

# VFW Nebraska Genmail

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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**May 1, 2017 Cut Off For Election Reports!!!!  
Missing list enclosed!!!! Mail to Department Headquarters PO  
Box 4552 Lincoln, NE 68504**

*May 2016*

**29 Memorial Day**

*June 2017*

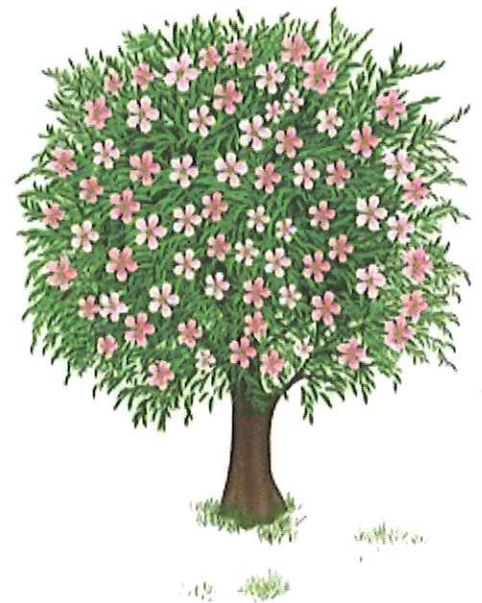
**8-11 State Convention Holiday Inn Hotel and Convention Center 110 S 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Kearney, NE  
14 Flag Day**

*July 2017*

**(T-1) Trustee Quarterly Report to Department (April 1 to June 30)  
4 Independence Day  
22-26 National Convention New Orleans**

*August 2017*

**13 Dist 6 mtg in Beatrice at the Post at 2:00. Auxiliary same time and place**



# Homecoming

Join Larry & Carol October 6th for their Homecoming!!

Omaha Comfort Inn Suites

7000 Grover Street Omaha NE

Meal: Grilled Rib-Eye Steak 12 oz.

mixed green salad, baked potato, vegetable, dinner roll,  
freshly brewed coffee & iced tea.

Choice of: Assorted Cheesecakes & Carrot Cake

\$10.00 Per Person

Names of attendees:

Mail to Department of Nebraska by September 22nd

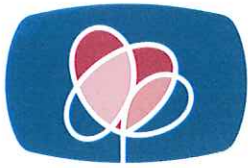
2431 N 48th

Lincoln, NE 68504

Enjoy a fun filled night of Karaokeing

By Blame it on the Karaoke!!!





**Date:** November 14, 2016

**To:** VFW Department Commanders and Auxiliary Department Presidents in NH District 9  
VFW Department Adjutants and Auxiliary Department Secretaries in NH District 9  
VFW Department National Home Chairmen and Auxiliary VFS Chairmen in NH District 9

**Subject:** VFW National Home for Children Trustee Election 2017 – District 9

Dear Department Leadership:

The VFW National Home for Children Life Members from National Home District 9 (comprised of Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota) will elect a trustee to fill the 6 year trustee term which begins in October of 2017.

National Home Trustees hold a vital and prestigious position with a mandate to oversee, guide, promote and support the VFW National Home for Children. The newly elected District 9 Trustee will serve with eleven (11) other elected National Home District Trustees and five (5) ex-officio Trustees that include the VFW Commander-in-Chief, the Adjutant General, the Quartermaster General, the National President and the National Secretary/Treasurer.

**VFW and VFW Auxiliary members seeking candidacy must meet the following requirements:**

- Be a Life Member of the VFW National Home for Children for at least one year prior to nomination and
- Be a member in good standing of the Veterans of Foreign Wars or its Auxiliary and
- Must be a current member of a Department or Auxiliary that is within National Home District 9 and obtain the **written endorsement\*** of his or her respective Department or Department Auxiliary and
- Must be a resident of the National Home District which he/she represents or must reside within a 50-mile commuting distance of the District (District 9).

*\*We encourage the Department Commander and Adjutant or President and Secretary to personally sign the endorsement letter or include a Cc line notifying each other of the written endorsement.*



Nominations for candidates to run for District 9 Trustee of the VFW National Home for Children Board of Trustees shall be submitted **in writing** on or before **June 1, 2017** to the Executive Director of the VFW National Home for Children. The written nomination must include the following requirements:

- Aforementioned written endorsement.
- A candidate biography - the biography must include the candidate's qualifications and may be no more than **two hundred (200)** words in length.
- All nomination materials **must include** the candidate's **address, phone number(s), email address and Post or Auxiliary affiliation.**

The Executive Director of the Home shall be responsible for forwarding copies of the candidate's materials to the President of the Board of Trustees of the National Home and the Adjutant General of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the National Secretary/Treasurer of its Auxiliary.

The candidate elected as the Home's District 9 Trustee will serve a six-year term and will travel to the National Home to attend the October 2017 board meetings beginning with a New Trustee Orientation on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, Board Committee Meetings and Board Meeting on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> and the Annual Meeting of the Life Members, Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> are travel days. The VFW National Home for Children Board of Trustees meets up to four times annually.

We ask that you include this information in your announcements to allow ample time for candidates to prepare endorsements to meet the **June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017** deadline. Please encourage qualified members in your Department with leadership skills and dedication to the National Home to seek nomination for the office of District 9 Trustee.

Email or phone Michelle Jones, Executive Secretary, at [mjones@vfnationalhome.org](mailto:mjones@vfnationalhome.org) or 517-663-7023 with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Tweet".

Tom Tweet, President  
VFW National Home for Children Board of Trustees

Cc: Tom Tweet, District #9 Trustee, VFW National Home for Children Board of Trustees  
Bob Wallace, Adjutant General, VFW National Headquarters  
Jan Owens, National Secretary/Treasurer, VFW Auxiliary  
Jeanette Garcia, Veterans & Family Support Ambassador, VFW Auxiliary  
Patrice Green, Executive Director, VFW National Home for Children

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**THE STATE CONVENTION WILL BE AT THE HOLIDAY INN HOTEL AND CONVENTION CENTER IN KEARNEY ON JUNE 8TH THRU THE 12TH.**

**IT WILL BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL LEVELS TO BE BETTER EQUIPPED TO LEAD YOUR POSTS.**

**INFORMATION IS ON THE DEPARTMENT WEBSITE.**

**DELEGATE REGISTRATION IS DUE TO THE DEPARTMENT BY MAY 15TH.**

**Requirements to Vote at State Convention:**

- 1. Number of Delegates are based on membership as of May 31st.**
- 2. Must have paid delegate fees of \$4.00 per 30 members.**
- 3. Post Quartermaster must be bonded.**
- 4. Must have submitted 4 trustees reports.**
- 5. Must not owe the Department any money.**

**Missing Election Reports as of May 11, 2017**

<b>Post</b>	<b>Dist</b>		<b>Post</b>	<b>Dist</b>		<b>Post</b>	<b>Dist</b>	
<b>610</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>3113</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>926</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>7970</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>5547</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>4677</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>9915</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>7102</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>5433</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>4504</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>7299</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>6159</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>5283</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>5543</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>8256</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>5287</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>6928</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>9481</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>5332</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>4626</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>5304</b>	<b>13</b>	
<b>5545</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>10491</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>7725</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>5824</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>10648</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>10724</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>7603</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>181</b>	<b>10</b>				
<b>7838</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>247</b>	<b>10</b>				
<b>5379</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>2543</b>	<b>10</b>				
<b>6930</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>9558</b>	<b>10</b>				
<b>7030</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>9897</b>	<b>10</b>				
<b>9155</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>10725</b>	<b>10</b>				
<b>1765</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>10785</b>	<b>10</b>				

**DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA, VFW**  
**April 2016-2017 Year**

**GENERAL ORDER #2**

1. Attention is directed to the 2017 National By-Laws and Manual of Procedure Section. 211 -- Suspension and Revocation of Charter. Actions by the Commander - in- Chief . . . . .
2. Attention is directed Defunct Posts, Section 212 of the National Constitution and By-Laws, The Commander- in-Chief shall revoke a Post's Charter if such Post has less than (10) members.
3. Attention is directed to the National Constitution and By-Laws Section 213 -- Arrearage of Posts -- Any Post in arrears for any financial obligations to District, Department and National for fees, dues, poppy money, supply money, failing to have the office of Quartermaster properly bonded in accordance with Section 703, failing to ensure that the Post is properly bonded in accordance with Section 709, failing to submit properly completed quarterly Post Trustee Report of Audit, Post Election Report for the ensuing year, or other obligations, shall be deprived of all representation in County Council meetings (if applicable) District, Department and National Conventions. Such representation shall be restored promptly upon proper adjustment of such deficiencies.

(Post Election Report forms are online or are mailed to Post Quartermasters with instructions that they complete and return **the forms to Department and National Headquarters** immediately following the election of Post Officers) Manual of Procedure Section 217-- Election in April; Install in May; and take office in June.

(The Commander-in-Chief may suspend the charter of any Post not submitting a properly completed Report of Election of Officers for the new VFW year by June 1st of the new VFW year for a period of up to ninety (90) days.) This suspension will be automatically terminated should a properly prepared Report of Election of Officers be received at National Headquarters. At the end of the ninety (90) days, the Commander -in-Chief may cancel or revoke the charter of any Post not properly submitting a list of officers to National Headquarters.)

4. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to Section 222 (d) of the National By-Laws which provides that each Post shall register, in advance, at least one delegate to the National Convention by the Payment of a fee.

(Advance registration for the National Convention in the amount of \$25.00 for first delegate and \$10.00 per additional delegate should be mailed, with each delegate's name and address to: Quartermaster General, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, National Headquarters; 406 West 34th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64111.)

5. All members who have not paid their 2018 dues are urged to do so at once to maintain your continuous membership.
6. Attention is directed to the National Constitution and By-Laws Section 215-- Eligibility to Office, Section Paragraph 3 . . . . . Any officer or committee member whose membership is not in good standing by reason of failure to pay current dues by their anniversary date shall forfeit his eligibility to hold any office in that administrative year.

7. Attention is directed to the National Constitution and By-Laws Section 216--Elected and appointed Officers; Chairmen and Committees, and Section 217-- Nomination, Election, Installation and Term of Office.

8. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to Manual of Procedure, Section 218.11.b (Duty of Trustees) Trustees Report of Audit, must be prepared in detail at the close of each quarter, one of which ends March 31.

9. Pursuant to Section 403 of the National By-Laws and Manual of Procedure: . . . each District shall hold an annual District Convention for the purpose of electing District Officers . . . , such convention to be held not less than ten (10) days or more than seventy five (75) days prior to the convening of the Department Convention.

10. Sec. 416 - Elected and Appointed Officers; Chairmen and Committees

(a.) The elected officers of each District shall consist of Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Quartermaster, Judge Advocate, Chaplain, Surgeon, and three (3) trustees.

(b.) The District Commander shall appoint at least an Adjutant, Chief of Staff, Service Officer and Inspector.

(The District Commander may appoint such other officers, chairman and committees as he deems appropriate to properly conduct the affairs of the District. The Commander retains authority to remove officers, committee chairmen and committees appointed by him at any time.)

Manual of Procedure Section 416, Paragraph 2: District officers, elected and appointed, shall submit proof of eligibility to the District Adjutant. Additionally, District Commanders, District Senior Vice Commanders, and District Junior Vice Commanders shall submit proof of eligibility to the Department Adjutant. District officers shall not be installed or assume the duties of their office until proof of eligibility has been submitted and properly reviewed. Such proof of eligibility shall be open to and reviewed by the District Commander, Adjutant and Quartermaster prior to installation to office. In the event an elected or appointed officer fails to submit proof of eligibility within sixty (60) days of election or appointment, any right of the officer to hold the office shall be forfeited and the office declared vacant and the eligibility qualifications of such officer shall be questioned in accordance with the pro-visions of Section 108 of the National By-Laws. **Installing officer must verify proof of eligibility in adjutant's file.**

11. Attention is directed to the National Constitution and By-Laws Section 417--- (District officers shall not assume the duties of their office until the Department Commander is installed. District officers shall not be installed or assume the duties of their office until proof of eligibility has been submitted and properly reviewed in accordance with Section 416 of The Manual of Procedure.)

12. The distribution of VFW Buddy Poppies will be conducted according to the provisions set forth in Section 711 of the National Constitution and By-Laws and Manual of Procedure. (Department, District, County Council and Post Commanders should arrange now for the distribution of Buddy Poppies in their respective areas.) See Section 704-- Relief fund National By-Laws & Manual of Procedure.

13. All posts that have Memorial Day Poppy distribution are urged to order as soon as possible, in order to assure receiving them by your distribution date.




14. The 96th Annual State Convention will be held in Kearney, Nebraska at the Holliday Inn, June 8<sup>th</sup>-11th, 2017.

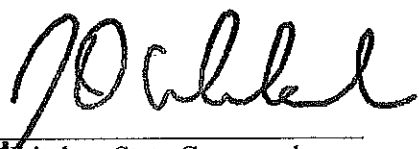
15. All Post Commanders are advised that in accordance with National By-Laws (Sec. 203), no person who is a member of another post, other than a designated Department Representative, shall have any say in the post he's visiting, unless asked by the Post Commander.

16. All posts and districts who are preparing resolutions for the State Convention must be submitted by the Post or District Commander, and Post and District Adjutant, and signed by them and dated before the Resolution Committee will consider them. Resolutions not submitted properly will be disregarded. Miscellaneous resolutions must be submitted to Department Headquarters prior to **May 10th, 2017** to be considered at the State Convention.

Attest

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

By Order Of

  
J. Douglas Whitaker, State Commander  
Department of Nebraska, VFW

This Date: 4-20-17