



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS MASON DIXON POST 7234

MARCH 2024

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Hello Comrades, Auxiliary, Post Members,

In just a few more weeks our busy season



starts. We been preparing for it, shaping and honing our skills for the coming summer. The post has emerged with a new all around image.

We've just completed the finishing touches in the entire upstairs: New lights and fans in the atrium, New flooring throughout the entire Dining

Room, New deck with new outside furniture, New dance floor and bar area. And I almost forgot, a new fresh paint for the finished job.

We've also changed or added some new menus, including Friday family pizza night with Happy hours and Thursday Night Build a Burger/Hot Dog and Build your own Taco each with fixings to make you Burger or Taco how you like it. And once a month Friday buffet special where children under 12 eat free. And they can always enjoy their Shirley Temples on the house.

We included game nights on Mondays with Trivia and Mingo.

For Music check out Dave Crites Acoustic Guitarist Appearing Live Friday Evening, 29 March and your favorite bands on Saturday nights.

Oh, and watch for the next big event (Wine Tasting) coming soon! Also its Chili Cook-off time. All will be posted on the Calendar.

And this month St. Patrick's Day. Don't forget that. A good Irish buffet!

I want to wish our canteen manager (Mark) a speedy recovery. You surely are missed - get well soon.

That's it on my end!

Jim Jensen,
Commander Post7234

NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY
29 MARCH

WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS

VIETNAM VETERANS DAY
CEREMONY MARCH 29 11AM
"QUILTS OF VALOR PRESENTATION"
COME AND SHARE A WELCOME HOME
A DRINK AND A MEAL
EVERYONE WELCOME

HONORING THE
SERVICE AND SACRIFICE
OF OUR VIETNAM VETERANS

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

February is gone and so far we have escaped any severe winter weather other than a few cold spells and a lot of rain. The warmer than usual weather is really teasing us with the hopes of spring and according to Punxsutawney Phil we are going to have an early spring.



Anyway, March is here with high hopes, St. Patrick's Day, Easter, the newly redone post, and

March Madness for those who are basketball fans. Most of February has been busy with construction, but a few things were enjoyed prior to.

Superbowl Sunday was a great time, but all us Eagles and Ravens fans were a little disappointed with the how our teams ended the year. There is always hope for next year though.

Bar Olympics on the 4th was fun and exciting as always. Thanks to John Frye and Pops for organizing this.



For those who have not participated before don't miss this event next year. It consists of random draw teams competing in shuffle board, darts, and corn hole. Everyone brings a covered dish to share. Congrats to the team of Russell Paulis and Cindy Weese who won the event and have bragging rights for the next year. A fun time was had by all with some great food. The only disappointment was Russell didn't do his fantastic smoked cream cheese and habanera peach dish this year.



Our Hospital program led by Shirley Stong continues to do wonderful work for our veterans and community. They brighten their day and let them know they are not forgotten with visits to the VA Hospital, Brandywine Senior Living Center, and Atlantic Shores.



For Valentine's Day our Youth Chair Cindy Weese delivered over 150 handmade Valentine's cards to the V.A. outpatient clinic in Georgetown to be given to each Veteran during the visit. These cards were made by local youth from the Girl Scouts troop 045, C.R.A.S.H youth ministry from Bethel Mariner, Lord Baltimore after school care class, and 7th & 8th graders National Junior Honor Society students from Selbyville Middle School.

March will bring St. Patrick's Day Dinner at the post on the 17th. The Youth program will be



holding the Children's Easter Craft party at the post on March 24th from 12:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. We will end the month on the 29th

Honoring

our Veterans for Vietnam Veterans Day. We will soon be starting our door monitoring again for Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday. Anyone who would be interested in volunteering to monitor the door and check for membership please let Commander Jensen know.

Our membership continues to grow and has reached 2,159 as of this writing (up from 1,972 at the end of June 2023). The State of Delaware as of last report has a membership total of 3,796 Auxiliary members. Our Auxiliary accounts for 56.87% of the total Auxiliary members in the State of Delaware. We have a strong Auxiliary and should continue to lead by example in all areas, not just membership. As I have continually stated the acronym for the principles our Auxiliary should operate on is F.I.R.S.T. (Family, Involvement, Respect, Service, and Teamwork) - We along with our post counterparts are one family. No matter how big or small your involvement is, it will be appreciated. Respect for ourselves, one another, our veterans, our country and our flag. Service to our veterans and our community, and we operate as a team and not individuals to achieve our goals.

In April we will have our nominations and elections for office. Now is the time to think about the state of our Auxiliary and the direction it is going. Think about who and what your leadership team should be. Nominate and elect those that you feel will represent our Auxiliary and the organization well. Consider accepting an elective office position and joining the leadership team. We have a strong mentoring program and several past Presidents as well as a past Department President to help guide you in your new position, if you so chose to accept one, to ensure your success. Get involved in our programs, find ones that interest you. Consider chairing a program or even co-chairing one. You may feel apprehensive about doing so at first but as you learn more you will become comfortable and more confident about doing so. Our monthly meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the post. Come attend a meeting and see what is going on. You may find an area that sparks an interest for you to get involved in some fashion, no matter how small. VFW Post 7234 and it's Auxiliary does a whole lot more than meals and music.

Remember our food bank that we support. Donations are accepted at the entrance to the post, and as always remember our Veterans and service personnel both here and abroad. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Look forward to seeing everyone sometime at the post. Wishing everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day and a Happy Easter.

Be sure to follow us on facebook at : <https://www.facebook.com/VFWAUX7234>

God Bless,

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A St. Patrick's Day Limerick

It's a very good time to recall,
The patriots who once answered the call.
They were the bravest of brave,
For our freedoms they gave,
Veteran heroes, we thank you all!
If You're American, You're Lucky Enough!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOTES

Comrades, Auxiliary, Post Members;

Your Board was quite busy in February. We attended or participated in a Quilts of Valor



Presentation Ceremony; a Help-A-Vet Committee Meeting; a Post Events Committee Meeting; the Annual District and State-level Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen, and Teacher of the Year Presentation Ceremony;

and the Monthly General Membership Meeting.

But most importantly, we kept the Post open and operational everyday while our Canteen Manager, Mark Daughaday, was recuperating.

We will continue to do so until he returns. We all wish Mark a speedy and thorough recovery.

Special thanks go out to our Quartermaster Bill Healy for putting the daily Post coverage roster together, and along with John Hickman, for being present on-site at the Post even more often than they are normally, if that is possible.

Likewise, our Kitchen Crew (John and Gina) and our wonderful Bartenders are stepping up during Mark's absence.

Speaking of John Hickman; As Chairperson of the Building and Grounds Committee, he supervised two significant Projects completed during February. First, over 250 tons of rock (Ripp Rapp) have been added to protect our shoreline and slow the inevitable erosion process.

Second, the upstairs floor has been leveled, new floor covering installed, and the walls have been painted giving the whole place a lighter and brighter appearance. I invite all Members and Guests to visit the Post and observe the bright new atmosphere. While you are there, thank John, and thank Warren Eastburn (Auxiliary Member) for making these projects a reality.

Remember, John is stepping down very shortly. We need a replacement to Chair the Building & Grounds Committee. Please consider stepping forward to fill this upcoming vacant Board seat.

The Events Committee met twice on February 9th and 28th. The committee continues to pursue entertainment alternatives to bring in more Members and their Guests during the off-season months. We are happy to announce that three

additional Trivia Game Nights are scheduled (March 3rd, March 11th, and March 25th). Get your Teams of six people together to compete for prizes. New nightly food menus will be available starting in March. Also on Monday, March 18th come out and try your luck at MINGO (Musical BINGO) for more prizes. Additionally, in his first appearance at our Post, Acoustic Guitarist, Dave Crites will perform live on Friday Evening, March 29th. Come out and make Dave feel welcome – you will not be disappointed. Keep your eyes and ears open for future events that the Events Committee is sponsoring.

Finally, your Board seized an opportunity with the upstairs closed (while the floors and walls were being done), to conduct a wall-to-wall inventory of food and beverages. It gives us the baseline required to help control over-spending while optimizing future meal planning and food and beverage ordering.

March is a month of transition – from winter to spring, and the clocks spring forward. We celebrate – Happy St. Patrick's Day, and a Happy and Blessed Easter. We Honor – Welcome Home to all Vietnam Veterans. *We remember – we are a business, which is true – but our business is serving our Veterans – first, last, and always.*

Chad Myers
Chairman
Board of Directors

CHAPLAINS CORNER

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the families who have lost loved ones. Eternal rest grant unto them O' Lord, may the perpetual light shine upon them, and may they rest in peace. Amen.



Kenneth Blue

With Honor & Gratitude
We Remember

Please call Phyllis Scully at 30-381-539-9981 for the VFW or Eileen Healy at 302-539-9981 for the Auxiliary, if a member is sick or has passed away.

SERVICE OFFICER OUTREACH

A wise man once said, “Believe none of what you hear and only half of what you see.” There was a time in this country when a politician lied, his career was over. Now it appears as if there is competition between politicians to see who can lie the most! What I’m referring to here is the story about illegal immigrants using the Veterans Administration Health Care system and how that story came about. Also, that illegal immigrants are draining Social Security.

[The Department of Veterans Affairs](#) is facing



blowback for helping pay out millions of dollars to medical providers who treat illegal immigrants while they are in federal custody — while a backlog of [hundreds of thousands of claims](#) from veterans has grown.

The VA’s Austin, Texas-based Financial Services

Center (FSC) has been contracted by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) since 2002 to process reimbursement claims by providers who offer services to detained migrants.

In fiscal year 2022, which ended Sept. 30 of that year, FSC processed 161,538 such claims, with the ICE Health Services Corps (IHSC) paying out an average of \$584 — a total of \$94.3 million in taxpayer money, according to a July 2023 [Department of Homeland Security report](#) on “Healthcare Costs for Noncitizens in Detention.”

In the previous fiscal year, 2021, ICE’s health care arm budgeted more than \$74 million for the VA’s FSC to assist with “outside referral care” and “medical claims processing,” [according to a report from July 2022](#).

“VA does not provide or fund any health care to ICE detainees,” VA spokesman Terrence Hayes told The Post. “This involves no more than 10 employees and is fully funded by ICE. This has no impact [on] veteran care or services,” Hayes added. “At no time are any VA health care professionals or VA funds used for this purpose.”

Another reason for this problem arose out of the supply chain problems that are continuing from the pandemic. Anyone who has worked for the civilian Government knows most office supplies come through the Government Services Administration. Most medical supplies for Federal facilities come through Health and Human Services (HHS). They must make the decisions as to who gets what when supplies are limited. This includes the Bureau of Prisons, Indian Health Care, Immigrant Detention Facilities, VA Hospitals, etc.

Social Security is a simple program, but there are many misconceptions about how it actually works.

[3 common questions about Social Security, answered.](#) For many retired seniors, Social Security benefits are an essential source of income. With fewer employers offering pensions, these benefits — along with 401ks and IRAs — have become important retirement income sources for many Americans. According to the [Center on Budget and Policy Priorities](#), they comprise 90% or more of income for nearly one quarter of retirees.

Since the [average Social Security monthly benefit](#) for workers in the U.S. is only \$1,666.49 as of April 2022, most people will also need to [invest for retirement on their own](#), likely through an [employer-sponsored 401\(k\)](#) or an IRA. [Select](#) ranked [Charles Schwab](#), [Fidelity Investments](#), [Vanguard](#), [Betterment](#) and [E*TRADE](#) as having the [best IRAs](#).

When it comes to Social Security, understanding how the program works can help you figure out how to maximize your benefits and be better prepared for retirement. Here, [Select](#) tackles three commonly asked questions about it.

[What happens to the money I paid into the Social Security system?](#)

A common misconception about Social Security is how the program actually works.

First off, Social Security is funded through payroll tax deductions, which are paid by both employers and employees — they’re taken directly out of your paycheck — and put toward social insurance programs such as Social Security, Medicare, Workers’ Compensation, Disability Insurance and Unemployment Insurance.

In [2022](#), the Social Security payroll tax rate was 6.2% for employers and 6.2% for employees, or 12.4% in total, and applies to up to \$147,000 worth of an individual's income.

Current workers are funding the benefits for current retirees, so the money that's being deducted from your paycheck isn't going to a specific Social Security account meant for you. Instead, that [money](#) is being used to fund the benefits of those who are currently retired and their families, as well as people with disabilities and their families.

According to Suzanne Shu, professor of marketing at Cornell University, this misunderstanding about how [Social Security](#) works often leads people to collect their benefits [earlier than they should](#).

By thinking about Social Security like it's a 401(k) or an [individual retirement account](#), people tend to have a stronger sense of ownership over their benefits, which leads them to collect early or before full retirement age, explains Shu. Doing so means missing out on a higher monthly benefit, and you should have a clear understanding of how Social Security benefits work before you decide to collect them.

In order to earn retirement benefits, you must work at least 10 years; the monthly benefit you'll receive is calculated by a formula that uses a worker's 35 highest-earning years. While retirees can start collecting at 62, they'll receive reduced benefits unless they wait until their full retirement age.

Full retirement age ranges between 66 and 67, depending on when you were born. For every year beyond your full retirement age that you wait to collect (until the age of 70), your benefits will increase by 8%.

Of course, not everyone benefits from choosing to delay this collection, so it's also a good idea to take other factors into account as well, such as your spouse, health status, other family members or additional sources of retirement income.

Do undocumented immigrants receive Social Security?

Undocumented immigrants are not legally permitted to receive Social Security benefits, and few actually do.

Generally, when you [apply for a job](#), you're required to provide your Social Security number so employers and employees can pay the payroll taxes that are

used to fund the program. Undocumented immigrants, who don't have a Social Security number, may choose to use an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, or an ITIN, or may even use a fake Social Security number to pay payroll taxes.

Even though undocumented immigrants are legally required to pay taxes, those who use an ITIN to do so cannot receive Social Security retirement benefits. [Sometimes](#) undocumented immigrants do [receive retirement benefits](#) by using a Social Security number that belongs to someone else, a fake one or one held over from an overstayed visa. However, even those who use a fake Social Security number may not receive retirement benefits since they don't have tax forms that match up with an existing Social Security number.

[A 2013 report](#) by the Social Security Administration found that \$1 billion worth of retirement benefits were paid out to undocumented immigrants in 2010. However, undocumented immigrants paid significantly more money into the Social Security system than they receive in benefits, contributing a whopping \$13 billion in payroll taxes.

"Thus, we estimate that earnings by unauthorized immigrants result in a net positive effect on Social Security financial status generally, and that this effect contributed roughly \$12 billion to the cash flow of the program for 2010," writes Stephen Goss, chief actuary of the Social Security Administration.

In other words, undocumented immigrants are not legally allowed to collect Social Security benefits and rarely do. Undocumented immigrants help fund Social Security because their contributions provide extra cash flow to the system.

Does Social Security cost the government a lot of money to operate?

Surprisingly, the answer is no. It turns out Social Security is a relatively cheap social insurance program for the federal government to administer. This is mostly because it is not a means-tested program, which would exclude individuals and families based on income. Since participation in Social Security is universal, there are [lower operating costs](#).

In 2021, [administrative costs](#) accounted for only 0.6% of disability and old age-survivor benefits doled out, while administrative costs for just the old-age survivors trust fund were 0.4%. That means, according to the [Social Security Administration](#), for

every one dollar people contribute to Social Security, less than one cent actually goes toward operating expenses.

However, there is a fair amount of “improper payments” made by the Social Security Administration, which includes making accidental payments to the deceased all the way to willful fraud. The Social Security Administration estimates it [made \\$7.9 billion in improper payments](#) in the 2019 fiscal year.

In Comradeship,
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HONOR GUARD NEWS

During the month of February, the Honor Guard was not called upon to participate in any services or ceremonies. In March we will be visiting our veterans who reside at the Bradywine Assisted Living residence.



We are grateful to our Post Honor Guard for their dedication and service and “salute” you for your representation of VW Post 7234.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Honor Guard, especially our younger members, please contact me. I plan to conduct an orientation over the next several months.

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Mike Schiffer

Assistant Captain of the Honor Guard

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*The purpose of the Honor Guard is to provide funeral honors for our fallen comrades and guard national monuments. An Honor Guard may also serve as the ‘guardians of the colors’ “by displacing and escorting the national flag on ceremonial occasions at official functions.”

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Many of you are already aware that our Canteen Manager, Mark Daughaday, has been courageously battling health issues. Obviously, because of this Mark is unable to be at the Post and continue to perform his Canteen Manager duties.

On Tuesday, February 27, acting in the best interest of our Post and our Veterans, your Board of Directors decided to temporarily lay off Mark for several months to allow him time to properly recover. This has been communicated to Mark. We hope this time off is sufficient to allow Mark to fully recover. We know that all Members join us in wishing Mark a complete recovery and look forward to his return.

The Board also decided to seek and employ an "Interim Canteen Manager" and a "Catering/Special Events Advisor". The Board is happy to announce that John Frye has accepted the Interim Canteen Manager position when the Board offered it. The Catering/Special Events Advisor position is still unfilled at this writing. Please give John and the Post staff your full support. Be patient with the staff as we all work through this challenging adjustment. The Board further decided to increase the number of kitchen and bartender staff, as necessary. If you have experience in either of these areas and are interested in a part-time paid position, please email vfw7234@verizon.net.

The Board urges all members with the appropriate experience to think about this seriously. This is a real opportunity to help improve the Post services for the benefit of all members. The Post needs and wants your help. Please take a look at the Post Calendar for March! You'll notice changes to many of the meals offered during certain nights. You'll also notice more game nights and varied entertainment. The Post Officers and Board Members are committed to making a best effort to research and plan events and activities that

are worthy of the time and effort that you and your guests expend to come to the Post. We invite you to come out and enjoy all that the Post has to offer, while at the same time supporting its principle mission: Serving Veterans, their Families and their Guests!

Board of Directors
Mason Dixon VFW Post 7234

GET WELL WISHES

With our focus on concerns for Mark and other good friends, I wanted to find something that might be cheerful for everyone. Just thinking about the healing effects of humor. The first thing I found was a list of more church bulletin announcements that a good friend sent me. So, I'm going with that. Here are some highlights.



- The Fasting and Prayer Conference will include meals.
- Weight Watchers will meet at 7:00 PM on Tuesday in the church hall. Please use the large double doors at the side entrance.
- Ellen Mason sang "I Will Not Pass This Way Again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married in the church on October 24. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
- New choir robes are needed due to the addition of several new members and the deterioration of some older ones.
- On Saturday, the church will host an evening of dining, entertainment and gracious hospitality.
- The pot-luck supper on Sunday begins at 5:00 pm, followed by prayer and medication.
- The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.
- The Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet on Thursday at 7 PM. Please use the back door.

- Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Makes you want to go to church just to read the bulletins. And then there's the support and help of prayer. With Saint Patrick's Day approaching on March 17, here's an Irish blessing or prayer for everyone from Rosemary and me.

May all the days and all the years
that God has in store
Be filled with every joy and grace
to bless you more and more.

May good health and peace of mind
beside you ever stay.
That's the prayer we have for you
today and every day.

Looking forward to a brighter March, here are some dates to keep in mind.

March 3. The "Star Spangled Banner" officially established as our National Anthem in 1931.
March 8. International Women's Day
March 10. Daylight Saving time begins. (Set your clocks ahead one hour.)
March 13. K-9 Veterans Day.
March 17. St. Patrick's Day. Another reminder (Slainte!)
March 19. Vernal Equinox. Spring is here!
March 29. National Vietnam War Veterans Day (Established in 2017.)

I hope you enjoy every day in March.

Jerry Hardiman

LITTLE KNOWN FACTS

St. Patrick's Day started as an observance of the saint's death, a religious holiday. In Ireland St. Paddy's day is the most celebrated holiday even bigger than Christmas and new years. St. Patrick wasn't born in Ireland, but in Wales. Boston, takes the honor as where the St. Patrick's Day celebration started way back in the 1700's. It was a Protestant group of Irishmen who began the tradition that turned into one of the most celebrated days of all.

Jim Jensen
Commander

VFW PAVILION

We are in the early stages of developing an outdoor Pavilion at the Post. Building an outdoor Pavilion will allow us to better serve our members with a place for new events. It will give us a better space to accommodate the crowds we have experienced at past events. It would be a place for family events and activities. It will have the capability of being enclosed during winter and bad weather. I would like to create a committee to start planning the building of a Pavilion. Please contact me if you would like to be on this committee. Vfw7234@gmail.com

The most important phase is to develop some drawings for the pavilion so we can understand what it will cost.

If anyone has architect skills that would be willing to volunteer to put some plans together for us please contact me.

Once we get an idea of cost we can start fund raising and soliciting donations.

Thank You
Jim Jensen
Commander

BRICK UPDATE

Several people have asked about bricks recently ordered. We have received over 60 bricks that had been ordered in the Fall. All orders have been processed through mid January. We will wait until the weather warms up hopefully in March to install them in the Memorial Park. Thanks for your order and patience. Also we will continue to accept brick orders and send a new order to the engraver once a month. We still have ample room in the Memorial Park.

Vietnam Veterans Day

Mark your calendar for March 29 as we commemorate Vietnam Veterans Day at the Post. We will have a ceremony, present quilts to our Vietnam Veterans and share a lunch. If you know of a deserving Vietnam Veteran that has not gotten a quilt please contact us at vfwpost7234@gmail.com. Also please honor your Vietnam Veteran with a brick in our Memorial Park. Since we have over 700 Vietnam Veterans at our Post we are looking for a large turnout. Now the largest event at the VFW Post was in 1982 when the wall in DC was dedicated. 600 people were in attendance, certainly we can exceed that.



ST PATRICK'S DAY
MARCH 17TH
4-7 PM \$12

CORNERED BEEF HAM CABBAGE
POTATOES GREEN BEANS





**Come Out to see Dave
Crites
Acoustic Guitarist
Appearing Live
Friday Evening, 29 March**



Trivia/Mingo Night Menu
Chicken Tenders, Wings, Fried Shrimp, Pizza, Fish and Chips Shrimp Salad, Fries, Onion Rings and more.
Dinner served from 5pm to 7pm

TRIVIA NIGHT

6pm to 8pm.

Prizes awarded best team

Signup sheet at bar

Make your own team of 6

Food 5 - 7 pm

MARCH 3, MARCH 11, MARCH 25

MINGO NIGHT

MONDAY MARCH 18

GAME 6 - 8 PM

FOOD 5 - 7 PM

MUSICAL BINGO

COME OUT

ENJOY THIS NEW GAME



**THURSDAY NIGHT 5 - 7 PM
MARCH 7, MARCH 21
BUILD A BURGER/HOTDOG NIGHT**



**THURSDAY NIGHT
MARCH 14, MARCH 28
BUILD A TACO NIGHT
(BEEF OR CHICKEN)**



VFW Post 7234
 75TH ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN
 29265 MARSHY HOPE WAY
 OCEAN VIEW, DE 19970



George Jetson
 Vietnam 3rd Div
 PostCmdr 74-75

Donation: \$100.00 per brick (100% Tax Deductible)

BRICK SIZE 4X8

Make Checks payable to: VFW Post 7234

Please print form, fill out completely and mail form along with a check to the above address or drop by Bar at Post

You may provide up to three lines of inscription. The top line may say "In honor of" or "In memory of" if you choose. Military Branch, Ranks, etc. are permitted.

Each paver may contain up to three (3) lines with 18 characters per line (lines will be centered) (select emblem or no emblem). Spaces & Punctuation such as dashes or commas are counted as a character. VFW7234 reserves the right in its sole discretion to deny any application and return the paver donation. Questions can be directed to vfwpost7234@gmail.com.



I would like my inscription to read: (18 characters per line only)

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LEADERSHIP TEAM

Commander	James Jensen
Sr. Vice Cmdr	Chad Myers
Jr. Vice Cmdr	Mike Tuckman
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Adjutant	Fulton Loppatto
Chaplain	Phyllis Scully
Judge Advocate	John Gossart Jr.
Surgeon	Richard Wagner
Officer of the Day	Andy Artemchuk
Guard	Jeff Ringel
Service Officer	Rich Fales
Honor Guard Capt	John Gossart Jr.
Trustee	Danny Steele
Trustee	Skip Coale
Trustee	Rob Gill

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Veteran Claims Assistance

Our state Veterans Service Officer comes to our Post the 2nd Thursday of every month at 1:30PM; to make an appointment you can contact him at david.hilliard@va.gov or 302-994-2511 ext 7586

FOOD BANK

Please continue to drop off food items at the entry way. We continue to support our local families in need. Thank you for your donations.

**VFW POST 7234 HONOR GUARD
TO BECOME A MEMBER, PLEASE
CONTACT JOHN GOSSART
240-304-8183**

HELP A VET PROGRAM

**Veterans - Need help assistance, a friendly call, a visit, etc.
Contact our Post: 302-539-9981 or
Vfwpost7234@gmail.com**

Member Sick or Deceased

**Please call:
For VFW – Phyllis Scully 302-539-9981
For Aux – Eileen Healy 302-539-9981**

Assistance with VA claims or benefits

**Please call:
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