

**NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES**

**General Orders No. 4**

**2018-19 Series**

1. The following National appointments are hereby announced:

**NATIONAL DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF:**

Tyler Nabors, Post 668, Birmingham, AL  
Lorraine Roehl, Post 10029, North Pole, AK  
Jeffrey Byrd, Post 2330, Searcy, AR  
Timothy Bryant, Post 3000, Quartz Hill, CA  
Joseph Guest, Post 2805, Canoga Park, CA  
Keith MacDonald, Post 5867, Lakeside, CA  
Robert Mc Mahon, Post 8151, Dixon, CA  
Jack Turner, Post 3787, San Diego, CA  
Denis Wells, Post 8327, Livingston, CA  
Wayne Wright, Post 97, Bakersfield, CA  
Kirk Harrington, Post 6851, Canaan, CT  
David Miles, Post 7720, Cornelia, GA  
Kenneth Peitzmeyer, Post 8385, Kings Bay, GA  
Calvin Sagara, Post 10276, Honolulu, HI  
Denny Croner, Post 1473, Spirit Lake, ID  
Christopher Garza, Post 8821, Chicago, IL  
Glen Goodrich, Post 4495, Taylorville, IL  
Paul Hymes, Post 1303, Rock Island, IL  
Lee Wallace, Post 1117, Caseyville, IL  
David Fradenburg, Post 1108, Richmond, IN  
Steve Milbourn, Post 5864, Greenwood, IN  
Vincent Misuraca, Post 1114, Evansville, IN  
Richard Ryba, Post 11355, Council Bluffs, IA  
Dallas Love, Post 7253, Derby, KS  
JT Plummer, Post 8873, Stockton, KS  
Charles Lobrano, Post 3375, Rayville, LA  
Christine Bassett, Post 3236, Ludlow, MA  
James Eilliams, Post 8164, Tewksbury, MA  
Dennis Craycraft, Post 4406, Belding, MI  
Barry Walter, Post 4005, Corunna, MI  
Robert Williams, Post 1137, Watervliet, MI  
Brian Gislason, Post 1639, Willmar, MN  
Donald Heuer, Post 9433, Rosemount, MN  
James McCloden, Post 246, Minneapolis, MN  
Jason Ostenson, Post 246, Minneapolis, MN  
Carl Schenk, Post 3979, Cloquet, MN  
David Staehlin, Post 9625, Coon Rapids, MN  
Sammie Clay, Post 9832, Jackson, MS  
Joseph Cerchi, Post 6947, Bismarck, MO  
Randall Conaway, Post 4541, Mount Vernon, MO  
Larry Phillips, Post 5789, Lees Summit, MO  
Bernard Brosnihan, Post 10727, Omaha, NE  
Joe Rigsby, Post 2350, Elko, NV  
Travis Bill, Post 9552, West Lebanon, NH  
Beth Akulin, Post 1206, Oneonta, NY  
Harris Bartz, Post 2472, Kenmore, NY

Wayne Campbell, Post 6433, Waterloo, NY  
John Fox, Post 1469, Huntington Station, NY  
Thomas Harkins, Post 6511, Staten Island, NY  
Douglas Herbert, Post 2250, Hornell, NY  
Daniel March, Post 2535, Lockport, NY  
Firth Turner, Post 8259, Stittville, NY  
Gary Miles, Post 1201, Ponca City, OK  
Michael Beyerlin, Post 9448, Veneta, OR  
Donald Fertgus, Post 9448, Veneta, OR  
Joseph Benacci, Post 470, Erie, PA  
John Brenner, Post 2493, Mount Wolf, PA  
Dwight Fuhrman, Post 8896, East Berlin, PA  
Allen Jones, Post 21, Connellsville, PA  
James Lewis, Post 7599, Transfer, PA  
James Ritchie, Post 6495, Levittown, PA  
David Ainslie, Post 152, North Kingstown, RI  
Wilton Fowler, Post 9273, Piedmont, SC  
Chester Crone, Post 4862, Union City, TN  
Dniel Walcott, Post 4973, Linden, TN  
Anson Booker, Post 3892, Harker Heights, TX  
Gailon Fletcher, Post 3893, Nacogdoches, TX  
Hector Giron, Post 8790, Houston, TX  
Robert Maldonado, Post 1533, San Antonio, TX  
Jimmy McCombs, Post 3904, Rockport, TX  
Richard Moore, Post 1514, Village Mills, TX  
Allston Gilmond, Post 782, Burlington, VT  
Michelle Love, Post 6599, Seattle, WA  
Steven Woodward, Post 2224, Puyallup, WA  
William Murphy, Post 1621, Janesville, WI  
Gerald Parchem, Post 987, Baraboo, WI  
William Shedden, Post 7756, Gillette, WY

**ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL:**

David Ladner, Post 5162, Huntsville, AL  
John Walker, Post 10046, Soldotna, AK  
Darrell Darner, Post 1674, Siloam Springs, AR  
Charles Anfusio, Post 2111, Chula Vista, CA  
Manuel Rodrigues, Post 10589, Coventry, CT  
Alexander Brown, Post 1512, Lemon Grove, CA  
William Buck, Post 2655, Nevada City, CA  
Paul Gonzalez, Post 2967, Wilmington, CA  
Anthony Precie, Post 9415, Phelan, CA  
Daniel Schmaltz, Post 9557, Westminster, CA  
Patricia Werner, Post 52, Stockton, CA  
Edward Cole, Post 8076, Hartwell, GA  
James Davis, Post 12002, North Fulton, GA  
Alfredo Antonio, Post 352, Mililani, HI  
Dale Smith, Post 3646, Glenns Ferry, ID  
Thomas Bailey, Post 886, Pontiac, IL  
Paul Bezazian, Post 8322, Chicago, IL  
Ruben Hernandez, Post 2955, Roscoe, IL  
Frank Tyree, Post 10302, Springfield, IL  
Richard Leirer, Post 10003, Carmel, IN

Burwell Mc Kay, Post 5396, Vevay, IN  
William Weberding, Post 3183, Batesville, IN  
Travis Holden, Post 738, Des Moines, IA  
Lewis Cooper, Post 1174, El Dorado, KS  
Vance Hill, Post 6957, Haysville, KS  
John Thomas, Post 7321, Lake Charles, LA  
Rene Fuertes, Post 3389, Randolph, MA  
Anthony Manfredi, Post 5988, Bourne, MA  
Thomas Gleason, Post 4406, Belding, MI  
William Ogden, Post 6464, Fowlerville, MI  
Robert Cook, Post 1403, Benson, MN  
Lawrence Grindland, Post 295, South Saint Paul, MN  
Terrie Gulden, Post 2757, Luverne, MN  
Bruce Malterud, Post 1260, Bemidji, MN  
Michael Meyer, Post 3723, Owatonna, MN  
Randy Stafford, Post 3839, Jenkins, MN  
Ray Bishop, Post 9122, Magee, MS  
Melvin Brinkley, Post 2426, Desloge, MO  
Teresa Shane, Post 2513, Warrensburg, MO  
Roger Broeker, Post 1504, North Platte, NE  
Walter Dybeck, Post 3848, Henderson, NV  
David Ouellette, Post 5791, Hudson, NH  
Robert Mitchell, Post 358, Ballston Spa, NY  
James Wilson, Post 357, Schenectady, NY  
David Rice, Post 4578, Guthrie, OK  
John Johann, Post 9448, Veneta, OR  
Monroe Parrish, Post 3473, Cottage Grove, OR  
Thomas Brown, Post 928, Folsom, PA  
David Gyger, Post 3502, Hershey, PA  
Robert Hayes, Post 6615, White Haven, PA  
William Roland, Post 914, West Mifflin, PA  
Christine Smith, Post 1446, Red Lion, PA  
Glenn Umberger, Post 7155, Trappe, PA  
Mike LaPlume, Post 183, Lakewood, RI  
Johnny Guest, Post 3181, Florence, SC  
John Maier, Post 4969, Columbia, TN  
Thomas Timpson, Post 10855, Alcoa, TN  
Randall Johnston, Post 4376, Seven Points, TX  
Henry Lester, Post 9313, San Augustine, TX  
Erin McFatridge, Post 6872, Crowley, TX  
Melvin Parker, Post 6284, Kermit, TX  
Raymond Richardson, Post 2150, McKinney, TX  
Ricky Williams, Post 7843, Duncanville, TX  
Ronald Tallman, Post 790, Barre, VT  
Alan Lamoureux, Post 2463, Poulsbo, WA  
Charles Noble, Post 10711, Wellpinit, WA  
William Knudson, Post 6352, Stratford, WI  
Norbert Lee, Post 6352, Stratford, WI  
Randy Reed, Post 3093, Worland, WY

2. Members are reminded that their annual membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars has been changed to a 12-month dues structure that started July 1, 2018. The changes to subscription dues to a "DMV" model now allows anyone who becomes a member or renews membership after July

1, 2018, to postpone expiration until the last day of their 12th month. For example, if a new member joins or an existing member renews on July 5, 2018, their dues now expire on July 31, 2019. The annual membership card (effective July 1, 2018) reflects the month and year dues expire.

Current members that are in good standing as of July 1, 2018, have been extended in OMS through the last day of the month when their dues are scheduled to expire. Regardless of the month they renewed, as long as they were in good standing as of July 1, 2018, they now have until the end of the expiration month to renew their dues.

Members that are in good standing but have not renewed for the 2018/19 membership year will see the changes on their digital ID card reflecting the updated month and year when their dues expire. They will have the option to request an updated annual membership card with the change reflecting the expiration month and year.

The purpose of the changes to subscription dues to a "DMV" model was to streamline the process for both the Post and Department Quartermasters to track expiring annual members. No longer will Posts and Departments have to chase annual members' dues on a daily basis; instead they can see a block of members during a specific month (one, two and three months out), allowing them to formulate a plan to collect dues at one time. This also makes it easier for the Department/District/Post Sergeant-at-Arms to quickly see if a member is in good standing prior to a meeting.

3. Section 220 of the National Bylaws, "Vacancies and Removal of Elective Officers or Committee Members" states, "Any elective Post officer removed by the Department Commander, by reason of failure to pay current dues or by vote of the Post under the provisions of this section, shall not be eligible to serve in any Post office in the same administrative year in which the officer is removed."

4. For the purpose of establishing continuous membership, a member may reimburse Department and National dues for all delinquent years, provided he was a member in good standing for five (5) consecutive years prior to the delinquency.

5. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to Section 218 of the Manual of Procedure, "Duty of Trustees." Trustees Report of Audit must be completed in detail at the close of each quarter, one of which ends December 31, 2018. Commanders are reminded that accurate and complete records shall be kept by all persons handling Post funds, including the Club Manager, Bingo Chairman and VFW Riders Groups. These records shall be audited by Post Trustees in the same manner as Post Quartermaster and Adjutant records.

6. A thorough program of Post inspection is necessary to ensure compliance with National and Department Bylaws and directives. District and Department Inspectors to include Assistant Inspectors shall make every effort to inspect every Post under their cognizance on an annual basis and correct such discrepancies as may be disclosed.

7. The distribution of VFW "Buddy"® Poppies will be conducted according to the provisions set forth in Sections 711 of the National Bylaws and Manual of Procedure. Department, District, County Council and Post Commanders should arrange now for the distribution of "Buddy"® Poppies for the Memorial Day campaign in their respective areas. All profits accruing from the distribution of "Buddy"® Poppies shall be used in accordance with Sections 219 and 704 of the Manual of Procedure.

8. Recent changes to the VFW National Bylaws, Manual of Procedure and Ritual establish that *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised* shall be the parliamentary authority on procedural matters not governed by VFW Bylaws and Manual of Procedure. Newly revised *Robert's Rules of Order* is readily available at local book stores and online retailers such as Barnes & Noble and Amazon.

9. Certificates of charter evidencing consolidation have been issued to the following Posts:

Post Nos. 7674 and 10090 consolidated as Post No. 7674, Fort Walton Beach, Florida

Post Nos. 7816 and 72 consolidated as Post No. 7816, Novato, California

Post Nos. 6750 and 4214 consolidated as Post No. 6750, Rantoul, Illinois

Post Nos. 4218 and 11188 consolidated as Post No. 4218, Corning, California

10. Announcement is made of the authorization of the charters for the following Posts:

Post No. 12176 – Whitney, Texas

12177 – Fort Harrison, Montana

BY COMMAND OF  
VINCENT B.J. LAWRENCE  
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

OFFICIAL:



Kevin C. Jones  
Adjutant General