

ATTENTION

The Southern Conference meeting to be held in October in Asheville, North Carolina has been cancelled.

Hal's homecoming has been scheduled for March 24-28, 2021. Those already registered will not need to take any action at this time. Should you desire a refund you will be given a full refund. You will need to register at the hotel only.

Please feel free to contact Ken Wiseman (kwiseman@vfwva.org or 540-487-4476) with any questions. Thanks, and stay safe.

FREE MONEY!!! The applications for the Post Home Improvement Grant and Community Service Grants are in this month's General Orders. The funding comes from our Foundation. See inside!

**Please note Officer Bonds and Employee Bonds
Expired on August 31, 2020**

REMEMBER: All names on bank account(s) must be bonded

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS



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September 1, 2020

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1. COMMANDER'S MESSAGE:

Comrades, start calling unpaid members, start a campaign to get more members, get teams to go out while we can and visit Post members we have not seen in a while see how they are doing. Your Post QM should be able to get you an updated unpaid list and update it every month call them. If the District Commander and Post Commanders needs help call HQ or myself, stay on track and stay focused set realistic goals. If we all work together, we all will succeed!!! The State is about 89 less than we were this time last year. Post and District Officers should review MemStats at www.vfw.org for their respective Post and District. Call State Headquarters if you need assistance.

While reviewing the State reports we are doing good and some are doing great and some need to start working on getting reports in we have 8 week's left in the first reporting period. We have Post that have not submitted insurance renewals to State Headquarters, Post Buddy Poppies are at a slow start, and the donation to Virginia Veterans Foundation (VVF) and inspections are moving in the right direction and should be rapping up in a few months. Start your planning for Patriots Pen and Voice of Democracy and Teacher awards.

The State will be having a QM training and Recruiter training. I'll reveal the plan to the District Commanders at C of A the basic plan will be the District Commander will hold the two trainings in their own Districts for their Post sometime between October and rapping it up by the end of January. After the June Quarterly Audits where turned in for last quarter the need for QM training and Trustee training is really needed throughout the Districts in the State. Our State Line Officers are still working on both trainings and we will release the power points at C of A and they will also be added to the State website.

We have new District Commanders and District Officers, Post Commanders and Post Officers if you have questions call me or one of my staff members or call State HQ we are here to help you succeed. If any Post would like to have a State Line Officer visit your Post and work one on one, call us. Train your new and upcoming officers in their roles for success. I want to thank all our members for all your support. This will be a great year for us all, stay on track and help where and when you can. Every member is very important to our Post, Districts, Department and our National organization and all our programs.

Eric Mallett
 State Commander
 Department of Virginia

2. DISTRICT MEETINGS:

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| 1 st | Date: TBD
Meeting: 11:00 AM
Location: TBD | 8 th | Date: 9/19/20
SOI: 9:00 AM
Meeting: To follow SOI
Location: Post 2524 Culpeper
12210 Sperryville Pike
St. Judge Advocate Geoff Lyster |
| 2 nd | Date: 11/14/20
Lunch: Noon
Meeting: 1:00 PM
Location: Post 3160 Norfolk
111 A View Avenue | 9 th | Date: 9/19/20
Meeting: 10:00 AM
Location: Post 7726 Independence
115 Klondike Rd
State JVC Eddie Reasor |
| 3 rd | Date: 10/17/20
Meeting: 10:00 AM
Lunch: to follow Meeting
Location: Post 9808 Mechanicsville
7168 Flag Lane | 10 th | Date: 9/20/20
SOI: 9:00 AM
Lunch: Noon
Meeting: 1:00 PM
Location: Post 1503 Dale City
14631 Minnieville Road
State Inspector Doug Hoffman |
| 4 th | Date: 11/21/20
Meeting: 10:00 AM
Location: Post 7059 Farmville
1616 Graham Road | 11 th | Date: 9/19/20
Meeting: 9:00 AM
SOI: To follow Meeting
Location: Post 632 Harrisonburg
450 Waterman Drive
State Adj/QM Ed Mann |
| 5 th | Date: 11/21/20
Meeting: 10:00 AM
Location: TBD | 12 th | Date: TBD
Registration: 10:00 AM
Meeting: 11:00 AM
Location: TBD |
| 6 th | Date: TBD
Meeting: 2:00 PM
Location: TBD | 13 th | Date: 11/14/20
Meeting: 12:00 Noon
Location: Post 8947 Mineral
201 Mineral Ave |
| 7 th | Date: 1/16/21
Lunch: 11:30 AM
Meeting: 12:15 PM
Location: Post 2447 Edinburg
100 Veterans Way | | |

3. BONDS:

All Bonds expired August 31, 2020. Please see the attached rate schedule for the cost of your bond and return completed forms and payment to State Headquarters. Please note the quartermaster Bond rate schedule is for Post Officers. There is a separate schedule for your canteen employees and others who are not Post Officers but need to be bonded. Remember that persons on any and/or all accounts the Post has **MUST** be bonded.

4. BUDDY POPPY:

Although we emphasize Buddy Poppies on Veterans Day and Memorial Day, it is important to realize that the distribution of Buddy Poppies should be a year-round exercise. Each time a Post participates in an activity where the public will be present, Buddy Poppies should be present as a fundraising tool and simply to recognize our fallen comrades. Where the VFW appears, Buddy Poppies should be a constant reminder that we will never forget those who have perished in the name of liberty. Just as “They Gave, Will You?” is a year-round thing, so should the distribution of VFW Buddy Poppies.

Remember that your poppies should be ordered a minimum of 8 weeks in advance of your distribution date. Be sure to specify a date by which the poppies are required; do not use “ASAP.” Miscellaneous items (coin cans, buttons, posters, etc.) should be ordered directly from the VFW Store at vfwstore.org/category/programs/buddypoppy or the VFW Store/Emblem and Supply Catalog.

The Manual of Procedure provides that Post relief funds may be used for programs such as Voice of Democracy, Patriot’s Pen, Citizenship Education, and Community Service as long as suggestions in the chairmen guidebooks are used as an example of promoting these programs.

Posts are further reminded that Section 711 of the Manual of Procedure provides that non-profit organizations, exempt from taxes under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, may assist with the distribution of Buddy Poppies, provided there shall be no division of proceeds. A donation to these groups may be made from the Post general fund.

5. DIGITAL MEMBERSHIP CARDS:

Members now have the ability to download their digital version of their membership card. Depending on whether a member has an iPhone or Android, they will be able to download and access their digital membership card from the VFW app.

This will not replace the physical VFW membership card - we will still be sending out membership cards to all our annual and Life members. This is intended as another option for our members' convenience. When asked to show a VFW membership card, a member can either produce their physical card out of their wallet or display their digital card on their smart phone.

6. DUES NOTICE SCHEDULE:

Annual members will receive a *mailed renewal* notice five months, three months, and one month prior to their subscription end date. Annual members with a valid email address will also receive an *emailed renewal notice* six months, four months, and two months prior to their subscription end date.

Annual members will receive a *mailed lapsed notice*, one, three, and five months following their subscription end date.

7. E-MAIL ACCOUNT ACCESS:

All email accounts were reset so the new Officers could take control of their emails as of **June 25th**. This will be the primary means of sending correspondence from State Headquarters to Post and District Officers.

You will receive all General Orders, special notices and any other documentation that you need via email. This will help cut down on postal expenses and speed up the response time for you receiving the information.

Here are directions for logging into your new account for the first time.

1. Go to Department web site www.vfwva.org.
2. Click on Resources, Microsoft 365.
3. The user name is your email address; put that on the first line (see below for your new address).
4. Your default password will be **VFW2020!** once you have accessed the mail program you will be asked to change it; it must contain at least one uppercase letter and one number.

For Post Officers, your address will be cdrpost176@vfwva.org where the 176 is you replace it with **your** Post number.

adjpost176@vfwva.org
qmpost176@vfwva.org

For District Officers your address will be cdrdist1@vfwva.org for Districts other than the first just replace the 1 with your district #

adjdist1@vfwva.org
qmdist1@vfwva.org

8. GENERAL ORDERS:

The cut off for the General Orders is the 20th of the month. No EXCEPTIONS. Subscriptions for hard copy General Orders are \$30.00 for the year (**please note new price**). Contact State Headquarters for more info.

9. IMPORTANT DATES:

September 26, 2020	Fall Council of Administration meeting, State Headquarters (9:00 am)
January 7-10, 2021	Winter Council, Renaissance Portsmouth-Norfolk Waterfront Hotel, 425 Water Street, Portsmouth, VA; phone 757-673-3000. Room Rates are \$94.00 per night. Group name "VFW Department of Virginia Winter Council Meeting"; Cut-off Date December 7, 2020.
February 5-7, 2021	State Commander/State President/MOCA Homecoming, Virginia Beach, VA
March 24-28, 2021	National Commander-in-Chief Hal Roesch Homecoming, Portsmouth, VA

10. INCORPORATION:

The attention of the Post Commander is directed to section 708 of the National By-Laws and the Manual of Procedure, which prescribes the procedure for the Incorporation of Units. It shall be the responsibility of the Post Commander to ensure full compliance with both sections and to ensure that all state requirements for annual filing, fees, etc., are met in a timely manner.

Posts should take the necessary steps to incorporate under the laws of the state in which the Post is located. Financial responsibility laws, as interpreted by the courts, may cause members of unincorporated Posts to be at risk. Incorporating under the provisions of section 708 of the National By-Laws and the Manual of Procedure and the laws of the state will provide protection for Post members. The template for the Articles of Incorporation can be found on the www.vfwva.org website. If you have any problems or questions please contact State Headquarters. The Articles of Incorporation must be reviewed by the Commander-in-Chief prior to forwarding them to the proper state authorities.

11. IRS FORM 8822-B:

IRS form 8822-B. It is now a requirement by the IRS that all Posts submit this form. This form must be submitted any time the Post Quartermaster changes and/or the Post address changes. This was effective January 1, 2014.

Here is the link to get the form and instructions – <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8822b.pdf>
This will also apply to all Auxiliaries that have their own EIN number.

12. LEGACY LIFE MEMBERSHIP:

CHECK OUT OUR LEGACY LIFE VIDEO! Go to www.vfw.org, click on JOIN, scroll down to Legacy Life Membership and then click on the video on the right. This prestigious program is available to all Life members and is now available in memoriam for past Life members. There are three levels of membership, each offer their own package of exclusive member benefits. Financial contributions to the Legacy Life member program are tax deductible to the maximum extent allowed by law.

<i>Enrollment Cost:</i>	<i>Annual Payouts:</i>	<i>Post:</i>	<i>Department:</i>	<i>National:</i>
Levels: Gold- \$1200.00		\$18.00	\$18.00	\$18.00
Silver- \$800.00		\$12.00	\$12.00	\$12.00
Bronze- \$400.00		\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00

What will your Legacy be?

13. MEMBERSHIP:

Commanders and Comrades,

The Department was the headliner in most of the local papers near Post that we visited in the Seventh, Eleventh, Ninth, and Sixth Districts last month. The Commander-in-Chief did an excellent job giving interviews with the reporters and meeting with town officials. Post members also enjoyed visiting with Hal, Virginia's first Chief in our 121-year history. I encourage all Post to engage your local papers and have an article written about the things you are doing around your community. Please develop a positive outline about our programs for youth, teachers, first responders, and above all else the things we do as an organization to help veterans. Also mention the press release that went out to all papers in the State, supporting our resolution of support for the Second Amendment. Use all of these topics to encourage veterans to join your Post. NEVER, be negative about your Post while giving an interview, some examples of what not to say, We can't get the young veterans to join or we only have two or three of us doing all the work.

The Gun Shows are opening again where there is room enough for social distancing. One was held in the Roanoke Civic Center on August 15th and 16th. The team did an excellent job of informing veterans of what we do as an organization and we signed up 12 new members. This is a good number for the Roanoke Show that normally yields about 6 for a weekend. We signed up ten for the Sixth District and one member each for the 5th and 11th Districts. Start looking around your Post for events that you can recruit at. The State Team of recruiters are ready to assist your Post in its efforts, please take advantage of this asset. Our endeavor to form a new Post in Emporia is doing well and will be instituted before the end of this year.

If your Post pays dues for members that are on active duty, in nursing homes, or homebound, go ahead and take care of it now. You don't lose anything by doing it early in the year. This year you may need to work the relocated and unpaid list in your area. A list of veterans that has moved into your area and unpaid can be obtained from State H.Q. if you send the zip code to Angie or Ed.

Let's all work together and have all Post reach their membership quota this year. Post Commanders please make it a priority to discuss recruiting at your Post Meetings. If you want assistance from the State Membership Team, contact State Headquarters or myself at 434-774-7729. THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO FOR OUR DEPARTMENT.

Tom Hines, PDC
Membership Team

14. ZOOM MEETING LINK:

Each Membership Monday training topic is developed with the Post-level leadership in mind. Each of these sessions are intended to be live with ability for audience interaction. The media platform we will be using is the Zoom platform so these training sessions can be recorded and viewed throughout the year.

Please see the schedule below. We would like your help in communicating this schedule to your Posts. All Membership Monday Webinars are planned to be held at **2:00 – 3:00 PM, CST** on the dates provided below.

A Membership Monday OMS Alert Notification has been updated with the latest Zoom Meeting link.

If you would like to suggest a Membership Monday training topic, please email us at, membership@vfw.org.

Please let me know what questions you may have.

Membership Monday Webinar Training Series Tentative Schedule:

- September 14, 2020: Long-Term Planning training
- October 5, 2020: Updated Recruiting Training
- November 2, 2020: Mentorship training
- December 14, 2020: Retention Pocket Guide for the Post

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://vfw.zoom.us/j/8708367256>

Meeting ID: 870 836 7256

One tap mobile

+13462487799,,8708367256# US (Houston)

+12532158782,,8708367256# US (Tacoma)

Dial by your location

+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

+1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 870 836 7256

Find your local number: <https://vfw.zoom.us/u/aejqTGAUGy>

15. NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY:

SEPTEMBER 18. Posts should conduct an appropriate ceremony. Information on conducting a ceremony can be found in the current VFW Manual of Procedure. For POW/MIA merchandise, click vfwstore.org/category/memorial/pow-mia.

16. OFFICE CLOSURE:

The Service Officer offices in Hopewell, Norfolk and Dale City will be closed September 7, 2020 in observance of Labor Day.

The State Headquarters will be closed September 4 -7, 2020. The State Adjutant/Quartermaster will be available by phone and email for any issues that may arise.

17. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY:

Procedure and Ritual establish that *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 11th Edition* shall be the parliamentary authority on procedural matters not governed by VFW By-Laws and Manual of Procedure. This edition of *Robert's Rules of Order* is readily available at local bookstores and online retailers such as Barnes & Noble and Amazon.

18. PATRIOT DAY:

SEPTEMBER 11. Per Presidential Proclamation, September 11, is designated as "Patriot Day." The President requests the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff (sunrise to sunset) and a moment of silence observed in honor of the individuals who lost their lives on that day due to terrorist attacks on the United States. For flags and other patriotic items, click here vfwstore.org/category/patriotic/miscpatriotic.

19. PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM:

Have You Heard About the VFW's Partners in Patriotism? – Would you like to support the VFW's life-changing programs for veterans, service members and their families and reduce the amount of mail you receive? The VFW has an option that allows you to support VFW programs on a monthly, quarterly, or yearly basis, as well as reduce expenses and eliminate the fundraising mail. It is called Partners in Patriotism. As a member of Partners in Patriotism, you choose a set dollar amount for your donation (minimum amount of \$10) that is either charged to your credit card or set up as an Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) from your bank account. Once you join the VFW's Partners in Patriotism, you will only receive the Quarterly Supporter newsletters to keep you informed of the many efforts your monthly gifts are making possible, and a Year End Tax Receipt mailed by the end of January. If you are interested in joining Partners in Patriotism, you may contact Donor Services in the VFW Development Department at 1.833.VFW.GIVE (1.833.839.4483) or email us at partners@vfw.org with "Partners in Patriotism Application" in the subject line.

20. POST OFFICER'S DUTIES:

Attention of incoming Post Officers is directed to Section 218 of the Manual of Procedure which outlines the duties of various Post Officers.

21. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY:

Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters are reminded of the requirements of sections 216, 416 and 516 of the Manual of Procedure with regard to proof of eligibility for officers. Officers shall not be installed or assume the duties of their office until proof of eligibility has been submitted and reviewed. Failure or refusal to submit proof of eligibility within thirty (30) days of election or appointment shall result in the office being declared vacant.

22. REMOVAL OF OFFICERS:

Section 220 of the National By-Laws, "Vacancies and Removal of Elective Officers or Committee Members" states, "Any elective Post officer removed by the Department Commander, by reason of failure to pay current dues or by vote of the Post under the provisions of this section, shall not be eligible to serve in any Post office in the same administrative year in which the officer is removed."

23. REPORTING:

Comrades to view whether your Post has submitted an Audit Report, Americanism, Community Service, Safety, Youth or Hospital report you should visit the Department website (www.vfwva.org).

The website is updated daily. If you have any questions, please call State Headquarters.

There will be no form for Homeless when reporting for assistance to a homeless veteran please put it on a Community Activity report under aid to others.

24. SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY THEMES:

The 2020–2021 themes have been chosen by Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Harold J. “Hal” Roesch, II. The Voice of Democracy theme will be **“Is This the Country the Founders Envisioned?”** and the Patriot’s Pen theme will be **“What is Patriotism to Me?”**

25. SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION POWERPOINT SLIDES:

The slides for this year’s School of Instruction (SOI) are listed on the state’s website, www.vfwva.org. You should click on RESOURCES, then FORMS, then scroll down to GUIDES AND HANDOUTS. Although these are posted to the website, Posts are still required to attend their District’s SOI.

26. POST HOME IMPROVEMENT GRANT:

The Virginia Veterans Foundation, the official foundation of the Virginia VFW, has opened the window to apply for a grant to perform improvements on your Post home. The grant, funded by Powerhouse Gaming, will provide six (6) grants worth up to \$500 for the 2020-2021 year. Should any money remain after the six (6) grants are paid out, those not selected in the first round of grants will be considered a second time. The requirements and application are in the attachments. While the project can be completed anytime between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021, the application is due no later than November 30, 2020. Entries can be mailed, faxed, or emailed to State Headquarters.

27. COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANT:

The Virginia Veterans Foundation, the official foundation of the Virginia VFW, has opened the window to apply for a grant to perform community service. The grant, funded by Powerhouse Gaming, will provide twelve (12) grants worth up to \$250 for the 2020-2021 year. Should any money remain after the twelve (12) grants are paid out, those not selected in the first round of grants will be considered a second time. The requirements and application are in the attachments. While the project can be completed anytime between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021, the application is due no later than November 30, 2020. Posts **AND** Auxiliaries can apply for this grant, but only one grant will be given to an individual Post or their Auxiliary, regardless of who applies. Entries can be mailed, faxed, or emailed to State Headquarters.

28. WINTER COUNCIL:

You will find the information for your online reservation link below. If you have questions or need help with the link, please do not hesitate to ask. We look forward to a successful event.

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1594668070557&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

29. VIETNAM WAR COMMEMORATION:

While it would be best for Posts to become commemorative partners in the Vietnam War 50th Anniversary Commission (see last month's report), commemorative lapel pins can be obtained by writing me at cdrpost9835@vfwva.org. Let me know how many you need to recognize the Vietnam veterans in your Post, and I will get them to you.

During September, a number of significant events occurred involving operations in Vietnam:

On September 29, 1965, the first South Korean combat units deployed to Vietnam. The Republic of Korea Army Capital (Tiger) Infantry Division, the 2d Marine (Blue Dragon) Brigade, and supporting elements arrived between September and November 1965. They were based near Qui Nhon and Cam Ranh Bay. By the end of the year, South Korea had nearly 19,000 combat troops in South Vietnam.

During September 1966, the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment "Blackhorse" arrived in Vietnam. It was equipped with light tanks, self-propelled howitzers, helicopters, and armored personnel carriers for use in the open terrain of III Corps. The 11th was one of only a few large U.S. armored cavalry units to fight in the war.

On September 25, 1967, General Westmoreland and MACV renamed Task Force OREGON the 23d Infantry Division (Americal). The Americal Division is assembled from multiple Army units already in-theater, much as its World-War-II Pacific Theater namesake had been. The Americal Division spent much of the Vietnam War fighting in I Corps as reinforcements for the Marines closer to the DMZ.

Jeff Dombroff
Vietnam War Commemoration
Committee Chairman

30. VOICE OF DEMOCRACY:

The Voice of Democracy program, instituted in 1947, has been the Veterans of Foreign Wars premier scholarship program. Annually, nearly 57,000 high school students compete for more than \$2 million in scholarships and incentives. Written and recorded audio essays are submitted by each applicant and address an annual patriotic theme. The 2020 theme is, "Is this the country the Founders Envisioned?" The contest is open to students in grades 9-12. More specific information, including rules, forms, and brochures are available at [http: www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org).

Because of Covid 19 school closures we must be more creative this year when recruiting applicants for the Voice of Democracy contest. Please consider using social media, and electronic communication with school administrators and teachers, as well as traditional methods.

2020-2021 Voice of Democracy Reporting Deadlines

31 October 2020 Student entries due at the Post
15 November 2020 Completion of Post judging
05 December 2020 Completion of District judging
19 December 2020 Department VOD Selection Board
10 January 2021 Completion of Department Judging
15 January 2021 District Participation Reports due for Department Chairman
15 January 2021 Department winners due for National

Awards will be presented to the top three Department winners at the Department Winter Council meeting on Saturday, 9 January 2021 in Portsmouth, Virginia. Please send complete application packets to the Department VOD Chairman to include the completed Official Student Entry form with all appropriate signatures, a typed transcript, an audio CD or flash drive and a photograph of the District winner. Make sure your flash drive or CD is properly recorded and playable before sending it. Incomplete application packets will disqualify your candidate from District and Department judging. District Chairmen are expected to complete and send out the District

Participation Report in a timely manner. It should be received by the Department VOD Chairman, which is required for his Department Report NLT Friday, 15 January 2021.

The District first place winning submissions should be mailed to the Department VOD Chairman Louis Filippone at 15608 Jillians Forest Way, Centreville, Virginia 20120.

You are strongly encouraged to send your application packets by UPS, Fed Ex, or USPS return receipt. You are also advised to keep a duplicate copy of the complete application packet on hand. The Department VOD Chairman must receive your submissions NLT Friday, 18 December 2020. The Department VOD Selection Board will be held on Saturday, 19 December 2020, location to be announced. Possible teleconference format judging is being considered.

Voice of Democracy Department Awards

The top three finalists will be invited to the Winter Council Luncheon in Portsmouth, Virginia on Saturday, 09 January 2021. All three finalists will receive their awards and present their essays at the awards banquet. The first-place winner will receive a minimum of \$2,000.00 from the Department along with \$500.00 from the Commander's Club and an additional check from the Auxiliary. The second-place winner will receive a minimum of \$1,000.00, and the third-place winner will receive a minimum of \$500.00. Additional donations are expected this year. The Post that sponsors the Department's first place winner will be awarded the Clarence E. Kelley Memorial Voice of Democracy Trophy at the Department Convention in June 2021, Date to be determined. Should you require any assistance or additional information regarding the 2020-20201 Voice of Democracy program, or its administration please contact me directly.

Please be advised all dates and venues are subject to change as a result of Covid 19 restrictions.

Louis Filippone
Voice of Democracy Program Chairman

Official:

By Order of:



Ed Mann
State Adjutant



Eric Mallett
State Commander

Homecoming

Supreme MOC Auxiliary

President Jennifer Winn

&

VFW Department of Virginia

President Maggie Myers

Commander Eric Mallett

February 5 – 6, 2021



Holiday Inn & Suites North Beach

Ocean Front

3900 Atlantic Ave. Virginia Beach, VA. 23451

Hotel Information

THE DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS IS JANUARY 8, 2021

USE NORFOLK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR ALL FLIGHTS

Booking link name: VFW Department of Virginia/ Supreme MOCA
CALL TO MAKE THE RESERVATION: Direct 757.419.3672 | Reservations 866.456.3446
(Tell them you are attending the “VFW Department of Virginia/ Supreme MOCA Homecoming” to get our rate)

[VFW Department of Virginia / Supreme MOCA](#)

Rooms are \$89.00 standard, \$109.00 Suite, plus tax, per night. Free Parking. The rooms include complimentary Wi-Fi, indoor heated pool, exercise room, Movie Theater. The rate is good for three days before and three days after the event for those who want to come early or stay longer.

Homecoming Registration Form

(Deadline January 8, 2021)

Registration Fee: \$45.00 Per Person

Dress Attire is Business Casual

Registration

Includes:

Welcome packet

Friday & Saturday Hospitality room (**open bar**)

Saturday Banquet Buffet Dinner

Entertainment

&

2 Hospitality Rooms Open

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

**ALL DOCUMENTS WITH "FORMS" IN THE TITLE SHOULD BE MAILED OR
EMAILED:**

VFW Department of Virginia

ATTN: Supreme MOCA/Department Homecoming

403 Lee-Jackson HWY Staunton, VA 24401

adj@vfwva.org

Call for payments: 540-886-8112

Deadline for registration is January 8, 2021

Cancelations will be considered as a donation to the fund. No refunds

Airport Transportation Form

USE NORFOLK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR ALL FLIGHTS

Name(s): _____

State/Department: _____

Cell phone number: _____

Number of passengers: _____

Arrival Date: _____ Airline: _____ Arrival time: _____

Departure Date: _____ Airline: _____ Departure time: _____

Transportation will be available using this form for the period of February 4 - 7, 2021. We are unable to handle departures after Monday.

DUE TO THE EXPECTED NUMBER OF FLIGHTS, THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO ENSURE TRANSPORTATION.

Homecoming Payment Form

(NOT INCLUDING FEES AND COSTS AT THE EVENT WHICH YOU PAY SEPERATLY)

Name of those attending: _____ State _____

Homecoming Registration Fee: Number of people _____ x \$45.00 per person = _____

Friday Night, February 5th

Captain Georges Seafood Buffet (Check them out at WWW.CAPTAINGEORGES.COM)

(Includes Buffet, soft drink, tip and tax)

Name: _____ Number of people _____ x \$42.00 Per person = _____

Deadline for registration is January 8, 2021

Cancelations will be considered as a donation to the fund. No refunds

Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center: for group rate a minimum of 15 people

	Adult (12 & up)	Child (age 3 – 11)
Aquarium only	\$18.00 X _____	\$12.00 X _____
Movie only	\$5.00 X _____	\$5.00 X _____
Dolphin Watch Boat Trip only	\$18.00 X _____	\$13.00 X _____
Ocean Collections Boat Trip only	\$18.00 X _____	\$13.00 X _____
Whale Watching Boat Trip only	\$23.00 X _____	\$18.00 X _____

Name: _____

Number of people _____ Total _____

Pick a day

Friday 10am - _____ OR Saturday 9am - _____

VFW Post Visit;

Time will be Posted at Hotel

Thursday____, Friday____, Saturday____ or ALL_____

VFW General MacArthur Post 392; Number of people _____

VFW Post 4809; Number of people _____

Homecoming Agenda

Friday February 5th

Registration open 9am – 4pm

Hospitality room Vista Del Mar 6th floor (12 noon – TBD)

Captain Georges Seafood Buffet 5pm

Saturday February 6th

Registration open 9am – 3pm

6th floor Vista Del Mar Hospitality room open 7am – 5pm reopens after Banquet

1st floor Square Whale Hospitality room opens (12 noon – 5pm reopens after Banquet)

Saturday Banquet 6pm

Sunday February 7th

6th floor Hospitality Vista Del Mar Vista Del Mar room open 6am – TBD

Thank you for attending our Joint Homecoming

Local Attractions

Beach and Board walk shops

USS Wisconsin and Nautilus Museum

MacArthur Memorial Museum

NAS Oceana Flam of Hope

Shopping at Norfolk Premium Outlets