



Idaho

Department of Idaho  
1425 South Roosevelt  
Street Boise, ID 83705  
Phone: 208-342-2438  
E-mail: Idahovfw@gmail.com

**General Order #10, April, 2025**  
**2024-2025 Series, published monthly by the VFW**  
**Department of Idaho to be read at regular Post**  
**Meetings and kept on file for future reference.**

1. Orderly conduct at all meetings. Comrades, we are in the window for your post and district meetings with elections, and this General Order is a "Warning Order" for the upcoming Department Convention in June. I draw your attention, and ask that all Commanders and members of the COA review the National Manual of Procedures, Article X in its entirety. Because of a recent event at a meeting, I am providing Article X, Section 1001 (6) specifically: "No member shall in debate impeach the motives of a fellow member or treat them with disrespect. Members shall avoid personalities and unbecoming speech. A member shall not pass between the speaker and the chair. Any conversation calculated to disturb a member while speaking or hinder the transaction of business, shall be deemed a violation of order, and, if continued, the offending member shall be reprimanded by the presiding officer and may be ordered to retire from the room. Failure to comply with an order to retire may subject a member to disciplinary action for conduct prejudicial to the good order and discipline. When a member is called to order for disorderly conduct or abusive language, if such conduct is not immediately stopped and an apology immediately proffered by said member, disciplinary action may be taken against such member." **Read and understand all of Article X before your next meeting!**
2. This General Order only applies to those posts with bars or canteens and those who rent their post building and provides music for events. Please read and heed the advice of National General Council John Muckelbauer.  
**Music Licensing for Posts:** If your post is playing music without the required license you may be violating copyright laws. Whether your taste in music ranges from Billie Eilish to Englebert Humperdinck, Post should be licensed to play it. If you have any doubt as to whether you need to adhere to copyright laws, see the National Bylaws and Manual of Procedure, at Sec. 218, 418, 518, and 618 that requires Commanders to, "Insist that that the business and activities of the organization are conducted in such a manner that they do not violate any applicable governmental law..." Copyright laws are applicable laws.
3. We are venturing into the final stretch, the fourth quarter of our fiscal year. Congratulations to all those posts and districts who are poised to achieve All American and All State status. Your efforts are nothing short of amazing and Idaho's VFW remains a leader Nationally. We are not finished yet. There are three major priorities that every post must consider: recruit new members, renew current annual members, and reinstate expired members. Membership must grow or we risk losing the VFW. Commander-in-Chief, the "Real-Deal" Al Lipphardt is a hard charging Vietnam Veteran, but he is likely to be our last Vietnam Veteran Commander in Chief. VFW had over two-million members, but we are now under one-million. The WWII Veterans and most of the Korean War Veterans have passed away, and the Vietnam Veterans aren't getting any younger. National membership posted that 83% of eligible veterans are not yet

VFW members. Go get them!!! There is currently one post in Idaho under suspension for several shortcomings, and with help we believe they'll be back on their own very soon. However, the number one discrepancy noted by the District Commander is failure to have an effective membership plan to renew, retain, reinstate, and recruit. Working your membership is NOT optional, it is required. I will once again quote, VFW Commander-in-Chief Lipphardt, "effort is appreciated, but only accomplishment is celebrated!"

4. It has been brought to VFW National's attention that some nefarious individuals are attempting to impersonate or represent Commander in Chief Al Lipphardt by calling and asking for gift cards. I am sure you have figured out that it's a SCAM. The Chief as well as all other National Officers are not in need of gift cards for themselves or any project they are supporting. - Adjutant General Dan West -



By Order of the Commander

Joseph D Riener  
State Commander  
Department of Idaho

### TEAM IDAHO!

Official:

Nate Suekel  
Adjutant  
Department of Idaho

### From the State Senior Vice Commander, Troy Junier:

First, let me send out the biggest thank you for the show of support during my family's loss recently. Thank you everyone for the prayers, thoughts, flowers, and cards during our loss. It shows me how big our family and friends (inside the VFW and Auxiliary) truly are. Everyone, thank you so much again from both Sharyl and me.

April is here and so are the start of outside activities. Thanks to those who came to show support for our Vietnam Veterans (at the Welcome Home events) across the State. Hopefully you are planning for Memorial Day activities and events. Buddy Poppy plans should be started and been ordered by now.

This month is also Elections as well. Make sure your elections reports are updated. We are just two months from June Convention. I hope to see many of you there. It's a great time to visit, take care of business and enjoy some company.

**Membership:** March madness has ended, and we did great as a department for number increases for the month. But the last couple of days of membership numbers have slowed down to a trickle, and we are battling to keep the 9<sup>th</sup> spot.

Congrats to all the Posts and District 2 for making the goal of 102%.

<b>District</b>	<b>Post</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
1	1473 Spirit Lake	111.32%
1	1675 Osburn	103.75
1	2453 Sandpoint	104.12
2	3520 Grangeville	102.27
2	3913 Kendrick	105.35
2	4902 Cottonwood	108.19
2	10043 Lewiston	106.01
2	10300 Potlatch	104.10
2	2905 Moscow	105.88
2	3296 Orofino	102.76
2	District	104.18
5	3465 Nampa	116.09
5	5423 Mountain Home	109.75
5	3886 Caldwell	102.48
7	3884 Montpelier	106.89
99	15013 At Large	105.55

We are planning for the Western Idaho Fair in August, and the Navy-Blue Angels Air Show in Twin Falls. If you can assist with the events, it would be great. We will be working schedules and dates soon. Let's keep working on the goal of 30 plus members a week. Please work the membership rosters, and get out and recruit. If you look at the Membership by Months Chart, we have had over 150 spots where a Post did not gain a single member for the month. This needs to improve.

Please reach out to me, Commander Riener or Department HQ Staff if you have any questions or need material items. Keep working on your recruiting events and send me your 3 recruiting events for All-State requirements. I attached the form in the last months General Orders. I have not received any new ones since last month.

Stronger Together,

Troy H. Junier  
 Sr. Vice Commander, Department of Idaho  
 Dept. Inspector General, Membership and Safety Chairman  
 Surgeon, District 5  
 Quartermaster, Meridian Post 4000  
 Cell: 208-602-9684  
 Email: [troyjunier@gmail.com](mailto:troyjunier@gmail.com)

**From the State Junior Vice Commander, Tom Black:**

Comrades,

Community activity reports continue to show the work you are doing in your communities.  
 Thank You!

We begin April at almost 99% membership! I want to thank all of you for your continued efforts. We can continue the drive to 102% by continuing to recruit new eligible members and encouraging annual members to renew their dues promptly or, even better, convert to life membership.

State convention will be 4-8 June in Lewiston. Please come represent your Post, engage in the process of the convention and enjoy the camaraderie with our fellow Veterans.

Tom Black  
208-841-0712  
Jr Vice Commander  
Department of Idaho  
Veterans of Foreign Wars



**From the State Quartermaster, Dan Ragland:**

Greetings Everyone,

April is here, happy Easter.

Next District 7 meeting being held on April 5th 2025 @ noon at Post 3884 in Montpelier.

Post/District Audits – There are 16 Posts that are behind on submitting quarterly reports. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (Jan-Mar) need to start being submitted. Remember Posts that don't have all reports submitted will not qualify for All-State or be able to vote at the June Convention. Commanders get with your Quartermaster and Trustees, if you have questions or need help give us a call at HQ.

Be sure and look at the monthly checklist for April at the end of the General Orders. Also including a letter from Quartermaster General Marc Garduno about Life Member payouts for next year.

If any member VFW/Aux would like to order next year's Commander's shirt, the order form has been included.

The jetboat ride for June Convention is filling up fast, only 5 seats are left/available.

If your Post needs Buddy  
improved order form on the



Poppies, there is a new and  
Department website.

**Dan Ragland**  
**State Quartermaster**  
**Dept. of Idaho**  
**208-342-2438**

**From the State Adjutant, Nate Suekel:**

Voting will be conducted at the State Convention in June.

**Delegate Strength Report**

Delegates and alternates for the District Convention and Meetings, Department and National

Conventions shall be elected at a regular Post meeting in April. Delegate strength will be based on members in good standing as of **March 31, 2025** and delegate strength shall be one for every thirty members or fraction thereof in good standing of the Post. *See attached Excel spreadsheet.* Section 222 in the Manual of Procedure has the details. It can be downloaded for free from the VFW website, or a link found on most search engines.

Delegate Credentials Form-*see attached.*

Reminder: Any member in good standing can run for an office. There should be no hand-picked candidates. If several candidates for an office are running, each should be allowed time to present their case.

Members should refrain from tearing down or being negative towards a candidate. If you are campaigning for an individual, stress their qualities, without attacking their opponent. We have enough of that going on in the country right now, as it is. You can disagree without being disagreeable.

OMS. Please ensure that your information is current, especially your mailing address. That is what is used to mail out official paperwork. We currently have a large number of returned envelopes mailed out for official special meetings. If you can't access the OMS on the webpage, contact your Quartermaster or Adjutant for assistance. You can also call Member Services at VFW National HQ at 816-756-3390.

Remember as warm weather approaches, don't be the reason that we have mandatory safety briefs.

Nate Suekel

State Adjutant



**From the State Surgeon, Frank Fabbi:**

Greetings and Salutations to all!

If you know of any POW/MIA events, please let me know so we can get the word out.

**Other information:**

Did you know the 73-year-old remains of an American veteran of the Korean War have been identified? The joint announcement from President Joe Biden and South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol identified the remains as belonging to Cpl. Luther H. Story, who was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor in 1951 for his display of "conspicuous bravery during intense combat" near South Korea's Pusan Perimeter in September 1950.

[Luther H Story | Korean War | U.S. Army | Medal of Honor Recipient](#)

**IDAHO POW/MIA's:**

**WW2:** Seaman First Class Francis E Anderson, US Navy, missing in action or lost at sea, Waters off Savo Island, Solomon Islands, South Pacific, 9 August 1942. [Francis E Anderson : Enlisted from Idaho, World War II Casualty](#)

**Korean War:** Private First Class Charles Blaine Crofts, Shelley ID. US Army, MIA Missing in Action Declared Dead, remains recovered in 2016. North Korea, Battle of Chosin Reservoir, 2 December 1950. [Charles Blaine Crofts : Private First Class from Idaho, Korean War Casualty](#)

**Vietnam War:** Master Sergeant William Balt Hunt, Sandpoint ID, US Army, Died while missing in action, body not recovered. South Vietnam, Quang Tri province, 4 November 1966. [William Balt Hunt : Master Sergeant from Idaho, Vietnam War Casualty](#)

**"You Are Not Forgotten"!**

Fair Wind and Following Seas,

*Frank Fabbi*

VFW Idaho State Surgeon

USN Seabee Retired


**From the State Inspector and Chief of Staff, Rick Johnson:**

From Chief of Staff/State Inspector Rick W. Johnson

As you are probably aware, District Conventions and the 93rd Annual State Convention are fast approaching. The election of Post Delegates shall be held in the month of April. Delegate strength will be based on the number of **Members in Good-Standing** on March 31st, not the Memstats. Post Quartermasters should log into OMS, Reporting, Post Query, and look at the total members in Good-Standing. The Post may elect one delegate and one alternate for every 30 members or portion thereof. The Delegates you elect will cast votes at the District Convention, State Convention and National Convention. **See Section 222 of the National Bylaws and Manual of Procedure.**

Also be aware of **Section 213 of the Manual of Procedure** concerning Arrearages. Posts that are in arrears shall be deprived of all representation at all conventions.

See you on the River!

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "RW Johnson", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Rick Johnson  
Chief of Staff/State Inspector

**From the State Chaplain, Dave Frei:**

Comrades,

This year, the National Chaplain Retreat will be held on May 9th 2025-May 11th 2025 in Shepherdsville, KY.

See the attachments and I encourage all post and district Chaplains to consider attending this retreat!

Chaplain Dave Frei  
VFW Department of Idaho

**2025 NATIONAL CHAPLAINS RETREAT SCHEDULE**

**Friday May 9<sup>th</sup>**

5 PM- Welcome to event and introduction of guests (Active Heroes Pavillion)  
6 PM- 8PM- Dinner  
8PM- Suicide Awareness Roundtable

**Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup>**

8 AM- Breakfast at Active Heroes Pavillion  
9AM- depart for Patton Museum tour  
11 AM depart Patton Museum for Talbott Tavern  
Noon -1:30- Lunch at Talbott Tavern  
1:30- 2 PM- Tour of Basilica of St Joseph Proto-Cathedral  
4 PM- return to Active Heroes Pavillion  
6 PM- Dinner  
7 PM- Recognition of Current and Past National Chaplains and social time  
(Attendees may depart tonight or stay for Sunday)

**Sunday May 11<sup>th</sup>**

8 AM- Breakfast and Non-denominational Service by Chaplain Darren Atkins  
After Service, Attendees released

## HOTEL INFORMATION FOR NATIONAL CHAPLAIN EVENT

### **BEST WESTERN SHEPHERDSVILLE**

211 South Lakeview Dr  
Shepherdsville, Ky 40165  
Reservations: 1-800-780-7234  
Direct Line: (502) 543-7097

### **SPARK BY HILTON**

130 Spring Pointe Dr  
Shepherdsville, Ky 40165  
Direct Line: (502) 921-1002

### **NATIONAL CHAPLAIN RETREAT RSVP FORM**

This year, the National Chaplain Retreat will be held on May 9<sup>th</sup> 2025-May 11<sup>th</sup> 2025 in Shepherdsville, KY at the Active Heroes Campground. The address for the event is:

Active Heroes  
1022 Ridgeview Dr  
Shepherdsville, Ky 40165

Please send your RSVP form by mail NLT 19 April 2025 to:

Darren Atkins  
Dept of KY-VFW State Chaplain  
421 Great Oak Rd  
Mayking, Ky 41837

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF GUESTS: \_\_\_\_\_

From the State Judge Advocate, Gordon Petrie:

**Judge Advocate's Corner for April 2025**





**What Does the Member's Obligation Really Mean?**  
**by**  
**Department of Idaho Judge Advocate,**  
**Gordon W. Petrie, J.D.**

If you were properly “catechized” by your post when first initiated into the Veterans of Foreign Wars, you should have solemnly promised and declared the following:

- You would bear true allegiance to the Constitution of the United States of America and always be loyal to it.
- You further solemnly promised and declared that you would comply with the Congressional Charter, our Bylaws and Ritual, and that you would always be loyal to them.
- That you would never wrong or defraud the VFW—*nor any VFW member...*
- But just as important, you would not *permit* any wrong to be done to the VFW or any member if you had the power to prevent it.
- You would never propose for membership any person not eligible, nor anyone whom you know to be unworthy.
- You would never make known to anyone, not authorized to receive such information, any of the work of the VFW.
- You also promised that should your affiliation with the VFW cease in any way, you will consider the pledge you took as binding outside of membership, as though you had remained a member.
- And you promised and pledged this upon the honor of a true comrade and a member of a great republic.

The words are not difficult to understand. The real issue we have as comrades, however, centers on whether we honor, believe, and perform them.

Recruiting Event Form:

Name:	
Post/District	
Date of event:	
Type of event:	
Number of new, reinstated, transfers or prospects	

Name:	
Post/District	
Date of event:	
Type of event:	
Number of new, reinstated, transfers or prospects	

Name:	
Post/District	
Date of event:	
Type of event:	
Number of new, reinstated, transfers or prospects	

# GAINED MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS BY MONTH-31 MARCH 2025

DISTRICT 1	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	0 Months
889 COEUR D'ALENE	4	0	5	6	7	6	8	5	7				1
1473 SPIRIT LAKE	1	1	2	1	0	2	1	3	2				1
1675 OSBURN	4	1	3	4	4	3	4	6	3				0
2453 SANDPOINT	1	0	1	4	1	3	4	7	5				1
2909 PRIEST RIVER	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0				6
3603 POST FALLS	1	0	0	2	1	0	3	1	0				4
3622 BONNERS FERRY	2	0	2	1	2	0	2	0	4				3
10320 CLARK FORK	1	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	0				4
							24	22	21				20
<b>DISTRICT 2</b>													
2905 MOSCOW	5	0	0	1	0	7	3	2	2				3
3296 OROFINO	2	0	8	4	0	12	0	14	0				4
3520 GRANGEVILLE	19	2	0	1	0	4	7	1	10				2
3913 KENDRICK	11	4	4	4	6	15	9	0	1				1
4902 COTTONWOOD	8	4	3	2	3	0	2	0	0				3
5407 KAMIA	7	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1				4
8311 ELK CITY	1	0	3	1	1	5	0	1	2				2
10043 LEWISTON	26	0	15	5	2	12	9	7	3				1
10300 POTLATCH	3	0	4	2	3	15	0	0	0				4
							31	25	19				24
<b>DISTRICT 4</b>													
2738 PAYETTE	1	0	3	5	8	4	3	3	3				1
4900 EMMETT	6	0	3	1	0	0	2	2	0				4
6232 MIDVALE	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1				5
9036 NEW PLYMOUTH	0	0	1	1	3	0	2	0	17				4
11065 <u>WILDER</u>	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	1				4
							9	5	22				18

<b>DISTRICT 5</b>													
63 BOISE	16	0	15	16	11	18	8	4	14				1
142 IDAHO CITY	8	0	2	6	0	4	4	3	26				2
3465 NAMPA	4	0	2	0	1	0	0	6	0				5
3886 CALDWELL	8	0	2	4	2	1	4	6	7				1
4000 MERIDIAN	1	0	6	2	6	5	9	4	5				1
5423 MT HOME	6	0	9	2	2	8	2	5	1				1
7019 KUNA	2	0	1	0	0	2	2	3	0				4
							29	31	53				15
<b>DISTRICT 6</b>													
2136 TWIN FALLS	0	0	3	1	4	3	3	0	0				4
2974 WENDELL	0	0	1	1	1	2	1	0	0				4
3001 JEROME	4	0	3	9	1	9	0	1	1				2
3043 BURLEY	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	1				3
3078 GOODING	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0				7
3604 BUHL	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0				6
3646 GLENNS FERRY	3	0	0	10	1	16	0	0	3				4
							5	4	5				30

DISTRICT 8													
1004 RIGBY	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0				7
2146 IDAHO FALLS	8	0	3	2	3	4	5	2	3				1
3012 REXBURG	1	0	0	1	5	1	1	1	0				3
5840 SALMON	0	0	2	1	1	2	0	1	3				3
7137 ARCO	3	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0				5
8893 MUD LAKE	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0				8
9425 ST ANTHONY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				9
							8	4	6				31
TOTAL													
15013 AT LARGE	15	0	15	18	26	20	7	13	7				
STATE TOTAL							108	108	136				158

**Posts with Red Months with no gain in membership need to get themselves going. The only way your post functions is gaining members and participation!!!!**

# 126th VFW National Convention

The 126th VFW National Convention will be held Aug. 9-13, 2025, at the Greater Columbus Convention Center in Columbus, Ohio. Convention delegates also elect new leadership, as well as recognize prominent individuals and organizations for their support of veterans and military personnel.

<https://vfw.org/media-and-events/126th-vfw-national-convention>

## What You Need to Know

- [2025 Convention Agenda \(Tentative\)](#)
- [Attendee Pre-Registration Packet](#)
- [Book Your 2024 Convention Stay](#)
- [Purchase 126th VFW National Convention Awards Banquet Tickets](#)
- [Convention Housing Memo](#)
- [2025 Sponsorship Offerings Guide](#)
- [2025 VFW Department Hotel Assignments](#)
- [2025 Columbus Map](#)

## Additional Resources

- [Columbus Scooter Rental Information](#)
- [Visit Columbus](#)
- [Columbus Area Maps](#)
- [Eat & Drink](#)
- [Things to Do in Columbus](#)
- [Columbus Events While the VFW is in Town](#)

## **April**

- Review state incorporation paperwork for your post. You should get an email notification to all emails on file connected to the organization. If no email is connected, a letter from the Secretary of State will be sent to the address on file, that must be filled out and signed and returned no later than 60 days from the date on the card. Due this month: Post 4000, District 4.
- 
- Posts need monthly Community Activity Reports sent to the JVC by the 26<sup>th</sup> of the month. Email to [jvc@vfwid.org](mailto:jvc@vfwid.org).
- Quarterly Audit Reports due to Department HQ by 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Posts need to continue working membership daily.
- Posts and Districts should have their elections and provide a copy of the election report to Department and National Organization.
- Posts shall elect delegates for the District Convention and Meetings, Department and National Conventions, IAW Sec. 222 Manual of Procedure.
- Posts shall pay their delegate fees to the Department QM not later than 15 days before the Department convention is convened in June.
- Posts should remind their members to register for the Department Convention in June.
- Memorial Day next month make plans for ceremony.
- May 1<sup>st</sup> is Loyalty Day so make plans for ceremony.
- Remember to check your Idaho State income tax form for the Veterans Support Fund.
- All posts need to report deceased members to the Department Adj/Quartermaster before the Memorial Service at the Department Convention in June.
- Letters to stores for Buddy Poppy distribution.
- Scout of the year due to National by 1 May.
- Post Commanders should review the "All-State" and "National Membership Program" for requirements and progress.
- Posts must submit their community activity report entries online between the 27th of the previous month and the 26th of this month to receive ALL STATE credit. Send questions to the Junior Vice Commander at [jvc@vfwid.org](mailto:jvc@vfwid.org). "

VFW DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO  
COMMUNITY ACTIVITY REPORT  
MARCH 2025

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2

Div #	Post #	Location	Total Events	Total Hours	Total Miles	Total Members	Total Post Donations	Date of Last Activity
<b>DISTRICT ONE</b>								
3	889	Coeur d'Alene	10	53	106	20	\$1,558.98	7-Mar-25
10	1473	Spirit Lake	143	429	518	684	\$8,459.10	24-Mar-25
6	1675	Osburn	100	239	1511	176	\$18,050.00	25-Mar-25
8	2453	Sandpoint	3	20	0	2	\$100.00	23-Mar-25
10	2909	Priest River	42	60	486	54	\$1,750.00	25-Mar-25
8	3603	Post Falls	0	0	0	0	\$0.00	
11	3622	Bonniers Ferry	1	8	8	4	\$0.00	9-Aug-24
9	10320	Clark Fork	5	18	216	8	\$485.00	27-Jan-25
5	D1	TOTALS	304	826	2845	948	\$30,403.08	
<b>DISTRICT TWO</b>								
9	2905	Moscow	1	2	1	9	\$0.00	16-Dec-24
5	3296	Orofino	45	17497	937	177	\$7,850.00	17-Mar-25
7	3520	Grangeville	13	29	159	41	\$0.00	1-Feb-25
9	3913	Kendrick	86	1179	3941	144	\$1,011.00	26-Mar-25
8	4902	Cottonwood	17	19	106	55	\$502.00	19-Feb-25
8	5407	Kamiah	9	17	924	45	\$2,846.00	19-Mar-25
9	8311	Elk City	7	157	512	32	\$240.00	8-Jul-24
4	10043	Lewiston	183	2795	9008	694	\$25,975.00	24-Mar-25
9	10300	Potlatch	25	104	716	55	\$4,187.39	19-Jan-25
5	D2	TOTALS	386	21798	16303	1252	\$42,611.39	
<b>DISTRICT FOUR</b>								
4	2738	Payette	28	129	687	57	\$1,592.88	24-Mar-25
7	4900	Emmett	7	89	14	2	\$125.00	20-Dec-24
10	6232	Midvale	1	6	78	4	\$0.00	4-Dec-24
9	9036	New Plymouth	100	2403	11325	99	\$19,776.00	20-Mar-25
10	11065	Wilder	18	44	596	29	\$1,130.00	26-Mar-25
6	D4	TOTALS	154	2671	12700	191	\$22,623.88	
<b>DISTRICT FIVE</b>								
1	63	Boise	161	901	2779	225	\$12,033.23	14-Mar-25
9	142	Idaho City	51	319	5117	349	\$9,930.00	25-Mar-25
8	3465	Nampa	39	68	651	173	\$3,347.00	18-Mar-25
5	3886	Caldwell	6	27	117	28	\$664.00	17-Mar-25
5	4000	Meridian	194	739	5131	255	\$10,925.39	25-Mar-25
8	5423	Mt. Home AFB	22	366	1869	48	\$775.00	25-Mar-25
9	7019	Kuna	20	47	380	20	\$137.05	11-Mar-25
3	D5	TOTALS	493	2467	16044	1098	\$37,811.67	



VFW DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO  
COMMUNITY ACTIVITY REPORT  
MARCH 2025

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2

Cat #	Post #	Location	Total Events	Total Hours	Total Miles	Total Members	Total Post Donations	Date of Last Activity
<b>DISTRICT SIX</b>								
6	2136	Twin Falls	151	1696	10916	450	\$1,300.00	26-Mar-25
11	2974	Wendell	7	52	628	35	\$167.28	14-Dec-24
7	3001	Jerome	59	113	2275	478	\$886.00	20-Mar-25
9	3043	Burley	20	113	633	77	\$44,161.50	10-Mar-25
11	3078	Gooding	4	22	183	10	\$1,500.00	17-Dec-24
9	3604	Buhl	158	811	6948	257	\$12,046.20	13-Mar-25
5	3646	Glenns Ferry	85	1087	2010	255	\$16,641.42	11-Mar-25
6	D6	TOTALS	484	3893	23593	1562	\$76,702.40	
<b>DISTRICT SEVEN</b>								
6	735	Pocatello	4	27	0	14	\$847.00	15-Nov-24
11	3884	Montpelier	11	55	125	80	\$10,760.00	11-Mar-25
10	9141	Soda Springs	4	14	5	15	\$551.65	25-Feb-25
11	9443	Blackfoot	11	105	515	14	\$46.00	27-Dec-25
11	10323	Preston	0	0	0	0	\$0.00	
6	D7	TOTALS	30	200	645	123	\$12,204.65	
<b>DISTRICT EIGHT</b>								
5	1004	Rigby	59	1146	6895	314	\$0.00	21-Mar-25
4	2146	Idaho Falls	69	1711	7042	402	\$200.00	21-Mar-25
7	3012	Rexburg	46	483	1814	112	\$3,825.00	14-Mar-25
9	5840	Salmon	10	30	300	51	\$811.00	16-Feb-25
10	7137	Arco	20	59	858	69	\$2,626.00	22-Mar-25
11	8893	Mud Lake	21	153	3065	39	\$1,160.00	21-Dec-24
6	9425	St. Anthony	23	296	1280	142	\$2,300.00	22-Jan-25
5	D8	TOTALS	248	3878	21254	1129	\$10,922.00	
	DEPT	TOTALS	2099	35733	93382	6303	\$233,279.07	

**Instructions:**

How to report – Log on to the VFW Department of Idaho website under Members Only. On the homepage, click on Program Reporting, complete the report and click submit. It's that easy!

When to report – The vision from National is a member logs in on their cellphone, tablet, laptop, or PC AT THE TIME OF THE ACTIVITY. Yes, any member may submit a community activity and they don't need to wait until the end of the month, and it doesn't have to be just one post member making the submission.

What to report – Use these simple guidelines.

Is the activity representing the VFW?

Is the activity beneficial to the community?

Are the member(s) volunteering their time and/or donation?

When describing your activity, include those three points. For example, "5 Post members volunteered to clean up the park and represented themselves as members of the VFW."

Thomas E. Black,  
Jr Vice Commander  
Community Activities Chair  
jvc@vfwid.org



**SATURDAY  
APRIL 19, 2025  
SUICIDE AWARENESS  
RIDE & RALLY**

*10th Anniversary*



**RIDE STARTS AT  
THE FORD IDAHO CENTER**

16200 IDAHO CENTER BLVD, NAMPA

AND ENDS AT

**HIGH DESERT HARLEY-DAVIDSON**

MERIDIAN, IDAHO

---

**REG: 8:00AM-10:00AM**

**\$20 PER RIDE CARD**

**KSU: 11:00AM\**

**MUSIC • VENDORS • RAFFLES AND MORE!**

**ALL BIKES AND RIDERS WELCOME  
COME SHOW YOUR SUPPORT**

**QUESTIONS: STEVE (208) 600-7777  
EMAIL [RIDEFOR22@GMAIL.COM](mailto:RIDEFOR22@GMAIL.COM)**



**JUNE 20, 2025**

**Jackson Jet Center**



3815 Rickenbacker St  
Boise, ID 83706

*Join Us*

**BOISE**

# **FALLEN SOLDIER CART DELIVERY**



**12PM EVENT START  
SPEAKERS \* CEREMONY**



**PLEASE RSVP  
HERE**

*Alaska* maintenance employees, escorted by the Patriot Guard Riders, will deliver a Fallen Soldier Cart to Boise International Airport® in honor of all fallen military members. This cart was crafted in Seattle by **ALASKA AIRLINES MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEES**, and other volunteers, specifically for the Boise International Airport® and will be **AVAILABLE TO ANY AIRLINE OPERATING OUT OF THE AIRPORT**. All are welcome to attend.

For more information, contact Brandon Leslie at  
[brandon.leslie@horizonair.com](mailto:brandon.leslie@horizonair.com)





As a member of the Board of Trustees of the Life Membership Fund, also known as the Life Membership Committee, I have reviewed the data prepared by VFW, investment consultant's report, and correspondence from CBIZ/Cottonwood, actuaries, calculating the amount of payout that the Life Membership Fund can support.

I understand that in order to maintain the long-term financial security of the funds, the Annual Payout Amount should be set so that the associated liabilities do not exceed the value of the trust assets. At the 2008 National Convention the VFW By-Laws were amended to provide that in the event that professional actuaries advise that Plan assets are insufficient to support the payout specified for any such Plan, the Life Membership Committee, with the concurrence of the National Council of Administration, may authorize a lesser payout with respect to such Plan, consistent with the actuaries' recommendations.

Therefore, for the year 2025-2026, I agree that:

- Plan A, B and C Life Membership Fund can support a total payout of **\$10.50** for each Life Member in Plans A, B and C. I understand that a payment in the amount of **\$3.50** for each Life Member in Plans A, B and C will be made to their Post, Department and National Headquarters.
- Plan D Life Membership Fund can support a total payout of **\$11.70** for each Life Member in Plan. I understand that a payment in the amount of **\$3.90** for each Life Member in Plan D will be made to their Post, Department and National Headquarters.
- Plan E Life Membership Fund can support a total payout of **\$23.10** for each Life Member in Plan E. I understand that a payment in the amount of **\$7.70** for each Life Member in Plan E will be made to their Post, Department and National Headquarters.

  
Commander-in-Chief

1 March, 2025  
Date

  
Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief

1 MARCH 2025  
Date

  
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief

1 MAR 2025  
Date

  
Adjutant General

1 MAR 2025  
Date

  
Quartermaster General

1 MAR 2025  
Date

#### NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

406 W. 34th Street  
Kansas City, MO 64111  
Office 816.756.3390  
Fax 816.968.1157

#### WASHINGTON OFFICE

200 Maryland Ave., N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002  
Office 202.543.2239  
Fax 202.543.6719

info@vfw.org  
www.vfw.org

DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AND ITS AUXILIARY 93rd STATE CONVENTION  
June 4-8, 2025

HELLS CANYON GRAND HOTEL  
621 21st Street  
LEWISTON ID 83501  
1-208-799-1000

**\*\*PLEASE CALL THE HOTEL DIRECTLY TO MAKE RESERVATIONS\*\***  
**ASK FOR THE VFW CONVENTION GROUP RATE**  
**CONVENTION ROOM RATE IS \$149.00 (DOES NOT INCLUDE CITY/STATE TAXES)**  
**HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE IS MAY 4, 2025**

**CONVENTION REGISTRATION (\$10.00/person)**

\$

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY, SO THAT YOUR NAME TAG IS CORRECT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Post \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_  
Office(s) Held \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Aux. \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_  
Office(s) Held \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

If you are attending meetings only, complete the above and return this portion to register.



**Jet Boat Ride Event – Wednesday June 4, 2025- \$103.00 per person**  
**(limited to 20 passengers)**

\$

**REGISTRATION FOR MEALS**

**Friday, June 6, 2025, 7:00 PM**

**BBQ Buffet:** \$40.00/person x \_\_\_\_\_ #persons Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Buffet Dinner: Pulled Pork or BBQ Chicken, side dishes, salad. Includes coffee, tea, lemonade.

Do you need a Vegetarian meal? \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday, June 7, 2025, 7:00 PM**

**Awards Banquet:** \$40.00/person x \_\_\_\_\_ #persons Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # selection 1: Tri-tip Steak

\_\_\_\_\_ # selection 2: Salmon

\_\_\_\_\_ # selection 3: Vegetarian

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED FOR REGISTRATION, EVENTS, AND PAID MEALS \$**

**Other meals:**

\*Friday: Past Department President Breakfast (invite only):

Total Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Friday: Past Department Commanders Lunch (invite only):

Total Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Saturday: Past Dept. Commanders & Presidents (invite only):

Total Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Sunday: New Aux. President's Breakfast:

Total Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Sunday: New Commander's Breakfast:

Total Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

\*These meals will be ordered from menus and paid for at the time of the event.

They are ticketed so the Hotel will know how many tables, chairs, and table settings to plan for at each meal.

**NO CHARGES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO VFW ARE ALLOWED!**

**NOTE: If you have dietary restrictions, please call Department Headquarters, or indicate what you require on this form. We will make every effort to accommodate you.**

**Make checks payable to VFW Department of Idaho. Remit no later than May 15, 2025.**  
**Mail Form and Check to: VFW Department of Idaho, 1425 S. Roosevelt Street, Boise ID 83705**

**NO MEAL TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE CONVENTION**



**DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO**  
**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS and its AUXILIARY**

93rd State Convention June 5-8, 2025

Hells Canyon Grand Hotel, Lewiston

**Cost of Program Book Advertisements**

Deadline for purchasing advertising space in the Program Book is May 19, 2025

Inside Front, Inside Rear Cover, and Back Cover	\$200.00
Full Page	\$110.00
½ Page	\$55.00
¼ Page	\$35.00
Business card	\$25.00
Photos – add scanning charge	\$5.00
Political Ads – VFW Only	\$130.00

Advertisements must be print ready when submitted.

E-mail Print Ready files to [post4902@vfwid.org](mailto:post4902@vfwid.org)

Subject: “2025 Convention Book”

**Make Checks payable to: VFW Post 4902**

In memo write: 2025 Convention Book

We also take VENMO.



**venmo**

Send payment and hard printed advertisement copy to:

**VFW Post 4902**

**ATTN: Convention Book**

**PO Box 371**

**Cottonwood, ID 83522**

**DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO**  
**Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary**  
**93rd State Convention June 4-8, 2025**  
**Hells Canyon Grand Hotel, Lewiston Idaho**  
**Tentative Schedule (as of 1 March 2025)**

**DRAFT**

**Wednesday, June 4, 2025**

OPTIONAL – Jet Boat Tour of Hells Canyon – See registration form for cost – must RSVP and prepay for this event.

**Thursday, June 5, 2025**

Registration and Credentials	1:00 -5:00pm	Pre-Function Hall
Auxiliary Floor Practice	2:00-3:00pm	Port 3
Department Executive COA – COA Only	2:00pm	Port 4
Department Council of Administration	3:00pm	Port 4
Auxiliary Council of Administration	3:00pm	Port 3
Joint Memorial Practice	4:30pm	Port 4
Hospitality Room	6:00pm	TBD

**Friday, June 6, 2025**

Past Dept Presidents Breakfast (invite only)	7:00am	Selway Conf Room
Registration and Credentials	8:00am-4:00pm	Pre-Function Hall
Joint Opening Ceremony	9:00am	Ports 3&4
Joint Memorial Service	11:00am	Ports 3&4
Past State Commander's Lunch (invite only)	12:00 Noon	Selway Conf Room
General Sessions VFW	1:30-4:30pm	Port 1&2
General Sessions VFW Auxiliary	1:30-4:30pm	Port 3
No-Host Social Hour	5:00pm	Ports 3&4
Buffet & Auction	6:00pm	Ports 3&4
Hospitality Room	Following BBQ	TBD
Committee Meetings	1:30-4:30pm	Salmon River Room

**Saturday, June 7, 2025**

Registration and Credentials	8:00am-4:00pm	Pre-Function Hall
VFW Committee Reports & General Sessions	9am-12:00 Noon	Port 4
General Sessions VFW Auxiliary	9am-12:00 Noon	Port 3
Joint PDC and PDP Luncheon (invite only)	12:00-1:30pm	Selway Conf room
Department General Session	1:30-2:30pm	Ports 1-2
Department Training	2:30-4:30pm	Ports 1-2
Auxiliary General Session	1:30-4:30pm	Port 3
No-Host Social Hour	5:00pm	Warrior Ballroom
Awards Banquet	6:00pm	Warrior Ballroom
Hospitality Room	Following BBQ	TBD

**Sunday, June 8, 2025**

New VFW Aux. Presidents Breakfast	7:00am	Selway Conf Room
New VFW Commander's Breakfast	7:00am	Clearwater Room
Credentials	8:00am	Pre-Function Hall
Department VFW Elections & Closing Ritual	9:00-10:00am	Ports 1&2
VFW Auxiliary Elections & Closing Ritual	9:00-10:00am	Port 3
Joint Installation of Officers	11:00am	Ports 1-2
Department VFW Council of Administration	12:00 Noon	Ports 1&2
VFW Aux. Council of Administration	12:00 Noon	Port 3

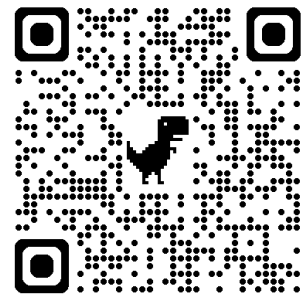
D

Dept of Idaho  
VFW

@IDVFW

Dept of Idaho Veterans of  
Foreign Wars

***venmo***



## Idaho Post Delegate Strength

Post	District	Life	New Meml	Reinstate	Continuous	Expiring	Continuous	Non-Pay Tr	Installment	Total	Strength
889	1	226	3	1	37	8	1	0	3	279	10
1473	1	47	2	1	2	0	1	1	0	54	2
1675	1	99	4	3	19	4	1	0	1	131	5
2453	1	69	4	3	15	2	0	0	1	94	4
2909	1	30	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	35	2
3603	1	68	0	0	8	3	0	0	0	79	3
3622	1	33	0	2	8	2	0	0	0	45	2
10320	1	45	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	53	2
2905	2	51	1	0	7	2	0	1	0	62	3
3296	2	142	1	1	34	3	0	0	1	182	7
3520	2	129	10	0	13	13	0	1	1	167	6
3913	2	65	4	1	40	0	0	0	0	110	4
4902	2	92	5	3	19	0	0	0	0	119	4
5407	2	69	3	0	7	1	0	0	0	80	3
8311	2	45	1	0	11	0	1	0	0	58	2
10043	2	232	13	6	50	1	1	2	1	306	11
10300	2	46	0	0	22	1	0	0	0	69	3
2738	4	167	0	2	29	16	0	0	2	216	8
4900	4	72	1	0	16	5	0	1	0	95	4
6232	4	35	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	38	2
9036	4	65	3	1	7	2	1	1	2	82	3
11065	4	28	0	0	6	5	0	0	0	39	2
63	5	930	6	2	96	14	0	0	4	1052	36
142	5	47	5	0	36	21	0	0	1	110	4
3465	5	70	5	0	5	6	0	1	0	87	3
3886	5	119	2	0	33	17	2	3	3	179	6
4000	5	181	2	3	27	8	1	1	0	223	8
5423	5	90	5	1	10	11	0	0	3	120	4
7019	5	89	3	0	8	2	1	0	2	105	4
2136	6	85	4	2	9	4	1	0	0	105	4
2974	6	23	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	30	1
3001	6	68	1	1	29	4	0	1	0	104	4

[illegible]





Veterans of Foreign Wars  
of the United States  
Department of Idaho  
Annual Convention



DELEGATE CREDENTIALS

This is to certify that Comrade \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Zip

Of \_\_\_\_\_ Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ Located at \_\_\_\_\_

Is a duly elected DELEGATE to the 93rd Annual Convention at  
Lewiston ID June 5<sup>th</sup>-8th, 2025

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Or, Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Post Adjutant Post Commander

Delegate sign here when registering. \_\_\_\_\_



Veterans of Foreign Wars  
of the United States  
Department of Idaho  
Annual Convention



DELEGATE CREDENTIALS

This is to certify that Comrade \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Zip

Of \_\_\_\_\_ Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ Located at \_\_\_\_\_

Is a duly elected DELEGATE to the 93rd Annual Convention at  
Lewiston ID June 4th-8th, 2025

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Or, Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Post Adjutant Post Commander

Delegate sign here when registering. \_\_\_\_\_

## 2025-2026 VFW DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO SHIRTS

**Deadline: April 10, 2025**

Cost: \$30 each shirt

Requestors Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Requestors Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Line		Shirt 1	Shirt 2
1	NAME ON SHIRT		
2	TITLE OR OFFICER POSITION or POST/AUXILIARY NAME & NUMBER		
3	POST/AUXILIARY NAME&NUMBER or YEARS OF POSITION		
	SIZE OF SHIRT (S to 4X)		
	Women's (W) or Men's (M) Size?		
	Cost per Shirt (\$30)		

Examples:

<b>JOHN DOE</b> <b>POST COMMANDER</b> <b>MERIDIAN POST 4000</b>	<b>JANE DOE</b> <b>DISTRICT 5 PRESIDENT</b> <b>MT HOME AUXILIARY 5423</b>	<b>JOHN DOE</b> <b>NAMPA POST 3465</b>
---	---	---

Submit Form and payment:

- 1) Email the Shirt Request form ([troyjunier@gmail.com](mailto:troyjunier@gmail.com)) and pay by VENMO

Or

- 2) Mail the form and payment to:

Troy Junier  
12686 Slatestone Way  
Nampa ID 83651

(or in-person to Troy Junier at a  
District/Post meeting)



Troy Junier  
@Troy-Junier



**venmo**