



Monthly Newsletter

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POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Comrades,

Hope this finds you well. January has been a very cold and snowy month. I am ready for spring even though we have a few more months of winter. Things to look forward to is the VFW Day of Service in May which coincides with our Loyalty Day celebration. Please come out and support our students, teachers and first responders.

We are close to 100% membership please if you have not renewed yet please do it ASAP. I want to reach National's goal of 101%. We are so close!

As I stated at our last meeting, I will not be accepting nomination for Post Commander this year. I have Commander for the last 3 years and I have truly honored that position. I have some things in my personal and professional life in where I need a break. I will still be a member and it does not mean I won't accept another position, just not Commander. I also will remain, if nominated and elected, an officer with District.

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

Hello Comrades

I hope that everyone survived the large snowfall we got at the end of January. With the holiday season in November and December over I'd to now focus on the last five months of this fiscal year. First and fore most please don't forget to check on your individual members of your post that either don't or are unable to attend the monthly meetings. Even just a friendly phone call to say hello and how they are doing I believe would mean the world to them. As of this writing on Jan. 26th our state is at 89.74% membership. We must get back to getting out into the public and recruiting new members. If you schedule a recruiting event and would like a state line officer to attend please send either Pual or the line officer themselves and see if they might be able to attend. I myself do have a lot on my calendar but if I get a request to attend I will do my best to make it. The goal being only 101% and you reach that please keep going and help the posts that are struggling. Thank you.

I believe at this point that I've visited eleven posts so far with another six due this month. I'm going to do my best to go to each post meeting for a social visit. The ones I've been to so far to me have been great visits and have enjoyed meeting old friends and hopefully made new ones. The posts I'll be visiting this month are Northwood, Bennington, Raymond, Hollis, Franklin, and Hampstead. I had other posts scheduled since July of last year but at that time had only one car available.

It was great seeing those comrades attending the C of A in Concord and those that could stay and those that attended the VOD/PP and teachers award ceremonies. It was a fantastic time and great food at the Hilton in Concord. We were blessed having all five districts represented for the VOD and three districts represented in the PP. There was a teacher present for all the grade categories

At the state level we have the Washinton legislative week at the end of this month going into March with your legislative chairman AJ Corrow attending along with your state line officers. We will have a great presence representing your great state of New Hampshire while we visit your state elected officials lobbying for laws helping to protect and increase benefits for veterans. On April 4th we will be having the testimonial for your Auxiliary President and myself at the Common Man in Claremont with the times being from 2pm - 6pm. There will be more info coming out in the near future.

I want to wish all comrades and their families along with the auxiliary of New Hampshire a happy and prosperous 2026 year.

Darwin Beeman

VFW Dept. Commander

2025 - 2026

New Hampshire

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" We Build We Fight "

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



Scholastic Essay Winners

VOD

1st Place - Luna Loch, sponsored by District 5 and Post 8497

2nd Place - Wenonah Brewer-Nyborg, sponsored by District 1 and Post 816

3rd Place - Benjamin Larson, sponsored by District 7 and Post 7217

4th Place - Henry Wilson, sponsored by District 4 and Post 1698

5th Place - Domonic Fazzio sponsored by District 6 and Post 11254

PP

1st Place - Elise Garrison, sponsored by District 1 and Post 2520

2nd Place - Gabriel Steele sponsored by District 5 and Post 4368

3rd Place - Sai Inakollu sponsored by District 6 and Post 11373

Teachers

K-5 - Alyssa Morrison, Sponsored by District 1 and Post 816

6-8 - Katie Ralls sponsored by District 6 and Post 10722

High School - Peter Russo sponsored by District 1 and Post 3041

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Greetings from the Chaplain's Desk

Deceased Members:

None

Hope this report finds everyone doing well and that we've sufficiently recovered from our holiday hangover. Hopefully good health and joy will continue to follow us into the new year.

Even though, we are through the holidays, we ask that you continue to remember those who are less fortunate and continue to need our support. There are agencies that support those in need, but remember that they need support as well.

Remember that our Post is here to support our veterans and their families. Please reach out if we can be of any assistance. Continue to look out for each other and stay safe. I ask that you continue to look out for friends and neighbors during this winter season.

Anyone who is aware of a veteran who is ill or in need of our support, please let the Post know so that we may reach out to them.

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, Derry Post 1617 (Encampment)



MEMBERSHIP



CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Dst	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	Div	R S	City	State	N/R LM
6	123	4	1	32	161	170	94.71%	3		NASH UA	NH	1

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	94.71%
DERRY	1617	79.49%
HUDSON	5791	95.24%
SALEM	8546	81.82%
MERRIMACK	8641	94.80%
PELHAM	10722	85.25%
HAMPSTEAD	11254	97.14%
HOLLIS	11373	90.91%
TOTALS		89.28%

MEETING REMINDER

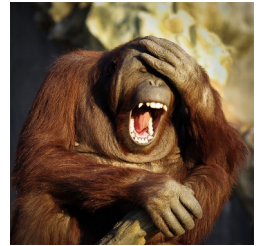
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 28 Oct 25 1900
 25 Nov 25 1900
 23 Dec 25 1900
 27 Jan 26 1900
 24 Feb 26 1900
 24 Mar 26 1900
 27 Apr 26 1900
 25 May 26 1900
 22 Jun 26 1900

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



FUN PAGE

JOKE OF THE MONTH



Why did I get divorced? Well, last week was my birthday. My wife didn't wish me a happy birthday. My parents forgot and so did my kids. I went to work and even my colleagues didn't wish me a happy birthday. As I entered my office, my secretary said, "Happy birthday, boss!" I felt so special. She asked me out for lunch. After lunch, she invited me to her apartment. We went there and she said, "Do you mind if I go into the bedroom for a minute?" "Okay," I said. She came out 5 minutes later with a birthday cake, my wife, my parents, my kids, my friends, & my colleagues all yelling, "SURPRISE!!!" while I was waiting on the sofa... naked.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Work like you don't need the money. Love like you've never been hurt. Dance like nobody's watching.

[Satchel Paige](#)

DID YOU KNOW

A lobsters blood is colorless but when exposed to oxygen it turns blue

MIND TWISTER

It goes in dry, it comes out wet, the longer it is in, the stronger it gets. What is it?

VETERANS INFORMATION

VFW Attends SVA NatCon 2026: VFW members were recognized for their outstanding commitment to the student veteran community during the Student Veterans of America (SVA) 18th Annual National Conference (NatCon), held this year in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Past VFW National Commander Brian Duffy addressed the conference's general session noting, "Education prepares you for tomorrow. Advocacy protects it." He concluded by stating, "Together, the SVA and VFW are still serving. We are still leading. And we can never stop thinking about tomorrow, because the next generation of warriors depends on us." VFW National Veterans Service Assistant Director of Field Operations Cindy Noel and VFW National Pre-Discharge Claims Representative Rick Boring assisted student veterans at a claims clinic on site. VFW National Legislative Service Associate Director Gabby Kubinyi participated in the event's "Meet Your Veteran and Military Service Organizations" panel discussion.

The VFW-SVA Legislative Fellows for the 2025-2026 class are:

- Shadic Anderson, Marine Corps veteran, California State University
- Juanita Murillo Garcia, Army veteran, Northeastern University
- Giancarlo Gonzalez, Army veteran, St. Petersburg College
- Kimmie Kim, Navy veteran, Vanguard University of Southern California
- Austin Lawrence, Navy veteran, Harvard University
- Sarah Lively, Air Force veteran, Concordia University.

VFW-Supported Tuition Fairness Bill Signed into Law: H.R.983, Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserves Tuition Fairness Act of 2025, is now **Public Law 119-55**. Introduced by Rep. Van Orden (WI-3), this bill was approved by the House without objection and passed the Senate by unanimous consent. It requires VA to disapprove courses provided by educational institutions that charge higher than in-state tuition for individuals utilizing the Montgomery GI Bill-Selected Reserve benefits while living in the state where the education is located, regardless of the individual's state of residence. The VFW applauds the passage of this legislation.

VA Class on Airborne Hazards & Burn Pit Exposure: On January 22, 2026, the Department of Veterans Affairs will be offering a session for veterans titled "Airborne Hazards and Burn Pits: What You Need to Know", [register here](#). VA offers education classes for veterans via telehealth to provide veterans with the most current information and education on deployment related health concerns. VA offers a variety of classes throughout the year to keep veterans informed about research, access to integrative health services, and more to optimize their wellbeing.



CALENDAR



February 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Cooties 1900 Hudson	5	6	7
8	9	10 Auxiliary Meeting 1830	11	12	13 Veterans Coffee Talk 0930	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Langdon Place 1330	24 Post Meeting 1900	25	26	27	28 Washington Conference

ANSWER TO BRAIN TWISTER

A tea-bag



POST NEWS

**BREAKING
NEWS**



IF YOU USE FACEBOOK

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VFW POST 483 Nashua



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

If you are not able to attend a Post meeting you can join us virtually on Webex. We send out the link about a week prior to the meeting date. All you have to do is click the link and insert the ID and password provide in the email. You can join the meeting either on the computer or your cell phone.

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Post web page is:

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Auxiliary Meeting Dates

8 Jul 25 1830
12 Aug 25 1830
9 Sep 25 1830
8 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

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



QUARTERMASTER'S CORNER



VETERANS COFFEE TALK

We host the Veterans Coffee Talk on the second Friday of each month at the Nashua Senior Center at 0930. All veterans are invited to attend.

We tell our stories ask questions and have a good time. We often have a representative from the VA there to answer any question you may have and provide assistance to you. Come out and join us at the Veterans Coffee Talk.



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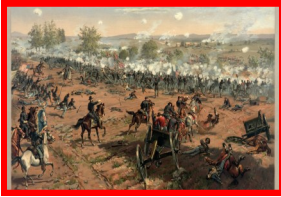
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BATTLE OF THE MONTH



Battle of Iwo Jima

The **Battle of Iwo Jima** (硫黄島の戦い, *Iōtō no Tatakai*,^{[9][10]} *Iōjima no Tatakai*^[11]; 19 February – 26 March 1945) was a major battle in which the [United States Marine Corps](#) (USMC) and [United States Navy](#) (USN) landed on and eventually captured the island of [Iwo Jima](#) from the [Imperial Japanese Army](#) (IJA) during [World War II](#). The American invasion, designated **Operation Detachment**, had the goal of capturing the island with its two airfields: [South Field](#) and [Central Field](#).

The Japanese Army positions on the island were heavily fortified, with a dense network of bunkers, hidden artillery positions, and 18 km (11 mi) of tunnels.^[6] American ground forces were supported by extensive [naval artillery](#), and enjoyed complete [air supremacy](#) provided by US Navy and Marine Corps aviators throughout.^[13] The five-week battle saw some of the fiercest and bloodiest fighting of the [Pacific War](#).

Unique among Pacific War battles involving amphibious island landings, total American casualties exceeded those of the Japanese, with a ratio of three American casualties for every two Japanese.^[14] Of the 21,000 Japanese soldiers on Iwo Jima at the beginning of the battle, only 216 were taken prisoner, some only captured because they had been knocked unconscious or otherwise disabled.^[d] Most Japanese were killed in action, but it has been estimated that as many as 3,000 continued to resist within various cave systems on the island after most major fighting ended, until they eventually succumbed to their injuries or surrendered weeks later.^{[4][8]}

The invasion of Iwo Jima was controversial, with retired Chief of Naval Operations [William V. Pratt](#) stating that the island was useless to the Army as a staging base and useless to the Navy as a fleet base.^[15] The island's airfield did support [P-51 Mustang](#) long-range escort fighters to protect [B-29 Superfortress](#) bombers en route to Japan^[16], and also for emergency landings of B-29s, although these were of limited value late in the war.^[17] The Japanese continued to maintain early-warning radar capabilities on the island of [Rota](#), which was never invaded by American forces.^[18] Experiences with previous Pacific island battles suggested that the island would be well-defended and that seizing it would result in significant casualties. Lessons learned on Iwo Jima served as guidelines for American forces in the [Battle of Okinawa](#) two months later and the [planned invasion of the Japanese homeland](#).





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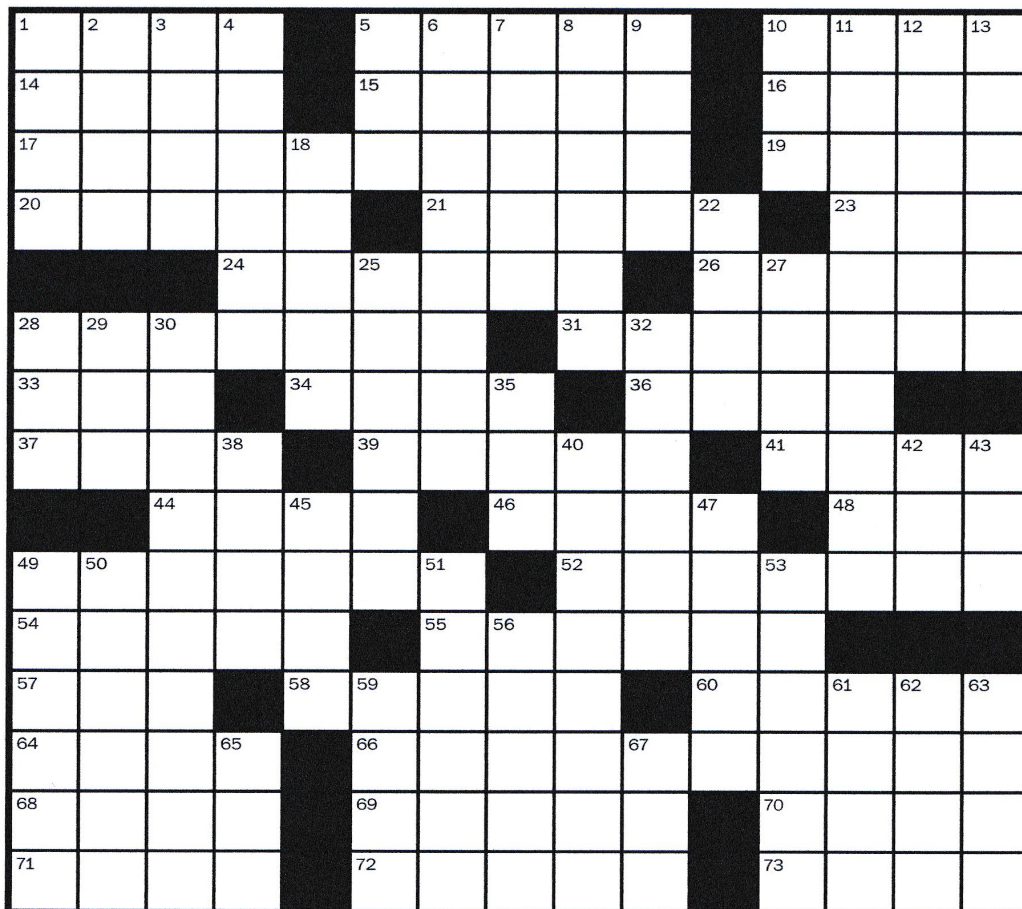


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9. Admin. aide
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11. Thousand Island base
12. "This ain't normal"
13. "Heart Don't Lie" singer Jackson
18. __ and raves
22. Piercing tools
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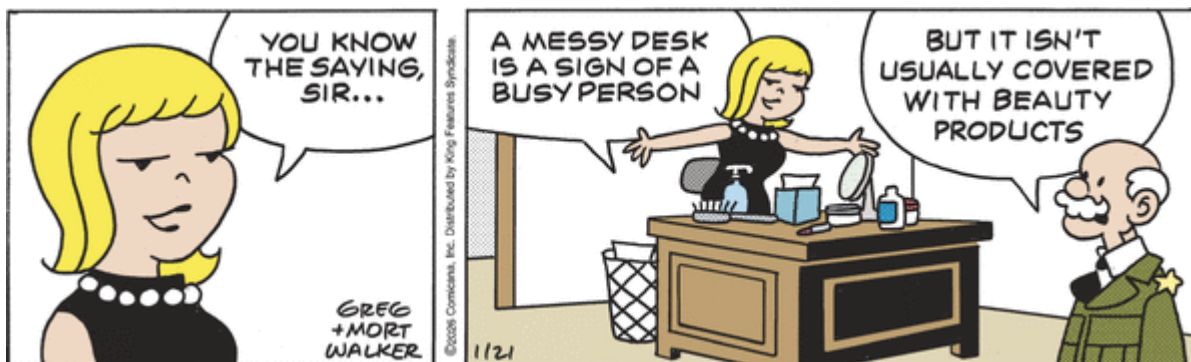
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Funnies

Beetle Bailey by Greg Walker, Brian Walker and Neal Walker



Blondie by Dean Young



Peanuts by Charles M. Schulz





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.

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6PM

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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



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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 debt 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)