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Form **990**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

OMB No 1545-0047

2009**Open to Public Inspection**

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning <u>7/1/2009</u> , and ending <u>6/30/2010</u>							
B Check if applicable: ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Terminated ☐ Amended return ☐ Application pending	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:10%; vertical-align: top;">Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions</td> <td style="width:60%;"> C Name of organization <u>VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS #276</u> Doing Business As _____ Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <u>20 BAKER AVENUE</u> City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 <u>WHITEFISH MT 59937</u> </td> <td style="width:30%;"> D Employer identification number <u>81-0347548</u> E Telephone number _____ G Gross receipts \$ <u>350,901</u> </td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3"> F Name and address of principal officer _____ H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? ☐ Yes ☒ No H(b) Are all affiliates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ▶ <u>2312</u> </td> </tr> </table>	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions	C Name of organization <u>VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS #276</u> Doing Business As _____ Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <u>20 BAKER AVENUE</u> City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 <u>WHITEFISH MT 59937</u>	D Employer identification number <u>81-0347548</u> E Telephone number _____ G Gross receipts \$ <u>350,901</u>	F Name and address of principal officer _____ H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? ☐ Yes ☒ No H(b) Are all affiliates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ▶ <u>2312</u>		
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I Tax-exempt status ☒ 501(c) (<u>19</u>) ◀ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527							
J Website: ▶ <u>N/A</u>							
K Form of organization ☐ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶ _____							
L Year of formation _____ M State of legal domicile _____							

Part I Summary

1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS</u>			
2	Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.			
3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3		194
4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4		194
5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5		20
6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6		
7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a		0
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b		0
8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	8	Prior Year	Current Year
9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	9	753	901
10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	10	0	0
11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	11	679	413
12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	12	185,670	190,477
13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	13	187,102	191,791
14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	14	0	0
15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	15	0	0
16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	16a	91,705	101,570
b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0	b	0	0
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	17	83,250	81,712
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	18	174,955	183,282
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	19	12,147	8,509
20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	20	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	21	277,613	255,407
22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	22	2,297	251
			275,316	255,156

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.				
Sign Here	Signature of officer <u>Terry M. Wheeler</u> Type or print name and title <u>Terry M. Wheeler</u>	Date <u>10/29/10</u>		
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature <u>Jerry R. Hoadley</u> Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 <u>JERRY R. HOADLEY, CPA</u> <u>PO BOX 236, WHITEFISH, MT 59937</u>	Date <u>10/14/2010</u>	Check if self-employed ☒	Preparer's identifying number (see instructions) <u>P00864387</u> EIN ▶ _____ Phone no ▶ <u>(406) 862-4944</u>

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) ☒ Yes ☐ No

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Form **990** (2009)

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.**4a** (Code:) (Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)**4c** (Code:) (Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)**4d** Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 0

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1	X
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	2	X
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3	X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	
5 Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6	X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7	X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8	X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9	X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10	X
11 Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable	11	X
• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.		
• Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.		
• Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.		
• Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX		
• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		
• Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		
12 Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII	12	X
12A Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.	12A	X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I	14b	X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II	15	X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III	16	X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I	17	X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	X
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20	X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i>		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J.</i>		X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25.</i>		X
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
24d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		
25b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II.</i>		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1.</i>		X
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		X
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	0
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	X
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	20
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return. (see instructions)	2b	X
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	3a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	6a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c	X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d	
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e	X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f	X
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g	X
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?	7h	X
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8	X
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a	
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b	
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Section A. Governing Body and Management

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body	1a	194
b Enter the number of voting members that are independent	1b	194
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?	5	X
6 Does the organization have members or stockholders?	6	X
7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?	7a	X
b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?	7b	X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a The governing body?	8a	X
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	X
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9a	X

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No
10a Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	X
b If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?	10b	X
11 Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11	X
11A Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	X
b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	
c Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	12c	
13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	X
14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	X
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official.	15a	X
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	X
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions.)		
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	X
b If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► MT

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.

☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization ► HELEN CLARK (406) 862-4949
20 BAKER AVE, WHITEFISH, MT 59937

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns	1a 0				
	b	Membership dues	1b 901				
	c	Fundraising events	1c 0				
	d	Related organizations	1d 0				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e 0				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f 0				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$	0				
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f	901				
Program Service Revenue	Business Code						
	2a			0			
	b			0			
	c			0			
	d			0			
	e			0			
	f	All other program service revenue		0			
g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		0				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		413			
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0			
	5	Royalties		0			
	6a	(i) Real					
		(ii) Personal					
	b	Less: rental expenses					
	c	Rental income or (loss)		0			
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		0			
	7a	(i) Securities					
		(ii) Other					
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		0			
	c	Gain or (loss)		0			
	d	Net gain or (loss)		0			
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 901 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18		1,987			
	b	Less: direct expenses		1,229			
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		758			
9a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19		67,156				
b	Less: direct expenses		34,611				
c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		32,545				
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		280,444				
b	Less: cost of goods sold		123,270				
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		157,174				
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code				
11a			0				
b			0				
c			0				
d	All other revenue		0				
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		0				
12	Total revenue. See instructions		191,791	0	0	0	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.****All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).**

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21	0			
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22	0			
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	0			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7 Other salaries and wages	86,003			
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	0			
9 Other employee benefits	0			
10 Payroll taxes	15,567			
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	0			
b Legal	0			
c Accounting	668			
d Lobbying	0			
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	0			
f Investment management fees	0			
g Other	0			
12 Advertising and promotion	1,549			
13 Office expenses	3,300			
14 Information technology	0			
15 Royalties	0			
16 Occupancy	39,294			
17 Travel	3,318			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	0			
20 Interest	9			
21 Payments to affiliates	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	4,947	0	0	0
23 Insurance	5,856			
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a Bank Charges	18			
b Dues/Memberships/Licenses	423			
c Bands/Entertainment	13,100			
d	0			
e	0			
f All other expenses Supplies	9,230			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	183,282	0	0	0
26 Joint costs. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	27,278	1	29,528
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	27,896	2	28,334
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	0	3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net	10,723	4	9,053
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use	9,302	8	14,114
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment, cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	324,906		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	150,528		
		179,325	10c	174,378
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	0	11	0
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets	23,089	14	0
15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	0	15	0	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	277,613	16	255,407	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,297	17	251
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	0	25	0
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	2,297	26	251
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	252,227	32	255,156
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	252,227	33	255,156
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	254,524	34	255,407	

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990. ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?		X
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.		
d If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS #276

Employer Identification number

81-0347548

Part I

Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part

- 1** Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.
- | | |
|--|---|
| a ☐ Mail solicitations | e ☐ Solicitation of non-government grants |
| b ☐ Internet and email solicitations | f ☐ Solicitation of government grants |
| c ☐ Phone solicitations | g ☐ Special fundraising events |
| d ☐ In-person solicitations | |
- 2a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
				0	0	0
Total				0	0	0

- 3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit funds or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing**

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	0	0	0	0
	2 Less Charitable contributions	0	0	0	0
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	0	0	0	0
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes	0	0	0	0
	5 Noncash prizes	0	0	0	0
	6 Rent/facility costs	0	0	0	0
	7 Food and beverages	0	0	0	0
	8 Entertainment	0	0	0	0
	9 Other direct expenses	0	0	0	0
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				
11 Net income summary. Combine line 3, column (d), and line 10					0

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

	(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
1 Gross revenue			67,156	67,156
2 Cash prizes				0
3 Noncash prizes				0
4 Rent/facility costs				0
5 Other direct expenses			34,611	34,611
6 Volunteer labor	☐ Yes _____% ☐ No	☐ Yes _____% ☐ No	☐ Yes _____% ☐ No	
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				(34,611)
8 Net gaming income summary. Combine line 1, column d, and line 7				32,545

- 9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities MT
- a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states?
- b If "No," explain
- 10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?
- b If "Yes," explain:
- 11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?

	Yes	No
9a	X	
10a		X
11	X	
12		X

		Yes	No
13	Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in:		
a	The organization's facility	13a	100.00%
b	An outside facility	13b	%
14	Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:		
	Name ► HELEN CLARK		
	Address ► 20 BAKER AVENUE WHITEFISH, MT 59937		
15a	Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?	15a	X
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ► \$ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ► \$		
c	If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:		
	Name ►		
	Address ►		
16	Gaming manager information:		
	Name ► NONE		
	Gaming manager compensation ► \$ 0		
	Description of services provided ►		
	☐ Director/officer ☐ Employee ☐ Independent contractor		
17	Mandatory distributions		
a	Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?	17a	X
b	Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ► \$		

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Information to Form 990

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Form 990 Part VI Section B Line 11a No review procedures

Form 990 Part VI Section C Line 19 Persons requesting may come to the office and read through the

paperwork.

Form **4562**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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Depreciation and Amortization
(Including Information on Listed Property)

OMB No 1545-0172

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Attachment

Sequence No **67**

▶ See separate instructions.

▶ Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS #276	Business or activity to which this form relates 990	Identifying number 81-0347548
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Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179*Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.*

1 Maximum amount. See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	250,000
2 Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3 Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	800,000
4 Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	0
5 Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	250,000
6 (a) Description of property (b) Cost (business use only) (c) Elected cost		
7 Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8 Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	0
9 Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	0
10 Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2008 Form 4562.	10	
11 Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	
12 Section 179 expense deduction. Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	0
13 Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2010. Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 ▶	13	0

*Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.***Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)**

14 Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15 Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16 Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	2,006

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)**Section A**

17 MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2009	17	2,941
18 If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here ▶ ☐		

Section B - Assets Placed in Service During 2009 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19 a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs.	MM	S/L	

Section C - Assets Placed in Service During 2009 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20 a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs.		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs.	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (See instructions.)

21 Listed property. Enter amount from line 28	21	
22 Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return Partnerships and S corporations - see instructions	22	4,947
23 For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see separate instructions.

Form 4562 (2009)

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