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### VFW Core Values

- ✦ Always put the interests of our members first
- ✦ Treat donors as partners in our cause
- ✦ Promote patriotism
- ✦ Honor military service
- ✦ Ensure the care of veterans and their families
- ✦ Serve our communities
- ✦ Promote a positive image of the VFW
- ✦ Respect the diversity of veteran opinion

### VFW Mission

- ✦ To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts
- ✦ To serve our veterans, the military, and our communities
- ✦ To advocate on behalf of all veterans

### Next meetings

9 Oct 23 7:00pm  
National Guard Armory

13 Nov 23 7:00pm  
National Guard Armory

### Flags

If you would like to get a US flag that has been flown over the capital, here is a Link provided by Congressman Adrian Smith's office:

<https://flagorder.house.gov/FlagOrder.aspx?ssdd=NE03>

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## POST 1504

NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA

### From the Commander

Dear brothers and sisters. Our next meeting. It will be on October 9th, at 7 pm (1900) at the **North Platte Army National Guard Armory**. We are looking for new ideas and help whenever you can. Come meet some of our new members. Thank you.

### From our Service Officer

The Mission of Mercy Dental Clinic will provide a range of dental services including exams, cleanings, fillings, full/partial denture, extraction and more to Nebraska veterans and their spouses.

The two-day clinic will be held at the Atlas and Titan Army National Guard Readiness Center in Mead, Nebraska, on Friday, October 6, and Saturday, October 7. Register on the website: <https://veterans.nebraska.gov/dentalclinic>

POC Thomas Gann (308) 534-4350 ext 4268  
Office hrs 9:00am-5:00pm

### From our Quartermaster

Adjutant and I went for a walk downtown and met with local business owners and managers. We got some Wreaths across America sponsors as well as three Site Sponsors for our website. We will continue to do this on Tuesday mornings as weather permits.

### Changing our Meeting Location

We secured the National Guard Armory and will have our future meetings there on the Second Monday every month at 7:00pm. The address is: 1700 N Jeffers St. North Platte, NE



### **Voice of Democracy: 2023-2024**

- ◆ Theme: What are the greatest attributes of our Democracy?
- ◆ Deadline for entries:  
31 October 2023
- ◆ Contestants are eligible for up to \$35,000.00 scholarship at the national level
- ◆ Open to students in grades 9 through 12
- ◆ Requires a 3 to 5 minute audio essay on a flash drive or other electronic device

**For more information, contact any member of our post.**

### **Patriots Pen: 2023-2024**

- ◆ Theme: How are you inspired by America?
- ◆ Deadline for entries:  
31 October 2023
- ◆ Contestants are eligible for up to \$15,000.00 scholarship at the national level
- ◆ Requires a written essay of no more than 300 words

**For more information, contact any member of our post.**

**Mutual Support Group:**  
Boy Scout Troop 291

**Adopted Unit:**  
1013 Quartermaster Company (USAR)  
1075 Transportation Company (ARNG)



### **Membership**

We want to thank everyone who was able to participate in Operation November Mike. We also got a chance to set up our outreach booth and participate in a community event. We also got a new member there. We hung out with American Legion Post 163 members, Sacred Oath, Vet Center and NP22.

We will continue to maintain a mail/email distribution list for the newsletter. If you or a member that you know of are not receiving emails, reminders and updates and would like to, please ensure that we have the correct contact information.

### **From the Adjutant**

There is currently a local veteran in need of furniture and cookware. Please contact Quartermaster Beran for any questions or donations.

If you know of a veteran in need, contact Quartermaster Beran or Commander Vogt with contact information and details of the situation.

### **RAFFLE**

Department of Nebraska is still selling raffle tickets to benefit department scholarship programs. One lucky winner will become the proud owner of a brand new John Deer Gator XUV835M Honor Edition Crossover Utility Vehicle. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold for \$100.00 each. Drawing date is 7 October 2023. See Quartermaster Beran for tickets.

### **Chaplain's Message**

We trust in you Lord that you will direct the path of each service member and inspire every decision made that affects our military and the success of their mission. We pray that our military gets the proper support, intel, equipment and training to get the job done with no casualties.

We ask, that you guard the hearts and minds of our service members during the course of their duty, especially during combat operations. May they seek to depend on you and trust in your power. ~Amen~

### **Trivia**

- About 780k people currently serve in the Reserves, the Air National Guard & the Army National Guard.
- There are three types of Reserve component: the Ready Reserve, the Standby Reserve, and the Retired Reserve
- Military veterans make up about 7% of the civilian workforce.
- Women make up 11% of all veterans and 13% of veterans in the workforce.

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**Upcoming Events**

Midwest Championship Fighting is holding Salute to Veterans III at the D&N Event center on Veterans day Saturday 11 November 2023. Doors open at 4:30pm, Fights start at 6:00pm. Free admission for all Military Veterans.

<https://www.midwestchampionshipfighting.com/military-veteran-sign-up>



Sacred Oath will have their monthly "Patriot Potluck" at the Salvation Army on Saturday 14 October 2023 from 5:30 to 8pm at 1020 N Adams Ave. in North Platte. ALL VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES/SUPPORTERS ARE INVITED Main dish and drinks are provided. Sides and desserts are potluck style. There is NO COST for these events but free will donations are accepted and appreciated.

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