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COMMANDER'S CORNER

BY

JERRY BLAKE

Hello everyone,
 I hope everyone is having a good time and getting ready for spring and a change in the weather for the better. Our Bingo is getting better, It looks like we're headed in the right direction, but we still need help from all of our members. We need members to come down to our canteen and to our dining room to help keep us going. With the World War II veterans dying off, we don't have as many people coming in to enjoy this great place, so I'm asking each one of you as a VFW and/or auxiliary member to come down and enjoy the restaurant. We have great food and good prices. Maybe have a "hot toddy" at our canteen. Always remember without your help-we will not be here.

Jerry Blake, Commander

2023-2024	VFW 1114	OFFICER'S
Commander		Jerry Blake
Sr. Vice Commander		Tim Mahone
Jr. Vice Commander		Ed Shoultz
Quartermaster		Paul DuPont
Asst. Quartermaster		Jerry Blake
Asst. Quartermaster		Gayla Schapker
Chaplain		Tom Verkamp
Judge Advocate		Paul Dupont
Surgeon		Larry Lukeman
Trustee 3 Yrs.		Paul Walters
Trustee 2 Yrs.		Joe Misuraca
Trustee 1 Yr.		Jerry Boyle
House Comm 3 Yrs		Roger Ferguson
House Comm 2 Yrs		Jerry Blake
House Comm 1 Yr.		Tim Mahone
Adjutant		Paul Dupont
Service Officer		Paul Dupont
Membership Chair		Tim Mahone
Post Budget Chair		Randy Muston
Community Service		Roger Ferguson
Entertainment Chair		Jerry Boyle
Hospital Chair		Tom Verkamp
Chief of Staff		Roger Ferguson
Past Commander		Roger Ferguson
Sgt Arms		Jim Fuller
Guard		Ray Kissel
Vet Gazette Editor		Linda Misuraca

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR
 MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR THE
 EXPIRATION DATE AND RENEW IF THE
 CARD HAS EXPIRED
 THANK YOU**

VFW POST 1114 WEBPAGE

www.VFWpost1114.org

**Visit it often for schedule
 changes, cancellations, and
 new event information!
 Also to access past issues of
 the Vet Gazette**

All I can say is welcome Spring! Ice storms, daffodils peeping through the snow, spring temperatures one day and freezing the next, followed by storms. The World is as unpredictable as the weather. Pray! Pray! Pray! Our Veterans and military personnel are so deserving of our love and support. Please take a few minutes to send a card, visit by phone or in person to those who are homebound or in nursing homes. Let them know they are not forgotten.

REMEMBER to take care of yourself too!

Current Veteran's in Nursing facilities:

Veterans currently recuperating in extended care facilities or at home:

- Willow Park: George "Sonny" Laubner
- River Point: Walter Putman
- Mt. Vernon: Steve Wildeman
- At Home: Henry W Sandefur
Don Brown

TAPS

Our fellow members who are now guarding the "Gates of Freedom":

- Earl P. Reisinger**
- James W Schmitt**
- Harold Straub**

May their souls of our departed comrades Rest in Peace – Amen!

**Please call me - Tom Verkamp, Chaplain
Home: 812-307-1116 Cell: 812-459-3473**

Please let me know of any veterans who are ill or in Nursing Homes, so we can spread the word.

Dates to Remember

- April 19 Shot Heard Around the World
Start of American Revolution War 1775
- April 20 Easter
- April 30 Vietnam War Ends 1975
- May 3 National Day of Prayer
- May 10 Postal Food Drive
- May 11 Mother's Day
- May 21 Armed Forces Day 1949
- May 22 National Maritime Day 1819
- May 26 Memorial Day



New Bar Hours

- Sunday & Monday
Closed
- Tuesday & Wednesday
1:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- Thursday
11:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Friday & Saturday
11:00 AM – 11:00 PM

Show Them the Way

Look closely now and see the pain,
See the trouble the world is in.
"It is too much," I hear you say,
But God has planned a better way.

You are here to show His light,
To be a beacon in their dark night.
God has not abandoned man,
He needs your heart and helping hands.

Reach out today and shine your light,
Dispel the darkness in their lives,
Lift them up – show them the way,
Bring them to a brand-new day.

Mary Ann Jameson

Trivia and karaoke are going well. I am still waiting for approval on games to prepare the basement for rentals. Again, big thanks to those who make it happen- kitchen and bar staff, waitress, Mo, and Gayla. We couldn't do it without you.

The post participated in the Franklin street Gumbo "Mardi Gras" day – those making that a success was Josh, Taylor, Kim, Marisha, Jason, Crista, the bar was full all day. The voting for best Gumbo - Josh brought us in Third out of 16 teams. Still, I wish we could get more actual post members to join us in these endeavors. If there is something you would like to see at the post – contact me

jboyle1230@cs.com or 812 461 8939

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE SCHEDULE – VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

AGE OF DECEMBER 31 ST	<u>ONE-TIME PAYMENT</u>
THROUGH AGE 30	\$425.00
31-40	\$410.00
41-50	\$375.00
51-60	\$335.00
61-70	\$290.00
71-80	\$225.00
81 AND OVER	\$170.00

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE SCHEDULE – INSTALLMENT PLAN

AGE OF DECEMBER 31 ST	<u>INITIAL PAYMENT</u>	<u>11 PAYMENTS OF</u>
THROUGH AGE 30	\$ 45.00	\$38.64
31-40	\$ 45.00	\$37.27
41-50	\$ 45.00	\$34.09
51-60	\$ 45.00	\$30.45
61-70	\$ 45.00	\$26.36
71-80	\$ 45.00	\$20.45
81 AND OVER	\$ 45.00	\$15.45

LIFE MEMBERSHIP can be purchased in a monthly payment program. Inquire with the Quartermaster Paul Dupont, if you are interested in learning more about the program

Auxiliary Life Member Fees

Attained age as of 12/31 of year applying for Life Membership

Up thru 20	\$253.00
21-25	\$242.00
26-30	\$230.00
31-35	\$219.00
36-40	\$213.00
41-45	\$201.00
46-50	\$196.00
51-55	\$184.00
56-60	\$173.00
61-65	\$161.00
66-70	\$150.00
71-75	\$132.00
76-80	\$109.00
81-85	\$ 86.00
86-90	\$ 69.00
91 and Over	\$ 58.00

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If your Husband, Wife, Father, Mother, Son, Daughter, Brother, Sister, Grand-father or Grandmother served overseas and is eligible for membership in the VFW, then you are eligible for membership in the **Auxiliary.**

Please ask about our benefits!

1114 VFW AND AUXILIARY EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY – APRIL 19, 2025

10:00 AM DOORS OPEN AT 9:00 AM

Come out and bring your children or grandchildren to enjoy the hunt.

We will popcorn and sodas for everyone!!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

POST NEWS AND EVENTS

Auxiliary BINGO #002770 Thursdays Doors Open at 4:30pm

Sunday Afternoon BINGO

Indiana State Bingo License # 002769

VFW Post 1114

110 N Wabash Ave.

Evansville, IN 47712

Doors open at 2:00 PM

BINGO Starts at 4:00 PM

All paper BINGO – We play packets

Magic Number Accumulated Pot

15 Regular Games \$200 Each

3 Special Games \$250 Each

1 Jackpot game \$500

1 Super X Game \$1,000

Sold Extra on the floor – BIG BIRD \$.50 Each Paying 50%

Parking & Security

No one under 18

Good Food – Limited Menu

Designated No Smoking Area



Anywhere

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Up to \$99,000	\$350
\$100,000 - \$149,999	\$600
\$150,000 - \$199,999	\$800
\$200,000 - \$249,999	\$1,000
\$250,000 - \$299,999	\$1,250
\$300,000 - \$349,999	\$1,500
\$350,000 - \$399,999	\$1,750
\$400,000 - \$449,999	\$2,000
\$450,000 - \$499,999	\$2,250
\$500,000 - \$599,999	\$3,000
\$600,000 - \$699,999	\$3,500
\$700,000 - \$799,999	\$4,000
\$800,000 - \$899,999	\$4,500
\$900,000 - \$999,999	\$5,000
\$1,000,000 - \$1,249,999	\$5,500
\$1,250,000 - \$1,499,999	\$6,000
\$1,500,000 - \$1,749,999	\$6,500
\$1,750,000 - \$1,999,999	\$7,000
\$2,000,000 and above	\$7,500

Purchasing a home is one of the most important steps in your life. As a veteran myself, and an experienced real estate agent, I understand the housing needs of the military community. I am here to assist active-duty military members, veterans and your extended families with buying or selling a home. Give me a call to learn about your military real estate benefits and how I can get you cash back after closing!

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VFW 1114 Auxiliaries' News

Good Afternoon:

Hope this finds everybody doing well. We hope you were able to come out and celebrate our 90th Anniversary in February. It seemed everyone enjoyed themselves. Thanks to the Auxiliary members that helped. We're getting ready to head to Indianapolis the weekend of March 22, for spring conference. If you haven't visited the post lately, things are booming. We've got the dining room open, trivia is twice monthly and we have a big crowd. Karaoke every other week on Friday nights. We're still playing Bingo 3x weekly. Be sure and check the calendar on the website for dates and times. We have achieved 100% in membership for the auxiliary. Were still the largest auxiliary in the state. We will be having elections in April. If you're interested or know somebody that might be, come out and join us and there may be an office you're interested in. We have needs for officers and chairmanship for programs. Hope to see you around the post and hope you get to enjoy some activities taking place.

Sandy Ferguson – Auxiliary President

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Trustee 3 Year
Sue Shoultz
Trustee 2 Year
Stacey Glover
Trustee 1 Year
Amy Elder
Guard
Rita Allega
Patriotic Inst.
Debra Switzer

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Members that didn't pay their dues by December 31, 2024, are not considered in good standing and have lost their canteen privileges until their dues are paid. We have printed off a list of those unpaid Auxiliary members and left a copy behind the bar. Please pay them as soon as possible. It is \$30.00 this year. You may also convert to life if that is more suitable for you. The cost of that goes by your age and is listed in the Gazette. We are presently at 1119 in paid dues. We are at 100.16% THANKS TO DUES ANGELS District 8 is at 96.97% and Indiana is at 96.20%.

Feel free to call me at the Post if you have any questions or need assistance.

Remember! If your dues are not paid by Dec 31st—you are not in good standing and can't participate in any Auxiliary events or use the Canteen at the Post!

Mel Mahone –
Membership Chair-Treasurer

Psalms 56: 1-4

Chaplain's Corner

April May 2025

"God, have mercy on me because I'm being trampled. All day long the enemy oppresses me. My attackers trample me all day long because I have so many enemies. Exalted one, whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in you, in God, whose word I praise. I trust in God; I won't be afraid. What can mere flesh do to me!"

As I sat down in the hospital waiting room, I hoped that everything would go well with my husband's surgery. The doctor had said that it was not a serious procedure, but my anxiety began to increase as time wore on. As I waited, I prayed. I found great relief when I entrusted my husband's life to God. Even so, two more hours passed until the doctor came to tell me the surgery was successful. During this time I learned to rely fully on God. When fear and anxiety want to grow in our hearts; even when the shadow of death looms near; resting in God's love will refresh us and bring us strength and comfort. Let's not give fear a chance to control us. God is greater than all our fears and anxiety. When we surrender our worries to God, through each struggle that life may bring, God's goodness and protection surround us. Knowing this, we can trust in God's care through all our days.

Lord God, so much in life can make us fearful and full of anxiety. Teach us to lay our struggles at your feet, trusting that you will bring the comfort we need to live joyful lives. Amen.

Our prayers and sympathies go to the families of our dearly departed sisters: Marianne Ritter, Mildred Hartz, Mildred Lovell, Mary Boarman, Vicki Fellwock, Martha Scheller, Carole Parkinson, Mary McCurdy, Elizabeth Jeffries

Please remember to report any deaths, get wells, thinking of you(s) to me at my email address spiveydg@gmail.com or phone (812) 453-5680
Gloria Spivey-Larrance, Chaplain

***Please Join Us for the Annual
Voice of Democracy & Patriots Pen
Banquet***

***Tuesday April 8th
Dinner at 6:00pm
Ceremony Following***

***Menu: Meatloaf
 Macaroni & Cheese
 Green beans
 Tea and Lemonade***

***PURCHASE TICKETS AT THE BAR
\$12.00 PER PERSON***



**90TH ANNIVERSARY
DINNER DANCE
PICTURES**



14 Ladies Auxiliary
loyalty, honesty & hard work











Legislative Days
VOD – Patriot Pen
Awards Ceremony

Left to Right – Indiana Attendees:

Johnny Capps, Jennifer Morris, Linda Misuraca, Roger Ferguson, Kathy Hankins, Cory Mahan, Ken Lange, Dave Capshaw





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 NO <i>Auxiliary Meeting</i>	3	4 KARAOKE IN THE BAR	5 <i>Rolling Thunder</i> <i>AM mtg</i>
6 Bingo 4 PM	7 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Gameroom 5:30</i> <i>Coliseum Bingo</i>	8 VOD - PP BANQUET <i>Dinner at 6pm</i>	9 <i>Auxiliary Meeting</i> 7:00 PM Elections	10 Bingo 6:30 PM	11 TRIVIA 7PM	12 TCW Rental Wrestling
13 Palm Sunday Bingo 4 PM	14 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Gameroom 5:30</i> <i>Coliseum Bingo</i>	15 6:00 & 7:00 pm Post Mtg.	16 Rental USPS	17 Bingo 6:30 PM	18 KARAOKE IN THE BAR ROA	19 Post Easter Egg Hunt open 9:30 Hunt 10am Celebration of Life in the pm
20 Easter Bingo 4 PM	21 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Gameroom 5:30</i> <i>Coliseum Bingo</i>	22	23 AFA	24 Bingo 6:30 PM	25 TRIVIA 7PM	26 <i>Rental</i>
27 Bingo 4 PM	28 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Gameroom 5:30</i> <i>Coliseum Bingo</i>	29	30			

MAY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Bingo 6:30 PM	2 KARAOKE IN THE BAR	3 <i>LSJ 5-9</i> Day of Service
4 Bingo 4 PM	5 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Gameroom 5:30</i> <i>Coliseum Bingo</i>	6	7 <i>Auxiliary Meeting</i> 7:00 PM	8 Bingo 6:30 PM	9 TRIVIA 7PM	10 <i>Rental</i>
11 Mother's Day Bingo 4 PM	12 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Gameroom 5:30</i> <i>Coliseum Bingo</i>	13	14 ROA	15 Bingo 6:30 PM	16 KARAOKE IN THE BAR	17 <i>Rental</i> <i>All Day</i>
18 D8 Mtg Post 2939 10:00 am CST Tell City Bingo 4 PM	19 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Gameroom 5:30</i> <i>Coliseum Bingo</i>	20 Post Meeting 6 & 7 pm	21 <i>Auxiliary Meeting</i> 7:00 PM	22 Bingo 6:30 PM	23 TRIVIA 7PM	24
25 Bingo 4 PM	26 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Gameroom 5:30</i> <i>Coliseum Bingo</i>	27	28	29 Bingo 6:30 PM	30 KARAOKE IN THE BAR	31 <i>2nd Amend</i>

