

VFW Celtic Festival



VFW POST 2661
2025

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DJ Elbert
at VFWPost2661@gmail.com or visit our
website at www.vfw2661.org
for more information



Meet Your Emcee



Jarriel Scott

Born and raised in Washington, MO and grew up in Franklin County.

An accomplished entertainer and pianist that has traveled and played all over the country with a variety of bands, including 5 years with St. Louis Big Band.

Established the 2012 East Central College Hillside Jam which brought together local restaurants and bands for a day of food, fun, and music.

Member of the WashMO Blues Society & Masonic Lodge 251.

2022-2024 VFW Celtic Festival Emcee.



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FOOD & DRINK

BEVERAGES - The Highland Pub

Drink Tickets Required at Highland Pub

Drink Tickets Sold at Information Tent

Soda & Water - 1 Ticket

Beers and N/A Beers - 2 Tickets

Whisky - 3 Tickets

FOOD VENDORS

Arnold's Grill-N-Smoke LLC

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Parking Shuttle Lots:
14th and Jefferson St.
Stafford St. at Four Rivers Career Center

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|  | Admission Gate |  | Bar |
|  | Stage |  | John B. Busch Mansion
VFW Post 2661 Home
Specialty Drink Bar |
|  | Food Trucks |  | Vendor and Clan Tents |
|  | The Shamrock Sampler
Tasting Tent |  | Animal Petting Area |
|  | Fighting Ring |  | Bounce House |
|  | Information Booth/
T Shirt Sales |  | First Aid Station |

2025 VFW Celtic Festival Schedule of Events

10:00am – 10:15am	Opening Ceremony	Stage
10:15am – 11:00am	3 Pints Gone	Stage
11:15am – 12:00pm	St Louis Legion of Honor	Fighting Ring
12:15pm – 1:00pm	The Shamrock Irish Dancers	Stage
1:15pm – 2:00pm	Plaid to the Bone	Stage
2:15pm – 3:00pm	3 Pints Gone	Stage
3:15pm – 4:00pm	The Shamrock Irish Dancers	Stage
4:15pm – 5:00pm	St Louis Legion of Honor	Fighting Ring
5:00pm – 5:45pm	Plaid to the Bone	Stage
5:45pm – 6:00pm	Closing Ceremony	Stage

WEE GAMES

Caber Toss
Egg and Spoon Race
3-Legged Race
50-Yard Dash

*All games will be held along the fenceline, just inside the ballfield from the Gateway Cabermen field.

All Day Events – 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Battle of the Branches “Pie in the Face” Fundraiser - *The military branch that collects the most funds in their can will throw a pie in the face of the one who collects the least. Find your favorite branch representative to make your donation.*

Gateway Cabermen – *Interactive Heavy Games. Try your luck at tossing a caber or throwing a stone.*

Wee Games – *Smaller interactive version of the Highland Games.*

Clan and Vendor Row – *Learn Scottish heritage by visiting with the Clans and shop unique local small businesses on Vendor Row.*

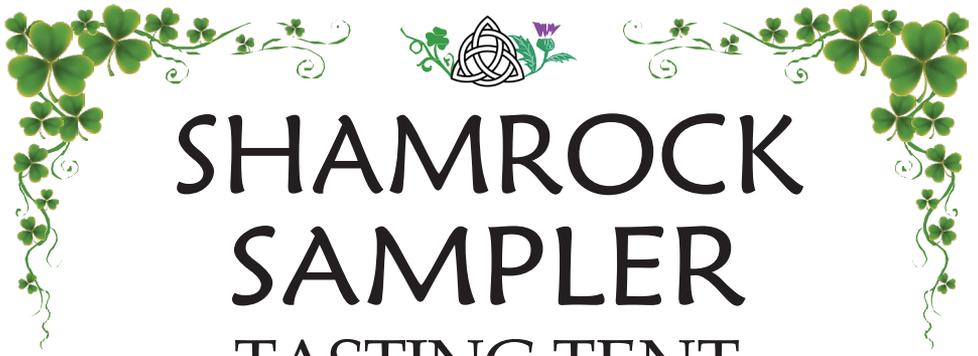
Highland Coo and Irish Wolf Hound demonstrations.

Food Court – *Visit the food court for a variety of hot food.*

Highland Pub – *Whisky, beer, soda, and water sales. Visit our ticket tent to purchase your drink tickets.*

VFW recruiting, Information Officer and Buddy Poppy Drive –
visit our VFW Tent

VFW 50/50 Raffle Ticket Sales



SHAMROCK SAMPLER TASTING TENT

The tent is located next to the on-field food vendors.

Ticket prices are \$4 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$15.

1 ticket per tasting/sample.

Enjoy fine spirits from these local artisans:

Whisky:

Washington Distillery – Washington, MO

Mead:

Ozark Viking Meadery – Salem, MO

Wine:

St. James Winery - St. James, MO

Small Batch Winery - Wentzville, MO

Beer:

Deep Sleep Brewing Co. - Washington, MO

Tasting tickets available for purchase at Tasting Tent Entrance.

Must be 21 to enter the tasting tent.

All items purchased from tasting tent vendors

MUST remain unopened at this event.

Please drink responsibly.

*Unruly or disorderly guests will be removed from the event.

VFW Post 2661 reserves the right to refuse service for any reason.



THE PERFORMERS

3 Pints Gone – *Traditional-style Celtic folk songs and sea shanties*

Plaid to the Bone - *St. Louis' Premier Celtic Rock Band*

The Shamrock Irish Dancers - *Traditional and Modern Dance*

St Louis Legion of Honor - *Knight Fighting Demonstration*

Lovely Lass Highland Cattle Co - *Highland Coo (Cow)*

National Irish Wolfhound Association - *Irish Wolfhounds*





THE ATHLETES

Highland Games hosted by Gateway Cabermen.
Registered athletes participating in today's event are competing for points.

The public is welcome to participate in today's games.

All participants must sign a release waiver prior to entering the field.

Kilts are encouraged, however, because this is a family friendly event, all kilt-wearing participants are required to wear undergarments or shorts under their kilt. Sign up to join in the games at the Gateway Cabermen tent at the games field



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VFW PROGRAMS

VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER (VSO) PROGRAM

We have Post Information Officers and Department VSO on site TODAY to help Veterans access their benefits. Stop by and speak with a VSO today to see how they can help you!

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

Visit the VFW Information Tent to find out about VFW-sponsored Scholarship programs for middle school and high school students!

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY

Grades 9-12 - audio-essay program providing high school students with the unique opportunity to express themselves in regards to a democratic and patriotic-themed recorded essay.

1st Place National Winner receives \$35,000 in scholarships!

PATRIOTS PEN

Grades 6-8 - youth essay contest providing students with a chance to win their share of nearly \$1 million in state and national awards.

1st place state winner receives a minimum of \$500!

1st place national winner wins \$5,000!

Visit

<https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/youth-scholarships>
for more information! Deadline for Entries is 31 Oct 2024

TEACHER OF THE YEAR PROGRAM

Each year, the Veterans of Foreign Wars selects elementary, middle, and high school teachers to participate in the Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher program.

Visit

<https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/teacher-of-the-year>
for more information! Deadline for Entries is 31 Oct 2024



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More Information



Thanks for Coming!



The VFW and the VFW Auxiliary would like to thank you for supporting our Veterans. A very special thank you to our members, friends, sponsors, and donors for making this event possible.



A very special Thank You to the JROTC Cadets and

local Students who volunteered their off time to make this day happen!

We look forward to seeing you again next year! Please continue to support our Veterans.