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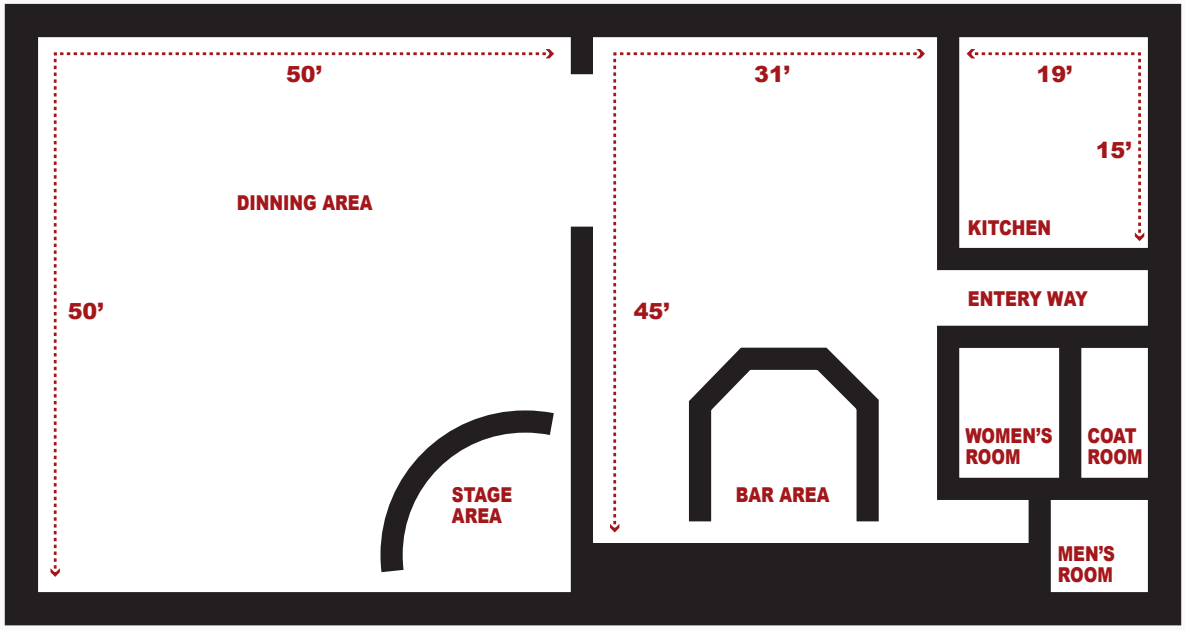
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COMMANDERS COMMENTS: John Dehnke \\ VFW Post 10406

Comrades & Sisters

Dear VFW Post 10406,

I want to express my sincere gratitude for the honor of serving once again as Commander of our VFW Post. It means a great deal to be trusted with this responsibility, and lam committed to continuing the strong traditions, values, and sense of brotherhood that define who we are.

I also want to extend my deepest thanks to our outgoing Commander, William Green, for the outstanding leadership he has shown over the past two years. His dedication and hard work have made our post stronger, more welcoming, and more vibrant. His impact will be felt for years to come.

I would also like to recognize Steve Shiffili for his exceptional service as our Quartermaster over the last five years. Steve's dedication, reliability, and commitment to the financial integrity of our post have been invaluable. We appreciate everything he has done and the steady leadership he has provided.

At the same time, I want to warmly welcome William Green into his new role as Quartermaster. William has already proven himself through his leadership as Commander, and I have full confidence that he will continue to serve our post with the same level of excellence and commitment.

I also want to thank Doug Ratz for his continued service as our Adjutant. Doug has done a remarkable job, and we rely on his position a great deal. His consistency, attention to detail, and dedication behind the scenes keep our post running smoothly, and his efforts do not go unnoticed.

And of course, there are many more members who deserve our thanks and appreciation. I wish I had enough time to recognize each one individually, because this post is built on the hard work, generosity, and commitment of so many. Please know that your contributions matter, and they are deeply appreciated.

As we move forward, I want every member to know this: we are here for you. If you ever need help, support, guidance, or simply someone to talk to, you can always reach out. No matter the situation, you are never alone - your comrades stand with you.

Thank you again for your trust, your service, and your continued commitment to our mission and our community. I look forward to serving alongside each of you.

John Dehnke
VFW Post 10406 \\ Commander
commander@vfwpost10406.org

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT: Kimberly Beseler \\ VFW Post 10406

Message From The President

Dear Auxiliary Members of VFW Post 10406,

Welcome to a new Auxiliary year at Post 10406! I am honored and excited to once again have the opportunity to serve as your Auxiliary President and help lead this wonderful team. As we begin this new year, I want to reflect on the mission of the VFW Auxiliary:

The VFW Auxiliary is dedicated to improving the lives of veterans, active-duty service members, their families, and the communities they serve.

It is a mission we can all be proud of, and one that our Auxiliary continues to fulfill through volunteerism, service, and unwavering support for both our veterans and our community. This promises to be a historic year as we celebrate not only the 250th anniversary of our nation, but also the 50th anniversary of the Post 10406 Auxiliary Charter. We encourage all members to participate in our monthly business meetings, held at the Post at 7:00pm on the second Thursday of each month, with the option to join via Zoom for those unable to attend in person.

Our Auxiliary offers several ways to stay connected, including Facebook, text messaging, and email. We also maintain an Auxiliary section on the Post 10406 VFW website to help keep everyone informed. Throughout the year, our Auxiliary takes part in community outreach, youth activities, our monthly Post Chicken Q, and many other opportunities for service, camaraderie, and fellowship. There is truly something for everyone, offering each member a chance to find their place, their purpose, and a sense of belonging.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions. We welcome your participation in whatever way you are able and look forward to another successful year together.

Kimberly Beseler
VFW Post 10406 \\ Auxiliary President

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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT: Kimberly Goss \\ VFW Post 10406

New Auxiliary Caps Available

VFW Auxiliary officer caps now available. Section 1001 of the 2019 Auxiliary National Bylaws has been amended to include an optional and acceptable cap of overseas type or ladies modified style for either male or female officers. Only 1 title is permitted per cap.





Starting at $43.00/ea

Includes Right Side:

- **VFW Auxiliary Cross of Malta**
- **VFW AUX (In 2 Lines) in Gold At Front**

http://www.vfwstore.org/

Are You Eligible To Join?

You must be related to a veteran who has served in overseas combat, earning the campaign medals eligible. That veteran can be a living or deceased spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent or grandchild. Step- and adopted parents, children, siblings (and half-siblings), grandparents and grandchildren are considered the same as biological parents, children, siblings, grandparents and grandchildren and may join the VFW Auxiliary under their VFW-eligible veteran. See website below or contact Kimberly Beseler today...

https://vfwauxiliary.org/join-us/eligibility-information/

Kimberly Goss
VFW Post 10406 \\ Auxiliary President
715.279.2464

CLUB MANAGER: Kimberly Beseler \\ VFW Post 10406

Post Activities 2026

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY
October 8 VFW/AUX Meeting 7:00pm	November 1 Boy Scouts 4:00pm	December 1 Red Cross Blood Drive 1:00pm - 6:00pm	January 4 Boy Scouts 4:00pm
October 10 VFW Charcoal Chicken 4:00pm	November 7 Ham & Turkey Raffle 5:00pm	December 8 Belvidere Meeting 7:00pm	January 14 VFW/AUX Meeting 7:00pm
October 13 Belvidere Meeting 7:00pm	November 11 Veterans Day Program 9:45am	December 10 VFW/AUX Meeting 7:00pm	January 15 Coffee With Veterans 9:00am
October 23 Coffee With Veterans 8:00am	November 12 VFW/AUX Meeting 7:00pm	December 12 Post Christmas Party 8:00pm	January 2027 More Coming Soon
	November 23 Coffee With Veterans 9:00am	December 18 Coffee With Veterans 9:00am	

POST 10406 -- WANTS YOU!

"Members, you are our back bone and without you our effort would certainly fail. Your VFW is here for you whenever you choose and in whatever capacity you choose, as a active member, semi active or inactive. You greatest contribution alone is your continued membership at Post 10406"

John Dehnke \\ Commander

COMMANDERS COMMENTS: John Dehnke \\ VFW Post 10406

2026 Post Officers



John Dehnke
Commander



Tyler Schmidtknecht
Sr Vice Commander



Lance Averbeck
Jr Vice Commander



William G Green
Quartermaster



John Eckberg
Chaplain



John Eckberg
1st Year Trustee



Richard Hawes
2nd Year Trustee



Paul Apts
3rd Year Trustee



Douglas J Ratz
Adjutant



Stephen Schiffili
Benefits Advisor



Jim Goss
Service Officer



Jim Goss
Judge Advocate



Jim Goss
Unmet Needs & Employment



Steve Zastrow
Surgeon



Kimberly Beseler
Club Manager



Open Position
Officer of the Day

All officers and their positions are on the VFW Post 10406 website
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