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## VFW Checkpoint – October 2024

Greetings, Checkpoint readers! Enjoy this installment of your Checkpoint newsletter.

Please take this opportunity to see what other Posts around the world are doing to better their communities. Be sure to share the valuable information you get here with your fellow VFW members. If you know someone who is not receiving Checkpoint, encourage them to email [magazine@vfw.org](mailto:magazine@vfw.org) and get signed up.

In this issue, you will read about how VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship" assisted a veteran who previously served in the Ohio Army National Guard. She is pursuing a degree in nursing. In Georgia, VFW Post 2667 members and Auxiliary members continue to donate food to those needing a boost. VFW Post 7689 in Martinsburg, Pa., donated funds to its local high school for the purchase of new football helmets. Eight-grade students in Iowa continue to partner with VFW Post 1977. The Post has donated \$60,000 over the past 13 years to help students visit Washington, D.C. Read these stories and more in your October Checkpoint newsletter.

Be sure to let us know what your VFW Post is doing in your community. Include great photos showing your members in action. We are always looking to promote the great efforts of the VFW. Email [jdyhouse@vfw.org](mailto:jdyhouse@vfw.org) your suggestion, and you just might see it in an upcoming issue of Checkpoint.

An advertisement for BlueCross BlueShield FEP Dental. The background is dark blue. On the left, white text reads: "In-network covered preventive care paid in full" and "That's the Benefit of Blue.®". In the center, it says "Open Season is 11/11 – 12/9" above a white button that says "Learn More". On the right, the BlueCross BlueShield logo is shown above "FEP Dental®". To the far right is a black and white photo of a man in a white lab coat holding a dental mirror.



### Scholarship Changes Lives


A veteran who served with the Ohio Army National Guard is a multiple-time recipient of VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship." [She is using the scholarship to pursue her nursing degree in Ohio.](#)



## Georgia VFW Post Feeds the Community

Those afflicted by food insecurity in the “Empire State of the South,” continue to get a boost from VFW Post 2667 in Newnan, Ga. [Since 2019, the Post and Auxiliary members have donated more than 15,000 pounds of food.](#)

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## VFW Store Offering Commemorative Items

The VFW Store offers a wide selection of 125<sup>th</sup> VFW Anniversary commemorative items, including an ornament. For those unable to attend the 125<sup>th</sup> National Convention, there are limited supplies of merchandise offered in Louisville, the convention city. [Remember, every purchase helps veterans.](#)



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## New Football Helmets Thanks to VFW Post

In Martinsburg, Pa., VFW Post 7689 donated \$2,500 to its local high school football team for the purchase of much-needed and safer football helmets. [The parent of one of the players said she is “incredibly grateful” to the VFW for its support.](#)



## Iowa Post Helps Send Students to D.C.

Over the past 13 years, VFW Post 1977 has donated more than \$60,000 for eighth-grade students to visit the nation's capital. Students work veterans' breakfasts to give back. [Post leaders say the partnership benefits everyone.](#)

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## 2,600 Pounds of Food Donated

In Mountain Home, Idaho, members of VFW Post 5423 and its Auxiliary collected non-perishable food items that will feed approximately 160 families over a six-month period. [The director of the food pantry said the Post's efforts went "beyond all expectations."](#)

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