

Department of Nebraska
 Veterans of Foreign Wars
 2018-2019
 General Orders A1

1. Having been elected and installed as the Commander of the Department of Nebraska, Veterans of Foreign Wars at the Annual Convention held in Omaha, Nebraska. June 10 *, 2018, I hereby assume command.

2. All Previous appointments having expired are hereby null and void.

3. The following officers elected or appointed and installed:

Department Commander: Gary E. Bush Sr.	3755
P.O. Box 213, Ogallala NE 69153	308-284-0816
Sr. Vice Commander: Joe Smith	2280
1416 Betz Rd, Bellevue NE 68005	402-661-9875
Jr. Vice Commander: Dan Kramer	8258
PO Box 53, Stapleton NE 69163	308-636-8359
Quartermaster: John Liebsack	1581
PO Box 4552, Lincoln NE 68504	402- 464-0674
Judge Advocate: Jerry Chlopek	3704
3075 39 * Ave, Columbus NE 68601	402-910-6687
Surgeon: MiLe Dunn	5539
355 N Dakota St, Superior NE 68978	402-879-5297
Chaplain: Gerald Ludwig	7998
10533 N 152 nd Ave, Bennington NE 68007	402 498-2735
Past State Commander: Larry Gent	2704
8510 Monroe St, Ralston NE 68127	402-618-2731
Adjutant: John Liebsack	1581
PO Box 4552, Lincoln NE 68504	402- 464-0674
Chief of Staff: Bernie Brosnihan	10727
3121 Monroe St, Omaha NE 68107	402- 514-7377
Inspector: Roger Broeker	1504
216 East Walnut St, Maywood NE 69038	308-362-4995
Parliamentarian: James" Jim" Pierce	5547
150 Oak St, Syracuse NE 68446	402-269-5108
3 Year Budget Advisory Committee Member: Sam DeJohn	8334
15322 R St, Omaha NE 68137	402-515-8386
3 Year Convention Corporation Member: Dave Beran	1504
1220 W Eugene, North Platte NE 69101	308-650-9203

1 Year Convention Corporation Member: Larry Gerlt	2704
8510 Monroe St, Ralston, NE 68127	402-61g-2731
Service Officer: Matt Starkey	1077
1224 Aberdeen Ave, Lincoln NE 68512	402- 429-6389

District Commanders

District 1 Commander: Thomas Arends	1681
1035 11th St, Gering NE 69341	308-631-1198
District 3 Commander: Steve Pojar	1151
302 N Sth St, PlainView NE 68769	402-582-4514
District 4 Commander: Joe Peters	3755
1101 Ethel Ave; Ogallala NE 69153	308-289-7930
District 6 Commander: SteVe Calkin	1077
102 Mulberry, Beatrice NE 68310	402-239-9429
District 7 Commander: Jerome Halladay	8223
PO Box 553, North Bend NE 68649	402-652.3397
District 9 Commander: Dionne Oorji	10648
4201 W Bluestem Rd, Martell NE 68404	402-580-1731
District 10 Commander: Chris Beaty	9675
4403 Amos Gate Dr, Bellevue NE 68123	402-968-8942
District 11 Commander: Kenneth Yount	9481
910 Verona Ave, Ravenna NE 68869	308-455-0438
District 13 Commander: James Lutz	759
1311 11 * Ave, Kearney NE 68845	308-293-3636
District 15 Commander: Don Hilger	5814
386 A St, David City NE 68632	402-367-4349

4. The following comrades are appointed as Committee Chairmen:

Americanism/Loyalty Day: Ann Thieman	1581
4716 Seward St, Omaha NE 68104	402-639-5252
Blood & Insurance: Mike Dunn	5539
35S N DaLota, Superior NE 68978	402-879-5297
Buddy Poppy: Dale Wittrock	10579
PO Box 216, Davenport NE 68335	402-364-2585
By-Laws & Ritual/Community Activities: Jerry Chlopek	3704
3075 39 * Ave, Columbus NE 68601	402-910-6687
Editor: John Liebsack	1581
PO Box 4552, Lincoln NE 68504	402-661-0674
Hospital Chairman: Mike Medina	3113
1116 3 rd St, Fairbury NE 68352	402-300-0971
Legislative Chairman: Jeff Baker	4755
320 B St, Box 67, Milford NE 68405	402-525-7937

Membership: Larry <i>Gent</i>	2704
8510 Monroe St, Ralston NE 68127	402-618-2731
Military Service Committee (MAPS, UNMET Needs): Jeff Baker	4755
320 S B St, Box 67, Milford NE 68405	402-525-7937
National Home: Dan Kramer	8258
1416 Betz Rd, Bellevue NE 68005	308-636-8359
Photography: Dan Petersen	131
3521 N 72 nd St, Lincoln NE 68507	402-770-0856
Publicity: Russ Horst	9481
27290 Ravenna Rd, Ravenna NE 68869	308-390-2616
POW/MIA: Gary E Bush Sr	3755
PO Box 213, Ogallala NE 69153	308-284-0816
Scholarship Chairman: Jerry Chlopek	3704
3075-39 th Ave, Columbus NE 68601	402-564-6442
Scouts: Gary E Bush Sr	3755
PO Box 213, Ogallala NE 69153	308-284-0816
Veterans Home Board: Sam DeJohn	8334
15322 R St; Omaha NE 68137	402-515-8386
Veterans Home Board: Joe Smith	2280
1416 Betz Rd, Bellevue NE 68005	402-661-9875
Veterans Volunteer (Vv): Mike Dunn	5539
355 N. Dakota St, Superior NE	402-879-5297
VFW NE Riders/Sports: Ron Packard	10648
405 Lincoln Ave, Cortland NE 68331	402-890-0333
VOD/Youth/Patriot Pen/Teacher: John L. Iossi	3704
3383 36th Ave, Columbus NE 68601	402-720-0098
Women's Veterans Advocate: Anne G. Ream	2280
12718 S. 28 th St, Bellevue NE 68123	402-312-5534

5. Budget Advisory Committee

1 Year: Roger Broeker	1504
216 East Walnut, Maywood NE 69038	308- 362-4995
2 Year: Ron Hild	11334
6618 S 147 St, Omaha NE 68137	402-895-2630
3 Year: Sam DeJohn	8334
15322 "R" St, Omaha NE 68137	402- 515-8386

6. Convention Corporation

1 Year Member: Larry Gerlt	2704
8510 Monroe St, Ralston NE 68127	402-618-2731
2 Year Member: Barry Caster	8334

1623 N. 105 th Street, Omaha NE 68114	402-496-7567
3 Year Member: Dave Beran	1504
1220 Eugene, North Platte NE 69101	308-650-9230

7. The following are appointed as the State Color Guard

Sgt at Arms: Chuck Roberts	3755
3020 West 4 th Street, North Platte NE 69101	308-530-6667
Color Guard: John Koperski	3755
1140 Highland Dr, Ogallala NE 69153	
Color Guard: MiLe Moos	3755
2500 Myrtle St, Sioux City IA 51103	712-333-2328
Color Guard: Darrel Munson	3755
1240 Highland Dr, Ogallala NE 69153	308-289-6612
Color Guard: Dena Gibson	3755
33 Hillcrest Ct, Ogallala NE 69153	308-464-0251
Color Guard: John VanVelson	3755
714 Cherry St, Brute NE 69127	308-287-1756

8. The following are reappointed as VAVS Representatives and Deputy

Cheyenne VAMC: Thomas Arends	1681
1035 11 th St, Gering NE 69341	308-631-1198
Cheyenne VAMC (Deputy): Andrew Bremer	2243
706 S Howard St, Kimball NE 69145	308-760-8749
Grand Island VAMC: Dennis Niemann	1347
2936 Rose Lawn Dr, Grand Island NE 68801	308-384-8685
Hot Springs VAMC: Thomas Krotz	5639
6652 — 370 Trl, Rushville NE 69337	308-327-2063
Hot Springs VAMC (Deputy): Benny L. Martin	1375
223 N Chadron Ave, Chadron NE 69337	308-432-8426
Lincoln VAMC: Dan Petersen	131
3521 N 72 St, Lincoln NE 68507	402-770-0856
Omaha VAMC: Tom Falconer	247
4227 Mayberry, Omaha NE 68105	402-553-6953
Omaha VAMC (Deputy): Patrick Peterson	2503
3105 N 47 Ave, Omaha NE 68104	402-850-5696
Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home-Bellevue: Joe Smith	2280
1416 Betz Rd, Bellevue NE 68005	402-661-9875
Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home: Ann Thieman	15g1
4716 Seward St, Bellevue NE 68123	402-639-5075
Grand Island Veterans Home: Dennis Niemann	1347
2936 Rose Lawn Dr, Grand Island NE 68801	308-384-8685
Grand Island Veterans Home (Deputy): James Lutz	759
1311 11 th Ave, Kearney NE 68845-6543	308-293-3636
Norfolk Veterans Home: John J Barbaglia	3704

3483 21 st St, Columbus NE 68601	402-563-1462
Norfolk Veterans Home (Deputy): Raymond Stroschik	3704
2163 NW Calle Columbo St, Columbus NE 68601	402-564—2901
Western Nebraska Veterans Home: Willard R. Loose	1681
2107 Avenue O, Scottsbluff NE 69361	308-635-3482
Western Nebraska Veterans Home (Deputy): Ray Elwood	1681
4412 Cottonwood Ave, Scottsbluff NE 69361	308-220-4167

9. National Appointments

National Programs: Sharon Cooper	2503
5005 N 136 ^t * St, Omaha NE 68164	402-492-9004
National NMS/MAP: Jeff Baker	4755
320 B St; Box 67, Milford NE 68405	402-525-7937
Nebraska Council Member (NDCM): John L. Iossi	3704
3383 36th Ave, Columbus NE 68601	402-563-2408
National Legislative: Richard Morrison	8334
5507 S. 170 * St, Omaha NE 68135	402-681-4251
Certified National Recruiter: Larry Gerlt	2704
8510 Monroe Street, Ralston NE 68127	402-618-2731
Certified National Recruiter: James" Jim" Pierce	5547
150 Oak St, Syracuse NE 68446	402-269-5108

10. ALL DISTRICT COMMANDERS ARE REMINDED THAT NOTICE of District Meetings should be at Department Headquarters at least 30 days prior to meeting date so that the representative requested can be scheduled, if possible; and all requests for Department Representatives at any post or district function must be made through Department Headquarters.

11. All checks payable to Department Headquarters should be made payable to: VFW Department of Nebraska, not an individual.

12. Please mail any change of address or email to Department Headquarters, 2431 N. 48th* St., Lincoln, NE 68504 or email to johnl@vfwne.org so our records can be corrected, changed and sent to National Headquarters.

13. Post Quartermasters are urged to make sure that all money due Department Headquarters is paid currently.

14. All posts are expected and mandated by the National Constitution and By-Laws to audit the post books every three months; June 30, September 30, December 31, and March 31. The audit reports are due prior to the 30th of the following month.

15. All Post and District Commanders are urged to appoint their key Chairmen as soon as possible, if not done at this time, and notify Department Headquarters, as many District

Chairmen may be on Department Committees and possibly Post Chairmen may be on District Committees.

16. All Post Commanders and District Commanders are urged and requested to keep the records pertaining to them. The All-State and All-American Post "20 Questions" found in the State Program book, needs to be returned to Department by November 1, 2018 (for 10 Points) or by January 16, 2019 (for 5 points) towards the white hat awards.

17. All Posts are reminded that they must register at least one member for the National Convention, according to National By-Laws (Section 222 /d). Cost \$25.00 prior to National Convention. Failure to comply may result in suspension of Post charter by National VFW Commander according to National By-Laws (Section 211).

18. All Posts requesting speakers or representatives must request same through the Department 30 days in advance of such occasion, in order to avoid confusion of Representative assignments.

19. Membership: When dues are paid at the Post, Quartermasters must ensure that \$34.00 of the dues money is sent to National and National will forward Department dues to the Department.

20. Attention of Post Commander to Section 218/k of the Manual of Procedure which states, "the Commander or their representative shall attend all properly called District Conventions or meetings. Failure without just cause to perform this duty may result in removal from office."

21. VFW Posts operating clubs or canteens are hereby notified that operation of such clubs or canteens will be closed during regular or special Post meetings and that no alcoholic beverages will be allowed during any meetings of any type in the meeting room, be it Post, District, or Department meeting.

22. Attention is directed to the Budget Advisory Committee. The Chairman shall be the one-year member and the 2018-2019 Chairman is Roger Broeker.

23. The Chairman of the Budget Advisory Committee shall notify the Department Commander, Department Quartermaster and other Budget Advisory Committee members of dates that are set for the meetings.

24. Officer Proof of Eligibility Requirements: All Posts and Districts are reminded that in accordance with the National By-Laws and Manual of Procedure that officers, elected and appointed, shall not be installed or assume the duties of their office until such proof of eligibility has been submitted to respective Adjutant for review and filing.

25. National By-Laws provides for only one type of membership: active membership. There are no provisions in the National By-Laws nor is there any authority or justification for issuance of

Club Membership cards, Associate Member cards, Honorary Membership cards, Courtesy Membership cards or any other special type of cards. Any Post issuing such unauthorized cards, or conducting club operations open to the general public, endangers its standing with the Internal Revenue Service as a nonprofit organization. Officers signing outlaw cards admitting nonmembers to VFW premises are subject to disciplinary action. National and Department officers cannot defend practices that conflict with VFW By-Laws or Manual of Procedure.

26. The attention of all units is called to Section 1101 of the By-Laws and Manual of Procedure which provides for the formation and control of the Auxiliary. This section provides that the Auxiliary shall be under the control of the corresponding unit of the Veterans of Foreign Wars but shall be permitted to function in accordance with the National, and Department By-Laws and Rules and Regulations of the Auxiliary.

In addition to provisions of Auxiliary By-laws, solicitation of funds or donations to auxiliary units, including contracts with fund-raising organizations for greeting cards, calendars and/or label programs shall be subject to approval and ratification by the governing body of the corresponding unit of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

27. Only the official hat of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States shall be worn at Post, District, and Department meetings. All others shall be removed during official meetings.

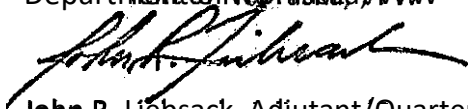
28. All Commanders are reminded that Section 709, Manual of Procedure - Control of Units, requires that any activity, unit or club sponsored, conducted or operated by, for or in behalf of a Post, County Council, District or Department shall be at all times under the direct control of such Post, County Council, District or Department and that all money, property or assets of any kind must be placed in the care and custody of the respective Quartermaster. All Commanders should ensure that all provisions of Section 709 are enforced.

By order of:



Gary E. Bush Sr, Commander
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States
Department of Nebraska, VFW

Attest:



John R. Liebsack, Adjutant/Quartermaster
Department of Nebraska, VFW
June 10, 2018