

**POST &  
AUXILIARY  
MEETINGS  
3RD Thursday  
both 7 p.m.**

## **Benson VFW Post 2503**

### **APRIL 2022**

**www.VFWPost2503.org  
(402)-571-8397**

**Honor Guard  
Meeting  
2nd Thursday  
every month  
7:00 pm**



#### **POST 2503 OFFICERS 2021-2022**

*Commander: Larry Quilliam  
Sr. Vice Commander: Al Dorn  
Jr. Vice Commander: Sharon Cooper  
Quartermaster: Dan Raabe  
Chaplain: Dennis Kerr  
Surgeon: Jim Sorensen  
Judge Advocate: Tom Penke  
Officer of the Day: Mike Rosso  
Adjutant: Leigh Freeman  
Guard: Ron Karm  
Service Officer: Bob Brown*



#### **AUXILIARY OFFICERS 2021-2022**

*President: Micky Dorn  
Sr. Vice President: Linda Humphrey  
Jr. Vice President: Jan Davis  
Treasurer: Sue Stark  
Secretary: Luanne Rosso  
Chaplain: Nora Van Cleave  
Conductress: Marcia Jones  
Guard: Mary Quilliam  
Patriotic Instructor: Luanne Rosso*

### **From the Commander**

Comrades!

I hope you and your family are well and you are excited about April at the Post.

It is not an April Fool's joke, but our Fish Frys end on April 1st, starting at 4:30. Back by popular demand will be our outstanding fried fish or a seafood fettuccini that received rave reviews. Come by the Post and enjoy our last fish fry during the season of lent. Bring the whole family!

Every Tuesday is our Corn Hole/Bags night, starting at 6:30. Bring a friend or your family with \$5 for each and have fun that pays out that night. Every week we have fun, meet new friends, and declare a winner. It's a random draw of teammates, so years of experience at the game may help but does not assure a win. It is all for fun at the Post.

Work continues at the Post, and we now have a terrific Post member leading the charge. If you are willing to help us out with paint, ceiling tiles, or maintenance that is needed to keep our building in shape please call Gene Detweiler (619) 750-2682 to offer your support. Any special expertise or financial support is really needed because we have some important issues that lie ahead.

Our Wednesday dinner nights continue to grow with our wonderful home style meals. Take a break from the weekly grind and come out to enjoy a meal you do not have to prepare. Most of our meals are less than you can purchase at McDonalds and a lot better. Some have expressed interest in helping our kitchen staff. We would appreciate more help, and we will work with you to make your time worthwhile while working with your schedule.

April 29th and 30th we are celebrating our 90th year as VFW Post 2503. Friday night will be a starting ceremony with hors d' oeuvres, an opening ceremony, and music.

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### **From the Auxiliary President**

Hello Happy Spring!

Election of your officers is April 21, 2022. Come and vote for the people you want to do the work of the Auxiliary for the next year. The new Auxiliary year is July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023. Better yet, come join us at any monthly meeting: Third Thursday at 7 P.M.

District 10 meeting is at the Post on Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup> at 2 P.M. Members are welcome.

Your donations for the ice cream and desserts at Hamburger Nights have supplied enough money to fund our programs for veterans, meet our financial obligations for a successful year. Many thanks to everyone who has enjoyed our desserts and put a little money in our jar!

The Auxiliary is 90 years old this year! Auxiliary members are invited to celebrate on April 29th & 30th at the Post, details are available soon. There will be music and food available both days. The Auxiliary will be displaying some memorabilia and pictures.

Please plan to come and join us to celebrate this milestone birthday!

Wishing you bright days of sunshine and flowers this Spring!

Respectfully submitted,  
Micky Dorn, President 402 850-5075



**VFW POST 2503  
90th ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION  
Friday & Saturday, APRIL 29-30**

## From the Commander

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Saturday evening begins with a wonderful meal of brisket or ham and a formal ceremony, followed by recording artist and patriot Jimmy Webber for \$20. This will be a great event. Please let us know if you will be attending as we make our final plans for this once in a lifetime event.

Sunday May 1st will be a huge car show at the Post with breakfast, lunch and lots of fun sponsored by Dave's Auto Body Co. If you have a collectable car or bike, bring it up in the morning, and you just might win a trophy! The whole weekend is intended for you to enjoy the newly refurbished Post and to spend time to see your friends.

Election of your Post command is set for April 21st at 7 PM. A must make meeting at the Post.

We always need volunteers to help us be a great VFW Post serving our veterans. If you are willing to help, we can match you up to a beneficial task. The more help we have, the more we can do a better job. We are growing a great group of volunteers: join now!

Please give your thanks to the volunteers when you come by our Post.

Carry on,  
Larry Quilliam  
VFW Post 2503 Commander

## ROOM RENTALS at VFW POST 2503

**NEW RATES:** NORTH ROOM . . .  
\$550  
SOUTH ROOM . . . .  
\$450

Contact Geri Brown at 402-943-9067 to reserve your date. Spread the word to your friends and family.

The Post's rooms look great decorated for weddings, birthdays, and graduation parties.



## **VFW 2503 POST & AUXILIARY 90<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY**

*Friday April 29th*

**5:30 - Appetizers**

**6:30 – VFW Ceremony**

**Tom Volz DJ**

*Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>*

**4:30 – VFW Ceremony**

**5:30 – 7:00 - Dinner**

**\$20.00 per person**

**Beef Brisket and Ham Dinner**

**8:00 – 11:00 - Jimmy Weber**

**Recording Artist and Patriot**

## **SAVE THE DATE for POST CAR SHOW**



**SUNDAY, MAY 1**



**THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED  
TO THE St PATRICK'S DAY  
BAKE SALE  
IT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!  
THANK YOU!  
NORA & MARCIA**

*Thank You*



I would like to thank all who sent *thinking of you* and *get well* cards and flowers pertaining to my recent surgery. All was greatly appreciated. Thank You again,  
Lynn Krause

## BELLEVUE UNIVERSITY FEMALE VETERAN CONFERENCE

Is APRIL 8-9

Contact Taylor Frye Ullom at Guitars for Vets

For more information [taylor@guitarsforvets.org](mailto:taylor@guitarsforvets.org)



**State of Nebraska FEMALE VETERAN CONFERENCE**  
*Bombshell Patriots*

# SPEAKERS

*Naviere Walkewicz*  
Senior Vice President, Alumni Relations and Business Development  
U.S. Air Force Academy Association of Graduates

*Maj. Gen. Cassie Strom*  
2021 St. Louis Woman of Achievement for Veterans Advocacy

*Dr. Mary Hawkins*  
President of Bellevue University

*Kim Minor, MSN*  
Women Veterans Program Manager for the Nebraska-Western Iowa  
VA Health Care System

*Taylor Ullom*  
Regional/ Nebraska Chapter Director for Guitars for Vets

*Alyssa Flood*  
Founder of Bombshell Patriots



*State of Nebraska*  
**FEMALE VETERAN CONFERENCE**  
*Bombshell Patriots*

**FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2022**  
Nebraska Brewing Company  
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
Meet & Greet | Early Registration

**SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2022**  
Bellevue University  
7:30 AM – 6:00 PM  
Guest Speakers | Vendors  
Food & Drinks | Silent Auction



**BELLEVUE UNIVERSITY**

**BELLEVUE UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE**  
NOT NECESSARY TO BE A FEMALE VETERAN  
TO ATTEND, JUST A WOMAN WHO  
VOLUNTEERS/WORKS WITH VETERANS



**MOVING VETERANS FORWARD**

## Open House Celebration

### Moving Vets Forward

You have been invited to our open House from 12 noon / 2 pm  
15 April 2022, At 731 N Frontier Dr Papillion Ne. For your  
generosity and support of Veterans in the Metro area. Though  
your assistance in fund raising efforts, donations, and support.  
Your efforts have been invaluable.  
Thank you

*Ron Hernandez*  
Founder  
Moving Veterans Forward

**MOVING VETERANS FORWARD**

**BECOME A WALKER AND/OR BECOME A SPONSOR**

See information at

The 50 Mile March Foundation

<https://www.50milmarch.org>

Questions?  
Please contact Kathy Raabe [kfr14819@cox.net](mailto:kfr14819@cox.net)  
OR (402) 392-0210  
Thank you all for your continued generosity.

### MISSION STATEMENT

Walk 50+ miles from Lincoln to Omaha to raise funds and awareness for Homeless Veterans & Veterans with Mental Health Challenges. The 50 Mile March Foundation's mission is to support local individuals and small local organizations that aid in the betterment of our veterans who are in need of assistance. The 50 Mile March is as close as we can get to a representation of endurance and immersion, so the fundraisers can empathize and connect, with challenges that veterans might feel.

# 50 MILE MARCH


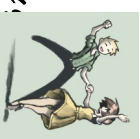








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# APRIL 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Post Closed</b> <b>VFW POST 2503 CLOSED ON SUNDAYS THROUGH APRIL</b>	<b>Post Closed</b>	<b>Post Open</b>	<b>Post Open</b>	<b>Post Open</b>	<b>Post Open</b>	<b>Post Open</b>
<b>3</b> POST OPENS @ 8 AM <b>BREAKFAST</b> 8 AM to NOON 	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> CORNHOLE @ 630 BOB FIELDS BAND @ 7 PM  <i>Thank good</i> Pizza Everyday at VFW	<b>6</b> Hamburger Night <b>PORK LOIN CHOPS W/GRAVY</b> Crew—Am Legion #112	<b>7</b> Sewing Ladies 1:00pm <i>Thank good</i> - Pizza Everyday at VFW	<b>1</b> FISH FRY 4:30 TO 7 PM  HAPPY HOUR 4 TO 7	<b>2</b>  AMERICAN LEGION EASTER EGG HUNT ALL KIDS WELCOME 11 AM TO 1 PM <b>Room Rentals Available</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> CORNHOLE @ 630  <i>Thank good</i> Pizza Everyday at VFW	<b>13</b> Hamburger Night <b>PHILLY CHEESESTEAK SANDWICH</b> Crew—Jerry Becker	<b>14</b> Sewing Ladies 1:00pm 172nd Trans 5:00 pm Am Legion 7:00 pm Honor Guard 7:00pm <i>Thank good</i> - Pizza Everyday at VFW	<b>15</b> SONS OF AMERICAN LEGION MEETS @ 6 PM Good Friday HAPPY HOUR 4 TO 7	<b>16</b> <b>Room Rentals Available</b>
<b>17</b> <b>EASTER</b>  <b>Room Rentals Available</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> CORNHOLE @ 630  <i>Thank good</i> Pizza Everyday at VFW	<b>20</b> Hamburger Night <b>CHICKEN FRIED STEAK</b> Crew—Shirley Schaefer	<b>21</b> <b>POST</b> <b>Meeting 7:00 pm</b> House Comm Meeting @ 6:00pm Sewing Ladies 1:00pm <i>Thank good</i> Pizza Everyday at VFW	<b>22</b> HAPPY HOUR 4 TO 7	<b>23</b> <b>Room Rentals Available</b>
<b>24</b> POST OPENS AT 8 AM SONS OF AMERICAN LEGION BREAKFAST—KIDS EAT FREE—  <b>Room Rentals Available</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> CORNHOLE @ 630  <i>Thank good</i> Pizza Everyday at VFW	<b>27</b> Hamburger Night <b>MEATLOAF</b> Crew—Pat Petersen	<b>28</b> Sewing Ladies 1:00pm MOC COOTIES @ 7:00pm <i>Thank good</i> Pizza Everyday at VFW	<b>29</b> 	<b>30</b>

**KITCHEN NEWS for APRIL**  
**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
 VOLUNTEERS FOR KITCHEN, SERVING,  
 BUSING,  
 TAKING OUT TRASH &  
 CLEAN-UP

Please contact  
 Linda at  
 531-205-5641  
 or Commander  
 Larry at the  
 Post.  
 Thank you !





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**SEE INSIDE FOR:**  
**POST 90th ANNIVERSARY**  
**LAST FISH FRY FRIDAY**  
**EASTER EGG HUNT**  
**BREAKFAST SUNDAYS**

*From Your Honor Guard Captain Dan Raabe*  
**MILITARY RITES: FEBRUARY 2022**

Military Members Deceased	Cemetery	#	Hours
02/01/2022 Morris, James	Omaha National	7	21
02/01/2022 Ericke, Henery	Prairie View	8	24
02/02/2022 Stockton, Katherine	St. Johns	8	24
02/02/2022 Reemets, Bruce	Calvary	8	24
02/03/2022 Lewis, Joe	Good Shepard 90th	10	30
02/04/2022 * Lang, Daniel	Calvary	19	57
02/08/2022 Monore, Don	Forest Lawn	9	27
02/10/2022 Schneekloth, Howard	Cederdale	7	21
02/14/2022 Stratton, Gerald	Omaha National	11	33
02/14/2022 Payton, William	Omaha National	11	33
02/15/2022 Halil, George	Resurrection	10	30
02/15/2022 Berounsky, Joseph	Omaha National	9	27
02/18/2022 Lesac, Rudolph	Omaha National	10	30
02/24/2022 Thelen, Merlin	Resurrection	7	21
02/25/2022 Johnson, James	Resurrection	10	30
02/28/2022 Pearson, Glenn	Forest Lawn	8	24
02/28/2022 * Strampe, Robert	Forest Lawn	9	27

• Post Member

Months' Total: 17 Funerals, 161 Member Participation, 483 Hours

**FEBRUARY 2022**

**All of our brave brothers  
 And sisters  
 who have  
 Passed before us.**




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**NOTICE: All articles should be in the Newsletter Box, IN WRITING, at the Post no later than SATURDAY, APRIL 23th, for the MAY Newsletter.** If articles are not submitted by the deadline, they will have to wait for the next newsletter. *Thank you.*

**The Post is selling Memorial Bricks around the memorial walk and flag. Memorial Bricks are being sold by Post 2503 to be put around the outside of the Memorial flag pole. These bricks will cost \$60.00 each. They will be for VFW, Auxiliary, AMVET & Auxiliary members, their families, and people they sponsor. They will be memorials for living or deceased people. They will be ordered once a year on April 1st, for installation by Memorial Day each year. Max 16 spaces per line, 3 lines, and cost \$60.00 per brick.**



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

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