## GENERAL ORDERS

## AND DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS MEMORANDA VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

## DEPARTMENT OF KANSAS

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PLEASE READ AT POST MEETING

DECEMBER 2017

- 1. Attention is called to the Annual Mid-Winter Department Council of Administration Meeting to be held January 12-14, 2018, in Topeka, Kansas.
- 2. Notice is hereby given that the VFW Budget & Finance Committee will meet in Topeka, Kansas on Friday, January 12, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. in Emerald III-V.
- 3. Notice is hereby given that the VFW Convention Corporation will meet in Topeka, Kansas on Friday, January 12, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in Emerald III-V.
- 4. Notice is hereby given that the VFW Veterans Service Committee will meet in Topeka, Kansas on Friday, January 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in Emerald III-V.
- 5. Notice is hereby given that the VFW Endowment Association will meet in Topeka, Kansas on Friday, January 12, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in Emerald III-V.
- 6. Notice is hereby given that the Past Commanders Club will meet in Topeka, Kansas on Saturday, January 13, 2018 after the VFW Conference Meeting in Emerald III-V.
- 7. Attention is called to the Voice of Democracy and Patriotic Pen Contest District deadline date of December 10, 2017 to the State Chairman. District Chairman: please mail the participation report with the winning entry to the State Chairman. Teacher District deadline is December 2<sup>nd</sup> and submitted to State Chairman by December 20th.
- 8. Posts are reminded that payment of Buddy Poppies is due (10) ten days following the date of distribution if not pre-paid for. Checks should be made payable to "The Department of Kansas, VFW" and mailed to Department Headquarters. Make sure you are using the new order form with the price change (revised 9/2014), when ordering additional poppies.
- 9. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to the anniversary of Pearl Harbor Day, December 7, 1941. Posts should plan programs of suitable observance in commemoration of Pearl Harbor Day. (see VFW Ritual). This is the 76<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. This day is very important for remaining survivors and their families.
- 10. All annual dues are subscription dues and need to be paid before the drop dead date, (subscription dues due date), to remain continuous for all members. This is especially true for Elected and Appointed Officers. If not paid before the drop dead date National will remove them from office. Members can pay early and it does not change the subscription due date but adds a year to that date.
- 11. The 119th National Convention, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States will be held in Kansas City, MO, July, 21-25, 2018.
- 12. Members are reminded to send in their donation to the VFW National Home. Check or money order should be mailed direct to the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Home, 3573 S Waverly Rd, Eaton Rapids, Michigan 48827.

By order of Michael B. Holland, Commander

Herbert Schwartzkopf

ATTEST: Herbert Schwartzkopf, Adj.-Qm, Department of Kansas VFW