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2025-2026 Series

*"Nothing is impossible, the word itself says 'I'm possible'!"
~Audrey Hepburn*

**DEPARTMENT OF OKLAHOMA HEADQUARTERS
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES**

General Orders No. 02

2025-2026 Series

1. Pursuant to National By-Laws Article VII Miscellaneous Provisions, Section 703, Bonds, "Each officer accountable for funds or property pursuant to any provision of these Bylaws shall be bonded with an indemnity company as surety in a sum at least equal to the amount of the liquid assets for which, so far as can be anticipated, they may be accountable. The bond premium shall be paid from the funds of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Department, District, County Council or Post to which each officer is accountable. The bonds of such accountable officers, in amount and as to surety, shall be approved by their respective units and held by their respective Commanders. The Commander of each unit shall be responsible for the proper and adequate bonding of all accountable officers in their unit."

2. **Attention of Post & District Commanders & Quartermasters:** Commanders & Quartermasters are reminded at all levels of the annual requirement to complete an IRS 990, IRS 990N, for tax exemption requirements. Failure to complete the required IRS 990 may result in loss of tax-exemption status.

3. **Department Directory/Roster:** Commanders & Adjutants are asked to send all corrections, changes etc. of the Department Roster to okadj@vfw-oklahoma.org for changes.

4. **District Meetings Dates & Changes:** District Commanders are reminded to notify the State Adjutant at okadj@vfw-oklahoma.org of any changes to district meetings including new dates for District meetings.

/os/
Jeff Harris
STATE COMMANDER

OFFICIAL:

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Heidi Teeter
Adjutant

Commander Jeff Harris

Greetings Comrades,

Hello T.E.A.M. Oklahoma.

Hope everyone is doing well and has not gotten too hot as the weather is not giving our reliefs. We had our officer training and school of instructions. Hope that all that was there got some good training. I want to thank all the comrades there that volunteered to give a helping hand, as the Texas team was here again to help out. Sorry Randy Traxler had already made other plans to be somewhere else. There will be more training for the comrades that missed this School of Instruction.

The National Convention will be in Columbus Ohio this year, where Carol Whitmore will be the next Commander in Chief. Carol will be the first female ever to be in the chair of Commander in Chief. I have been with Carol Whitmore for the past few years as we have both went up the chairs and she has shown us all that she has the knowledge of being a great Commander in Chief. We will all be proud of Carol

District meetings will be starting soon and there are new District Commanders coming in so please get out and show your support. Membership starts as soon as the new year starts so, please get out and recruit.

Adjutant/Quartermaster Teeter will give more information on this a little further down the pages, but Fall Fest will be October 17-19. We will have some additional training, and we are hoping to have more camaraderie. If you have any ideas or anything you would like to see or do please send those ideas to Heidi.

T.E.A.M. Oklahoma,

Jeff Harris

State Commander
Department of Oklahoma

Senior Vice Commander Tony McGrew

Hi Comrades,

The Hot and Humid Weather of July has come to a close and the days of hot and humid August are upon us. As we strive to move forward and increase and retain our membership, here are a few ideas that may help with recruiting. Remember, Recruiting is Always a One-on-One mission, and you are the Mission Commander!

You can Emphasize our mission and impact:

You have a unique advantage that can offer a chance for Veterans to make a tangible difference, use it.

You should highlight our organization's purpose, goals, and the concrete ways that our members contribute to achieving those goals.

You can develop and share compelling success stories, testimonials.

You can create a referral program with incentives to motivate referrals.

You can Collaborate with local businesses to tap into their networks and potentially find new members.

You can leverage social media (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, etc.) to showcase our culture and opportunities and engage with potential recruits.

You can and should Participate in local community events, fairs, and festivals to raise awareness and meet potential recruits face-to-face, one on one.

Sincerely,

Tony McGrew

State Senior Vice Commander
Department of Oklahoma
Candidate for State Commander

Junior Vice Commander
Larry Hurd

Comrades,

Hello from the paw-paw patch. Well mother nature has changed the weather to hot dry with some humidity. School is getting ready to start so enjoy the rest of the summer. Drink a lot of fluids and use sunscreen. The Officer Training and the School of Instruction was very good. I learned a lot of new information. All of the slides used in the lessons will eventually be on the Department website for all to read. Power was talked about and there was a question about who has the most power in the Department. The newest member of any post has the power. The membership is where the power is at. With that said post members should attend each post meeting. Post members and post officers need to attend each district meeting to see how the district is going and what the Department is trying to get done for all veterans in Oklahoma. The National convention starts next week in Columbus, Ohio. If you have not been to a National Convention, try and make one of the days, it is very interesting especially the committee meetings for the bylaw and resolution changes. Look at the 600 series resolutions as National has emailed a second 600 series of resolutions. If you have any changes to the 600 series resolutions, email the changes to me at larryhurd80@gmail.com and I will bring them up at the National Convention.

Respectfully,

Larry Hurd

Surgeon *Deric Duncan*

Comrades,

As we move into the heart of summer, I want to bring the focus back to something that binds us all together—**our mental health and the power of human connection**. Health is not just about checkups and workouts—it's about reaching out, being present, and showing up for one another the way we always have.

This year, our Department is proud to launch new initiatives aimed at building those vital connections between veterans, families, and communities.

Combat Tested Gaming – Connecting Veterans Through Esports

We are excited to roll out Combat Tested Gaming, part of the VFW's national esports initiative. This program is designed to reach veterans and active-duty service members where they already are—**online**—and bring them into a welcoming community focused on camaraderie, mental wellness, and peer support.

This program has already been featured in the **VA newsletter** and is gaining national momentum. If your post would like to get involved, please reach out to me or to the Department Chaplain. We are the Department co-chairs for this exciting new program and would be honored to help your post get started.

Post and District Surgeons: Time to Reach Out

As Department Surgeon, I'm calling on all Post and District Surgeons to work with your Quartermasters and create a Post Reach-Out Program. Too many of our comrades fall through the cracks simply because they haven't been seen at a meeting or haven't reached out themselves. We must be proactive. Call them. Check in. Offer a ride or a visit.

In my travels across the state, I've heard amazing stories of posts stepping up:

- One post discovered members were no longer attending because they couldn't drive, so they **organized pickups**.
- Another created a **text group for comrades battling PTSD or addiction**, offering daily peer support.
- From mowing lawns to giving rides to the grocery store, **Team Oklahoma** is showing up for each other in powerful ways.

These small acts of connection save lives—and strengthen our organization.

Oklahoma Answers the Challenge

Texas challenged the Southern Conference to a push-up competition to promote fitness and motivation. Texas put up a respectable 6 pushups to get things started.

Oklahoma answered with pride—putting up 20 pushups—and then District 4’s very own Commander James Patterson brought the house down with a jaw-dropping 40! This wasn’t just fun—it was a message: Oklahoma is strong, motivated, and ready to lead.

Let’s carry that energy into our own posts. Use meetings and events to promote physical activity, wellness, and esprit de corps. Let’s keep pushing each other to be the best versions of ourselves—because that’s what **Oklahoma Strong** is all about.

🕒 **Surgeon’s Summer Reminder**

Stay hydrated. Use sunscreen. Take care of your body and check on each other. The Oklahoma heat is no joke—and neither is your health.

Let’s keep showing the country what it means to be **resilient, connected, and mission-driven**. Together, we’ll lift each other up and leave no comrade behind.

Bring the Spark. Build the Flame.

Respectfully,

Deric Duncan

State Surgeon

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Adjutant/Quartermaster
Heidi Teeter

Comrades,

August is now upon us, which means school will be starting. Now is a great time to start getting the VOD and Patriot Pen information out to your schools. We have received a grant from Devon Energy that has allowed us to increase the Department scholarship for the winners, so let’s get out there and get these kids involved.

National Convention is next week, which means Commander Harris, Senior Vice Commander McGrew, Junior Vice Commander Hurd, and I will be in Columbus representing your Oklahoma VFW, along with members that have been appointed to the Bylaws and Resolutions committees.

If your post is having an event, please report that to your District Commander prior to the 25th of the month so that they can let me know. We will publish these events in the General Orders each month to get as much awareness of these events as possible. To truly grow we must all work together.

I have included the letter and questionnaire for the VFW Accountable Officer Bond and the VFW Club Manager/Employee Bond. The accountable officer bond is valid for September 1, 2025 – August 31, 2026, and the manager/employee bonds are valid for October 1, 2025-September 30, 2026. When you are filling out the questionnaire, please put the amount you want covered for not the total cost of the bond. The rates for both bonds are as follows:

- \$4.50 per thousand for \$3,000 - \$99,000 (example $\$4.50 \times 3 = \13.50)
- \$3.50 per thousand for \$100,000 - \$250,000 (example $\$3.50 \times 100 = \350)
- \$2.50 per thousand for \$251,000 - \$299,000 (example $\$2.50 \times 251 = \627.50)
- \$2.00 per thousand for \$300,000 - \$600,00 (example $\$2.00 \times 300 = \600)

As a reminder if you are mailing your 990 or audit to the Department make sure to keep a copy in your records. These are items that are checked during post inspections.

Now for what everyone read this far for, Fall Fest. I previously put out to the District Commanders dates for Fall Fest, however, due to unforeseen circumstances there has been a change. Fall Fest will be October 17-19 at the Embassy Suites in Norman. There will be Chaplain training, and I will be doing in-depth dashboard training. I would like to see Post and District Commanders, Quartermasters, and Adjutants at this training.

Comrade Randy Traxler and I are working on the SharePoint that Posts and Districts will have access to. I hope to have that out to the Commanders, Quartermasters, and Adjutants soon.

At the last council meeting a budget change was approved to hire a part time admin assistant. Commander Harris, Senior Vice Commander McGrew, and Junior Vice Commander Hurd approved the hiring of an assistant. The assistant will help me with different tasks, which means you may occasionally get emails and/or phone calls from them. The admin email address is okadminassistant@vfw-oklahoma.org and phone number is 405-850-0815. Also, as an FYI, I will be taking some much-needed time off the Friday, Monday, and Tuesday after National Convention, the admin assistant will be available for phone calls or emails.

I look forward to working with each one of you throughout the year. Again, if you need anything please reach out.

Charlie Mike,
Heidi Teeter
State Adjutant/Quartermaster
Department of Oklahoma

Judge Advocate
Randy Traxler

One of the most important things we can do as VFW leaders is to understand the rules that govern us—and then help others do the same. Whether you're a seasoned officer or a new member stepping into leadership, knowing your bylaws is essential to ensuring fairness, transparency, and proper procedure.

When we take the time to educate ourselves and mentor others, we strengthen not only our Posts but the entire Department.

That's why we bring you the Bylaws Pop Quiz—a quick and engaging way to test your knowledge and pass it on.

☒ AUGUST QUESTION:


According to the VFW National Bylaws and Manual of Procedure, how many members are required to form a Post-level committee (not including ex-officio members)?

- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) 5
- D) No specific number listed

Bonus round:

What is the number of including ex-officio members?

Think you've got it?

Send your answer to  randytraxler@icloud.com by the 23rd of the month.

I'll highlight correct answers and top scorers in the next General Orders!

v/r,

Randy Traxler

Judge Advocate
Department of Oklahoma

Training *Randy Traxler and Jim Bassett*

Comrades,

As we launch the new VFW year, the Department Training & Education Committee is proud to kick off our 2025–2026 training program. August is all about orientation, alignment, and activation. Our goal is to provide our leadership and members with a consistent framework that supports excellence in operations, leadership, and compliance across Oklahoma.

This month, we will:

- Release the Department Training Calendar, highlighting our monthly themes and deliverables.
- Publish our first Mentorship Moment video: “Why Training Matters” – a quick-hit guide on how and why training is the key to sustainable Post growth.

- Begin collecting feedback from recent inspections and Post leadership to tailor upcoming instruction and resources.

As Training Chair, I challenge each Post and District to designate a Training Contact to help us share knowledge and strengthen communication lines. This isn't just about compliance – it's about capability.

Stay tuned to the Department Discord and Facebook page for video links, event invites, and live discussion opportunities. Let's make training real, relevant, and results-driven.

A dedicated Training & Education Committee email address has been established to help streamline communication with Department committee chairs and schedule coordinated training sessions:

✉ okvfwtraining@gmail.com

This email will be used to:

- Coordinate virtual or in-person training with other Department committees
- Distribute important training materials and video links
- Gather feedback and share calendar updates

⚠ NOTE: In our commitment to fiscal responsibility, the committee will always prioritize virtual training options first (Discord, Zoom, etc.). In-person training opportunities will be pursued only when budget and travel feasibility allow. This ensures we meet our mission without unnecessary cost.

Development in Motion,

Randy Traxler

Jim Bassett

Chairs, Training & Education Committee

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Chaplain
Marcus King

Greetings, Comrades,

August brings a quieter rhythm, yet it's a month rich with reflection. As summer begins to wane, we're reminded that seasons shift — in nature, in life, and in service. For many veterans, this time of year stirs memories of transitions: deployments ending, homecomings beginning, and the long journey of reintegration.

Let us be mindful of those navigating these transitions still. Whether it's a comrade adjusting to civilian life, a Gold Star family facing another anniversary, or a caregiver quietly carrying the weight — may we be present, patient, and prayerful.

I encourage each Post to take time this month to check in. A phone call, a visit, a shared meal — these simple acts can be lifelines. Chaplains, your role is vital: be the steady voice, the listening ear, and the reminder that healing is not a solo mission.

Looking ahead, we'll be hosting Chaplain Training at Fall Fest this October — a chance to sharpen our skills, share best practices, and strengthen the spiritual leadership across our Posts. I'm also still coordinating our involvement in the Sooner Stand Down at the OKC Homeless Alliance on September 5th, where we'll stand shoulder to shoulder with those who've served and now need us most.

To foster stronger connection and collaboration, I'll be launching weekly Chaplain calls via Microsoft Teams, tentatively scheduled for Tuesday evenings at 7:00 PM, beginning after the National Convention. These calls will offer space for updates, encouragement, and shared prayer — I hope you'll join us.

“Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.” — Galatians 6:2


In unity and remembrance,

Marcus King

State Chaplain

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POW/MIA

Deric Duncan

Mission of Remembrance: Oklahoma's WWII MIAs

This month, we begin a year-long mission to shine a light on the names and stories of Oklahoma's Missing in Action service members. We are starting with a comprehensive list of WWII MIAs from Oklahoma, which will be distributed to all posts via a link. The goal is simple but powerful: read their names aloud at your meetings, remember their sacrifice, and reach out to elected officials, encouraging continued efforts to bring them home. Remember: bringing home our brothers and sisters is a core part of the VFW mission. Our voice matters.

How Your Post Can Keep the Names Alive

There are several meaningful ways your post can take action and keep MIA stories present in your community. One approach is to create a Post Research Squad a small team that adopts one MIA each quarter to research. This team can dig up personal and military history, connect with surviving family members, and even submit information to DPAA for verification if needed. These findings can be presented during post meetings and added to your Honor Wall. Including youth—such as scouts,

students, or local youth groups not only provides community service credit but brings younger generations into the fold.

Another option is the "Faces of the Missing" Photo Exhibit. By collecting photographs and biographies of local MIAs, your post can build a traveling or in post exhibit. Partner with schools or libraries to host the exhibit and consider involving history students in researching and curating the profiles. Hosting an opening night event where veterans share stories about MIA experiences can make the event even more impactful.

You might also organize an Annual MIA Memorial Walk or Ruck. Each participant could carry a card or photo of a local MIA and be encouraged to learn and share their story. The event could culminate at a memorial site with a reflection ceremony.

A more visual tribute could come in the form of an "Empty Boots & Tags" Display. This could be a permanent or mobile display showcasing empty boots, helmets, or dog tags representing each local MIA. Members of your post can maintain the display by placing flowers or flags at designated times throughout the year. Adding QR codes to each item can provide deeper historical context, and the display can travel to schools or public events to broaden its reach.

Another deeply moving tribute is a Missing Man Candlelight Vigil and Name Reading. Host an annual ceremony where names of local MIAs are read aloud, each accompanied by a lit candle and a moment of silence. This can be especially powerful when paired with POW/MIA Recognition Day on the third Friday of September. Invite families of the MIAs and include photos or stories if known.

Finally, consider creating an MIA Remembrance Tree. Similar to an Angel Tree, this structure whether seasonal or year-round can be decorated with name or dog tags of local MIAs. Community members "adopt" a name for the year, committing to learn their story and honor them at events. Each tag can include a QR code linking to their biography or DPAA profile. An annual check-in ceremony can give participants a chance to reflect on "their" MIA.

Stay Connected

This WWII MIA list is the first of several. In the coming months, we will share Oklahoma MIA lists from Korea, Vietnam, the Cold War, and more. Our mission is clear: no one left behind, and no one forgotten.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions, ideas, or stories. We're in this together.

Deric Duncan

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Voice of Democracy/Patriot's Pen/Teacher of the Year

Jim Bassett

It's that time of year, ALL posts and districts need to decide if they are participating in the Scholars App program. It is still optional, but it is easy and the students do all the work. Either way, I would like to know each post and district chair position so that we can communicate.

If you want your post to be able to accept the students work online, then please provide me a valid email address and name. They can log in and track students' progress. They will also have access to a poster specifically for your post with a Quick Response code for students to use.

Voice of Democracy, Teacher of the Year, and Patriots Pen time is coming up in a few months. National has already released the themes for next year. They are:

Voice of Democracy:

"How Are You Showing Patriotism and Support for Our Country?"

Patriot's Pen:

"How Are You Showing Patriotism and Support for Our Country?"

If your post wants to work with your Auxiliary and have them with your program, that is allowed. We can enter them into the Scholars App program. My contact information has not changed, bassettj15@yahoo.com.

Jim Bassett

State VoD/PP/ToY Chair
Department of Oklahoma

Veterans Affairs Volunteer Services

Tony McGrew and Jim Bassett

The VA hospital in OKC is open for visits, parking is at a premium because of construction work. If you are interested in visiting or even volunteering at the OKC VA hospital, let Tony or myself know. We can get the paperwork completed and get you into the system. If you want to take your post to visit the patients, let us know. We can get you signed in.

I mentioned Pearl Russell celebrated her 105th birthday last month. Lynn Rolf told us about a certificate of recognition offered by VFW National. We applied while he was here, and the certificate is now sitting in my dining room. Tony and I will be presenting it to her soon. Pearl also was recognized by the state as well as other organizations. One of the organizations is called "Centenarians of Oklahoma". The Centenarians started in 1991 and have inducted over 3,000 statewide. Currently they have over 300 still with us. If you know anyone that should be recognized by this organization, please contact them or me so that I can pass on the information.

If you visit the hospitals and homes throughout the state, you may run into someone that should be inducted. Reach out to them at centenariansofoklahoma@gmail.com and let them know.

We encourage you to volunteer at the homes or hospitals. If you are interested in the VA hospital, let us know. Contact Tony McGrew, tony.vfw8706@gmail.com. Or Jim Bassett, bassettj15@yahoo.com.

Tony McGrew

Jim Bassett

State VAVS Chair
Department of Oklahoma

Veterans and Military Support

Jim Bassett

Starting in October, SportClips will start their Help-A-Hero fundraising. Talk to your local SportClips and ask how you can help. The near my home they allow us in and all we do is tell them that we are here to support their program. They have had a noticeable increase in donations. Also recruited a few.

The SportClips Help-A-Hero is one of the main points that I talk to potential members interested in joining the VFW. **\$195,900** to 47 military recipients in Oklahoma as part of the Help-A-Hero Scholarships. When you tell them that this can be used in conjunction with other scholarships nor do need to be a VFW member. Education is something important to most military, Active, Reserves, or Guard. Talk to them about Help-A-Hero scholarships, or the VFW-SVA Legislative Fellowship program, Voice of Democracy, or Patriot's Pen. The VFW Auxiliary even offers a continuing education scholarship as well as Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest and 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest.

I want to recognize VFW Post 8706 for their adoption 507th Air Refueling Wing, US Air Reserve on Tinker. In addition, when they found another unit interested, they started the conversation to adopt them. The 72nd Security Forces is looking forward to it.

Jim Bassett

State VMS Chair
Department of Oklahoma

Historian

Richard Elsheimer

The original post in Broken Arrow was Billy Robertson Post 4771 chartered in 1946 with Carl Teenor serving as its first commander. Both the post and auxiliary were very active in the community and schools as well as Veteran Centers. Unfortunately, the post was dissolved in later years.

During the later years of 1980s and early years of the 1990s, under the mentorship of Comrades Gale Moore and Walter Montgomery, both of whom had moved to the Broken Arrow area from out-of-state posts began efforts to reestablish a viable VFW post. The post was chartered as Broken Arrow Post 10887 and from that point began progressing forward. In 1994 the post obtained All-American status when the post grew from 36 to 142 active members. From that point, the post has gotten recognized as an All-State Post at least 6 times. Beginning in 1995, Ralph Pointer began his term as Post Commander and remained in that position for a total of 21 years. During his tenure, the post encouraged the city to create a Veterans Park on South Main with statues honoring the troops lost in the Vietnam War, Ernest Childers a Medal of Honor Winner during WWII, and one honoring the ladies of the war periods.

In 2013, the City of Broken Arrow dedicate a new Veteran Center, located at 1117 South Main, to be utilized by all veteran organizations in recognition of their service. The post has established their meeting hall there and remains extremely active with all activities within the community and meet every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. The 4th Thursday is utilized for a potluck dinner and all interested in veteran activities. It has resulted in many eligible veterans joining the post. The current membership stands at 161 members plus an auxiliary.

Much of the data for this report was provided by Amanda Duncan who is very active in obtaining historical information of the VFW and Auxiliary. Also, Charles Crisp, Commander of the post, is the recipient of the Life-saving Award for his actions reviving a near downing of a toddler at a swimming facility.

Richard Elsheimer

State Historian

District 14 Commander

Erica Traxler

Credentials Chair

Redistricting Committee

Student Veterans of America Liaison

Comrades,

I hope this month's General Orders finds you well. I have been appointed as the State's Legislative Chair, and I am asking if there are any other members of this great organization that would like to assist with this task? There are many legislators that will need to be visited this year, but first we need to decide on some objectives. Then we need to get with legislators to get legislation written that supports our objectives. It is a large task that needs many hands-on deck. Please reach out if you would like to assist.

Communication is the key to success. It is important that we communicate with one another when there are issues, questions, concerns, and anything else that may hinder or assist in the success of the posts, districts, and department. This organization is only as good as the people in it. If we are not working as a team, then how will we succeed? Part of the opening ceremonies of a post meeting the

Commander states: “Comrades, we are assembled again to transact business of mutual benefit. Do not let petty jealousies or trivial personalities influence our deliberations. Let us uphold always the obligations of unselfish comradeship and loyalty to our organization and to the government of the United States of America.” We have an obligation to this organization to continue its mission to the best of our abilities. If you need assistance in doing so, please reach out so that I may be of assistance. The district cannot be successful without its post and most importantly its members.

Redistricting is tough. When this happens it is about doing what is best for the department and its members. There are many factors that play a role in this process. It is not something where the decisions are made lightly, especially if posts or districts are affected by the process. Please keep this in mind as the committee does its due diligence in providing the membership with the best option at the next state convention. If you have concerns about that process, please reach out to the committee so that we can address them.

Thank you for everything you do for your veterans, their families, and your communities. I look forward to serving the department in my new roles. Please reach out if you need anything, now and in the future.

v/r

Erica L. Traxler

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DISTRICT MEETING INFORMATION

- D-1** > August 2nd, Bernice, 1100, State Junior Vice Larry Hurd
- D-3** > August 2nd, Spiro, 600 W Broadway, 1100, State Commander Larry Hurd
- D-4** > August 2nd, Hugo, 1100, State Senior Vice Tony McGrew
- D-5** > August 3rd, Skiatook, 1400, State Surgeon Deric Duncan
- D-7** > August 2nd, McAlester, 1100, Past State Commander Jim Basset
- D-8** > August 10th, Sapulpa, 1100, State Chaplain Marcus King
- D-9** > September 6th, Edmond, 1000, State Adjutant/Quartermaster Heidi Teeter
- D-10** > September 27th, Shawnee, 1000, State Commander Jeff Harris
- D-13** > September 20th, Clinton 1100, State Surgeon Deric Duncan
- D-14** >
- D-15** > September 20th, Woodward 1100, State Judge Advocate Randy Traxler

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Coast Guard Birthday** >> August 4th >> 235 years young
- National Convention** >> August 9th – 13th, Columbus, OH
- Labor Day** >> September 1st >> HQ (National and Dept) Closed
- Fall Legislative Conference** >> September 7th – 11th, Washington DC
- Patriot Day** >> September 11th
- Air Force Birthday** >> September 18th >> 78 years young
- Accredited SO Training** >> September 21st – 26th, Annapolis, MD
- CiC Carol Whitmore Homecoming** >> September 25th – 28th Des Moines, IA
- Dept Adjutant/Quartermaster Training** >> October 2nd – 5th, Kansas City, MO
- Dept Junior Vice Training** >> October 9th – 12th, Kansas City, MO
- Navy Birthday** >> October 13th >> 250 years young
- Southern Conference** >> November 6th – 9th Montgomery, TX
- Marine Corps Birthday** >> November 10th >> 250 years young
- Veterans Day** >> November 11th
- Thanksgiving** >> November 28th >> HQ (National and Dept) Closed
- Native American Heritage Day** >> November 29th