

DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WEB SITE USER GUIDE:
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**DEPARTMENT OF
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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
OF THE UNITED STATES
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Introduction to the web Site

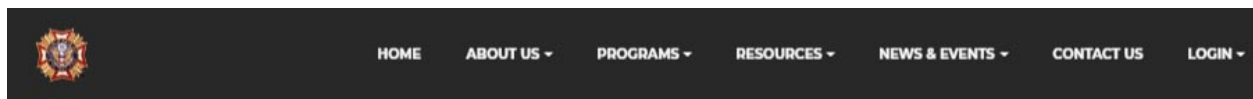
This web site is part of the information resources available to Department of New Hampshire Veterans, the interested public and the casual internet user. It is a part of The VFW Website Solution program and is geared to assist Posts and Departments in establishing a viable, easy-to-manage website. Working in conjunction with its developers, DrivePath's template-based platform offers Posts and Departments an affordable opportunity to stake their claim of the web, making pertinent information easily accessible to members, as well as the public. Further, the website templates being offered adopt a consistent look and feel, working to reinforce the official VFW brand and messaging.

Composition and Navigation

This web site is composed of multiple web pages accessed via a menu bar at the top of the web site on its home page (www.vfwnh.org). The web pages contain information and internet links to other web site, and internet links to Public Document Format (PDF) information. The web pages provide information on VFW Programs, a calendar of Post, District and Department events, resources for Department, District and Post and information relevant to Veterans, their family members and the general public.

Home Page

The home page is reached by the use of an internet browser such as Chrome, Firefox or Internet Explorer. The web site home page address is: <http://www.vfwnh.org>. Entering this web page address the following page will be displayed.



**NEW HAMPSHIRE
VETERANS OF
FOREIGN WARS**

Home Page Menu Bar

The home page menu bar begins with the menu choice of Home and ends with the menu choice of login. Scrolling down the home page you will encounter these sections:

- **Welcome Section** provide basic introduction to the Department of New Hampshire Veterans of Foreign Wars with internet links to Veterans of Foreign Wars National Web Site information as shown below:

WELCOME TO NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

Teamwork ~ Leadership ~ Commitment



As yesterday's defenders of freedom, we want to welcome today's military service members into our ranks to become part of our elite group. Our common bond is the battlefield, whether it is service in the Persian Gulf, Korea, Kosovo, the war on terrorism or peace-keeping expeditionary campaigns. Your courage and sacrifice have made a difference in preserving and defending world peace. There are 43 VFW post in the state of New Hampshire. You can use the Find a Post near you from National VFW Web Site by [Clicking Here](#) or on this site by [Clicking Here](#).

MORE

- **Announcements Section** provides information on Department, District and Post timely activities as shown below:

Announcements

CHRISTMAS TREES FOR TROOPS

The Department of New Hampshire has been asked to sponsor 100 or more Christmas Trees for the Trees for Troops program. The cost per Tree is \$23.00 this is wholesale price. I am reaching out to all Posts/Auxiliary to ask you to support this worthy cause.

Please bring this up at your Sept. meeting as we have an Oct.15th deadline, any Post/Auxiliary that is willing to sponsor Trees please make your check payable to the Dept. of NH VFW marked Trees for Troops sponsorship and send to State QM Greg Lynch.

The Trees will be shipped to military families around the United States and to Bases overseas. We will be wrapping, loading and shipping on the 26th of Nov. at the Rocks Estate in Bethlehem. Any questions/concerns please feel free to contact Greg Lynch Dept QM

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

Email from Quentin Carroll QCarrroll@vfw.org

VFW Programs, Coordinator

Youth Scholarship Programs

his email is being sent as a friendly reminder of the Youth Scholarship program deadlines that are quickly approaching. The student essays for each program are due to be submitted to a local VFW Post by October 31st.

I have attached the Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen Chairman Manual which outlines lists the deadlines at each level. Ensure that each entry form is filled out completely and that the information is legible from the lowest level on. This includes the date that the student was notified of their winning essay at the Department level to ensure that I do not inform any of the kids too early. Keep in mind that there are weeks of work to be completed in a very short amount of time between when I receive the Department winning entries and when we finalize our Washington D.C. trip so the sooner I can reach out to the parents and kids is greatly appreciated.

Our biggest issue at this moment at the national level is the volume of emails and phone calls we receive from kids, parents and teachers trying to contact local VFW Posts in order to figure out the process or where they should submit their entries. I understand that this is a difficult thing since the posts are not always open to field these questions but please inform every level that in order to make these programs

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- The Upcoming events calendar, Membership Information and Assistance and benefit internet links will navigate to a monthly events calendar for Department, District and Post events, a Membership page with interlink to application forms and a Veterans Benefits and Assistant Page.

The image shows three circular buttons arranged horizontally. Each button has a title at the top, a central image, and descriptive text below. The first button is titled 'EVENTS CALENDAR' and features a calendar page with numbers 1, 2, 8, 9, and 16. The second is titled 'MEMBERSHIP' and shows a person in a military uniform saluting. The third is titled 'ASSISTANCE & BENEFITS' and displays the Texas state flag. To the right of the buttons is the text 'CLICK THE BUTTON FOR BENEFITS'. Below each button is a small icon: a calendar for the first, a star in a circle for the second, and a star in a circle for the third.

EVENTS CALENDAR
CLICK THE BUTTON FOR CALENDAR
Upcoming events
Click above to view events.
View Local, State and National events.

MEMBERSHIP
CLICK THE BUTTON FOR MEMBERSHIP INFO
Membership Details
As yesterday's defenders of freedom...
...we want to welcome today's military service members into our ranks to become part of our elite group.
WWII, Korean War, Vietnam War, Persian Gulf War, Kosovo, War in Afghanistan, War in Iraq, War on Global Terror and other Peace-Keeping Expeditionary Campaigns throughout the globe.

ASSISTANCE & BENEFITS
CLICK THE BUTTON FOR BENEFITS
Assistance & Benefits
The Veterans of Foreign Wars is dedicated
to supporting those who sacrifice so much for this country, veterans, service members in the US Armed Forces, and their families and continues to be a voice for returning and currently deployed service members and their families.

About Us Menu Choice

This menu provides several menu choices which provide information pages on each menu choice.

The image is a screenshot of a website's navigation menu. The top navigation bar includes 'HOME', 'ABOUT US', 'PROGRAMS', 'RESOURCES', and 'NEWS & EVENT'. The 'ABOUT US' menu is expanded, showing a list of sub-menu items: 'ABOUT US INFO ON VFW', 'OFFICERS INFO ON DEPT OFFICERS', 'MISSION VFW MISSION STATEMENT', 'ANNOUNCEMENTS TIMELY INFORMATION', 'VFW NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN', 'FAQS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS', and 'MEMBERSHIP INFO AND APPLICATION'. On the left side of the page, there is a logo featuring a stylized 'W' and the text 'FOREIGN FOR VET'. On the right side, there is a large, partially visible logo with the text 'W HAN', 'ETERA', and 'REIGN'.

- **About Us Sub Menu Choice**

This submenu choice displays a page on the History and current information on the Support provided to Veterans and their families.

ABOUT US

The VFW traces its roots back to 1899 when veterans of the Spanish-American War (1898) and the Philippine Insurrection (1899-1902) founded local organizations to secure rights and benefits for their service. Many arrived home wounded or sick. There was no medical care or veterans' pension for them, and they were left to care for themselves.

In their misery, some of these veterans banded together and formed organizations with what would become known as the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. After chapters were formed in Ohio, Colorado and Pennsylvania, the movement quickly gained momentum. By 1915, membership grew to 5,000; by 1936, membership was almost 200,000.

Since then, the VFW's voice had been instrumental in establishing the Veterans Administration, creating a GI bill for the 20th century, the development of the national cemetery system and the fight for compensation for Vietnam vets exposed to Agent Orange and for veterans diagnosed with Gulf War Syndrome. In 2008, VFW won a long-fought victory with the passing of a GI Bill for the 21st Century, giving expanded educational benefits to America's active-duty service members, and members of the Guard and Reserves, fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The VFW also has fought for improving VA medical centers services for women veterans.

Besides helping fund the creation of the Vietnam, Korean War, World War II and Women in Military Service memorials, the VFW in 2005 became the first veterans' organization to contribute to building the new Disabled Veterans for Life Memorial, which opened in November 2010.

Annually, the nearly 2 million members of the VFW and its Auxiliaries contribute more than 8.6 million hours of volunteerism in the community, including participation in Make A Difference Day and National Volunteer Week.

From providing over \$3 million in college scholarships and savings bonds to students every year, to encouraging elevation of the Department of Veterans Affairs to the president's cabinet, the VFW is there.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VFW](#)

- **Officers Submenu Choice**

This submenu choice displays a page with the names and where provided a photo and short biography of their Military Service.

- **Mission Submenu Choice**

This submenu choice displays a page from the VFW Bylaw and Ritual Manual.

- **Announcements Submenu Choice**

This submenu choice displays the Announcement page previously seen under the Home Page.

- **VFW National Home for Children**

This submenu choice displays an informational page on the Children's Home and provides an internet link to the National Home for Children's Web site.

- **FAQ's (Frequently Ask Questions)**

This submenu displays a page that will provide answers to Frequently Questions. A sample is displayed below:

FAQ's

CLICK ON THE PLUS SIGN NEXT TO THE QUESTION TO DISPLAY THE ANSWER

+	What are subscription dues and how do they work?
+	How much are Membership Dues & When are they due?
+	What is the Voice of Democracy theme for 2018
+	What is the Patriots Pen theme for 2018
+	How can I get in touch with a New Hampshire VFW Service Officer?
+	How can a Post or District have information posted on this web site?
+	Is there a user guide for this web site?

- **Membership Submenu Choice**

This submenu choice will display a page to recruit new members. Part of the page is displayed below:

MEMBERSHIP

JOIN THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

As yesterday's defenders of freedom, we want to welcome today's military service members into our ranks to become part of our elite group. Our common bond is the battlefield, whether it is service in the Persian Gulf, Korea, Kosovo, the Global War on Terrorism or peace-keeping expeditionary campaigns. Your courage and sacrifice have made a difference in preserving and defending world peace.

If you have received a campaign medal for overseas service; have served 30 consecutive or 60 non-consecutive days in Korea; or have ever received hostile fire or imminent danger pay, then you're eligible to join our ranks.

To become one of the 'elite' contact a VFW Post near you, write us, call us, or email us but please contact us...

[CLICK HERE FOR PHONE AND EMAIL CONTACT](#)

[Eligibility for the VFW](#)

Click Here to [Print Out and Complete this application Form.](#) and take it to your local Post. [Click here to find a Post near You](#)

Or apply online through National VFW Headquarters here - [New Member Application](#)

Programs Menu Choices

This Menu provides several choices on VFW National Programs and Department Programs



- **ALL STATE SUBMENU CHOICE**
 - This menu choice displays a page with details on Membership Program for All State Post Commanders and Quartermasters.

- **DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM**
 - This menu choice displays a page with and an internet link which will display the membership program in Program Document Format (PDF) that can be saved and printed.

- **AMERICANISM SUBMENU CHOICE**
 - This menu choice displays a page with brief description of the VFW's Americans Program.

- **BUDDY POPPY SUBMENU CHOICE**
 - This submenu choice displays a page with the History of the VFW Buddy Poppy Program.

- **COMMUNITY SERVICE SUBMENU CHOICE**
 - This submenu choice displays a page with a brief statement on VFW and the local community.

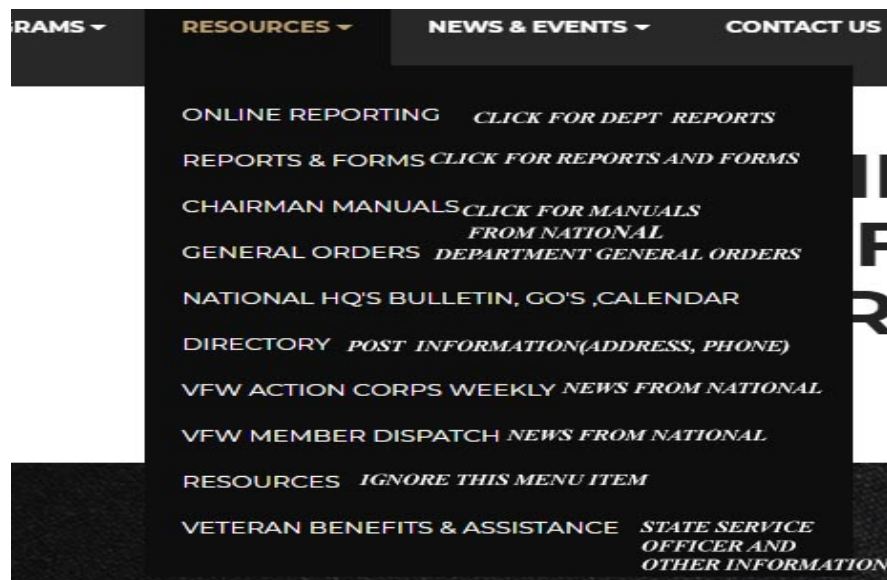
- **PATRIOT'S PEN ESSAY CONTEST**
 - This submenu choice displays a page with brief information on this essay program with an internet link which will display information on the program from the VFW National Web Site.

- **VOICE OF DEMOCRACY SCHOLARSHIP**
 - This submenu choice displays a page with brief information on this scholarship award with an internet link which will display information on the program from the VFW National Web Site

- **TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD**
 - This submenu choice displays a page with information on Teacher of the Year award.
- **SAFETY**
 - This submenu choice displays a page with information on national EMT, Law Enforcement and National Fire Fighters Citations.

RESOURCES MENU CHOICES

This Menu provides a number of resources which might be helpful at the Post, District and Department Level. Choosing a submenu item will provide further information.



- **ONLINE REPORTING SUBMENU**
 - This submenu choice displays a page with an internet link which when clicked will take you to the Department Online Reporting System at <http://nh.vfwportal.net/public/>

- **REPORTING AND FORMS SUBMENU**

This submenu choice will take you to a page with internet links to the Department Online Reporting System and will provide you with several forms. See page examples below. As more forms become available they will be added to this page.

REPORTS & FORMS

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FORMS

ONLINE FORMS IN PUBLIC DOCUMENT FORMAT ARE AVAILABLE BY CLICKING THE THE BUTTON WI



- **CHAIRMAN MANUALS SUBMENU**

- This submenu choice will display a page with internet links to Chairman's Manual from the National Web site, for example VOD/PP manual. As more manuals become available they will be added to this page.

- **GENERAL ORDERS SUBMENU ITEM**
 - This submenu choice will display a page with internet links to Program Document Format (PDF) Department of NH General Orders.

- **NATIONAL HQ'S BULLETIN, GO'S AND CALENDAR SUBMENU ITEM**
 - This submenu choice will display a page with an internet link to the combined PDF documents specified in the submenu as new documents of this nature will be added as they become available.

- **DIRECTORY SUBMENU ITEM**
 - This submenu choice will display a page with choices for Directory which will list web sites for Post, District and Department, Post Roster which will provide information on each post such as meeting nigh and time, location and phone number, Post Locations will display an interactive Map of post locations across the United States and by clicking on an area such as New Hampshire you will see Post Information concerning meeting time phone number etc.

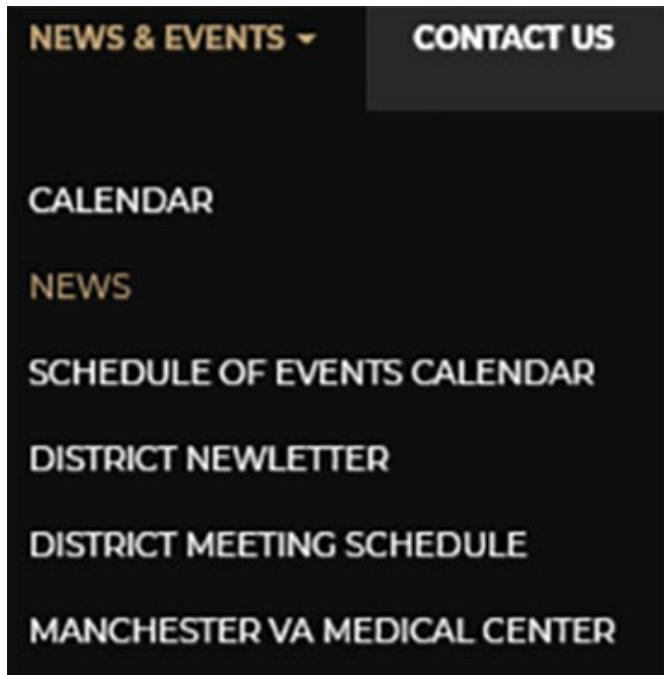
- **VFW ACTION CORP WEEKLY AND MEMBER DISPATCH SUBMENU**
 - These 2 submenu choice will take you to pages with internet links to the VFW Action Corps Weekly web site, and Member Dispatch PDF Documents received by Members.

- **VETERANS BENEFITS AND ASSISTANCE SUBMENU**
 - This submenu item will take you to a page with contact information for the Department Service Officer and multiple internet links on various veteran benefits and assistance internet resources.

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NEWS AND EVENTS MENU CHOICES

This menu provides informational pages that provide an interactive calendar, News from the Department and National HQ, District News Letters, the tentative schedule of events calendar, District Newsletters, District meeting schedule, and events at the Manchester VA.



CONTACT US MENU AND LOGIN MENUS

These menus can be ignored.

WEB SITE QUESTIONS AND INPUT

Vfwnh.org questions and input can be sent to nhweb57@gmail.com