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Greetings, Checkpoint readers! Enjoy this installment of Checkpoint.

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 and get signed up. Most importantly, be sure to let us know what your VFW Post is doing in your community. Email ajhouse@vfw.org your suggestion, and you just might see it in Checkpoint.



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SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT HOPES TO BECOME COMMERCIAL PILOT

The VFW "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship" continues to support veterans continuing their education. Air Force vet Kareem Pore is one such



VFW MEMBERS ESCORT WWII VETS TO NETHERLANDS

Three WWII veterans had the opportunity to visit the battlefields on which they once served. Accompanying them were members of VFW Post 6712 in Revere, Mass. [The vets also visited with students and shared stories of their time during the war while stationed in the Netherlands.](#)

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VFW MEMBER GRADUATES COLLEGE AT 81

Vietnam veteran Ron Cabral, a member of VFW Post 2045 in Swansea, Mass., earned his Associates in Arts from Bristol Community College. [His endeavor was supported by a partnership between Bristol's Student Veterans of America chapter and VFW Post 2045.](#)



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TIPS FOR GETTING THE BEST PHOTOS

Checkpoint and VFW magazine wants to publish the good works of Posts. Those looking to get published should provide the best photography possible to increase the chances of seeing their work in print. [Here are some pointers for taking quality, print-worthy photos.](#)



A BREAKDOWN OF THE GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN AND VA BENEFITS

While the partial government shutdown is affecting millions, VA benefits delivery should not be interrupted. The VA has assured that benefits such as compensation, pension, education and housing benefits will continue. Most importantly, VFW Accredited Service Officers should have the ability to still assist veterans from any reliable Internet connection. [Learn more here.](#)



SALUTE TO SERVICE

The Exchange is honoring active-duty service members, retirees and disabled Veterans with special in-store giveaways in November.

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What is Checkpoint?

Checkpoint is the official e-newsletter for the Veterans of Foreign Wars leadership at all levels and any member choosing to receive it. Published 12 times a year, Checkpoint is a communications tool for the decision-makers within the VFW. Checkpoint strives to inform, influence and interest its readers through articles related to the good work being done at the grassroots level of the organization. With a circulation of more than 430,000 (about 10,000 of those are Post and District commanders), and an open rate of more than 40 percent, our readership is on the rise.

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