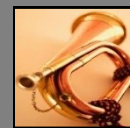




# Bliss Bugle



## Words from the Commander



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It is hard to believe that December is already here. I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

It's a great time of year to spend with friends and family. We should also think and pray for the men and women of our Armed Forces that will not be home with their families holiday season.

Just a reminder that Members Stag is the first Wednesday of the month at 6pm. Members Meeting is also the same night a 7pm.

We are always in the need of volunteers around the post especially for the pancake breakfast on December 9th. If anybody is willing to help, please contact the office at 605-338-0869 or canteen 605-338-9421.

It has come to my attention that some may have concerns about the new VFW logo. What I was told is the Cross of Malta is not going away but will be used for more formal occasions. The new logo will be for media and advertisement.

I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas!

Nathan Beiningen

## VFW Auxiliary President



HO HO HO!!!! Get your Santa hats ready - Christmas is right around the corner!!

As a reminder, there will be NO STAG in Dec due to the holidays. Next stag will be Wed Jan 16, 2019.

Dec 9 from 2-5 the Auxiliary will be hosting the Children's Christmas Party. If you would like to donate gifts or prizes a collection box has been set up at the front door of the post. Gifts should be \$5 or less, be wrapped and marked for age and gender of the gift. Monetary donations can be left at the bar or in the office in an envelope marked for the Christmas Party. Thank you to all who have made personal donations of gifts and money.

I have raffle tickets for the Day County Coyote Hunt sponsored by the Goodwin Auxiliary. Please contact me if you are interested in buying any. 1<sup>st</sup> Prize is a Henry Golden Boy .22 All proceeds go to the Veterans and Family Support Program.

Past Presidents will not meet in December.

Life Member Judy Ewoldt passed away November 14. Please keep her family in your thoughts and prayers.

The next Auxiliary meeting will be on Wednesday Dec 5 at 7 pm.

This is YOUR Auxiliary, please feel free to call me at 370-8409 if you have any questions or concerns.

Make certain to spend time with your family this holiday season and please remember those who are serving and can not be with their families.

Kim Vennard



A huge thank you to all that showed up to help with lefse making in November. It was a great bonding time for all that came. The best part – ALL THE LEFSE sold out at the bake sale!! We had a total of \$305 in lefse sales and an additional \$121.50 at the bake sale. Great job to all!! The Auxiliary will be hosting the Bake sale and lefse sales in December. Please make certain you bring your bake sale items to the pancake breakfast Dec 9. If you would like to join in the lefse fun, please be at the VFW on Sat Dec 8 at 8:30 for the rolling, jokes and laughter!!

## VFW Announces New Brand Identity

### Change to better represent America's largest combat veterans organization

Nov 06, 2018 KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S., America's largest and oldest major combat veterans organization, is pleased to announce it has deployed a new look. The new VFW logo and visual language embraces the organization's storied 119 years of service to America's veterans, service members and their families, while underscoring its forward-thinking approach to service and distinguished membership base. The VFW believes the new logo will improve market position and provide visual clarity to its mission.

The new logo is a drastic change from its predecessor, and is the first-ever official logo that was designed without the organization's traditional Cross of Malta shield, which remains the official seal of the VFW.



John M. Bliss Post 628

## *Good Of The Order*

### Honor Guard

We continue to seek Post members to join our Honor Guard family. Even if you can only participate on weekends or holidays, you are needed.

If you are willing to assist by joining our Honor Guard team, please contact our office or VFW Honor Guard commander at 605-338-0869.

David Parr  
Honor Guard Commander

### Taps

**Post:**

**Auxiliary:**

**Monetary donations came from the family of:**

### Military Order of the Cootie Auxiliary

**"Keep `em smiling in Beds of White"**

Judy Evink, President

# VFW Post 628 — December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Simmons Lounge Open 9am– Close Dance 8pm Knight Riders
2 POST CLOSED	3 CANTEEN CLOSED	4 VFW Bingo 7pm Burger Night 5-8 pm	5 Member Stag 6pm General Meeting/ Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm	6 VFW Bingo 7pm	7	8 Simmons Lounge Open 9am– Close
9 Pancake breakfast 8:30am-12:30  Children Christmas Party 2-5pm	10 CANTEEN CLOSED	11 VFW Bingo 7pm Burger Night 5-8 pm  Marine Officers 7 pm	12 Chislic Night 5-7 pm  Cooties/ MOCA Meetings 7 pm	13 VFW Bingo 7pm	14 Cootie Christmas 5-7pm Taco Bar and Apps  Dance-Riata 8pm	15 Simmons Lounge Open 9am– Close  Oyster Stew 11:30 am til gone. \$5 a Bowl
16 POST CLOSED	17 Commander Christmas Party 5- 7pm CANTEEN CLOSED	18 VFW Bingo 7pm Burger Night 5-8 pm	19	20 VFW Bingo 7pm  Veterans' Council 7pm	21	22 Simmons Lounge Open 9am– Close
23 POST CLOSED	24 CANTEEN CLOSED  POST CLOSED	25 Christmas Day  POST CLOSED	26	27 VFW Bingo 7pm  Executive Com, 6:30pm	28	29
30 POST CLOSED	31 News Years Eve Party : Social 5-7pm  Slack Water Jack 8pm  Post Closed					

## Tuesday & Thursday

BURGERS + BINGO + BREWS

HAPPY HOUR SPECIALS 3-6 PM

EARLY BIRD BINGO 6 PM

REGULAR BINGO 7PM

## Simmon's Lounge Open

Tuesday—Thursday 3 pm—10 pm

Friday 3 pm — close

Saturday 9 am — Close



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Commander————Nathan Beiningen  
Senior Vice Commander——Ryan Killion  
Junior Vice Commander——Dan Ridgway  
Quartermaster————Hosea Bennett  
Judge Advocate————Harry Engberg  
Surgeon————Vern Anderson  
Trustee————David Parr  
Trustee————Randy Kirkvold  
Trustee————Harry Engberg  
Adjutant————Doug Starr  
Service Officer————David Parr  
Chaplain————Scott Bakken

**Auxiliary Officers 2018-2019**

President————Kim Vennard  
Sr. Vice President——Marla Edman  
Jr. Vice President——Lauretta Petersen  
Secretary————Cathy Jo Toolry  
Treasurer————Cathy Jo Tooley  
Chaplain————Diana Wells  
Conductress——Betty Hodge  
Assistant Conductress——Connie Foss  
Guard————Judy Evink



REMINDER!! If you are moving, please call our office at 338-0869 and let us know your new address! Thanks!!

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**Military Order of the Cootie**

We would like to invite everyone to the post on Dec. 14 for a lousey time and a taco bar provided by the pup tent. Scratch will be held on December 12th at 7:30

**Keep 'em smiling in Beds of White"**

Vern Anderson  
Seam Squirrel, Pup Tent #1

Welcome to New Post 628 Members:

Blair Kuhlman

**OYSTER STEW**

12/15/18 11:30 am till gone

5\$ a Bowl

Members Stag December 5th 6pm

Be sure to call for reservations

Office: 605-338-0869  
Lounge: 605-338-9421

New Year's Eve Party 12/31/18

Social Hour 5 pm –7 pm

**SLACK WATER JACK 8 pm**



**LEFSE SALE**

Dec 9, 2018

8:30 – 12:30 during Pancake Breakfast

\$5 per Package