

# **COMMANDER'S CHALLENGE**

# **KEEP UP THE MOMENTUM!**

This year the VFW has seen historic growth that we want to see continue as we strive for that 102% goal!

During the month of April, Commander-in-Chief Duane Sarmiento has laid down a new challenge to our Posts: the Post in each membership division that increases their membership the most from April 1st through April 30th will receive a \$500 award as well as a special Commander's Cutlass, engraved with the Post's name and number to show everyone that you have done the work and MET THE CHALLENGE!



There will only be ELEVEN of these unique swords made, any Post that has one to display will show the world that they are among the elite! Get out there recruiting, renewing, and recovering lapsed members and it could be yours!

We are on track for a record-setting membership year if everyone continues to do their part and puts forth the extra effort! Let's shatter expectations as we go out to **MEET THE CHALLENGE!** 

This contest will compare membership percentages from April 1 through April 30, 2024. Applications and payments processed online before close of business will be credited that day, payments and applications made through the mail will be processed when received. Questions about this or other membership programs can be sent to membership@vfw.org.

#### 2023-2024 ALL STATE POST COMMANDER/QUARTERMASTER NOMINEE

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STATE OF INDIANA POST NO	LOCATION
POST COMMANDER	Cap Size
POST QUARTERMASTER	Cap Size
POST ADDRESS	
This Report Form with the <b>Post's</b> completed and received by <b>Noon 1</b> Headquarters, 9555 E 59 <sup>th</sup> Street The judges will consider the fol All State Post Commanders/Quarte	<b>15 April 2024</b> at the State , Indianapolis, IN 46216.
MEMBERSHIP	55 Points Maximum
<ol> <li>2023-2024 Membership reported</li> <li>2023-2024 Total Membership as</li> <li>Percentage of gain over 2022-</li> <li>Numerical gain over 2022-2023</li> </ol>	s of 4-15-23 -2023 total
BUDDY POPPY DRIVE	5 Points Maximum
<ol> <li>Post must have conducted a Bu</li> <li>How many Poppies purchased 20</li> <li>How many Poppies per member</li> </ol>	)23-2024
COMMUNITY SERVICE	5 Points Maximum
1. Has the Post been credited by participation	
YOUTH ACTIVITIES	5 Points Maximum
<ol> <li>Are other Youth Projects Spor</li> <li>Did Post have a Patriot's Per</li> <li>Did the Post have Scout of the</li> </ol>	n Program?

TEACHER OF THE YEAR	5 Points Maximum
1. Did the Post have Teacher of the Year er	ntry?
VOICE OF DEMOCRACY	5 Points Maximum
<ol> <li>Did Post sponsor the Voice of Democracy</li> <li>How many schools participated in the pro</li> <li>How many students participated in the pro</li> </ol>	ogram?
RECRUITING EVENT	5 Points Maximum
1. Did the Post conduct 2 Recruiting Events Dashboard.	s and Report on the
VETERANS & MILITARY SUPPORT PROGRAMS	5 Points Maximum
<ol> <li>Did the Post conduct a Fundraiser?</li> <li>Did the Post donate a minimum of \$100.00</li> </ol>	)
POST INSPECTION	5 Points Maximum
<ol> <li>Did the Post pass the annual inspection?</li> <li>All deficiencies corrected?</li> <li>(Please provide documentation.)</li> </ol>	?
NATIONAL PROGRAMS	15 Points Maximum
<ol> <li>Did the Post submit Employer of the Year</li> <li>Did the Post submit JROTC Cadet of the Year</li> <li>Did the Post submit VFW Member of the Year</li> </ol>	fear
TRUSTEES REPORT OF AUDIT	5 Points Maximum
June 30 September 30 March 31	December 31
ATTENDANCE AT THE FOLLOWING	5 Points Maximum
1. District Meetings       2. School of         3. Fall Conference       4. Spring (	of Instruction Conference
5. State Convention	

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IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE POST COMMANDER OR THEIR DESIGNATED OFFICER TO PREPARE THIS REPORT FORM AND A NARRATIVE REPORT COVERING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE NOMINEES. The Narrative Report should follow the Program sequence shown on the form but would allow you to go into more detail and present supporting information for your candidate.

Signed:	
Title:	
Date:	



#### "KEISTON HOLLOWAY CHAPLAIN OF THE YEAR AWARD"

**Purpose:** To Honor Post and District Chaplains for their commitment and service to our Veterans.

The following are the criteria for Chaplain of the Year Award:

- Must be serving or have served as either Post or District Chaplain.
- Be recognized for a positive impact on veterans in the community and for contributing to furthering the goals of the VFW.
- Focus shall be on ministering to other Veterans and their families.

Nominations can be made by any Post or District Officer. Please provide the following details:

- Nominations must be submitted to the State Chaplain no later than 30 April.
- The written nomination should be no more than 2 pages.
- Include a list of accomplishments and/or community events participate in (ie. Volunteering for community, hospital visits, nursing home visits, etc.)
- Tell why you feel the Chaplain should be honored. Include the nominee's phone number.
- Department judges will be 1 District Chaplain, 1 Past Department Commander and Department Chaplain.

The Chaplain selected by the judges will be notified by the State and announced at the State Convention Award Banquet.



#### JAMES BUTTERS SERVICE OFFICER AWARD

Are you and the members of your Post proud of your Post Service Officer? You should be if he or she carries out the duties of his or her office.

At the State Convention in Indianapolis, the James Butters Award will be awarded to the most outstanding Post Service Officer. To enter your Post Service Officer, complete the form and return VFW State Headquarters.

NAME

District \_\_\_\_\_ Post \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Post meetings attended since 1 July 2022 \_\_\_\_\_

Did they take part in the Buddy Poppy Program? \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Poppies Distributed?

Did they attend the School of Instruction, August 2022?

Did they attend any Post Service Officer Training?

Number of Hospital Visits during the year \_\_\_\_\_

Are they paid? Y/N If Yes, how much? \_\_\_\_\_

A brief statement by the Commander of other activities rendered by the Service Officer for the Post in which are representing. (Please attach statement to this form).

Deadline for returning this form is 30 April 2023.

#### **VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA**



## VFW Employer of the Year Award Nomination Form

Nominator's Name:			
Phone Number:			
City:			
Nominee's Position:			
Nominee's Name:		in an	
Employer's Business Name: _			-
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Employer's Point of Contact: _			
Phone Number:	Email Add	ress:	
Why do you feel this employer	deserves this award	?	
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Please attach additional pages, as necessary.



### VFW JROTC Cadet of the Year Award Nomination Form

Nominator's Name:			
Phone Number:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Nominating Post:	Non	ninating District:	
Nominee's Rank and Nan	ne:		
Nominee's School:			and the second secon
JROTC Instructor Name:			
Phone Number:			
Why Do you feel this Cad			

Please attach additional pages, as necessary.



VFW	Veteran of the Year Award
	Nomination Form

Nominator's Name:				
Phone Number:Email Address:				
		Zip Code:		
Nominating Post:		_ Nominating District:		
1. Explain how this Veter	ran made a positiv			
veterans.	an has made a p	ositive impact in the lives of his / her fellow		
3. Explain how this veter	an has made a po	ositive impact in his / her community.		

Please attach additional pages, as necessary.

#### OFFICIAL DELEGATE LIST FOR STATE CONVENTION

#### RETURN THIS FORM WITH PAYMENT BY 1 JUNE 2024

Date:	
Post:	

#### 13 - 16 JUNE 2024

A. Date of Post-Election:

Β.	Number	of	Members	per	memstat	s on	31	March	2024.	(Make	sure
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C. 1 per 30 members divided by 30 \_\_\_\_\_.

D.	Number	ΟÍ	Post	Delegates.	B/30=(	round	up	to	whole	number
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E. Line D, Delegates \_\_\_\_\_ plus Commander (1) = \_\_\_\_\_

F. Fee to State. Delegates plus Commander X \$3.00 =

(STATE USE ONLY)

Quartermaster Bonded	Υ	N	Α.	Delegate Fee \$
Officers Elected	Y	Ν	в.	Admin Fee \$
Installed	Υ	N	С.	Poppies Ordered Y N
Jun/Sep/Dec/Mar Audits	Υ	N	D.	Other \$

Money owed to State must be paid by 1 June 2024.

List Delegates Below: \*\* List Alternates and additional delegates on an attached list.

Commander	11
1	12.
2	13
3	14.
4	15.
5	16.
6	17.
7	18.
8	19.
9	20.
10	21

Certified:

Post Adjutant



## 2024-2025 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA STATE SHIRTS

**Order Deadlines:** 

Orders MUST be received by these deadlines to be delivered at State Conference Events. Your order will be placed on the closest deadline after it is received.

Mar 28th (to receive at Convention), May 30th (to receive at School), Aug. 17 (to receive in Octl)

Name:		Phor	ne:	Post:
Address:				- 1 6 8 1 4 1 4 1 4 1 4 1 4 1 4 1 4 1 4 1 4 1
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Polo				
Small to XL - \$26.	00 2XL - \$28.	00 3XL - \$30	).00 4XL - \$3	2.00
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Poplin Long Sleeve	Button Down			
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VFW Dept. of India			,	
9555 E. 59 <sup>th</sup> St.		Orders:		
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# 2024-2025 VFW STATE SHIRTS

All shirts will have the \\VFW logo on the left chest with no pockets.

Polo (available in men's or ladies.)





Long sleeve (available in men's or ladies.)

¼ zip pullover (available in men's or ladies)



Reservation Request <u>Indianapolis Marriott Center East</u> 7202 East 21<sup>st</sup> Street Indianapolis, IN 46219 Phone: (317)352-1231 Toll Free: 1-800-228-9290 Fax: **(317)222-3339** 

Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana - VFW Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana State Convention. Dates: Thursday 13 June - Sunday 16 June 2024

ROOM RATES \$127.00 Per Night

PLEASE APPLY 17% SALES TAX TO THE ABOVE RATES Cutoff day: 5:00pm FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2024

Name: (please print)
Phone #( )
Address:
City: State: Zip:
Email Address:
Marriott Rewards#
For arrival on (day/date)
Departure on (day/date)
Name(s) of person(s) sharing accommodations:
Room Type Preference: One (1) King Bed
Two (2) Double Beds
Handicap Accessible
No preference
When requesting a reservation, please note your arrival and departure dates
carefully. You understand that you are liable for one night's room and tax
in the event you <b>do not cancel</b> by 6pm or arrive on the arrival date. This
will be deducted from your deposit or billed through your credit card. If
more than on room is requested, please enclose a list of names and addresses
indicating which guests share rooms.
Check or Money Order Enclosed for amount of
Credit Card Number Expiration:
Signature:

The Indianapolis Marriott East is pleased you have chosen us for your upcoming visit. Our staff looks forward to serving you in fine Marriott tradition.

**Please Note:** Hotel checkout time is 12:00 noon. Hotel check-in time is 4:00pm. RESERVATIONS REQUESTED AFTER THE CUT-OFF DATE ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY. ROOMS MAY STILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER THE CUT-OFF DATE; HOWEVER, THE GROUP RATE IN NOT GUARANTEED. PLEASE APPLY 17% SALES TAX TO THE ABOVE RATES.



#### VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA ORIGINIAL BUDDY POPPY ORDER FORM

DATE :	POST:DI	ISTRICT:
SHIP TO: (NAME):		
MEMBERSHIP #:		
ADDRESS:	(POPPIES CAN NOT BE SHII	PPED TO A P.O. BOX)
AMOUNT		TOTAL
	Poppies at \$125.00 per !	500
	Shipping and Handlin	ng <u>\$15.95</u>
	Poppies at \$250.00 per 3	
	Shipping and Handlin	ng <u>\$29.95</u>
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We remit with this order \$\_\_\_\_\_, for full payment of Buddy Poppies, which must be paid at the time of orders.

Signed by Post Commander or QM

Send all orders and payment to: VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA 9555 E.  $59^{\text{TH}}$  ST. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46216 ATTN: STATE ADJUTANT

Orders being processed by card can be faxed to (317)377-1797 or emailed to adj@vfwin.org

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Name on Card:		Phone Number:
Billing Address:		
Sub Total: \$	Card Number:	
Expiration Date:_		Security Code:
Signature:	na na wana na	



VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA TIN BUDDY POPPY ORDER FORM

DATE :	POST:	DISTRICT		
SHIP TO: (NAME):_				
MEMBERSHIP #:				
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AMOUNT			TOTAL	
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9555 E. 59 <sup>TH</sup> ST. 1	INDIANAPOLIS, IN 4621	6 ATTN:	STATE ADJUTANT	
Orders being proc adj@vfwin.org	cessed by card can be	faxed to	(317)377-1797 or e	mailed to
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Name on Card:		Phone Nu	mber:	
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Signature:				í.

# 2023-2024 VFW Department of Indiana Testimonial

Commander SHEILA CORCORAN and President GENNIE PICKENS

APRIL 20, 2024 VFW Post 1587 5139 West 10th St Indianapolis, IN 46224

Cocktails Start at 5:00pm Dinner 6:00pm EST Tickets \$25

MENU INCLUDES: Beef Brisket Chicken Tossed Salad Potato Bar Desert

There is Light at the End of the Tunnel

# A LARGE PART OF GEORGE RAY GOUDY VFW POST 1152 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IS THE PRIVILEGE TO HOST THE 2024 VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA JIM THIEL MEMORIAL STATE GOLF OUTING



August 9th, 10th & 11th 2024



## We are limited to the first 120 VFW and Auxilliary Members in good standing Entries must be received with payment no later than 20 July, 2024 Cost is \$70 per player

Friday, 9 August - Practice round available - \$20 includes Cart - Please call course 765-453-2501

Saturday, 10 August - Individual scores to determine Sunday's round Sunday, 11 August - A, B, C, D Four-Player Scramble, Best ball format

SHOTGUN START BOTH DAYS 0900

NAME	MEMBER NUMBER	CIRCLE ONE	
		REGULAR	AUXILIARY

We have Hole Sponsorships available at \$100 per hole and would be grateful for any door prize donation

AMOUNT ENCLOSED

\$70 x \_\_\_\_ = (# OF PLAYERS)

Hole Sponsorship \$\_\_\_\_\_(\$100 per Hole)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

NAME ON HOLE SPONSOR

Please mail entry and check payable to:

VFW Post 1152

ATTN: Quartermaster/Golf 920 N Washington St Kokomo, IN. 46901

#### **CONTACT INFO**

VFW POST 1152 920 N. Washington St. Kokomo, IN. 46901 Post; 765-452-1521 John Meeks 765-860-4172 Lisa Overton 765-438-5979

American Legion Golf Course 2604 S. La fountain St. Kokomo, IN. 46902 765-453-2501

We <u>Thank You</u> for joining us and looking forward to seeing you!!



**GEORGE RAY GOUDY VFW POST 1152** 

920 N. Washington St. Kokomo, IN. 46901 765-452-1521

# 2024 VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA JIM THIEL MEMORIAL STATE GOLF OUTING

What's going on at the Golf Course and the Post you ask?

Food available at the turn • Bar at the Golf Course • Beer Carts Saturday and Sunday

## FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Shuttle between Motel and Post Call (765) 452-1521

Full Kitchen Menu available both days • Dinner Special on Saturday

50/50 & Silent Auction (Both Drawing will take place on Saturday @ 1900 at the Post)

Music and Karaoke

We truly appreciate and want to <u>Thank You</u> for joining us in the Celebration of our 100 years of service to our Veterans, our community and our Youth!! The Members of VFW Post 1152

### **MOTELS**

COURTYARD BY MARRIOT \$119 411 Kentucky Dr. Kokomo, IN. 46902 765-453-0800 4.5 Mi. To Post - 2.1 to GC

HAMPTON INN& SUITES \$110 2920 S. Reed Rd. Kokomo, IN. 46902 765-455-2900 4.1 Mi to Post - 1.5 Mi. To GC

SUPER 8 by WYNDHAM \$82 5110 Clinton Ave. Kokomo, In. 46902 765-252-1938 4.4 Mi to Post - 1.9 Mi to GC LA QUINTA INN & SUITES \$103 511 Albany Dr. Kokomo, IN. 46902 765-453-2222 4.3 Mi to Post - 1.8 Mi. To GC

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES \$118 5101 Cartwright Dr. Kokomo, IN. 46902 765-450-8085 4,2 Mi. To Post - 1.8 MI to GC

BAYMONT by WYNDHAM \$96 1717 E. Lincoln Rd. Kokomo, In. 46902 765-453-8822 3.5 Mi to Post - 1.3 Mi. To GC Springville IN 47462 Mail your check to: **100 Brinegar Drive** Keith Rohloff

Hilton in Jackson. Deadline to sign up is August 21<sup>st</sup> or sooner if 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Cost is \$160 per person/double occupancy at Tru by Bus leaves Greenwood VFW Post @ 1030 Saturday September Contact Keith Rohloff (keith.rohloff@outlook.com) to sign up. bus is full (First 46 paid riders)

7<sup>th</sup> District National Home Bus Trip 21-22 September 2024

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# Department of Indiana VFW State Campout

## **October 3-6, 2024**

## Caldwell Pioneer Acres 3707 S. 200 West Rushville, Indiana 46173

Thursday is set up day. Registration fees are \$10 per person (Children 12 and under are free but they have to wear wrist band). \$10 per night for Camping.

All sites have electric. Water and Dump Station are available at the entrance of campsites. Trash Dumpster at camp entrance.

Fires must be in fire pit. No open fires.

Friday night Dinner is pitch-in with Ham and Beans @ 1800. Saturday morning pitch-in breakfast @ 0900. Saturday Fried Chicken Pitch-in Dinner @ 1800.

We will have L/R/C games and card games. Quiet walks over to the Old Steam Engines and walking trails.

Please RSVP to Keith Rohloff (405-535-7210) <u>keith.rohloff@outlook.com</u> or Jennifer Morris (812-236-4403) <u>jenmorrisvfwa@gmail.com</u> to ensure enough food is purchased for the weekend.