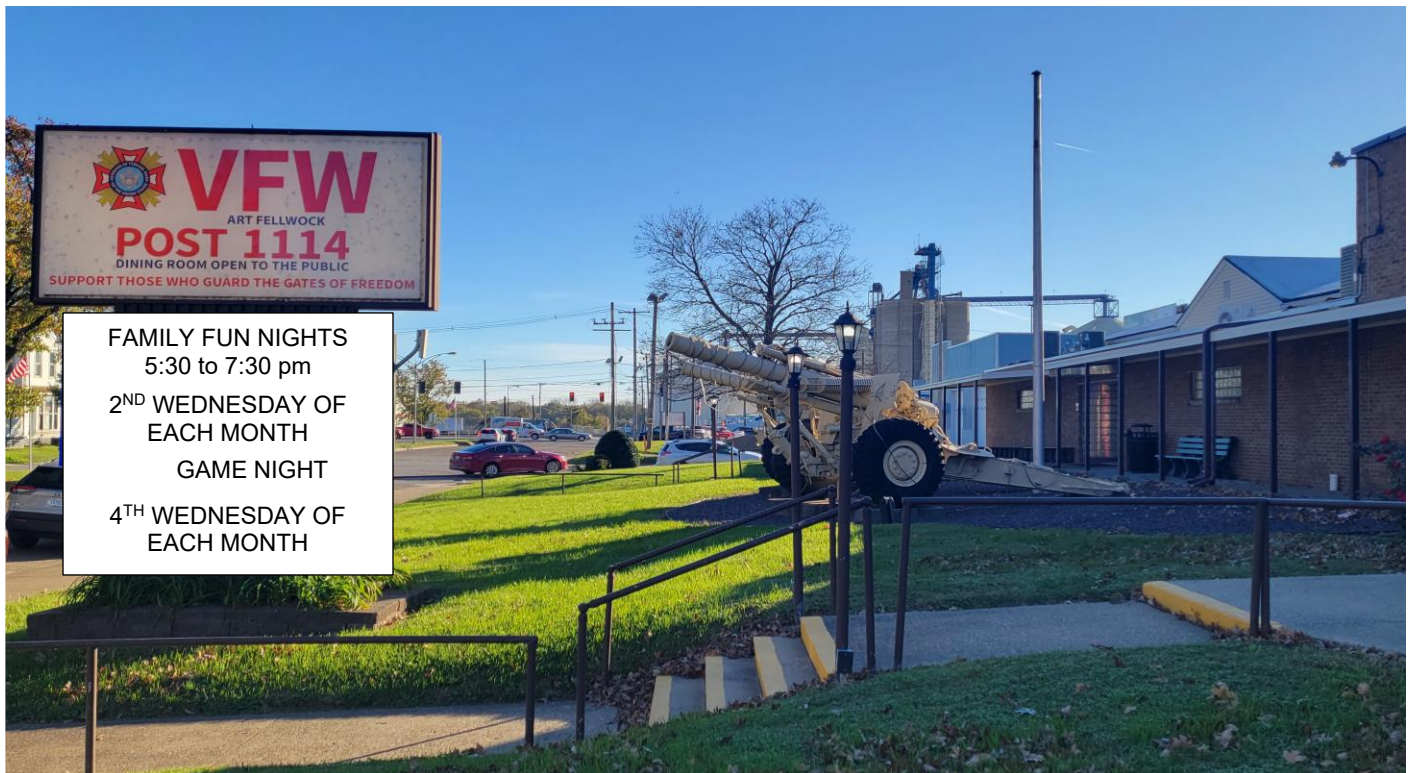




The Vet Gazette

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June 2026



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 <i>AUX MEETING</i> 7pm | 4 Bingo 6:30 PM | 5 TRIVIA 7PM | 6 <i>Rental</i> <i>Stacey Hyslop</i> |
| 7 Bingo 4 PM | 8 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Basement 5:30</i> | 9 | 10 <i>Family Game Night</i> <i>Games 5:30 - 7:30</i> | 11 | 12 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR | 13 <i>Rental</i> <i>Nick West Event</i> |
| 14 Bingo 4 PM | 15 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Basement 5:30</i> | 16 6:00 & 7:00 pm Post Mtg. | 17 <i>Auxiliary Meeting</i> 7pm | 18 Bingo 6:30 PM | 19 TRIVIA 7PM | 20 <i>Rental</i> <i>Jessi Win K</i> |
| 21 Bingo 4 PM | 22 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Basement 5:30</i> | 23 AFA 7 pm | 24 <i>Family Game Night</i> <i>Bingo</i> | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| STATE CONVENTION - INDIANAPOLIS | | | | | | |
| | | | | Bingo 6:30 PM | KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR | <i>2nd Amendment</i> |
| 28 INDY - CONVENTION | 29 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Basement 5:30</i> | 30 | | | | |
| Bingo 4 PM | | | | | | |

JULY 2026

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| 19 Dist 8 Mtg 3281 New Albany 10:00 am Eastern Time Bingo 4 PM | 20 <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Basement 5:30</i> | 21 6:00 & 7:00 pm Post Mtg. | 22 <i>Family Game Night</i> <i>Bingo</i> | 23 Bingo 6:30 PM | 24 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR | 25 NAT'L CONV 25-29 <i>2nd Amendment</i> |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |
| NATIONAL CONV - RENO, NEVADA | | | | | | |
| Bingo 4 PM | <i>Zumba in</i> <i>Basement 5:30</i> | | <i>Family Game Night</i> <i>Bingo</i> | Bingo 6:30 PM | TRIVIA 7PM | |



COMMANDER'S CORNER

BY

JERRY BLAKE

Hello everyone,

I want to take this time to thank all of officer's who have supported me in the last three years and congratulate the new officers for 2026-2027. Paul Glover will be the new Commander starting June 28th and I wish you the best of luck for next year as he assumes the duties and responsibilities of his new office. Please give Paul and all of his Officers your support and make VFW 1114 the best post in the State. One of the best ways to help Paul and the new officers is to come down and enjoy all the wonderful things going on at the post.

Paul and his staff are already planning great things for next year so get involved and help Paul and VFW 1114 grow and make a better place for our local veterans and their families to come and enjoy themselves.

REMEMBER THIS POST WILL NOT LAST WITHOUT YOUR HELP !!

Jerry Blake, Commander

The NEW officers for the 2026-2027 year beginning June 28, 2026 will be as follows:

Paul Glover Commander, DeAndree Wilson SrV, Ashley Heeren JrV, Rick Moore Quartermaster, Paul Dupont and Gayla Schapker Asst Qtrmstrs, Tom Verkamp Chaplain, Ray Kissel 3 yr trustee, John Titzer, Ashley Heeren and DeAndree Wilson House Committee, DeAndree Wilson Membership, Ashley Heeren Poppy, Post Budget Jerry Nunning, Jerry Blake Past Commander Larry Rogers Sgt of Arms,

| 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**

Hello – Welcome to the Gazette. Today is the 1st day of the rest of our lives. God put us on this earth to serve him and others. I encourage you to visit our fellow comrades that are homebound or in healthcare facilities. A good deed helps us as much as it helps the recipient. Remember to take care of ourselves. What a better time to get our bodies moving by increasing our activity, drinking more water and stopping to smell the roses.

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":

***Paul S Morris
William David Schmitt***

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

June 4 Battle of Midway Begins 1942
June 6 D-Day
June 14 US Army Birthday and Flag Day
June 21 Father's Day and 1st day of Summer
June 25 Start of the Korean War 1950
June 27 National PTSD Awareness Day
July 1 Last Draft 1973
July 4 Independence Day – America is 250 years old
July 26 Americans with Disabilities Act 1960
July 27 End of Korean War 1953
July 28 Start of World II 1939

Kitchen/Building & Grounds:

Hello everyone, this is my last letter to you all as House Committee as I am the Commander Elect. So first the dining room / kitchen I want to give a huge shout out to our kitchen staff, they have done an amazing job. I look forward to working with you as the commander. Next, I would like to inform everyone that there will be a price increase to our menu items as prices have gone up. Also, taxes will be included in the price of all items. I would like to say welcome to Comrade Heeren as she will be taking over as kitchen manager. She will have some changes, I'm sure so let's come in and enjoy the food and Comradeship. Again, thank you all for the support you gave me this last year. As far as the building and grounds go everything is looking good, we had a few issues we had to get to this year, but we managed to push through them and get them fixed in time. We have begun our upgrade of the basement to make it more appealing and enjoyable. We painted the floor and got at least one of the TV's hung up. We have some more painting to go and a few more TV's and games going in so hang in there with us as we continue this project as I'm sure all will enjoy it. Taking over for me on building and grounds will be Comrade Titzer so please give him your support. Thank you to all who came out to the Post elections if we could only have that many at all the meetings would be great. We have an excellent group of officers coming in and I know we can work together and continue to make the Art Fellwock Post 1114 better for our future veterans coming after us. Again, thank you for your trust and support in electing me as the Post Commander.

I hope everyone has a great summer with families and I look forward to seeing everyone at the Post throughout the next year. God Bless You and Your Families and God Bless America.

Paul Glover – House Committee

I WALK WITH GOD

I walk with God
Each day of my life,
For He makes me smile
Through trouble and strife.
I reach out to Him
On bended knee,
Hoping and praying
He hears my plea.
I walk with God
With a smile on my face,
Knowing in my heart
All pain He'll erase.
And someday soon
He'll take me home
To that higher place
Where forever I'll roam.

Stacey Nelson

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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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.

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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 2nd 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, 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

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

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

The month of June brings us to the end of our 2025-2026 Year and on June 27th starts the 2026-2027 year. Thank you to all that took an elected office for the 2026-2027 year.

I want to Thank all of the Auxiliary members that worked so hard on all of programs this past year, especially on Membership. You all are Great to work with. Thank You for Everything.

Congratulations to Commander-elect, Paul Glover and rest of the Post officers for the 2026-2027 year.

Here are elected Auxiliary Officers for the 2026-2027 year. They are as follows:

President: Amy Elder
 Sr. Vice: Linda Misuraca
 Jr. Vice: Tabitha Davis
 Chaplain: Joyce Compton
 Conductress: Ginny Titzer
 Guard: Rita Allega
 Treasurer: Melanie Mahone
 1 Year Trustee: Linda Misuraca
 2 Year Trustee: Stacey Glover
 3 Year Trustee: Vi Fuller

I hope that many of you were able to attend the Memorial Service on Memorial Day. Department Convention will be June 25-27 at the Marriott Hotel in Indianapolis.

National Convention will be in Reno, Nevada July 25 – 29.

We are still having Family Game Night on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Even if you do not have kids or grandkids, you can come alone and join other families on game night or join us for Bingo.

We are still collecting old prescription eye glasses

Amy 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

At this time VFW Aux 1114 is at 100.46% and the Department of Indiana is at 101.36%. I would like to thank everyone who has paid their dues for helping us to reach our goal of 100%.

With the new membership year beginning in July, we will be sending our dues notices for the next year starting in late July or early August.

Also, if you are over 80 the dues will be paid sometime in August for the next year.

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

 We will have meetings at 7 pm on Wednesday June 3rd & 17th

We will have meetings at 7pm on Wednesday July 1st & 15th.

**PLEASE COME AND JOIN US
 – FIND OUT WHAT WE ARE
 DOING FOR OUR VETERANS
 AND OUR COMMUNITY!**

Chaplain's Corner

June – July 2026

Give ear to my words, O Lord, consider my meditation.

Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee I will pray.

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: Bertha Benthall and Bertha Burgdorf

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

This will be my last entry – beginning in July – Joyce Compton will be the new Chaplain for the Auxiliary.

Linda Misuraca

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Department of Indiana Commander and Auxiliary President had their testimonial dinner on April 25th. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed taking the time to Thank them for a job well done.



Commander Jerry Blake and Auxiliary President Amy Elder presented the 1st places awards at the Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen banquet. They are pictured here with Collette Knight 1st Place Patriot Pen and Conner Sensmeier 1st Place Voice of Democracy.



Memorial Day Program was held at Alexander Memorial Park honoring Veterans and Auxiliary members who passed away in the last year. As Sr, Vice Paul Glover read the names of the Veterans, Amy Elder-Aux President, Tom Verkamp, Tim Mahone, Jerry Blake and members of the Vanderburgh County Retired Veterans Memorial Club listened in the background.