



# THE POST SCRIPT



April 2026

*Next Meeting – April 14th, at 7:30 p.m.*

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## Commander's Comments

Comrades,

Another successful month has passed, and we accomplished our goals for March with the help of all our volunteers, thank you! April is going to be an active month, and you'd be a "fool" not to come out and enjoy the new renovations thanks to the Dyess We Care Team. All these changes line up with Easter as it symbolizes renewal, hope, and the promise of new beginnings, inviting us to reflect on personal growth and transformation.

All members are invited to the District 8 meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> in Brownwood. We will be voting on our next team of leaders for 2026-2027 year on the 14<sup>th</sup> at our monthly membership meeting. Please come and support the members who have stepped up to help run our Post, you can be one of them and make a difference.

Stay informed of all the events at your Post by grabbing a calendar and checking our social media regularly for updates. Please contact me or any Post officer of your concerns and ideas to make this next year the best yet.

*"The great gift of Easter is hope" Basil C Hume.*

**Gary Blake**

## Senior Vice-Commander

Through our **National Security & Foreign Affairs (NSFA)** program, we present our views to government agencies on issues ranging from quality-of-life improvements for service members to promoting democracy abroad to the full accounting of those missing in action.

The NSFA program articulates a national security and foreign affairs policy that calls for a strong national defense and quality of life improvements for military personnel, retirees, and their families; guarantees our integrity as a nation; promotes our democratic ideals and interests abroad; and seeks the fullest possible accounting of all military service members from all wars. This includes foreign travel and fact-finding trips by national officers and staff to gain firsthand knowledge of military and diplomatic operations around the world and across the country. These missions further serve to validate the requirement to pursue key issues of concern to our military forces and national interests abroad.

While the program is developed by the NSFA Committee and the POW/MIA Subcommittee, the program's mandates are derived from the resolutions adopted by the delegates to the VFW National Convention each year.

**David Sabo**



We have 45 full hook-up RV sites (water, electricity, and sewer).

Laundry Center, Showers and Restroom.  
*\*NO RESERVATIONS\**

**Post Opens at 11 AM**

Everyday

**Kitchen Hours**

Monday-Friday

10:00 AM -2:00 PM

Saturday & Sunday

11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Bar Hours**

Monday - Friday

11:00 AM – Close

Saturday & Sunday

11:00 AM – Close

**Kitchen Open Friday Nights  
at 7:00 PM – Closing.**

**Canteen Manager**

Linda Westerman

**POST OFFICERS**

- Commander..... Gary Blake
- Senior Vice ..... David Sabo
- Junior Vice.....Josh Baker
- Quartermaster..... Richard Marshall
- Judge Advocate.....Julio Martinez
- Surgeon.....Keith Quinn
- Chaplain.....Charlie Bowen
- 3 Year Trustee..... Richard Nunley
- 2 Year Trustee..... Aivars Jurkis
- 1 Year Trustee..... Mike Reilly
- Adjutant.....Richard Marshall
- Service Officer.....Charlie Bowen
- House Chairman....Rich Champagne
- Bingo Chairman.....David Sabo
- Past Commander....Rodell Whitmore

**Junior Vice Commander**

We have several events this month, Our Post birthday is the 11<sup>th</sup> come out and celebrate with us. We have our annual awards ceremony on the 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM, please sign up if you plan on attending. The 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> is the Spring All State meeting for the VFWMGTX in Leander. Then the Texas VFW birthday is on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

We still have shuffleboard on Sundays, potluck on Monday nights, cornhole on Tuesdays and Thursdays, free Karaoke Fridays and live entertainment on Saturdays. Please support your Post where you can.

Happy Easter and I hope to you around the Post.

*"Be the change you want to see."*

**Josh Baker**

**Auxiliary President**

It is nearing the time to consider 2026-2027 district and auxiliary officers for the upcoming year. As a member in good standing of the auxiliary, your presence is required at our election on April 14th to nominate candidates for office. Please note that no meal will be provided on election night. I would like to express my gratitude to each of you for your unwavering support; I could not have accomplished this without you, and I appreciate your efforts. I also wish to inform you that I will not be seeking the presidency for the upcoming year, as I require a temporary leave for personal reasons. However, I will remain involved and offer assistance when needed. As a reminder, the year-end report is due to the district president on April 10th; please submit it to me prior to that date. On April 11th, there will be a district meeting and election in Brownwood, and I encourage you to attend. Additionally, please plan to participate in the District Call Meeting at our Post on April 18th, where our State President, Irma Solis, will be the guest. You can find more information on the flyer that will be distribute at the district meeting on April 11th.

Finally, I would like to extend my appreciation to the Dyess We Care team for their exceptional efforts in enhancing the appearance of our post and auxiliary room, and to Mackie Crossan, I offer my gratitude – your support and assistance were instrumental in achieving this outcome.

May God continue to bless our post and our Veterans.

**Anna Martinez**

**Service Officer/Chaplain**

The VA has completed a new disability rule after media blowback. Be aware of fraud payments and always ask for a discount with your ID ready.

Please let us know about members in the hospital or who have passed on.

*Leave a lot of happy tracks as you go down life's road.*

**Charlie Bowen**

**KITCHEN HOURS**

Snack Bar inside Bingo

Monday – Friday 10:00 AM -2:00 PM  
 Saturday & Sunday 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
 Friday Night 7:00 PM till Closing

**BINGO**

Monday – Friday 10:00 AM 3:00 PM  
 Saturday & Sunday 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
 Friday & Saturday 8:00 PM – 11:30 PM



Martin D. Denson Post 6873

\*Prices, menu, hours and entertainment may change\*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 5 EASTER Shuffleboard 2:30 PM 	 6 Potluck Dinner 6 PM Cooties Meeting 7 PM	 7 Cornhole 6:30 PM	 8 POW Recognition Day CFS Dinner 5 PM Cornhole 6:30 PM	2 House Committee 6 PM Cornhole 6:30 PM	3 Good Friday Karaoke 7 PM	4 Trash-Off
12 MG Unit 7 @ 1 PM Shuffleboard 2:30 PM	13 Potluck Dinner 6 PM	14 Airforce Reserve B-day VFW & Auxiliary Meetings 7:30 PM	15 Cornhole 6:30 PM \$10 Exit 277	16 Rib Dinner 6 PM Cornhole 6:30 PM	17 Awards Ceremony Karaoke 7 PM	18 \$5 DJ Tejano
19 Shuffleboard 2:30 PM	20 Potluck Dinner 6 PM	21 TX VFW Birthday Cornhole 6:30 PM	 22 Army Reserve B-day Cornhole 6:30 PM	23 Cornhole 6:30 PM	24 Karaoke 7 PM	25 \$5 DJ Motown
26 Shuffleboard 2:30 PM	27 Potluck Dinner 6 PM	28 Cornhole 6:30 PM	29 Brats Day Cornhole 6:30 PM	30 Cornhole 6:30 PM	Karaoke 7 PM 	\$10 Halls of Karma

VFW Post 6873 officer elections will be held the 17<sup>th</sup>

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**Important Events**

Trash-Off 4<sup>th</sup> at 9AM  
Easter 5<sup>th</sup>  
Post Birthday 11<sup>th</sup>  
District 8 in Brownwood 11<sup>th</sup>  
VFW Membership Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM  
Awards Ceremony 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM  
Texas VFW Birthday 21<sup>st</sup>



The VFW Post 6873 Bingo is on Facebook. Please "Like" our page to find out Specials and Door Prize announcements.

**MONTH OF APRIL ALL SESSIONS 66 CARD MACHINES \$10 – PER SESSION**

**Bingo Schedule:**

- Friday & Saturday Nite Time Bingo - Doors open at 7:30 PM, the first game starts at 10 PM. \$10 – 66 card machines.
- Paper packs are \$4.00, Specials are \$2.00, and Double Actions are \$1.00.

**Reminder:**

Kitchen will be open on Friday Nights (No outside food or drinks on Friday Nights Sessions). Please, bring your own food and drink on Saturday nights.  
No children *under 10 years old* allowed in the bingo hall. Children 10 thru 18 must be with their parents or guardians and must be playing bingo. Parents will be responsible for their children's behavior. No unattended children allowed in the parking lot and/or sitting in cars.

**Specials:**

APRIL 1 <sup>st</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>\$10 – 66 CARD MACHINES PER SESSION.</b>
APRIL SPECIAL	<b>FREE BIRTHDAY DAUBER &amp; PAY A DOLLAR FOR A 45 CARD MACHINE PER SESSION (PHOTO ID WITH BIRTHDATE REQUIRED)</b>
APRIL 14 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>FREE EASTER DAUBERS</b>

Monday – Friday	<b>OPEN 10:00 AM 1<sup>st</sup> Session 11:30 AM 2<sup>nd</sup> Session 1:00 PM</b>
Saturday & Sunday	<b>OPEN 12:00 PM 1<sup>st</sup> Session 2:00 PM 2<sup>nd</sup> Session 3:30 PM</b>
Friday & Saturday Nights	<b>OPEN 8:30 PM Session starts 10:00 PM</b>

\*Prices and game schedules are subject to change\*