

GENERAL ORDERS #1

1 July 2024 2024-2025 Series

TO BE READ AT MEETINGS AND POSTED:

- 1. Having been elected Department Commander and having been installed in the office in accordance with the By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and the Department of Indiana, I hereby assume command.
- 2. The following officers have been duly elected and installed at the Annual State Convention:

Commander	Cory Mahan	Post	2714
Senior Vice Commander	Roger Ferguson	Post	1114
Junior Vice Commander	Dave Hammons	Post	908
Quartermaster	Michael Jordan	Post	261
Judge Advocate	Shelley Jacobs	Post	1282
Surgeon	Ken Lange	Post	10003
Chaplain	Larry Patch	Post	1587
1st District Commander	Jeff Norkus	Post	9323
2 nd District Commander	Gene Richards	Post	1154
3rd District Commander	Kevin Banda	Post	1130
4th District Commander	Dick Lineberry	Post	2457
5th District Commander	Leslie Ackermann	Post	2689
6th District Commander	Adam Bethard	Post	6128
7th District Commander	Darin Carlson	Post	6606
8 th District Commander	Gary Woods	Post	1427
9th District Commander	Mary Gowin	Post	1969
10th District Commander	Edie Toll-Seiler	Post	2695
11th District Commander	Russell Pryor	Post	261

- 3. All previous appointments have expired and are declared invalid.
- 4. As State Commander, I hereby make the following appointments:

Adjutant	Rebecca Murphy	Post	1282
Chief of Staff	Johnny Capps	Post	972
Inspector	Dave Fradenburg	Post	1108
Buddy Poppy	Leslie Ackermann	Post	2689
Building Committee	Michael Jordan	Post	261

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	Dave Hammons	Post	908	
	Sheila Corcoran	Post	1587	
Camping	Keith Rohloff	Post	9297	
Citizenship Education	Bill Clark	Post	5864	
(Teacher)				
Community Activities	Edie Toll-Seiler	Post	2695	
Conference & Convention	Dave Hammons	Post	908	
	William Weberding	Post	3183	
Dean School of Instruction	Jerry Blake	Post	1114	
Finance Committee	Johnny Capps	Post	972	
	Ken Lange	Post	10003	
	Dave Fradenburg	Post	1108	
	Jim Dexter	Post	1693	
	Eric Billman	Post	6904	
	Keith Rohloff	Post	9297	
Fire/Police/EMT	Jorge Perez	Post	988	
Golf	Darrel Knight	Post	972	
Guards	Chris Kisela	Post	748	
	Michael Curry	Post	3281	
	Paul Glover	Post	1114	
Homeless Veterans	Shannon Carr	Post	6128	
Hospital Chairman	Jerry Pitts	Post	7119	
Hospital VAVS Fort Wayne	Richard Lineberry	Post	2457	
Hospital VAVS Indianapolis	Jerry Pitts	Post	7119	
Hospital VAVS Marion	Rolland Street	Post	60	
Hospital VAVS Evansville	Roger Ferguson	Post	1114	
Indiana Combat Veteran				
Editor	Larry Patch		1587	
Indiana Veterans Home	Tom Smith		10003	
Legislative National	David Capshaw		1152	
Legislative State	Richard Ellis	Post		
	Judy King		2695	
	Richard Leirer		10003	
Life & Legacy	Edie Toll-Seiler		2696	
Membership Chairman	Edie Toll-Seiler		2695	
Membership North	Dan Petersen	Post	717	
District's 1 & 2		_		
Membership North	Dan Gann	Post	360	
District's 3 & 4				
Membership South	Ed Shoultz		1114	
District's 7 & 8	Paul Glover		1114	
Membership District 6	Edie Toll-Seiler		2695	
Membership Central	Judy King	Post	2695	
District 9 & 10				

Membership Central District 5	Rebecca Murphy	Post	1282
Membership Central	Russell Pryor	Post	261
District 11	Richard Ellis	Post	908
Mental Health Awareness	Ken Mattingly	Post	6582
	Sheila Corcoran	Post	1587
National Home	Diane Pettit	Post	5626
Patriots Pen	Adam Bethard	Post	6128
POW/MIA	Ken Lange	Post	10003
Public Relations	Cory Mahan	Post	2714
Registration	Chris Englehardt	Post	6751
	Lonnie McDade	Post	2151
Scouts	Andy Whitt	Post	972
Sgt-At-Arms	Rob Loy	Post	6246
Asst Sgt-At-Arms	Eric Behrends	Post	6246
Student Veterans	Russell Pryor	Post	261
Veterans & Military Support	Mark Carr	Post	6128
VFW Riders	Russell Pryor	Post	261
Voice of Democracy	Keith Rohloff	Post	9297
Women Veteran's	Laura McKee	Post	1587
Veterans Service Committee	David Capshaw	Post	1152
	Richard Lineberry	Post	2457
	Richard Leirer	Post	10003
	Sheila Corcoran	Post	1587

- 5. ALL ELECTED AND APPOINTED STATE OFFICERS must submit proof of eligibility to the State Adjutant immediately if you were not a State Officer in 2023-2024. This includes District Commanders, District Senior, and Junior Vices.
- 6. **All Posts** are hereby directed that they will adhere to the National By-Laws, Manual of Procedures, Ritual and State By-Laws.
- 7. Post Commanders: Attention to incoming Post Officers, you are directed to Section 218 of the Manual of Procedure which outlines the duties of various Post Officers. Please make sure that you provide a copy of the duties to these Officers so that they may have a successful year.
- 8. **Post Commanders:** Section 218 of the Manual of Procedure requires that the Post Commander shall see that the Post Trustees Report of Audit are properly prepared and submitted each quarter to the State Adjutant.

- 9. Post and District Trustees Report of Audit for the quarter ending 30 June 2024 is due to the State Headquarters not later than 31 July 2024.
- 10. District/Post Commanders: Attention is called to the provisions of Section 703 of the National By-Laws: Each officer accountable for funds or property pursuant to any provision of the By-Laws shall be bonded with an indemnity company as surety in the sum at least equal to the amount of the liquid assets for which, as far as can be anticipated, may be accountable. The bond premium shall be paid from the funs of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Department, District, or Post to which each officer is accountable. The bonds of such accountable officers, in amount and as to surety, shall be approved by their respective units and be held by their respective Commanders. The Commander of each unit shall be responsible for the proper and adequate bonding of all accountable officers in the unit.
- 11. **District Quartermasters** are directed to Article VI of the Department By-Laws that they shall submit to the State Adjutant within sixty (60) days after their District Convention, a copy of the District Budget for the ensuing year.
- 12. C of A and Committee Members: District Commanders are reminded that in the case you are unable to attend the C of A meeting that SR/JR Vice Commander must be present in your place. All C of A and Committee Members are advised that you must notify both the State Commander and State Adjutant if you are unable to attend a Council of Administration Meeting/Business Session Meeting for the year 2024-2025. Also, a COPY OF YOUR REPORT MUST be forwarded to the State Adjutant prior to the meeting for presentation at the meeting and inclusion in the minutes.
- 13. Attention to all Post Commanders are required to attend or send a representative to each District Meeting. Reference is directed to Section 218 section (k) which reads: "Assure that the (Post) Commander, or their representative, attend all properly called for District Conventions or meetings."

- 14. **2024 School of Instruction** is Saturday 17 August 2024 at the Indianapolis Marriott Center East at 9:00am. Post Commanders, Quartermasters, Adjutants, and Trustees are **HIGHLY** encouraged to attend. Registration is \$35.00 per person, which includes lunch. Registration will be open Saturday morning at 8:00am. Please see attachments.
- 15. **Every Post** chartered by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States will be expected to participate in the following VFW Programs during the 2024-2025 year: Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pend, Smart/Maher VFW National Citizens Education Teacher's Award, Buddy Poppy, and National Military Service.
- 16. Commander's Special Project: IRREVERENT WARRIORS: IR-REV-ER-ENT (ADJ) an inability to take serious things seriously.

The Mission of Irreverent Warriors is to bring veterans together using humor and camaraderie to improve mental health and prevent veteran suicide.

- 17. State Commander Special Visit Request: Post's wishing to have the State Commander attend Post or community functions are to contact the State Adjutant at least four (4) weeks in advance to give time for the invitation to be scheduled. The Commander will attend as many events as possible.
- 18. Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana shall not make any statement on behalf of the organization to the media concerning pending VFW Sponsored legislation on a State or National level, or nay comments relevant to VFW policies of a State or Nation nature without first obtaining permission from the Department of Indiana VFW Headquarters.
- 19. **All members** are reminded that the names, phone numbers, and addresses, including email addresses, shall be considered confidential and shall not be made available for commercial or political use.
- 20. State Headquarters will be closed 4 and 5 July 2024.

22. Several important documents are attached to these orders. Please review all.

BY ORDER OF:

CORY MAHAN STATE COMMANDER OFFICIAL:

REBECCA MURPHY

STATE ADJUTANT

ANNOUNCEMENTS 1 July 2024

- 1. July District Meetings: Please see attachment.
- 2. Community Service Reports: All reports must be done on-line at <u>vfwin.org</u>. Any questions please contact Edie Toll-Seiler at <u>edie.seilervfw@gmail.com</u>.
- 3. **Buddy Poppies:** The Buddy Poppy Form is attached. This is the only order form that will be accepted by the State Headquarters.
- 4. School of Instruction registration form is attached.
- 5. Responsible Officer and Worker Bonds paperwork included with these General Orders and online at www.vfwin.org. All bonds will expire on 31 August 2024.
- 6. 2024-2025 State Shirt order form attached. Orders must be received by 17 August 2024, to be delivered in October 2024.
- 7. State Golf Tournament: 9-11 August 2024. Please see attached.
- 8. National Convention: 27 July 1 August 2024, Louisville, KY. State Headquarters will be closed during the National Convention.
- 9. 2 July U.S. Army Air Corps established (1926).
- 10. 4 July Independence Day.
- 11. 27 July Korean War Ended (1953).
- 12. 28 July World War 1 Began (1914).



Hello Comrades,

Indiana

Thank you so much for the faith you have in me, and for the support you have shown me throughout the years! As most of you that attended the State Convention can tell, this is a very meaningful experience for me and I will do my best to increase the effectiveness of this organization. There will be many changes this year, and I ask for an open mind from some of you and an understanding that an organization this big does not turn on a dime from the others. As the incoming Commander-in-Chief says "We say NO! to "It has always been done this way!"

Thank you to all Post, District and State officers that have stepped up by taking elected and appointed positions for the year to come. I am looking forward to working with you throughout this year, and I am sure you are going to excel! You are the engine behind this organization, and you will be the reason Indiana will dominate in the rankings this year!

Our Auxiliary Department President, Kathy Hankins, and I are joining together in our special project this year. We have selected Irreverent Warriors as we are once again focusing on mental health. We are excited to partner with this organization, and look forward to an excellent year ahead. If you want to check out this organization you can go to the link below.

https://irreverentwarriors.com/

This year our motto will be Plant • Nurture • Harvest.

The act of Planting is the first step of the process and basically means membership, media and community presence and involvement. This Step for some people is the hardest or at least the most uncomfortable step, but without this action, nothing else will come to fruition. Another meaning to Plant could be starting a new post, starting a new program at your current post or enacting a large change for our organization that is needed.

Nurture can mean many different things in this organization. Firstly, Nurture can mean mentoring the comrades we recruit. If we bring new members into our organization but give them no guidance or assistance, it is easy for us to lose them very early on. We need to show our new members what we do for veterans as an organization and what their involvement means to that mission. Nurture can also relate to how we take care of our new programs making sure they are getting the attention and care needed. If you skip this step, the work that you accomplished during planting will be gone and you will never move on.

Harvest is the best part, but the hardest to get to. This is when you get you reap the benefits of all the hard work you have put in through the year. There are some benefits that you may not be able to reap until many years of effort. Keep Harvest in mind when you face the work required this year to make it there. It will not be easy, but it is the only way to benefit your Post, District and State.

As you all know, we are all getting ready for the National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. If you have never made it to a National Convention, this is a really good chance for you to see what all the hubbub is about. We will have a small gathering room for you to get together with your comrades from Indiana.

As far as what I expect you to wear, I am going to defer to what National has said for as far back as I can remember. "A general guideline for attire for the convention is business casual for meetings. For VFW members, it is always appropriate to have your cap on hand for meetings. Jackets are not required unless you are an All American Commander and may be on stage to receive your award as photographs are taken during those functions." I will be in a State shirt and khakis/slacks for meetings.

If you would like a State Officer to visit you for an event or ceremony please let me know and we will do our best to accommodate you request.

Throughout this next year, if you need my assistance please let me know how I can help you. If you have program specific questions, I encourage you to reach out to the program chairperson and get the help you need. All of the line officers are here to work for you. I look forward to serving you in the coming year.

Cory Mahan
State Commander
Department of Indiana
Veterans of Foreign Wars
cory.mahan.vfw@gmail.com
812-385-6866







1 July 2024

I want to thank every member of the Department of Indiana who recruited at least one new member or reinstated member this year. With your hard work you got the Department of Indiana VFW to 102.25% in membership! This is a monumental task, and it took each and every one of us. Over 70% of the VFW Posts in Indiana attained 100% or better in membership. Because of you Indiana has earned the distinction of being named an "All American" State.

My membership team was relentless and never slowed down. They worked long hours attending district meetings and recruiting events all over the state. Together they made thousands of phone calls. Thank you to Judy King, Rebecca Murphy, Russell Pryor, Dan Peterson, Joe Misuraca, Edie Toll-Seiler, and Membership Director Ken Lange.

I also want to thank my Post and District Commanders and Quartermasters. The most important positions are at the Post and District levels. Without you the State will not succeed.

This journey to All-American State Commander has taken several years, and it would not have started without the support from the Comrades and Auxiliary members of VFW Post 1587 and District 11. They have supported and encouraged me from the very beginning.

This year at the VFW National Convention I will be given the title of All American-Triple Crown Commander. This means I was an All-American Commander at the Post, District and State levels. The Comrades and Auxiliary members of Indiana earned this distinction and should take great pride+ in being a member of an All-American State.

To quote VFW National Commander Duane Sarmiento "Great job this year. You and the Department of Indiana killed it!"

Always, thank you for your hard work and support!

Sheila Corcoran, Past State Commander Department of Indiana

JULY 2024 MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

FINAL NUMBERS FOR 2023-24

Greetings Comrades,

The State is at 102.25% in Membership as of June 30th

You have ensured that our Past State Commander, Sheila Corcoran, has achieved the rare feat of earning the coveted "Triple Crown" Award from National. This is only awarded to a State Commander who has achieved over 100% and 102% respectively in Membership at the Post, District, and State levels of Command, along with meeting all the programs for All-American status.

Total Districts in the State at 102+%: 6 of 11 (1, 2, 4, 6, 10, and 11) (Each has achieved All American Status)

Total Posts in the State at 102+%: **73 of the 133 we currently have.** (Many have achieved All American Status)

Top Post in the State: 908 Indianapolis at 172.35% (District 11, Division 7)

We added 27 new Legacy Life Members to our ranks. Legacy draw day will be same as the "Commanders Final Challenge" for June.

Commanders "Final Challenge" for June was increasing Post membership by 5% and being placed into a drawing for \$800 to be drawn at the State HQ via Zoom after 30 June. The Posts eligible:

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1st District: 5365, 6448, 7881
2nd District: 748, 1154, 1279
3rd District: 985
6th District: 972, 1431, 6128, 6246
7th District: 1111, 9297
8th District: 1427, 3418
9th District: 1686, 9107
10th District: 1282, 2693, 2695
11th District: 908, 7119
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We have 246 total active recruiters in the State with (4) of them having over 100 recruited/reinstated members and (1), Judy King, with an astonishing (402).

I would like to thank everyone for all your extremely hard work this past year. We could never have earned this without your assistance and support.

Total Team effort across the board!

We made it clear that the Department of Indiana was up to the "CHALLENGE."

OUTSTANDING JOB "TEAM INDIANA"!

Now we do it all over again this year for Commander Mahan and continue assisting the Membership Team with Edie Toll-Seiler leading.

In Comradeship,

Ken Lange State Surgeon 2024-25

Past Membership Chairman Department of Indiana 2022-2024



Post Commanders

The Veterans Foundation of Indiana has changed, the Foundation is now an official part of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana. We are now the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana Foundation. The Foundation annually reports our finances and accomplishments to the Council of Administration.

The primary goal of the Foundation is to provide financial support to Indiana Veterans in need. Currently the Foundation proudly supports the Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen programs of the VFW Department of Indiana. We want to ensure the State level winners receive an award that will actually provide some assistance with tuition. The Foundation established and funded the higher dollar awards for both Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen, invited the multiple Patriot's Pen winners to the Spring Conference and coordinated the tour of the Indiana War memorial for all the winners.

The Foundation needs the support of all Posts and members throughout Indiana. In 2023-2024 many Posts donated a portion of their charitable gaming profits to the Foundation. The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. The Foundation will send the Post a letter acknowledging the donation.

Please consider donating to the Foundation so we can continue to grow and support Veterans of Indiana.

Commanders, any donation is appreciated, we understand your Post has other programs that you support but please consider donating to the Veterans Foreign Wars Department of Indiana Foundation. If you or your membership have questions, please contact me at rwleirer@yahoo.com or 317-696-0126.

Thank you for your consideration.

~ Indiana Veterans helping Indiana Veterans ~

Richard Leirer

VFW Department of Indiana Foundation

Please send donations to:

Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana Foundation

ATTN: Keith Rohloff Secretary/Treasurer

100 Brinegar Drive

Springville, IN 47462



1 July 2024

To: District Commanders and Department Representatives

Subj: DISTRICT MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2024

District meetings are scheduled as follows: Department Representatives are listed. If assigned Department Representative cannot attend the meeting, please send an alternate member, and update the State Adjutant at 317-377-1795 or at adjevfwin.org.

District	Date	Time	Place of Meeting	Dept. Rep
One	7/14	*12:00pm	Lake Station Post 9323	Dan Petersen
Two	7/14	2:00pm	Warsaw Post 1126	Dick Lineberry
Three	7/14	1:00pm	Mishawaka Post 360	Cory Mahan
Four	7/20	3:00pm	Churubusco Post 3846	Ken Lange
Five	7/20	12:00pm	Wabash Post 286	Shelley Jacobs
Six	7/14	11:00am	Noblesville Post 6246	Dave Hammons
Seven	7/21	10:30am	Clay City Post 6606	Ken Lange
Eight	7/21	10:00am	Charlestown Post 1427	Roger Ferguson
Nine	7/21	1:00pm	Salem Post 6636	Cory Mahan
Ten	7/14	1:30pm	Union City Post 7084	Larry Patch
Eleven	7/13	10:30am	Indianapolis Post 908	Roger Ferguson

By Order of:

CORY MAHAN

STATE COMMANDER

Official:

REBECCA MURPHY STATE ADJUTANT

*C - Central Time

VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA

Schedule 2024 - 2025

July 2024 4 - 5 Independence Day (Office Closed) 27-31 National Convention Louisville, KY August 2024 National Convention Louisville, KY 9-11 State Golf Outing Kokomo 16 C of A Meeting, Indianapolis Marriott East 17 School of Instruction, Indianapolis Marriott East September 2024 2 Labor Day (Office Closed) 11 Patriot Day 20 POW/MIA Day - War Memorial, Indianapolis 22 Indiana Day, National Home for Children, Eaton Rapids, MI 29 VFW Day - Indiana Veterans Home, Lafayette, IN October 2024 3-6 State Campout, Rushville, IN 14 Columbus Day (Office Closed) 18-20 Big 10 Conference Indianapolis Marriott East November 2024 11 Veterans Day (Office Closed) 14 C of A Zoom Call - Time TBD 28-29 Thanksgiving (Office Closed) December 2024 13-15 Winter Team Building, Nashville, IN 25 Christmas (Office Closed) January 2025 1 New Year's Day (Office Closed) 20 Martin Luther King Day (Office Closed) February 2025 17 Presidents Day (Office Closed) 28 Voice of Democracy, Washington, DC March 2025 2-3 Voice of Democracy, Washington, DC 4-5 Legislative Conference, Washington, DC 14 C of A Meeting, Indianapolis Marriott East 15-16 Spring Conference, Indianapolis Marriott East VOD/PP Banquet April 2025 5 **TESTIMONIAL Richmond** 18 Good Friday (Office Closed) May 2025 1 Loyalty Day 11 Mother's Day 26 Memorial Day (Office Closed) June 2025 19 C of A Meeting, Indianapolis Marriott East

State Convention, Indianapolis Marriott East

VFW National Home 100th Anniversary – Eaton Rapids, MI

20-22

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VFW National Convention 2024 - Indiana Hospitality Room Open Saturday, July 27th through Tuesday, July 30th

Hours Open:

- Saturday Night 5pm to midnight
- Sunday and Monday, 11am to midnight
- Tuesday 11am to 4pm, re-opening again after Patriotic Rally

Beverages/Menu:

Non Alcoholic: Variety of Soda, Water, Coffee, Tea, Lemonade

Beer: Variety will be made available.

Snacks: Available through the day/evening

Pretzels

Nuts

Chips

Meat and Cheese Tray with Crackers

Cheese Ball with Crackers

Chips with Salsa

Candies

Cookies

Sun, Mon, and Tues Cold Lunch Served 11am to 1pm

Cold Meat Sandwiches or Salad Fixings

Veggie Tray

Fruit Tray

Hot Lunch and/or Dinner on your own so you can enjoy the city of Louisville.

NOTE: No Gaming or Raffles are allowed in this room.

National Hospitality Chairman, Dave Fradenburg

Davef1108@gmail.com

765-994-5708

VFW National Convention 2024 - Indiana Hospitality Room Open Saturday, July 27th through Tuesday, July 30th

Department of Indiana Comrades and Auxiliary Members Attending National Convention 2024 in Louisville, Kentucky, we are happy to announce that we will be having a Gathering Room during the convention.

Attending the functions of the National Convention should be your top priority. We will all grow and learn more by sharing our time and experiences with others from across this great country and those members outside of the US. We encourage you to use this space as a meeting place and/or to have a conversation to share thoughts and ideas.

Take time to grab a quick snack or beverage before taking in the convention activities and enjoying the culture of Louisville, Kentucky

Due to restrictions, no gaming or raffles will be available. In order to help supplement the monetary donations of the Department and Auxiliary we are asking that those coming to National Convention consider bringing donations to share with your fellow Hoosiers' and their guests.

2 liters of pop
Case of water
Jug of Tea
Jug of Lemonade
Individual packs of crackers
Boxes of mixed chips
Peanuts
Candies (Homemade or store bought)
Cookies (Homemade or store bought)
Brownies (Homemade or store bought)
Cupcakes (Homemade or store bought)
***Snack food should be individually packaged if at all possible so that they can just be set out.

National Hospitality Chairman, Dave Fradenburg <u>Davef1108@gmail.com</u>

765-994-5708



VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA ORIGINIAL BUDDY POPPY ORDER FORM

DATE:	POST:	DISTRICT	:	
SHIP TO: (NAME)	: <u> </u>			
MEMBERSHIP #:				
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VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA TIN BUDDY POPPY ORDER FORM

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Signature:				

2024 SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION AUGUST 16 - 17 2024 INDIANAPOLIS MARRIOTT EAST \$35.00 PER PERSON

Registration must be returned to State Headquarters by Monday, 12 August 2024.

Lunch Buffet: Saturday 17 August 2023 Salad, Sicilian Style Pizza - Pepperoni & Margherita, Penne Pasta w/Tomato Sauce, Freshly Warmed Breadsticks, Assorted Desserts, Coffee, Iced Tea, and Water.
The cost of the School is \$35.00 per person, this is with or without lunch. Auxiliary Members wishing to have lunch will be charged \$35.00.
POST NO
Number Attending School
Number Attending Lunch
Total Cost \$35.00 per person attending \$
Please return the form (with payment to: VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA, 9555 E. 59th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46216. Fax: (317)377-1797 or email adj@vfwin.org
There will be a \$1.00 surcharge for all Credit Card Transactions.
Total Charge \$
Credit Card Number: Expiration Date: Security Code:
Expiration Date: Security Code: Billing Zip Code: Name on Card: Phone:
FIIOHE.

Reservation Request Indianapolis Marriott Center East

7202 East 21st 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 - School of Instruction

Dates: Friday 16 August 2024 - Saturday 17 August 2024

ROOM RATES \$127.00 Per Night

PLEASE APPLY 17% SALES TAX TO THE ABOVE RATES

Cutoff day: 5pm, Friday 26 July 2024

Name: (please print)				
Phone #()				
Address:				
City:S	tate:	Zip:		
Email Address:				
Marriott Rewards#				
for arrival on (day/date)				
Departure on (day/date)				
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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.

THIS FORM MUST BE SENT TO THE HOTEL NOT THE HEADQUARTERS.



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)

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DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA



Dear Comrade Commander:

Questionnaire for VFW Accountable Officers Crime Coverage

August 1, 2024

One of the most important communications you will receive during the year concerns the bond of your Unit Quartermaster. Section 703 of our National By-Laws requires that each accountable officer shall be bonded with an Indemnity Company as surety and the By-Laws places the responsibility for adequate bonding upon the Commander of the post. In any business it is customary to bond any officer handling funds. THE BOOKS AND RECORDS OF THE ACCOUNTABLE OFFICER MUST BE AUDITED AT LEAST QUARTERLY BY THE TRUSTEES. THIS IS TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 218 OF THE NATIONAL MANUAL OF PROCEDURES.

The Department Headquarters carries a Crime Policy for the bonding of Department and Post Accountable Officers. This Policy runs for a year – from September 1 to August 31 – premium payments are made on that basis. Coverage for all accountable officers expires on August 31 and premium for the New Year is due on September 1.

Any unit may decide whether it prefers to take out a Policy with some other surety company or have its funds protected by the Department Headquarters Crime Policy. But the matter should be given prompt attention because if your Accountable Officer had previously been covered through the National Headquarters, a new premium payment is required by September 1, 2024 and delinquent after this date.

IF THE POLICY IS NOT RENEWED, TERMINATED, OR CANCELLED AT EXPIRATION DATE OF 9-1-2024, THE POST HAS ONLY 90 DAYS TO SUBMIT A PROOF OF LOSS FOR PRIOR TERM. AFTER 90 DAYS PRIOR COVERAGE CEASES.

COVERAGES OF THE POLICY REQUIRE THAT:

- 1. You agree to make/or cause to be made, at least annually, an audit of your books and accounts, including complete verification of all securities and bank balances pertaining to each "employee and/ or volunteer".
 - If the above is not complied with, the Insurance Company will refuse to honor claim of missing funds which cannot be proven by records. Monthly audits and reconciliation of bank statements may avoid this denial of claim.
- 2. The Insurance Company will not pay for loss resulting from any unauthorized advances made by an "employee" to any member for delinquent dues and assessments.
- 3. "Employee" means any duly elected position, or any appointed officer as listed in the policy schedule.
- 4. POST MUST SUBMIT A PROOF OF LOSS FORM WITHIN 120 DAYS FROM THE FIRST DATE OF DISCOVERY OF THE LOSS. Proof of loss resulting from dishonest acts on the part of the bonded officer is required in settlement of claims.

THIS POLICY IS ONLY FOR THE YEAR SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 TO AUGUST 31, 2025. The funds of your Post are protected only for that year. Premium for the following year will be due September 1, 2025.

RETURN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE WITH YOUR PREMIUM CHECK PAYABLE TO YOUR DEPARTMENT HEADOUARTERS

Post # and State	
I hereby apply for A1. Employee/Volunteer Theft coverage in the amount	nt of \$ for the position
of For the year from September 1, 2024 through A	ugust 31, 2025.
Number of Persons Bonded: 1 Number of Locations: 1 Post Ann	ual Income: \$ Dated:
Has the post had any Crime Coverage (employee/volunteer theft of money If yes, provide a description with date & amount of loss on a separate sheet & v. No Coverage can be extended until Travelers reviews and approves it.	y) losses over the past three years? what changes you have made so this does not happen again
DEADLINE FOR COVERAGE IS SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 – AFTER THIS DATE YOU WILL BE DELIQUENT AND NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE VFW BY-LAWS.	QM or Commander or Adjutant or Sr.Vice Signature
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ORM NO. 2	Street Address, City and Zip

DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA

For any request to increase limits mid-term for VFW Accountable Officers Crime Coverage and/ or Club Manager Crime Coverage each Post must provide an Increase Crime Limit Statement below:

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I hereby apply for an increase for A1. Employee/Volunteer Theft Coverage in the new total a	mount of
\$ for the position of	
Regarding the request for an increased crime limit, we affirm that we have had no losses an (or knowledge of such matter) which would influence the coverage provided hereunder.	d no claims
Please note that submission of this questionnaire does not guarantee the coverage limit increquested.	ease
Post # and Location (City & State)	
QM or Commander or Adjutant or Sr. Vice Signature Date	

VFW QUARTERMASTER BOND



A.1 Employee/Volunteer Theft (Crime Coverage)
VFW QUESTIONAIRE FOR CLUB EMPLOYEES &
BINGO PERSONS TO, BE COMPLETED BY
COVERED INDIVIDUAL

TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA

Coverage Term: October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025

FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL

. a) Name of Post		P	Post #	
b) Post AddressStreet	City	State	Zip	
2. a) Name of Person to be Covered			-	
3. Position to be Covered		-		
4. Coverage Amount Requested \$				
5. Number of Persons Covered	1			
6. Number of Locations	_1			
7. Post - Annual Income				
8. Has the post had any crime losses If yes, provide a description along until Travelers reviews it.				
9. a) Have you ever been convicted example" burglary, robbery, theft or				
b) If yes, explain				
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Form 4B

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Please note that submission of this questionnaire does not guarantee the coverage limit increase requested.				
Post # and Location (City & State)				
QM or Commander or Adjutant or Sr. Vice Signature Date				

VFW CLUB MANAGER, BARTENDERS, BINGO BOND

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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	Please mail entry and check payable to
\$70 x = \$	VFW Post 1152
Hole Sponsorship \$(\$100 per Hole)	ATTN: Quartermaster/Golf 920 N Washington St Kokomo, IN. 46901
TOTAL ENCLOSED \$	
NAME ON HOLE SPONSOR	
	We <u>Thank You</u> for joining us and looking forward to seeing you!!

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



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

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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

Date:

Thu, 20 Jun 2024 15:08:11 +0000

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From:

Judy Brown (jdbrown88@live.com)

To:

Department of Indiana VFW

Subject:

Fw: Confirmation of Town Hall Event Dates for September

can you please add to General Orders per Richard Ellis

From: Mark Gullion < markgullion@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2024 7:26 AM

To: DAV Department of Indiana <a hreadquarters@davindiana.net>

Cc: Judy King <jdbrown88@live.com>; Richard Ellis <rellis6908@gmail.com>; Charles Hiltunen III <chiltunen@me.com>;

Eric McGinnis <eric.mcginnis0@gmail.com>; Kenny Cooper <kenkat0923@sbcglobal.net>; DJ Greer

<dgreer62703@gmail.com>; Richard Leirer <rwleirer@yahoo.com>; Jim Daube <commander@indianalegion.org>; Cory

Mahan <cory.mahan.vfw@gmail.com>; Chad Woodburn <cwoodburn@indianalegion.org>; Jeffrey Coomler

<jeffrey.coomler@ngai.net>; Kevin Coley <soldierkevin3@aol.com>

Subject: Re: Confirmation of Town Hall Event Dates for September

Here is the E Tab Bus Tour agenda for August the 5th which will be held at Post 64, 601 S. Holt Road.

8:30-9:15 am - Set up

9:15-9:55 am - Private meet & greet, Q&A and bus tour for legislators

10:00-10:30 am - News Conference

- Emcee TBD responsible for welcome and introductions
- Public Policy Committee Chairmen to be invited to provide remarks (tentative)
- Big Four Representative Remarks on purpose of Big Four and how veterans serve community, Need to modernize charitable gaming, Announce PlayIN for Charity formation to achieve legislative goal
- Big Four/American Legion Representative Remarks on how modernizing gaming will positively impact VSOs and Hoosier communities
- AL Post 64 Commander Remarks on ways Post 64 gives back to the community, How legislation would increase their giving power, announce contribution to local charity

10:30 am - News Conference concludes with 1:1 media interviews and media bus tour

I am trying to convince Bose to consolidate their Bus Tours with our Town Halls but so far it's not working.

Have our priorities been put on our letterhead and signed by the Commanders yet for distributions to our members?

Mark A. Gullion

On Tue, Jun 18, 2024 at 10:28 AM DAV Department of Indiana < headquarters@davindiana.net wrote: Good morning Big Four members,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to inform you that both Representative Haggard and Representative Judy have confirmed the dates for their respective Town Hall events for the Central and Northern regions of the state. September will indeed be a busy month for us, as these dates are scheduled back-to-back. The confirmed dates for the Town Hall events throughout the state are as follows:

- Southern Town Hall Event with Representative Bartels: September 13, 2024 (location: Rep. Bartels Winery Conference Center).
- Central Town Hall Event with Representative Haggard: September 16, 2024 (location: VFW Post 1111, Mooresville, IN)
- Northern Town Hall Event with Representative Judy: September 18, 2024 (location: Veteran's National Memorial Shrine & Museum, Ft. Wayne, IN)
- All times will be from 1600-1800 for each event.

Each of the Representatives we have been working with has stated that these dates are the best according to their schedules. We appreciate your cooperation and support in making these events successful.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions or need further information. Best regards,

Jason Black

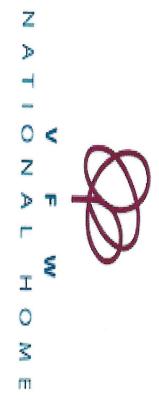
State Adjutant Department of Indiana Disabled American Veterans



KEEPING OUR PROMISE TO AMERICA'S VETERANS

7th District National Home Bus Trip

21-22 September 2024



Hilton in Jackson. Deadline to sign up is August 21st or sooner if 21st, 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)

Mail your check to:
Keith Rohloff
100 Brinegar Drive
Springville IN 47462





VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.



VOICE OF DEMOCRACY STUDENT AUDIO-ESSAY CONTEST *********

Grades 9-12

Awards at post, district, state, and national levels

Meets Indiana Academic Standards

GRADES 9-10 ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS STANDARDS GRADES II-I2 ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS STANDARDS

9-10.W.2: Write informative compositions on a variety of topics.

9-10.W.4: Apply the writing process to all formal writing...

9-10.CC.I: Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions on grade-appropriate topics, texts, and issues.

9-10.CC.7: Present information, findings, and supporting evidence logically so that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, ensuring organization and development are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task.

II-I2.W.2: Write informative compositions on a variety of topics.

II-I2.W.4: Apply the writing process to all formal writing...

II-12.CC.1: Initiate and engage in a range of collaborative discussions on grade-appropriate topics, texts, and issues.

II-12.CC.6:Using a range of informal and formal tasks, present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinctive perspective such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning.

2024-2025 Theme
"Is America Today Our Forefathers' Vision?"

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VOICE OF DEMOCRACY









MIDDLE SCHOOL PATRIOT PEN ESSAY CONTEST

Grades 6-8

Awards at post, district, state, and national levels Meets **Indiana Academic Standards**

6th, 7th, and 8th GRADE ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS **STANDARDS**

6.W.2: Write informative compositions

7.W.2: in a variety of forms.

8.W.2:

6.W.4: Apply the writing process to all

7.W.4: formal writing...

8.W.4:

6.W.6: Demonstrate command of English

7.W.6: grammar and usage.

8.W.6:

6.W.7: Demonstrate command of the 7.W.7: conventions of standard English

8.W.7: capitalization, punctuation, and spelling.

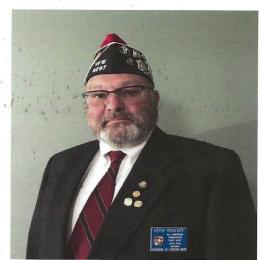
2024-2025 Theme "My Voice in America's Democracy?"

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Keith Rohloff

Candidate for Surgeon Department of Indiana 2025-2026



Qualifications:

Eligibility: Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal-Operation Earnest Will - Persian Gulf (USS California CGN-36) (1987)

Retired Navy Storekeeper Chief Petty Officer (SKC(SW)) (1984-2005)

- VFW Member since 2001, Gold Legacy Life Member
- VFW National Home Centennial Life Member
- American Legion Member (Post 184 Moore Oklahoma)

Member of Henry Dwyer VFW Post 9297 (Crane)(2006-Present)

House Committee (2007-2009)

Post Quartermaster (Feb 2009–2013, 2014-2019)

Post Commander (2013-2014)

Post Trustee/Service Officer (2022-Present)

Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana Foundation Secretary/Treasurer (2023 to Present)

Department of Indiana District 7 Commander (2017-2018)

Department of Indiana District 7 Quartermaster/Adjutant (2018-Present)

Various other appointed/elected positions (2010-present)

Department of Indiana

Voice of Democracy Chairperson (2018-Present)

Department Disciplinary Hearing Panel Member

Appointed Administration Board/Trustee Member

National By-law and General Resolutions Committees (2021, 2022, 2024)

Awards

- All-State Post Quartermaster Team Captain (2009-10) (Orval B. Holycross Award)
- All-State Post Quartermaster (2010-11)
- All-American Post Commander (2013-14)
- All-American District Quartermaster (2022-2023)
- National Aide de Camp (2010-11)(2015-2016) and (2016-2017)

I am married to Cyndi, (Retired Navy Chief Petty Officer (NCC(AW/SW) (VFW Life Member) and we have 2 children Britni and Andrew (both Auxiliary Life Members) and I have their full support.