



**HEADQUARTERS
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE U.S. INC
GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1**

Series 2022-2023

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

1. Having been elected Commander of the Department of Missouri and been duly installed in accordance with the By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, I hereby assume command.
2. The following Department Officers have been duly elected and installed at the 101st VFW Department of Missouri Convention:

COMMANDER:	Royce Kelb
SR VICE COMMANDER:	Charles Williams
JR VICE COMMANDER:	Richard DePontee
QUARTERMASTER:	Tom McLerran
JUDGE ADVOCATE:	Samuel (Chris) Weber
SURGEON:	Quincy Myrick
CHAPLAIN:	Deborah Halter
PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDER:	James Nail

3. The following District Commanders have been duly elected and installed were obligated to the Council:

District 1	William Wyant	District 9	Edward (Buddy) McEachern
District 2	Marilynn Archuleta	District 12	Frederick Darby
District 3	Joseph Wolfgeher	District 14	Philip Rippee
District 5	Jerry Youngblood	District 15	James Russell
District 6	Aydogan Girgin	District 17	Marvin Flynn
District 7	David Bozarth	District 18	Daniel Goff
District 8	Daniel Brown		

4. All previous appointments, except Service Officers and VAVS Representatives and their Deputies, are declared null and void and the following appointments are announced:

ADJUTANT:	Don Hentges
CHIEF OF STAFF:	James Holmes
INSPECTOR:	Randal Wansing
MEMBERSHIP:	Charles Williams
COMMUNITY SERVICE:	Richard Depontee

RECRUITER	Joe Wolfgeher
LEGISLATIVE / PAC / ACTION CORPS:	Troy Williams
LEGISLATIVE / PAC / ACTION CORPS:	Randle Tolliver
HOMELESS VETERANS:	Quincy Myrick
CITIZENSHIP/AMERICANISM:	Randle Tolliver
PUBLIC RELATIONS:	Ken Allison
POW/MIA:	Joseph Cerchi
BUDDY POPPY:	Jeff Heise
NATIONAL HOME:	Marilynn Archuleta
VOICE OF DEMOCRACY /PATRIOTS PEN:	Quincy Myrick
VETERANS & MILITARY SUPPORT:	Chris Weber
STUDENT VETERAN COORDINATOR:	Don Brockmeier
NATIONAL SCOUTING TEAM REP:	Andre Sidney
MOTORCYCLE ASSOC. President-East	Barry Dennison
MOTORCYCLE ASSOC. President-West	Don Harris
WEBMASTER:	Ken Allison
OFFICER OF THE DAY:	Billy Becker
SERGEANT AT ARMS:	Chester Jones

BUDGET COMMITTEE:

Norman Morgan, John Hoffman, and C. W. Mitchem

State Commander Royce Kelb extends congratulations and best wishes for a successful year.

5. Reminder to Post Commanders: The National By-Laws and the Missouri All-State Program require the Post Commander or a Post Representative to attend all meetings called by the District Commander. **This includes Schools of Instruction.**
6. Posts that have not submitted an election report will be receiving a letter from the Department Commander placing the Post on suspension. **If your Post has not submitted their report, do so ASAP.** Quartermasters should submit on-line via the National Website at www.vfw.org. If you are not familiar with submittal on-line, fax or email the completed form to Department Headquarters and we will enter it for you. **If you have submitted an incomplete form, you will need to contact National to make the additions or submit a new report on-line.** It is very important that each Post submit a Report of Election as it contains information vital to the operation of the National and Department Headquarters. Unless the report is received, Post Officers will not be on the various mailing lists.
7. The 123rd. VFW National Convention will be held in Kansas City Missouri July 16 – 21, 2022. Please go to the VFW website at vfw.org/convention for general convention information including the registration form and links to other convention related information, including a tentative agenda. Since we are the Host State, we will be called upon to support this endeavor in many ways.
8. The next meeting of the Council of Administration will be held on October 7th and 8th 2022 at the Holiday Inn Executive Center, 2200 Interstate 70 Dr SW, Columbia, MO. All members of the Council, as well as Committees and Chairpersons, should make every effort to attend and be

prepared to report in accordance with the agenda. A tentative Agenda will be provided when it is available. The room rate is \$109 per night. Please see attached flyer for link to hotel to make reservations and other information.

The VFW and Auxiliary will be conducting a community outreach program to collect canned food items, toiletries, and diapers for the Mid-Missouri Military Family located at Department Headquarters. We will also accept monetary donations and in fact encourage this so the pantry can go purchase needed items not normally stocked.

9. Reminder to Posts and Districts: The Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen Scholarship program needs your support. Department needs Posts or Auxiliaries to (co)sponsor scholarships. Please forward \$500.00 to Department Headquarters prior to September 30, 2022. You can one payment for the full amount or monthly installments. Scholarships will be paid out over a five-year period to district winners. Scholarship sponsor's name(s) will be listed in the banquet program each year.

10. 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 2021, (most posts have a year end of 30 June). **Failure to file will result in the loss of your tax-exempt status.**

11. 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 e-mail to the Adjutant at adj@movfw.org is acceptable.

12. Quarterly audit reports for the period ending 6-30-22 are due 7-31-22. This deadline must be met for All State Contest 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. The fax # is (573) 636-2664 or email to adj@movfw.org; or hqangela@movfw.org.

13. The reporting section of the Online Reporting is up and running. You can now submit all reports using the system.

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 with the first character capitalized. For Auxiliary members that input reports I will need the following to set them up in the system: Auxiliary member ID number, First Name, Last Name, Complete address, Post #, District, Email address, & Phone number.

The system works the same as last years, in that you must submit a report for a single activity. Therefore, if the event was for instance a Service Officers event, recruiting event, and Buddy Poppy event, 3 reports will be necessary.

The Dashboard for the Online Reporting System will be up and running in the near future. This will provide totals for every post and district by category for anyone to check on their progress. If you have any member that cannot log on or have any questions or problems, please call Ken Allison at 636 448-3061.

14. **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.

16. The following District Schools of Instruction and District Meetings for the month of July are announced:

DIST.	DATE	POST	LOCATION/TIME	OFFICER	REMARKS
1	7/9/22	7159	Princeton 9 am	Commander	SOI & District Meeting
2	7/30/22	5923	Camdenton, 10 am	Commander	SOI & District Meeting
3	7/10/22	5606	Kansas City, 1pm	Commander	SOI & District Meeting
5	7/10/22	5789	Lee's Summit 11:30 am	Surgeon	SOI & District Meeting
9	7/10/22	2866	St Charles, 10 am	Sr. Vice	SOI & District Meeting
12	7/30/22	3944	Overland 12 pm	NA	School of Instruction
14	7/24/22	3404	Springfield 12:30 pm	Commander	SOI & District Meeting
15	7/10/22	3838	Cape Girardeau-12 pm	Jr. Vice	SOI & District Meeting
17	7/17/22	4342	Kahoka 10 am	Commander	SOI & District Meeting
18	6/25/22	473	Cabool 9 am	NA	School of Instruction

Official:
Donald L. Hentges
Adjutant

By Order of:
Royce Kelb
Commander

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