



Monthly Newsletter

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NEW POST WEBSITE

www.vfw483.org



Chris DiTullio

POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Comrades,

Our "new" official website is up and running if you haven't checked it out, yet you should. If there is anything you would like to see let us know and we can make adjustments as it is still a work in progress. (vfw483.org)

There are some upcoming events in November that we really need to show support for.

November 3rd though the 5th is our annual Buddy Poopy Drive and there are few spots left, so please sign up.

November 11, Veterans Day we will performing ceremonies at several monuments staring at 0800 hours and the parade kicks off at 1111 hours, come on out and show your support.

Thank you to those who continue to step up and volunteer your time and support, without you we would not survive!

As always stay safe and remain healthy.

Yours in comradeship,

Chris DiTullio
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Denis Querrard

State Commander's Message



Greeting and Salutations from Commander Denis Querrard

Happy 243rd Birthday to the U.S. Marine Corps - November 10th!

HAPPY VETERANS DAY – November 11th!

It has been a busy month of October and I can appreciate all the hard work that the Department, Districts, and Posts are doing! I saw snowflakes in Whitefield, NH yesterday and I realized that the roads will be slippery and wet in the coming months, so please be safe on the roads for the Holidays!

Charlestown Memorial Post of District 5 has reached 100%! They received their 100% banner at the COA and are well on their way to 102%!! They are also in the running for the drawing of \$500...

ALL POSTS are eligible for the drawing of \$500 if they reach 100% before NOVEMBER 10th!!

Suicide Prevention Training on November 14th from 8am to 12pm, lunch will be provided. Please join other VFW members as we learn to connect, inspire, and offer hope to our Veteran peers who may be struggling. Please sign up here: <https://forms.gle/TGPDYOLfj55BFSt7>

I would like to congratulate Issac Miller on assuming the position of District 6 Commander at the meeting on 21 October at Hudson Memorial Post 5791; it is with great sadness that I learned that Paul Roy resigned from his position due to personal reasons. On speaking with our Department Chaplain Timm Grant and Department representative at that meeting, he was very impressed with the knowledge and conduct of District 6. Thank you for your commitment and professionalism

VFW membership goal of 102% is still on the forefront. If they ask why they should join, tell them; we are the lobbying force before Congress and Senate to protect their veteran benefits; we provide VA benefit assistance with our credentialed Service Officers who work hard to get them rated; we are in their communities taking care of other veterans and their families. Ask them not to join your post for a meeting, but to help your post do what you do every day, for veterans and your community!

Please let the Department know if you have any recruiting events planned.

As a grassroots organization, our Posts lead the way in our communities; with so much being done, for so little recognition... Thank you!



Get your message out there and report what you do!!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



Kim Copson

STATE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



“Challenging the Needs of Our Veterans”

Here we are moving into November and the holiday season. We had our October C of A and it was a good meeting. I would like to say thank you to the Kingston Post and Auxiliary for hosting the C of A followed with a luncheon. Thank you to Julie for running the fundraiser for the Department President Special Project.

There will be some reporting training going on this month. Please keep an eye out for an email with date, time and location. There will be 4 different trainings. Hopefully you will be able to make at least one of them. I believe it will be very informative.

Derry held a fundraiser for the Department President Special Project. It was a great comedy show. Thank you very much.

I would like to wish all a Happy Thanksgiving with family and friends. Please take a moment to remember all our soldiers and their families that are not together this holiday season.

As we continue to work together, we will continue to help our veterans, sisters and brothers of this great organization.

Thanks,
Kim Copson
President
Dept. of NH
2023-2024



DISTRICT COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Fall has arrived, the season is changing, the weather is changing, and your leadership is changing. I want to first thank Commander Paul Roy for his leadership over the past year plus. The district excelled last year in membership and community activities. The district achieved not only All-State status, but also All- American. Thank you for your leadership

Now, as we move forward, I want to take the opportunity to thank Christopher DiTullio, Post Commander of Nashua post #483, for stepping up and accepting the position of Senior Vice Commander. It is always difficult making changes within the membership year, but we will carry on and continue to excel as a District meeting National as well as Department goals and at the same time providing community service to our veterans, youth and citizens.

As we March into the winter months, enjoy the changing colors of autumn and the tastes of the holiday season, but also prepare for the coming onslaught of winter.

Yours in Comradeship,
Isaac Miller
Commander, VFW District 6, Department of NH



Trish St. Germaine

DISTRICT PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy November!

This past month I had the opportunity to visit Derry and Hudson. Thank you to both Auxiliaries for making me feel welcome. You had great meetings!

The year is almost half over and the holidays are fast approaching. This can be a difficult time of year for veterans check in on them so they know how much you care.

Dates to Remember

- The next C of A will be October 28th at 1pm in Kingston.
- Next District meeting will be held in Pelham 10722 Sunday November 5th 2023 9:30 am
- November 10th Veterans Day.
- Voting! Don't forget to get out there and cast your vote.
- Thanksgiving!! Check on your veterans, some may not have a place to go.

Due to scheduling conflicts some visits have changed. Please see below for new dates

November 2nd - Pelham

November 13th - Merrimack

January 5th- Nashua

"Challenging the Needs of Our Veterans" and "Banding Together for Our Veterans"

District 6 Meetings 2023-2024

Pelham 10722	Sunday	November 5th 2023 9:30 am
Derry 1617	Sunday	January 28th 2024 9:30 am
Merrimack 8641	Sunday	April 14th 2024 9:30 am *Encampment

Notice for Standing Rules for the November C of A meeting.

I have been approached by a member who would like to review the newly approved standing rules and may make alternate motions. As this newsletter is serving as notice it will be important for Auxiliary Presidents, Delegates, and/or alternates to be present. Voting in any changes will only by delegate vote as per the By-Laws:

40 Sec. 505— District Standing Rules

A. Districts may establish Standing Rules to provide for specified operations, activities, events, expenses and disbursements allowable between meetings provided such rules do not conflict with the National or Department Bylaws.

1. Custom has the status of a Standing Rule.

2. Standing Rules may be amended, modified, or rescinded at any meeting.

3. If prior notice is given, the vote is by majority vote of the Delegates present.

4. If previous notice is not given, the vote is by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Delegates present.

5. Standing Rules become effective immediately.

Trish St. Germaine

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Jorg Druesicke

STATE LEGISLATIVE CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE & CERTIFIED NATIONAL RECRUITER



**2023-11 Dept. NH VFW National Legislative Committee Member, VAVS VAMC
Manchester VFW Representative, Certified National Recruiter, Homeless Chair**
Rev 10-24-23

This month has been a little more hectic than others for me, so I didn't spend much time doing Dept VFW work. My Pelham VFW post is a little needy at the moment, it needs my full attention. I hope you folks are planning your own Veterans Days activities, whether in your home communities, or participate in the Department NH VFW functions.

Fall Poppy Drive season is upon us. We did ours already, our aging members don't like the cold and darkness November brings.

Driving around with a small group of VFW members to visit your old and housebound comrades is a good way to do a buddy check, make them feel appreciated, and for you to feel good about helping others. Not to mention that you can ask them if the post can pay their dues if they are financially strapped and your post can afford it. That's why we have a relief fund.

We are counting on all of you to recruit just one new or reinstate a member, that would put us first in the nation with membership.

Also, if you recruit 5 or more members, the Dept will upgrade your VFW membership to the next level. Easy money.

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POST AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**From the Desk of:
Brenda Byrne, 483 Auxiliary President**

Information listed below may be helpful in notifying members of upcoming dates of events:

November 3rd @ 4:30 P.M. Auxiliary monthly meeting at the Post Home. We changed the meeting time to 4:30 for the month of November because of a special request. This was approved by vote at our October meeting. We will return to our regular monthly meeting time in December.

November 5th @ 9:30 A.M. is District 6 meeting being held at the Pelham VFW Post

November 10th & 11th Nashua Auxiliary will be doing there 2nd Buddy Poppy Drive this year. It will be held at Stateline Convenience Store, Brookline, NH from 9 A.M. to 7 P.M. both days.

November 11th is our Veteran's Day Parade. Kick off is at Holman Stadium Nashua at 11 A.M. For those marching in the parade, please arrive at the Stadium to line up at 10:30 A.M.

The Auxiliary members would like to wish everyone a very "Happy Thanksgiving," For those traveling, please be SAFE.

For those who are living in an area where voting is taking place, please remember to get out and vote,

Members, please continue to recruit new members and try to get annual members to convert to Life Members.

To any members who have been ill since last months News Letter we send you get well wishes.

Until next month, we wish all members good health.

Thank You,

**Brenda Byne, Auxiliary President
Nashua VFW Post 483 Auxiliary**

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



C T Townsend



Deceased comrades:

None to report

Greetings from the Chaplains desk:

Hope this report finds everyone doing well and in fine spirits.

With the chill of fall upon us, it wont be long before the snow flies and The holidays will be upon us. Remember to support winter clothing and Food drives for those of us who are less fortunate. Remember to let the Post Know if any of our veterans are in need of any assistance or our support.

Yours in Comradeship
Herbert CT Townsend
Chaplain Post 483

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DISTRICT 6 & C of A MEETING SCHEDULE

Council of Administration Meetings

19 August 2023: Littleton Post 816 1000

28 October 2023 Kingston 1300

20 January 2024: TBA 1300

13 April 2024: Mountain View Grand Resort 1000

DISTRICT 6 MEETING SCHEDULE

12 August 2023: Derry 1000

21 October 2023: Hudson 1000

13 January 2024: Merrimack 1000

30 March 2024: Pelham 1000

District 6 Auxiliary Schedule

27 August 2023: Nashua 0930

5 November 2023: Pelham 0930

28 January 2024: Derry 0930

14 April 2024: Merrimack 0930

All District 6 meetings are shown in BLUE and scheduled for 1000 unless otherwise noted, dress is blues and grays unless otherwise notified. Auxiliary meeting shown in GOLD.



MEMBERSHIP



CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Dst	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	Div	R S	City	State	N/R LM	Prior Annual	Retention
6	122	2	0	34	158	204	77.45%	3		NASH UA	NH	0	72	59.72%

2023-2024 GOAL 102%

RENEW EARLY (IT DOES NOT AFFECT YOUR EXPIRATION DATE)

DISTRICT 6 MEMBERSHIP

LOCATION	POST #	%	RETENTION
NASHUA	483	77.45%	59.71%
DERRY	1617	84.39%	75.81%
HUDSON	5791	84.75%	40.43%
SALEM	8546	71.88%	26.83%
MERRIMACK	8641	88.95%	53.19%
PELHAM	10722	81.67%	37.84%
HAMPSTEAD	11254	78.95%	20.00%
HOLLIS	11373	85.11%	36.36%
TOTALS		81.83%	45.00%

MEETING REMINDER

25 July 2023
 22 August 2023
 26 September 2023
 24 October 2023
 28 November 2023
 19 December 2023
 23 January 2024
 27 February 2024
 26 March 2024
 23 April 2024
 28 May 2024
 25 June 2024



FUN PAGE



JOKE OF THE MONTH

Three contractors are bidding to fix a broken fence at the White House. One is from Chicago, another is from Tennessee, and the third is from Minnesota. All three go with a White House official to examine the fence. The Minnesota contractor takes out a tape measure and does some measuring, then works some figures with a pencil. "Well," he says, "I figure the job will run about \$900. \$400 for materials, \$400 for my crew, and \$100 profit for me." The Tennessee contractor also does some measuring and figuring, then says, "I can do this job for \$700. \$300 for materials, \$300 for my crew, and \$100 profit for me." The Chicago contractor doesn't measure or figure, but leans over to the White House official and whispers, "\$2,700." The official, incredulous, says, "You didn't even measure like the other guys! How did you come up with such a high figure?" The Chicago contractor whispers back, "\$1000 for me, \$1000 for you, and we hire the guy from Tennessee to fix the fence." "Done!" replies the government official. And that, my friends, is how the new stimulus plan will work.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Permanence, perseverance and persistence in spite of all obstacles, discouragements, and impossibilities: It is this, that in all things distinguishes the strong soul from the weak.

Thomas Carlyle

DID YOU KNOW

Albert Einstein never knew how to drive a car

MIND TWISTER

I met a man with seven wives. Each wife had seven sacks, Each sack had seven cats, Each cat had seven kits. Kits, cats, sacks and wives, How many were going to St. Ives?



VETERANS INFORMATION

VFW-Supported Amendment Passes Senate: The Senate passed an amendment to the *Military Construction, Veteran Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024*. In July, the VFW testified in favor of H.R. 705, *Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act*, which mirrors the aforementioned bill. This amendment would block VA from automatically referring veterans with fiduciaries to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS), which prohibits the ownership of firearms. It would also require that any VA referrals to NICS must first have the order of a judge indicating that the person is a danger to themselves or others. The VFW sees this as a necessary step to ensure the right of due process for veterans.

Senate Committee Hearing on VA Accountability: The Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs held an oversight hearing on VA accountability and transparency. Efforts to streamline VA's ability to hire and fire employees in an efficient manner were discussed. "Accountability and transparency must be cornerstones of fulfilling VA's mission to provide high quality care and benefits to our veterans. We can all agree that bad actors at VA cannot and will not be tolerated," said Chairman Jon Tester.

Expected COLA Increases Announced: The Social Security Administration (SSA) announced a 3.2% benefit increase for 2024. VA compensation payment rates will match the rates from SSA. Veterans can expect to see the new amounts starting with their January 2024 payment.

Free Veterans Infographics Available: The RAND Epstein Family Veterans Policy Research Institute is offering four thoroughly researched and up-to-date charts for your use. These charts, also known as infographics, cover veterans' social, economic, and physical well-being. They can be used in presentations when educating your fellow veterans and communities in the inter-

For more information on any of these articles, go to [VFW.org](https://www.vfw.org), select Advocacy, then Grass Roots to view the 30 October issue of the Action Corps. Links are available to read more information.



CALENDAR



November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Cootie Pup Tent 1 Meeting 1900	2	3 Auxiliary Meeting 1300 Poppy Drive	4 Poppy Drive Recruiting at Nashua Library 1330. Clocks turn back 1 hour at 0200
5 Poppy Drive	6	7	8	9	10 Veterans Coffee Talk 0930	11 Veterans Day Ceremonies and Parade 0800
12	13 Mayor's Veteran Council 1400	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 THANKSGIVING	24 BLACK FRIDAY	25 NASHUA WINTER STROLL
26	27 Langdon Place Visit 1330	28 Post Meeting 1900	29	30		

ANSWER TO BRAIN TWISTER

One. Only I was going to St. Ives

POST NEWS

**BREAKING
NEWS**



IF YOU USE FACEBOOK

GO TO

VFW POST 483 Nashua

Post Buddy Poppy Drive 3-5 November.

**3-4 Nov: Market Baskets
S. Nashua and Somerset
Plaza.**

**3-5 Nov: Coliseum Ave.
Liquor Store.**

Have you volunteered!!!!

**We hope to have a booth
at the Nashua Winter Stroll
this year. We are waiting
on approval from the
Greater Nashua Downtown
Committee. Our goal is to
recruit new members. Vol-
unteers to man the booth
are needed.**

**Commander DiTullio won a
Life Membership from Na-
tional in the new Legacy Life
Upgrade contest.**

**The battery for our AED has
come in. Steve Ordway in-
stalled it and we are good for
another 5 years.**

**The schedules for the
Mayor's Veteran Council and
the Veterans Coffee Talk for
2024 are in the Flyer Section
of this newsletter. The Veter-
ans Coffee talk is open to all
veterans. See pages 22 & 23.**

**The Council meets the second
Monday, every other Mon-
day, at 1400.**

**The Veterans Coffee Talk
meets the second Friday of
each month at 0930 for 2023
and 1000 for 2024.**

Monument List

**WWI
Korean
WWII
Soldiers & Sailors
1st NH Regiment
Vietnam Memorial**

**Our new Buddy Poppy Cans
have come in. They are
ready for the drive this
month. Again, Steve Ord-
way helped by drilling the
holes in the tops of the
cans. The new cans are
plastic.**

**We now have a new
website. It is still under
construction, but you
can go in and see what
information is available.
The address is :
www.vfw483.org**

**The Nashua Veterans Day Pa-
rade will be held on 11 No-
vember 2023, at 1111 kickoff
from Holman Stadium. Prior
to the parade ceremonies will
be held a various monuments
around the city. Ceremonies
begin at 0800.**



Lew Chipola

QUARTERMASTER'S CORNER



Comrades, take a look at page 21 in the Flyer Section of this newsletter. The Military Order of the Cootie is raffling a Randle Knife. These are hand made knives. If you check and see what they cost to purchase one you may be surprised. They are very expensive made to order knives. Help the Cooties raise some money to keep helping veterans. This is all the Cooties do. If you would like to purchase a ticket let me know. I will get them from the Cootie Pup Tent One.

Comrades, the post is in membership trouble. We have lost 6 members this year to death. The goal for membership is 102%. Last year we made "All American". Given the state of our membership now we will not be able to attain that goal this year. The only way we have a chance is recruiting new members. The best way to do this is for each of you to try and recruit at least one new member. I am sure you all know someone that is eligible to join the VFW. Talk to them and get them to join. I always include an application form in the Flyer section of the newsletter. You can print as many as you need. Help our post to succeed this year. If you need more information please contact me.

Christmas Light



Nashua VFW Post 483's entry into the Lions Club Festival of Wreaths, Table Top Trees and Centerpieces contest held at the Nashua Senior Center on Friday and Saturday, December 1 & 2, 2023.

Post 5791 News

This year, Hudson Post 5791's Toys for Tots Fundraising Dinner and Raffle is headed in a slightly different direction. Our Toys for Tots fundraiser is now a Toys for Tots Buffet, Raffle and Meat Raffle! Please see the details on the flyer for how to join in the fun and raise money for Toys for Tots!

See flyer page 28

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12/7/17 "Ask me about ~~10~~ for ~~10~~"



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FRANCHISE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE



BATTLE OF THE MONTH



Ivy Mountain

Thursday, November 7, Col. [Joshua W. Sill](#) started the northern prong of the Big Sandy expedition toward John's Creek. From there he was to veer south for about forty miles and gain the rear of the enemy at Pikeville. The following morning, Nelson took the main column of 3,600 men toward Pikeville on the Old State Road (Rt. 460). Heavy rain fell in torrents as they neared [Ivy Mountain](#), a [hogback](#), 1,000-foot (300 m) hill about 0.5 miles (0.80 km) long. The West Levisa Fork of the [Big Sandy River](#) restricted movement on the right the seven-foot wide path and knee-deep mud forced the artillery to unlimber their guns and rig them so they could follow the infantry forward in a single file. About 15 miles (24 km) west of Pikeville, the advance guard disappeared in the elbow of the path as it turned down toward the crossing at Ivy Creek. Directly to their front, there were 250 Confederates some 100 feet (30 m) up the hill and hidden behind rocks, trees, and bushes. About 1:00 p.m., that hillside exploded with blue smoke from the doubled-barreled shotguns and old muskets carried by the Confederates. In the next instant, four Union soldiers were dead and another 13 lay on the ground wounded. Nelson rushed forward with his saber drawn, climbed up on a conspicuously located rock, and told his men "that if the Rebels could not hit him they could not hit any of them." He ordered the 2nd Ohio Infantry and 21st Ohio Infantry to push up side of the mountain and flank the enemy position from the north. At the same, Nelson had two light artillery pieces take a position near mouth of Ivy Creek and West Levisa Fork and fire directly into the enemy breastworks.

About 2:20 p.m., the 21st Ohio Infantry arrived at the top of hill. They rolled large boulders down on the Confederates who ran off in every direction. One half-hour later, Captain May had his men felling trees and burning bridges to retard pursuit. The Battle of Ivy Mountain (Ivy Narrows) was a clear victory for the Union force under Nelson who had gained full control of the field at a loss of six killed and 24 wounded. The opposing Confederates had 10 dead, 15 wounded, and 50 missing or taken prisoner. Nelson ended the pursuit beyond a burned bridge at Coldwater Creek and near the home of Unionist Lindsay Layne. Williams continued on to Pikeville where he posted a rear guard of 400 men to cover a withdrawal to [Pound Gap](#) with the remainder of his force. At 3:00 a.m. Saturday, November 9, Nelson had his troops back in pursuit. Terrible road conditions retarded movement and by nightfall, he remained 5 miles (8.0 km) from Pikeville. Early Sunday, November 10, Nelson had come to within several miles of the objective when a detachment from Joshua Sill's northern prong rode forward to advise they had secured the town at 4:00 p.m. Saturday.

In Pound Gap, Colonel Williams reported that Nelson had dispersed an "unorganized and half-armed, barefooted squad" that lacked everything, but the will to fight. The *Cincinnati Commercial* noted that Nelson had shown how "troops could be moved across unforgiving terrain without adequate transportation." That determination had truly surprised Williams who believed that Nelson would continue into [Virginia](#) with the intent of destroying the [Virginia & Tennessee Railroad](#), a line that connected the Confederate capital at [Richmond, Virginia](#) with the [Memphis, Tennessee](#) and the [Mississippi Valley](#) at Knoxville. In the first accounts of the fighting at Ivy Mountain, Northern news correspondents grossly misrepresented events because their Northern audience wanted a quick conclusion to the war. Those mistakes led the *Cincinnati Gazette* to conclude that while a great victory had been attained, the "campaign in Eastern Kentucky has no more permanent effect than the passage of a showman's caravan. Five hundred rebel guerrilla cavalry will undo in a week the ornamental work . . . done at so great an expenditure of money and of most precious time." The latter issues were of great concern and the reason why Brig. Gen. [Don Carlos Buell](#) replaced Brig. Gen. [William T. Sherman](#) in [Louisville](#). Nelson received orders to report there and his brigade followed on Sunday afternoon, November 24. As predicted, the Confederates returned and that brought [Col. James A. Garfield](#) into the region to resume the unfinished task of subduing them.



CROSSWORD PUZZLE



10/9/23, 12:40 PM

LA Times, Mon, Oct 9, 2023

The Washington Post

LA Times, Mon, Oct 9, 2023

By Amanda Cook & Katie Hale / Ed. Patti Varol

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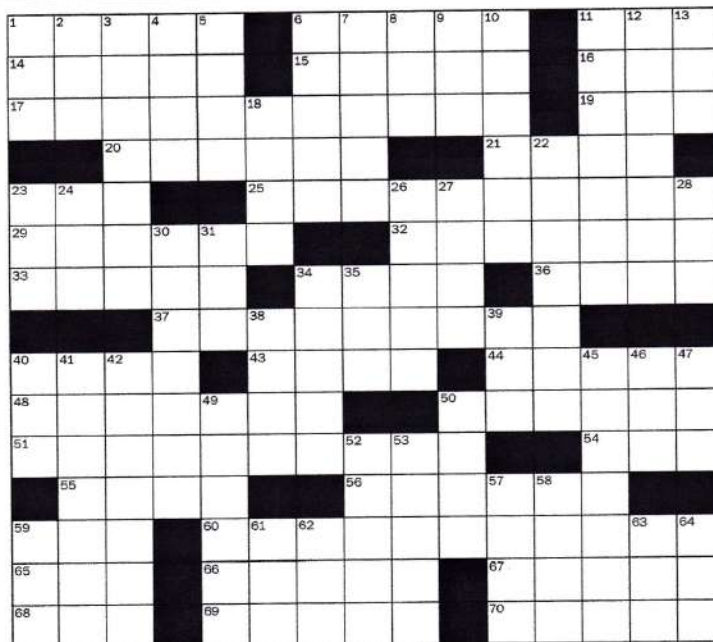
ACROSS

- 1 Physical effort
6 Girl Scout sash addition
11 Flamenco cry
14 Unaccompanied
15 Road one-eighty
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57 ____ Sutra
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE SOLUTION



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The Washington Post

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ACROSS

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MOC Pup Tent #NH1

Randall Made Model 14 Attack Knife 0-1 Blade Micarta Handle

Retail Value \$595

Model 14 – Attack

Veterary Style



Only Two Hundred Tickets To Be Sold

\$20 / Ticket



All proceeds used to
assist veterans in the
homes and the
hospitals

“Keep ‘em Smilin’ in Beds of White!”

Venmo payments to @Jorg-Dreusicke



Veterans Coffee Talk

2024 Schedule

The Nashua Veterans Coffee Talk will be held at the Nashua Senior Center, 70 Temple Street, Nashua, NH, at 10:00 AM, on the second Friday of each month on the second floor Education Room. Bring your ideas and experiences and feel free to express them to your fellow veterans.



January 12

February 9

March 8

April 12

May 10

June 14

July 12

August 9

September 13

October 11

November 18

December 13



MAYOR'S VETERANS COUNCIL



SCHEDULE FOR 2024

MEETING ARE IN THE MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM

MEETINGS BEGIN AT 2:00 PM

January 8

March 11

May 13

July 8

September 9

November 18 (11th is Veterans Day)

Commanders, please feel free to bring a second member of your organization. This member will be your backup, if you cannot make a meeting.



VETERANS DAY **CELEBRATION**

SATURDAY | NOVEMBER 4 | 2 PM

**Come to honor veterans and enjoy live
music, talk to local organizations that serve
veterans, do activities, and more!**



Veterans Benefit Dinner Public Welcome All proceeds benefit veterans programs.

When: Friday November 3rd, 2023
Doors open at 5:30pm,
Dinner served at 6pm.

Where:: VFW Post
6 Main St., Pelham, NH 03076

Admission: \$8 per adult
Children are free.

What : Meatloaf, mashed potatoes
and desserts!

**50/50 Raffle
and Basket
Raffle!**

Visit our website at <https://pelhamnhvfw.com/>

Sponsored by John H. Hargreaves Memorial Post 10722 and Auxiliary, Pelham NH

REMINDER IF YOU WANT TO SPONSOR A THANKSGIVING DINNER BASKET FOR A VASH VETERAN FAMILY:



AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, IF INTERESTED, PLEASE BRING IT UP AT YOUR NEXT MEETING!

Questions: Please reach out to Madeline Dreusicke, Hospital Chairman at [made-linelavfw@aol.com](mailto:madelinelavfw@aol.com) or Cell 603 508-0843 .

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TO SPONSOR A BASKET/BASKETS:

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Deadline to Sponsor 11/15/23

\$50.00 check made out to:

Madeline Dreusicke

Mail: 2 Chagnon Lane, Pelham, N.H. 03076

Ref Line: Thanksgiving Basket

Sponsored by: "Greeting - how you would like it worded!"

In these difficult times, some struggle more than others. This is the time when we come together to help our Veterans and their families celebrate Thanksgiving with a special sponsored dinner basket!



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- **TO SPONSOR A BASKET/BASKETS:**
Deadline to Sponsor 11/15/23

**\$50.00 check made out to Dept of NH VFW Auxiliary
Mail to Carol Harvey, Treasurer
18 Sylvan Way,
Wells, ME 04090
Ref line: Thanksgiving Baskets**

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Thank you for your support!

Madeline Dreusicke, Auxiliary Hospital Chairman

TOYS FOR TOTS

DINNER & MEAT RAFFLE

HUDSON VFW POST 5791,
15 BOCKES RD, HUDSON NH 03051

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2023

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

Italian Buffet Dinner at 6:30pm

Meat Raffle Begins 7:00pm



Admission Ticket: \$10.00 (includes Buffet)
(Limited to 200 tickets)

Meat Raffle & Raffle Prize Tickets sold separately at event.

Meat raffle: \$30 for all games OR pay per game

Raffle Tickets: 15 for \$10

Tickets may be purchased via the following:

- Hudson Post 5791
- Veteran's Hall Bingo on Thursdays & Sundays (see Kristy or Brenda)
- Email cshay35@gmail.com

Raffle Prizes

- Big Screen TV
- Silver Knights package
- Firepit
- and More!!!!

If you would like to donate an item or funds towards raffle prizes, please contact Charlene Vance at cshay35@gmail.com or you may drop your gift at the Hudson Post or Veteran's Hall. All donations are tax-exempt.

Liberty House
2nd Annual
Christmas Tree Jubilee

We invite Local Businesses, Groups, Families and Friends of Liberty House to participate in our Christmas Tree Jubilee fundraiser event!

Donated Christmas Trees must be artificial and not exceed 7'
Trees should be fully decorated and reflect your theme and/or business with gift certificates and/or merchandise.

Trees need to be delivered **BY Wednesday December 6th**







Gift Card Tree Scratch Ticket Tree Tool Tree Dog Toy/Treat Tree Woodcraft Tree

2023
Christmas Tree Jubilee
Registration

Return to smurphy@libertyhousenh.org
No Later Than November 20th

Organization Name:

Phone #:

Email Address:

Address:

Tree Type

☐ Gift Certificates ☐ Merchandise ☐ Themed ☐ Other

Please Provide A Brief Description Of Your Tree

Program Ad Options

(Optional)

☐ Full Page ☐ Half Page ☐ Quarter Page ☐ Listing

**WE ASK THAT ALL TREES BE DECORATED
ONSITE AND DELIVERED BY
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH.**

Commanders Note:

Requesting
LIBERTY
HOUSE

A Program of Catholic Charities NH

Posts & their Auxiliaries participate in this event.

Program Ad Opportunities

Full Page - \$250 (5" w x 8" h)
Half Page - \$150 (5" w x 4" h)
Quarter Page - \$75 (2.5" w x 4" h)
Patron Name - \$25 listing

This is an excellent opportunity to get our name out there, donate to a great cause, and possibly have some fun...



**Reserve
Your
Spot
Today!**



Connect, Reach Out, Inspire Hope, Offer Help

Join other VFW members to learn how to connect, reach out, inspire hope, and offer help to Veteran peers or loved ones in your life who are struggling. Local resources will be highlighted.

Connect Suicide Prevention Training presented by Harbor Care

Connect is a designated National Best Practice Program developed by NAMI New Hampshire and is recognized by SPRC's Best Practice Registry 2023.

Date: Tuesday, November 14th

Time: 8am-1pm (8am-12pm training followed by lunch and optional tour of facility)

Location: Harbor Care, 77 Northeastern Blvd, Nashua, NH

Space is limited!

Registration Deadline: Friday, November 3rd

To Register: Complete this [Google Registration Form](https://forms.gle/TGPDRYoLfj55BFSt7) (gmail account not required) or find it at <https://forms.gle/TGPDRYoLfj55BFSt7>

For more information or help registering: Denis Querrard vfw.dquerrard@gmail.com or Alexandra Baer a.baer@harborcarenh.org

This training is made possible with funding from the SSG Fox SPGP Grant awarded to Harbor Care and the support of NAMI New Hampshire and the NH Suicide Prevention Council Military & Veterans Committee.



Military/Veterans
Committee



Blue Star Mothers of New Hampshire *Wreaths for NH Veterans Cemetery*

Please help us make a Christmas wish come true

The Blue Star Mothers of N.H. would like to share with you a great event that is happening at the New Hampshire Veterans Cemetery on December 2, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. This year we will be placing wreaths on **Sections TBD, the columbarium and those on the flag poles**. We will be returning on January 6, 2024 to pick the wreaths up.

This is an idea that started in 2007 with a N.H. Gold Star Family and was inspired by the wreaths placed at Arlington National Cemetery (by Worcester Wreath Company) the Blue and Gold Star Mothers decided we needed to answer this Christmas wish ~ The 12" Balsam Wreath includes a 4-looped red bow for \$13.00. Please make your check out to:

**Blue Star Mothers of NH
PO Box 1005
Laconia, NH 03247**

Consider making your donation in honor of a loved one. Please complete the following order form then, print the form out and mail the printed form, along with your payment.

_____ Please do NOT include my name on the Donors Page.

Your Name _____

Please list this gift _____ in honor of _____ in memory of
(please use full name, branch of service and conflict if there is one)

If you would like to have your Thank You letter emailed or receive any videos of the day please include your email: _____

We will not share your email.

Phone: (in case we have a question. We will not share your phone number)

_____. Visit our website for more information on how you can donate or help lay wreaths or with pickup:

www.bluestarmothersofnh.org or email: bluestarmothersofnh@yahoo.com.



ADVERTISE WITH NEW HAMPSHIRE'S LARGEST NEWSPAPER



Salute to Veterans

Published: Friday, November 10, 2023 • Reserve by: Friday, November 3, 2023, 12:00 noon

The New Hampshire Union Leader will dedicate the front section to a special Veteran's Day section on Friday, November 10 featuring reader-submitted photos.

There is no charge to submit photos, a maximum of 200 will be featured (at random selection) for the edition. This section promises to be something that will get readers' attention and be kept as a family keepsake.

An accompanying digital slideshow will be perfect for social sharing, combining print and digital to extend the reach of your ad message.

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Bottom Bar Adhesion - \$500/day

This ad unit remains at the base of the UnionLeader.com website while users are browsing. Makes for great exposure and direct response.
(1170px x 90px)

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Digital Display Big Square - \$275

25,000 impressions run of site (300px x 250px)

Broadsheet

1/4 Page
5.03" x 10.5"
\$700

Full Page
10.2" x 21"
\$2,000

1/8 Page
5.03" x 5.25"
\$400

1/2 Page
10.2" x 10.5"
\$1,200

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Treating The Injury Of Trauma

Stellate Ganglion Block (SGB)
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NEW MEDICAL EVIDENCE FOR DEALING WITH IT HEAD ON

The Homeland Heroes Foundation & Manchester Vet Center

Present to you a three (3) part educational series about the Stellate Ganglion Block (SGB) and how it could change your life!

DATES FOR LUNCH AND LEARN

Nov. 17, 2023 11:00-1:00: Presentation provided by the Vet Center

Dec. 8, 2023 11:00-1:00: Personal Testimonials from Veterans

Jan. 19, 2024 11-1:00: Q & A with Dr. James Lynch

Vet Center 1461 Hookset Rd Suite B7 Hookset NH - For more info call Julie 617-470-2422

Sign up here: <http://evite.me/CYeugGhVs7>



Expecting to "Just Get Over PTSD" is like expecting a patient to "Just Get Over" Cancer.

IF YOU'VE EARNED THESE



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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



Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal



Combat Infantryman Badge



Combat Medical Badge



Combat Action Badge



SSBN Deterrent Patrol Insignia

THEN YOU BELONG HERE

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

PLEASE CONTACT: _____

AT: _____



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

www.vfw.org

NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.

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)