

GENERAL ORDERS #11

1 May 2025 2024-2025 Series

TO BE READ AT MEETINGS AND POSTED:

1. **INSTALLING OFFICERS:** will see that the provisions of Section 216 of the National Bylaws and he Manual of Procedure are properly conducted and that all officers are members in good standing and qualified to hold office prior to installing Post officers for the current year. Post officers shall not be installed or assume the duties of their office until proof of eligibility has been submitted and reviewed.

Post Election Reports must be submitted following Post election of officers in April and no later than 1 June to the National Headquarters. We highly encourage all Post Adjutant /Quartermaster's to use the online Election Report process featured in the Online Membership System (OMS). Post Elections Reports received electronically will be forwarded to the Department Headquarters.

2. **VFW NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION:** Attention of Post Commanders is directed to Section 222 of the National Bylaws and the Manual of Procedure, which provided that each Post will pay in advance, a National Convention registration fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) which shall entitle the Post to a packet of convention information and materials and one identified registered delegate for the National Convention will pa7 a ten dollar (\$10.00) delegate fee.

Posts are encouraged to register their Post delegate online through the OMS or by submitting their National Convention Post and Delegate Registration form that was mailed to all Posts as part of the Election Report/Convention Registration mailing that went out in February/March. Advance registration for the 126th National Convention should be mailed with each delegate's name and address to: Convention Registration, 406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111.

- 3. **POST QUARTERMASTERS:** are reminded that Form 103 & 104 are due annually to your township/county assessor. Forms should be submitted not later than 15 May 2025
- 4. **STATE CONVENTION:** Will be at the Marriott East, Indianapolis, IN. The dates are 19-22 June 2025. Please make note of these important dates, making sure that all Posts are up to date on all reports and monies due to Districts, State and National. See attachment for Room Reservations.

All Commanders/Quartermasters: In accordance with Section 213 of the National Bylaws, Any Post in arrears for any financial obligations to County Council (if applicable), District, Department and National for fees, dues, poppy money, supply money, failing to have the Quartermaster properly bonded in accordance with Section 703, failing to ensure the Post is properly insured in accordance with Section 709, failing

to submit properly completed quarterly Post Trustees Report of Audit, Post-Election Report for the ensuing year, or other obligations, shall be deprived of all representation in County Council and District meetings; County Council, District, Department and National Conventions. Such representation shall be restored promptly upon proper adjustment of such deficiencies.

All deficiencies must be corrected with the State Adjutant before NOON ON FRIDAY 20 JUNE 2025.

- 5. **PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES:** Please review the proposed changes to the Department Bylaws. These proposed changes will be discussed and voted on during the Department Convention in June. (See attached)
- 6. **VOICE OF DEMOCRACY AND PATRIOT'S PEN THEME 2025-2026:** "How are you Showing Patriotism and Support for Our Country?". The forms are on the State Website, under Programs.
- 7. MAY DISTRICT MEETING SCHEDULE: See attached.
- 8. **1 MAY** is Loyalty Day, a day for the reaffirmation of loyalty to the United States and for the recognition of the heritage of American Freedom.
- 9. **HALF-STAFF U.S. FLAG:** The U.S. Flag should be at half-staff on Peace Officers Memorial Day (15 May) and Memorial Day, the last Monday in May (Federal Holiday half-staff until noon). Flags available at the VFW Store www.vfwstore.org.
- 10. LINK FOR CONVENTION HOTEL ROOMS IS ON WEBSITE.
- 11. 8 May VW Day Declared (1945).
- 12. 15 May Women's Army Corps Founded (1942)
- 13. 17 May Armed Forces Day
- 14. 26 May Memorial Day (Office Closed).

BY ORDER OF:

CORY MAHAN

STATE COMMANDER

OFFICIAL:

REBECCA MURPHY STATE ADJUTANT



Greetings,

It is hard to believe we are already into May. It seems like just yesterday we were starting this year out and now we are pushing hard towards the end. Keep on going strong all the way through and I'm sure we will achieve all our goals. All-State and All-American are very achievable all the way through the end of June so keep on trucking!

We started the month of April in Richmond at post 1108 for the State President, Kathy Hankins and my own testimonial. It was overwhelming the support we had during this event. Thank you so much to everyone that attended and for all the very thoughtful gifts. I even appreciate those that took the time to tell the not so pretty stories. (Santa) In all seriousness I couldn't be prouder to serve the world's finest group of veterans! Thank you!

Our legislative session wrapped up last month. It was an incredibly challenging year with many controversial bills that we had to either fight for or against. I would like to say a very heartfelt thank you to our legislative team that dealt with all this the most. We had a couple wins this year. We were able to pass the E-Tabs gaming bill that allows Posts to have Electronic Pull Tabs in their Posts. This will be very beneficial for all Posts and I'm glad it will now be an option. We were able to pass the bill expanding what we are allowed to spend our gaming money on. I hope that this bill keeps more of our Posts operating more efficiently. These will be going into effect later this year so please make sure not to jump the gun too fast. We will be giving several gaming companies booths at the State Convention to answer any questions you may have.

I know at the Post level all our elections should have been done in April and that our District election should be finished by the end of this month. I would like to say thank you to all the Officers that have stepped up for the coming year. I would also like to ask that you continue supporting your current leadership to finish out this year.

Make sure that you are planning for our upcoming Day of Service and that you have submitted it to National so that you get credit towards your All-American awards. This event has grown so much through the years and it is community service based so it is an easy win for everyone.

Thank you all for your continued dedication and support. Together, we are making a difference!

Cory Mahan State Commander Department of Indiana Veterans of Foreign Wars

MAY 2025 Membership Update

Greetings Comrades,

The State is currently at 93.81% as of April 28, 2025

We still have a way to go to reach our 102% goal, but I believe we can meet this goal together. It takes all of us to recruit.

State Commander Cory Mahan has authorized new incentives for recruiters and for Posts. The "Race to 25" increases the recruiter award from \$150.00 to \$200.00 (see attached flyer) Also, Any Post that increases their membership 4% from May 01, 2025 – May 31, 2025, will be entered into a drawing for \$750.00. This will be drawn at the State Convention in June.

We have a total of 23 Posts that have met the goal. 8 posts that have reached 101% or higher and 7 Posts that are at 100% or higher, and a handful that are only a couple of members away. Congratulations to the following Posts for joining the previous 8 posts with 102% or higher:

Post	City	%
6978	NEW WHITELAND	109.54%
2695	SHELBYVILLE	107.95%
2395	COVINGTON	105.49%
88	ELKHART	104.54%
1120	INDIANAPOLIS	103.64%
7084	UNION CITY	103.29%
2950	CORYDON	103.07%
717	ST. JOHN	102.91%
1130	LAPORTE	102.83%
10003	CARMEL	102.82%
2459	SULLLIVAN	102.77%
1154	LAFAYETTE	102.64%
908	INDIANAPOLIS	102.39%
9423	ROLLING PRAIRIE	102.29%
6128	BROWNSBURG	102.04%

Respectfully,

Edie Toll Seiler

Membership Chairman



"RACE TO 25"

State Membership Goal: 102%

Updated recruiting incentive for 2024-2025



Recruit 25 New or reinstated members and receive \$200.00!

The Commander has authorized a new recruiter incentive. The Race to 25. This incentive is for any member who is still under the membership milestone of 25. The State Commanders 2024-2025 Membership Program awards \$150 for recruiting 25 new or reinstated members into the State of Indiana. Effective Immediately, this incentive will rise to \$200.00 and does not pertain to recruiters who have already reached the goal of 25. This incentive will remain in effect until the State reaches 102%.



1 May 2025 Indiana

To: District Commanders and Department Representatives

Subj: DISTRICT MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2025

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 adj@vfwin.org.

District	Date	Time Place of Meeting		Dept. Rep
One	5/18	*12:00pm	St. John Post 717	Ken Lange
Two	5/4	2:00pm	Winamac Post 1728	Dave Hammons
Three	5/4	1:00pm	Michigan City Post 2536	Larry Patch
Four	5/10	3:00pm	Geneva Post 6751	Shelley Jacobs
Five	5/17	11:00am	Huntington Post 2689	Ken Lange
Six	5/4	11:00am	Rockville Post 1752	Johnny Capps
Seven	6/1	10:30am	New Whiteland Post 6978	Larry Patch
Eight	5/18	*10:00am	Tell City Post 2939	Rebecca Murphy
Nine	5/4	1:00pm	Madison Post 1969	Roger Ferguson
Ten	5/4	1:00pm	Greenfield Post 2695	Michael Jordan
Eleven	5/10	10:30am	Indianapolis Post 1120	Michael Jordan

By Order of: Official:

CORY MAHAN STATE COMMANDER REBECCA MURPHY STATE ADJUTANT

^{*}C - Central Time

Tentative 2025 State Convention Agenda

Thursday, June 19, 2025

4:00-6:00 PM Registration 4:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting

Friday, June 20, 2025

8:00 AM-4:00 PM- Registration (Closed for lunch)

8:30-9:00- Joint Memorial Service

1:00-4:00- Blood Drive

9:30-11:00 Council of Administration Meeting

11:30-12:30 Lunch

12:30-3:00 Business Session

- 1. American Legion
- 2. Disabled American Veterans
- 3. Convention Rules (Past CIC Bill Thein)
- 4. Reports
- 5. Awards

3:00- Candidate Speeches (Caucus in Meeting Room Immediately Following)

Saturday, June 21, 2025

8:00 AM-11:00 AM- Registration

9:00-11:30 Business Session

11:30-12:30 Lunch

12:30

- 1. Election of 2025-2026 Officers
- 2. Line Officer Reports
- 3. National Council Member
- 4. National Representative, National Inspector Greg Stafford

3:00-4:30 Joint Installation

6:00- Banquet

Reception for State Commander Roger Fergusson and Auxiliary President Jessie Davenport Immediately following

Council of Administration District Commander Report

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How do you plan on obtaining 102%?	
What is your biggest lesson learned/take away from this pa	ast year'?
Do you have any advice for the incoming leadership?	
Commander's Signature	Date:

*****DISTRICT COMMANDER TURNS FORM INTO INDIANA DEPARTMENT
A MINIMUM OF A WEEK PRIOR TO C OF A EVENTS******

Email to adj@vfwin.org

Tentative Schedule for June 2025-June 2026

June 2025	
VFW National Home 100 th Anniversary	Eaton Rapids MI.
July 2025	
Independence Day (Office Closed)	
August 2025	
National Convention	Columbus OH
State Golf Outing	Richmond Post 1108
September 2025	
Labor Day (Office Closed)	
Council of Administration	Marriott East Indianapolis
School of Instruction	Marriott East Indianapolis
Patriots Day	
POW/MIA Day	War Memorial Indianapolis
Indiana day, National Home	Eaton Rapids MI.
Commander-in-Chiefs Homecoming	Des Moines, Iowa
October 2025	
State Camp Out	Rushville, IN
VFW Day Indiana Veterans Home	Lafayette, IN
Columbus Day (Office Closed)	
Big Ten Conference	Bettendorf, Iowa
C of A	Indianapolis, Marriott East
November 2025	
Fall Conference	Indianapolis, Marriott East
Veterans Day (Office Closed)	
Thanksgiving (Office Closed)	
December 2025	
	VFW National Home 100 th Anniversary July 2025 Independence Day (Office Closed) August 2025 National Convention State Golf Outing September 2025 Labor Day (Office Closed) Council of Administration School of Instruction Patriots Day POW/MIA Day Indiana day, National Home Commander-in-Chiefs Homecoming October 2025 State Camp Out VFW Day Indiana Veterans Home Columbus Day (Office Closed) Big Ten Conference C of A November 2025 Fall Conference Veterans Day (Office Closed) Thanksgiving (Office Closed)

7	Pearl Harbor Day	
12-14	Winter team Building	Nashville In.
24	Christmas Eve (Office Closed)	
25	Christmas Day (Office Closed)	
31	New Year's Eve (Office Closed)	
	January 2026	
1	New Years Day (Office Closed)	
19	Martin Luther King Day (Office Closed)	
	February 2026	
16	Presidents Day (Office Closed)	
28	Washington Conference	Washington D.C
	March 2026	
1-5	Legislative Conference	Washington D.C.
	April 2026	
10	C of A	Indianapolis, Marriott East
11-12	Spring Conference, VOD/PP Banquet	Indianapolis, Marriott East
25	Testimonial	Post 1114 Evansville
30	Awards Deadline to State Headquarters	
	May 2026	
1	Loyalty Day	
10	Mother's Day	
25	Memorial Day (Office Closed)	
	June 2026	
21	Father's Day	
25	C of A	Indianapolis Marriott East
26-28	State Convention	Indianapolis Marriott East



Proposed bylaw changes to the 2025 Department of Indiana State Convention.

Article VII

DEPARTMENT COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Add Section 5.

Will read as follows:

Section 5. While not members of the Council of Administration, unless they currently hold one of the offices in Section 1 above, the current National Council of Administration member from Indiana and any current or past Commanders-in-Chief who are members in good standing of a Post in the Department shall have the right to address the Council and speak in debate, but not have the right to vote at meetings of the Department Council of Administration. The current National Council of Administration member from Indiana and any current or past Commanders-in-Chief will also be included in any communication from the Department to the Council of Administration and be afforded the opportunity to attend all meetings.

Article IX

DEPARTMENT TAX AND FINANCE

Remove this article as it was adopted into the SOP by the COA. This was a recommendation from National that the COA approved in February. Renumber articles to reflect removal.

Article X

SERVICE OFFICE COMMITTEE:

Remove this article as it was adopted into the SOP by the COA. This was a recommendation from National that the COA approved in February. Renumber Articles to reflect removal.

OFFICIAL DELEGATE LIST FOR STATE CONVENTION

RETURN THIS FORM WITH PAYMENT BY 6 JUNE 2024

Date: _____ Post: ____

OMS reflects this)	
C. 1 per 30 members divided by D. Number of Post Delegates. B/ ex: (280 members/30=9	/30= (round up to whole number
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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 - VFW

Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana State Convention.

Dates: Thursday 19 June - Sunday 22 June 2025

ROOM RATES \$127.00 Per Night

PLEASE APPLY 17% SALES TAX TO THE ABOVE RATES Cutoff day: 5:00pm FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2025

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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 carefully. You understand that you are liable for one night's room a in the event you do not cancel by 6pm or arrive on the arrival date. will be deducted from your deposit or billed through your credit card more than on room is requested, please enclose a list of names and accordinating which guests share rooms. Check or Money Order Enclosed for amount of	nnd tax This d. If ddresses,
Signature:	
The Indianapolis Marriott East is pleased you have chosen us for	your
upcoming visit. Our staff looks forward to serving you in fine Ma	rriott
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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.

Post Quartermaster Training and Q&A Zoom Sessions

(All VFW Post and District Officers are welcome to attend.)

Each session starts off with a review presentation and then time for Questions and Answers (open topic).

MAY 2025 Session -- Please note that each session has a different link and passcode! Please click on a link below to join (or copy and paste to your browser).

Thursday, MAY 22, 2025, at 7:00 PM Eastern (6:00 PM Central)

Meeting

URL: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82943895776?pwd=LNyJ3l1cdtSZDEKbwg49fsBZaV3455.1

Meeting ID: 829 4389 5776

Passcode: 285716

JUNE 2025 Sessions -- Please note that each session has a different link and passcode! Please click on a link below to join (or copy and paste to your browser).

June Option 1 - Thursday, JUNE 12, 2025, at 7:00 PM Eastern (6:00 PM Central)

Meeting

URL: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83196672120?pwd=U1bPZmrAfmFB91I6850ZRgcVVXCBgC.1

Meeting ID: 831 9667 2120

Passcode: 301711

If you have any questions or any suggestions, please feel free to email the State Quartermaster Michael Jordan at QM@VFWIN.ORG.



MAY 16-18, 2025

McCormick's Creek State Park - Camp Nawakwa 250 McCormick Creek Park Rd Spencer, IN 47460

Irreverent Warriors and Grunt Style Foundation's Integration Event is an extraordinary opportunity to delve into the world of alternative healing and personal growth. This gathering at McCormick's Creek State Park is designed for veterans and first responders interested in exploring holistic wellness through educational and experiential classes.

WWW.IRREVERENTWARRIORS.COM

(317) 233.0046 phone (317) 233.0047 fax

www.in.gov/igc

Dennis Mullen *Executive Director*

January 01, 2025

2025 Online Charity Gaming Training

The information provided during the seminars is for both those wanting to learn more about charity gaming, as well as for those who are attending as a requirement listed in their organization's Settlement Agreement (disciplinary action) with our division.

For those attending due to a Settlement Agreement Requirement with us...

Within 3 business days after the training session,

- Settlement Agreement attendees are required to send an email attesting to their attendance.
- If the organization attendees attended as a group, *one of the officers that attended must* send an email for the group listing each attendee's name, position, and the organization's name.
- Emails must be sent to Lisa Nichols at lnichols@igc.in.gov.
- Settlement Agreement attendees will receive acknowledgement of their email submission, and a copy will be placed in our records.

General Knowledge (non-settlement) attendees are not required to email us regarding their attendance.

All training sessions will be conducted electronically via Microsoft Teams. This software is free to your organization and is an easy-to-use social media application. This software can be installed on Mac or Windows based devices and may be downloaded to computers and smart phones.

To download Microsoft Teams please go to https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/download-app

- ❖ There will be three separate training sessions on each day listed. All sessions will contain the same information. Training will start at 10:00am, 2:00pm and 6:00pm (Indianapolis Time). The training will last between 60 and 90 minutes.
- ❖ The dates of training are February 19, 2025, May 21, 2025, August 20, 2025, and November 19, 2025

*Please be aware, registrations must be submitted no later than 24 hours before the scheduled training.

The Registration link and instructions can be found on our webpage.

All attendees that provide a valid email address will receive the presentation slides via email <u>after</u> the training session has ended.

Regards,

Mark R. Mason, Director

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Charity Gaming Division

Indiana Gaming Commission - Charity Gaming Online Training Registration Form Deadline to register for any training session is no later than 24 hours *before* the scheduled training date.

On each training date there is a 10:00am session, a 2:00pm session OR a 6:00pm session to choose from; please be aware that all sessions have the same information. All times are Eastern Standard Time.

·All training sessions will be conducted via MS Teams App (to download go to: https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-teams/download-app).

Some gaming questions will be answered during the seminar via "chat" feature of the Teams app. Anything specific to a situation or that is lengthy should be called in or emailed to the division (see contact info below) since there could be elements of the situation that need to be clarified before answering.

After you have answered the following registration questions and submit, watch for a "Registration Status" email. If you do not find an email in your Inbox soon, check your spam/junk folders too.

Any detailed gaming activity questions should be emailed to charitygaming@igc.in.gov or called in to 317-232-4646.

Disclaimer: Some email addresses may not receive emails from us due to privacy/spam settings. If you do not receive a Pending email from us, check your spam folder first and if you do not find it there, please email Lisa Nichols directly at the address below.

Any training questions should be emailed to lnichols@igc.in.gov.

Indpls., IN 46216 adj@vfwin.org

2025-2026 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 24th (to receive at Convention), May 16th (to receive at School), Aug. 18th (to receive in Oct)

Name:		Pho	ne:	Post:
Address:				
All sh	irts will have	\\VFW logo wit	h INDIANA under	neath.
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2025 Department of Indiana VFW Jim Thiel Memorial State Golf Outing

Hosted by:

Kirk-Little VFW Post 1108 213 South 8th Street Richmond, IN 47374 (765) 966-6441



Host Course:

Highland Lake Golf Course 1972 East Highland Road Richmond, IN 47374 (765) 983-7287

Friday, August 22nd – Practice Round available - \$25 Fee (Cart Included)

Practice Round Tee Times Available after 11am only – call course to schedule.

Saturday, August 23rd – Individual scores to determine Sunday's round

Sunday, August 24th – A, B, C, D Four person scramble, Best Ball Format

Players are limited to first 120 VFW and Auxiliary Members with current dues paid.

Entries must be received with payment no later than August 11, 2025

Cost is \$75 per Person, \$100 to sponsor a hole.

Entry Form: Make your own foursome or we will include you in a foursome.

NAME	Post Number	Member Number	Circl	e ONE:
			Regular	Auxiliary

(Bring Membership Card and have ready at Check in on FIRST DAY)

Amount Enclosed	Mail Entries and Checks payable to:
\$75 x = (# of golfers)	\$ VFW Post 1108 Attn: Quartermaster/Golf
Hole Sponsor Fee (\$100 per Hole)	\$ 213 South 8 th Street Richmond, IN 47374
Total Enclosed	\$ Check Number



Indiana State VFW Golf Tournament

Hotel Rates Valid August 21st-24th, 2025

... until noted cut-off dates

This information was prepared for distribution to event participants ONLY.

It may be posted to the hosting organization's website, however posting on SOCIAL MEDIA or online to general public is NOT PERMITTED

Call the hotel of your choice and mention, "VFW State Golf Tournament" to receive the group rate.

For reservation assistance email: groupsales@visitrichmond.org

Highland Lakes Golf Course
Highland Rd, Richmond, IN 47374-9254

1972



Best Western: \$105.99 +tax

533 W Eaton Pike, Richmond, IN 47374

Phone: (765) 939-9500

With all non-smoking rooms, a fitness center, an indoor pool, cable satellite television, and high-speed Internet, this hotel has everything guests need for a comfortable stay. The free complimentary breakfast is very generous and ensures that every guest kicks off the morning right. This hotel offers pet-friendly rooms for a fee.





Baymont Inn: \$120.00 +tax (cut off 6/30/2025)

912 Mendelson Drive, Richmond, IN 47374

Phone: (765) 935-4766~ CLOSE TO GOLF COURSE

Mornings are a breeze with the free hot breakfasts
and fresh coffee, and staying in shape on the road is
just as simple with our well-equipped fitness center.

The indoor heated pool is a year-round option for
relaxation, while the fast and free WiFi can keep you
up to date on all the news back home. Will make
sure you wake up feeling refreshed.





Comfort Suites: \$120.00 +tax (cut off 8/14/2025)

Booking Link https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/JH74J8 421 Commerce Drive, Richmond, IN 47374

Phone: 765-373-3698

Nice Suite accommodations 25% larger than a standard room. Fast & Free Wi-Fi throughout the property. A complimentary hearty and healthy breakfast each morning, featuring many options such as signature waffles. Comfort Suites also offers access to a fitness center, outside sitting area and an indoor pool.

Hampton Inn & Suites: No Group Block, you <u>MUST</u> book online to receive the best rate.

455 Commerce Rd, Richmond, IN 47374 Book online with link for discount

Take a dip in the pool or stay active in the fitness center. Standard rooms and suites include free Wi-Fi, 37-inch TVs, Serta beds, microwaves, refrigerators, and a free hot breakfast. The suites offer additional space, sofa beds and many more amenities. This hotel offers pet-friendly rooms for a fee.

https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=RIDH SHX&corporateCode=0003042781

Home 2 Suites: No Group Block, you <u>MUST</u> book online to receive the best rate.

5950 National Rd E, Richmond, IN 47374 Book online with link for discount

This hotel offers an indoor pool, fitness center and a business center. Breakfast and self-parking are also provided. Other amenities include concierge services, a 24-hour front desk, and a front-desk safe. All rooms have sofa beds, sitting areas, and coffee makers. Other available include hair dryers, safes, and ironing boards. This hotel offers pet-friendly rooms for a fee.

https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=DAYR MHT&corporateCode=0003042781









Holiday Inn Express: No Group Block, you <u>MUST</u> book online to receive the best rate.

6000 National Rd E, Richmond, IN Book online with link for discount

Nicely appointed guestrooms with free high-speed Internet so you can stay connected. Enjoy breakfast, unwind in the indoor pool and maintain your routine in the fitness center.

https://www.holidayinn.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=Hl&localeCode=en&hotelCode=RIDRH&rateCode=ILV8T& PMID=99502056&corpNum=100197535&cn=no&viewfullsite=true



Motel 6: \$79.99 + tax

6030 National Rd E, Richmond, IN 47374

Phone: (765) 966-6559

Motel 6 Richmond has interior corridors like a hotel. The property offers a comfortable pet friendly environment. Cable TV and a sitting area are provided in every air-conditioned room. Each room comes equipped with a hairdryer and telephone. A nice indoor pool and fitness center as well as fax and photocopying services are available on site. There are restaurants serving breakfast nearby.

Quality Inn: \$89.99 + tax (cut off 4/15/2025, our property will offer room, 2 nights @ 50% for event VIP)

5501 National Rd E, Richmond, IN 47374

Phone: (765) 488-0931

Enjoy a Free continental breakfast, wireless Internet, fitness center and indoor heated pool.







Red Roof Inn: \$74.00 +tax

2525 Chester Blvd, Richmond, IN 47374

Phone: (765) 962-7576~ CLOSE TO GOLF COURSE

The Red Roof Inn Richmond is easily accessible from I-70 and is within five miles of downtown Richmond. The hotel offers free Wi-Fi, flat screen TVs with an expanded cable package and pets stay free. Restaurants nearby.





Travelodge by Call property direct for best rate

5775 National Rd E, Richmond, IN 47374

Phone: (765) 598-4694

Travelodge offers high-speed WiFi to keep you connected to colleagues and loved ones, while free parking lets you come and go with ease. You'll sleep well in a comfortable, non-smoking guest room featuring a flat-screen TV with cable, mini-refrigerator, microwave, coffee/tea maker, desk, hair dryer, and bath products. You can bring along up to two pets for an additional nightly fee. Restaurants nearby.





Stop in the, "Old National Road Welcome Center & Gift Shop.

5701 National Road East, Richmond, IN 47374

Call: 765-935-8687

Learn about > Area Attractions, Local Eateries, Events and Shopping, visit our website.

www.VisitRichmond.org





To be completed by a VFW Representative:

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
OF THE U.S.
KIRK-LITTLE POST #1108
213 SOUTH 8TH ST
RICHMOND, IN 47374
(765) 966-6441



Veterans of Foreign Wars Richmond

Post 1108 is proud to be hosting the Indiana VFW State Golf Tournament at Highland Lake Golf Course on August 23rd & 24th, 2025. Approximately 200-300 Golfers and their families will be visiting our fine city that weekend.

In the tradition of Richmond/Wayne County hospitality if you or your business would care to donate a door prize or buy a hole sponsorship please contact VFW Post 1108 Golf Hole Sponsor and Door Prize Chairperson Dave Fradenburg (765) 994-5708.

	rsonal Name:
Contact Phone	Number:
	Hole Sponsorship
	(Cost \$100 per hole)
Short Slogan:	
	(example: We Support Our VETS!, Thank You for Your Service!, God Bless Our Vets!)
Check or Cash	Received by:Date:
	MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE August 11 th , 2025 so that sign can be made.
	DOOR PRIZES
Prizes given:_	
Received by:_	Date:
Ple	ase arrange for pickup or drop off to VFW Post 1108 on or before August 11 th , 2025.

7th District National Home Bus Trip

20-21 September 2025



Contact Keith Rohloff (keith.rohloff@outlook.com) to sign up. Bus leaves Brazil VFW Post 1127 @ 1000 and Greenwood VFW Post 5864 @ 1145 on Saturday September 20th, 2025. Cost is \$170 per person/double occupancy at Tru by Hilton in Jackson. Deadline to sign up is August 21st or sooner if bus is full (First 46 paid riders). Please include your pickup point with your payment.

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

National Home Bus Trip Itinerary

September 20-21, 2025

September 20, 2025

10:00 AM Leave Brazil VFW Post 1127 303 S Depot Street Brazil 47838

11:15 AM Arrive Greenwood VFW Post 5864 1842 Veterans Way Greenwood IN 46143 317-888-2488

12:00 AM Depart Greenwood VFW Post 5864

TBD Stop on way for smoke break

4:30 PM Arrive Tru by Hilton 2401 Shirley Drive Jackson Michigan 49202 517-867-5000

5:30 PM (Group Dinner TBD)

September 21, 2025

9:00 AM Depart Hotel to go to VFW National Home 3573 S Waverly Rd Eaton Rapids MI 48827 800-424-8360

10:00 – 2:00 PM Tours/Lunch/Program

2:00 PM Depart VFW National Home

TBD Stop on way for smoke break

6:30 PM Arrived Greenwood VFW Post 5864

6:45 PM Depart Greenwood

8:00 PM Arrive Brazil VFW Post 1127



National Home Bus Trip 2025

The annual Bus Trip to the VFW National Home in Eaton Rapids, MI will be September 20-21, 2025. District 11 is looking forward to a wonderful trip.

The cost is \$150.00 per person / double occupancy. This covers the cost of one overnight hotel room / double occupancy, and round-trip bus transportation to Charlotte, Michigan and the National Home and back to Indiana. We will be spending Saturday night at the Comfort Inn in Charlotte, MI which is about 25 minutes from the National Home. We hope to have a hospitality room at the hotel.

We will also be taking requests for those along the I-69 corridor from Indianapolis on the way up who would like to ride the bus. We will pull off at an exit to get on and for getting off on the way back. The price will still be the same. Contact the District Chairman for arrangements.

Reservations and monies need to be turned in by September 10, 2025 as the bus company requires prepayment 10 days prior. First come first gets the space. For questions and reservation call/contact:

11th District Bus Chairman – Diane Pettit 317-440-9872 / dpettit@iuhealth.org

Checks should be made out to VFW 11th District.

Be sure to note in the memo section "NH Bus Trip".

Mail to or give payment to:

Diane Pettit – 11th District QM

8038 Corktree Drive

Indianapolis, IN 46239

There will be 2 pick-up points in Indy

VFW Post 908 (Southwest Indy) Departs at approx. 10 am 3011 S. Lockburn Street, Indy 46241

VFW Post 7119 (Northeast Indy) Departs at approx. 11 am 6525 N. Lee Road, Indy 46236

VFW National Home Bus Trip Information for the 11th District

- 1. Deadline for payment of reservation is September 10, 2025. Any spaces still open after that is up for grabs.
- 2. Drinks and snacks will be \$1.00 so bring money.



- 3. There will be snacks and drinks on the bus. You may also bring your own sack lunch. We will have more info closer to trip time.
- 4. We will be staying at the Comfort Inn in Charlotte, Michigan. There will be breakfast.
- 5. Cancellation Policy

September 1, 2025 thru September 10, 2025 Refunds minus a \$20.00 fee

September 11, 2025 – to departure, No refund.



Let's have a great trip

District Contacts:

Gabby Pryor - 11th District Commander 613 Payton Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46219 317-937-5521 / rlpryor613@gmail.com Diane Pettit – 11th District QM / Chairman 8038 Corktree Drive Indianapolis, IN 46239 317-440-9872 / dpettit@iuhealth.org



Department of Indiana VFW State Campout

October 2-5, 2025

Caldwell Pioneer Acres (The Pioneer Engineers Club of Indiana) 3707 S. 200 West Rushville, Indiana 46173

Thursday is set up day. Registration fees are \$10 per person (Children 12 and under are free). No charge for camping (campsites).

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 Ham and Beans @ 1700.

Chili Cook Off Contest Friday 1700 (Rules will Posted TBD)

Saturday morning pitch-in breakfast @ 0900.

Saturday Fried Chicken Pitch-in Dinner @ 1700.

We will have L/R/C, card games and corn hole. Quiet walks over to the Old Steam Engines and walking trails. A fire pit will be set up by the shelter house.

If you don't camp, you are invited to join us for the Saturday Pitch-in Dinner. Please RSVP to Keith Rohloff (405-535-7210)

keith.rohloff@outlook.com or Jennifer Morris (812-236-4403)

jenmorrisvfwa@gmail.com to ensure enough food is purchased.

Michael "MJ" Jordan for RE-ELECTION as

QUARTERMASTER

VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA (2025-26)

- Gold Legacy Life Member and All-American Post Quartermaster
- Operation Enduring Freedom and former-Yugoslavia operations
- Retired U. S. Navy Captain (active duty and reservist from 1988 to 2023)
- Member, National Association of Parliamentarians

QUICKLY DELIVERED

- Oversight Completed long-overdue 3-year audit within 2 ½ months of taking office
- A Respectful Working Environment –
 Streamlined multi-day marathon meetings into an efficient session of under an hour
- Restored Oversight Reinstated required monthly and weekly reporting to Finance Committee and Council of Administration, providing timely and accurate information
- Budgeting Facilitated the overdue state
 Budget within two months of taking office
- Transparency Reinstated monthly reporting of expenses versus budget, giving a clear view of how funds are managed.



Cell: 317.828-0940 Email: MIKE@MBJ.US

Training – started District Meeting training and monthly Zoom training sessions

EXPERIENCE

- Graduate-level accounting, finance, and project management (MBA 2001)
- Treasurer for multiple Veteran and Community non-profit organizations
- Mess Treasurer for Navy program-level Emergency Response units
- Founding Secretary-Treasurer for a health financial services start-up company

Candidate for VFW Department of Indiana JAG for 2025 - 2026



Shelley L Jacobs

I have been the current JAG for the Department of Indiana since 2021. I am currently the Quartermaster for District #10 and Post #1282. I have been a Commander for District #10. I have been an All-State and All-American Round Robin Quartermaster. I can assist and help influence this great Organization. I am a Bronze Legacy Life Member. I have served in the United States Marine Corps from 1987-1996. I earned my eligibility from my tour in Korea and Philippines in 1991.



GENE RICHARDS

Candidate for Surgeon Department of Indiana 2025 - 2026

Leadership in Action!

Military Service

U.S. Army Active Duty: AUG 1989 – JAN 2016; Major - Retired Enlisted Military Intelligence NCO (O5-H/98-H) 1989 – 1995

Green-to-Gold Scholarship/Distinguished Military Graduate at IU MAY 1998

Army Aviation Officer (15-B: UH-60 Blackhawk Pilot)

6 Qualifying Tours/Deployments for VFW eligibility

Combat Action Badge

Bronze Star Medal

5 Meritorious Service Medals (MSM)

Afghanistan Campaign Medal (25th ID 2011-12)

Korean Defense Service Medal

Numerous other awards and decorations

Flight Platoon Leader, C Co., 5-158 AVN, Germany 2000-01

Deployed to Mali, Africa in 2000

Company Commander, HHC, 1-228th AVN Regt., JTF-B, Honduras 2004-05 Battalion XO, Korean Service Corps BN, Yongsan, Korea 2009-10 Chief of Southeast Asian Exercises, USARPAC (4-Star HQ), Hawaii 2012-16

VFW Service

Joined Post 1154 in Lafayette as a Life Member JUL 2016

Post Jr. Vice Commander 2017-2018

Post Sr. Vice Commander 2018-2019

Post Commander 2019-Present

District 2 Jr. Vice Commander 2020-2022

District 2 Commander 2022-Present

Back-to-Back All-State & All-American Post 2022-2023 and 2023-2024

All-American District 2023-2024

VFW Distinguished Service Award 2024

About Me

Assistant Professor of Military Science at Purdue University Fall 2016
Assistant Professor of Military Science at University of Illinois 2017-2020
Own a small real estate investment/property management company
Live in West Lafayette with my wife, Hyun (Lifetime Auxiliary Member), and
three sons; James (22) and Robert (20) who attend Purdue University and
Andrew (16) who is a Junior at West Lafayette High School
Financially independent with time to dedicate to improving Indiana's VFW





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.