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September 2025

Next Meeting – September 9th, at 7:30 p.m.

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# Commander's Comments

#### Comrades.

August was a great month, and I thank everyone for their support. The National convention was attended by Jimmy Carter, thank you for representing our Post! The first female was elected as Commander In Chief! We have a busy September planned and need all hands-on deck to make it a success. New activities are planned so please check out the calendar and come enjoy your Post. Summer may be ending but our work is never done.

Remembrance September 12th of Pfc. Martin D. Denson, 21, was a native of Abilene, Texas. He entered the Army in January and was stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C., as an infantryman. R.I.P September 12, 1968 - December 20th, 1989. "Operation Just Cause" Panama.

VFW DAY September 29, 1899, thirteen veterans of the Spanish-American War formed the American Veterans of Foreign Service (AVFS) that has grown into today's VFW with over 1.4 million members.

Yours in comradeship,

Gary Blake

# Senior Vice-Commander

# Greetings,

Yearly membership is \$40- and 2-year membership is \$80. Life membership is the way to save!

Age as of December 31st One Time		nent	Life Installment Plan	
	Initial payment	11 payments of		
Through age 30	\$425.00	\$45.00	\$38.64	
31-40	\$410.00	\$45.00	\$37.27	
41-50	\$375.00	\$45.00	\$34.09	
51-60	\$335.00	\$45.00	\$30.45	
61-70	\$290.00	\$45.00	\$26.36	
71-80	\$225.00	\$45.00	\$20.45	
81 AND OVER	\$170.00	\$45.00	\$15.45	

<sup>\*</sup>must have an email address to sign up for the life installment plan\*

# David Sabo





#### **RV PARK**

LAUNDRY CENTER SHOWERS & RESTROOM ACCEPTING ALL

- VFW- AUX MEMBERS
- ACTIVE DUTY
- RETIRED VETERANS
- SPONSORED GUESTS
- NO RESERVATIONS

# **BINGO SNACK BAR**

Monday-Friday 10:00 AM -2:00 PM Saturday & Sunday 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

# **CANTEEN OPEN**

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	
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
	Mike Reilly
Adjutant	Richard Marshall
Service Officer	Charlie Bowen
Bingo Chairman	David Sabo
House Chairman	Rich Champagne
Past Commander	Rodell Whitmore

# Junior Vice Commander

# **Programs**

7th VJ Day at 2:00 PM 11th Patriots Breakfast at 7:00 AM 19th POW/MIA Day 6:30 PM

### **Thursday Night Dinners:**

4th Post Fish
11th Cootie Night Chicken Fried Steak
18th MG Filipino Night
25th Post Spaghetti Night

"Be the change you want to see"

Josh Baker

# **Auxiliary President**

# **Auxiliary Members**

First, I would like to express our sincere appreciation for the diligent efforts you expend on behalf of our Veterans; let us continue to offer our support and prayers for them. We are experiencing a brisk start, and this month promises to be exceptionally busy. Our next meeting is scheduled for September 9th. The entrée will be Chicken Alfredo and salad. Please consider bringing a side dish or dessert and participating in the fellowship. The POW-MIA program will take place on September 19 at 6:30 pm, and everyone is cordially invited. The Gold Star luncheon is scheduled for September 27th at 12:00 noon. If any member is acquainted with a parent of, or has an active-duty member deployed, please notify a member of the Auxiliary, as we would like to acknowledge these Blue Star Parents. Thank you sincerely for your tireless efforts, and I look forward to encountering you throughout the Post and at all our programs. Have a blessed day!

Anna Martinez

# Service Officer/Chaplain

Guitars for Vets (G4V) serves at-risk United States Veterans impacted by PTSD and other service-related trauma. Through their unique, 10-week structured guitar instruction program, they put the healing power of music in the hands of our nation's heroes, helping to foster renewal, connection and community. VFW members interested in volunteer opportunities or hosting free guitar lessons at their Post are encouraged to contact Guitars 4 Vets National Program Director Bailey King at bailey@guitarsforvets.org.

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

**BINGO SNACK BAR** 

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



# NGO

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

# Post 6873 1049 Veterans Drive Abilene TX

	28 Pinochle 2 PM Shuffleboard 2:30 PM	21 Pinochle 2 PM Shuffleboard 2:30 PM	Quarterly Meeting Pinochle 2 PM Shuffleboard 2:30 PM	MG Unit 7 @ 1 PM VJ Day 2 PM Pinochle 2 PM Shuffleboard 2:30 PM		Sunday
PI	29 National VFW Day 1899	22	15	8 Cooties Meeting 7 PM	1 ★ HAPPY * LABOR DAY	Monday
We have a lot going on this month! Please join us and help make it a great month!!	30 Cornhole 6:30 PM <b>Trivia Night 7 PM</b>	23 Cornhole 6:30 PM <b>Trivia Night 7 PM</b>	16 Cornhole 6:30 PM <b>Trivia Night 7 PM</b>	9 Life Member Meet 6:00 PM VFW & Auxiliary Meetings 7:30 PM	2 Cornhole 6:30 PM <b>Trivia Night 7 PM</b>	*Prices, menu, l Tuesday
g on this month!	Adde Strol (#178646)	24 \$1.00 Wings 2 PM	17 \$1.00 Wings 2 PM	10 \$1.00 Wings 2 PM Cornhole 6:30 PM	3 \$1.00 Wings 2 PM	*Prices, menu, hours and bands may change* sday Wednesday
	25 Spaghetti Dinner 6 PM Cornhole 6:30 PM	18 USAF B-day <b>Filipino Dinner 6 PM</b> Cornhole 6:30 PM	Patriot Breakfast 7AM  CFS Dinner 6 PM  Cornhole 6:30 PM	4 House Committee 6 PM Fish Dinner 6 PM Cornhole 6:30 PM	e* Thursday	
	***	26 Karaoke 7 PM	19 POW/MIA Day 630 PM Karaoke 7 PM	Pfc Martin D Denson Birthday  Karaoke 7 PM	5 Karaoke 7 PM	Friday
	27 Gold Star Family Day \$10 Outlaw Band	20 \$5 DJ Texas Heat	13 \$5 D.J. Mirelez	Parade \$10 Alzheimer's Fundraiser Party	Saturday	

#### Martin D. Denson VFW Post 6873

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# **Important Events**

7<sup>th</sup> VJ Day at 2:00 PM

11th Patriots Breakfast at 7:00 AM

12th Pfc. Martin D. Denson Birthday

19th POW/MIA Day 6:30 PM

**National VFW Day 1899** 



# NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.



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

# MONTH OF SEPTEMBER ALL SESSIONS 66 CARD MACHINES \$10 – PER SESSION

#### **Bingo Schedule:**

Monday – Friday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

- Friday & Saturday Nite Time Bingo Doors open at 8:00 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:**

SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>

\$10 - 66 CARD MACHINES PER SESSION.

FREE BIRTHDAY DAUBER & PAY A DOLLAR FOR A 66 CARD MACHINE PER SESSION (PHOTO ID WITH BIRTHDATE REQUIRED)

**SEPTEMBER 1st** 

FREE BINGO DAUBER S WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!

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

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