



# VFW POST 2093

## *The Action Post on the Lake*



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**DECEMBER 7TH, 1941**



**REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR**



DECEMBER 2024



## Letter from the Editor



The holidays are upon us and it's the night before Thanksgiving, as I write this. I can't believe how fast this year flew by! At the end of the year, I like to reflect on what occurred through out 2024. We've had some great times and some sad times. We had lost a few members which is very sad.

We've done so much this year! We had the floors replaced in the canteen and we are in the process of getting quotes for replacing the plumbing. We've had many benefits that were very successful. We've raised funds for the department Commander and President, while also raising funds for our own Post. Also, we had two weddings, Wanda and Randy & Tom and Julie.

Some new people have joined our Post and Auxiliary, and I've loved seeing these new members getting involved. Naomi showed up one night and repaired our bar stools, she's an amazing person and loves to help any way she can. Some of these new members have stepped up and cooked a meal on a Friday night, which is very helpful because the same few people do the cooking all the time and it's nice when someone else does it. Every week we cook and are looking for volunteers. It doesn't cost you anything, the Post or Auxiliary covers the cost, so come out and cook your specialty, we'd love to try it!

We had some veterans from the domiciliary come out to go fishing, it was an amazing day, they unfortunately did not catch any fish, but I told them the next time we break them out, they'll hopefully do better. However, for most of them the fishing wasn't the main objective, they just love our Post and enjoy the company and beautiful weather. Jeff and Kathy cooked hamburgers and hotdogs, they loved them and said they don't get food like this at the Dom!

The end of the year is for retrospect and optimism for the coming year! I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa and everything in-between. Have a happy New Year, See you next year!

God Bless and God Bless America

Patty Pilioglos

**Note: if you need help with your Veterans benefits please come see the DAV, They've helped many vets get their benefits. They are here twice a week, see calendar.**



Commander's thoughts  
Go Marines! Go Army!



## Commander's Babblings

Well, here we are. The holidays are upon us. Is anyone really ready? At any rate, November has already been a very busy month for our Post. We had 6 volunteers assist the Orange County Supervisor of Elections, Edwin Quiles, Timothy Rigsby, Krista Guthrie, Carlos Nieves, me and my wife, by adopting a Voting Precinct for the recent national election. This generated much-needed funds for the Building Fund.

Congratulations to Tom and Julie, who were wed at our Post on 23 November. I was there but my health prevented me from staying. Sorry.

Coming up, we have parties for two of our adopted reserve units; one on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December and the other on the 8<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Jeff and Kathy Swoger, Santa and Mrs. Claus will be present for the kiddies. I encourage everyone to make them welcome and point out the advantages of membership in our organization and its auxiliary. Further, on the 20<sup>th</sup>, in addition to our own Christmas Party, a JROTC will be holding their annual ball in our large hall, so let's be on our best behavior. LOL.

Everyone have a happy and safe Thanksgiving weekend and a Merry Christmas!

Have a great month and God Bless America

Respectfully,

George (Sarge) Pilioglos, Commander

VFW Post 2093



## President's thoughts

I want to take this time to thank everyone for all each of you have done throughout this year. We have gotten a lot accomplished and yet our job is ongoing. So have a very nice holiday season however you may celebrate it. Enjoy it with family and friends. Each one of you are important to me and equally important to the auxiliary and our cause.

I wish God's Blessings on you all and I look forward to going into 2025 working with and helping our Veterans.

Remember to always be kind to ALL, you never know what they may be going through.

Proud to serve as your President,

Jani Ramsey

Lifetime Member



Garey Smith

## Chaplains Corner



Patty Pilioglos

Peace and Blessings,

We are blessed to see the end of another year and Holiday season. I decided in the month December I will be giving gifts of smiles, pleasant greeting and conversation. I am going to visit local friends and family and call the others. We all know the holiday seasons can be a lonely and depressing time for some, and they forget that life is a gift, and every day a brand-new mercy. Let's help to remind each other. As always God bless our country, leaders, and protect our Armed forces who at this very moment guard the gates of freedom. Have a safe, happy and blessed Christmas and New Year!

Garey Smith  
VFW Post 2093 Chaplain

Brothers and Sisters,

This Christmas season no matter how busy you get with all the preparations for the holidays, please remember what this holiday is all about. Call your elderly relatives, invite someone to dinner who doesn't have a place to go. Above all pray for the sick or injured and especially the military who can't be home with their families.

### **Isaiah 7:14**

Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son and shall call His name Immanuel.

God Bless you all and God Bless America  
Patty Pilioglos, Chaplain  
VFW Post 2093 Auxiliary



*We Appreciate our Veterans*

*God. Bless. Our Troops*



Post Adjutant

Welcome to VFW Post 2093!

First and foremost, I would like to wish everyone and their families a Happy Holiday season.

Whether you're joining us for the first time or transferring from another post, on behalf of the Commander, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your service to our country and for choosing to be part of America's oldest organization for combat veterans.

We encourage you to become active within our ranks and participate as much as you're able. Together, we uphold the mission of Veterans helping Veterans. Take time to learn about our organization, its rich history, regulations, and the services we provide. While the Adjutant handles communication between the Post and the public, it's the responsibility of all members to be informed about our services to share with potential members whenever the opportunity arises.

Your ideas and insights are invaluable! We invite you to contribute suggestions that can enhance both our Post and the broader organization.

As a reminder, our House Committee Meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month, and our Post Member Meetings take place on the third Tuesday of each month.

Thank you for being part of this remarkable community. Together, we continue to make a difference.

Leadership by Example!!!

Thank You,

Edwin Quiles

Post Adjutant, VFW Post 2093



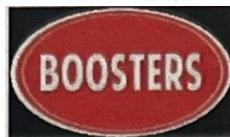
# VFW Action Post on the Lake December 2024



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Show me the \$\$\$ 6:30pm	3 DAV 11-3pm	4 Wings /Fish 6pm Car Races 7pm	5 DAV 11-3pm	6	7 <b>Pearl Harbor Day</b> 11-1pm Breakfast-\$7 Bloods/Mimosa -\$2 Bingo 1pm
8 Transportation Unit Christmas Party 9am	9 Show me the \$\$\$ 6:30pm	10 DAV 11-3pm Events Board mtg 6:00PM	11 Wings /Fish 6pm Car Races 7pm	12 DAV 11-3pm House Comm. Mtg. 6pm	13 <b>National Guard BD</b>	14 11-1pm \$7 Breakfast \$2 Bloods/ Mimosa Children's Christmas party 12:30-3:30
15 Meat Bingo With Laura 2:30pm	16 Show me the \$\$\$ 6:30pm	17 DAV 11-3pm VFW/VFWA meeting 7pm	18 Wings /Fish 6pm Car Races 7pm	19 DAV 11-3pm	20 <b>Space Force BD</b> Post Christmas Party 7pm Bring side Gift exch. \$15 max Tony V	21 11-1pm \$7 Breakfast \$2 Bloods/ Mimosa Bingo 12:30pm Christmas party for Bingo players
22 Angel Tree Adopt a family Christmas Party 1pm Santa 2pm	23 Show me the \$\$\$ 6:30pm	24 <b>Christmas Eve</b>	25 <b>Christmas Day</b> Lunch 1pm lg hall. Bring side	26 DAV 11-3pm	27 Post Dinner Karaoke Naples Sisters 7pm	28 11-1pm \$7 Breakfast \$2 Bloods/ Mimosa Bingo 1pm
29	30 Show me the \$\$\$ 6:30pm	31 <b>New Years Eve Party</b> Band: Unusual Suspects				

# 2024/2025 Officers

Post	Auxiliary
<b>Commander:</b> George "Sarge" Pilioglos	<b>President:</b> Jani Ramsey
<b>Sr. Vice Commander:</b> Joe Anderson	<b>S. Vice President:</b> Ryan Godfrey
<b>Jr. Vice Commander:</b> Garey Smith	<b>Jr. Vice President:</b> Denise Estes
<b>Quartermaster:</b> Dave Lester	<b>Secretary:</b> Debbie McCollum
<b>Adjutant:</b> Edwin Quiles	<b>Treasurer:</b> Mike Estes
<b>Chaplin/Surgeon:</b> Garey Smith	<b>Chaplain:</b> Patty Pilioglos
<b>1st Year Trustee:</b> Lamond Rose	<b>Conductor:</b> Chrissy Zarrella
<b>2nd Year Trustee:</b> Richard Mellon	<b>Guard:</b> Melissa Anderson
<b>3rd Year Trustee:</b> Carlos Nieves	<b>1st Year Trustee:</b> Chrissy Zarrella
<b>Service Officer:</b> Jeremy Lam	<b>2nd Year Trustee:</b> Priscilla Bailey
	<b>3rd Year Trustee:</b> Judy Fargosa



***Single - \$10 for year, Couple - \$15 for year  
August 2024—July 2025***

Glenn and Priscilla Bailely	Rob Hall
Tree Dave	Angie Ba
Steve. & Barabara Ash	Lewis Maddox
Jeff & Kathy Swoger	Rich & Martha Graves
Bonnie & Gerald Richardson	Laura Carr
Dave Lester	Sarge & Patty Pilioglos
Jani & Sam Ramsey	Linda Atwell

37th Annual All Veterans Reunion May 8th-May 11th, 2025!!



**One of the Nations “Largest and Longest Running” Reunions!**

**PUBLIC IS ALWAYS INVITED TO ATTEND!**

**Reunion Date: May 8th—11th, 2025**

**@ Wickham Park in Melbourne FL**

**Reunion Information can be found at: [www.veteransmemorialreunioninc.org](http://www.veteransmemorialreunioninc.org)**

**The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall and Some Gave All—The Moving Tribute are being donated for the duration of the Reunion by the VVB.**

**Wall escort will be on May 4th, departing the Eastern Florida State College (EFSC) Cocoa Campus @ 10am sharp and escorted to Wickham Park.**

**First Responders Honored and Requested to join in!**

Scan here for all  
of our links!



**Family Friendly!**  
**There will be a**  
**“Kid Zone”**

**Vietnam Memorial Traveling Wall:**  
<https://travelingwall.us>

**Food Trucks**  
**Vendor Marketplace**  
**LIVE Music and**  
**Entertainment!**

Wickham Park: 2500 Parkway Dr. Melbourne, FL 32935



## Meetings at a Glance



- Post & Auxiliary meetings: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of. Every month, 7pm
- Events Planning Board: Tuesday before House committee 6pm
- House Committee: Thursday, week before Post Meeting 5pm
- DAV: every Tuesday & Thursday 11am-3pm. (subject to change)
- Band Practice: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7pm

## Queen Of Hearts

Queen of  
Hearts Can  
you find her?  
Get Your  
Tickets. \$2.00  
each.



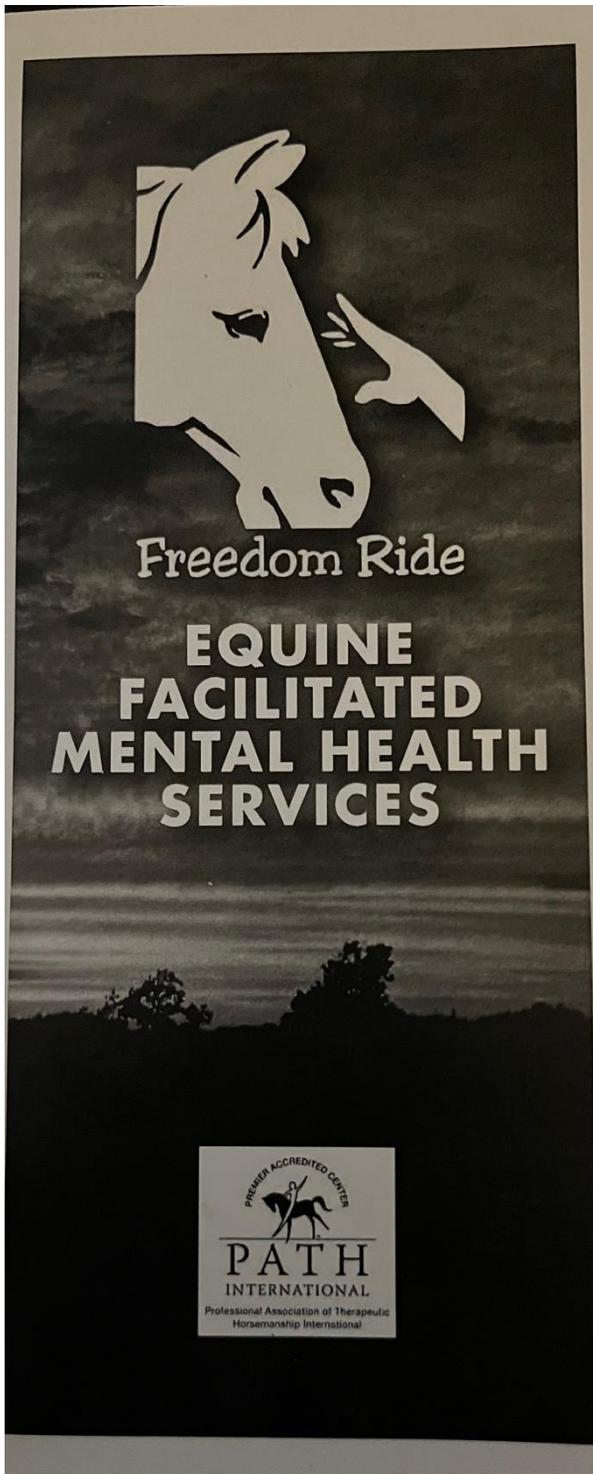
Every Friday  
Night. Drawing.  
Is. At 7pm see  
Bartender or get  
them Friday night

\$20 Raffle for a chance to win \$1000 gift certificate to Always Armed! Come by your tickets before its to late. Drawing to be held on Veterans Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>.





## *Department Commander & President Special Project*



- State Commanders Special project
- State Presidents Special Project
- Helping Veterans Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy (EFP) seek to help clients with a variety of needs which can include:
  - Social Skills
  - Depression
  - Anxiety
  - Abuse
  - Greif
  - Life transitions
  - PTST
  - Others

For each human being that is suffering from a loss or traumatic experience, the horses will take a fresh approach to what is needed most or least by that person and their situation

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- [www.freedomride.com](http://www.freedomride.com)
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**About Us**  
Thrive USA is a Veteran focused, licensed home health agency. Thrive USA continues to raise the standard of home care across the United States. Servicing Maryland, Washington DC, and parts of Florida, our home care experts provide the services, resources and personalized attention you and your family need.

**Our Mission**  
To Educate, Engage and Empower our clients by providing the most Comprehensive Care Solution.

## Veteran Support Services

- Care in the Community Program
- Aid and Attendance
- Caregiver Support Program

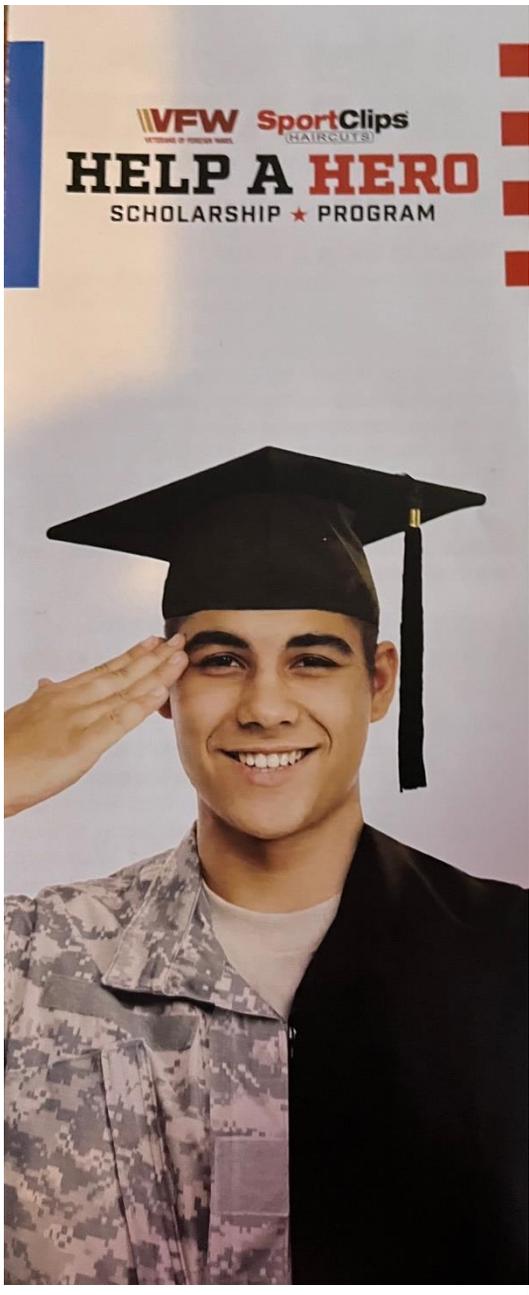
## Disability Compensation & Pension

- Personal Care
- Respite Care
- Companionship Care
- Transportation Assistance

## Contact Information

- Phone: 321407-2727
- Email: [info@thriveUSAhomecare.com](mailto:info@thriveUSAhomecare.com)
- Web site: [www.ThriveUSAhomecare.com](http://www.ThriveUSAhomecare.com)
- Address: 1325 W. King St., Unit A Cocoa, FL 32933

# Helpful information for Veterans and their families



**VFW SportClips**  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS (HAIRCUTS)  
**HELP A HERO**  
SCHOLARSHIP ★ PROGRAM

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**What is Help A Hero?**

Sport Clips Haircuts, the nation's leading men's and boys' hair care provider, is a major supporter of the VFW and is also its "Official Haircutter." The veteran-owned company has supported VFW programs since 2007, and in 2013, launched the VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship" program. These life-changing scholarships support service members and veterans as they work to get the education and training needed to begin the next chapter in their lives. Scholarship recipients come from every part of the United States, represent every branch of service, and are earning a variety of degrees including engineering, computer science, accounting, business administration, health care and many more.

**What is the VFW Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship Program?**

Each scholarship recipient will receive up to \$5,000 to apply toward their education at an accredited post-secondary institution, including universities, colleges and trade schools. While the program is funded by Sport Clips' Help A Hero campaign, the VFW manages the scholarship program. Management functions include accepting applications, determining and awarding recipients, notification of award determinations and denials, and administering scholarships directly to the schools.

## Action Corps Sign up

The VFW Actions Corps is a great place to learn about and keep you updated on issues facing our Veterans, Military and their families. You will receive newsletters and alerts on how to get involved nation's military, veterans, and families need their voices heard on Capital Hill. Scan the QR code or Text VFW to 50457 to join.



Did you know that becoming a Booster or By Placing A Memorial supports printing costs  
Of our Newsletters?

Memorial \$20 per year	August. 2024=July 2025



# TAPS

Post Members	Auxiliary
James Hart	Cathy Hayes
Eugene Henleben	Anna Marie (Rie) Smith
Paul Lilling	Brigette Farrell
Harry Rice	Ronald C. Knight
John Rowe	Daniela Brown
Richard White	Sharon Mabie
William Vars	Janet Asbury
Matthew Deem	
Raymond G. Briere	
Don L. Asher, Sr.	
John Dixon	