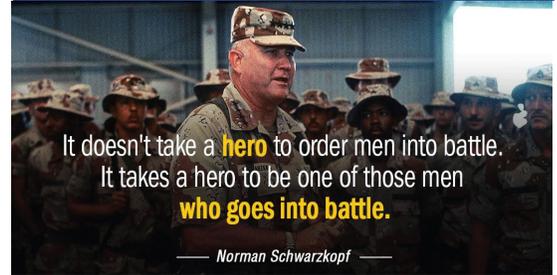




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LEAVE MESSAGE



POST OFFICERS

- Post Commander .....Chad Fluharty
Senior Vice .....Jerry Girdlestone
Junior Vice ..... Joe Peters
Quartermaster ..... Jeff Graham
Adjutant. .... Dave Heinauer
Judge Advocate .....Harry Pool
Surgeon ..... Ron Mc Kinnon
Officer of the Day..... Tony Norris
Service Officer ..... LeeAndra Black
Chaplain .....Nick Samouris
3 Year Trustee ..... Tracy Green
2 Year Trustee ..... Donn Rushing
1 Year Trustee .....Grant Graessle

POST NEWS

Post officers for the Year 2025-2026 will be nominated during the March meeting and elected in April. All members are urged to consider one of the positions. Contact the Commander or one of the other current officers for more information on the positions. All positions are open to be filled. The elected positions and some of their areas of prime interest are commander, senior vice commander (membership), junior vice commander (activities), quartermaster (accounting/finance), chaplain, three-year trustee (oversight), house committee (Post Home). Additionally, there are appointed positions such as adjutant (admin), advocate (parliamentarian), surgeon (welfare and hospital), officer of the day, guard, historian, and publicity chairman to be filled. The VFW Auxiliary will both nominate and elect new officers during their April meetings. Contact the President or one of the other officers for further information.

VFW National Home for Children: 100 Years Old The VFW National Home for Children recently celebrated its 100th birthday. The home offers a once in a lifetime opportunity for honorably discharged veterans, active duty military, or descendants of a VFW/Auxiliary member. After being accepted into their program, families can accomplish significant life goals by receiving the following support:

- Case management services to help set up family plans and goals.
Educational, recreational, and enrichment opportunities.
Community resources and counseling.
Free housing and daycare.

If you meet a veteran family in need, please encourage them to call the Military & Veteran Family Helpline at 800-313-4200 or visit https://www.vfwnationalhome.org. The friendly staff at the National Home for Children will help determine if this program is right for them and their family. You can help connect families in your community to this ONCE in a lifetime opportunity! The VFW National Home is located on a campus at Eaton Rapids, Michigan. Learn more at https://www.vfwnationalhome.org



# VFW AUXILIARY

UNWAVERING SUPPORT FOR UNCOMMON HEROES

## AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello from your Auxiliary! Just a few reminders as we all patiently await the warmer Spring weather:

- The Department Auxiliary announced that stamp donations, both new and used, are being collected to support the Stamps for the Wounded project.
- March 31st is the deadline for students' entries to participating/sponsoring auxiliaries for the Young American Patriotic Art Contest scholarship, 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art scholarship and Illustrating America contest.
- There will not be an Auxiliary meeting in March, but we hope to see our members April 21st, 2026, for our next meeting.

## POST OFFICERS

President . . . . . Stephanie Guy  
 Senior Vice . . . . . Jennifer Fluharty  
 Junior Vice . . . . . Casey Bobish (E)  
 Treasurer . . . . . Irma Heinauer (E)  
 Chaplain . . . . . Annette Samouris  
 Conductor . . . . . Jennifer Fluharty  
 Guard . . . . . Brittni Frady  
 Secretary . . . . . Brittni Frady  
 Patriotic Instructor . . . . . Roxanna Girdlestone  
 3 Year Trustee . . . . . Mary Cardinal-Vogt  
 2 Year Trustee . . . . . Jerri Senay  
 1 Year Trustee . . . . . Annette Samouris

**Stephanie Guy**  
 Auxiliary President

## COMMANDER'S CORNER

Protect yourself from "Claim Sharks"!

Claim Sharks are anyone who:

- Charges hefty fees to "guide, assist, advise or consult" veterans with filing or appealing their VA benefit claims — this practice is illegal!
- Asserts they are an "expert" or "guardian" but evades the professional and ethical standards of VA accreditation — their advice can be misleading or even fraudulent!
- Hooks you — once you're in, you can't get out and may be subject to new and hidden fees whenever you get a new rating — no matter who does the work!

For free, accredited help from VFWs Accredited Service Officers visit [www.DontFeedTheSharks.org](http://www.DontFeedTheSharks.org)

And talk to our Post Benefits Adviser if you need assistance.

**Chad Fluharty**  
Commander

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

### ***Be Not Troubled About Many Things***

"Every day can bring about an event or problem that makes us feel unsettled. If we want to keep unrest at bay, it is important that we prayerfully receive everything with the knowledge that God is watching over us and that all will be fine in the end. Spending time worrying accomplishes nothing, for worrying simply keeps our attention in the wrong place.

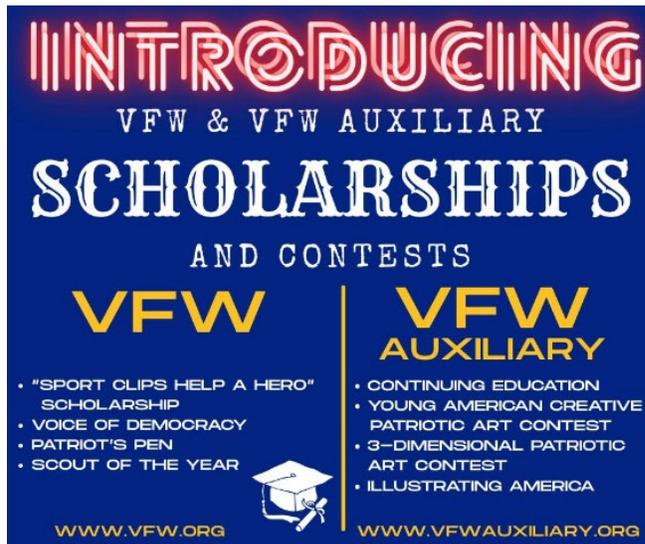
If we keep our focus on God, knowing that He is with us in both times of trouble and moments of celebration, we can peacefully receive all that befalls us. Knowing that even difficulties and hardships are vehicles used by God for our salvation, how can we despair?

When we serve the Lord, we shall not be "troubled about many things," but will always keep in mind the one thing that is needed."

Abbot Tryphon

**Nick Samouris**  
Chaplain

# AWARDS CORNER



Are you aware of all VFW and VFW Auxiliary scholarship, contest and award deadlines for the 2025-2026 Program Year?

They are:

March 1, 2026: VFW Scout of the Year (recognition award, not monetary)

March 31, 2026: VFW Auxiliary Illustrating America

March 31, 2026: VFW Auxiliary Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest

March 31, 2026: VFW Auxiliary 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest

April 30, 2026: The VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero" Scholarship - fall semester

Please promote these scholarships, contests and awards, which benefit children as young as five through adults continuing their education beyond high school.

Learn more on [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org)

under Assistance: Student Veteran Support or under Community - Youth & Education and on

[www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org)

under Scholarships & Contests.

Hope all are doing well after this short taste of winter. So let me ask a question, did you know that the Veterans of Foreign Wars offers contest to earn extra money for college or any continued education. These contests are available to our young school aged adults and can be reviewed on the Veterans of Foreign Wars national web site. I have included a list of contests that can be used to gain recognition or a monetary award. So, if you know of anyone that could benefit from these contests, please have them go to the web pages listed to review the requirements or stop by your local VFW.

**Harry Pool**

Judge Advocate/Awards Coordinator

# MARCH



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 MEXICAN NIGHT 5-7 U.S. NAVY RESERVE BIRTHDAY	4 NY STYLE DAWGS, BURGERS & FRIES 4-7	5 CHEESESTEAK NIGHT 5-7 QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING	6	7
8	9	10 GREEK NIGHT 5-7 POST MEETING 6 PM	11 NY STYLE DAWGS, BURGERS & FRIES 4-7	12 WING NIGHT 5-7 QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING	13	14 STEAK NIGHT 5-7
15	16	17 PORK CHOP NIGHT 5-7 HAPPY St. Patrick's DAY	18 NY STYLE DAWGS, BURGERS & FRIES 4-7	19 CHEESESTEAK NIGHT 5-7 QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING	20	21
22	23	24 ITALIAN NIGHT 5-7	25 NY STYLE DAWGS, BURGERS & FRIES 4-7	26 WING NIGHT 5-7 QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING	27	28
29 PALM SUNDAY	30	31				