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General Orders No. 11 May 2025 2024-2025 Series

To be read at the next regular meeting.

MEMBERSHIP! MEMBERSHIP! MEMBERSHIP! Let's make 102% as a Department!

- 1. **RAFFLE:** Department would like to thank all the Posts, Officers, Past Department Commanders, and auxiliary members that participated in the sales of the Department 10K raffle and turned their tickets and money in promptly. We still have some outstanding tickets left to be turned in, please get the tickets and money turned in ASAP!
- 2. **DEPARTMENT CONVENTION:** The **2025 Department Convention will be a normal 3-day affair!** The 80th State Convention will be hosted by Post 10029 in North Pole, on Jun 5-7th, 2025. Information on the times and agenda have been distributed with the registration packets.
- 3. **COMMANDERS / QUARTERMASTERS -** Department Convention Delegate Fees and Administrative Fees should be completed <u>prior to Convention</u>. These forms should be promptly returned to Quartermaster Luby at Headquarters at once. If you require assistance, do not hesitate to call Headquarters. Commanders: Direct your attention to Section 222 of the Manual of Procedures and Article VIII, Section 2 of the Department By-Laws for the requirement.
- 4. **IMPORTANT REMINDER:** All elected and appointed officers and chairmen must provide a written report at Department Convention. If not in attendance, a report must be mailed to the Department Adjutant <u>prior to convention</u> if you would like them in the Convention Proceedings Booklet. These can be emailed to vfwstatehq@mtaonline.net or mailed to Headquarters at the address listed above. **ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE WRITTEN**, no oral reporting, unless its last-minute pertinent information or it requires a vote. These are due NO LATER THAN May 23, 2025 to be included.
- 5. ELECTION REPORTS: Please be reminded that Section 211 of the National By-Laws stipulates authority to the Commander-in-Chief, to suspend and eventually revoke, a Post Charter for failure to submit to this Headquarters by <u>June 1st</u> a properly completed Post Election Report. Post elections will be held in April each year. Post Election Reports can be submitted online, using the Online Membership System (OMS). If you need assistance in setting up an account or filing your Post Election Report, please contact Danny or Jess at Headquarters. File your Post Election Reports, do not wait for the installation of officers.
- 6. **DEPARTMENT OFFICERS and Post Commanders:** Members are reminded that if they are elected or appointed to a **Department position (to include Post Commanders), proof of eligibility must be on file with the Department Adjutant prior to installation.**
- 7. **ATTENTION:** The **2025** National Convention will be held in Columbus, Ohio from Aug 9-Aug 13th, 2025. All reserved hotels for national are sold out at this time. You will need to find a hotel in downtown Columbus if you plan to attend and have not reserved a room yet. Please inform the Department of any problems. Forms can be found on the National webpage.
- 8. **MEMORIAL DAY**: Monday, May 26, 2025. Plan to honor our fallen comrades, wherever appropriate. Please contact the National Cemetery for scheduled events and times at 384-7075.

9. **ATTENTION:** Post and Auxiliary Community Activities Chairpersons: Please ensure that Community Projects Reporting Forms have been completed and submitted online to earn your national community service credit. You must submit at minimum 1 report for each quarter to receive credit from National. Please contact Department to address any questions or concerns.

10. LAST ROLL CALL OF DEPARTED COMRADES:

Joe Simms	Post 1685
Monica Conger	Post 3629
Joe Zeigler	Post 10029
Nicky Anelon	Post 10041

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BY THE ORDER OF:

Danny Luby State Adjutant

Ken Speegle State Commander

Please utilize the Department website to access additional forms and information. The new website is up and running, please contact Department with any questions.

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