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**GENERAL ORDERS NO. 8
 SERIES 2025-2026, FEBRUARY 2026**

All General Orders will be forwarded electronically and posted on the state website at <https://vfwww.com> under the Resources pulldown tab. Posts or individuals who want a hard copy of the General Orders and accompanying documents, send \$25 (annually) to VFW State HQS, PO Box 9431, South Charleston, WV 25309.

1. 2025-2026 DISTRICT CONVENTIONS:

In accordance with Section 218(a)(1)k. of the National Manual of Procedure, the Commander, or their representative, will attend all properly called District Conventions or meetings.

Section 220 of the National By-Laws/Manual of Procedures, Section 220: Removal - Department. "The Department Commander may, with respect to any post within their Department, remove any Post officer for cause who fails to fulfill their duties of office as required by Section 218."

Districts serve lunch before meetings. The time listed below is lunch time. Schedule subject to change.

	Host Post	Date	Time	State Reps
District 1	Sistersville 6327	April 19	12 PM	Light - Smith
District 2	Mason 9926	April 18	12 PM	Wheeler - Schultz
District 3	Summersville 6106	April 18	12 PM	Ogden - Bise
District 4	Charles Town 3522	April 19	1 PM	Bogges - Kennedy
District 5	Madison 5578	April 18	12PM	Chipps - Kennedy

- VETERANS VISIBILITY DAY:** The VFW has cordially been invited to participate in the annual Veterans Visibility Day at the WV State Capitol event on **Friday, March 13, 2026, 9am**. Those who served, supporters and organizations will gather at the State Capitol in the Upper Rotunda to meet with lawmakers and other officials. Please see attached flyer.
- PROOF OF INSURANCE:** Due to the inclement weather of the season and the increased possibility of accidents, it is *imperative* that Posts are current on their insurance coverage. Posts are *required* to forward a copy of the declaration page of Post property/liability insurance (page with dates of coverage and amounts of coverage) to State HQS. *Failure to do so will result in administrative actions.*
- BONDS:** Please be advised that *anyone* at your Post *who has access to money*, whether cash or bank accounts, **MUST** be bonded. This includes officers, canteen/bingo employees, etc. Any Post not completing the required Bond paperwork necessary for their Post will be considered *not in good standing*. Additionally, if your Quartermaster is bonded for *less than* the amount that you currently have in your liquid assets, then your Post is considered to be *underbonded, and not in good standing*.
- TAXES:** Please be sure to send proof of your 2024 tax filings (proof of *acceptance*), or *approved extension* from the IRS to State HQs. *Districts are required to forward a copy of proof of 2024 tax filings.*
- POSTS IN ARREARS:** Posts in arrears need to contact their District Commanders **immediately** for training or assistance. The District should be able to help answer any questions you may have, provide training and feedback, and guide you through the steps you will need to take to resolve outstanding issues.

Additional assistance can be provided by the Department, as needed. Posts who do not resolve arrearages in a timely manner may face further administrative action by the Department Commander.

7. **CHAPLAIN OF THE YEAR:** The role of the Chaplain is an important but often overlooked position. Posts and Districts are encouraged to recognize their Chaplains by nominating them for The Chaplain of the Year. Information can be found at <https://vfwwv.com/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=146660>, and ***submissions are due to State HQS by March 1.***
8. **VFW DAY OF SERVICE:** Don't forget to sign up for the **Day of Service event, May 2026**, at <https://todaysvfw.org/vfw-day-of-service/>. On this website are some excellent resources to help you prepare and host a Day of Service. The Day of Service must be completed in the month of May.
9. **BUDDY POPPIES:** Please download/print the updated order form attached with the new prices. ***The old order forms will no longer be accepted.***
10. **STATE CONVENTION:** The State Convention will take place **June 18-21**. See attached flyer for hotel information. The **theme** for this year's banquet will be, "**Dress the Fashion of Your Birth Year**".
11. **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

February 1	State Citizenship Education Teacher request to National for Citation
February 1	Public Servants of the Year (Law/FF/EMT) request to National for Citation
March 1	Chaplain of the Year entries to State HQS
May 1	Cut-off for Post and District requirements for All-State
May 1	Rich Homan Submissions to State HQS
May 1	For Posts that filed extensions*, proof of 2024 tax filings on file at State HQS

**All other Posts should have sent their 2024 taxes by Nov 2025*

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER:

As February approaches, many people eagerly await to see whether Punxsutawney Phil will catch a glimpse of his shadow. The prospect of an early spring brings a sense of renewal and optimism. However, there are times when Punxsutawney Phil does see his shadow, signaling six more weeks of winter. In these moments, we must prepare ourselves to endure the remainder of the season, but find comfort in the knowledge that spring will eventually arrive to bring renewal.

Bible Verse: Isaiah 26:3 "You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you."

Prayer: Gracious God, as we face the remaining winter days, help us keep our hearts lifted and our spirits strong. Remind us that Your peace surrounds us, even in difficult seasons. May we trust in Your promises, stay steadfast in hope, and find positivity in every moment, knowing that renewal and joy await us.

~ State Chaplain, Maria Saunders

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DEPARTMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA

BY ORDER OF:
PSC CORRINA BOGGESS, COMMANDER
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
DEPARTMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia as of Monday, January 26, 2026

Dept	Post	Dst	New Annual	Cont Annual	Reinst Annual	New Life	Cont Life	Reinst Life	Life Upgrade	Current	Prior	Percentage	Division	City	State
West Virginia	437	1	2	31	0	0	87	0	1	120	132	90.90%	7	MOUNDSVILLE	WV
West Virginia	548	1	0	5	1	0	84	0	0	90	101	89.10%	8	MORGANTOWN	WV
West Virginia	578	1	0	26	0	1	75	0	1	102	101	100.99%	8	TERRA ALTA	WV
West Virginia	629	1	0	2	0	3	343	0	3	348	351	99.14%	4	FAIRMONT	WV
West Virginia	826	1	0	3	0	0	44	0	1	47	50	94.00%	11	KINGWOOD	WV
West Virginia	1589	1	0	7	0	0	90	0	1	97	97	100.00%	8	MASONTOWN	WV
West Virginia	2345	1	0	9	0	0	34	0	0	43	44	97.72%	11	TUNNELTON	WV
West Virginia	2523	1	0	6	0	0	45	0	0	51	66	77.27%	10	BRUCETON MILLS	WV
West Virginia	2716	1	1	27	1	0	144	0	2	173	191	90.57%	5	WEIRTON	WV
West Virginia	3008	1	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	29	29	100.00%	11	ROWLESBURG	WV
West Virginia	3526	1	1	35	0	0	35	0	0	71	84	84.52%	9	NEW CUMBERLAND	WV
West Virginia	4442	1	2	29	0	0	78	0	3	109	161	67.70%	6	ELM GROVE	WV
West Virginia	6327	1	2	31	0	2	129	0	4	164	164	100.00%	6	SISTERSVILLE	WV
West Virginia	6450	1	29	196	1	0	612	0	0	838	814	102.94%	2	CHESTER	WV
West Virginia	7048	1	0	12	1	1	219	1	1	234	242	96.69%	5	EAST FAIRMONT	WV
West Virginia	9916	1	1	8	0	0	110	0	1	119	125	95.20%	7	WESTOVER	WV
District Totals		1	38	427	4	7	2158	1	18	2635	2752	95.74%	3		
West Virginia	1212	2	6	62	2	0	317	0	1	387	420	92.14%	3	PARKERSBURG	WV
West Virginia	3466	2	1	18	8	0	163	3	6	193	190	101.57%	5	CHARLESTON	WV
West Virginia	3554	2	0	12	0	0	68	0	1	80	86	93.02%	9	HARRISVILLE	WV
West Virginia	4419	2	0	4	0	0	40	0	0	44	48	91.66%	11	CLAY	WV
West Virginia	5269	2	0	17	0	0	35	0	0	52	63	82.53%	10	BELLE	WV
West Virginia	5501	2	1	12	0	0	106	0	1	119	136	87.50%	7	RIPLEY	WV
West Virginia	6418	2	5	7	3	0	47	0	2	62	59	105.08%	10	SAINT ALBANS	WV
West Virginia	6669	2	0	12	0	0	77	0	0	89	99	89.89%	8	RAVENSWOOD	WV
West Virginia	8363	2	3	17	0	0	85	0	1	105	119	88.23%	7	CHESAPEAKE	WV
West Virginia	8516	2	0	12	0	0	45	0	0	57	62	91.93%	10	ELKVIEW	WV
West Virginia	9926	2	2	16	1	1	462	0	3	482	597	80.73%	3	MASON	WV
District Totals		2	18	189	14	1	1445	3	15	1670	1879	88.87%	4		
West Virginia	410	3	2	9	1	0	153	0	0	165	166	99.39%	6	BELINGTON	WV
West Virginia	573	3	9	52	6	1	385	0	10	453	506	89.52%	3	CLARKSBURG	WV
West Virginia	1976	3	0	10	0	0	25	0	1	35	37	94.59%	11	WESTON	WV
West Virginia	3081	3	1	21	2	0	92	1	2	117	127	92.12%	7	GRAFTON	WV
West Virginia	3408	3	1	5	0	0	38	0	0	44	50	88.00%	11	WEST UNION	WV
West Virginia	3663	3	0	25	0	0	124	0	0	149	202	73.76%	5	BUCKHANNON	WV
West Virginia	3738	3	0	8	0	0	22	0	0	30	35	85.71%	11	WEBSTER SPRINGS	WV
West Virginia	4595	3	0	9	0	0	33	0	0	42	45	93.33%	11	MARLINTON	WV

West Virginia	5469	3	0	0	1	0	58	0	0	59	59	100.00%	10	GLENVILLE	WV
West Virginia	6106	3	0	20	1	1	53	0	3	75	88	85.22%	8	SUMMERSVILLE	WV
West Virginia	6723	3	4	11	3	3	57	0	7	78	79	98.73%	9	ALDERSON	WV
West Virginia	6737	3	0	8	0	0	10	0	0	18	19	94.73%	11	RENICK	WV
West Virginia	8614	3	0	5	0	0	21	0	1	26	30	86.66%	11	CRAIGSVILLE	WV
District Totals		3	17	183	14	5	1071	1	24	1291	1443	89.46%	5		
West Virginia	896	4	1	26	0	3	191	0	5	221	234	94.44%	5	MARTINSBURG	WV
West Virginia	1101	4	0	14	0	0	55	0	0	69	78	88.46%	9	ROMNEY	WV
West Virginia	2102	4	1	5	3	2	169	1	31	181	164	110.36%	6	WARDENSVILLE	WV
West Virginia	3518	4	3	16	0	0	104	0	4	123	138	89.13%	7	KEYSER	WV
West Virginia	3522	4	12	5	2	4	664	0	30	687	673	102.08%	3	CHARLES TOWN	WV
West Virginia	3647	4	1	21	3	0	89	0	1	114	117	97.43%	7	ELKINS	WV
West Virginia	4019	4	3	8	0	0	107	0	2	118	128	92.18%	7	BERKELEY SPRINGS	WV
West Virginia	5583	4	1	2	1	0	14	0	0	18	17	105.88%	11	COALTON	WV
West Virginia	5781	4	0	4	0	0	8	0	0	12	15	80.00%	11	HARMAN	WV
West Virginia	6452	4	0	6	0	0	42	0	0	48	55	87.27%	10	RIDGELEY	WV
West Virginia	6454	4	0	13	2	0	97	0	1	112	109	102.75%	8	PETERSBURG	WV
West Virginia	6667	4	4	26	0	1	116	0	2	147	154	95.45%	6	FORT ASHBY	WV
West Virginia	9606	4	0	19	0	0	63	0	1	82	96	85.41%	8	MOOREFIELD	WV
West Virginia	9666	4	1	0	0	0	83	0	0	84	88	95.45%	8	SUGAR GROVE	WV
District Totals		4	27	165	11	10	1802	1	77	2016	2066	97.57%	4		
West Virginia	1064	5	0	37	1	0	294	1	1	333	362	91.98%	3	HUNTINGTON	WV
West Virginia	1144	5	0	5	0	0	42	0	0	47	53	88.67%	10	IAEGER	WV
West Virginia	4326	5	1	11	0	0	76	2	1	90	109	82.56%	8	SOPHIA	WV
West Virginia	4469	5	4	15	0	3	97	0	4	119	126	94.44%	7	BECKLEY	WV
West Virginia	4500	5	0	5	0	0	18	0	0	23	26	88.46%	11	HINTON	WV
West Virginia	4768	5	7	2	1	0	48	0	0	58	71	81.69%	9	ALUM CREEK	WV
West Virginia	5578	5	1	21	1	0	146	0	2	169	214	78.97%	5	MADISON	WV
West Virginia	6153	5	1	3	0	1	68	0	1	73	80	91.25%	9	CHAPMANVILLE	WV
West Virginia	7695	5	0	9	0	0	44	0	0	53	61	86.88%	10	ANSTED	WV
West Virginia	8364	5	0	3	0	0	64	0	2	67	68	98.52%	9	OCEANA	WV
West Virginia	9097	5	3	25	2	0	121	0	1	151	170	88.82%	6	HURRICANE	WV
West Virginia	9796	5	0	7	0	0	76	0	0	83	91	91.20%	8	MILTON	WV
District Totals		5	17	143	5	4	1094	3	12	1266	1431	88.46%	5		
West Virginia	15050	99	20	73	1	5	669	0	11	768	895	85.81%	2	SOUTH CHARLESTON	WV
District Totals		99	20	73	1	5	669	0	11	768	895	85.81%	6		
State Totals			137	1180	49	32	8239	9	157	9646	10466	92.16%			

2025 Post and Post Commander of the Year Score Sheet
 Department of West Virginia All-State 2025-26

					*100% by May 1st	Purchase 500 Buddy Poppies by May 1st	*Donate \$275 to VFW Programs	*Submit Community Service Report in Dashboard	*Submit VoD or PP Entry	District Meeting Attendance
					10 pts	10 pts	10 pts	25 pts per quarter	VoD and PP 10 pts ea (20 points max)	25 pts per meeting
Districts										
									20	
							10		20	
							10		20	
							10		20	
Category 1										
Cat	Dist	Post	Location	Total						
1	3	5469	Glenville	105	10			50	20	25
1	3	1976	Weston	95				50	20	25
1	4	5583	Coalton	45	10	10				25
1	1	2345	Tunnelton	35		10				25
1	1	3008	Rowlesburg	35	10					25
1	4	5781	Harman	25						25
1	3	4595	Marlinton	10			10			
1	3	6737	Renick	10		10				
1	3	3738	Webster Springs	0						
1	5	4500	Hinton	0						
1	3	8614	Craigsville	0						
Category 2										
2	2	6418	Saint Albans	150	10	10	10	75	20	25
2	2	8516	Elkview	140		10	10	75	20	25
2	5	8364	Oceana	130			10	75	20	25
2	2	3554	Harrisville	105			10	50	20	25
2	2	5269	Belle	105			10	50	20	25
2	3	6723	Alderson	105			10	50	20	25
2	1	578	Terra Alta	95				50	20	25
2	4	6452	Ridgeley	95				50	20	25
2	4	9666	Sugar Grove	95				50	20	25
2	3	6106	Summersville	95				50	20	25
2	5	1144	Jaeger	80			10	50	20	
2	4	1101	Romney	55			10		20	25
2	1	3526	New Cumberland	45		10	10			25
2	5	9796	Milton	45					20	25
2	3	3408	West Union	35		10				25
2	1	1589	Masontown	30	10	10	10			
2	5	7695	Ansted	25						25
2	2	4419	Clay	20					20	
2	1	826	Kingwood	10		10				
2	5	6153	Chapmanville	10		10				
2	5	4768	Alum Creek	10		10				
2	1	2523	Bruceton Mills	0						

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							*All State Requirement			
Category 3										
3	2	3466	Charleston	150	10	10	10	75	20	25
3	1	6327	Sistersville	150	10	10	10	75	20	25
3	3	3663	Buckhannon	140		10	10	75	20	25
3	2	8363	Chesapeake	140		10	10	75	20	25
3	4	9606	Moorefield	130			10	75	20	25
3	5	4469	Beckley	130		10		75	20	25
3	4	6667	Fort Ashby	120				75	20	25
3	1	4442	Elm Grove	115		10	10	50	20	25
3	4	2102	Wardensville	115	10	10		50	20	25
3	4	6454	Petersburg	115	10	10		75	20	
3	2	5501	Ripley	95				50	20	25
3	1	9916	Westover	95				50	20	25
3	3	3081	Grafton	90		10	10	25	20	25
3	5	4326	Sophia	70				25	20	25
3	4	4019	Berkeley Springs	60			10	25		25
3	2	6669	Ravenswood	55			10		20	25
3	4	3518	Keyser	50				25		25
3	3	410	Belington	35		10				25
3	4	3647	Elkins	35					10	25
3	5	9097	Hurricane	25						25
3	1	548	Morgantown	20		10	10			
3	1	437	Moundsville	0						
Category 4										
4	2	1212	Parkersburg	115		10	10	50	20	25
4	1	629	Fairmont	140		10	10	75	20	25
4	5	5578	Madison	120				75	20	25
4	1	7048	East Fairmont	130			10	75	20	25
4	5	1064	Huntington	95				50	20	25
4	4	896	Martinsburg	35		10				25
4	1	2716	Weirton	25						25
Category 5										
5	4	3522	Charles Town	150	10	10	10	75	20	25
5	2	9926	Mason	140		10	10	75	20	25
5	1	6450	Chester	150	10	10	10	75	20	25
5	3	573	Clarksburg	130		10		75	20	25
								*All State Requirement		

STATE CONVENTION

June 18 - 21, 2026

Bridgeport, WV



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.
WEST VIRGINIA



WINGATE

Main Hotel:

Wingate by Wyndham Bridgeport

Block Code: 061726VFW-Members

350 Conference Center Way

Bridgeport, WV 26330

(304) 808-1000

Room Price: Single King - \$99.00 plus tax & fees

Double Queen - \$109.00 plus tax & fees

Cut-Off Date: 5/17/26



MICROTEL

2nd Hotel:

Microtel Inn Suites

Block Code: 061726VFW

201 Conference Center Way

Bridgeport, WV 26330

(304) 808-2000

Room Price: Single King - \$99.00 plus tax & fees

Double Queen - \$109.00 plus tax & fees

Cut-Off Date: 5/17/26

Please Note:

Both Wingate and Microtel will release all rooms on May 15th to the general public. All reservations should be made by May 15th, 2026 to ensure availability and pricing.



The West Virginia Combat Tested Gaming team is looking for veterans, both with or without foreign service, as well as Auxiliary and currently-serving servicemembers to join our online community!

Watch us in action at https://www.twitch.tv/wv_combattestedgaming, where we stream every Friday night at 8pm Eastern, and join the movement on our private Discord server by scanning the QR code below!





**West Virginia Department of Veterans Assistance
invites you to attend**

**VETERANS VISIBILITY DAY
WV STATE CAPITOL**

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**FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2026
WV STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX
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