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Veterans of Foreign Wars
Francis E. Vinyard Post 2749
127 Veterans Way • Kendallville, In 46755

July-August 2013 **260-347-3550** **Kendallville, Indiana**

Commander's Comments

Comrades & Sisters:

I want to thank everyone for allowing me to be your Commander the last two years. We have all seen this Post grow leaps and bounds, because of good officers and members who really care about this Post. Our Post just made **All State and All American** again this year and I know Commander Coleman will get us to that point again next year.

*May God Bless you all,
Jim McClure
Past Commander*

Well, the time is finally here for me to write my first article as Commander. I want to thank the officers going out for all that they have done.

I thought, as I wrote this, that I would reflect on the past few years. I truly believe that the last two years have been the best that this Post has ever had. We raised more money, did more projects, helped more people and did more for our community than anytime that I can think of. The reason that we were able to accomplish most of this is due to our outgoing Commander, **Jim McClure**. I congratulate Jim for doing an outstanding

job and I encourage all of you to do the same.

Jim and I recently attended the State VFW Convention in Indianapolis. Our Post won several awards that should be displayed around the Post.

I look forward to serving you over the next year and hope to leave my successor in as good of shape as Past Commander McClure has left us. Thank you for your confidence in me and let's all work together for another great year.

Red Coleman
Commander VFW 2749

Quartermaster's Corner

I hope everyone is enjoying the great weather we are experiencing. The season is moving into summer, hooray! Likewise the 2013-2014 Post Officers are officially installed effective June 15th. Please support these worthy individuals as you did last year's officers. No matter what the Post, Women's Auxiliary and Men's Auxiliary attempt to benefit our veterans, nothing can be done well without members' full support.

Check the calendar! There will be events held in July and August with Fun,

Food and Games! Even music will be provided by our favorite local band... THBFOS!! The Men's Auxiliary and Post are having a gun raffle again this summer/fall. To get the interest of our "bow hunters", the raffle includes a quality crossbow in addition to two rifles or \$1,000 to choose from.

Coming up before you know it will be the Annual Golf Outing, September 7th and we will be serving Wednesday evening dinners starting in September.

Come on out and enjoy your friends

and great atmosphere at Francis Vinyard. Also don't forget to welcome "Rosie" to our bar staff.

*Respectfully,
Jim Cook
Quartermaster*

P.S. We really need a volunteer to be the Post Adjutant!!!

- | OFFICERS | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Commander | Ron Coleman |
| Sr. Vice Commander. . . | Tom Davidson |
| Jr. Vice Commander . | Tom Mortimore |
| Quartermaster | Jim Cook |
| Adjutant | Gary (Sid) Fisher |
| Chaplain | Jim Piepenbrok |
| Judge Advocate. | |
| Surgeon. | John Garrett |
| Sgt. at Arms | Dennis Nester |
| Service Officer. | Jim McClure |
| Trustees | Al Countryman |
| | Jerry Brady, George Klink |
| House Committee | Louie Slone |
| | Tom Mortimore, Tom Hulén |

<p>VFW 2749 Wicked Ridge 10 Point Raider CLS Del-Tom M4 AR-15 or Ruger M77 NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN!</p> <p>NAME _____</p> <p>ADDRESS _____</p> <p>PHONE _____</p>	<p>VFW Post 2749 • Kendallville, IN Drawing Monday, November 11, 2013@7:00PM RAFFLE TICKETS \$10 • LICENSE #127167</p> <hr/> <p>Choice of: Wicked Ridge Ten Point Raider CLS <small>Cross Bow Package .330 fps Scope w/Auto Cocking Mechanism included</small> or Del-Tom M4 AR-15 <small>.223 w/Custom Options</small> or Ruger M77 44 Mag Bolt Action <small>w/Sling, Case & Hawk Deer Pass Scope</small> or \$1,000</p>
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Men's Auxiliary News

Hello everyone!

Here we are again halfway through the year already. Elections were held and yes, I'm President once again. Which brings up another point at any time now you can start paying your dues for next year. They remain at \$30.

In September we will be starting up Wednesday night meals and could use more kitchen help. We would like to see more people step up and help as all of our profits goes to our building fund and we have a great Post and want to keep it that way, but a hand full of people can't do it all.


Our events coming up the next few months are in July. Horseshoe benefit on the 27th and in August 24th will be horseshoes and corn hole in the daytime and the Hillbillies From Outer Space later

that evening outdoors along with our hog roast. This is always a great time. Please plan on attending.

Our gun raffle will be starting soon and this year we have added a crossbow along with two guns, or choice of \$1,000 cash. Looking for help to go to area gun shows to help sell tickets or just to pick some up and sell to family and coworkers. Of course, buy some for yourself.

Ed Wade
President

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President.....	Ed Wade
Sr. Vice President.....	John Hall, Jr.
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Secretary.....	OPEN
Chaplain.....	Don Dyer
Treasurer.....	Denny Rorick
Trustees	Joe Hernandez
	Steve Leins
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COMING EVENTS

July 2

POST MEETING
6:00 PM

July 6

OPEN SATURDAY

July 8

MEN'S AUXILIARY
MEETING
6:00 PM

July 13

OPEN SATURDAY

July 14

OPEN SUNDAY

July 24-26

VFW NAT'L CON.
LOUISVILLE, KY

July 27

OPEN SATURDAY
MEN'S AUX BENEFIT

July 28

OPEN SUNDAY

August 3

OPEN SATURDAY

August 6

POST MEETING
6:00 PM

August 12

MEN'S AUXILIARY
MEETING 6:00 PM

August 13

JOINT MEETING
6:00 PM

August 24

OPEN SATURDAY
MEN'S AUX.
HOG ROAST
HFOS BAND

Ladies' Auxiliary News

We have had a busy month. The Post Memorial Day Program was very inspiring. Everyone should have been there to hear what our soldiers went through for us.

The bake sale, as usual, was a big success. Thanks to those who worked the sale and a **big thank you to all the ladies who donated the goodies.**

So, the ladies have brought dishes for the Memorial Day Program, the bake sale and a funeral dinner this month. Let's give them a big "Thank You" also.

The Club handed out a total of **seven Scholarship Awards** at our June 12th drawing night. A group of very impressive students and their VFW sponsors attended.

The ladies presented their award to **Sierra Stout**, who will be going to IPFW in the fall to study to be an elementary teacher. **She is the great-granddaughter of Betty Berhalter and the granddaughter of Cheryl Mapes**, who are both lady-Auxiliary members. We wish you much success in your future, Sierra.

This is my final newsletter contribution. I have enjoyed my two years as President even though no one told me there were twenty-hundred and eleven reports to send in. Jenny White will be your new President. We all wish her well.

Don't forget to pray for our service men in harms way.

Marcia Smith
Ladies Auxiliary President

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Jr. Vice President.....	Bonnie Hall
Secretary.....	Nichole Patrick
Treasurer.....	Cecelee Shuck
Chaplain.....	Betty Debolt
Conductress.....	Betty Hiedenriech
Guard.....	Sara Faulkner
1 Year Trustee.....	Betty Debolt
2 Year Trustee.....	Grace Ley
3 Year Trustee.....	Rose Frick

LADIES' AUXILIARY COMING EVENTS

July 11
LADIES' AUXILIARY MEETING
6:00 PM

August 13
JOINT MEETING
6:00 PM

August 15
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July

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 POST MEETING 6:00 PM	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5	6 PUBLIC INVITED OPEN SATURDAY
7	8 MEN'S AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	9	10	11 LADIES AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	12	13 PUBLIC INVITED OPEN SATURDAY
14 OPEN SUNDAY	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 VFW NAT'L CON. LOUISVILLE, KY	25	26	27 PUBLIC INVITED OPEN SATURDAY MEN'S AUX BENEFIT
28 OPEN SUNDAY	29	30	31			

August

2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 OPEN SATURDAY
4	5	6 POST MEETING 6:00 PM	7	8	9	10
11 OPEN SUNDAY	12 MEN'S AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	13 JOINT MEETING 6:00 PM	14	15 LADIES AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 OPEN TO PUBLIC OPEN SATURDAY MEN'S AUX HOG ROAST HFOS BAND
25 OPEN SUNDAY	26	27	28	29	30	31