and commitment to wartime accounting, VFW Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Tim Peters presented Vietnam War artifacts to representatives of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam at a ceremony held at the Vietnamese Embassy in Washington, D.C. Hosted by Ambassador Nguyen Quoc Dung, the artifacts—including a helmet, canteens, a journal, and ID cards—were accepted by Defense Attaché Senior Colonel Vu Quoc Ang. Donated by U.S. veterans and families, the items represent shared sacrifice and support ongoing efforts to account for those missing from the Vietnam War. The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), led by Director Kelly McKeague, helped coordinate the event. The VFW continues to support U.S.-Vietnam cooperation on historical remembrance and accountability.

VFW Testifies at House Subcommittee Hearing: VFW National Legislative Director Kristina Keenan testified at a hearing before the House Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Health on VA's community care program. This program allows veterans enrolled in VA health care to receive medical services from community providers when VA facilities cannot provide the care needed or when it is in the best medical interest of the veteran. Keenan provided input from VFW members and her personal experience using VA-coordinated community care. She highlighted the current challenges, specifically regarding scheduling appointments, unclear VA referral documents, slow payments by VA for community care bills, poor records sharing between community providers and VA, and other bureaucratic hurdles veterans face. She also stated the VFW's support for [H.R. 740](#), *Veterans' ACCESS Act of 2025*, as it represents a step forward in addressing issues with the coordination of VA community care.



CALENDAR



August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 Veterans Coffee Talk 0930	9
10	11	12 Auxiliary Meeting 1830	13	14	15	16
17 Patriots Golf Tour- nament 0900	18	19	20	21	22	23 Brewfest Holman Stadium 1300
24 District 6 meeting Hudson 1000	25 Langdon Place 1330	26 Post Meeting 1900	27	28	29	30
31						

ANSWER TO BRAIN TWISTER

Trip 1: He takes the goat with him, leaving the lion and the vegetables behind. On reaching the other riverbank, he drops off the goat. Trip 2: He then comes back for the lion, leaving the vegetables behind. On reaching the bank this time, he drops the lion, and again takes the goat along. Trip 3: He drops off the goat again and takes the vegetables with him to the other shore. Trip 4: Lastly, he comes back alone for the goat.



POST NEWS

**BREAKING
NEWS**



IF YOU USE FACEBOOK

GO TO

VFW POST 483 Nashua



Scan this QR Code and pay
your dues with your phone.
Just select the membership
page on 1200

Auxiliary Meeting Dates

8 Jul 25 1830
12 Aug 25 1830
9 Sep 25 1830
14 Oct 25 1830
11 Nov 25 1830
9 Dec 25 1830
13 Jan 26 1830
10 Feb 26 1830
10 Mar 26 1830
14 Apr 26 1830
12 May 26 1830
9 Jun 26 1830

UPCOMING EVENTS

**17 AUGUST: FLAG RAISING AT PATRIOTS GOLF TOURNAMENT
AT NASHUA COUNTRY CLUB 0900**

**7 SEPTEMBER: FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY AT THE LOST
COWBOY RESTURANT. TIME TBA**

**11 SEPTEMBER: 9/11 CEREMONY AT THE EAST HOLLIS ST. FIRE
STATION. TIME TBA**

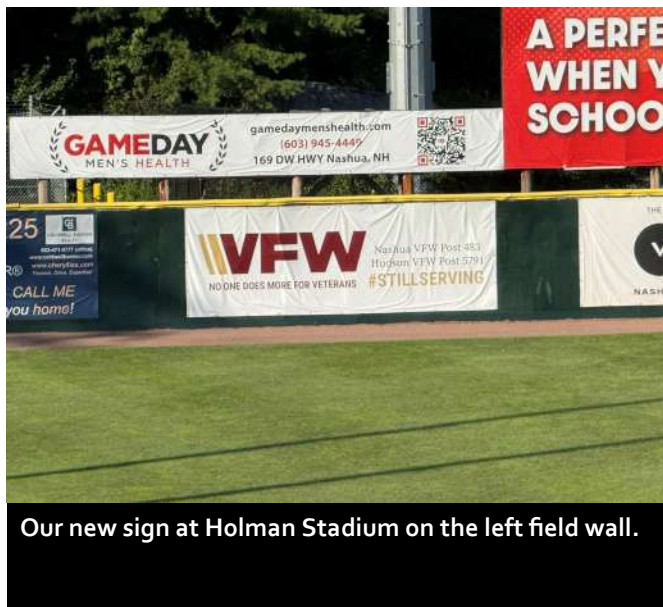
7-9 NOVEMBER: BUDDY POPPY DRIVE

**11 NOVEMBER: VETERANS DAY PARADE AND CEREMONIES
0800 FOR CEREMONIES, 1111 FOR PARADE**

**OTHER EVENTS MAY TAKE PLACE THAT ARE NOT KNOWN AT
THIS TIME**

POST NEWS

We need new members! Our numbers are dwindling. It's everyone responsibility to recruit. Help your post if you want it to survive. You can also help it by renewing your membership early. By renewing early all you are doing is extending your expiration date by 1 year. Your expiration date will not change. We ask you to renew early and bring in a new member. Also it is important for you to attend as many meetings as you can. If you cannot attend you can join the meeting virtually on WEBEX. The link is sent out by email prior to the [post](#) meeting. If you have not provided the post with an email address and you have one please send it to the post Adjutant at nashuavfwpost483@gmail.com so you can be added to the email list. You can access the link by left clicking the word "post" in blue underlined. This will take you to the link. Click the link and punch in the ID and password. ID is 126 096 8690 Password is PApJ3jWMj47



Our new sign at Holman Stadium on the left field wall.



Some of our members sitting outside the suite at the 19 July game.



QUARTERMASTER'S CORNER



Comrades,

Let's face the facts. We are shrinking in size. We need new members. It's everyone's responsibility to recruit new members. If you know someone or run into a veteran that is eligible to join the VFW get them to fill out an application. There is always a application in this newsletter under Flyers. For you comrades that are annual members. It really helps the post for you to renew as early as possible. It does not hurt you in any way to renew early. It will just extend your membership another year. This really helps the post qualify for membership recognition. I encourage you to renew now if your membership expires before 30 June 2026.

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BATTLE OF THE MONTH



BATTLE OF RICH MOUNTAIN

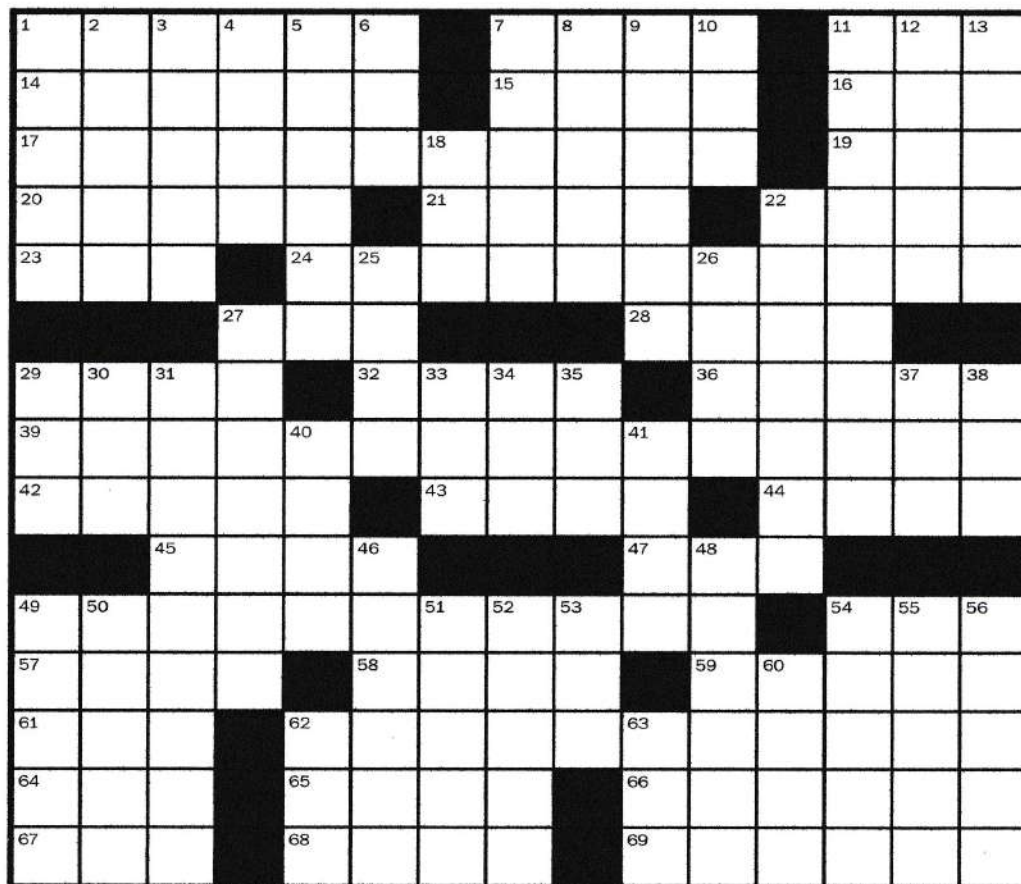
Union forces under the direct command of General McClellan greatly outnumbered Pegram's Confederates on Rich Mountain. Nevertheless, the Confederates held a strong position and inexperienced soldiers in his own command convinced McClellan to precede any action with an artillery duel.^[6] A local boy named David Hart entered Gen. William Rosecrans' Union camp and said he knew a way around to the rear of the Confederate lines, for which he was offered one hundred dollars in gold.^{[7][8]} McClellan agreed to let Hart lead Rosecrans' brigade of 1,900 men through the woods. The route took roughly 10 hours through wet, rough terrain which forced Rosecrans to leave his artillery behind.^[9] During this time, Col. Pegram was able to learn from a captured sergeant of the Union flanking movement. Pegram incorrectly assumed the attack was coming from the north and positioned a lone 16-pound artillery piece with most of his command in defense.^[10] Captain [Julius A. De Lagnel](#), Garnett's chief of artillery, assumed command of this force around David Hart's family farm. At 2:30pm Rosecrans' force appeared at the pass on Rich Mountain and attacked.^[11] Confederates quickly redeployed their artillery piece and twice repulsed Union skirmishers from behind crude breastworks. Assuming they had defeated the enemy, Pegram's men began cheering. The cheering was enough to also convince McClellan that Rosecrans had been defeated. However, most of the Union soldiers were well concealed behind trees and logs. Rosecrans counterattacked and [routed](#) the Confederates in his front, wounding De Lagnel. McClellan shelled the Rebel position, but did not make the expected assault.^[12] Half the Confederates escaped to [Beverly](#) and on over the [Shawnee Trail](#). Pegram and the others (including the "Sydney Boys", a regiment formed from the students of Hampden-Sydney College) attempted to make their way north to link up with Garnett. Pegram's force was too exhausted to make it and 555 men surrendered on July 12.^[13]

AFTERMATH

Hearing of Pegram's defeat, Garnett abandoned Laurel Mountain in great disorder. The Federals pursued, and, during fighting at [Corrick's Ford](#) on July 13, Garnett was killed; he was the first general officer to be killed in the war.^[14] On July 22, McClellan was ordered to [Washington](#), and Rosecrans assumed command of Union forces in western Virginia. The Union victory at Rich Mountain was met with great celebration in the north, and was instrumental in propelling McClellan to command of the [Army of the Potomac](#).^[1] After the victory at Rich Mountain and failure of Morris to pursue the confederate troops at Laurel Mountain fast enough to catch them before crossing Shavers' fork, McClellan severely criticized Morris in his report to Washington.^[15]



CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1. Sounds from a chicken coop
2. Spew forth, as oil
3. Cleverness
4. Sell every last copy
5. Not for
6. Slip up
7. Film edition typically longer than its theatrical release
8. Female sheep
9. Performing
10. Mardi Gras city nickname
11. Et ___ and others
12. Mine output
13. Big name in over-the-counter reading glasses
14. "I inhaled it!"
15. Little kiddos
16. Broadway "Auntie"
17. Courteous
18. Dance venue with a mirror on the wall
19. Opinion formed when shaking hands, perhaps
20. Scent
21. British baby stroller
22. French head
23. Café au ___

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34. Increasingly rare web access method
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36. Gets into, as clothes
37. "BoJack Horseman" voice actor Will

Down

1. Set of beliefs
2. Pyramid-shaped hotel in Las Vegas
3. Open, as a knot

4. "Fargo" filmmakers Ethan and Joel
5. Martial art practiced by a panda in an animated franchise
6. Time zone wd.
7. Actress Gal
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24. Notable time
25. Camper's bed
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27. Kite extension
28. Actor Jannings
29. Always there for
30. Put back together
31. Deutschland river
32. Caravan refuge
33. Sprinter Bolt
34. Small shops
35. Sweetie
36. Kick out
37. French "Hi"
38. Burial chamber
39. Somali-born supermodel
40. Bundle of dollars
41. HHS agency



CROSSWORD PUZZLE SOLUTION



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YOU CAN DO IT, SARGE!

IF YOU GET A STRIKE WE WIN!

JUST PRETEND THE BALL IS BEETLE'S HEAD!

HEY!

GREGG MOORE WALKER

7-11

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THAT WAS ONE LONG BREAK YOU TOOK THERE, BUMSTEAD

RIGHT!

I HAD TO NOURISH MY BODY WITH THE COFFEE AND SNACK MACHINE TO STAY IN TIP-TOP CONDITION TO MAXIMIZE MY WORKFLOW, BOSS!

I HATE IT WHEN I DON'T KNOW IF HE'S BEING SERIOUS OR PULLING MY LEG!

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BEATEN BY "CRYBABY" BOOBIE! WHAT A BLOW!

NOW I HAVE TO CONGRATULATE HER..

I DON'T KNOW WHY I PLAY THIS GAME..

CONGRATULATIONS, BOOBIE!

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Flyers and posters for your posts events are posted in this section of the newsletter. If you want to advertise your events, please send your flyer or poster via email to the editor to have it posted in this newsletter.

4th of July Pictures



Commander DiTullio opening the ceremony.



Chaplain Townsend giving the opening prayer.



Past Post Commander Ordway reading the opening of the Declaration of Independence.

4th of July Pictures



Members James Cline, Marc Plante and Don Vincent raising the Betsy Ross Flag.



Betsy Ross Flag going up the pole.



Flag poles in front of City Hall.



4th of July Pictures



Commander DiTullio Closing the ceremony.



Chaplain Townsend giving the closing Prayer.



C.T. Townsend, Sandy Salvigni, Chris DiTullio & Lew Chipola



C.T. Townsend and Chirs DiTullio

IF YOU'VE EARNED THESE



European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal



Vietnam Service Medal



Southwest Asia Service Medal



Afghanistan Campaign Medal



Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon w/ Gold Border



Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal



Korean Service Medal



Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal



Iraq Campaign Medal



Coast Guard Combat Action Ribbon



American Defense Service Medal



Korean Defense Service Medal



Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal



Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal



Combat Action Ribbon



American Campaign Medal



Army of Occupation / Navy Occupation Service Medal



Navy Expeditionary Medal



Kosovo Campaign Medal



Air Force Combat Action Medal



Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal



Combat Infantryman Badge



Combat Medical Badge



Combat Action Badge



SSBN Deterrent Patrol Insignia

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AT: _____



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VFW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____ EMAIL _____
First Middle Initial Last

ADDRESS _____
Street City State Zip

DATES OF SERVICE _____ to _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ PHONE _____
MM / YY MM / YY MM / DD / YYYY

MILITARY SERVICE ACTIVE DUTY VETERAN NAT. GUARD/RESERVE BRANCH OF SERVICE ARMY NAVY AIR FORCE MARINES COAST GUARD

QUALIFYING FOREIGN SERVICE:

WW II	VIETNAM SERVICE	AFGHANISTAN (2001 - present)	HOSTILE FIRE/IMMINENT DANGER PAY
OCCUPATIONAL SERVICE	DESERT SHIELD/STORM	IRAQ (2003 - 2011)	Location _____
KOREAN SERVICE (1950-1954)	BOSNIA/KOSOVO	SSBN DETERRENT PATROL INSIGNIA	Dates _____
KOREA DUTY (1955 - present)	GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY	EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS	

Payment Authorization - You may pay by check or credit card. For payments by check, you will receive a yearly statement by mail. For credit card payments, please complete the following:

ANNUAL MEMBER

I authorize the VFW to automatically charge my account \$ _____ on a yearly basis to pay my Annual membership dues.

I authorize the VFW to charge my account a one-time payment of \$ _____

LIFE MEMBER

I authorize the VFW to charge my account a one-time payment of \$ _____

LIFE MEMBER INSTALLMENT PLAN

I authorize the VFW to automatically charge my account \$ _____ to be paid in 11 monthly installment payments after my initial payment of \$45.00.

I authorize the VFW to charge the \$45.00 initial payment and I understand that I will be billed for the remaining 11 monthly installment payments.

Credit Card # _____

(Mastercard, Visa, Discover or Amex only)

EXP. DATE _____ AMOUNT \$ _____ Signature _____

NEW Post # _____ FORMER MEMBER # _____

TRANSFER from Post # _____ State _____ to Post # _____

RECRUITER _____ ID# _____
(Please print)

QUARTERMASTER (Signature) _____

Life Member Options

AGE as of DECEMBER 31*	One-Time Payment	\$45 + 11 Payments of
18-30 Years Old	\$425.00	\$38.64
31-40 Years Old	\$410.00	\$37.27
41-50 Years Old	\$375.00	\$34.09
51-60 Years Old	\$335.00	\$30.45
61-70 Years Old	\$290.00	\$26.36
71-80 Years Old	\$225.00	\$20.45
81 Years & Over	\$170.00	\$15.45

Automatic Payment Plan Terms and Conditions: You authorize the VFW to initiate electronic debit entries or affect a charge by any other commercially accepted practice to your account set forth above for the payment of dues reflected on this application. You understand such charges may be made within 2-3 business days of payment due date. For installment payments, charges will be made on or around the 1st or the 15th day of the month. This authorization will remain in full force until VFW has received notification from you of its termination or upon completion of the installment payments. Annual dues are subject to change. By completing this authorization, you acknowledge that you will only receive notice when the payment would differ by more than \$10.00 from the most recent payment. Call VFW Customer Service at 1-800-963-3180 or write to VFW at VFW P.O. Box 119028, Kansas City, MO. 64171 to inquire about or cancel a payment, or to report problems such as bank closures, lost or stolen account numbers, closed accounts or unauthorized transactions. Cancellation requests must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. Central Time ten business days prior to the scheduled payment date. If you are unaware of the charge date for your account, please contact VFW. If a payment is returned by your financial institution (e.g., due to insufficient funds, incorrect account information, closed account, etc.) the VFW will contact you at the address we have on file for you, explaining why the payment could not be processed, and providing alternate payment options. The privilege of making payments under this agreement may be revoked by VFW if any item is not paid upon presentation. You may have additional rights and responsibilities under the Electronic Funds Transfer Act.

Life Membership Installment Plan Terms and Conditions: The VFW Life Membership Installment plan allows any VFW member/applicant to purchase a Life Membership by making an initial payment of \$45.00 and (11) monthly payments. The member will be issued an Annual membership card at the time of enrollment. The member may elect to receive a monthly statement by mail or may set up a payment profile to make the monthly payment automatically using a credit/debit card or bank account. A payoff amount will be printed on each monthly invoice, allowing the member the option to pay in full. A permanent Life Membership card will be issued upon the completion of payments. The Life Membership fee is determined from the schedule using the applicant's age on December 31 of the year in which the application is submitted.

Delinquencies will be handled as follows: Up to 30 days - continue to bill, 31 to 120 days - delinquency can be corrected through make up payment(s) or plan end date pushed forward, More than 120 days - member is dropped from the Installment Plan, all monthly payments made to date, are applied to future years annual dues.

VFW PLEDGE I do, of my own free will and accord, solemnly promise and declare that:

I will bear true allegiance -- to the Constitution of the United States of America -- and I will always be loyal thereto. I do further solemnly promise and declare -- that I will comply with the Congressional Charter -- By-Laws and Ritual of this order -- and I will always be loyal thereto -- that I will never wrong or defraud this organization -- nor a member thereof -- nor permit any wrong to be done to either -- if in my power to prevent it. I will never propose for membership -- any person not eligible -- nor one whom I know to be unworthy. I will never make known to anyone -- not authorized to receive it -- any of the work of this order. Should my affiliation -- with the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States -- cease in any way -- I will consider this pledge -- as binding outside of the order -- as though I had remained a member of same. All this I promise and pledge -- upon the honor of a true comrade -- and a citizen of our great republic.

I attest that I am a citizen of the United States, that my Campaign Service was honorable, that I have never subsequently been discharged from military service under dishonorable conditions. I also certify that (1) I am entitled to a campaign ribbon or medal authorized by the U.S. Government based on my overseas service or; (2) I have served overseas in Korea or; I have received Imminent Danger/Hostile Fire pay. I further give authority to the Veterans of Foreign Wars to verify honorable overseas service entitling me to membership.

The review committee has performed its duties and recommends approval, rejection.

Applicants Signature & Date _____

\$1.98 of your membership dues goes towards your VFW magazine subscription.

Committee Member _____ Committee Member _____ Committee Member _____

VFW AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP / MEMBER TRANSFER APPLICATION

Recruited/Recommended by: _____ Recruiter Member ID _____

Auxiliary No. _____ City _____ State _____ Member ID (if already a member) _____

☐ Annual Membership ☐ Life Membership

☐ Rejoin Membership Rejoined Previous Member ID No. _____ Previous Auxiliary _____

☐ Member at Large in Department of _____ ☐ Member at Large - VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters

THESE FIELDS REQUIRED

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

POST-AFFILIATED (*Must be a member to the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)

Relationship _____ to Eligible Veteran* _____ VFW Membership ID _____

☐ LIFE MEMBER TRANSFER Previous Auxiliary _____

☐ ANNUAL TRANSFER Previous Auxiliary _____ ☐ Paying ☐ Nonpaying

☐ ANNUAL TRANSFER CONVERTING TO LIFE (Fill out Life Membership Information below.) Previous Auxiliary _____

THESE FIELDS REQUIRED

NON-AFFILIATED (*Veteran is not a member of the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)

Relationship _____ to Eligible Veteran* _____ VFW Post (if applicable) _____

Name of campaign ribbons or medals: _____

Dates of Service: _____ to _____ Location: _____

Investigating Committee Signatures

1 ☒ _____ 2 ☒ _____ 3 ☒ _____

Per Section 102 of the National Bylaws. ☐ Rejected ☐ Accepted Meeting Date _____ Obligated Date _____

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ONLY ☐ Check here if this is a gift. Credit cards may NOT be used for initial payment of Annual Dues.

☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover ☐ AMEX

Life Membership Fee _____

Name on credit card _____

Billing address for card _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Credit Card No. _____

CVV Code _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature ☒ _____ Date _____

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ONLY

☐ ACH (Bank withdrawal)

Name of Bank _____

Bank Routing No. _____

Account No. _____

Attach voided check HERE.
(Required)

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES

Life Membership fees are not refundable.

Attained age by 12/31 of year applying for Life Membership.

Through 20	\$253
21-25	\$242
26-30	\$230
31-35	\$219
36-40	\$213
41-45	\$201
46-50	\$196
51-55	\$184
56-60	\$173
61-65	\$161
66-70	\$150
71-75	\$132
76-80	\$109
81-85	\$86
86-90	\$69
91 and over	\$58

OBLIGATION In the presence of Almighty God and the members of this organization here assembled, I do of my own free will and accord, solemnly promise that I will never wrong or defraud this organization nor a member thereof nor permit either to be wronged if in my power to prevent it. I will never propose for membership any person not eligible, according to our Bylaws. I further state that I believe in God. I will be faithful to the United States of America, obedient to the laws and loyal to the Flag. Should my membership with this organization cease in any way, I will consider this obligation as binding outside of the organization as though I had remained a member. I do so promise.

I attest that I am a citizen of the United States or a U.S. National, and am at least 18 years of age. I further state that I believe in God. I pledge to comply with the National Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary. I attest I am not eligible for membership in the VFW. I further attest that the above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, including my stated relationship to the Veteran.

Signature ☒ _____ (Must be signed by all members.)



MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



New Cootie

Reinstated Cootie

Date: _____ Cootie No. _____ Recruited By: _____

Pup Tent Name, Number and Location

Applicant's Name (Print): _____

Address: _____
Street Address City State Zip

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Notify in Emergency: _____

DOB: _____ Branch of Service: _____ Rank (Highest): _____

Enlistment Date: _____ Discharge Date: _____

Hat Size: _____ Present Occupation: _____

Dues paid to December 31, 20____ or VFW Life Member # _____

VFW Post Name and Number

Located in: _____
City State Zip

I certify that I am an active member of the VFW of the U.S.
and am desirous of becoming a member of the MOC –
"The Honor Degree of the VFW".

Applicant's Signature _____

Recommended and Verified (PRINTED) by:

Cootie No: _____

Cootie No: _____

Accepted into Pup Tent on Date: _____

1st Degree accepted Date: _____2nd Degree accepted Date: _____3rd Degree received and title of Cootie bestowed
on this Date: _____

VFW CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

_____, _____ Located in _____
Post Name Post No. City, State and Zip

This is to certify that Comrade _____

Name of Applicant

Has been a member of the VFW for the preceding six (6) months, and that he has fulfilled one of the
following qualifications as indicated:

(1) Held the following Office in the Post: _____

OR

(2) Served on the following Post Committee: _____

Certified to by a majority of the members present at a meeting of this Post held on (Date): _____

Attest:

Post Adjutant (PRINT)

Post Commander (PRINT)

Post Adjutant (Signature)

Post Commander (Signature)