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GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1
 SERIES 2023-2024, JULY 2023

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1. At the 102nd Annual State Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars State of West Virginia held at the Waterfront Marriott, Morgantown, WV June 22-25, 2023, I, Kami M. Elliott, being duly elected and installed as State Commander in accordance with Article V, Section 517 of the National Bylaws, do hereby assume command. All previous appointments are hereby declared vacant as of June 30, 2023, except those set forth in the bylaws.

2. **MEMBERSHIP:** Congratulations to the following Posts for their diligent work in achieving 100% in membership. Junior Vice Commander Tracy Simmons, along with all District Commanders, have been appointed 2023-2024 Membership Chairman. For assistance with membership, contact Junior Vice Commander Simmons at 205-434-0490.

Congratulations to the following 100% Posts and Districts:

District 1*	103.94%	District 2*	106.96%	District 3*	101.62%
548 Morgantown	103.36%	1212 Parkersburg	104.46%	3081 Grafton	103.59%
578 Terra Alta	103.19%	3408 West Union	103.77%	3663 Buckhannon	113.81%*
629 Fairmont*	104.98%	3466 Charleston	140.59%*	6106 Summersville	116.66%
1589 Masontown	110.46%	3554 Harrisville	102.22%	6723 Alderson	157.14%*
2345 Tunnelton	100%	4419 Clay	107.54%	6737 Renick	100%
3008 Rowelsburg	100%	5269 Belle	105.35%	8614 Craigsville	114.81%
3526 New Cumberland	107.95%*	5469 Glenville	102.70%		
4442 Elm Grove	115.29%*	5501 Ripley	104.58%*		
6327 Sistersville	103.40%	6418 Saint Albans	106.77%		
6450 Chester	109.23%*	6669 Ravenswood	102.41%		
7048 East Fairmont	103.08%*	8363 Chesapeake*	108.33%		
		8516 Elkview	118.64%		
		9926 Mason	104.57%		
District 4*	103.36%	District 5			
896 Martinsburg	106%	4326 Sophia	102.34%		
3518 Keyser	102.08%	4768 Alum Creek	102.89%		
3522 Charles Town	114.12%*	5578 Madison	100.42%*		
3647 Elkins	100.78%	6153 Chapmanville	121.68%		
4019 Berkeley Springs	110.09%	8364 Oceana	105.26%		
5583 Coalton	100%				
6452 Ridgeley	100%				
6667 Fort Ashby	109.35%				
7780 Mathias	100%				
9666 Sugar Grove	101.12%				

* Denotes All-State Post or District

3. **2023-2024 DISTRICT MEETING/CONVENTION WINDOWS:**

Aug 19,20 or 26, 27

Oct 21, 22 or 28, 29

April 20, 21 or 27,28

District 1 will meet at Sistersville in August, Chester in October, and East Fairmont in April

District 3 will meet at Clarksburg in August, Grafton in October, and Buckhannon in April

District Commanders are to provide Headquarters with specific dates and locations by July 15th.

4. **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

July 22-27, 2023 National Convention Phoenix, AZ

July 31, 2023 ***Post Trustees Quarterly Audit due State HQS***

Nov 2-5, 2023 Southern Conference Tulsa, OK

5. **2023-2024 COMMANDER'S MANUAL:** Commander Elliot's manual are being mailed out to Posts who did not have representation at the State Convention. The manual has been placed on the website at <https://vfwww.com/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=60882>.

6. **NATIONAL CONVENTION PATRIOTIC RALLY:** Those attending the National Convention and will participate in the Patriotic Rally are asked to dress in hillbilly attire.

7. **COMMUNITY SERVICE ENTRIES:** Posts are reminded to enter community service achievements in the All-American Dashboard as soon as practical after completion.

8. **COMMANDER CALENDAR:** Any Post requesting the presence of Commander Elliott through June 2024 need to send a request in writing to State Headquarters.

9. Please keep Past State Commander Dr. Corrina Boggess and her family in your thoughts and prayers. Her brother-in-law retired Special Forces Sergeant Major Russ "Haloman" McDaniel recently passed away unexpectedly of natural causes.

OFFICIAL:

S. KEVIN LIGHT, ADJUTANT
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

BY ORDER OF:

KAMI M. ELLIOTT, COMMANDER
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA



Message from the Commander

Congratulations on being chosen by your fellow Comrades to lead them through the next year. We have faced several challenges these past few years and it is time to work together to be the bigger, better organization we know we are.

There are several new changes that will be put in place solely to benefit the Posts. Reenvisioned Schools of instruction, Post Facts Sheets, and a new Facebook page among them.

Our fellow Comrades in the Department have elected the State officers to guide and assist when the need arises. We are all at your disposal.

Commander- Kami Elliott (681) 214-8146
Sr Vice Commander- Richard Ogden (304) 545-8599
Jr Vice Commander- Tracy Simmons (205) 434-0490
Surgeon- Toby Heaney (304) 694-0504
Chief of Staff- Vern Anderson (304) 559-2788

I want all the Posts in our Department to be as proud of themselves as I am of them. Let's enjoy the year.

Department of West Virginia
Commander
Kami M. Elliott

STATE OFFICER ELECTIONS

On June 24, 2023 at the 102nd State Convention, the delegates attending the convention elected the following officers:

Commander	Kami Elliott, Post 7048 East Fairmont
Senior Vice Commander	Richard Ogden, Post 3663 Buckhannon
Junior vice Commander	Tracy Simmons, Post 6450 Chester
Surgeon	Toby Heaney, Post 629 Fairmont
Quartermaster	Kevin Light, Post 4768 Alum Creek
Judge Advocate	PSC Todd Kingsbury, Post 896 Martinsburg
Chaplain	Andrew Sockett, Post 9962 Mason
National Council Member	PSC Vernon Anderson, Post 4442 Elm Grove

District Commanders elected by the delegates at their District Convention

District 1	David Sisler, Post 578 Terra Alta
District 2	Ronie Wheeler, Post 9926 Mason
District 3	Herbert Burdette, Post 6723 Alderson
District 4	Kevin Link, Post 2102 Wardensville
District 5	Larry Rice, Post 5578 Madison

Commander Elliott made the following appointments to the Council of Administration:

Inspector	Chuck Laugh, Poast 6327 Sistersville
Adjutant	Kevin Light, Post 4768 Alum Creek
Chief of Staff	PSC Vernon Anderson, Post 4442 Elm Grove
Service Officer	David Sisler, Post 578 Terra Alta
Sergeant at Arms	Butch Chipps, Post 9097 Hurricane
*Past State Commander	PSC Dr Corrina Boggess, Post 8363 Chesapeake

*Immediate Past State Commander is automatically a member of the Council of Administration

TENTATIVE AGENDA

VFW 124th National Convention Phoenix, AZ Phoenix Convention Center July 22-27, 2023

All meetings are held in the convention center unless otherwise noted.

Times for various functions are subject to change.

Meeting rooms will be posted closer to conference dates and are subject to change

Friday, July 21, 2023

9:00 a.m. –4:00 p.m. Remote registration – VFW/Auxiliary – Hyatt
Regency/Renaissance
Note: *If registered, you can pick-up your badge at either
hotel, if not, you will need to come to registration on
Saturday at the convention center.*

Saturday, July 22, 2023

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW Health Fair
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW/Registration/Exhibits
8:30 a.m. National Veterans Service Advisory Committee
10:00 a.m. Budget and Finance Committee
10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Uniting to Combat Hunger – Seed Sorting Event
11:00 a.m. Navigating the Hard Insurance Market for your VFW Post
1:30 p.m. National Council of Administration Meeting
4:00 p.m. Eastern Conference Caucus
4:00 p.m. Southern Conference Caucus
4:00 p.m. Big Ten Conference Caucus
4:00 p.m. Western Conference Caucus

Sunday, July 23, 2023

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW Health Fair
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW Registration/Exhibits
8:30 a.m. Annual Memorial Service
10:00 a.m. Membership Seminar
10:00 a.m. VFW Programs, VMS Committee
10:00 a.m. VFW Riders National Advisory Committee
10:00 a.m. Innovative and Accelerated Treatments for PTSD
(WWP/NVS)
11:00 a.m. Update on VFW Legislative Priority Goals
11:00 a.m. VFW Post Service Officer Training
12:30 p.m. First Time Attendees Welcome Orientation

1:00 p.m. VFW Programs Town Hall

Committee Meetings:

1:00 p.m. Navigating the Hard Insurance Market for your VFW Post
2:00 p.m. National By-Laws, Manual of Procedure and Ritual -
2:00 p.m. Finance and Internal Organization (200 series)
2:00 p.m. General Resolutions (300 Series)
2:00 p.m. National Security and Foreign Affairs (400 series)
Sub Committee – POW/MIA
2:00 p.m. National Veterans Service Resolutions (600 series)
Sub-committee – Health
Sub-committee – Benefits
Sub-committee – Economic Opportunity/Other
4:00 p.m. Membership Seminar – Post Development
4:30 p.m. Department Adjutant Quartermasters Association Meeting -

Monday, July 24, 2023

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW Health Fair
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW Registration/Exhibits
8:00 a.m. Joint Opening Session
(Business session will resume after lunch break)
1:00 p.m. VFW Outstanding Community Service Luncheon
3:00 p.m. How to Engage Women Veterans
3:00 p.m. Navigating the Hard Insurance Market for your VFW Post
4:30 p.m. Department Adjutant Quartermasters Reception *(by invitation)*

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. VFW Health Fair
8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. VFW Registration/Exhibits
8:00 a.m. VFW Business Session
1:00 p.m. Department Commanders Luncheon – (by invitation) –
1:00 p.m. 2023-2024 Senior Vice Commanders, Senior Vice
Presidents Luncheon (by invite only)
1:00 p.m. 2023-2024 Junior Vice Commanders, Junior Vice
President’s Luncheon (by invite only)
1:00 p.m. Parliamentary Procedure Discussion
1:00 p.m. Update on Federal Benefits and Services for Veterans
1:00 p.m. Grant Seeking & Fundraising Ideas for VFW Posts
1:00 p.m. Chaplains Workshop
1:00 p.m. Member Rights -Post Commander Authority

2:00 p.m. Post Commander/Quartermaster Responsibilities as a Non-Profit
5:15 p.m. Parade Line-up
6:00 p.m. Patriotic Rally & Entertainment

Wednesday, July 26, 2023

8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. VFW Health Fair
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. VFW Registration/Exhibits
8:00 a.m. Business Session /Nomination of Officers
1:00 p.m. All American Commanders Luncheon (ticketed event)
1:00 p.m. VFW National Home Workshop
1:00 p.m. District Commander Responsibilities
2:30 p.m. Post Quartermasters Workshop (**open to all**)
2:30 p.m. Oracle Workshop – Improving Veteran Care through a Common Health Record

Thursday, July 27, 2023

8:00 a.m. Business Session: Election/Installation of National Officers
National Council of Administration Meeting
(Following business session)
3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Commander-in-Chief's and National
President's Reception (ticketed event) – Sheraton Hotel
Phoenix

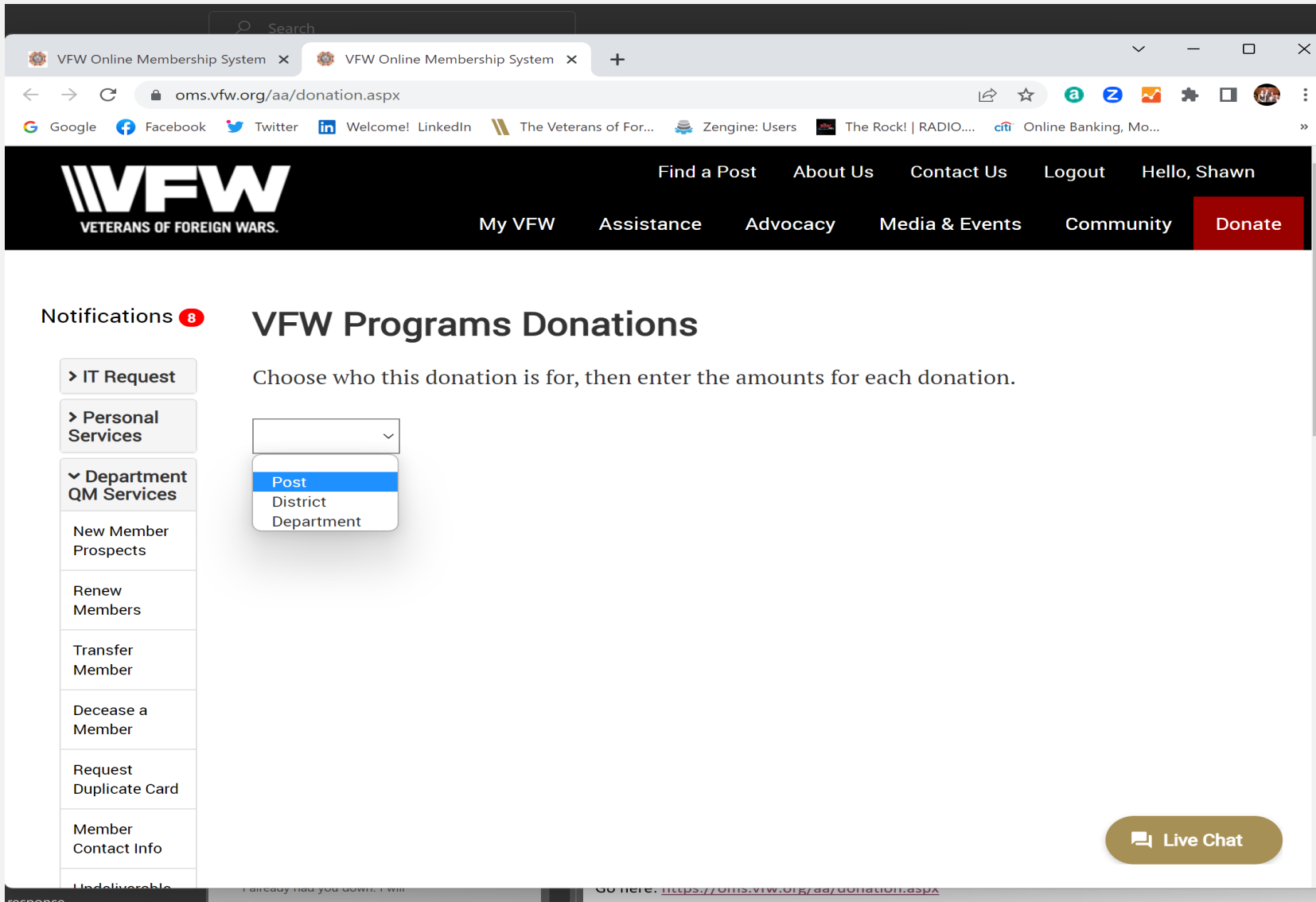
www.eventmobi.com/VFWConvention2023.

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Programs Donations

By Lynn W. Rolf III
April 2022



The screenshot shows a web browser window with two tabs for 'VFW Online Membership System'. The address bar shows 'oms.vfw.org/aa/donation.aspx'. The browser's toolbar includes search, back, forward, and refresh buttons, along with various extension icons. The page header is dark with the VFW logo on the left and navigation links on the right: 'Find a Post', 'About Us', 'Contact Us', 'Logout', and 'Hello, Shawn'. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with 'My VFW', 'Assistance', 'Advocacy', 'Media & Events', 'Community', and a prominent red 'Donate' button. The main content area features a 'Notifications' sidebar with 8 items, including 'IT Request', 'Personal Services', and 'Department QM Services'. The main heading is 'VFW Programs Donations', followed by the instruction: 'Choose who this donation is for, then enter the amounts for each donation.' A dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'Post', 'District', and 'Department'. A 'Live Chat' button is located in the bottom right corner.

Notifications **8**

VFW Programs Donations

Choose who this donation is for, then enter the amounts for each donation.

> IT Request

> Personal Services

▼ Department QM Services

New Member Prospects

Renew Members

Transfer Member

Decease a Member

Request Duplicate Card

Member Contact Info

- Post
- District
- Department

Live Chat

Notifications 8

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Member Contact Info

Undeliverable

Post ▼

Choose a Post... ▼

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- Post 1054 John C. Parker Memorial Post
- Post 1509 Hafa Adai Post
- Post 2485 Robert W. Zaher Post
- Post 2917 Ga'An Point Memorial Post
- Post 3457 Saipan Post
- Post 8180 Colonel Lewis L. Millett Hill 180 Memorial Post
- Post 9555 General Claire L. Chennault Post
- Post 9612 Millard F Nixon Post
- Post 9723 Okinawa/LCpl Frank C. Allen Memorial Post
- Post 9876 Fred J. Estes Post
- Post 9892 Colonel B. J. Smith Post
- Post 9951 C. L. Elms Post
- Post 9957 Flying Tiger Post
- Post 9985 Freedom Bridge Memorial Post
- Post 10033 Hill 303 Memorial Post
- Post 10217 Karl W. Richter Memorial Post
- Post 10223 Cwo Benjamin K. Humphreys Memorial Post
- Post 10249 A F T N Memorial Post

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Find a Post About Us Contact Us Logout Hello, Shawn

My VFW Assistance Advocacy Media & Events Community **Donate**

Notifications 3

- > IT Request
- > Personal Services
- > Department QM Services
 - New Member Prospects
 - Renew Members
 - Transfer Member
 - Decease a Member
 - Request Duplicate Card
 - Member Contact Info
 - Undeliverable Addresses
 - Convert to Life
 - Convert To Legacy
 - New Member Form
 - Grant Account Access
- > All-American Dashboard
- > Tools, Products & Merch
- > Reporting

VFW Programs Donations

Choose who this donation is for, then enter the amounts for each donation.

Post

Voice Of Democracy	\$ <input type="text" value="100"/>	\$100 Post min Must be received by June 30
Patriot's Pen	\$ <input type="text" value="100"/>	\$100 Post min Must be received by June 30
Teacher of the Year	\$ <input type="text" value="100"/>	\$100 Post min
Veterans & Military Support	\$ <input type="text" value="100"/>	\$100 Post min (post only) Must be received by June 30

Continue to pay \$300.00

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VFW Programs Donations

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Post

Donation Summary

Voice Of Democracy	\$100
Patriot's Pen	\$100
Teacher Of The Year	\$100
Veteran's & Military Support	\$100
DONATION TOTAL	\$400

Payment Information

Expiration Date:

[Make \\$400 Donation](#)

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QUESTIONS?

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