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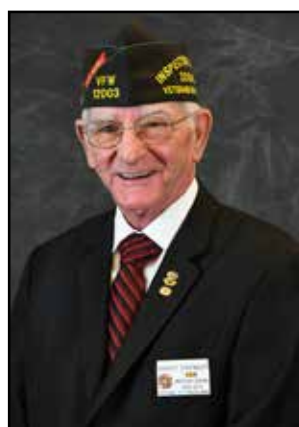
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New flags placed on veterans headstones



Huntley Project Post 7407 placed flags on Veterans headstones in two local cemeteries in Huntley and Ballantine, MT and conducted appropriate services at each. John W. Krkosa, former Post Commander, was presented with a citation and plaque for over 43 years as a member of the Post Honor Guard.



Charley Shoemaker
National Inspector General
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

VFW National Inspector General Charley Shoemaker, of Kansas to attend the School of Instruction at Great Falls Post 1087 on August 10-11. Come to the School of Instruction and meet Charley and receive some great training.

Deadlines

All articles and pictures have to be into Department Headquarters on or before the following dates for the next three issues of **The Montana Veteran**.

- October 15, 2018..... Dec-Jan-Feb-Mar
- February 15, 2019..... Apr-May-June-July
- June 15, 2019 Aug-Sept-Oct-Nov

Coming Events

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION IN GREAT FALLS | AUG 10-11

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

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| DISTRICT #6 | EKALAKA | SEPT 8 |
| DISTRICT #4 | BUTTE | SEPT 15 |
| DISTRICT #5 | SIDNEY | SEPT 16 |
| DISTRICT #1 | WHITEFISH | SEPT 29 |
| DISTRICT #2 | CONRAD | SEPT 29 |
| DISTRICT #3 | COLUMBUS | OCT 6 |

COMMANDER'S REPORT



JOE FLETCHER

First, let me express my sincere thanks to all of you for your electing me as your Department Commander for 2018-2019. I am indeed honored by your trust and faith placed in me to lead us this coming year.

Let me also express my sincere appreciation to Post 2252 for being an outstanding host for our convention. One of the very best I have attended. Again, my thanks for a job well done!

We have an excellent leadership team with our department line officers and district commanders and with our 2018-2019 Membership Programs in place; working together we can have a great year with super achievements and a lot of fun too. Again as I offered at convention, I am here to work along the side of you. If I or any one of my officers can assist you in any endeavor, please let us know and we will be there.

I know that you are going to hear a lot about membership being the life blood of any organization, and that is indeed true. I know that we can sign up our younger veterans all day long, especially those who are returning from deployment tours. But then it seems that is where we drop the ball. Folks, they never run out the back door,

they barely get their foot in the front door and then they turn around and leave. Have we ever wondered why they joined but never show up? I would like to submit this to you, make them feel welcome and not resented. Do not be afraid to let them take up leadership roles – encourage them to do that. You will be astounded what they can do for your post and community. At the local level, we (VFW Members) need to embrace our Auxiliaries. They are not our enemy, remember this, many are our wives, sisters, brothers and sometimes even our Mothers. There are no more them and us; we are a team working together for the benefit of all of our veterans and community. We need to be known in our communities as the “Go To” organization when veterans and their families are in need of help. Remember our Motto is “No One Does More for Veterans than the VFW.” Let’s demonstrate that this statement is absolutely true.

As I close this article, on behalf of our Auxiliary President, Jacki Poland and myself, let me express our sincere thanks to Past Department Commander, Chuck Carroll and Past Department Auxiliary President Cathy Evans, for their leadership, mentorship and friendship. You truly were the greatest. Thanks for “Caring Enough to Make a Difference.”

Joe Fletcher
State Commander



SENIOR VICE COMMANDER'S REPORT



HAROLD "BUSTER" WHEELER

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation and thanks to all for the support you gave me by electing me as your Sr. Vice State Commander for the upcoming year. It is my honor to serve you in this

position. The convention in Kalispell was a great success and my thanks goes out to all the folks in Post 2252 for their hard work and professionalism.

Membership is the key to our survival as an organization. We all need to work this program with enthusiasm and vigor. Any help you and your Post need just give us

a call and we will come running. I would like to challenge all members to sign up one new or reinstate one member. This can be done if we just look in the right places for these members. We really need to concentrate on the younger generation to keep our great organization alive. These younger folks are creative and have some great ideas. Let’s capitalize on them.

Don’t forget about our School of Instruction on 10 and 11 August 2018 at Post 1087 in Great Falls. Hope to see a big crowd in attendance. I look forward to working with all of you in the upcoming year and I am confident we will make it a success.

Harold (Buster) Wheeler
Sr. Vice State Commander

SAVE THE DATE:

Aug. 10-11, 2018
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at Post 1087 in Great Falls

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JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER'S REPORT



VIRGINIA "ROSE"
ARNOLD

Thank you to all of the members that came to the Department Convention to represent your Posts. I know that attending Department Convention is a major reason why I stayed active in the VFW. I loved my Post, but I was getting burnt out as we continuously focused on the small picture. I needed the refreshing atmosphere that the Department Convention is, with the reminders of what we really do for Veterans and our communities in a larger scale.

Thank you to all of the members that came out and put their faith in me to be a part of the amazing leadership team you've chosen for yourselves this year and for our future. I really appreciate all of the people that spoke on my behalf on and off the convention floor. I know we'll be working hard for every VFW Post in Montana to reach their goals and be successful in their mission!

This is the year of communication, which is something I truly believe in, you should already know this from the informative e-mails I've had Tim send out on behalf of our leadership team. I know communication is key because it has worked for me as a District Commander. I communicated with my Posts and it helped our District to achieve All-State and All-American. All levels of this organization want to see Posts communicating with District and District with Department, etc. Please work with your District Commanders as they are also *new* to the now required Monthly District Contact Sheet. Also, please be flexible with them as there is also a new deadline for inspections. October 15th gives them a month and a half less to get your inspection completed than past District Commanders had to get this important part of their job done. Don't let them slide on this though, you chose your District Commander and they work for

you! Being inspected on time is a part of the All-State requirements and every Post should make All-State this year! Speaking of communications, you'll be hearing a lot more from me this year not only to keep up with our goals and deadlines as a Department, but also as the Chairman for Americanism/Loyalty and Patriot's Pen.

The new school year will be upon us momentarily and that means we need to think about scholarship programs! I am hopeful that your District Commanders have already had their Chairmen send out the necessary information about Patriot's Pen, VOD and Teacher of the Year, but if they have been unable to do so at this time, don't let that stop you! Applications are available on www.vfw.org in the Document Repository, you'll find it under VFW Training and Support, in the Community Service, Scholarships and Awards section. This has everything you could possibly need from applications to instructions and judging criteria/score sheets. Please remember that the deadline is 31 October 2018 to your Post and 15 November 2018 to District Chairman. I also want to remind you that you should participate in these programs even if your Post is unable to offer an award, we don't want the kids in your community to miss such an amazing opportunity and they could win at the next levels and receive awards there!

I am very deadline/goal oriented so I'm going to take this opportunity to remind you now that there was a Trustees Quarterly Audit Report due on 31 July, this is the first one required for the All-State program. Quartermaster Bonds are due on 31 August and they should cover you for the largest sum of money you expect to have in all bank accounts and cash on hand, for example if you normally have \$1,000.00, but know you'll do a fundraiser that generally raises \$4,000.00, you should be bonded for \$5,000.00. 990 forms are due on 15 November as well!

Tim and Jack put on some really great training for this year's membership program, but in case you missed it, you

—JR. VICE, continued on page 5

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT



JIM PORTER

Dear Fellow Veterans, comrades, and Members of the Auxiliary, Peace be with you & your families. We are starting a new year, and as always, the very best of luck to all the newly elected officers. I know the state convention will be over by the time that you are reading this, and I sincerely hope that I am once again elected to the office of Chaplain for the Department of Montana. I thoroughly enjoy serving as your Chaplain, and if there is anything that any of you veterans think that I should be doing, or have any ideas as to what I

can do better, please let me know. I want to do the very best job I can for all the veterans in Montana, and their families.

Please let's all think "Membership". Our new Commander, Joe Fletcher, would love to be 100% by December 31st. With your help, we will be, but as everyone knows, Joe cannot do it by himself. That is why Joe is counting on each and every member to sign up one (1) member, if we can do that, we will be 100% by December 31st.

Lastly, please do not forget that if you have a sickness or death in your Post or a family member is sick or passed away, please let me know so I can get an appropriate card on the way. Take care & God bless each of you & your families.

Sincerely,
Jim Porter, State Chaplain



Post Commander Doug Brown presenting Certificates of Appreciation to Bob Leaf and Mark Colton for community service at VFW Post 1116 meeting on March 16, 2018. Pictured (L-R): Bob Leaf, Post 1116 Commander Doug Brown and Mark Colton.

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings!

Thank you for your support, encouragement and confidence that enabled me to be elected and installed as your President for the 2018-2019 VFW Auxiliary Year.

Like Commander Joe Fletcher, I'd like to thank VFW Post 2252 for a terrific Convention and a delicious, fun filled time BBQ.

Although the upcoming year will be filled with business, there will be good times too, watch for it to be announced later on.

We are all aware we need to increase our membership, let's keep working to build our Membership Numbers each and every day. When we meet someone that is eligible let them know we are there to support our Veterans and their Veterans too. We are there for the Veterans Families

as well.

We are a TEAM, and there is no "I" in TEAM. I say we are a family, and not all family members get along, but we need to work together for the wellbeing of the Organization we joined. We joined it for a much larger purpose. One that the end seems has no end in sight for some time. As long as we have Wars on Foreign Soil, we'll have Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Like Commander Joe Fletcher, I'd like to take this time to thank Past Department Commander Chuck Carroll and Past Department President Cathy Evans for all you did to make the transition an easy one, and still being there for questions when need be.

Respectfully yours,
Jacki Poland
State President

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Special Plaque	●	●	●
Hat Patch	●	●	●
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Thomas H. Armstrong	Gold Post 8292	William T. Winninghoff	Bronze Post 8292
Carl M. Carver	Gold Post 8292	Charles R. Thompson	Bronze Post 9040
Terry W. Lambert	Gold Post 8292	Edward J. Boucher	Bronze Post 10010
William I. Mackley	Gold Post 8292	John R. Buckley*	Bronze Post 10010
George F. Fryett, Jr.	Gold Post 9040	David F. Johnson	Bronze Post 10010
Elmer D. Bernard	Gold Post 10010	Melvin V. Johnson*	Bronze Post 10010
William R. Bovee*	Gold Post 10010	Dale A. Person*	Bronze Post 10010
Michael C. Buckley	Gold Post 10010	Robert J. Russ*	Bronze Post 10010
LeRoy S. Johnson	Gold Post 10010	George C. Stump Jr.	Bronze Post 10010
Lyle F. Pedersen	Gold Post 10010	Roy E. Jordan	Bronze Post 15027
Timothy C. Peters	Gold Post 10010	* Deceased	Total: 197

NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.

—JR. VICE, continued from page 3

should have been focused on members that hadn't paid their dues in April, May and June until 31 July. FYI if you did get those members to pay their dues, their expiration date will be updated to 31 July, if you're still working on them right now, that is great too because then you won't have to work on them again until next year! Better yet, start working on them to become Life Members. Our Leadership/Membership Team is planning a support drive from August 3rd to 8th to help Posts recover Lapsing/Lapsed annual members. Please reach out to our Membership Chairman, Jack Hawley or certified recruiter, Tim Peters if you need any sort of membership assistance. There is a mobile recruiting kit, (includes shadow box of eligible ribbons) Pavillion Tent and table covers available for the Posts to borrow from Department. If you want to host a recruiting event and you want help, Tim Peters or Jack Hawley and other members of your Leadership team will be available, but your Post will have to put in effort as well by participating in your recruiting event along with these officers. I say these guys are available,

but you also need to give them some notice. I'm also a Post member, so I know it takes a month to start discussing an event, another month to research every possible cost and then another month to hmmm and hawww over the details before you vote on it, so don't complain to me if they can't make it on short notice if you had 2+ months to let them know you wanted them to attend your event... Haha!

I'm sure that should cover us for a little while, but knowing me, I'm sure you'll be receiving many more informative e-mail messages on behalf of our leadership team! I look forward to attending some of your District meetings this Fall at the request of our Commander and getting to know many more of you, not just by face, but by name as well!

Please don't hesitate to contact me if there is something I can do for your Post. You can find me listed in the 2018-2019 "Orange" book.

Thanks again for your confidence in me for the ensuing year!

**Virginia "Rose" Arnold
State Jr. Vice Commander**

Department Service Officer

Here in Montana, we work diligently to keep up with the new processes of doing business with the VA. Our investment into a paperless claims management system has paid off! Our agency has been invited to participate as a pilot site utilizing a new paperless claims submission program called Digit to Digit (D2D).

The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) currently receives a large number of Veteran and Survivor claims and evidence is submitted and managed by our agency as the Veteran Service Organization acting on behalf of Veterans by way of a Power of Attorney (POA) relationship. Currently, all of the claims and evidence we manage is sent as paper submissions to VA via fax. To better manage the claims, last year we partnered with a software vendor to implement Vetraspec, a claims management system.

D2D is a data delivery service built to enable accredited service organizations to electronically submit data and related attachments from its claim management system to VA systems using a standardized and centralized method. It will reduce the time to submit VA claims and eliminate costs associated with filing paper claims by establishing secure and direct data transfers between the VA and accredited organizations.

The time savings will be tremendous! What use to take weeks, from submission by our organization to receipt by VA, will soon be immediate. We anticipate beginning this process in early January 2016. If you have never filed for VA benefits in the past, I encourage you to contact one of our Service Officers about beginning the process.

The goal of our 10 Montana Veterans Affairs Service Offices staffed with accredited Veterans Service Officers is to assist all veterans and their dependants with their VA benefits. Please contact us for more information.

Listed below are the MVAD/VFW offices throughout the state:

- Belgrade..... (406) 388-4601
- Billings..... (406) 248-8579
- Butte..... (406) 533-0910
- Great Falls..... (406) 452-2265
- Havre..... (406) 265-4225
- Helena..... (406) 495-2080/2081/2082/2083
- Kalispell..... (406) 755-3795
- Lewistown..... (406) 538-3174
- Miles City..... (406) 232-1203
- Missoula..... (406) 542-2501

Thank you for your service to our great country!

**Daniel Arnold
Department Service Officer**

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State Convention in Kalispell, MT



Sr. Vice Commander & President's Picnic



Auxiliary National Rep Debbie McCollum



Commander Chuck Carroll addresses the delegates.



Ryan Gallucci, Bob Sutton, Jane Loucks and Chuck Carroll



Mary Beth Arnold lights candle on POW/MIA table.



Joe Fletcher being sworn in as our New State Commander.



Ryan Gallucci, Bob Sutton and Chuck Carroll



Ryan Gallucci, Ed Byrne, Mike Stone and Chuck Carroll

State Convention in Kalispell, MT



Sr. Vice Commander & President's Picnic



*Ryan Gallucci, Bob Schwegel and Chuck Carroll.
Bob is receiving the VFW Commendation Medal for his many years of service
to the Department of Montana VFW.*



*Ryan Gallucci, Joe Murnion and Chuck Carroll
Joe Murnion receives a National Patriot's Pen award
for Jordan Post 7886's student.*



Ryan Gallucci, Sandi Sullivan and Chuck Carroll



Officers-elect being installed as this year's leadership for the Department of Montana VFW.



Governor Steve Bullock addressing the Convention.

TAPS

Post	First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	Post	First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name
209	Lewis	R	Clark	1548	Herbert	L	Coup
209	Amie	D	Cote	1548	Donald	J	Doubek
209	George	F	Jobe	1548	Terry	A	Hellekson
209	William	E	Patton	1548	Hiram	S	Lane
209	Walter	E	Spencer	1548	George	A	Mc Lean
209	Charles	R	Zotnick	1548	Gerald	H	Nielson
276	John	W	Clark	1548	Quentin	M	Young
276	Donald	C	Conat	1551	James	A	Reed
276	Art		Dockter	1579	Mencel	L	Carey
276	Leonard	W	Kates	1579	Clayton	P	Coles
276	William	T	Mc Murdo	1579	William	F	Damm
276	Floyd	E	Reisinger	1579	Robert	W	Gierke
276	William	F	St James	1579	William	A	Helm
497	David	J	Abbott	1579	Kenneth	W	Hom
497	Fred	G	Bitz	1579	Henry	W	Hopkins
497	Rubin		Buchholz	1579	Donald	I	Lindvold
497	Norman	A	Gorder	1579	Marlowe	D	Martin
497	Teddy	N	Pappas	1579	Floyd	A	Meade
497	Ted		Skinner	1579	Robert	H	Rask
497	William	A	Thompson	1579	Eldon	D	Toogood
689	Paul	R	Rafferty	1634	Walter	L	Berndt
903	Robert		Dixon	1634	Joseph	W	Bonawitz Jr
903	Claude	N	Stasney	1634	Jon	C	Grenier
1025	Loren	L	Nichols	1634	Zane	A	Raudibaugh
1087	Roy	E	Baggett	1634	William	D	Taylor
1087	Glenn	L	Barr	1703	Gale	S	Dorn
1087	Ray	J	Bergeron	1703	Charles	F	Mac Phail
1087	Kyle	R	Blett	1703	Donald		Mc Nees
1087	Carl	B	Boutwell	1703	Archie	E	Moss
1087	Wallace	B	Clark	1723	Melvin	A	Wood
1087	Jerrold	V	Evans	1876	Raymond	R	Brown
1087	Claiborne	J	Faulk	1876	John	J	Jurcich
1087	Harold	D	Floyd	1876	Nick		Reiss
1087	Michael	L	Geske	1876	Laurence	A	Rix
1087	George		Guay	1876	John	J	Sedminik
1087	Harvey	R	Hansen	1876	Edmond	L	Thompson
1087	James	C	Hansen	2154	John	C	Hochhalter
1087	Roger	H	Hanson	2154	Ronald	D	Howieson
1087	Raymond	F	Heinitz	2252	Charles	D	Bean
1087	Richard	G	Hirsch	2252	Clarence	M	Caudill
1087	Donald		Horan	2252	Kenneth	E	Fuller
1087	Thomas	J	Horan	2252	Dana	A	Gonser
1087	Carl	M	Jessen	2252	Sidney		Goodrich
1087	Vane	E	Johnson	2252	Sidney		Goodrich
1087	Herbert	P	Jones	2252	Erwin	R	Jensen
1087	Harold	E	Juedeman	2252	Marvin	A	Johnson
1087	Eugene	R	Kinkaid	2252	William	G	Koll
1087	Robert	J	Kirby	2252	Thomas	S	Mitchell
1087	William	A	Lane	2252	Victor	J	Nixon
1087	John	C	Latham	2252	Robert	S	Ruggles
1087	David		Mendoza	2252	Ted	W	Waggener
1087	John		Minder	2252	Jim		Westwang Jr
1087	Noel	E	Myers	2484	Leo	B	Alexander
1087	Stephen		Pedro	2484	Terrence	L	Moench
1087	Dominic		Piccono	2986	Harold		Applas Jr
1087	Thomas	W	Plunkett	2986	Terrence	G	Robbins
1087	Eugene	B	Stefani	2986	George		Snyder
1087	Charles	A	Stewart	3107	Donald	W	Johnson
1087	Frederick	J	Toupin	3107	Max		Porter
1087	Howard	L	Whitish	3177	James	A	Burrows
1087	Gary		Wilson	3177	John	P	Foley
1116	Joseph	F	Certalic	3596	Frank	J	Schmalz
1116	Henry	J	Filson	3596	George	F	Siegel
1116	Earl	H	Stevens	3648	Benjamin	A	Donaldson
1125	Arnold	L	Ames	3648	Clarence	W	Sherlock
1125	Robert	C	Brenner	3831	Richard		Green
1125	Michael	L	Flaten	3831	Harry	V	Johnson
1125	Dennis	E	Hjorth	3831	Dew	W	Lewis
1125	Ralph	J	Schaffel	4018	Curtis	B	Halseide
1448	Gordon	R	Corin	4018	William	G	Johnston
1507	Lee	H	Burkhardt	4042	Jack	C	Barraett
1507	Billy	J	Groves	4042	Charly	O	Clark
1507	John	L	Hickman	4042	Tommy		Marin
1507	Lavon	M	Johnson	4047	Ronald	J	Saville
1507	Gregory	J	Maggs	4047	William	D	Vischer
1543	Wilma	J	Aye	4067	George	C	Eklund
1543	Robert	G	Krall	4067	Carl	D	Kaasa
1548	Roger	H	Brus	4067	Winston	H	Mitchell
1548	Harold	A	Cole				

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4099	Jack	L	Garcia	7655	Bob	L	Hovde
4099	Donald	K	Johnson	7655	Glen	L	Peterman
4099	James	H	Rehbein	7655	Clair		Rodman
4099	Laurence	R	Ziler	7655	Ted	T	Wright
4109	Norman	P	Banta	7886	Jay	E	Twitchell
4198	Richard		Ballatore	8292	David	J	Beaudoin
4620	John	J	Taylor	8952	Harry		Spry
4669	John	H	Boysun	9040	John		Burwell
4669	Henry	W	Curry	9040	Philip	W	Murphy
4669	Floyd	A	Palagi	10010	Mervin	G	Gunderson
4669	August	J	Strizich	10010	Robert	W	Jackson
4813	Leo		Kahm	10010	James	F	Jacobsen
4925	Paul	R	Meged	10010	Mieczyslaw	W	Mielczarek
5159	Russell	J	Carey	10010	Dale	A	Person
5159	Roy	M	De Long	10010	Joseph	S	Prebil
5514	Robert	E	Brown	10010	Ray	J	Reinig
5514	Homer	T	Davis	10010	Ray	D	Thares
5514	Bud	R	Hanson	10010	Terry	A	Widhalm
5514	Kenneth	C	Hays	10010	Ralph	C	Williamson
5556	Wayne	P	Little	12112	Walter	D	Johnson
5652	Arnold		Armstrong	15027	Leland	E	Bloom
5652	Dennis	E	Ingraham	15027	Edward	A	Brown
5652	Calvin	j	Lindburg	15027	Vinton	F	Collins
5652	Worth	A	Nelson	15027	Bill	J	Dugan
5652	Lester	M	Paro	15027	Harris	W	Endreson
5652	Steven		Rongyocsik	15027	Merritt	A	Evans
5652	Phillip	A	Roullier	15027	Michael	O	Faughn
5652	Michael	D	Trahan	15027	Kenneth		Friske
6238	Charlie		Harrold	15027	Joe		Garr
6774	Ivan	J	Bailey	15027	Joseph	A	Goldes
6774	Michael	H	Balich	15027	Richard	O	Gosman
6774	Paul	N	Bollman II	15027	George		Gredek
6774	Craig	B	Braaten	15027	Anthony	D	Guardipee
6774	Nicholas	B	Brackett	15027	Chuck	F	Heaney
6774	Robert	E	Hanson	15027	Richard	C	Heater
6774	Orrin	M	Hart	15027	Robert	D	Hebard
6774	Joseph		Hartman	15027	Robert		Heinen
6774	Francis	J	Pelletier	15027	John	A	Henen
6774	James	W	Reeves	15027	Ronald		Henneberg
6774	William		Roh	15027	Daryl	V	Homegun
6774	Tony		Schaff	15027	Stanley	H	Jenkins
6774	Lincoln		Waarvik	15027	Lloyd	R	Jensen
6774	Gerard	C	Weitz	15027	Norman		Knudson
6774	Rick	R	Young	15027	James	C	Larsen
6774	Wally		Zentner	15027	Lawrence	S	Linton
6786	John	E	Morgan	15027	Douglas	E	Mills
6786	Michael	B	Nelson	15027	Eddie	O	Ohms
6786	Dean	E	Stacy	15027	Sherwin	E	Palmer
6786	Maynard		Waldner	15027	Kenneth	B	Salois
7311	Rodney	A	Melchert	15027	Michael	L	Schrader
7407	Conley	E	Compton	15027	Henry	J	Shaw
7407	Joshua	T	Darity	15027	Arnold	A	Sundberg
7407	Scott	f	Stewart	15027	Barbara		Van Diest
7407	Frank		Zimmerer	15027	Robert		Wicks
7655	Fred	C	Banka	15027	Forrest		Yeaton
7655	George	F	Ellingson				

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<p>WHITEFISH POST 276 Meeting 1st Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Post and Auxiliary Club Room open 9:00 a.m. to ? 7 days a week</p>	<p>BLACK EAGLE POST 4669 Post Meetings – 4th Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Club open daily at 12:00 p.m. Mon-Sat Lounge – Banquet Hall – Meeting Room Bowling Center, 2332 Smelter Ave. 453-4736</p>	<p>DAN ARNOLD DEPARTMENT SERVICE OFFICER Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday 406-452-2265 600 Central Plaza, Suite 300 • Great Falls, MT 59401</p>
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<p>LIBBY POST 1548 Meetings 1st Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Bingo every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Club open daily at 12:00 Noon to 2:00 a.m. 7 days a week</p>	<p>KALISPELL POST 2252 Post Meets 1st Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Breakfast available for purchase. 3rd Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Lounge open 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Daily Come in and enjoy Flathead Camaraderie</p>	<p>BOZEMAN POST 903 121 W. Main (406) 577-2155 Meeting 3rd Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Club House Open 12 Noon - 11 p.m. daily Members and Guests Welcome</p>
<p>BIGFORK POST 4042 AND AUXILIARY VFW Meeting 2nd Tuesday of the month/same time Auxiliary Meeting 1st Wednesday of the month Steak Night – 3rd Wednesday of the month</p>	<p>EUREKA POST 6786 Post Meeting 1st Tuesday – 7:00 p.m. Auxiliary Meeting 1st Tuesday – 1:30 p.m. Club open 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.</p>	<p>MISSOULA POST 209 Post Meeting 2nd Wednesday – 7:00 p.m. Auxiliary Meeting 2nd Tuesday – 2:00 p.m.</p>
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<p>GLASGOW POST 3107 AND AUXILIARY 1222 Highway 2 West Meeting 2nd Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Canteen open 2:00 p.m. to ?, Mon-Sat</p>	<p>PLENTYWOOD POST 4018 AND VETERAN'S CLUB Post Meeting 1st Tuesday – 7:00 p.m. American Legion Post 58 Meeting 2nd Monday – 8:00 p.m. Club Hours 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>e-Edition</p> <p>Same format as our printed edition. You can view current editions as well as back issues of the <i>Montana Veteran</i> on our website at vfwmt.org</p> <p>The Montana Veteran Department of Montana VFW c/o Tim Peters P.O. Box 4789 Fort Harrison, MT 59636</p> <p>The Montana Veteran is produced at American Publishing LLC Jenny DeBack, Owner americanpublishing8482@gmail.com</p> </div>
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