

**VFW National Home
September 2026 Bulletin
Fall Festival October 23-25, 2026**

Let's get busy promoting the VFW National Home. This year the Auxiliaries that submit the most creative activity and/or event that demonstrates what and where the VFW National Home is and who is eligible for the services provided by the VFW National Home. The entry form is available on MALTA member resources. Promote the Trip and record your promotion of the VFW National Home for your entry due by March 31, 2027.

Our time to serve at the VFW National Home is during the Fall Festival October 23-25, 2026.

The Theme: Hocus Pocus. Recycle a favorite costume that is family friendly this year!

The Bus: Kobussen, \$150 per seat for each individual, prices subject to change.

The Sponsors: The D9 Riders Group drew their raffle August 8th 2026. The proceeds will go to defer the cost of the bus. Be sure to thank a D9 Riders Group members for their support!

The Rooms: A choice of two hotels to choose from. Make your own reservations once the block is available, all prices subject to change. The bus will stop and pick up at these two locations.

- Hampton by Hilton Lansing West, 900 N Canal Road. Lansing, MI 48917
20 rooms at a discounted group rate of \$119 + tax
- Hilton Garden Inn, 633 N. Canal Rd. Lansing, MI 48917
20 rooms at a discounted group rate of \$129 + tax

The VFW will post when the reservations are available for bus and room. If you try to make reservations before they are 'open' you will pay a higher rate!

The weekend will begin with the annual meeting come and meet the new commander, followed by a tour of the VFW National Home community. Hopefully we will have an update on any new programs or homes being built to reach their goal of 50 homes. Come dressed for cool or hot weather for the outside tram tour of the community. When exploring be sure to find your brick on the sidewalk, tour the museum and new community store and plan to purchase all the latest VFW National Home Swag!

Department of WI will host the Fall Festival noon meal followed by games and costume contest, along with the Department of Missouri. Plan to come and have Fun!!!

Remember this is our time to serve at the National Home and find out first-hand how the VFW National Home supports our service members, veterans and their families!

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