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For starters let me say that I am having so much fun with you guys! I am really enjoying reading your monthly programs. I have already heard from 32 of you and I look forward to hearing from the rest soon. I'm learning so much about different styles of writing and leadership. Simply put, you are all very good at what you do.

For instance, Arizona's Legislative Chairwoman, Jeanne Hampton was invited to an event Senator Mark Kelley was having at a local coffee house. While there, she talked up the



importance of voting to the teenage employees. Talk about making the best of an opportunity! (She's in white on the far left talking to the Senator.) Jane Ryser from Kansas met with Sen. Jerry Moran and thanked him for supporting the PACT Act.

Ohio's Renell Noack is using the TV show Yellowstone as the theme for her entire Legislative year. She even made these patriotic horseshoes for luck. How cool is *that*?

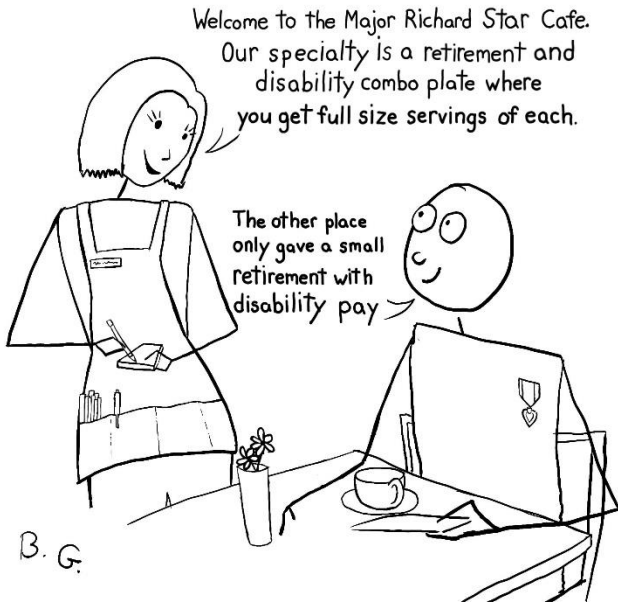


Pennsylvania's Dale Lepore, Missouri's Amy-Jo Lett, and Jane Ryser from Kansas include fun and meaningful poems in their Programs.



Here is some terrific news. On Wednesday, August 10, 2022, President Biden signed the PACT Act into law. The way veterans receive health care in this country has been fundamentally changed forever. The PACT Act will improve the lives of service members and retired military as much as, if not more, than the G.I. Bill does. You should all feel very proud of your part in this. For more information about the PACT Act, [click here.](#)

We have two goals for this fall: Supporting the Major Richard Star Act and getting people to vote.



This is what the VFW's Washington, D.C. office has to say about what the Major Richard Star Act does.

*“Over 50,000 Chapter 61 retirees with combat-related disabilities are required to **forfeit every dollar** of their retirement pay for every dollar they receive in disability compensation... This offset must be eliminated. Our combat veterans have already sacrificed enough.”*

Use this link to tell your elected leaders to do the right thing and encourage others to do the same.

<https://votervoice.net/VFW/Campaigns/97496/Respond>

Tuesday, November 8 is election day. Each state has a website with information about registering, early voting and polling locations. I want every Department to post that website in as many places as possible. I personally find the League of Women Voters to be a good resource for voter information as well.

Please keep in mind that we, as an organization, don't favor either party, and you should help both liberals and conservatives to vote with equal vigor.

Use the link below to find everything you could possibly need to be a Legislative Chairman, including these stickers to wear on election day.

<https://malta.vfwauxiliary.org/MemberResources>

I've seen with my own eyes that you truly do have **Hands that Serve, Hearts that Care**. You care enough to use your time, talent and treasure to ensure that our elected leaders never forget veterans and their families.

Keep up the good work.

