



VFW Post 10281 Family News

March 2026



Post Operating Hours:

10:00am - 11:00pm (Monday – Thursday)

10:00am - 1:00am (Friday)

8:00am - 1:00am (Saturday*)

(*8-11am Open to public for breakfast)

Sunday Closed (except for Special Events)

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Post Officers

Commander - Andrell “Jack” Jackson

Senior Vice – Joe Parker

Junior Vice – David Thomas

Quartermaster – Belinda Gaither-Schmitt

Chaplain – Ushelor Lowery

1 yr. Trustee – Tommie Eiland

2 yr. Trustee – Jimmy Silva

3 yr. Trustee – Kenneth Meyer

Adjutant - Eddie Knowles

Veterans Service Officer – not assigned

Judge Advocate - Rob Woosley

Surgeon – Daniel Molley



Dear VFW Family!

March 2026

As we step into the month of March, I want to take a moment to reflect on the strength, unity, and continued commitment shown by our members over the past month. Because of you, our Post remains active, visible, and deeply connected to our community.

Last month was filled with meaningful events, strong participation, and tremendous teamwork. MOC/MOCA did an outstanding job hosting the Cootie Grand, along with the Banquet, and the Kids Fishing Derby (KFD) committee hosted a great Super Bowl Party. They represented our Post well and demonstrated the dedication, pride, and teamwork that make our organization strong.

A special thank you goes out to everyone who supported and participated in our recent Blood Drive. The success of this event speaks volumes about who we are as an organization. Blood drives are more than calendar events; they are lifelines. They strengthen our ties within the community and demonstrate that the Veterans of Foreign Wars stand ready to serve not only Veteran's families but our neighbors as well. Every donor, volunteer, and supporter helped make a real difference. Thank you for showing what service beyond self truly looks like.

As of the time this was written, we still need 32 recruits to meet our membership goals. Please reach out and bring our Veterans home. Our strength grows when we actively invite fellow Veterans to be part of what we are building.

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Call "Ten Two," Response "Eight One"

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Nominations for Post offices open this month and voting takes place in April. Your vote counts.

We have a full calendar of events this month, here are just a few key dates to keep in mind:

- 7 March – Cooties at the RVC, 10:00am
- 8 March – Community Breakfast, 11:00am
- 8 March – MOC/MOCA Scratch, 1:30pm
- 11 March – Monthly Meetings, 7:00pm (Nominations Open)
- 13–16 March – Spring Conference
- 28 March – Country Night, \$5 at the door

These are just highlights—we have a host of activities, meetings, and opportunities for involvement throughout the month. Stay connected, check the calendar regularly, and find a way to plug in.

In closing, we have lost some of our members the last few months. Please take a moment to remember them and their families.

A digital copy of this Newsletter and our Calendar can be found at this link: [News - VFW 10281](#)

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VFW Auxiliary President's Pen

From VFW Auxiliary President Cindy West

Greetings Team,

March 2026

Spring is in the air....or at least I hope it isn't snow!

It's conference time and I am so excited to meet with our friends from all over the state. If you can make it to Northern Kentucky the weekend before St. Patrick's Day, I strongly encourage you to do so. We get a lot of work done and have a ton of fun doing so!

Thank you to everyone who helped make our blood drive such a success! It was our first time doing this and I was blown away by the generosity of everyone literally rolling up their sleeves to help with critical blood shortages across the commonwealth. 1 pint can save up to 4 people! It's so worthwhile and I am grateful we were given the opportunity to contribute!

Information about the Kid's Easter Party will be coming out shortly. If you want to participate, please submit your applications. We may need to review our party process due to declining participation.



As always, we appreciate the opportunity to serve you!



Cootie Bites & Military Order of the Cooties Auxiliary



From Military Order of the Cooties Seam Squirrel Chris Squires & MOCA #7 President Ashtin Birkicht

Dear Comrades & Cooties,

March 2026

Our monthly visit to the RVC is on the 7th and we will be holding our officer elections at our March Scratch on March 8th.

Don't forget to come out and help us celebrate St Patrick's Day in the canteen on Saturday the 21st.

**St. Patrick's
Dinner & Celebration**
March 21, 2026
5 - 8 PM
VFW 10281 Canteen
\$10 per meal ticket

Pup Tent 7



Yours in L.O.T.C.S.

Coming in April

**IT'S BACK!
DINNER & AUCTION**
FROM THE PAST... RESURRECTED!
DONATIONS NEEDED!
*One Man's Trash is
Another Man's Treasure!*

SATURDAY • APRIL 11, 2026
COOTIE SPONSORED FUNDRAISER

4:00 PM COCKTAIL HOUR
5:00 PM DINNER
AUCTION TO FOLLOW

CONTACT ASHTIN BIRKICHT 502-604-1730 OR
DAWN VANTASSELL 502-655-1379 (PREFERABLY BY TEXT)

Keep them smiling ⁵ in beds of white



Kid's Fishing Derby!

June 6th @ Camp Carlson
From Jaime & Tiffany Palomo Co-Chairmen



Hello Everyone!

March 2026

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued support you've shown VFW Post 10281 over the past month. February's Super Bowl Watch Party was a tremendous success, and we truly appreciate everyone who came out to support the event. The turnout was outstanding, and the energy in the room made it a night to remember. Thank you to those who brought a dish or dessert to share — the food was fantastic and truly reflected the spirit of fellowship that makes our Post so special.

It was great to gather together to watch the big game and enjoy each other's company. A very special shoutout to our amazing bartender, Tamika, who kept everything running smoothly behind the bar all evening. We also want to thank Cindy, Eric, Travell, Kaleem, Tiffany, and everyone else who stepped up to help set up, clean up, organize, and make sure the event ran seamlessly. Your teamwork and dedication do not go unnoticed — we couldn't have done it without you!

Events like these are more than just game-day celebrations. They are opportunities for us to strengthen bonds, welcome new faces, and continue building the sense of camaraderie that defines our Post. Whether you volunteered, brought food, or simply showed up to support, you played a part in making the evening a success.





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Looking ahead, we're excited to announce that we will be Hosting a March Madness event in March. Keep an eye out for a flyer with full details coming soon. We hope you'll join us for great food, friendly banter, and exciting basketball as we gather together to enjoy the tournament and each other's company.

As always, your enthusiasm, generosity, and commitment are what truly make VFW Post 10281 feel like family. Thank you for your continued support of our veterans, our mission, and one another.



Turkey Talk!
Randy Morris Turkey Shoot Chairman

Turkey Shoot Season Oct 4th – Mar 28th

March 2026

Join us for the 2025-2026 Turkey Shoot Season. Practice opens at 11am and ends at 12:30pm. Lunch is provided. Initial buy-in is 10 rounds at \$25, jackpot entry is \$5, side bet is \$12 and the monthly leaderboard is \$3 for an "all-in" total of \$45. Shoot begins at 1pm. Prizes are awarded for each round and lunch is provided.

Spread the word and we hope to see you there!

Manager's Mention

From Manager Kim Flynn & Assistant Managers– Malcolm & Misty

March 2026

Hello 10281 Family!

Start of the month with Free Money Madness E-tab tournaments beginning on the 2nd and continuing every Monday at 7pm.

- Community Breakfast will be held on, **Sunday, March 8th** at 11am.
- February's Balloon Party will be on Friday the 20th, starting at 7pm.
- Country Night on the 28th with Zach Jennings, \$5 band cover charge.
- Every Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday evening at 5pm we will offer free food.
🌮 The Third Tuesday of the month is Taco Tuesday 🌮
- Every Thursday we will offer Schnitzel meals for Lunch and Dinner at a special price.

Don't miss
Zach Jennings
on the 28th
\$5 cover
charge

Congratulations to our February Money Madness Winners!



As always, thank you all for your continued support!



Views from the V



Please go to our website Gallery to see more Views from the V at: <https://vfw10281.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=18387&subID=5128&x=x#gallery>



VFW Commander – Andrell "Jack" Jackson

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MOC Seam Squirrel – Chris Squires

VFW Auxiliary President – Cindy West

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 POST CLOSED	2 Free Money Madness E-tab Tourney 7pm	3 Canteen Free Food 5pm - Boy Scouts 6pm	4 Canteen Free Food 5pm - Executive Mtg: 6pm - House Comm Mtg: 6:30pm	5 - Board Game Nite 6-9pm Dungeons & Dragons	6 Canteen Free Food 5pm	7 - Breakfast to Order Open to Public 8-11am - Cooties RVC 10am - Turkey Shoot: 11am - P/P: 6pm - Close
8 Daylight Saving Community Breakfast: 11am MOC/MOCA: Elections Scratch @ 1:30pm (Pie Nite Follows)	9 Free Money Madness E-tab Tourney 7pm	10 Canteen Free Food 5pm - Boy Scouts 6pm	11 - General Membership Meeting: 7pm ***Nominations***	12 - Board Game Nite 6-9pm Warhammer	13 Spring Conference Florence, KY 13-14th Canteen Free Food 5pm	14 Spring Conference - Breakfast to Order Open to Public 8-11am - CVMA Mtg: 10am - Turkey Shoot: 11am - P/P: 6pm - Close
15 POST CLOSED	16 Free Money Madness E-tab Tourney 7pm	17 St. Patrick's Day - Canteen Free Taco's 5pm - Boy Scouts 6pm	18 Canteen Free Food 5pm	19 - Board Game Nite 6-9pm Dungeons & Dragons	20 Canteen Free Food 5pm - Balloon Party: 7pm - P/P: 7:30pm - Close	21 Breakfast to Order Open to Public 8-11am - HCPMA Mtg: 9am - Turkey Shoot: 11am - Cootie St. Patrick's Event Starts at 5pm - P/P: 6pm - Close
22 POST CLOSED	23  Monthly Birthday Bash and Free Money Madness E-tab Tourney 7pm	24 Canteen Free Food 5pm - Boy Scouts 6pm	25 Canteen Free Food 5pm	26 - Board Game Nite 6-9pm Magic: The Gathering	27 - P/P: 11am-TBD Canteen Free Food 5pm	28 - Breakfast to Order Open to Public 8-11am - Turkey Shoot: 11am - P/P: 11am-2pm Country Music Nite 7-11pm / \$5 Cover
29 KFD 	30 Free Money Madness E-tab Tourney 7pm	31 Canteen Free Food 5pm - Boy Scouts 6pm	1 Canteen Free Food 5pm - Executive Mtg: 6pm - House Comm Mtg: 6:30pm	2 - Board Game Nite 6-9pm Dungeons & Dragons	3 Canteen Free Food 5pm	4 - Breakfast to Order Open to Public 8-11am

Legend: **Aux:** VFW Auxiliary

RVC: Radcliff Veterans Center

D4: VFW District 4

MOC/MOCA: Military Order of Cooties / Military Order of Cooties Auxiliary

CVMA: Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association

P/P: Private Party in Ballroom

TS: Turkey Shoot

HCPMA: Hardcore Patriots Motorcycle Association

KFD: Kids' Fishing Derby