

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE U.S. INC GENERAL ORDERS NO. 2

Series 2025-2026 August 2025

(To be read or distributed at a regular Post meeting and filed)

- 1. The Fall Council of Administration Meeting will be held on October 10-12, 2025, at The Resort at Lake of the Ozarks, 3076 Bagnell Dam Blvd, Lake Ozark MO All members of the Council, Chairpersons, as well as Committees, should make every effort to attend and be prepared to report in accordance with the agenda. For reservations you can call 573-693-9988. The Commander and President's Homecoming Banquet will be held Saturday Evening. Please see the attached form for more information and to order tickets. A tentative agenda will be sent out soon.
- 2. The Big Ten Conference will be October 17-19, 2025, at the Isle Casino Hotel, Bettendorf, IA. 52722. For Reservations call 800-843-4753 tell them you are reserving rooms under Group **VFW1025** rate is **\$124.00/Night**.
- 3. Congratulations to the Posts and Districts that achieved All- American Status for the 2025-2026 year.
- 4. Posts are reminded that **ALL** Officer Changes must be reported to National and Department. You can email a copy of the Officer Change Form to me at adj@movfw.org, fax 573-636-2664, or mail a copy to: 3401 Knipp Dr, Jefferson City, MO 65109.
- 5. All Posts are required to file a Federal Income Tax return. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Posts may obtain forms 990EZ, 990 and/or 990T from any IRS Office, or online at http://www.irs.gov. Posts with a year end of 30 June must file with the IRS prior to 15 November 2023, (most posts have a year end of 30 June). **Failure to file will result in the loss of your tax-exempt status.**
- 6. All inspection reports should be mailed directly to the Department Inspector, Randle Tolliver, 6689 Hwy B, Ellington, MO 63638, Phone (Cell) 410-241-1019. Email: inspector@movfw.org. If a District Inspector wishes to claim mileage for travel in connection with the inspections, he/she must submit a voucher to the Department Inspector for approval.
- 7. The annual trip to the National Home will be 24-26 October 2025. This year, the van and hotel reservations are separate. The cost of the van is \$100.00 per person. Pick up locations will be dependent upon need. If you have questions regarding the trip, please contact Andre' KillKelley at 712-574-7661, or natlhomechrm@movfw.org or you may contact Angela at HQ.

- 8. Reminder to Post Commanders: The National By-Laws and the Missouri All-State Program requires the Post Commander attend the District School of Instructions and attend or have a Post Representative attend all meetings called by the District Commander.
- 9. Anyone requesting a Department Officer to attend a function must submit a **written request** to Department Headquarters at least 30 days prior to the date of the function. An email to adj@movfw.org and hqangela@movfw.org is acceptable.
- 10. Quarterly audit reports for the period ending 6-30-25 are due 7-31-25. This deadline must be met for All-State requirement purposes and is required by National By-Laws. Audits must be at Dept. Headquarters on or before the last day of the month. Postmarks do not count as each Post has 30 days to conduct and mail, fax, or email the complete Audit Report to Dept. Headquarters, 3401 Knipp Drive, Jefferson City, MO. 65109. It may be sent via fax to 573-636-2664 or emailed to adj@movfw.org; or hqangela@movfw.org.
- 11. The reporting section of the Online Reporting is up and running. To login go to movfw.org and click on Login, then Members Only. You will need your membership ID number. The password is your last name. (the first letter no longer needs to be capitalized) For Auxiliary members that input reports, the webmaster will need the following information to set them up in the system:

Auxiliary member ID number, First Name, Last Name, Complete address, Post #, District, Email address, & Phone number.

If you have any members that cannot log on or have any questions or problems, please call Ken Allison at 636 448-3061.

- 12. All Post are strongly encouraged to log onto the VFW Department of Missouri Webmail. The Post account is post (your post #) @movfw.org; i.e.,postxxxx@movfw.org; Please see your predecessor for current password. You can then change the password to whatever you want. Access to webmail is through the State website, www.movfw.org. Go to the top task bar and click on LOGIN and then click on Webmail. You will see in the middle "change email password". Once this is completed, go back to the Webmail login screen, and go to Check Your Email. Enter your email address and password on the next screen. You should be in your emails. If you have any issues, please contact Ken Allison at 636-448-3061.
- 13. Article VII sec. 704 of the National By-Laws and Manual of Procedures establishes the requirement for all Posts to establish and maintain a Relief Fund. Expenditures from the relief fund shall be as prescribed in sections 219 & 704 of the Manual of Procedures. Expenditures authorized include donations to Veteran Service, National Home, and support of the National Guard and their families. Audit Reports received at Dept Headquarters indicate that many Posts may not be meeting this requirement. All Posts are to review their accounting practices and ensure they are meeting this requirement.

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14. The following District Schools of Instruction and District Meetings for the month of August are announced:

Dist.	DATE	POST	LOCATION/TIME	OFFICER	REMARKS
7	8/16/25	2175	Nevada, 10am	CDR	SOI
8	8/3/25	6883	Bonne Terre, 1pm	CDR	District Meeting
18	8/2/25	1828	West Plains, 10am	SURGEON	District Meeting

Official: Paul Petterson Adjutant By Order of: Quincy Myrick Commander