

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
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GENERAL ORDERS NO. 11
SERIES 2016-2017, May 2017

VFW and Auxiliary members who are not receiving emails from the Adjutant/Quartermaster that would like to be placed on email distribution should send their email address to vfwqm@frontier.com.

1. **MEMBERSHIP:** Our membership as of May 30th is 982 away from reaching 100%. There are only 31 days left in this membership year. There are 29 Posts who need 10 or less members to reach 100%. Posts Commanders are encouraged to share the list of unpaid and expired members while providing the membership report at Post meetings. **Remember, membership is something we do for each other.** For assistance with membership, contact Vernon Anderson, 79 Blayney Avenue, Triadelphia, WV 26059; Phone: (304) 559-2788.

Congratulations to Posts 5469 Glenville, 2102 Wardensville, 3522 Charles Town, 9606 Moorefield and 4768 Alum Creek for joining the 100% list.

Post 6450	Chester	119.13%	Post 7780	Mathias	103.84%	Post 9666	Sugar Grove	104.90%
Post 8127	Vienna	129.20%	Post 8363	Chesapeake	120%	Post 5501	Ripley	101%
Post 9097	Hurricane	103.79%	Post 896	Martinsburg	105.261%	Post 9926	Mason	101.03%
Post 6452	Ridgeley	104.00%	Post 8364	Oceana	101.38%	Post 7048	East Fairmont	101.33%
Post 9151	Salem	104.67%	Post 1589	Masontown	104.08%	Post 3008	Rowlesburg	100%
Post 1144	laeger	100%	Post 3554	Harrisville	100.76%	Post 6669	Ravenswood	100.66%
Post 5469	Glenville	100%	Post 2102	Wardensville	100.70%	Post 3522	Charles Town	100.62%
Post 9606	Moorefield	104.10%	Post 4768	Alum Creek	101.07%			

CONGRATULATIONS! To the Auxiliary for achieving 100% in membership. JOB WELL DONE!

Recruiting leaders (for recruiting 10 or more new or reinstated members):

Congratulations to Joe Capito, Quartermaster for Post 6450 Chester for recruiting 100 new or reinstated members, thus achieving Century Recruiter for the second consecutive year.

Joe Capito, Post 6450 Chester, **100**; Bill Cusson, Post 4469 Beckley, **43**; PSC Kelly Goddard, Post 4484 Rainelle, **37**; Greg Smith, Post 8127 Vienna, **35**; Bud Newbrough, Post 1212 Parkersburg, **25**; Kami Elliott, Post 7048 East Fairmont, **18**; JVC Vern Anderson, Post 4442 Elm Grove, **18**; PSC Doug Knotts, Post 3522 Charles Town, **16**; Kevin Light, Post 4768 Alum Creek, **12**; PSC Bob Caruthers, Post 9926 Mason, **10**.

2. **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Jun 1, 2017	Complete 2017-2018 Post Election Report due to State and National HQS
Jun 4, 2017	Youth Camp meeting, Post 1212 Parkersburg
Jun 15-18, 2017	State Convention, Charleston Town Center Marriott, Charleston, WV
Jul 9-15, 2017	Youth Camp, Camp Dawson, Kingwood, WV
Jul 22-26, 2017	National Convention, New Orleans, LA
Aug 12, 2017	7 th Annual VFW Golf Tournament, Canaan Valley Resort and Conference Center

In accordance with Section 213 of the National By-Laws, any Post in arrears for any financial obligations to the District, Department and National for fees, dues, poppy, supply money, failing to have the office of Quartermaster properly bonded in accordance with Section 703, failing to ensure that the Post is properly insured in accordance with Section 709, failing to submit properly completed quarterly Post Trustees Report of Audit, Post Election Report for the ensuing year, or other obligations, shall be deprived of all representation in District, Department and National Conventions. Such representation shall be restored promptly upon proper adjustment of such deficiencies.

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3. 2016-2017 ALL-STATE TEAM – Congratulations to the following Posts for achieving All-State:

District 1: Post 6450 Chester, Post 7048 East Fairmont
District 2: Posts 5501 Ripley, 6669 Ravenswood, 8127 Vienna, 8363 Chesapeake, 9097 Hurricane, 9926 Mason
District 4: Posts 896 Martinsburg, 3522 Charles Town, 2102 Wardensville, 6452 Ridgeley, 9606 Moorefield.
District 5: Post 4768 Alum Creek

4. STATE CONVENTION ROOM RESERVATION AND ATTENDANCE FORM: Room reservations at the Charleston Marriott Town Center for the State Convention June 15-18 must be made by contacting the Marriott Toll Free Reservation Center at (800) 228-9290. Convention attendance form and banquet meal choices will be forwarded in separate correspondence. Those attending the convention but do not plan to attend the banquet are also requested to complete the attached form and send to State Headquarters.

5. STATE CONVENTION FUNDRAISER: Chances are available for a VFW Tribute Edition Henry Rifle. Chances are \$10 each. Contact your District Commander, or State Headquarters at (304) 768-7514, to obtain a chance on the rifle.

6. POST COMMANDERS: In accordance with Section 222 of the National Manual of Procedure, Post delegates and alternates to the State Convention shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Post held not less than thirty (30) days prior to the State Convention with one delegate and one alternate for each thirty members or fraction thereof in good standing in the Post at the time of the election. A Department Convention Delegate list accompanies these General Orders. Send your list to State Headquarters.

7. POTOMAC HIGHLANDS WOUNDED WARRIORS OUTREACH (PHWWO): In accordance with Section 218 of the Manual of Procedure, Post Commanders are to ensure that a properly **completed** Report of Election of Officers for the ensuing year is submitted to Department and National Headquarters by June 1st.

8. 2017-2018 COMMUNITY SERVICE LOGS: The reporting period for the 2017-2018 Community Service information has begun. Posts are requested to provide their District Commander with the hours contributed and money spent by the 5th of each month. District Commanders are to provide a consolidated report to Community Service Chairman Bob Caruthers via email at vfw9926@suddenlinkmail.com, or via phone at (304) 812-5905. If a Post does not have the 2017-2018 Community Service Log, contact State Headquarters at (304) 768-7514.

9. POTOMAC HIGHLANDS WOUNDED WARRIORS OUTREACH (PHWWO): Comrades and sisters, as you know the State Convention is fast approaching. As has been in the past, one of the highlights is at noon on Saturday when we cut hair and beards for the PHWWO. We are in need of volunteers, both male and female, to have their hair or beards cut. Please Contact Past State Commander Jim Talerico at (304) 677-0080, or State Headquarters, if you or someone you know will volunteer. Also, any Post having a fundraiser for the PHWWO between now and the State Convention, bring the proceeds collected to the convention so we can make one large donation. Your Post will be recognized.

10. VFW YOUTH CAMP: Post 1212 Parkersburg will host a Youth Camp meeting on Sunday, June 4th at 2:30 PM. All VFW and Auxiliary members interested in being a counselor for the Youth Camp are encouraged to attend. All Posts or individuals wanting to donate to the VFW Youth Camp should forward donations to VFW State Headquarters. In the memo line put VFW Youth Camp. All applications to attend this year's camp should be forwarded, with the \$200 payment, to State Headquarters or Brett Mannon, 517 Pandora Drive, Saint Albans, WV 25177.

OFFICIAL:
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BY ORDER OF:
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