

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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**Bill "Jumper" Schaeffler, Commander
2023 – 2024**

MEMBERSHIP Congratulations

Post 3708, Post 9833, Post 12210, and Post 12222

AS OF THIS DATE WE HAVE 10 POSTS THAT NEED 10 OR LESS

WHO WILL BE NEXT?

Mules Versus Goats

Mascots Part of Army-Navy Football Tradition

By Dorothy Rieke



The annual Army-Navy football game is known as “America’s Game” because the focus is on future military officers battling it out in friendly rivalry. This long rivalry began in 1890 when Navy beat Army by a score of 24-0.

Since the 18th century, military units kept animals as mascots to help with tasks, bring luck and strengthen morale. Today, these mascots play leading roles by encouraging audiences to support their chosen football teams.

How did mules become mascots for the Army football team and goats for

the Navy football team?

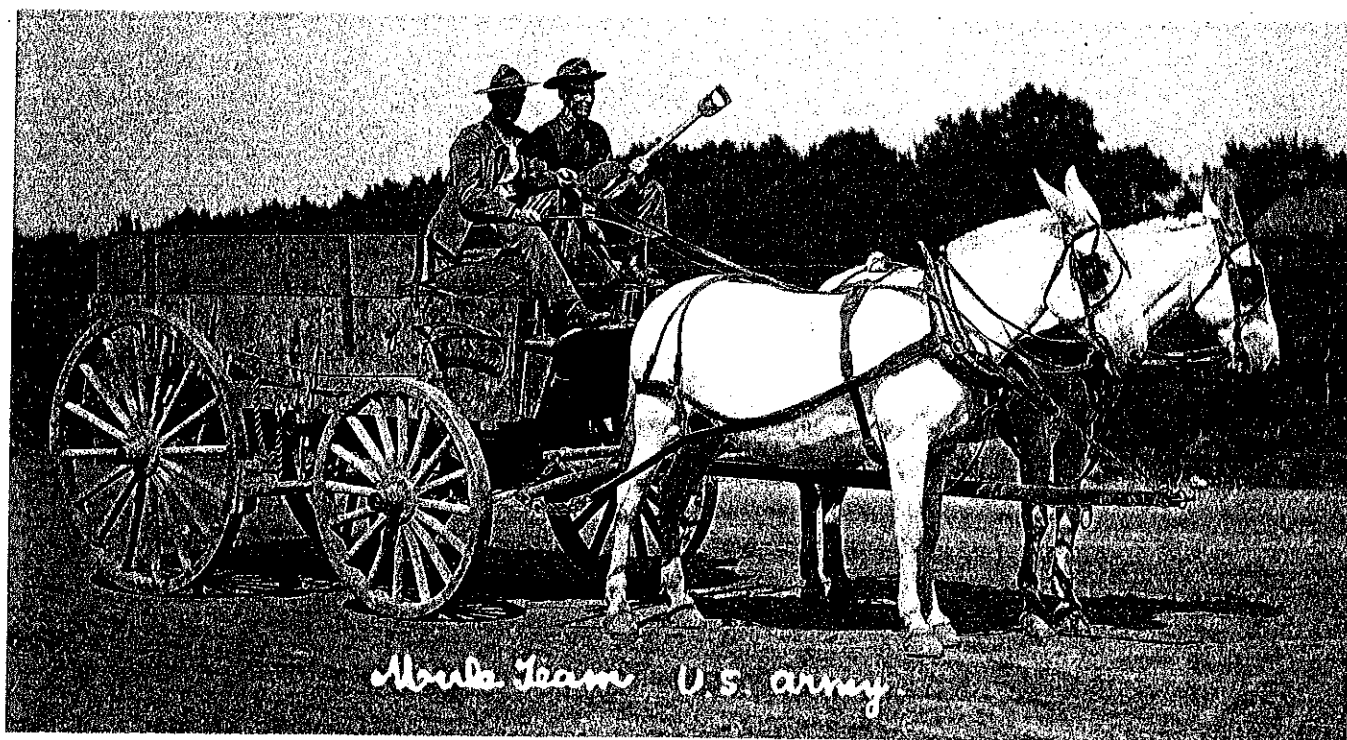
Mules proved their worth serving with soldiers, especially during World War I and World War II. The animals had advantages for service because they were resistant to diseases and disease-bearing insects, required low maintenance and seldom needed shoes.

The first Army football mascot, Mr. Jackson, was brought from Front Royal, Virginia, after serving as an Army pack mule. In 1939, a second mule arrived named Pancho, sometimes called Skippy. This animal was an Ecuadorian burro, a small-sized animal.

From Ship to Shore

Goats, mascots for the U.S. Naval Academy football team, also have quite a history with that branch of service. During the early years, goats and other livestock traveled on ships as sources of meat and milk. According to a 2019 Naval History and Heritage Command website article, “Goats and the U.S. Navy,” on one voyage, a goat was spared because it had become a pet. When that goat died, the officers kept the hide because the goat was well-liked.

After the ship docked, two ensigns were taking the hide to a taxidermist when they decided to attend an



Army-Navy football game. However, they were disappointed because Navy was losing that game.

Inspired to help his team win, one of the ensigns wrapped himself in the goat hide and began racing around the stadium to rally the crowd. Navy won the game, and the goatskin was given the credit. After that incident, goats became the Naval Academy's chosen mascots.

Michie's Game

First Lt. Dennis Mahan Michie had a great influence in beginning the football rivalry between the Army and the Navy. Born at West Point, New York, Michie learned how to play football at a prep school in Lawrenceville, New Jersey. In 1888, he entered the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and decided to bring that sport to the academy. The Naval Academy already had begun playing football.

The young cadet was determined to

see the Army and Navy play football, and those in charge decided that "the pride of West Point" was at stake. Finally, West Point's Academic Board was persuaded to permit the contest, but only if the game could be played at West Point.

Young Michie served as captain, coach, trainer and business manager for Army's team. He gathered cadets to play. However, only three had any experience playing football. Also, the cadets' time was taken up by academy duties. The team only had Saturdays to practice when bad weather canceled drill or parade.



Michie

The more experienced Navy team won the first game by a score of 24-0. A competent coach named Harry Williams was hired to visit West Point twice a week to work with the

team. Soon, another game against Navy was scheduled. That rematch demonstrated Michie's desire to win. Michie starred in Army's 32-16 defeat of Navy. Michie Stadium at West Point, the home field for today's Army Black Knights football team, is named in his honor.

That first Army-Navy football game was played on Nov. 29, 1890, on The Plain at West Point, and the second at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, one year later. Philadelphia's Franklin Field soon became the chosen game site. The City of Brotherly Love hosted all the early games. Lately, more than a dozen other locations have hosted these events.

Opposite: The team mascots meet on the field at the 1924 Army-Navy football game at Municipal Stadium, Baltimore. **Above:** A U.S. Army mule team pulls a wagon in 1909.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PHOTOS

Man With a Plan

On Dec. 2, 1899, Col. Gonzalez Bingham was happy because he was to attend the first Army-Navy football game to be played in Philadelphia, according to the December 2021 article, "How Army's mascot came to be," on the We Are the Mighty website.

This was a real treat, as Army-Navy games had not been played for six years. President Grover Cleveland had halted the games because fights had broken out in 1893 after the game when the interservice rivalry grew out of control. Support for beginning the games again grew, so the tradition was renewed, and the 1899 game at Franklin Field was scheduled.

On that particular day, Bingham had a secret. During the Civil War, Bingham had been a quartermaster responsible for feeding and supplying an Army that was living off the land. He used mules for this purpose, because mules were known for their toughness and endurance.

Up to this time, the Navy had mascots, but the Army had never had a mascot. But Bingham had a plan.

A mule called "Big White" was dressed for the game by Bingham's wife, according to the We Are the Mighty article. She attached silk ribbons to Big White's tail and fitted



Clockwise from above: Bill the Goat, mascot of the USS Rhode Island, circa 1913. Then-Army Chief of Staff Gen. James McConville, left, and Army Secretary Christine Wormuth, right, pose with Army mascot Blackjack the mule during a rally at the Pentagon before the 2022 Army-Navy football game. Navy Secretary Carlos Del Toro rallies the crowd with Navy mascot Bill the Goat ahead of the 2021 Army-Navy football game in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: WIKIPEDIA, U.S. ARMY/LEROY COUNCIL, U.S. NAVY/MC2 T. LOGAN KEOWN

Big White with a special uniform in the West Point colors of black, gray and gold. The mule then was escorted to Franklin Field. Cadets and Army fans went wild.

Inspired Cadets

The next day, newspapers reported that Big White "carried the West Point colors with an air of mulish superiority," the We Are the Mighty article says. The mule not only enchanted the crowd and inspired the cadets, but also helped the Army overcome a Navy team that was favored to win the game.

It was then decided that mules would continue to serve as Army mascots in the coming years.

Through the years, mascots for the Army and Navy teams have not been some cartoonish figures or random animals typical of other college mascots. These mascots were selected as symbols of those giving great service to the nation.

They represent battle-tested animals called upon to do heroic and remarkable acts during hard times. They provide support that lasts long after the sporting events and bring increased interest in Army-Navy football games. ★

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FACT SHEET

As the nation's oldest major war veterans' organization, the VFW has an impeccable and longstanding record of service and stewardship. More than 4.4 million patriotic Americans, both members and non-members, entrust the VFW with financial contributions and dedicate millions of volunteer hours.

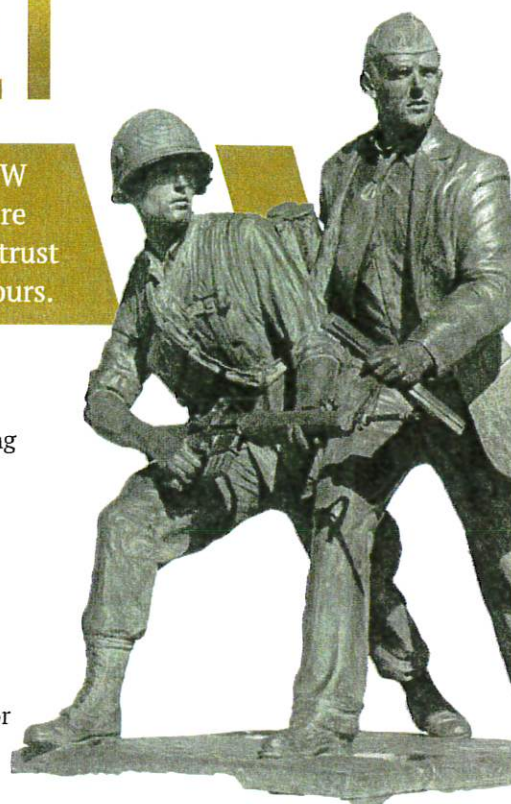
THE VFW'S VITAL SUPPORT PROGRAMS

Educate separating service members about their well-earned VA benefits through private benefits counseling sessions with a VFW Accredited Service Officer.

Advocate for America's veterans and their families on Capitol Hill, ensuring *promises made* to veterans are *promises kept*.

Help cover rent, utilities or groceries for a military family struggling with the hardships of war.

Deliver morale-boosting "welcome home" celebrations for service members who have returned from combat.



2,300+

Number of VA-accredited VFW representatives across America and abroad, helping veterans fight for the VA benefits they have earned.

152,883

Number of service members and their family members hosted at VFW Military Assistance Program (MAP) events.

\$11.2 billion

The total annual amount the VFW helped veterans recoup in VA disability compensation and pension benefits in fiscal year 2022.

\$1.6 million+

Amount of academic scholarships awarded to 357 veterans and service members.

21

Number of times the VFW has testified to Congress in the last 12 months alone. The VFW has been instrumental in virtually every major legislative victory for veterans in the 20th and 21st centuries.

\$3 million+

Amount of scholarships, monetary awards and other incentives the VFW distributes annually to middle and high school students through two major patriotic essay competitions.

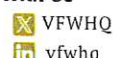
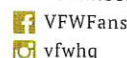
\$589,007

Value of financial assistance awarded to military families to help cover basic needs in times of crisis. 61% of the funds covered basic housing needs in fiscal year 2023.



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Updated September 2023

Learn more about the VFW's programs and services at [vfw.org](https://www.vfw.org).

About the VFW

We trace our roots back to 1899 when veterans of the Spanish-American War (1898) and the Philippine Insurrection (1899-1902) founded local organizations to secure rights and benefits for their service. Many arrived home wounded or sick. There was no medical care or veterans' pension for them, and they were left to care for themselves. In their misery, some of these veterans banded together and formed organizations that would eventually band together and become known as the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

Our Mission: To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military and our communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans.

Our Vision: Ensure that veterans are respected for their service, always receive their earned entitlements, and are recognized for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country.



The VFW by the numbers

1.4 million+

Number of VFW and VFW Auxiliary members.

5,672

Number of VFW Posts worldwide.



1899

Year the VFW started to fight for veterans, service members and their families.



Helping struggling military families

488

Number of grants provided to military families facing financial hardship through **VFW Unmet Needs**.

\$356,512

Amount of grants provided through **VFW Unmet Needs** covering housing for struggling military families.

253

Number of military families who received assistance with housing needs.



Cutting red tape

115,000

Approximate number of veterans the VFW assisted in submitting new VA claims in fiscal year 2022.

Nearly 13,500

Number of VA claims filed by the VFW's Pre-Discharge offices in fiscal year 2022 resulting in more than \$64 million in disability compensation.

20+

Number of VFW Pre-Discharge offices across the nation, including the military district of Washington, D.C., area.



Inspiring patriotism in young people

26,250+

Number of high school students who competed in the 2022-23 VFW Voice of Democracy competition.

66,800+

Number of students who competed in the 2022-23 VFW Patriot's Pen competition.



Improving life in America

5 million

Number of volunteer hours contributed by VFW members annually.

\$45 million

Amount donated annually to local community service projects by VFW members.

The VFW Relies on Donations

The VFW is a 501(c), and programs are made possible through membership dues and tax-deductible donations from good-hearted Americans.

Cost of VFW Program Services:
\$61.4 Million



Source: VFW 2022 Annual Report





COMMANDER'S CHALLENGE

December brings us halfway through the membership year, and we want to see our membership continue to grow! This month, Commander-in-Chief Duane Sarmiento is issuing a challenge to our Posts to increase their membership percentage in December!



Throughout the month of December, we're going to track our Posts' membership percentages. This means new members, reinstated members, renewals, dues-paying transfers - we want to see more active paid members in the Post!

As a reminder, to figure your membership percentage you take your total current paid members, and divide it by your prior year total. Or you can just go check out Memstats and we do the math for you!

This challenge will compare the Post's membership percentage as of December 1st and compare it to where your membership percentage is at close of business on December 31st. The Post in each membership division that shows the greatest increase will receive a \$500 award plus a custom Commander-in-Chief Jacket!

We have eleven membership divisions, so that means there will only be eleven of these jackets ever made! If you want everyone to know that your Post has met the challenge for membership excellence, now is your chance!

This is a season of giving, and now is the time to give your best when it comes to strengthening our membership. We want you all to continue to build this organization, engage with our members, and to always go out there and

MEET THE CHALLENGE!

This contest will compare the Post's membership percentage from December 1 to December 31st. Applications and payments processed online before close of business will be credited that day, payments and applications made through the mail will be processed when received. Questions about this or other membership programs can be sent to membership@vfw.org.

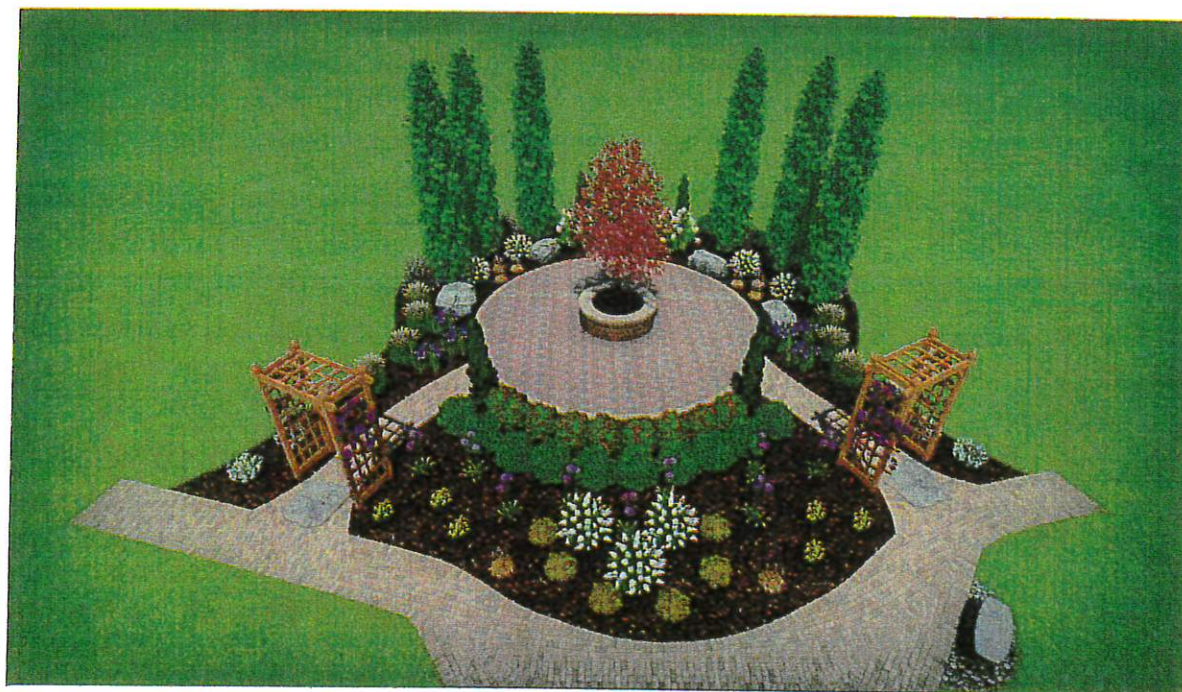


Centennial Garden

Celebrate the upcoming VFW National Home Centennial in style with a personalized engraved brick in our 2025 Centennial Garden. Whether it's to honor a loved one, commemorate a special event, or simply leave your mark on this historic occasion, our 8x8 engraved bricks offer a timeless way to do just that. And for a limited time only, you can secure your place in history for an unbeatable price of only \$500.

Our bricks are made from the highest quality materials and engraved with the latest technology, ensuring that your message will last for generations to come. Not only will your brick be a lasting tribute to your contribution to celebrate our 2025 centennial anniversary, but it will also add to the beauty and legacy of the garden for years to come.

With only a limited number of bricks available, now is the time to act. Don't miss your chance to be a part of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Order your personalized engraved brick today for only \$500 and be a part of history.



To order bricks visit <https://donate.brickmarkers.com/vfwnationalhome>



VFW PROGRAMS DEADLINE DATES

Smart/Maher Citizenship Education Teacher Award

*October 31, Entries to the Post

November 15, Completion of Post judging

December 15, Completion of District judging

*February 1, Department winners and reports due to National (to guarantee receipt for Department Convention presentation)

Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen

*October 31, Student entries to the Post

November 15, Completion of Post judging

December 15, Completion of District judging

January 10, Completion of Department judging

January 15, District participation reports due to Department Chairmen

*January 15, Department winners due to National

*January 31, Department reports due to National

Scout of the Year

*March 1, Scout entries to the Post

*April 1, Post entries to Department Scouting Chairman or Department HQs

*May 1, Department entry to National from Department Scouting Chairman or Department HQs

Community Service

*June 30, Community Service Reports Deadline

*July 1, Fred C. Hall Memorial Award for community service. The national Programs office will determine the top community service Posts in each conference, based off their community service reporting and total impact, from July 1 to June 30 the previous year.

*July 1, Outstanding Community Service Post of the year. Each Department will have an OCSP Winner based on total impact from July 1 to June 30 the previous year.

Public Servant National Award (Law Enforcement, Firefighter, Emergency Services, Dispatcher and Explosive Ordnance Disposal Tech)

January 1, Nominations due (from Post to Department)

*February 1, (to guarantee receipt for Department Convention presentation), Nominations due from Department to National

National Certificate of Recognition

April 1 (to guarantee receipt for Department Convention presentation), List due to National from Department

**Required deadline (by VFW National Headquarters.) All other deadlines are suggested and can be internally set at the discretion of the VFW Department leadership. Post Chairmen, be sure to communicate with your District Chairmen to find out their official deadlines, and District Chairmen need to communicate with their Department Chairmen to find out their deadlines.*

**PLANNING CALENDAR
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS**
(Subject to Change)

2023

Dec	10	Dist 4 Meeting	Post 1760, Mesa
	16	Dist 2 Meeting	Post 7400, Cottonwood

2024

Jan	06	Winter Conference	Hilton Airport, Phoenix
	07	C of A	Hilton Airport, Phoenix
	13	Dist 6 Meeting	Post 8807, Tonto Basin
	21	Dist 1 Meeting	Post 1763, Yuma
	21	Dist 7 Meeting	Post 9077, Pearce
	27	Dist 5 Meeting	Post 10254, Three Points
	27	Dist 3 Meeting	Post 6310, Tolleson
	28	Dist 4 Meeting	Post 720, Phoenix
	28	Dist 8 Meeting	Post 10726, Parker Dam
	28	Dist 10 Meeting	Post 1677, Casa Grande
Feb	18	Dist 9 Meeting	Post 2190 Chloride
Mar	2-7	VOD/Legislative Conference	Washington, DC
Apr	13	Dist 2 Convention	Post 6739, Camp Verde
	13	Dist 6 Convention	Post 1704, Globe
	14	Dist 1 Convention	Post 8242, Yuma
	14	Dist 10 Convention	Post 3713, Coolidge
	21	Dist 7 Convention	Post 6271, Benson
	27	Dist 3 Convention	Post 1433, Glendale
	27	Dist 5 Convention	Post 549, Tucson
	28	Dist 4 Convention	Post 1796, Blk Canyon City
	28	Dist 8 Convention	Post 10005, Bullhead
May	05	Dist 9 Convention	Post ??
	29 Jun	01 State Convention	Loews Ventana Canyon
June	02	C of A	Loews Ventana Canyon
July 27-Aug 1	National Convention		Louisville, KY

11/28/2023

Date	Post & Location	Dist/Time	C	Sr	Jr	JA	Sur	Chap
July								
7/8/23	Post 9907, Show Low	6/10am		x	x		x	
7/9/23	Post 7968, AJ	10/10am	x				x	x
7/15/23	Post 1709, Flagstaff	2/10am	x			x		
7/15/23	Post 1433, Glendale	3/10am			x		x	x
7/16/23	Post 10385, Thatcher	7/10am	x	x			x	
7/30/23	Post 9401, Lake Havasu	8/10am	x		x	x	x	
Aug								
			4	2	3	2	5	2
8/12/23	Post 4903, Tucson	5/9:30am	x		x			x
8/20/23	Post 6790, Welton	1/11am	x					
8/20/23	Post 9400, Sunnyslope	4/10am		x	x	x		
Oct								
			7	3	5	4	5	3
10/7/23	Post 12098, Buckeye	3/10am	x		x	x	x	
10/14/23	Post 541, Prescott	2/10AM		x			x	x
10/15/23	Post 2066, Nogales	7/10am					x	x
10/15/23	Post 7401, Chandler	10/10am				x		
10/22/23	Post 769, Quartzsite	1/11am	x	x	x	x		x
10/28/23	Post 5990, Marana	5/10am	x	x	x		x	
10/29/23	Post 7061, Parker	8/11am	x	x	x	x		x
Nov								
			11	7	9	8	9	7
11/4/23	Post 8987, Eagar	6/10am						TJ
11/19/23	Post 3516, Kingman	9/10am	x		x	x		
Dec								
			12	7	10	9	9	7
12/10/23	Post 1760, Mesa	4/10am	x	x	x		x	
12/16/23	Post 7400, Cottonwood	2/10am	x		x	x	x	
Jan								
1/13/24	Post 8807, Tonto Basin	6/10am	x	x		x		x
1/21/24	Post 1763, Yuma	1/11am		x	x		x	
1/21/24	Post 9977, Pearce	7/10am	x			x		
1/27/24	Post 6310, Tolleson	3/10am		x	x		x	
1/27/24	Post 10254, Three Points	5/9:30am	x					
1/28/24	Post 720, Phoenix	4/10am		x			x	x
1/28/24	Post 10726, Parker Dam	8/11am	x			x		
1/28/24	Post 1677, Casa Grande	10/10am		x	x			
Feb								
2/18/24	Post 2190, Chloride	9/10am	x		x	x		
Apr								
4/13/24	Post 6739, Camp Verde	2/10am	x	x				
4/13/24	Post 1704, Globe	6/10am			x	x	x	
4/14/24	Post 8242, Yuma	1/11am	x					
4/14/24	Post 3713, Coolidge	10/10am			x	x	x	
4/21/24	Post 6271, Benson	7/10am	x	x	x		x	
4/27/24	Post 1433, Glendale	3/10am		x		x		
4/27/24	Post 549, Tucson	5/10am	x		x			x
4/28/24	Post 1796, Black Canyon	4/10am			x		x	x
4/28/24	Post 10005, Bullhead City	8/11am	x	x	x	x		
May								
5/5/24	Post, ??	9/10am			x	x		

Quartermaster's Corner

Please send all email for
Department Quartermaster to azvfw3@gmail.com

If you have not received your Post Officer Bonds by
email, please check Spam.

If you need them resent, please email your request.

Due to a discrepancy between the
flyer and the website, the \$53 price
for the Winter Conference Banquet
will be honored through Dec 5

Please
Do not staple checks to paperwork or order forms!!!

**DEPT OF ARIZONA VFW & AUXILIARY
WINTER CONFERENCE
VOICE OF DEMOCRACY & PATRIOTS PEN
Awards Banquet**

**Reception & Banquet
Saturday, January 6, 2024**

Please get your banquet payments in sooner than later.

Department is absorbing part of the cost at the \$53 price point , and there will be no exceptions to the deadline date.

**\$53 until Dec 5
\$65 Dec 6 - 31
Check Payments**

**AFTER DEC 31
WAIT LIST ONLY**

Deadline for \$53 Price is December 5

Pay by Check

Complete this form and return entire page with payment to:

VFW Dept of Arizona
Quartermaster
6423 S Ash Ave
Tempe, AZ 85283

How many? Chicken _____
Special Diet? _____
Who is paying? _____
Who is picking up? _____
Check # _____
Post/Auxiliary # _____

**Order and Pay Online
\$1.75-\$2.00 per ticket will be
added to online payments**

Visit Convention Page on Department
website or scan QR code below



Deadline for \$53 Price is December 5

Winter Conference

Awards

Voice of Democracy

Patriot's Pen

Hilton Phoenix Airport

Jan 6 Conference & Banquet

Jan 7 Council of Administration

Rooms: \$159 + tax

Room Reservation Deadline: December 13, 2023

Banquet: \$53 before Nov 20, increases after



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\$25.00

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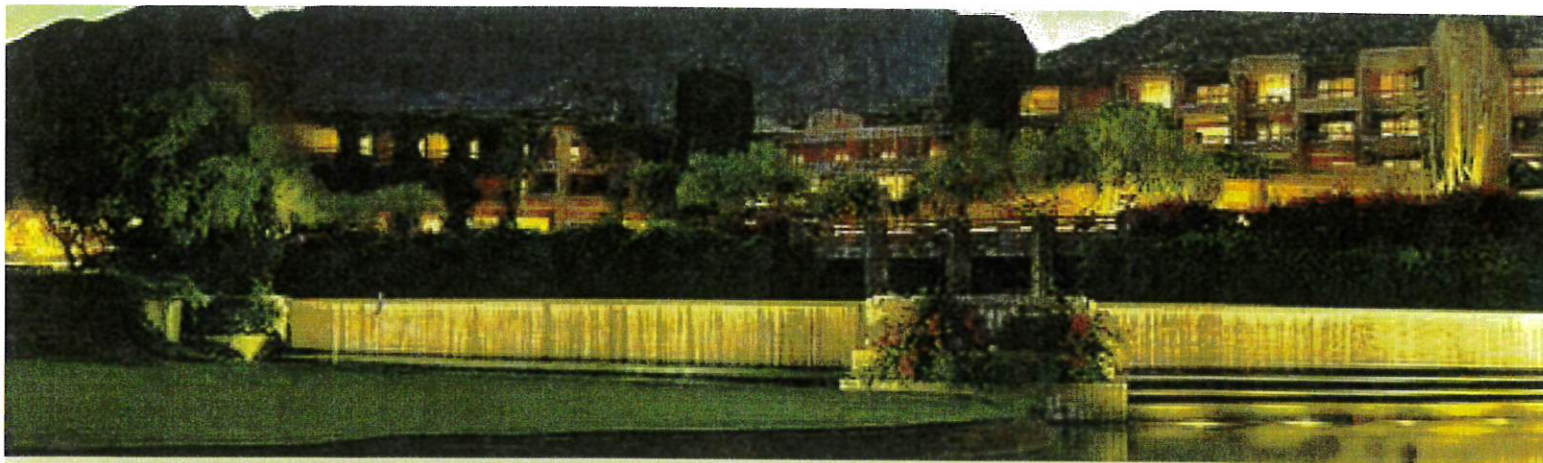
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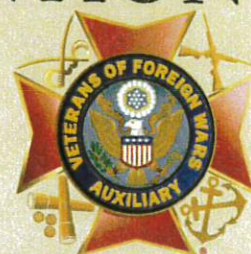
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2024 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION



Loews Ventana Canyon Tucson
May 29 - June 2



**Standard Room
\$104 per night
Reservations
Close on May 7**

PROPERTY FEATURES

- Group Rate available May 25-June 3
- Nightly Resort Fee is waived. (may appear on booking confirmation)
- Ten Percent (10%) off onsite food and beverage outlets via coupon supplied at check in (excludes alcohol)
- Fifteen Percent (15%) off spa treatments (does not include promotions, packages and retail)
- Special Green Fees



Scan QR code, or visit vfwaz.com for more information,
booking link and banquet order form

For Tickets please contact: Ruth Malick ruthmalick@yahoo.com 480-695-6791
Mail checks to Ruth at 738 N. 97th St., Mesa AZ 85207
Please make checks out to Bambi Johnson

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As of: 11/27/2023

Posts	City	Dist	QM Bond	Trustee Audits are due 45 days after Quarter Closes				Buddy Poppy	Service Office	AZ VFW Charities	National Home	Cmdr's Spec Proj	State Delegate Fees
				06/30	09/30	12/31	03/31						
40	Avondale	3	X	X									\$ 27.50
285	Surprise	3	X	X				X					\$ 27.50
404	Mohave Valley	8	X										\$ 33.00
541	Prescott	2	X	X	X								\$ 71.50
549	Tucson	5	X	X	X			X					\$ 275.00
720	Phoenix	4	XX	X									\$ 88.00
769	Quartzsite	1	X										\$ 60.50
836	Bisbee	7	X	X	X								\$ 38.50
1433	Glendale	3	X										\$ 143.00
1677	Casa Grande	10	X	X				X					PAID
1704	Globe	6	X					X					PAID
1709	Flagstaff	2		X	X								\$ 44.00
1760	Mesa	4	X					X					\$ 60.50
1763	Yuma	1	X	X	X								\$ 49.50
1796	Black Canyon City	4	X	X									\$ 27.50
2066	Nogales	7	X	X									\$ 38.50
2135	Peoria	3	X	X									\$ 66.00
2190	Chloride	9	X	X	X			X					\$ 16.50
2357	Bouse	1	X	X				X					PAID
2364	Pinetop-Lakeside	6	X	X	X								PAID
2555	Golden Valley	9	X	X	X			X					\$ 33.00
2767	Mammoth	5	X	X	X			X					PAID
3513	Scottsdale	4	X										\$ 77.00
3516	Kingman	9		X	X								\$ 33.00
3584	Superior	10	X	X	X								\$ 16.50
3632	Tempe	4	X	X									\$ 55.00
3708	Salome	1											\$ 16.50
3713	Coolidge	10	X	X	X			X					PAID
4903	Tucson	5	X					X					\$ 71.50
5990	Marana	5	X	X				X					\$ 49.50
6271	Benson	7	X	X	X								\$ 44.00
6306	Golden Shores	8	X	X	X								\$ 27.50
6310	Tolleson	3	X					X					\$ 77.00
6739	Camp Verde	2		X									\$ 33.00
6789	Window Rock	6	X	X				X					\$ 11.00
6790	Wellton	1	X	X				X					PAID
7061	Parker	8	X	X				X					PAID
7400	Cottonwood	2	X	X				X					PAID
7401	Chandler	10	X	X									\$ 110.00
7507	Fountain Hills	4	X	X	X								\$ 44.00
7968	Apache Junction	10	X	X				X					\$ 225.50
8242	Yuma (Y.P.G.)	1	X	X									\$ 99.00
8807	Tonto Basin	6	X										\$ 33.00
8987	Eagar	6	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	PAID
9399	Apache Junction	10	X	X									PAID
9400	Sunnyslope	4	X	X				X					\$ 170.50
9401	Lake Havasu City	8	X					X	X	X	X		PAID
9632	Page	2	X	X	X			X	X	X			PAID
9833	Dolan Springs	9	X	X				X	X	X	X		PAID
9907	Show Low	6	X	X									\$ 77.00
9972	Sierra Vista	7	X	X									\$ 445.50
9977	Arizona Sunsites	7											\$ 27.50
10005	Bullhead City	8	X	X									\$ 104.50
10015	Tucson	5	X	X									\$ 22.00
10227	Prescott Valley	2	X										\$ 82.50
10254	Three Points	5	XX	X									\$ 33.00
10385	Thatcher	7	X	X									\$ 22.00
10386	Kingman	9	X	X									\$ 60.50
10726	Parker Dam	8	X										\$ 27.50
11014	Meadview	9	X					X					\$ 33.00
12031	Anthem	4	X	X									\$ 22.00
12043	Maricopa	10	X	X				X					\$ 44.00
12098	Buckeye	3	X	X									\$ 22.00
12128	Williams	2	X	X	X			X					\$ 16.50
12210	Glendale	4	X	X									\$ 16.50
12222	Oro Valley	5	X	NA									\$ 11.00

Districts	QM Bond	Trustee Audits are due 45 days after Quarter Closes				Service Office	National Home	Cmdr's Spec Proj
		06/30	09/30	12/31	03/31			
District 1	X	X						
District 2	X	X	X					
District 3	X	X						
District 4	X	X					X	
District 5	X	X	X					
District 6	X	X	X					
District 7	X	X	X				X	
District 8	X	X	X					
District 9	X	NA						
District 10	X	X	X					

Accountable Officer Bond Cost

Up to \$100,000 is \$4.00 per thousand
 \$100,000.00 up to \$250,000 is \$3.50 per thousand
 Over \$250,000 is \$3.25 per thousand
 X = Though Tallman XX = External Company

Trustee Audits due 45 days after the end of each quarter

X = Properly Completed Audit Received On Time
 L = Properly Completed Audit Received Late
 E = Audit rcvd needing to be corrected

Buddy Poppy Program 2022-2023

3 poppies per member or a minimum of 250 whichever is greater

National Home - Voluntary Donation

VMS: Vets & Military Support

Currently National is only accepting amounts greater than \$100.
\$100 minimum to be considered for All-American
 VMS: Use Online Donation in
 OMS Dashboard for All American
 DO NOT USE LAST YEAR'S LINK!!!!

State Delegate Fees-

These fees are to help defray costs for 2024 Convention in Tucson.
 Our next deposit is due January 28, 2024
 \$ = Money Due

If paying all with one check, please attach a note with a breakdown of how much for each item.

Please make all checks payable to:

VFW Dept. of AZ and Mail to:

VFW Dept of AZ
 6423 S. Ash Ave
 Tempe, AZ 85283

CHAPLAIN REPORT ARREARS as of 24 Nov 23

POST	DIST	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May
40	3	4	4	4	4	4							
285	3		4	4	3	4							
404	8		4	4	4								
541	2	4			4	4							
549	5	4	2	4	2	4							
720	4												
769	1	3	4	4		4							
836	7	4	4			4							
1433	3												
1677	10	4	4	4	4	4							
1704	6	4	3	4		2							
1709	2	4	4	4		4							
1760	4												
1763	1		4	4									
1796	4	4	4	4									
2066	7			4		4							
2135	3	4	3	3		3							
2190	9	4	2	4	4	4							
2357	1		4		4								
2364	6	4	4	4	4	4							
2555	9	4	4	4	4								
2767	5												
3513	4												
3516	9	4	4	4	4	4							
3584	10	4	4	4	4	4							
3632	4	2	2	4	2	4	4						
3708	1												
3713	10	4	4	4		4							
4903	5	4	2	3	3	3							
5990	5	4		2	4								
6271	7												
6306	8												
6310	3	4	4		4								
6739	2		3	3	3								
6789	6	3	3	3	1	1	4						
6790	1		2	4	4	3							

POST	DIST	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May
7061	8	4	4	4	4	4							
7400	2	4											
7401	10	2	2	4	4	4							
7507	4	1	1	2	4	4							
7968	10	4	4	4	4	4							
8242	1	3	2										
8807	6	2	1	1	4								
8987	6	4	4	4	4	4							
9399	10	4	4	4	4								
9400	4	4	4	4	4								
9401	8	4		4		4							
9632	2												
9833	9	1	1	4	3								
9907	6	4	4	4	4	4							
9972	7	4	4	4	4								
9977	7	4	2	1	3								
10005	8	4	4	4		4							
10015	5	4	4	4	4	4							
10227	2	4	4	4	4	4							
10254	5	4	2										
10385	7												
10386	9												
10726	8	4	3	3	4	4							
11014	9	4		4	4	4							
12031	4		4	4	4	2							
12043	10	4			2	4							
12098	3		2	2	4								
12128	2		3		4	4							
12210	4	4	4	3	4	4							
12222	5												

Blank: No Report
 1: Late w/o Data
 2: Late w/Data
 3: On Time w/o Data
 4: On Time w/Data

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3	DISTRICT 4	DISTRICT 5	DISTRICT 6	DISTRICT 7	DISTRICT 8	DISTRICT 9	DISTRICT 10
769	541	40	720	549	1704	836	404	2190	1677
1763	1709	285	1760	2767	2364	2066	6306	2555	3584
2357	6739	1433	1796	4903	6789	6271	7061	3516	3713
3708	7400	2135	3513	5990	8807	9972	9401	9833	7401
6790	9632	6310	3632	10015	8987	9977	10005	10386	7968
8242	10227	12098	7507	10254	9907	10385	10726	11014	9399
	12128		9400	12222					12043
			12031						
			12210						

Not Inspected	Inspection not done
Pending	Inspection done, awaiting corrections
Complete	Completed inspection in possession of VFW-AZ Inspector

METRICS	
Posts	66
Districts	10
Total	76
Inspected	38
Complete	25
% Inspected	50.00%
% Complete	32.89%

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior	Percent	City	N/R	Need
40	3	89	0	1	3	93	106	87.73%	AVONDALE	0	13
285	3	77	1	0	7	85	97	87.62%	SURPRISE	0	12
404	8	99	1	0	5	105	142	73.94%	MOHAVE VALLEY	2	37
541	2	299	0	1	21	321	350	91.71%	PRESCOTT	1	29
549	5	1237	26	4	79	1346	1443	93.27%	TUCSON	20	97
720	4	311	11	1	29	352	426	82.62%	PHOENIX	3	74
769	1	210	1	1	20	232	287	80.83%	QUARTZSITE	3	55
836	7	88	1	23	18	130	170	76.47%	BISBEE	1	40
1433	3	592	25	2	48	667	721	92.51%	GLENDALE	14	54
1677	10	339	16	1	29	385	437	88.10%	CASA GRANDE	6	52
1704	6	67	0	0	7	74	90	82.22%	GLOBE	0	16
1709	2	160	0	1	19	180	198	90.90%	FLAGSTAFF	1	18
1760	4	212	2	1	22	237	276	85.86%	MESA	1	39
1763	1	202	8	2	16	228	239	95.39%	YUMA	1	11
1796	4	93	0	1	9	103	112	91.96%	BLACK CANYON CITY	1	9
2066	7	108	0	4	3	115	154	74.67%	NOGALES	0	39
2135	3	205	0	2	43	250	302	82.78%	PEORIA	0	52
2190	9	25	0	0	4	29	40	72.50%	CHLORIDE	1	11
2357	1	119	3	0	10	132	143	92.30%	BOUSE	1	11
2364	6	37	0	0	9	46	65	70.76%	PINETOP-LAKESIDE	0	19
2555	9	107	6	2	10	125	144	86.80%	GOLDEN VALLEY	3	19
2767	5	30	1	0	11	42	51	82.35%	MAMMOTH	0	9
3513	4	313	8	3	14	338	362	93.37%	SCOTTSDALE	7	24
3516	9	114	2	0	9	125	141	88.65%	KINGMAN	0	16
3584	10	32	0	0	2	34	57	59.64%	SUPERIOR	1	23
3632	4	199	4	0	26	229	257	89.10%	TEMPE	0	28
3708	1	40	2	2	0	44	42	104.76%	SALOME	1	-2
3713	10	137	15	0	14	166	272	61.02%	COOLIDGE	0	106
4903	5	281	2	0	24	307	344	89.24%	TUCSON	1	37
5990	5	199	7	1	7	214	240	89.16%	MARANA	2	26
6271	7	160	3	1	10	174	195	89.23%	BENSON	4	21
6306	8	93	1	0	3	97	108	89.81%	GOLDEN SHORES	1	11
6310	3	314	0	0	18	332	370	89.72%	TOLLESON	1	38
6739	2	101	3	0	12	116	145	80.00%	CAMP VERDE	3	29
6789	6	15	0	0	1	16	28	57.14%	WINDOW ROCK	0	12
6790	1	203	0	0	14	217	248	87.50%	WELLTON	2	31
7061	8	127	1	3	2	133	164	81.09%	PARKER	2	31
7400	2	171	2	1	18	192	240	80.00%	COTTONWOOD	0	48
7401	10	411	2	2	39	454	542	83.76%	CHANDLER	5	88
7507	4	152	0	0	16	168	187	89.83%	FOUNTAIN HILLS	4	19
7968	10	858	22	5	112	997	1173	84.99%	APACHE JUNCTION	11	176
8242	1	404	1	1	32	438	491	89.20%	YUMA (Y.P.G.)	5	53
8807	6	125	0	0	8	133	150	88.66%	TONTO BASIN	0	17
8987	6	86	0	1	2	89	99	89.89%	EAGAR	3	10
9399	10	468	18	5	73	564	783	72.03%	APACHE JUNCTION	5	219
9400	4	635	12	11	67	725	872	83.14%	SUNNYSLOPE	3	147
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior	Percent	City	N/R	Need

9401	8	494	5	0	100	599	707	84.72%	LAKE HAVASU CITY	3	108
9632	2	65	3	0	0	68	70	97.14%	PAGE	0	2
9833	9	87	0	1	13	101	98	103.06%	DOLAN SPRINGS	0	-3
9907	6	292	2	2	27	323	370	87.29%	SHOW LOW	2	47
9972	7	1968	37	14	45	2064	2375	86.90%	SIERRA VISTA	13	311
9977	7	91	1	0	2	94	98	95.91%	ARIZONA SUNSITES	2	4
10005	8	438	6	3	20	467	521	89.63%	BULLHEAD CITY	3	54
10015	5	50	0	1	6	57	67	85.07%	TUCSON	0	10
10227	2	337	8	0	22	367	400	91.75%	PRESCOTT VALLEY	1	33
10254	5	102	3	4	5	114	121	94.21%	THREE POINTS	1	7
10385	7	47	1	1	6	55	68	80.88%	THATCHER	1	13
10386	9	155	4	0	47	206	273	75.45%	KINGMAN	4	67
10726	8	101	0	0	8	109	120	90.83%	PARKER DAM	0	11
11014	9	99	1	0	7	107	128	83.59%	MEADVIEW	3	21
12031	4	55	0	0	7	62	67	92.53%	ANTHEM	0	5
12043	10	145	2	0	38	185	202	91.58%	MARICOPA	1	17
12098	3	76	0	1	3	80	88	90.90%	BUCKEYE	2	8
12128	2	34	0	0	2	36	44	81.81%	WILLIAMS	0	8
12210	4	18	0	2	19	39	36	108.33%	GLENDALE	0	-3
12222	5	18	3	0	9	30	2	1500.00%	ORO VALLEY	1	-28
15003	99	2105	98	29	216	2448	2873	85.20%	SCOTTSDALE	34	425
State	100	17121	381	141	1547	19190	22231	86.32%	STATE	191	3041

Dist	1	1178	15	6	92	1291	1450	89.03%	DIST 1	13	159
Dist	2	1167	16	3	94	1280	1447	88.45%	DIST 2	6	167
Dist	3	1353	26	6	122	1507	1684	89.48%	DIST 3	17	177
Dist	4	1988	37	19	209	2253	2595	86.82%	DIST 4	19	342
Dist	5	1917	42	10	141	2110	2268	93.03%	DIST 5	25	158
Dist	6	622	2	3	54	681	802	84.91%	DIST 6	5	121
Dist	7	2462	43	43	84	2632	3060	86.01%	DIST 7	21	428
Dist	8	1352	14	6	138	1510	1762	85.69%	DIST 8	11	252
Dist	9	587	13	3	90	693	824	84.10%	DIST 9	11	131
Dist	10	2390	75	13	307	2785	3466	80.35%	DIST 10	29	681
Dist	99	2105	98	29	216	2448	2873	85.20%	MAL	34	425
State	100	17121	381	141	1547	19190	22231	86.32%	STATE	191	3041

Posts 3708, 9833, 12210 and 12222 are 100% plus in Membership

Service Officer Reports 2023-2024 X= on time L= accepted, but late

POST	DIST	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April
769	1	X	X	X	X	L	X						
1763	1	L	L	L	X								
2357	1		X			X	X						
3708	1			L									
6790	1				X	X	X						
8242	1	L	X	L	L		X						
541	2												
1709	2	L	X	X		X	X						
6739	2		X		X	X							
7400	2	L	L	X	L	L	L						
9632	2												
10227	2		X	X	X	X	X						
12128	2	X	L	X	X	X	X						
40	3	L	X			X	X						
285	3	X	X	X	X	L	X						
1433	3												
2135	3	X	X	X		L	X						
6310	3	X		X	X		X						
12098	3			L	L	X							
720	4												
1760	4												
1796	4	X		X	X	X	X						
3513	4												
3632	4	L	L	L	X	L	L	X					
7507	4		L	L	L	X	X						
9400	4	X	X	X	X	X	X						
12031	4	X	L	X	X	X	L						
12210	4			X									
549	5	X	X	X	X	X	X						
2767	5		L	X	X	X							
4903	5	L	X	L	X	X	X						
5990	5	X	X	X	X	X	X						
10015	5	X	X	X			X						
10254	5	X	X	X	X		L						
12222	5			L									

POST	DIST	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April
1704	6												
2364	6	X	X	X	X	X	L						
6789	6	L	L	L		X	L	X					
8807	6		L	L	L	L							
8987	6	X	X	X	X	X	X						
9907	6	L	L	L	X	X							
836	7	X	X	X	L	X	X	X					
2066	7	L	L	L	X	L							
6271	7	L	L	L	X								
9972	7		X	X	X	X							
9977	7	X	L	L	L	X	L						
10385	7												
404	8	X	X	X	X	X	L						
6306	8	X	X	X	X	X	X						
7061	8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
9401	8	X	X			X							
10005	8	X	X	X	X	X	X						
10726	8	X		X	L	X	X						
2190	9	L	X	L	X	X	X						
2555	9	X	L	L	L	X							
3516	9	X	X	L	X	L	X						
9833	9												
10386	9												
11014	9		X	X	X	X							
1677	10	X	X	X	X	X							
3584	10	X	X	X	X	X	X						
3713	10	X	X	X	X	X	X						
7401	10	X	X	X	X	X	X						
7968	10	X	X	X	X	X	X						
9399	10	L	X	X	X	X	X						
12043	10	X	X	X	X	X	X						

VETERANS AND MILITARY SUPPORT 2023-2024

Post	District	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
769	1	O	O	O	O	O	O						
1763	1												
2357	1					O	O						
3708	1			O									
6790	1				O	O	O						
8242	1	O	O	O	O	O	O						

541	2												
1709	2												
6739	2	O	X	X	O	O							
7400	2		O				O						
9632	2												
10227	2	X	X	X	X	X	X						
12128	2	O	O	O	O	O	O						

40	3		X	O	X	X	X						
285	3	X	X	X									
1433	3												
2135	3	X	O	O	O	X	O						
6310	3	X	X	X	X	X	X						
12098	3	O	O	O	O	O	O						

720	4												
1760	4												
1796	4	X	X	X	X	X	X						
3513	4												
3632	4	O	X	X	X	O	O						
7507	4	X	X	X	X	X	X						
9400	4	X	O	X	X	X	X						
12031	4	O	O	O	O	O	O						
12210	4												

549	5	X	X	O	X	X	X						
2767	5		O	O	O	O							
4903	5	X	X	X	X	X	O						
5990	5	X	O	X	O	X	O						
10015	5												
10254	5	O	O	O									
12222	5			O									

Post	District	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
1704	6	O	O			O							
2364	6	X	X	X	X	X	X						
6789	6	O	O	O									
8807	6		X	X	X	X							
8987	6	X	X	X	X	X	X						
9907	6	O	O	O	X	X	O						

836	7	X	X			O							
2066	7	L	L	L	L	O							
6271	7	O	O	X	X	O	O						
9972	7	X	X	X			X						
9977	7	O	O	O	O	O	O						
10385	7	X											

404	8	O	X	X	X	X	O						
6306	8		O	X	X	X	O						
7061	8	X	X	X	X	X	X						
9401	8	X	O		O	X	X						
10005	8	X											
10726	8	X	O	O	O	O	O						

2190	9	X	X	X	X	X	X						
2555	9	O	O	O	O	O							
3516	9	O	O	O	X	X	O						
9833	9	O			X	O							
10386	9												
11014	9	O	O	O	O	O							

1677	10	X	X	X	O	X	X						
3584	10	X	X	X	X	X	X						
3713	10	X	X	X	X	X	X						
7401	10	O	O	O	O	X	O						
7968	10	X	X	X	X	X	X						
9399	10	X	X	X	X	X	X						
12043	10	X	O	O									

NOTE:

1. Block Empty = No Report
2. Block has O = Wrong Form/No Info/or
No Activity BUT Report is Accepted
3. Block has X = Report is Accepted
4. Block has L = Report is after the 10th
Not Accepted