



# **An All-State & All-American Post 2024-2025**

**VFW POST 7909  
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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**As part of a District 6 Program, we are accepting donations for Christmas Baskets to be delivered December 19th for the following families:**

**Colon Family – 2 in family ( baby due in a couple months)**

**Jesseman Family – 2 in family (baby due in a couple months)**

**Hanson Family – 2 in family (boy age 16 months, clothing size 18-24 months)**

**Gaskins Family – 3 in family (boy age 3, clothing size 3T)**

**Coursey Family – 2 in family (girl 2 month, clothing size preemie)**

**Nelson Family – 3 in family (boy age 8, clothing size 10)**

**Pilgrim Family – 7 in family (boys ages 15, 13 & 4, girls ages 8 & 6) clothes not needed**

**Rios Family – 5 in family ( boy age 15 & girls ages 17 & 15) clothes not needed**

**Pockrandt Family – 3 in family (boy age 6, clothing size 6)**

**All donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you.**

**The next Nursing Home visit is the Christmas Party at Oak View on Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 PM. We will carpool from the Post at 12:20 PM.**

**There will be no Bingo December 24 and December 31.**

**The kitchen will be closed from December 21, 2025 until January 7, 2026.**

**The UNF Women's Basketball Team is hosting a Military & First Responders Night at 2:00 PM, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 at the UNF Arena. All veterans are invited.**

**The following was received from Mac McDowell, District 6 Youth Chairman:**

**The District 6 Youth Banquet is on January 10, 2026 at the Ramada Inn on Hartley Rd at 6 PM. The tickets are \$45 each. We had a great turnout last year so let's keep the streak alive! I will notify and invite the winners by mail this week. The posts who have winners should have been notified by the respective chairmen. If you have questions, then you can get in touch with me at [mcdowellrkm@gmail.com](mailto:mcdowellrkm@gmail.com). See you all at the banquet. Our Post has 10 tickets available. See J.D. if you need one.**

**Mac McDowell, District 6 Youth Chairman  
904-624-6594**

## **Post Happenings Schedule for the Week Beginning December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

### ***Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>***

**Poor Man's Supper:** Supper is *casserole night, Caesar Salad and dessert* by Kathy W., Kathy D. and crew. Supper is \$6.00 and will be served from **5:15 PM** until we run out or the cooks get tired.

**Bingo:** Starts at **6:00 PM.**

### ***Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>***

#### ***Germany & Italy Declare War on U.S.-1941***

**Supper (Pizza Night at the Big V):** *Pizza your way and salad* by Avila, Kathy W., Kathy D., Christy, Donna and Devin. A Large Pizza is \$12.00, a Small Pizza is \$7.00 and Salad is \$3.00. Supper will be served from **5:30-7:30 PM.**

**Shuffleboard:** Starts at **6:00 PM.**

**Entertainment:** Karaoke by Kent starting at **7:30 PM.**

### ***Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>***

**Supper:** No crew at this time. If you have a crew, contact the Post at (904) 778-7909.

**Entertainment:** Peggy & Hoss starting at **7:30 PM.**

### ***Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup>***

#### ***US National Guard Est- 1636***

**Entertainment:** Bryant & Krystal starting at **8:00 PM.**

### ***Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>***

**Breakfast:** No crew at this time. If you have a crew, contact the Post at (904) 778-7909.

**Soft Tip Fun Darts:** Starts at **1:00 PM.**

### ***Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>***

#### ***Bill of Rights Day***

#### ***End of War in Iraq-2011***

**Pokeno:** Starts at **10:00 AM** with Edie. All are welcome. If you don't know how to play, the ladies will be happy to teach you.

### ***Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>***

#### ***Battle of the Bulge- 1944***

**MOC/MOCA Meeting:** Starts at **7:01 PM.**

### **R E M I N D E R S:**

***Only authorized personal are to adjust the thermostats at the Post! All others please leave them alone.***

***Use of foul language will not be tolerated at the Post!***

***Outside beverages are not allowed inside the Post!***

***The Post Calendar can be found here: <https://vfw7909.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=73416>***

***The Post Newsletter can be found here: <https://vfw7909.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=74178>***

***The Post Happenings can be found here: <https://vfw7909.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=155305>***

***Post Happenings is sent by Bruce Lindsay on behalf of the Post Commander.***

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**Post Officers**

Commander	J.D. Steichen
Sr. Vice	Joe Casey
Jr. Vice	Avalier (Hamm) Fowlkes
Quartermaster	Kemp (Lotto) Harris
Chaplain	Ty Strong
Surgeon	Hayden Faucett
Judge Advocate	John Cornish
Adjutant	Scott Sutherland
House Committee	Curtis Grady
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Trustee	John Daniels
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Trustee	Terrica Gilliam
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Trustee	Katrina Smalis

**Auxiliary Officers**

President	Kathleen Danahoo
Sr. Vice	Donna Garrett
Jr. Vice	Machelle Leverock
Treasurer	Debbie Tilley
Chaplain	Kathy Wright
Conductor	Antoinette Heise
Guard	Leilani Jones
Secretary	Debbie Tillis
Patriotic Instructor	Debbie Jolley
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Trustee	Margaret Latimer
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Trustee	Debbie Jolley
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Trustee	Leilani Jones