

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE U.S. INC GENERAL ORDERS NO. 10

Series 2021-2022

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

1. The 2022 Department Convention will be held at the Marriott St Louis Airport, St Louis, MO. June 2 – June 5, 2022. Room rates are \$100 per night plus any applicable taxes. Please see attached flyer for link to hotel to make reservations and other information. If registering on-line you must change the dates for check-in and check-out in-order for available rooms to populate. Also attached is a tentative Agenda.

2. **Deadline for receipt of Convention Book Ad's is May 1, 2022**. All Post and Districts are encouraged to give recognition to their officers by submitting an Ad for the Convention Book. Add cost are \$100 for Full Page and \$60 for Half Page. The book is being published in ½ size and in house. Please email or Fax Add request information to Angela @ Department HQ's. Her email is hqangela@movfw.org. The fax number is (573) 636-2664

3. **Post Quartermasters,** you will be receiving a letter in early May concerning your Voting Strength and Delegate Dues owed. **Dues must be paid in order to vote at the Convention**. Don't wait to pay your dues at the convention. Please submit a check to Department Headquarters immediately to avoid last minute chaos and confusion. Everyone wants the elections to go fast and smoothly so the better prepared we are ahead of time the better it will be for everyone.

4. 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. We will need volunteers to serve as Drivers, Registrants, and in other vital rolls. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Department HQ's.

5. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to Section 222 of the National Bylaws and the Manual of Procedure, which provides that each Post will pay, in advance, a National Convention registration fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25) which shall entitle the Post to a packet of convention information and materials and one identified registered delegate for the National Convention. Each additional delegate attending the National Convention will pay a ten-dollar (\$10) delegate fee. Posts are encouraged to register their Post delegate(s) online through the Online Membership System (OMS) or by submitting their National Convention Post and Delegate Registration form that is being mailed to all Post. **Post Quartermasters, please send in the \$25.00 registration fee and register at least one (1) delegate as soon as you receive the registration forms. Don't wait until July to send in your delegate fee.**

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6. Proceeds from the Raffle of the Savage 110 in 6.5 RPC, w/Vortex Crossfire 3X9 scope and adjustable trigger are to be used for the Hospitality Room at the 2022 National Convention in Kansas City. **All funds and tickets are to be turned in by end of May.** Please mail to Sr Vice Commander Royce Kelb at PO Box 103, Lincoln, MO 65338 so he can account for which tickets have been sold or returned. All proceeds will be turned over to the Department Quartermaster. Drawing will be in June at the State Convention.

7. Pursuant to Section 403 of the National Bylaws and the Manual of Procedure, each District shall hold an annual District Convention for the purpose of electing District officers, such convention to be held not less than ten (10) days nor more than seventy-five (75) days prior to the convening of the Department Convention.

8. As of today, April 26, 2022. the Department is at 97.38%. We **MUST** work hard if we are going to reach our goal. Don't forget about the Life Member rebate program. Anyone joining as a Life Member or upgrades to a Life Member will receive a check for 50% of their Life Member Dues from the Department Quartermaster. Make sure to notify him at <u>qm@movfw.org</u> so he knows to mail you your rebate check. The Council voted a specific amount of money for this program so when it runs out the program will end so don't delay in letting your members know about this program. Email or call the State Quartermaster if you have questions. The 50% rebate does not apply to Legacy Life but the \$45 incentive still applies

9. New / Reinstated Membership Grant Initiative for VFW.

Effective January 1, 2022 every VFW Post that signs up and submits full membership dues* for each member will receive a grant based on the type of membership submitted while funds are available. Please see attached from Dan West, Assistant Adjutant General, for full details

10. Commander Jim Nail sends Congratulations to all of the Commanders, Quartermasters, and Membership Chairmen who have achieved 100% membership.

DIST.	DATE	POST	LOCATION/TIME	OFFICER	REMARKS
3	5/14/22	4055	Kearney, 1 pm		District Convention
5	5/1/22	1000	Independence 2pm		District Convention
6	5/1/22	1894	Clinton 12 pm		District Convention
7	5/14/22	4207	Monett 10 am		District Convention
8	5/1/22	6660	Reynolds City 1 pm		District Convention

11. The following District Meeting for the month of May are announced

Official: Donald L. Hentges Adjutant By Order of: James Nail Commander