



# The Vet Gazette

ART FELLWOCK VFW POST 1114  
110 North Wabash Avenue of the Flags  
Evansville, Indiana 47712  
(812) 422-5831

## April - May 2026



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Permit # 1296  
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## APRIL 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 AUX MEETING 7pm	2 Bingo 6:30 PM	3 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR	4 Children's Easter Egg Hunt at 10 AM Sharp
5 Happy Easter Bingo 4 PM	6 Zumba in Basement 5:30	7 VCD - PP Award Banquet Doors Open 5:30 Dinner 6pm	8 Family Game Night Games 5:30 - 7:30	9 Bingo 6:30 PM	10 TRIVIA 7PM	11 Rental Lukeman Wedding
12 Bingo 4 PM	13 Zumba in Basement 5:30	14	15 Rental AUX Mtg - Elections 7pm	16 Bingo 6:30 PM	17 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR	18 Rental
19 Bingo 4 PM	20 Zumba in Basement 5:30	21 6:00 & 7:00 pm Post Mtg. Elections	22 Family Game Night Bingo	23 Bingo 6:30 PM	24 TRIVIA 7PM	25 Rental 10-4 Girl Scouts 2nd Amendment
26 Bingo 4 PM	27 Zumba in Basement 5:30	28 AFA 7 pm	29	30 Bingo 6:30 PM		

## MAY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR	2 Rummage Sale Derby Party
3 Bingo 4 PM	4 Zumba in Basement 5:30	5	6 AUX MEETING 7pm	7 Bingo 6:30 PM	8 TRIVIA 7PM	9 Rental
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17 Dist 8 Mtg 2366 Huntingburg 10:00 am Eastern Time Bingo 4 PM	18 Zumba in Basement 5:30	19 6:00 & 7:00 pm Post Mtg.	20 AUX MEETING 7pm	21 Bingo 6:30 PM	22 TRIVIA 7PM	23 Rental-Basement 12-4pm Morris
24 Bingo 4 PM	25 Memorial Day Alex. Memorial Park 9:00 am	26	27 Family Game Night Bingo	28	29	30 Cancer Dinner 11 am - 2 pm Community Service
31 Bingo 4 PM				30 Bingo 6:30 PM	31 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR	



# COMMANDER'S CORNER

BY

**JERRY BLAKE**

Hello everyone,

What looks like we're getting a little bit better weather now - spring is just around the corner. We only have two months left before our elections for next year. As most of you know, the eta machines are in and doing fairly well if any of you want to see what's going on, please come down to the post and enjoy yourself. The eta machines are basically what you play when you go to the casinos except all the money stays at the post and helps our post. Also, the dining room is coming up a little bit. We appreciate everyone coming and supporting our dining room. Just keep it up bring your friends. We have good food at low prices and if you want to come down and watch karaoke and participate and have a drink with your friends again come down and enjoy yourself. This is your post and we cannot make it without your help. We have a lot of good people working at the post that would appreciate all of you coming down and helping us out. I want to personally thank each and every one of our members that do come down to participate and again ask the ones that aren't coming down to please come down even if just once a week have a meal and enjoy yourself..

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT ME AT 812-453-0799

Jerry Blake, Commander

2025-2026	VFW 1114	OFFICER'S
Commander		Jerry Blake
Sr. Vice Commander		Tim Mahone
Jr. Vice Commander		Nick West
Quartermaster		Paul DuPont
Asst. Quartermaster		Jerry Blake
Asst. Quartermaster		Gayla Schapker
Chaplain		Tom Verkamp
Judge Advocate		Paul Dupont
Surgeon		Larry Lukeman
Trustee 3 Yrs.		Jerry Boyle
Trustee 2 Yrs.		Paul Walters
Trustee 1 Yr.		Joe Misuraca
House Comm 3 Yrs		Tim Mahone
House Comm 2 Yrs		
House Comm 1 Yr.		Paul Glover
Adjutant		Paul Dupont
Service Officer		Paul Dupont
Membership Chair		Tim Mahone
Post Budget Chair		Randy Muston
Community Service		Jerry Nunning
Entertainment Chair		Jerry Boyle
Hospital Chair		Tom Verkamp
Chief of Staff		Tim Mahone
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 Hall Rental Information please contact:**

**Diane Brokaw at  
(812) 422-5831**

*Winter is gone and Spring is here. Birds are singing and flowers are green and blooming. What do you say, let's bring smiles and happiness to our comrades who are homebound or in extended care facilities. When I go visit our comrades, you wouldn't believe the smiles and how happy they are to see a fellow comrade. How about taking a little time out of our busy schedules and visit our comrades. It will also make you smile and feel wonderful. Also, let's take a little time and stop by our Post for a few meals, or drinks and friendship. We have a great Post and we need your visits to keep the Post open*

**Love you all! – Chaplain Tom**

**REMEMBER to take care of yourself too!**

**Current Veteran's in Nursing facilities:**

Veterans currently recuperating in extended care facilities or at home:

At Home: Henry W Sandefur  
Don Brown  
Kermit Neighbors  
Steve Koressel

**TAPS**

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

***Donals R Abernathy  
Lewis A Beckham  
Jan P Brazelton  
Billy J Igleheart  
Roger K Kyte  
John D Mills***

***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**

Apr 19      Shot heard around the world  
Start of American Revolutionary War  
Apr 30      Vietnam War Ends 1975  
May 3      National Day of Prayer  
May 9      Postal Food Drive  
May 10      Mother's Day  
May 21      Armed Forces Day  
May 22      National Maritime Day 1819  
May 25      Memorial Day

***Kitchen***

After careful thought and input from others the following changes have been made to the Dining Room. We have added a Saturday Special which runs all day and will consist of a Sandwich, Soup and vegetable of the day. Also, with our new hours on Sunday we have added a breakfast menu. Items on menus are subject to change with ongoing prices and availability. We will do our best to keep you appraised of any changes. Remember calendar is online. And don't forget Karaoke and Trivia night they rotate Fridays. Finally, I want to thank everyone who have come in to dine with us thru these changes. I have heard from several members and non-members about issues that come with these changes. I assure you I have heard you and will be working with my staff to ensure that we get these things fixed. Any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at [retiredtanker11@gmail.com](mailto:retiredtanker11@gmail.com) or if I am in the building, please feel free to approach me and voice your concerns. Paul Glover

**Secret Respect**

There's not a Fascist in the USA  
Who doesn't, in their true heart, say  
I'm thankful for those who serve and fight,  
So I can peacefully sleep at night.

No partisan politics can keep away  
The gratitude I feel, but cannot say  
To veterans who kept America secured,  
With all the hardships they endured.

Away from family, friends and more,  
They knew what they were working for:  
Keeping freedom really free  
For the right, the middle, and even me.

Veterans, you have my deep respect,  
Even if it isn't politically correct.

Joanna Fuchs

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE SCHEDULE – VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

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

UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES®

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!

# 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

Trivia and karaoke are going well, and we now have a new entry for the post.

Family Game Night on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday will be playing board games with your families and the 4th Wednesday will be family Bingo. Check at the post for dates and times. Big thanks to Gayla and Moe for getting this started and getting all the board games lined up. And thanks to kitchen, wait staff, bar staff, Kim, Marisha, Paul and Stacy, San, Moe, and Gayla for making all this come together. We could not do it without you. It would be nice to see more post members and officers participate in these events. It's your post - support it!!

Still no luck on getting Open Mike night Or Dance Lessons Back

Of all the things I miss I miss my mind the most...

[jboyle1230@cs.com](mailto:jboyle1230@cs.com)

## **VFW POST 1114 WEBPAGE**

**[WWW.VFWpost1114.org](http://WWW.VFWpost1114.org)**

**Visit it often for schedule changes, cancellations, and new event information!**

**Also to access past issues of the Vet Gazette**

**Contact Rick Moore**

**Website Administrator**

**If you need something put on the Website or you have any questions**

**(812) 422-5831 Leave a message for Rick**

# VFW 1114 Auxiliaries' News

THANK YOU! To All of the Members That Worked So Hard helping to collect dues from Continuous Members and RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS TO MAKE THE AUXILIARY 100%! I hope that all that came out and joined us in celebrating the Anniversary of the Auxiliary in February, enjoyed everything. Thank you again to all that helped to make this event successful. Children's Easter Party is Saturday April 4, **EASTER EGG HUNT STARTTS AT 10:00 am** We will be having our INDOOR RUMMAGE SALE on Saturday May 2, 2026 7:00 AM TO 2:00 PM. If you would like to rent a Space stop by the Post and see the bartender to reserve your spot. \$20 for a Single Table and \$35 for a 3 Tables Set Up (approx. 10' x 10') This is open to the public and anyone can rent a spot. We will have meeting on Wednesday April 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm We will be having Elections for Officers at our meeting on April 15th. We will have Meeting on Wednesday May 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. District Meeting will be Sunday May 17, 2026, 10:30 eastern time at 2366 Huntingburg, IN Memorial Day Service at Memorial Park, Monday May 25, 2026, at 9am. We are still collecting old prescription eyeglasses; these can be dropped off at the post. If you save aluminum cans but you do not have enough worth cashing in you can drop them in or beside the recycle container in the parking lot at the post, and the money raised is used to replace the Flags on the boulevard out front. We are selling World's Finest Candy Bars. If anyone is interested in checking out a box to sell, please reach out to Mel Mahone or myself to do so. **A my Elder – Auxiliary President**

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President Amy Elder  
 Sr Vice Pres Sue Shoultz  
 Jr Vice Pres Tabitha Titzer  
 Secretary Mary Crews  
 Treasurer Mel Mahone  
 Conductor Ginny Titzer  
 Chaplain Linda Misuraca  
 Trustee 3 Year Sue Shoultz  
 Trustee 2 Year Stacey Glover  
 Trustee 1 Year  
 Guard Rita Allega  
 Patriotic Inst. Debra Switzer

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The theme for membership this year is "Celebrating 100 Years – 100% in Membership"

I would like to thank all of the members who made Dues Angels donations to help members who needed some assistance this year with their dues.

WE ARAE NOW AT 100%- even though not all members have send it their dues yet.!

Mel Mahone –  
 Membership Chair-Treasurer  
 812- 483-6053 OR 812-422-5831

**Children's Easter Egg Hunt**

**APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup>**

**DOORS OPEN AT 9:30 AM**

**EGG HUNTS STARTS AT 10:00 AM SHARP!**

## Chaplain's Corner

April – May 2026

***Yahweh shows love in all he does. Only stumble and Yahweh at once supports you. If others bow you down, he will raise you up. Psalm 144***

If you know of someone who has passed away, or is ill, or just needs a little pick me up by way of a note letting them know we are thinking of them - PLEASE either call me at the number below or email me.

**Our prayers and sympathies go to the families of: Marilyn Swonder, and Donna K Campbell**

**If you are ill – we wish you a speedy recovery.**

Linda Misuraca

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The Auxiliary's  
91<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
Dinner/Dance

was well attended  
and everyone  
seemed to enjoy the  
food and the  
entertainment.



A snapshot of one of  
the first family game  
nights – We got off to  
a slow start, but  
everyone had a good  
time – Now we just  
need others to come  
and join us for a night  
of laughs and fun  
with Gayla and Moe



One of our regular  
Bingo workers has  
volunteered to call  
Bingo for us – If she is  
not chasing the little  
numbered balls  
across the floor – we  
hear her loud and  
clear. Thank you,  
Stacy, for helping  
out!!!

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY AND PATRIOT PEN

AWARDS BANQUET

APRIL 7, 2026

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM

DINNER SERVED AT 6:00 PM

AWARDS PROGRAM TO FOLLOW

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CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT

APRIL 4, 2026

DOORS OPEN AT 9:30 AM

THE HUNT WILL START

**PROMPTLY AT 10:00 AM**

COME ON DOWN AND WATCH THE KIDS

SCRAMBLE FOR THE EGGS!!!

## *Family Fun Nights*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday will be family game night*

*We have loads of family games available – find another family and challenge them or challenge your children!!*

*4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday will be family bingo night – come out and try your luck – donated prizes will be available for those getting a*

*B - I - N - G - O!!*

*Door prizes given away! No charge to play either night – donations will be accepted at the door!*