

# VFW Nebraska Genmail



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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## March 2018

1 Eagle Scout Entry to Post

9-11 MOC Homecoming North Platte, NE

17 Cheyenne VA Medical Center St. Patty's Day Party at 10:30 am 2360 Pershing Blvd Cheyenne WY

17 Scottsbluff Veterans Home St. Patty's Day Party at 7:00 pm 1102 W 42<sup>nd</sup> St Scottsbluff NE

18 Hot Springs VA Medical Center St. Patty's Day Party at 11:00 am 500 North 5<sup>th</sup> Hot Springs SD

31 Scholarship Student Applications to Department



## April 2018

(T-4) Trustee Quarterly Report to Department (Jan 1 to March 31)

1 Eagle Scout State Entry to Department

8 Dist 10 mtg in Omaha Post 2503 to host. Award Banquet for VOD & PP at 12:30, mtg to follow. Auxiliary same time and place. **Rep: Larry Gerlt**

8 Dist 7 mtg in North Bend Post 8223 to host at the Post at 1:30 lunch to follow Auxiliary same time and place. **Rep: Jerry Chlopek**

8 Dist 13 mtg in Harvard Post 5539 to host at 2:00. VFW to meet at the Community Center, Auxiliary to meet at the Methodist Church. Light sacks to follow. **Rep: Dan Kramer**

15 Dist 4 mtg in Imperial Post 4688 to host at the Post at 12:00mt. Auxiliary same time and place. **Rep: Joe Smith**

15 Dist 3 mtg in Norfolk Post 1644 to host at 12:00 reg \$5.00 Meeting at 1:00 . Auxiliary same time and place. Lunch to follow. **Rep: Larry Gerlt**

15 Dist 11 mtg in Broken Bow Post 3576 to host at 2:00. Reg fee \$2.00 evening lunch Auxiliary same time and place. **Rep: Dan Kramer**

15 Dist 15 mtg in Columbus Post 3704 to host at 1:30 entertainment to follow. Auxiliary same time and place. **Rep: Jerry Chlopek**

22 Dist 1 mtg in Gering Post 1681 to host at 1:30. Lunch at 12:30 \$5.00 reg. fee. Auxiliary same time and place. **Rep: Gary Bush**

22 Dist 6 mtg in Beatrice Post 1077 to host at 2:00, pot luck to follow meeting. Auxiliary same time and place. Election of officers at this meeting. **Rep: Joe Smith**

27-28 Grand MOC/MOCA Convention Grand Island, NE

29 Dist 9 mtg in Seward Post 4755 to host at the Post at 2:00. Lunch to follow. Auxiliary same time and place. **Rep: Larry Gerlt**

30 Post Service Officer entry to Department



## Roster changes:

Pg: 56 Post 8221 Cmdr Thomas Rother email: [recondo101@yahoo.com](mailto:recondo101@yahoo.com)

Pg: 41 Post 5289 QM Larry Borchert 1219 G St Pawnee City NE 68420





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Feb 20, 2018

Dear Comrades,

Each year the State Commander and Auxiliary President select a special project. Carol Brosnihan & I have chosen to place a flagstone in our National Home Tribute Park. The cost is a minimum donation of five thousand (5,000) dollars.

Did you know:

1. Many of the states with a large membership and deep pockets sponsor a dwelling in the National Home. Annual cost of this is about thirty-five (35) – forty (40) thousand dollars. Nebraska does not sponsor a dwelling.
2. Donations made to the National Home are put in the current year's budget – spent and gone!
3. Donations made to the Tribute Park are placed in a trust fund. Only interest from the fund is spent. Donations to the Tribute Park are a 'lasting' contribution that continue to provide income for ensuing years.
4. There is currently nothing in our National Home representing the Department of Nebraska!

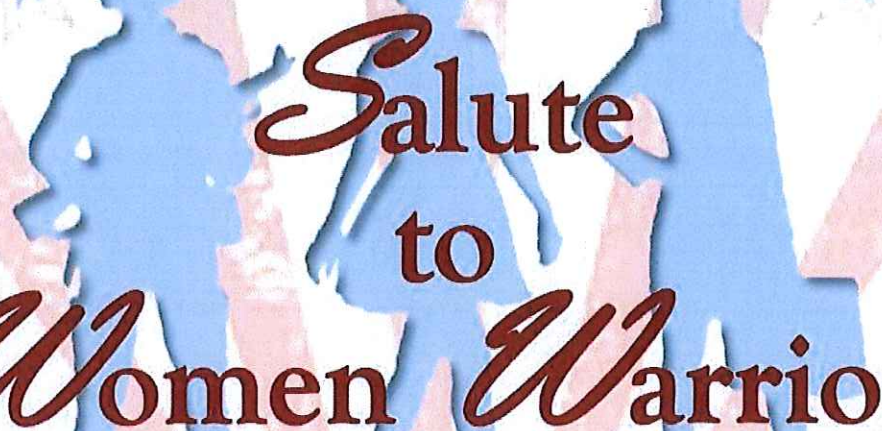
Obviously, the flagstone does NOT cost \$5000! All funds donated over the cost of the flagstone go into the trust fund for future years' budgets! Putting a flagstone with the Department of Nebraska listed as the donor in the National Home Tribute Park would provide permanent visual testimony of the support we provide them each year and how much the National Home means to us.

I have personally donated \$100, my post has donated \$500, Department has donated \$500 and Soldier Distillery has donated \$160! I need your help to reach our \$5000 goal. I am asking each post and all comrades who wish to do so, to donate a minimum of \$25. Checks can be mailed to Department HQ, should be made out to the VFW Department of Nebraska and memo field should indicated Commander's National Home Flagstone. You may also make donations by credit card by calling Department HQ. Together we can do this!

Yours in Comradeship,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Larry M. Gerlt".

Larry M. Gerlt  
State Commander



# Salute to Women Warriors

Appreciation Banquet to Honor  
Women of Military Service of all Generations

*Evening includes Dinner, Silent Auction and Live Music Featuring*

**WHISKEY  
BENT**

*All proceeds go to CCC Foundation, Women Veterans Scholarship in Honor of  
Wilma Kellogg, U.S. Army WWII Veteran*



**Tickets: \$25.00**



**Available at Central Community College  
or call 308-398-7811**

**Friday, March 16th , 2018**

*Doors Open at 5:30pm*

*Dinner and Program at 6:00pm*

*Whiskey Bent at 8:00pm*

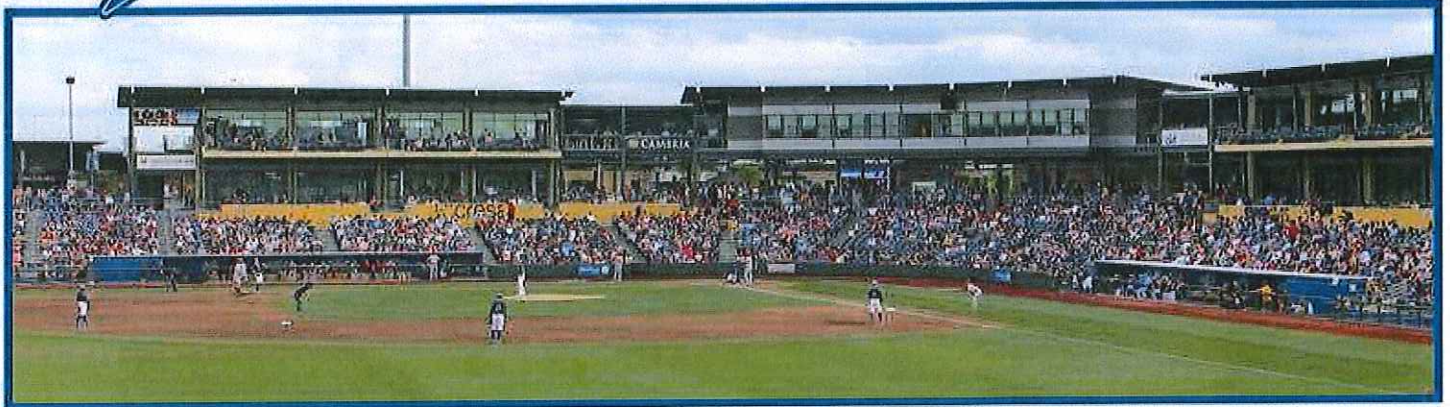
**BABEL'S BARN**

**510 West Old Military Road, Wood River, Nebraska**



# POW/MIA NIGHT

WITH POST GAME FIREWORKS!



## GAME DETAILS

SUNDAY, MAY 27 | 6 PM GATES

7:05 PM FIRST PITCH



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WITH  
**POST GAME  
MEMORIAL DAY FIREWORKS!**

DEADLINE TO RECEIVE  
DISCOUNTED TICKETS: MAY 23!

**\$9**  
BOX SEAT  
(\$13 VALUE)

**HONOR HEROES  
WHO ARE MISSING  
IN BATTLE**

TO BOOK OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT CORY LIVINGSTON  
**402.738.5135 | CORYL@OMAHASTORMCHASERS.COM**

# AD RATES

*Newsletter*      *State Convention Booklet*      *Please write what you would like*

*1/4 page*      *1/2 page*      *the ad to say:*

*\$75.00*      *\$50.00*      \_\_\_\_\_

*1/2 page*      *full page*      \_\_\_\_\_

*\$125.00*      *\$75.00*      \_\_\_\_\_

*Full page*      \_\_\_\_\_

*\$250.00*



*Ads for the convention booklet should be in by May 1st.*

*Ads for the newsletters should be in by the 25th of the previous month.*

**Send photo you would like to use to [jody@vfwne.org](mailto:jody@vfwne.org)**

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## Article X – Rules of Order

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Sec. 1001 – Rules of Order Governing All Meetings.

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#25. The presence, dispensation, and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages in VFW meeting rooms during VFW meeting is unacceptable and is prohibited.

## General Rules

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#13. (a) All members who are able will stand during the offering of the prayers; (b) members will follow the action of the Chaplain or presiding officer relative to removal of caps during prayers; if uncovering, the hat shall be placed on the extended closed fingers of the right hand in such a way that the Cross of Malta is exposed and held over the heart; (c) official caps will not be worn during luncheons, banquets or other meals; (d) official caps will be the only head covering allowed to be worn at regular meetings of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

## Trudie Hammers

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**From:** John Liebsack <johnl@vfwne.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 31, 2018 10:17 AM  
**To:** trudie@vfwne.org; Jody Syllivan  
**Subject:** FW: VFW Disaster Assistance Tops \$680,000

**From:** VFW Communications [mailto:Communications@vfw.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 26, 2018 9:28 AM  
**To:** VFW Communications <Communications@vfw.org>  
**Subject:** VFW Disaster Assistance Tops \$680,000



### **VFW Disaster Assistance Tops \$680,000**

*VFW swiftly rose to assist service members and veterans affected by string of natural disasters*

**KANSAS CITY, Mo. (January 26, 2018)** – The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. is proud to announce that its VFW Unmet Needs program provided a total of \$684,000 in disaster assistance grants to help more than 2,050 military and veteran families recover from last year’s string of natural disasters.

The relief funds aided more than 1,063 families after Hurricane Harvey, 925 families after Hurricanes Maria and Irma, and more than 40 families after the California wildfires.

In addition to the monetary support provided by the VFW national organization, many local VFW members quickly joined relief efforts in their own devastated communities. When members of VFW Post 4709 in Conroe, Texas, discovered their Red Cross couldn’t reach several emergency shelters, they prepared and shipped out three meals a day for nearly 2,000 people.

Shortly after Hurricane Maria swept through Puerto Rico, VFW Post 754 Commander Gamalier Rosa departed his hometown of Shutesbury, Mass., for the storm-stricken island armed with Unmet Needs relief funds that purchased several generators to aid local veterans in cleanup efforts and to help restore some power.

Members of Puerto Rico VFW Post 12064 helped distribute water and nearly 1,000 meals to struggling veterans, as well as helped others with debris removal, to receive health care, find temporary housing, and by connecting them with the correct government agencies to help get them back on their feet faster.

“Too many veterans still don’t have access to power or water,” said Post 12064 Senior Vice Commander Jose Santos-Alvarez. “It doesn’t matter who you are or where you come from, if we see you and you need help, we’re going to help,” he said of the Post’s dedication in their neighborhoods and communities.

The VFW projects that by the end of its fiscal year, nearly 2,400 grants will be distributed, surpassing \$786,000 in disaster aid.

The VFW’s most recent assistance continues a long-standing commitment to supporting veterans, service members and their families in the wake of natural disasters. In 2012, the VFW provided more than \$120,000 for Hurricane Sandy victims on the East Coast, distributed over \$60,000 in 2013 for Moore, Okla., tornado and Colorado flood relief, and in 2016 provided \$25,000 to Louisiana for flood relief.

“The VFW is extremely proud of the fact we can provide a lifeline for so many military and veteran families, especially during an already trying time in their lives,” said VFW National Commander Keith Harman. “This program really showcases what we do, and have always done to support America’s service members.”

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**ABOUT THE VFW:** The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. is the nation's largest and oldest major war veterans' organization. Founded in 1899 and chartered by Congress in 1936, the VFW is comprised entirely of eligible veterans and military service members from the active, Guard and Reserve forces. With nearly 1.7 million VFW and Auxiliary members located in nearly 6,400 Posts worldwide, the nonprofit veterans' service organization is proud to proclaim “*NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS*” than the VFW, which is dedicated to veterans' service, legislative advocacy, and military and community service programs. For more information or to join, visit our website at [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org).

VFW Contact: Randi Law, Communications Manager [rlaw@vfw.org](mailto:rlaw@vfw.org).







# HOME SERVICES

## The Home Depot (HD) has opened their Community Impact Grant for 2018

VFW members can receive up to \$5,000 to fund repairs or construction projects at their Post building.

There are of course are no guarantees to being funded, but several VFW Posts have been awarded this grant.

To begin the process, click on the following link:

<https://corporate.homedepot.com/grants/community-impact-grants>

The application must be submitted online using the posted hyperlink. Telephone calls, emails or written submissions sent to Home Depot will **NOT** be accepted, nor will you be able to turn this application in at your local HD store.

Please find the attachment "HDGrantGuide2018," and carefully read the instructions before attempting to complete the application. We have tried to make the instructions as simple as possible using screen captures and by providing thorough descriptions of how to complete each field. Deviation from this guide could result in the applicant being unable to submit their request.

Pay close attention to the Tax ID Instructions. You will use the Employee Identification Number (EIN) of your Post and upload the Post's 501(c)(19) IRS determination letter at the end of the application. If you cannot locate the Post's 501(c)(19) letter, follow the instructions below under "Lost IRS Determination Letter" on how to request a copy from the IRS.

In previous years, The Home Depot Foundation has accepted the first page of the Post's most recently filed IRS Form 990 tax document in lieu of the IRS determination letter. It is still a good idea to have a copy of your IRS letter, you may need to apply for other possible grants, but your 990 should allow you to complete the application immediately.

If you receive funding it will come in the form of Home Depot gift cards that can be used to buy materials at your local HD store. You will need to recruit Post members and/or other community volunteers as the use of contractors to complete your project is not permitted. The project must be completed within six months. You will also be required to submit a final report. You must be willing to include stories and before-and-after photos of the project. Failure to do so will negatively impact your Post's ability to receive any future funding from The Home Depot Foundation.

After submitting the application, you should receive an email response after six weeks.

Should you have any questions and or concerns, please contact Jason Couch, VFW Foundation Grants Coordinator, directly at (816) 968-1174 or [jcouch@vfw.org](mailto:jcouch@vfw.org).

Best wishes and good luck!

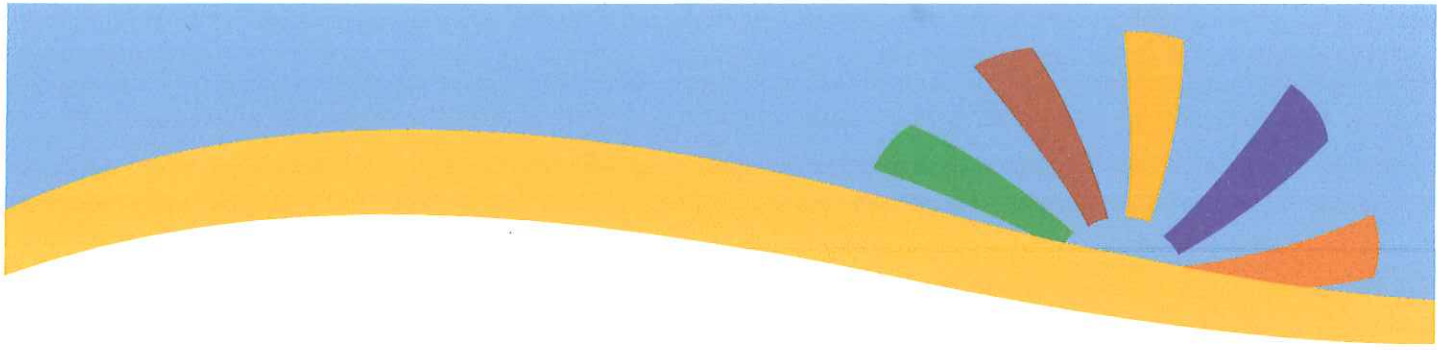
**P.S. Home Depot has introduced a new requirement to completing the application. They now require a project budget, that must be submitted as a Microsoft Excel file. This new requirement is covered in-depth in the guide. Please note that an additional attachment has been included with this email, "Home Depot Budget Example." This Excel file is a template that Posts can use to complete their own project budgets.**

### Lost IRS Determination Letter?

If you have misplaced your IRS determination letter, a new copy can be obtained. Most Posts fall under the "Group exemption" of their Department, meaning their Department's IRS determination letter is also theirs. However, each Post has its own unique Employee Identification Number or (EIN). Your Department leadership should know if you fall under a group exemption. You may also call IRS Customer Service for nonprofit organizations at 1-877-829-5500. They should be able to provide you with a new copy of the letter, but often times will refer you to your Department, which is why I recommend you start your department.

If the IRS representative is unable to furnish you with a new copy of your letter, you can make a written request by filling out a Form 4506-A, "Request for Public Inspection or Copy of Exempt or Political Organization IRS Form," which can be downloaded at [www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4506a.pdf](http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4506a.pdf).

The request can be faxed to the IRS at 513-263-4330 or 513-263-3434, or your request can be mailed to IRS, Room 4024, POB 2508, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Keep in mind that it may take up to 60 days (or more) to fill your request.



# Program Deadlines

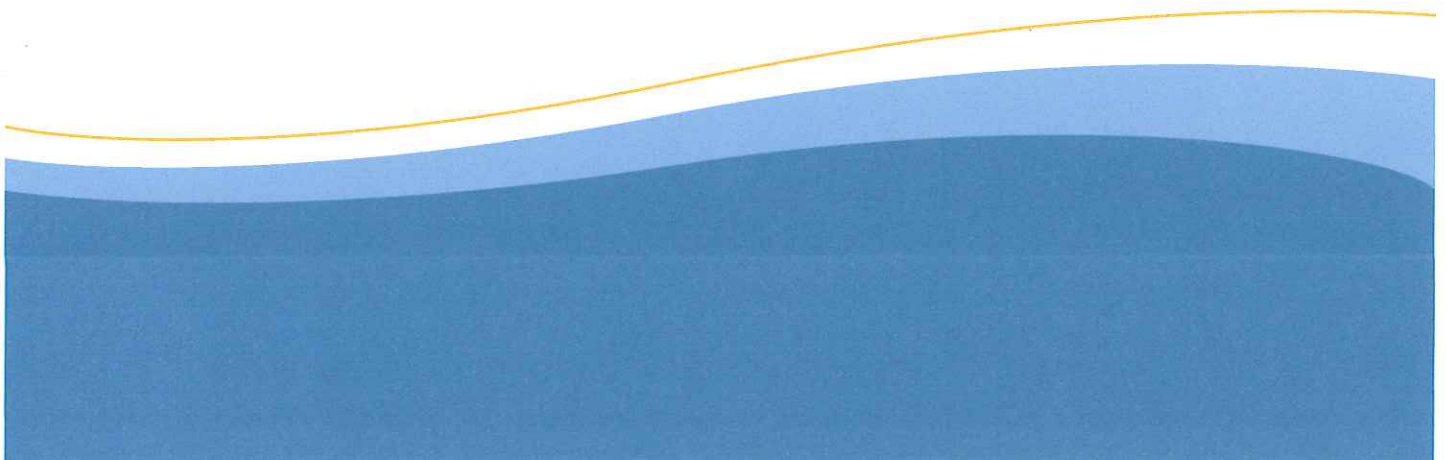
## 2017-2018 Are Coming Up!!



Make sure you check your Program Book on pages 1 and 2!!!!

The year is moving along quickly!!  
You don't want to miss getting the needed information into the office. Take the time to see if you are up to date with all the programs.

Thank you all for your participation!!  
Your continued support is needed!!



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

January 26, 2018

**DEADLINE EXTENDED:  
Combat Camera: The Women Behind the Lens**

**NEW ORLEANS – The New Orleans Photo Alliance (NOPA)**, in partnership with Tulane University School of Professional Advancement (SoPA), announces a call for entries for *Combat Camera: The Women Behind the Lens*. The photography competition is open to active and retired women who were assigned as photographers in any branch of the United States Military. Selected works will be displayed in a print exhibit in the New Orleans Photo Alliance Gallery from April 19–May 31, 2018 in conjunction with Fleet Week 2018 New Orleans. Selected images will also be displayed digitally at Tulane University and other locations TBA. The deadline for submissions is March 1, 2018 at 11:59 pm Central Time.

The exhibition will pair official declassified photographs from their formally assigned military photography experience with images selected from their civilian lives. By pairing official and personal images, the exhibit will provide a unique perspective on the personal and professional intersections of women serving in the military.

Amy Dailey Williams, Executive Director of the New Orleans Photo Alliance, says of the exhibit, “The Photo Alliance is excited to partner with Tulane SoPA to bring this unique exhibit to the community. By pairing former female combat photographer’s official declassified photographs with personal work, *Combat Camera* will illustrate how the personal and military lives of the women who serve our country intersect. Images have the power to change perspectives and this exhibit will provide the community access to the behind-the-lens lives of the women who cover conflict and military experiences.”

Submissions for *Combat Camera: The Women Behind the Lens* are open to all active, inactive reserve and retired women who have worked as photographers for any branch of the U.S. Military. More information and application can be found at [www.neworleansphotoalliance.org](http://www.neworleansphotoalliance.org).

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**About NOPA**

The New Orleans Photo Alliance ([www.neworleansphotoalliance.org](http://www.neworleansphotoalliance.org)) is comprised of a diverse group of photographers who joined forces in 2006 to create unity and opportunity for photographers in the Gulf South. It is a volunteer run 501(c)(3) nonprofit, which currently includes more than 300 members from across Louisiana and the United States. Since its inception, the New Orleans Photo Alliance has sponsored numerous photographic exhibitions, workshops, and educational programs including *PhotoNOLA*, the annual photography festival in New Orleans. NOPA administers two \$5000 annual awards, The Michael P. Smith Fund For Documentary Photography and the Clarence John Laughlin Award.

**About Tulane School of Professional Advancement**

Tulane School of Professional Advancement offers career-focused degrees and certificate programs in applied fields and the humanities that are catered to the busy schedules and specific needs of working adults. The faculty includes working professionals in their respective fields, with an emphasis on networking and post-graduate success. The school currently offers 26 undergraduate degree programs and four master’s programs, with classes available at its three campuses and online. For more information on the Tulane School of Professional Advancement, please visit [sopa.tulane.edu](http://sopa.tulane.edu) or call 504-865-5555. Interested parties may also visit the main office, Tulane School of Professional Advancement, 6823 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans 70118.

The Central Nebraska Veterans Home now under construction in Kearney will have a huge beautiful Veterans Memorial thanks to the efforts of Central Nebraska Communities that understand the sacrifices made by those who served in all branches of the armed forces. The city of Kearney and several local organizations and corporations have already pledged nearly \$850,000 toward the two-million-dollar project. Plans for a statewide fund drive were announced this week by the organizers of the project which is under the umbrella of the Kearney Area Community Foundation. Kearney chairman Bob Harpst said that the Central Nebraska Veterans Memorial Committee was established for the sole purpose of building and maintaining a fitting and eternal memorial to Nebraska's Veterans. The memorial is to be located at the new Veterans home which will be ready for occupancy later this fall. "It will serve as a tribute and as an integral part of the Veterans complex and the location and design of the memorial and site are ready for construction" Harpst said. The Veterans Memorial was designed to provide an educational and historical perspective to honor those who have served in all military branches of service from the Civil War to present day, including the Cold War. The design shows seven 16ft concrete monoliths, 8 ft wide covered with granite tiles. Each will have the symbol of one of the branches of service. Included are; Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Merchant Marine, and National Guard. An eighth monument of equal size will represent POW/MIA soldiers from all branches. There will be a second ring of monuments located behind the service monuments and trailing down each side of the memorial which are the Conflict Monuments, which memorialize all conflicts since the Civil War. A plaza in the center is open for viewers and those who want to rest and meditate with a view of the monuments, enhanced by a backdrop of United States flags. The turf and concrete walkways will be stepped to create an amphitheater style of seating. The entire area will be landscaped to match the overall Veterans Facility site. Overall dimensions of the Memorial are 173 ft wide by 100 ft deep and will be located in the front and the right side of the Central Nebraska Veterans Home located at 56<sup>th</sup> St. and Cherry Avenue in Kearney. Fundraising for the Memorial includes an endowment that will cover upkeep in perpetuity. Contributions will be immortalized at the memorial entrance with a donor wall. Donor levels are: Purple Heart, \$5,000 to \$9,999; Bronze Star, \$10,000 to \$24,999; Silver Star, \$25,000 to \$49,999, Medal of Honor, \$50,000 to \$99,999; Presidential, \$100,000 and over. Volunteers are available to make presentations throughout Nebraska. Contact Persons are: Bob Harpst, (308)440-9106, rharpst@yahoo.com; Ross Finley, (308)627-5755, rossfinley@hotmail.com; Richard Pierce, (308)440-2489, dick\_p@hotmail.com. Donations are being accepted at the Kearney Area Community Foundation, 412 west 48<sup>th</sup> street Suite #12, Kearney, NE 68845. Website: [www.kearneyfoundation.org](http://www.kearneyfoundation.org). For depictions and information see Central Nebraska Veterans Memorial on Facebook or [www.CNVM.org](http://www.CNVM.org).

## MINUTES MID WINTER CONFERENCE

February 3rd, 2018 Minutes  
Cornhusker Marriott, Lincoln NE

Commander Larry Gerlt opened the Council meeting at 9:40 A.M. in due form. Adjutant Liebsack called the roll. Excused absent were State Judge Advocate Danny Kramer, State Chaplain Jerry Ludwig, State Chief of Staff Sam DeJohn and District 9 Commander Dionne Gorji. Absent also was District 4 Commander Ray Olson and arriving late was Past State Commander Doug Whitaker.

Commander Larry Gerlt introduced Sr. Vice Commander in Chief Vincent "B.J." Lawrence who addressed the group and Nebraska National Council member John Iossi.

Parliamentarian Jim Pierce to read the rules of conduct for the meeting. A motion was made by State Sr. Vice Commander Larry Gerlt to dispense with the reading of the rules. Motion seconded by Jr. Vice Commander Gary E Bush Sr., motion carried.

Commander Larry Gerlt called for reading of the minutes. State Jr. Vice Commander Joe Smith moved that the minutes be approved and not be read as they were mailed out in the general mailing. Sr. Vice Commander Gary E Bush Sr. seconded the motion. Motion passed without opposition.

Commander Gerlt called for the reading of the budget report from State Quartermaster John Liebsack. State Inspector Roger Broecker made a motion to approve. Seconded by District 10 Commander Chris Beaty, motion passed.

Commander Gerlt called on Sr. Vice Commander B.J. Lawrence to discuss VFW Riders. Motion to have Council member represent Nebraska against letting nonmembers wear VFW patch was made by State Adjutant/Quartermaster John Liebsack. Seconded by State Jr. Vice Joe Smith, motion passed.

Commander Gerlt discussed his National Home project. His goal is to raise \$2,500.00 for the VFW National Home. A motion was made by District 6 Commander Steve Calkin for the Department to give \$500.00 towards this goal. Seconded by District 13 Commander Jim Lutz, motion carried.

Commander Gerlt discussed having the Nebraska VFW Newsletter sent to each Post. State Jr. Vice Commander Joe Smith moved that 2 copies be sent to each post. Seconded by District 13 Commander Jim Lutz, motion passed.

After a break for lunch, Membership report by Commander Gerlt and awards were presented by Deputy Membership Chairman Jim Pierce.

Leaders of the Top District Commanders in the two membership divisions received a check for \$50.00.

**Division 1 :**                **Districts 1, 7, 11, 13, 15**

District winner is: **District 15, Cmdr Don Hilger with 95.35%**

**Division 2 :**                **Districts 3, 4, 6, 9, 10**

District winner is: **District 6, Cmdr Steve Calkin with 94.03%**

Commander Larry Gerlt called for the Inspection report and awards were presented by Inspector Roger Broeker and Jim Pierce.

District Commanders 100% District inspected by November 1st, received a Polo shirt and a certificate.

District Commanders were: **District 1 Commander Thomas Arends, District 3 Commander Steven Pojar, District 6 Commander Steve Calkin, District 7 Commander Jerry Halladay, District 9 Commander Dionne Gorji and District 10 Commander Chris Beaty.**

District Commanders 100% District inspected by January 1<sup>st</sup>, received a cap and a certificate.

District Commanders were: **District 11 Commander Ken Yount and District 15 Commander Don Hilger.**

Convention Corporation member Barry Caster reported on the upcoming dates of Convention and Conferences.

Reports given:

District Commanders, VOD, Patriot Pen, Youth Activities and Teachers by John Iossi; Buddy Poppy report by Dale Wittrock; Americanism & Loyalty Day report by Jerry Chlopek; Hospital Chairman Mike Medina; Legislative Federal Richard Morrison; Legacy/Life Membership Chairman Bernie Brosnihan; National Home Chairman Joe Smith; Parliamentarian Jim Pierce; Photography Dan Petersen; POW/MIA Chairman Dave Beran; Scholarship by Jerry Chlopek; Sports/NE Riders Ron Packard; Veterans Home Board Joe Smith; Volunteer Veterans Chairman Mike Dunn and Womens Veteran by Anne Ream.

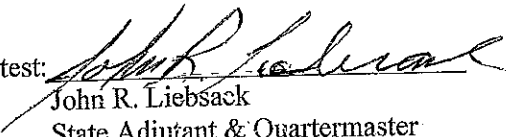
Quartermaster Liebsack announced ad rates for 2018-2019 office, delegate registration forms and deadline for election reports.

District 13 Commander Jim Lutz made a motion for the Department to send \$250.00 to Patriotic Productions for the women's flight they are putting together. Seconded by District 15 Commander Don Hilger, motion passed.

Next meeting will be the State Convention June 8<sup>th</sup> thru the 10<sup>th</sup> in Omaha at the Comfort Inn and Suites.

Meeting closed in due form at 3:00 p.m.

Attest:

  
John R. Liebsack  
State Adjutant & Quartermaster  
Department of Nebraska, VFW

Date: 2-14-18