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**NEXT Regular & Auxiliary meeting is Monday 12 July at 6:30PM**



Greetings All,

As many of you may have noticed, we have gone through some changes with building and canteen operations. Trevor is our new Bar manager and is off and running. We have spent money fixing up the building and cleaning the Kitchen to start fresh. If you notice something needing addressed there are new forms that the Sr Vice was kind enough to put together at the post, please fill the form, there will be a designated drop off location for these forms. As we all know I get a lot of things said to me in the moment and have a hard time remembering by the end of the night. Phil Seeman is our building maintenance contact person.

We are still looking for a cook and bartender so if you know someone that might be interested, please say something or direct them to speak to Trevor. We are still getting the kitchen up and running so please be patient with us. A huge shout out to member Dan for all his volunteering in the kitchen Thursdays and Fridays. If you see Dan or Nan please take a minute and thank them for all they have done to help the transition.

Great news !!!, the Jr Vice is in the process of organizing a Buddy Poppy drive, there is a huge need from all members to help make this a success. Why you may ask? This is the reason, as you hear my officers and I say all the time "we are here for the veterans" and the Buddy Poppy drive brings in money for the Relief fund that enables us to help those in need, ie.. we have gas cards for those in need at the bar for verified needed people. We get a lot of calls at the bar for a veteran needing assistance, we then pass them to the Service office for verification on needs, which Tom Blandford has done a amazing job at this position and has been trained to know what to look for. So we really need to have a healthy Relief fund.

We have the Carmel Parade coming up and will have a float for veterans to ride on so please get the word out.

Joel Watson  
Commander  
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**GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS AND MAY GOD BLESS  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**





Service Officer Information  
Tom Blandford 317-902-1577, tom.blandford@yahoo.com

7/2021

Resources:

Veteran Crisis Line: 1-800-273-8255, press 1  
VA Health benefits 317-988-2449  
Compensation & Pension 317-988-2253  
Vet Center (8330 Naab Road) 317-988-1600

VA SERVICE OFFICERS AT IND, PLS FEDERAL BLDG.  
575 N. PENNSYLVANIA ST.  
VFW 317-916-3629

American Legion 317-916-3605  
DAV 317-916-3615

Order of Purple Heart 317-916-3624  
Paralyzed Veterans 317-916-3627

There is a V.A. Service Officer in every county in the USA.  
Noblesville office 317-776-9610.



**Veterans of Foreign Wars  
122nd National Convention  
Kansas City Convention Center  
July 31-August 3, 2021**

**Visit [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org) for more information!**

***ALL VFW and Auxiliary member should attend***



**Quartermaster Gaming Report**

**July 2021**

**Treasure Hunt  
Jackpot is \$3850.00**

**The Daily, Weekly and Monthly will continue as normal.**



# Auxiliary President - Randall Kirk

Hello my fellow VFW Auxiliary members!

Well, we are coming up on the end of June.. and July is right around the corner. Which also means Independence Day is fast approaching and a lot of work has yet to be done. June was for myself was pretty busy to say the least. With the transition of office from Randall Kirk to myself as well as Theresa Snedieger who held multiple positions took it upon herself to be our Auxiliary Secretary and Accountant before handing the reigns to Kim Gettings and Ryan Wasik. During June when I had the honor of attending the VFW State Conference, I felt privileged and honored to walk away with some awards. One of which was the Gold Star award, another for memberships (101% membership) and finally one for the post's Voice of Democracy 1st place winner. Way to go gang!!

But now that July is around the corner, there is even more work to be done. This year's parade float unfortunately is being built at the last minute. Primarily due to no fault of our own. This will be the first float in what seems to be an eternity ago because of COVID-19. This years parade theme focuses in and around our great nations Essential work force.. Medical Professionals, Police, Fire fighters, EMS and other . But to also still focus on our military personnel and the hard work and sacrifices that they have had to make to help guarantee the safety and security of our great nation. It is in my greatest hopes and wishes that a couple of things can happen. First that we are able to get the Lo-Boy trailer sooner rather than later so that we are able to put together a great float for our veterans.. but I would also hope for a large turnout. Not only from those that come watch the parade but for our members that are able to help out in any capacity to please do so. We will need people to hand out bottled waters to our participants, but also to hand out candy as well. We will also be hosting a post parade cookout and pitch-in as well. Burgers and Hotdogs will be provided by the Auxiliary Anyone able to volunteer to cook and prep would greatly be appreciated. As I look to the future of our post and auxiliary I can only hope that this is just the start of many more spectacular events.

Charles (Chuck) Krise  
Auxiliary President

## VFW Officers

Commander	Joel Watson
Senior Vice	Ken Lange
Junior Vice	Jon Hensley
Adjutant	Steve Wyatt
Quartermaster	Tim McNally
Chaplin	Rock Effron
Trustee 1 Year	Tim Pitchford
Trustee 2 Year	Roger Conn
Trustee 3 Year	Tim Hannon
Judge Advocate	Tom Blandford
Surgeon	Tim Pitchford
Service Officer	Tom Blandford

## Auxiliary Officers

President	Chuck Krise
Senior Vice	Terri Leirer
Junior Vice	Lisa Bartlett
Secretary	Kim Gettings
Treasurer	Ryan Wasik
Chaplin	Diana Curts
Conductress	
3rd Trustee	Mike Praed
2nd Trustee	Jan Patton
1st Trustee	Eve Smith
Guard	Mike Praed

**VFW**  
ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.

Post 10003

Ask us about our next

**BOURBON**

**\*WEATHER PERMITTING**

*& Cigar Night*

*Includes 2 shots of an upscale bourbon.  
and a fine cigar.*

A donation of \$35 for non-veterans  
\$25 for veterans  
Free for eligible veterans who  
join the VFW that evening



**SR. VICE COMMANDER**

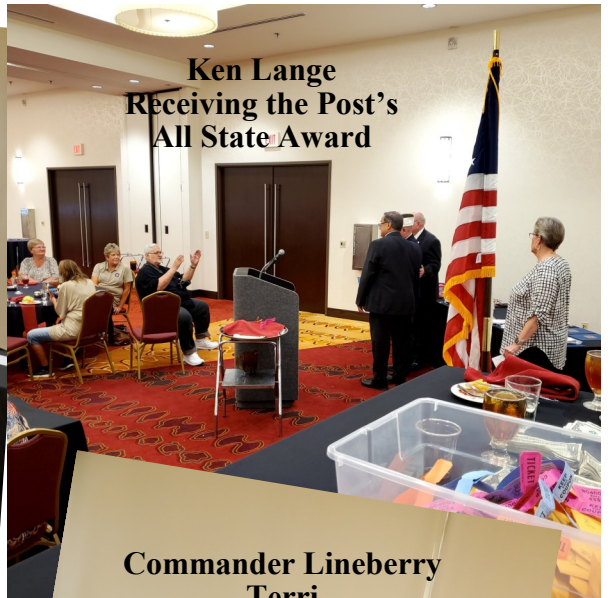
I honestly could never thank enough the fantastic team of volunteers who regularly attend and help at Post events. The Carmel 4th of July Parade (on July 5th) is around the corner, and we could really use a huge turnout since last years was postponed due to the pandemic. Also requiring a blow out in volunteers is the VFW State Golf Tournament hosted by Carmel this year from Aug 21-22! Here are the upcoming monthly Post events to plan for: Treasure Hunt drawing will be held each Thursday evening, Cigar and Bourbon nights will be on Wednesdays June 23rd, July 7th and 21st. This event has become quite successful. The upcoming Saturday breakfasts will be on July 3rd, 17th and 31st. The State VFW School of Instruction (SOI) is in August to provide updated information and guidance for all Post Officers and any members who would like to attend. It is highly encouraged that all line Officers do attend. All fees will be covered by the Post. Just another reminder that if you have moved, changed your phone number or email address, that you stop in and leave the new information at the bar or with any Post Officer. Our next Post meeting(s) will be on Monday July 12th.

Semper Fi  
Ken Lange



**Congressman Jim Banks spoke at Convention**

**Richard Leirer the new Senior Vice Commander**



**Ken Lange Receiving the Post's All State Award**



**VFW Indiana June 8th 100th Year**




**Commander Lineberry Terri SVC Leirer**

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**LUNCH SERVED**  
 Monday thru Friday  
 11am to 2pm  
 Lunch specials/menu



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## **\*\*Saturday Breakfast Schedule\*\***

**Saturday Breakfast rotates between  
the Legion and the VFW!**

Saturday July 3rd - VFW

Saturday July 10th - Legion

Saturday July 17th - VFW

Saturday July 24th - Legion

Saturday July 31st - VFW

Good food, good friends, profits help support the  
mission of the two organizations.