NEWS & VIEWS

Department of Kansas
P.O. Box 1008, Topeka, Kansas 66601-1008

TOPEKA, KANSAS MAILED MONTHLY VOL 107-5 NOVEMBER 2026

Veteran's Day - is officially November 11th and planning a program at your Post is very important for the VFW, our members and your community.

Endowment Association - Annually, the Kansas Veterans of Foreign Wars and it's Auxiliary, through its Endowment Association, offers college and vocational school scholarships to the children and grandchildren of its membership. Applications are available on the Kansas VFW website http://vfwks.org/

Applicants must have a parent or grandparent who are actively affiliated with a VFW Post or Auxiliary in the State of Kansas. Active means either a life member or a member whose dues are paid for the current membership year or were so at the time of his/her death. Individual members of the VFW or Auxiliary can apply also.

Applications are submitted through the VFW Post or Auxiliary that can verify the membership affiliation of the parent, grandparent or individual member.

Applications are made available through local VFW Posts or Auxiliaries. Applicants should ensure that they have the "current application form".

Completed application forms are returned to the VFW Post or Auxiliary for review and to verify eligibility for submission to the VFW Endowment Association for consideration. The deadline for submission (to Department Headquarters) of applications is ***February 1, 2027.***

In 2026, the VFW Endowment Association awarded $40,000 for scholarships. The ten recipients of these scholarships were awarded $4000 each.

Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen - Post deadline is October 31st and District deadline is November 15th. These programs are mandatory for All American. ***Participation counts towards All-State but is not mandatory.

Teacher Award – Post deadline is October 31st, District deadline is November 15th. ***Participation counts towards All-State but is not mandatory, *but it is mandatory for All-American.*

Clubs - should review their rules and activities to make sure they are in compliance with state and federal laws.

Eisenhower Vigil – Thanks to all Comrades and members of the Auxiliary who stood watch at the annual Eisenhower Vigil.