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GENERAL ORDERS NO. 7
SERIES 2025-2026, JANUARY 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. UPCOMING DISTRICT MEETINGS:

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	Fairmont 7048	Jan. 18	12 PM	Light - Withrow
District 2	Elkview 8516	Jan. 31	12 PM	Bogges - Smith
District 3	Grafton 3081	Jan. 10	12 PM	Ogden - Kennedy
District 4	Wardensville 2102	Jan. 11	1 PM	Link - Smith
District 5	Beckley 4469*	Jan. 24	12PM	Chipps - Bise

**Hosted at Knights of Columbus Hall, 201 Raleigh Ave., Beckley, WV 25801*

- 2. **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.
- 3. **BUDDY POPPIES:** At the Fall Conference the Council of Administration voted and approved a revised pricing scheme for the Traditional Buddy Poppies and Buddy Poppy Tabs, in order to balance out the prices. **Please download/print the updated order form attached with the new prices. The old order forms will no longer be accepted.**
- 4. **STATE CONVENTION:** The State Convention will take place June 18-21, and Registration will begin in the early spring. The **theme** for this year's banquet will be, **"Dress the Fashion of Your Birth Year"**.
- 5. **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.

6. **PROOF OF INSURANCE & TAX FILINGS:** Posts are required to forward a copy of the declaration page of Post property insurance (page with dates of coverage and amounts of coverage) and proof of *acceptance* of your 2024 taxes, or *approved extension* from the IRS to State HQs. *Districts are required to forward a copy of proof of 2024 tax filings.*
7. **MEMBERSHIP:** Remember to do your buddy checks on post members during the holiday season! For assistance with membership contact the 2025-2026 Membership Chairman, Junior Vice Commander Ronie Wheeler at (304) 675-0235.
8. **DASHBOARD ENTRIES:** Posts and Districts are reminded to enter their Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen participation in the Dashboard.
9. **TEACHERS & PUBLIC SERVANTS:** Districts should send their Teacher-of-the-Year and Public Servant entries (one for each category, Law/FF/EMT) to HQS, *to be received no later than January 15th.*
10. **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

December 20	District Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen winners due to State HQ
Dec 24 – Jan 2	State HQS closed for Christmas holidays
January 1	The Chapel of Four Chaplains Nomination to State HQS
January 15	State Voice of Democracy/Patriot's Pen winner to National
January 15	District Teacher of the Year entries to State HQS
January 15	District Public Servant of the Year (one each Law/FF/EMT) to State HQS
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 to State HQS

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER:

Throughout the year, we have continually honored the legacy of service and sacrifice that defines the Veterans of Foreign Wars. This year, West Virginia VFW members have deepened our involvement, and our advocacy efforts this year amplified the voices of West Virginia veterans. As we look ahead to the coming year, we do so with gratitude for the bonds we share and the accomplishments we achieved together. Our resolve to honor, support, and advocate for veterans remains steadfast. Let us carry forward the lessons learned, the strengthened friendships, and the hope that the future holds even greater opportunities for the service we lead.

Bible Verse: Jeremiah 29:11 “For I know the plans I have for you” declares the Lord, “Plans to prosper you and not harm you. Plans to give you hope and a future”.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, as we stand on the threshold of a new year, we give thanks for the guidance, courage, and unity You have bestowed upon us. Bless the members of the West Virginia VFW, their families, and all those who have served our nation with honor. Grant us wisdom for the year ahead, strengthen our commitment to serve others, and fill our hearts with hope and peace. May we continue to walk in Your light, carrying forward the spirit of service and compassion. Amen.

~ State Chaplain, Maria Saunders

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BY ORDER OF:
PSC CORRINA BOGGESS, COMMANDER
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West Virginia as of Friday, December 19, 2025

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	27	0	0	87	0	1	116	132	87.87%	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	25	0	0	75	0	0	100	101	99.00%	8	TERRA ALTA	WV
West Virginia	629	1	0	1	0	3	343	0	3	347	351	98.86%	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	8	0	0	34	0	0	42	44	95.45%	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	24	1	0	144	0	2	170	191	89.00%	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	34	0	0	35	0	0	70	84	83.33%	9	NEW CUMBERLAND	WV
West Virginia	4442	1	2	26	0	0	77	0	2	105	161	65.21%	6	ELM GROVE	WV
West Virginia	6327	1	2	31	0	2	128	0	3	163	164	99.39%	6	SISTERSVILLE	WV
West Virginia	6450	1	23	195	1	0	612	0	0	831	814	102.08%	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	7	0	0	110	0	1	118	125	94.40%	7	WESTOVER	WV
District Totals		1	32	411	4	6	2156	1	15	2610	2752	94.84%	3		
West Virginia	1212	2	6	52	2	0	317	0	1	377	420	89.76%	3	PARKERSBURG	WV
West Virginia	3466	2	1	17	8	0	163	3	6	192	190	101.05%	5	CHARLESTON	WV
West Virginia	3554	2	0	10	0	0	68	0	1	78	86	90.69%	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	4	0	0	35	0	0	39	63	61.90%	10	BELLE	WV
West Virginia	5501	2	1	10	0	0	106	0	1	117	136	86.02%	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	7	0	0	77	0	0	84	99	84.84%	8	RAVENSWOOD	WV
West Virginia	8363	2	3	15	0	0	85	0	1	103	119	86.55%	7	CHESAPEAKE	WV
West Virginia	8516	2	0	8	0	0	45	0	0	53	62	85.48%	10	ELKVIEW	WV
West Virginia	9926	2	2	15	0	1	462	0	3	480	597	80.40%	3	MASON	WV
District Totals		2	18	149	13	1	1445	3	15	1629	1879	86.69%	4		
West Virginia	410	3	2	8	1	0	153	0	0	164	166	98.79%	6	BELINGTON	WV
West Virginia	573	3	9	46	5	1	384	0	9	445	506	87.94%	3	CLARKSBURG	WV
West Virginia	1976	3	0	7	0	0	25	0	1	32	37	86.48%	11	WESTON	WV
West Virginia	3081	3	1	18	1	0	92	1	2	113	127	88.97%	7	GRAFTON	WV
West Virginia	3408	3	1	4	0	0	38	0	0	43	50	86.00%	11	WEST UNION	WV
West Virginia	3663	3	0	15	0	0	124	0	0	139	202	68.81%	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	17	1	1	53	0	3	72	88	81.81%	8	SUMMERSVILLE	WV
West Virginia	6723	3	4	11	3	2	57	0	6	77	79	97.46%	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	3	0	0	21	0	1	24	30	80.00%	11	CRAIGSVILLE	WV
District Totals		3	17	154	12	4	1070	1	22	1258	1443	87.17%	5		
West Virginia	896	4	1	23	0	3	191	0	5	218	234	93.16%	5	MARTINSBURG	WV
West Virginia	1101	4	0	12	0	0	55	0	0	67	78	85.89%	9	ROMNEY	WV
West Virginia	2102	4	1	5	2	2	169	1	31	180	164	109.75%	6	WARDENSVILLE	WV
West Virginia	3518	4	2	12	0	0	103	0	3	117	138	84.78%	7	KEYSER	WV
West Virginia	3522	4	12	5	1	4	664	0	30	686	673	101.93%	3	CHARLES TOWN	WV
West Virginia	3647	4	0	16	3	0	89	0	1	108	117	92.30%	7	ELKINS	WV
West Virginia	4019	4	3	8	0	0	106	0	1	117	128	91.40%	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	3	0	0	8	0	0	11	15	73.33%	11	HARMAN	WV
West Virginia	6452	4	0	5	0	0	42	0	0	47	55	85.45%	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	0	23	0	1	116	0	2	140	154	90.90%	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	21	146	9	10	1800	1	75	1987	2066	96.17%	4		
West Virginia	1064	5	0	31	1	0	294	0	1	326	362	90.05%	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	0	8	0	0	76	1	1	85	109	77.98%	8	SOPHIA	WV
West Virginia	4469	5	4	14	0	1	96	0	1	115	126	91.26%	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	5	2	1	0	48	0	0	56	71	78.87%	9	ALUM CREEK	WV
West Virginia	5578	5	1	18	1	0	146	0	2	166	214	77.57%	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	7	0	0	44	0	0	51	61	83.60%	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	19	1	0	121	0	1	144	170	84.70%	6	HURRICANE	WV
West Virginia	9796	5	0	6	0	0	76	0	0	82	91	90.10%	8	MILTON	WV
District Totals		5	14	121	4	2	1093	1	9	1235	1431	86.30%	5		
West Virginia	15050	99	20	64	1	4	668	0	9	757	895	84.58%	2	SOUTH CHARLESTON	WV
District Totals		99	20	64	1	4	668	0	9	757	895	84.58%	6		
State Totals			122	1045	43	27	8232	7	145	9476	10466	90.54%			

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	
							10		20	
Category 1										
Cat	Dist	Post	Location	Total						
1	3	5469	Glenville	80	10			25	20	25
1	3	1976	Weston	70				25	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	125	10	10	10	50	20	25
2	2	8516	Elkview	115		10	10	50	20	25
2	2	3554	Harrisville	105			10	50	20	25
2	5	8364	Oceana	105			10	50	20	25
2	2	5269	Belle	80			10	25	20	25
2	1	578	Terra Alta	75				50		25
2	4	6452	Ridgeley	75				50		25
2	4	9666	Sugar Grove	75				50		25
2	3	6106	Summersville	60				25	10	25
2	3	3408	West Union	55		10			20	25
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	6723	Alderson	35			10			25
2	1	1589	Masontown	30	10	10	10			
2	5	7695	Ansted	25						25
2	5	1144	laeger	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	125	10	10	10	50	20	25
3	1	4442	Elm Grove	115		10	10	50	20	25
3	3	3663	Buckhannon	115		10	10	50	20	25
3	4	2102	Wardensville	115	10	10		50	20	25
3	4	9606	Moorefield	105			10	50	20	25
3	4	6667	Fort Ashby	95				50	20	25
3	1	6327	Sistersville	95		10	10	50		25
3	5	4469	Beckley	95				50	20	25
3	2	5501	Ripley	95				50	20	25
3	1	9916	Westover	95				50	20	25
3	2	8363	Chesapeake	90		10	10	25	20	25
3	4	6454	Petersburg	90	10	10		50	20	
3	3	3081	Grafton	90		10	10	25	20	25
3	4	4019	Berkeley Springs	60			10	25		25
3	3	410	Belington	60		10		25		25
3	2	6669	Ravenswood	55			10		20	25
3	4	3518	Keyser	50				25		25
3	4	3647	Elkins	35					10	25
3	5	4326	Sophia	25						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	95		10	10	50		25
4	5	5578	Madison	95				50	20	25
4	1	7048	East Fairmont	85			10	50		25
4	5	1064	Huntington	70				25	20	25
4	4	896	Martinsburg	35		10				25
4	1	2716	Weirton	25						25
Category 5										
5	4	3522	Charles Town	125	10	10	10	50	20	25
5	2	9926	Mason	115		10	10	50	20	25
5	1	6450	Chester	105	10	10	10	50		25
5	3	573	Clarksburg	105		10		50	20	25
								*All State Requirement		



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!



