



The Vet Gazette

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August 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 <i>Rental Basement Angie</i>
2 Bingo 4 PM	3 <i>Zumba in Basement 5:30</i>	4	5 <i>AUX MEETING 7pm</i>	6 Bingo 6:30 PM	7 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR	8
9 Bingo 4 PM	10 <i>Zumba in Basement 5:30</i>	11	12	13 Bingo 6:30 PM	14 TRIVIA 7PM	15 <i>Rental Wedding</i>
16 Bingo 4 PM	17 <i>Zumba in Basement 5:30</i>	18 6:00 & 7:00 pm Post Mtg.	19 <i>AUX MEETING 7pm</i>	20 Bingo 6:30 PM	21 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR	22
23 Bingo 4 PM	24 <i>Zumba in Basement 5:30</i>	25 AFA	26	27 Bingo 6:30 PM	28 TRIVIA 7PM	29 <i>2nd Amendment</i>
30 Bingo 4 PM	31 <i>Zumba in Basement 5:30</i>				<i>SOI - Indianapolis, Marriott</i>	

SEPTEMBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 <i>AUX MEETING 7pm</i>	3 Bingo 6:30 PM	4 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR	5
6 Bingo 4 PM	7 <i>Zumba in Basement 5:30</i>	8	9 <i>Family Game Night Games 5:30-7:30</i>	10 Bingo 6:30 PM	11 TRIVIA 7PM	12 <i>Rental Basement</i>
13 District 8 Mtg 2953 Evansville 10:00 CST Bingo 4 PM	14 <i>Zumba in Basement 5:30</i>	15 <i>Rick Nut Club Dinner</i>	16 <i>VA Stand Off</i> <i>AUX MEETING 7pm</i>	17 Bingo 6:30 PM	18 KARAOKE 7PM IN THE BAR <i>Rental -Titzer</i>	19
20 Indiana Day at National Home Eaton Rapids MI Bingo 4 PM	21 <i>Zumba in Basement 5:30</i>	22 6:00 & 7:00 pm Post Mtg.	23 <i>Family Game Night</i> <i>Bingo</i>	24 Bingo 6:30 PM	25 TRIVIA 7PM	26 <i>Rental</i>
27 Bingo 4 PM	28 <i>Zumba in Basement 5:30</i>	29	30			



COMMANDER'S CORNER

BY

Paul Glover

Hello everyone,

The new VFW year is upon us, and I would like to once again thank everyone for entrusting me in being your Commander. Sr. Vice DeAndre Wilson and I along with members of our post will be working hard on our membership to get us back to being one of the top posts in the state. Membership is everyone's responsibility. If every member were to bring in one new member that would be outstanding and get us back on track to where we once were.

The month of August has some very specific days for us to Honor starting with Air Force Day on the 1st of the month. Other notable days are the beginning of the U.S. Coast Guard on Aug. 4th, Japan surrendered Aug 14th, 1945, Nat. Navajo Code Talker Day, Nat. Airborne Day 16th and V-J Day: Japan signed Formal Surrender Sept. 2nd, 1945, to kick off September. So, with September among us and kicking it off with a bang on the 2nd with Japan's Formal Surrender we also have our Annual Post Picnic on the 7th. With that being said the post will be providing hamburgers and hotdogs along with chips and potato salad. Please RSVP by August 25th with total in your party and a side dish you will bring. We do ask that everyone bring a side dish. There will be things for the kids also. And finally with the closeout of September the Post Anniversary is on the 26th. I am planning on an event for that day so please keep an eye out for updates on our website, Facebook, and any other social media we are on. So please bear with us as we make these changes. In closing I would like to let everyone know we are still working on basement to get it complete and hopefully it won't be too much longer. Also, would like to wish everyone who has a birthday in August and September Happy Birthday and enjoy your day! God Bless all of you and God Bless America

Paul Glover - Commander

Sr Vice Commander DeAndre Wilson

As we begin this new VFW year, I first want to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Senior Vice Commander. My family and I moved to Indiana in 2015, and from the moment we joined Post 1114, we were welcomed with open arms. It has truly been an honor to serve this Post as Junior Vice Commander, and I look forward to continuing that service in my new role.

For those who may not know me, I began my military career in 2001 as an Army Reserve Soldier while attending Alabama A&M University. I deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom as a Petroleum Specialist with the 626th Forward Support Company, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), and later served in Operation Enduring Freedom as a Motor Transport Operator with the 82nd Airborne Division. I have remained on active duty ever since, serving at Fort Knox and with Combat Sustainment Support Battalions throughout the country. I currently serve as the Battalion Operations NCOIC for the 380th Quartermaster Battalion here in Evansville, where I expect to complete my Army career in early 2028.

None of my military service would have been possible without the unwavering support of my family. My wife and I have proudly raised our four children while navigating the many challenges of military life, including deployments, relocations, and time apart. Their sacrifices have been just as meaningful as my own, and I am grateful for their love and support throughout my career. Since becoming members of Post 1114, we have been blessed by the friendships, fellowship, and sense of family this Post has given us, and we are honored to serve alongside each of you.

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2026-2027 VFW 1114 OFFICER'S

Commander	Paul Glover
Sr. Vice Commander	DeAndre Wilson
Jr. Vice Commander	Ashley Heeren
Quartermaster	Rick Moore
Asst. Quartermaster	Paul Dupont
Asst. Quartermaster	Gayla Schapker
Chaplain	Tom Verkamp
Judge Advocate	Paul Dupont
Surgeon	Larry Lukeman
Trustee 3 Yrs.	Ray Kissel
Trustee 2 Yrs.	Jerry Boyle
Trustee 1 Yr.	Paul Walters
House Comm 3 Yrs	John Titzer
House Comm 2 Yrs	Ashley Heeren
House Comm 1 Yr	DeAndre Wilson
Adjutant	Paul Dupont
Service Officer	Paul Dupont
Membership Chair	DeAndre Wilson
Post Budget Chair	Jerry Nunning
Community Service	
Entertainment Chair	Jerry Boyle
Hospital Chair	Tom Verkamp
Chief of Staff	
Past Commander	Jerry Blake
Sgt Arms	Larry Rogers
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**

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Summer is in full swing and I hope that each of you are getting a chance to relax and spend time with your families. Although we are in the slower part of the year, so to speak – I want you all to keep in mind the role that you play with our Comrades who are not able to get around. So, please, stop by and visit them or send them a card.

Love you all! – Chaplain Tom

REMEMBER to take care of yourself too!

Please keep our Commander Paul GLOVER in your prayers as he deals with some health issues.

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":

***Thomas A Dull
Gary R Farmer
James W Gries
Kenneth R Horn
Francis E Karges
James L Lemond
Donald A Power***

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

Aug 2	Start of Gulf War 1990
Aug 4	US Coast Guard Birthday
Aug 7	National Purple Heart Day
Sept 1	WWII Began 1939
Sept 2	VJ Day WWII Ended 1945
Sept 7	Labor Day
Sept 11	Patriot's Day
Sept 13	Grandparent's Day
Sept 16	POW/MIA Recognition Day 1979
Sept 18	US Air Force Birthday 1947
Sept 22	Autumn Begins
Sept 27	VFW Began 1915

VFW HOUSE COMMITTEE

Kitchen/Building & Grounds:

We are still working on improvements and upkeep of our property – Please see the webpage for updates and action items

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As Senior Vice Commander, my primary focus will be membership. Like many VFW Posts across the country, we face the challenge of retaining current members while attracting the next generation of combat veterans. We have a proud history at Post 1114, and it is up to all of us to ensure that legacy continues. Membership is not just about numbers, it is about preserving the mission of the VFW and ensuring that future veterans have a place to call home.

I encourage each of you to help us grow our Post by reaching out to fellow veterans, inviting them to visit, and sharing what makes Post 1114 special. Sometimes all it takes is a conversation to help someone realize they belong here. Together, we can continue building a Post that honors our traditions while embracing the future.

I would like to personally thank Commander Paul Glover, Roger Ferguson, and Jerry Blake for their confidence in me and for the opportunity to serve in this role. I also want to thank every officer, employee, Auxiliary member, volunteer, and VFW member who gives their time to make this Post successful. Your dedication does not go unnoticed.

As we move through this year, I ask for your patience, your support, and your ideas. If you see me around the Post, please stop and introduce yourself if we haven't had the opportunity to meet. I'd also love to hear your thoughts on how we can strengthen our membership and continue serving veterans and their families throughout our community. Together, we can ensure that Post 1114 remains a place where every veteran feels welcomed, valued, and proud to belong.

Thank you for all you do. I look forward to working alongside each of you as we continue moving Post 1114 forward.

Respectfully,
Deandre Wilson

Friendships

Friendship is a special jewel
That you choose to wear each day;
It gives out a shine and sparkle
In the things you do and say.

Friendship is the little pebble
That you found along the shore,
That was different from the others,
But you treasure evermore.

Just as both the moon and stars
Are the friends of God above,
Friendship here on earth is precious
For He blesses it with love.

Edna Fontaine

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE SCHEDULE – VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

AGE OF DECEMBER 31ST

ONE-TIME PAYMENT

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 31ST

	<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

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,.

Family Game Night is on hold until September. 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

Congratulations to all of the Auxiliary Program Chairman that won awards at the State Convention.

Mark, your calendars, the annual Post Picnic will be on Labor Day, Monday Sept. 7, 2026, at the Post in the Dance Hall. Again, this year we will have the FOAM GUY from 12 pm to 2 pm.

Menu: Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Potato Salad, baked beans, chips, soft drinks and ice cream will be provided. If you plan to attend, please bring a covered dish and/or dessert.

District Meeting will be held at VFW Post 2953 Evansville on Sunday Sept. 13, at 10:00 am.

Auxiliary meetings will be on Wednesday Aug. 5, Aug. 19 and Sept. 2 and Sept 16 at 7pm.

VA will again be sponsoring a Stand Down for the Homeless Veterans, Wed. Sept. 16, 2026 at our Post from 11:00 AM to 2:00 pm.

It is that time of year that we are starting to collect the membership dues for 2027. The names of those that have their 2027 dues paid by Wednesday Oct. 21st will be eligible for a drawing for a FREE Life Membership the night of the Kickoff Dinner. The Auxiliary Membership Kickoff Dinner will be Wednesday October 21, 2026. Doors open at 5:00 we will eat at 6:00 PM. To be able to attend this dinner, which is at no cost to you, you must be a Life Member or have your 2027 dues paid. Don't forget we are still collecting old Prescription eyeglasses and pop tabs off aluminum cans. If you would like to recycle aluminum cans but just don't have a place to store them, you can donate them to the post. The aluminum cans that they recycle help pay for the flags that need to be replaced along Wabash Ave from Maryland St to the Lloyd Expressway. Thank you to those that have donated any of these items in the past

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Secretary Mary Crews
Treasurer Mel Mahone
Conductor Ginny Titzer
Chaplain Joyce Compton
Trustee 3 Year Vi Fuller
Trustee 2 Year Stacey Glover
Trustee 1 Year Linda Misuraca
Guard Rita Allega
Patriotic Inst. Debra Switzer

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

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The new membership year is upon us and 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

**POST AND AUXILIARY PICNIC
SEPTEMBER 7, 11:00–3:00pm
BRING YOU CHILDREN &
GRANDCHILDREN ALONG
WITH A COVERED DISH OR
DESSERT TO SHARE!!**

**Door Prizes given out on the
hour and the Foam Guy will be
there from 12 to 2 for everyone
to enjoy!!**

SAVE THE DATE

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 21ST

MEMBERSHIP KICKOFF DINNER

**FREE TO ALL LIFE MEMBERS AND
ANNUALS WITH 2027 DUES PAID**

Chaplain's Corner

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I seek the Lord, and he answers me and frees me from all my fears..

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 and friends of Betty J Alsip a long-time member of Auxiliary 1114.

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

Joyce Compton

Joycepartaka4200@gmail.com

(989) 284-4732



Just a couple of pictures from the Department Convention that was held last month. VFW Installation with Roger Ferguson – Past Dept Commander and Jerry Blake.



Almost – Past Commander Roger Ferguson being escorted into the VFW Auxiliary meeting for a final thank you and good luck.



Post Commander Paul Glover and his wife Stacey take a moment to pose for a picture with the new Department Commander Dave Hammond and Auxiliary President Carolyn Patch at their reception.