



Monthly Newsletter

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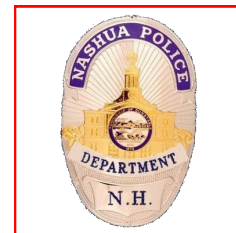
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POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Comrades,

This is my last newsletter submission as your Commander. Clayton Proffer will be taking over once the Department Convention is concluded. It has been an honor serving as your Commander for the last 3 years I will not be going anymore and will now be Past Post Commander and Senior Vice Commander so I will be still involved with the Post. Please help and support your incoming officers.

I also want to say thank you for all the recruiting efforts you have made over the last few months. With your efforts, we have accomplished all required milestones in order to eligible for All-American. So thank you!

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

No Article Submitted

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



Post Auxiliary President's Message

No Article Submitted

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Greetings from the Chaplain's Desk

Deceased Members:

None

Hope this report finds everyone doing well and enjoying good health. I know everyone is looking forward to dusting off the ole grills and looking forward to some fun activities with family and friends.

It's been a long winter and i know we are all looking forward to better weather ahead. As we look forward to our activities, don't forget about our veterans who may not have anyone to call on them. Remember to call on them and keep them in you plans and prayers. They are appreciative of your calls and check ins.

If you are aware of anyone in distress, please let the post know so that we may each out to them and offer any assistance that we may be able to do. Take care of each other and stay safe.

Yours in Comradeship
Herbert CT Townsend
Chaplain VFW 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	124	6	1	40	173	170	101.76%	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	101.76%
DERRY	1617	86.56%
HUDSON	5791	102.98%
MERRIMACK	8641	102.89%
PELHAM	10722	90.98%
HAMPSTEAD	11254	102.85%
HOLLIS	11373	95.45%
TOTALS		96.06%

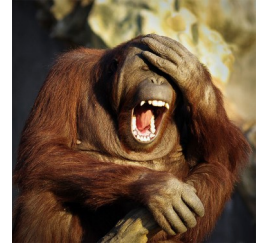
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- 22 Jul 25 1900
- 26 Aug 25 1900
- 23 Sep 25 1900
- 28 Oct 25 1900
- 25 Nov 25 1900
- 23 Dec 25 1900
- 27 Jan 26 1900
- 24 Feb 26 1900
- 24 Mar 26 1900
- 28 Apr 26 1900
- 26 May 26 1900
- 23 Jun 26 1900

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



FUN PAGE



JOKE OF THE MONTH

There was an elderly couple who in their old age noticed that they were getting a lot more forgetful, so they decided to go to the doctor. The doctor told them that they should start writing things down so they don't forget. They went home and the old lady told her husband to get her a bowl of ice cream. "You might want to write it down," she said. The husband said, "No, I can remember that you want a bowl of ice cream." She then told her husband she wanted a bowl of ice cream with whipped cream. "Write it down," she told him, and again he said, "No, no, I can remember: you want a bowl of ice cream with whipped cream." Then the old lady said she wants a bowl of ice cream with whipped cream and a cherry on top. "Write it down," she told her husband and again he said, "No, I got it. You want a bowl of ice cream with whipped cream and a cherry on top." So he goes to get the ice cream and spends an unusually long time in the kitchen, over 30 minutes. He comes out to his wife and hands her a plate of eggs and bacon. The old wife stares at the plate for a moment, then looks at her husband and asks, "Where's the toast?"

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step.

Lao Tzu

DID YOU KNOW

The expression to 'knuckle down' originated from playing marbles (players used to put their knuckles to the ground for their best shots)

MIND TWISTER

When can you add two to eleven and get one as the correct answer?



VETERANS INFORMATION

VFW to Testify Before House Full Committee: On Wednesday, May 20, VFW National Legislative Service Director Kristina Keenan will testify before the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on pending legislation focused on reauthorizing key VA programs and authorities. The hearing will examine the proposals' impact on VA operations, oversight and continuity of services veterans rely on nationwide. Keenan will deliver the VFW's positions and advocate for policies that strengthen VA's ability to fulfill its mission to veterans, service members, families and survi-

Pleas to Pass Major Richard Star Act Heard in Missouri: Veteran Zach Micklon shared his story with KY3 News Springfield, Mo., to highlight the importance of passing the VFW-supported Major Richard Star Act. Micklon is an Army combat veteran who survived a sniper attack in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom but was medically retired after suffering catastrophic injuries. Under current law, combat-injured veterans with fewer than 20 years of service must forfeit a portion of their military retirement pay in order to receive VA disability compensation. The Major Richard Star Act would correct this inequity for more than 50,000 combat-injured veterans. In an interview for the newscast, VFW National Legislative Service Associate Director Gabby Kubinyi emphasized the bill's broad bipartisan support, noting it currently has 326 House and 79 Senate cosponsors. "This has wide bipartisan support, which is exactly what it should have," said Kubinyi.

VFW Speaks on Suicide Prevention Legislation: VFW National Legislative Service Director Kristina Keenan spoke on a panel at a legislative forum hosted by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. One of the bills its members are promoting on Capitol Hill is VFW-supported [H.R.2878](#), Daniel J. Harvey, Jr. and Adam Lambert Improving Servicemember Transition to Reduce Veteran Suicide Act. This legislation would provide information on mental health risk factors and available VA resources for service members as they transition to civilian life. The VFW supported this bill in a statement for the record for a House Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity hearing in January.


VFW Podcast Debriefs Asia Troop Visits: VFW National Legislative Service Associate Director Joy Craig joins co-hosts and Washington Office leaders to expand on her recent mission to Asia with VFW National Commander Carol Whitmore. Throughout their travels, they met with troops stationed in South Korea and Japan where they learned about the growing needs of service members and families as U.S. forces expand their presence in the theater. Additional topics included VFW's ongoing diplomatic engagements with Taiwan, a recent development with the Major Richard Star Act, and VFW's Day of Service. Listen to episode 64, "Over There! Recapping the Far East Outreach Mission," on your favorite podcast platform or watch it on [YouTube](#).



CALENDAR



June 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Cootie Meeting Hudson VFW 1900	4	5 State Convention Shelburne, NH	6 State Convention Shelburne, NH D Day 1944
7 State Convention Shelburne, NH New Officers take their positions.	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 Auxiliary Meeting 1830	17	18	19	20
21	22 Visit Langdon Place 1330	23 Post Meeting 1900	24	25 Custer's Last Stand 1876 	26	27
28	29	30				

ANSWER TO BRAIN TWISTER

When you add two hours to eleven o'clock, you get one o'clock.



POST NEWS

**BREAKING
NEWS**



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Scan this QR Code and pay
your dues with your phone.
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page on **1200**

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
16 Jun 26 1830

**The 4th of July ceremony will be held
at City Hall at 0900 on the 4th of July.
Come out and join the 250th birthday
of our country.**

We have rented a suite at Holman Stadium on 18 July, for the 1800 ball game. The gate opens at 1700. Our suite only holds 20 people. A tent is located outside the entrance gate where your ticket will be held. They will have a list of the names of members going to the suite. It is suite 400. Report to the tent and tell them you are with Post 483 and they will check your name off the list and give you your ticket free. You must sign up for the suite. The first 20 people who sign up will get in the suite. All others will have to purchase a ticket. Email the post to sign up after the May meeting. Those who attended the May meeting will have first priority. This is open to post members and auxiliary members in Good Standing.

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



Holman Stadium Nashua

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**"If you don't know where you are going,
you'll end up someplace else."**

— Yogi Berra

The Post has rented a Suite at Holman Stadium on 18 July for the Veterans Appreciation Night ball game. Game starts at 1800. Gate opens at 1700. The Suite 400 holds 20 people. Food and drink are provided in the Suite at no charge. Your ticket is also free. There will be a tent at the gate entrance where you will pick up your ticket. Tell the attendant you are a member of VFW Post 483, and they will check you off the list and give you a ticket. To sign up for the Suite, email the post to tell us you want to attend. It will be on a first come first serve basis. Once 20 members have signed up the Suite is closed. All others will have to purchase a general seating ticket. This is open to Post members and Post Auxiliary members.



QUARTERMASTER'S CORNER



As of 8 June 2026, I will no longer be your Post Quartermaster. I am giving it up after 8 years of doing the job. As many of us are now getting older and must slow down some. I will continue to be the Post Benefits Advisor (formally Post Service Officer) and Judge Advocate. I recommend to many of you who do not attend post meeting to come and join us once in a while. See what is going on and be part of the decision process. You are members of the VFW, be proud of that and participate as much as you can. I hope to see many of you at the post meetings and at coming events. The next event is the 4th of July. Independence Day. It is the 250th anniversary of the country. Come out to the event at City Hall at 0900 on the 4th of July and celebrate the country's 250th birthday.

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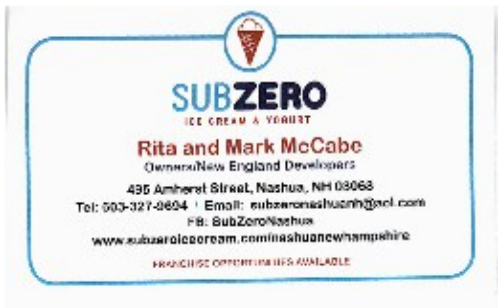
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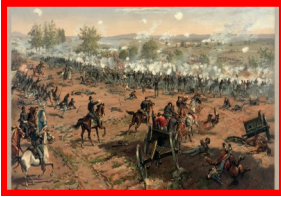
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BATTLE OF THE MONTH



Battle of Waterloo

The **Battle of Waterloo** was fought on Sunday 18 June 1815, near [Waterloo](#) (then in the [United Kingdom of the Netherlands](#), now in [Belgium](#)), marking the end of the [Napoleonic Wars](#). The [French Imperial Army](#) under the command of [Napoleon I](#) was defeated by two armies of the [Seventh Coalition](#). One was a [British](#)-led force with units from the [United Kingdom](#), the [Netherlands](#), [Hanover](#), [Brunswick](#), and [Nassau](#), under the command of field marshal [Arthur Wellesley, Duke of Wellington](#). The other comprised three [corps](#) of the [Prussian](#) army under Field Marshal [Blücher](#). The battle was known contemporaneously as the *Battle of [Mont Saint-Jean](#)* in France (after the hamlet of [Mont-Saint-Jean](#)) and *La Belle Alliance* in [Prussia](#) ("the Beautiful Alliance"; after the inn of [La Belle Alliance](#)).^[18]

Upon Napoleon's return to power in March 1815, the beginning of the [Hundred Days](#), many states that had previously opposed him formed the [Seventh Coalition](#) to oppose him again, and hurriedly mobilised their armies. Wellington's and Blücher's armies were [cantoned](#) close to the northeastern border of [France](#). Napoleon planned to [attack them separately](#), before they could link up and invade France with other members of the coalition. On 16 June, Napoleon successfully attacked the bulk of the [Prussian Army](#) at the [Battle of Ligny](#) with his main force, while a small portion of the [French Imperial Army](#) contested the [Battle of Quatre Bras](#) to prevent the Anglo-allied army from reinforcing the [Prussians](#). The Anglo-allied army held their ground at Quatre Bras but were prevented from reinforcing the Prussians, and on the 17th, the Prussians withdrew from Ligny in [good order](#), while Wellington then withdrew in parallel with the Prussians northward to Waterloo on 17 June. Napoleon sent a third of his forces to pursue the Prussians, which resulted in the separate [Battle of Wavre](#) with the Prussian rear-guard on 18–19 June and prevented that French force from participating at Waterloo.

Upon learning that the Prussian Army was able to support him, Wellington decided to offer battle on the [Mont-Saint-Jean](#)^[19] escarpment across the Brussels Road, near the village of Waterloo. Here he withstood repeated attacks by the French throughout the afternoon of 18 June,^[20] and was eventually aided by the progressively arriving 50,000 Prussians who attacked the French flank and inflicted heavy casualties. In the evening, Napoleon assaulted the Anglo-allied line with his last reserves, the senior infantry battalions of the [Imperial Guard](#). With the Prussians breaking through on the French right flank, the Anglo-allied army repulsed the Imperial Guard, and the French army was routed.

Waterloo was the decisive engagement of the [Waterloo campaign](#) and Napoleon's last. It was the second-bloodiest single day battle of the Napoleonic Wars, after [Borodino](#). According to Wellington, the battle was "the nearest-run thing you ever saw in your life".^[21] [Napoleon abdicated](#) four days later, and coalition forces entered Paris on 7 July. The defeat at Waterloo marked the end of Napoleon's Hundred Days return from exile. It precipitated Napoleon's second and definitive abdication as [Emperor of the French](#), and ended the [First French Empire](#). It set a historical milestone between serial European wars and decades of [relative peace](#), often referred to as the [Pax Britannica](#). In popular culture, the phrase "meeting one's Waterloo" has become an expression for experiencing a catastrophic reversal or undoing.^{[22][23]}



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

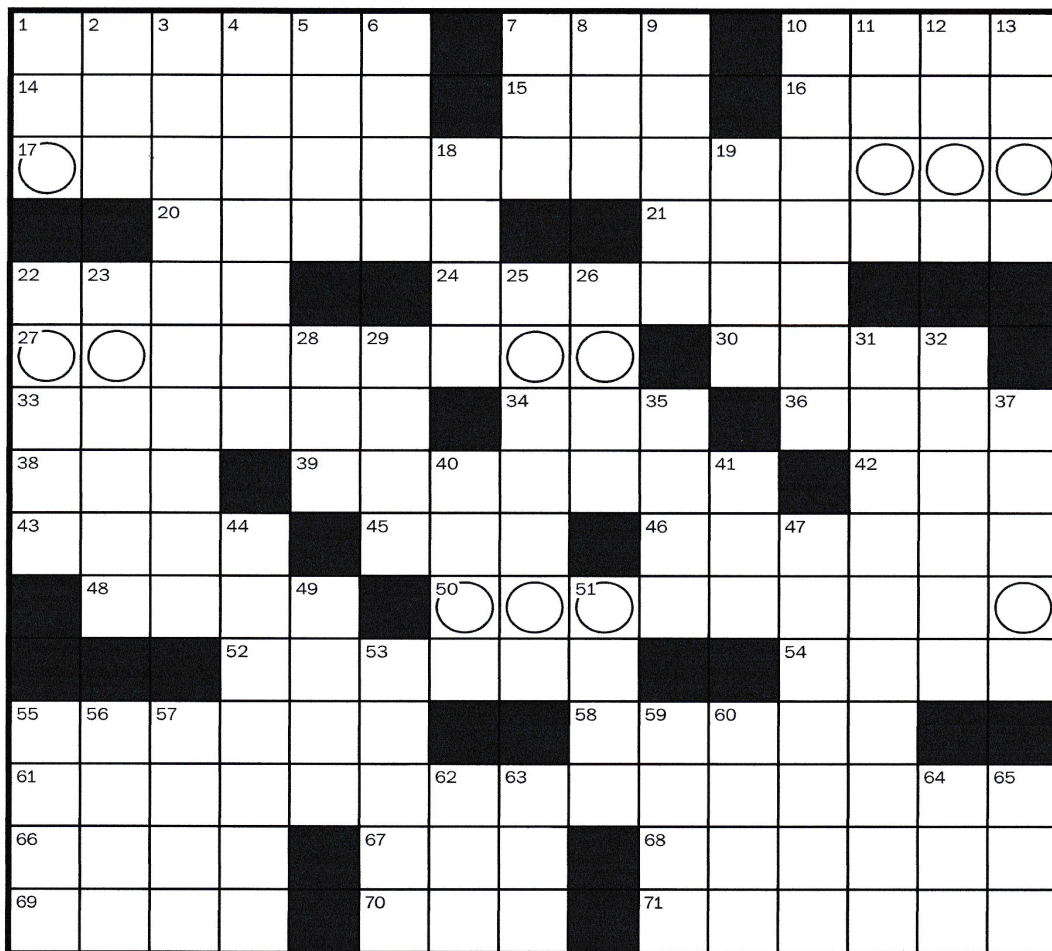


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- 31. Lion's sound
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- 33. Call forth, as memories
- 34. Car loan figs.
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Down

- 1. Laugh syllable
- 2. Tavern beer
- 3. Likely feature of a valedictorian's report card
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- 35. Former Russian ruler
- 36. ___ butter: skin care ingredient
- 37. Pepper (with)
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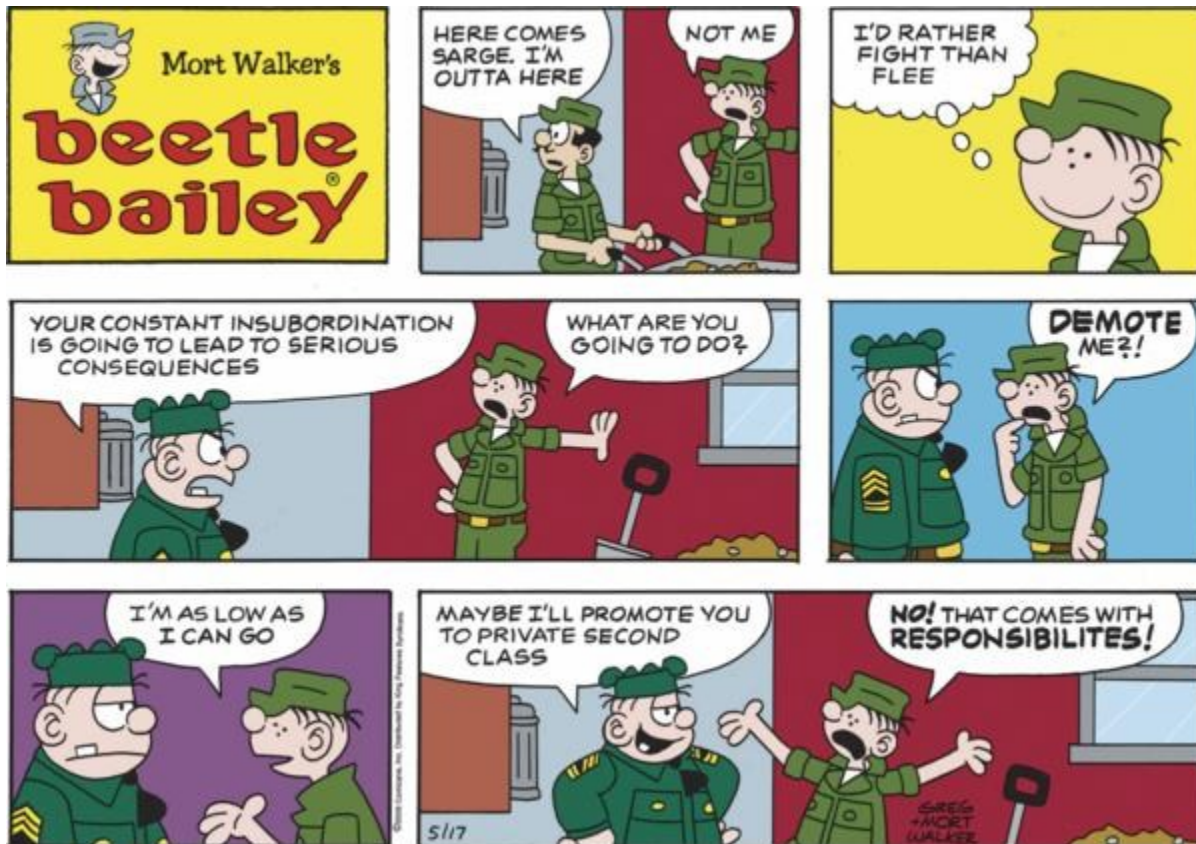
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Funnies

Beetle Bailey *by Greg Walker, Brian Walker and Neal Walker*



Blondie *by Dean Young*





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.

From National Headquarters

Dear VFW leaders,

On July 4, 2026, our nation will commemorate and celebrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The journey toward this historic milestone is an opportunity to pause and reflect on our nation's past, while honoring and celebrating the contributions of America's veterans that got us here.

As a programming partner of [America250](#), over the next several months VFW members will lead the way in mobilizing to actively participate in America250 initiatives across the nation, and around the world.

[We've designed a toolkit](#) to help you promote your support of this special occasion. From sample social media posts and imagery to fillable flyers where you can input a custom message or advertise your local event, please use these assets to show your patriotism now through July and help us celebrate America's 250th birthday.

VFW's message focuses on "Celebrating America. Celebrating Veterans" while highlighting America250's core initiatives - spotlighting and encouraging community service and volunteerism, amplifying patriotism and sharing our American Story.

Whether it's reporting your community service hours to [America Gives](#), hosting an [Independence Day Block Party](#) or [sharing your service story](#) to showcase the important role our servicemen and women in America's history, let's show that VFW members are leading the way for this historic occasion.

Marketing Communications

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406 W. 34th Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64111
816.756.3390

Helpful Contact Information

Defense Military & Accounting Service (DFAS)

1. My Pay 800-321-1080 Hours 24/7
2. dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/

Veterans Administration National 800-698-2411 Hours 24/7

1. Health Benefits Hotline 877-222-8387 Hours Mon-Fri 8:00 AM to 7 PM EST
2. GI Bill Hotline 877-424-4551 Hours 24/7
3. National Call Center for Homeless Veterans 877-424-3838 Hours 24/7
4. My Healthy Vet Help Desk 877-327-0026 Hours Mon-Fri 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM EST
5. VA Manchester Medical Center 603-624-4366 Hours 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM EST Mon-Sun Address: 718 Smyth Road, Manchester, NH 03104
6. VA Boston 617-232-9500 Hours Mon-Fri 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM EST

- A. Jamaica Plains
- B. West Roxbury
- C. Brockton

Veteran Count Bruce Moran 603-465-1040 bruce.moran@hotmail.com Website www.vetcount.org

Greater Nashua Mental Health John Lallyj@gnmhc.org 603-8896147 Ext3582 or 603-883-1568 Website www.gnmh.org

Kevin O'Brien obrienk@gnmhc.org 603-889-6147 Ext 3523 or 603-883-1568 Website www.gnmh.org

VFW State Service Officer John Barrett 603-222-5780 john.barrett1@va.gov



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Installation of 2026-2027 Post Officers



Swearing in of new officers. Cdr: Clayton Proffer; Sr. Vice: Christopher DiTullio; Jr. Vice: Charles Braley



Past State Cdr. Kevin McKeating performing the 2026-2027 Post 483 Installation of new officers.



Remaining officers, Jr. Vice: Charles Braley; Chaplain: Herbert Townsend; Adj/QM; Marc Plante; Judge Adv: Lewis Chipola; 3yr Trustee: John York



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IF YOU'VE EARNED THESE



THEN YOU BELONG HERE

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

PLEASE CONTACT: _____

AT: _____



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www.vfw.org

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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 MALE
FEMALE

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 _____ <small>(Please print)</small>	ID# _____
QUARTERMASTER (Signature) _____	

<i>Life Member Options</i>		
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.		
_____ Committee Member	_____ Committee Member	_____ Committee Member

Applicants Signature & Date _____

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

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 withdrawl)

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.)



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