

October Pot Shot 2026October Pot Shot 2026

September 2026						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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SATURDAY-SUNDAY POST IS OPEN AT 1100 AM	MONDAY-FRIDAY POST IS OPEN AT 2:00 PM			6 PM dinner Ham 7 PM Karaoke		POST OPEN AT 1100 AM
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
POST OPEN AT 1100 AM	6 PM dinner Salmon 7 PM Karaoke	6 PM Post Event Planning 7 PM VFW House Committee Meeting:		6 PM dinner Chicken Teriyaki 7 PM Karaoke		POST OPEN AT 1100 AM
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
POST OPEN AT 1100 AM	10 am – 1 pm Troopathon 3105 Fite Cir. Suite 108, Sacramento 6PM dinner Meatloaf 7 PM Karaoke	7 PM VFW Post Membership Meeting 7 PM VFW Auxiliary Meeting		6 PM dinner Ribs 7 PM Karaoke	6 PM Halloween Trivia	POST OPEN AT 1100 AM
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
POST OPEN AT 1100 AM	6 PM dinner Pork Loin 7:00 PM Karaoke	7 PM American Legion Executive Board Meeting		6 PM dinner Chili 7 PM Karaoke		POST OPEN AT 1100 AM 6 PM Halloween party
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
POST OPEN AT 1100 AM	6 PM dinner Shrimp fettuccine 7 PM Karaoke	6 PM American Legion Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM American Legion General Meeting		6 PM dinner Shepherds Pie 7 PM Karaoke		POST OPEN AT 1100 AM

HALLOWEEN PARTY



OCTOBER
24TH
6 ~ 10 PM



HOSTED BY:
**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
AND
VFW AUXILIARY**



★ SPONSORED BY: ★
**AMERICAN LEGION POST 383
AND
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**



FAIR OAKS VFW POST 6158
8990 KRUITOF WAY, FAIR OAKS, CALIFORNIA

TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE AT POST 6158.
For more information, call 916.505.1629
or email vfwpost6158@gmail.com



LIVE MUSIC BY:
**Dog Park
Justice**

High Energy Rock & Roll



★ **SUPREME NACHO BAR** ★
AND SNACKS INCLUDED!



**PRIZES
AWARDED FOR
BEST
COSTUMES!**

**TICKETS
IN ADVANCE \$15**



**AT THE DOOR
\$20**

★ ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO
SACRAMENTO STAND DOWN ★
TO HELP HOMELESS VETERANS



COME FOR THE MUSIC • STAY FOR THE FUN • SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

A Halloween-themed poster. The background features a dark, spooky forest with gnarled trees. In the center, a large, full, orange-yellow moon is partially obscured by the branches of a tree. A black bat is flying in front of the moon. Below the moon, a multi-story haunted house with several lit windows and a central tower is visible. The house has a dark, gothic style. At the bottom of the poster, there are four jack-o'-lanterns with glowing faces. The text is centered in the lower half of the image.

JOIN US IF YOU DARE FOR TREATS,
DRINKS AND A SPOOKY QUIZ

HALLOWEEN TRIVIA

ON OCTOBER 16TH, 2026
VFW POST 6158
6PM TO 8PM



Bite Me
Comedy Show &
Sweet Treats Fundraiser

Join us for a night of outrageous
comedy and sweet treats.

All proceeds to go to our Holiday Program that helps Veterans, Active
Military Personnel & their families for the Holidays Statewide

VETERANS
AFFILIATED COUNCIL

Calvac.org

Non Profit 501 (c) 3
EIN# 87-0803453

Scan the QR Code
to purchase tickets

Includes Non Alcoholic Beverage
and Sweet Treat

Veterans will receive 2 drinks | tickets | Beer or Wine with purchase of their ticket

Must show military ID

OCT 23 2026 Doors Open at 6:30 pm | Show Time: 7:00 pm Sharp!
Location: 8990 Kruitof Way Fair Oaks CA 95628 VFW Post 6158

Contact Lani Kane Calvac1921@gmail.com | 707-349-5457

Fair Oaks Veterans Hall Monthly Meetings

8990 Kruitof Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628

VFW Post Housing Committee Meeting: 7 pm, 1st Tuesday each month

VFW Post General Meeting 7 pm, 2nd Tuesday each month

VFW Auxiliary Membership Meeting: 7 pm, 2nd Tuesday each month

American Legion Executive Committee Meeting: 7 pm, 3rd Tuesday each month

American Legion General Membership Meeting: 7 pm, 4th Tuesday each month

American Legion Auxiliary Membership Meeting: 6 pm, 4th Tuesday each month

VFW Commander's Corner *By Gary Burns*

This October, we are having a Halloween Party on the 24th. There will be live music, food, and a costume contest. Tickets are \$15 in advance, or \$20 at the door. Tickets are available at the Canteen.

October is the season for high school students to submit their "Voice of Democracy" audio-essay for a chance to win a \$30,000 scholarship, and middle school students to participate in "Patriot's Pen" essay contest with a \$5,000 grand prize. This year's theme is: "What a Veteran Taught Me About America." The deadline for entry is October 31st, submitted to local VFW posts. Rules and information is available at our post, and online at VFW.org -> Community -> Youth & Education.

The VFW also offers other community recognition awards such as Teacher of the Year, First

Responder of the Year (Law Enforcement, Firefighter, EMT), as well as Scout of the Year (from Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Sea Scouts or Venturing Crew). If you wish to submit a nomination, please let us know.

VFW Benefits Officer *By Chuck Jamison*

Any VFW member that does any community service can let me know and I can add it to our online dashboard. I need your hours, mileage, the date, and a brief description of what you did. It helps the Post get recognition and helps the VFW generally to show the volunteer work being done by members. American Legion and the Auxiliaries have similar programs. Contact your leaders.



Volunteers at Troopathon packing care packages for deployed troops

VFW Auxiliary

Message from the ALA President: Suzanne Winters

One Team

This year the motto for the ALA is One team, One Mission, Veterans first.

Here at the VFW Post 6158 and American Legion Post 383 I have had the opportunity to see this Post coming together as One team.

Whether it is working the rummage sale for the VFW Auxiliary, the Ice Cream Social, or POW/MIA Memorial service. Now as we get ready to do the three day stand down, we are learning to work as one team.

One mission

To help our veterans, military, and their families.

- October 24, 2026, will be a day that you can achieve this goal with us. We will be participating in a Trunk or Treat, for the National Guard and their families. We will be decorating our cars and hand out

candy. If you would like to participate in decorating a car, see QR Code on flyer, or we would appreciate any donations of candy. This event is from 1-4pm

- Then join us for our scary Halloween party from 6-10 pm. Proceeds from this are going to the Sacramento Stand-down to support our homeless veterans.

RUMMAGE SALE NEWS FLASH!!

It is because of the generous donations from our members and community that the VFW Auxiliary Rummage Sale is such a success. The past three years Linda Rucker has organized with her daughter Ginger this event, spending hundreds of hours to make this event a success. Our beloved Reese, Gini and Debbie were there every day, all day. A BIG shout out to James Copley who opened the doors for us at 8 am so we could get a jump on the day.

Our post has been working hard to unite all the organizations that meet here. This event brought all of us together. I saw at least 3 Legion members who were there helping to set up and tear down. The VFW was there helping to set up, tears down and helped to clean up. Many of the women at the post are dual members so there were many of both VFW and ALA working side by side.

Labor Day weekend was a bustling time at VFW Post 6158 as the VFW Auxiliary, led by Linda Rucker and Ginger, prepared and oversaw the annual rummage sale.

Starting on Thursday, September 3, the large hall was filled with treasures and knickknacks. The doors opened early Friday to a large crowd eager to find their next bargain. The success continued through Saturday, and on Sunday the hall filled once again with new and returning guests taking advantage of the fill-a-box promotion for \$10.

Every organization at the Post represented and supported the event with setup, takedown, cleaning, guarding the back door and everything in between. In the end, remaining donations from generous Post members were passed on to the library, the upcoming Standdown, and local thrift stores.

The VFW Auxiliary of Post 6158 extends its gratitude to all donors, helpers, and shoppers, including the American Legion, the ALA Auxiliary, the VFW, and all of our members, for their assistance and participation in this successful event!



Veterans First

Quote: From President Suzanne Winters

Life is beautiful

One Day, One hour and one moment,

Will not come again in your entire life.

Avoid fights, bitterness and speak kindly to every person.

VFW Auxiliary Chaplain

Greetings Members,

I would like to introduce myself as your new VFW Auxiliary Chaplain for the 2026/2027 term.

I am reminded daily that our greatest asset is our connection to one another. Whether we are sending a card to a sick member, visiting a veteran, or standing in solidarity with a Gold Star family, our collective kindness is what heals. We do not need to walk the same spiritual path to walk together in service.

I look forward to serving our community alongside you.

Robin Schmidt

VFW Auxiliary Chaplain

American Legion Post 383 Commander *By Chris Siegfried*

I want to thank everyone that donated supplies or volunteered at Stand down. Your willingness to help us gave many Veterans going through a hard time, a hand up.

American Legion Auxiliary

ALA Chaplain

By Denise Verbeck deniseverb@aol.com, 916-967-5110

Greetings to all our beloved Auxiliary members. If you or someone you know from our organization is in the hospital, sick at home, going through a rough patch, or has lost a loved one, please contact me. If you are celebrating your birthday, please join us on our 4th Tuesday meeting at 6 pm, I'll treat you to a celebratory drink.

Sacramento Stand Down

By Julia Nattkemper, Legion 2nd Vice President VA&R

The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary Fair Oaks Post 383 participated in 2 of the 3 days for the Sacramento Stand Down with the assistance of some members of the VFW Auxiliary and members from other posts from District 6. Members helped greet veterans, distributed requested items, and offered a friendly and supportive ear. Items included ponchos, hygiene items, clothing, and some snacks.



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