

General Orders No. 3

2026-2027 Series

1. The following National appointments are hereby announced:

NATIONAL DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF:

Thomas R. Beard, Post 9365, Wasilla, AK
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Jeri L. Harwood, Post 12222, Oro Valley, AZ
Darrell J. Darner, Post 1674, Siloam Springs, AR
Selso A. Cavazos, Post 1487, Roseville, CA
Christopher G. Darbyshire, Post 10125, Rancho Cordova, CA
Ryan R. Gondek, Post 9578, Alpine, CA
Alexis M. Henshaw, Post 3783, Ramona, CA
William L. Kimble, Jr., Post 7907, Poway, CA
Harry Steelman III, Post 6024, Mission Viejo, CA
Fredric J. Scheck, Post 6624, Evans, CO
Matthew E. Turner, Post 475, Newark, DE
James R. Joyce, Post 10692, Grafenwoehr, Germany EU
Brian Frank, Post 10140, Tampa, FL
James M. Kradel, Post 11367, Mary Esther, FL
Kenneth E. Michael, Post 10209, Spring Hill, FL
Michael V. Ricci, Jr., Post 7721, Golden Gate, FL
Antonio G. Salvo, Post 8205, Parker, FL
Jeanne M. Vogt, Post 4643, Satellite Beach, FL
Jason C. Seal, Post 110, Honolulu, HI
David T. Frei, Post 4902, Cottonwood, ID
Robert B. Bland III, Post 1461, Belvidere, IL
Patricia Branch, Post 5917, Bolingbrook, IL
Charles E. Ingle, Post 2955, Roscoe, IL
Joshua Seed, Post 755, Springfield, IL
Keith R. Allen, Post 2014, Brookville, IN
James E. Dexter, Post 1693, New Albany, IN
James F. Grauvogl, Post 7881, Hessville, IN
Aaron L. Powers, Post 828, Davenport, IA
Aaron M. Grunden, Post 6957, Haysville, KS
Danielle M. Springall, Post 56, Leavenworth, KS

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Willie L. Goodman, Post 10643, Windham, ME
Willie E. Evans, Post 9619, Morningside, MD
R. Brian Sturgis, Post 5118, Easton, MD
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David M. Martin, Post 2144, Holland, MI
Adna R. Murdock, Jr., Post 10194, Grass Lake, MI
Reinold E. Yahnka, Post 6056, Springport, MI
Cheryl L. Burton, Post 6208, Prior Lake, MN
John J. Lopez, Post 1223, Moorhead, MN
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Richard C. Depontee, Post 4238, Dixon, MO
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Mackensie R. Southard, Post 816, Littleton, NH
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Guy Vanterpool, Post 2230, Kenilworth, NJ
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Eugene E. McPeck, Post 1389, Elephant Butte, NM
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Joshua L. Atwell, Post 1577, Camden, OH
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Chester Tenhundfeld, Post 6428, Addyston, OH
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Ronald L. Tallman, Post 790, Barre, VT
Steven M. Wendelin, Post 2102, Wardensville, WV
Brent C. Hibbard, Post 11038, Rochester, WI
Carla S. McAndrew, Post 5276, Potosi, WI
Paul E. Morrison, Post 2534, Wisconsin Rapids, WI
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ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL:

Wendell K. Speegle, Post 9785, Eagle River, AK
Tina Marie Bey, Post 549, Tucson, AZ
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Michael D. Brown, Post 3699, Indio, CA
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Lonnie M. Loff, Post 4141, Delray Beach, FL
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Kirk C. Wille, Post 4900, Emmett, ID
Kenneth L. Eddy, Post 2698, Sparta, IL

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John L. Finnegan, Post 5506, Marseilles, IL
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David C. Ballentine, Post 9503, Bayville, NJ
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Mark L. Laducer, Post 4516, Belcourt, ND
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David A. Courtney, Post 6168, Shippensburg, PA
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Gregory M. Merritt, Post 169, Venango, PA
Michael J. Seybert, Post 6664, Library, PA
Sean W. Sherman, Post 2341, Albion, PA
Michael C. Snider, Post 7812, West Newton, PA
Lance E. Leonaitis, Post 8955, Westerly, RI
David L. Lies, Post 12102, Walterboro, SC
David L. Scott, Post 4262, Columbia, SC
Robert A. Mitchell, Post 4967, Centerville, TN
David H. Moomy, Post 9851, Hendersonville, TN
Juan Martinez, Jr., Post 9174, San Antonio, TX
Peter A. Michelena, Post 4692, Bryan, TX
Richard G. Mitchell, Post 4372, Odessa, TX
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Timothy P. Qualls, Post 2205, Denton, TX
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Barry L. Larson, Post 7908, Holmen, WI
Donnell E. Nichols, Post 7756, Gillette, WY

2. Members are reminded that under the subscription dues model, an annual members dues expire on the last day of the month of which they paid the previous year. Annual members are encouraged to renew their dues prior to their anniversary month to avoid a lapse in continuous membership. Officers and committee members, whose membership is not in good standing by reason to pay current dues by the end of anniversary month, shall forfeit eligibility to hold any office the remainder of the administrative year.

In addition, every effort should be made to renew the membership of continuous members and sign up new and recover former members at all times during the year.

3. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to the Commander-in-Chief's decision in response to questions raised concerning alcoholic beverages and smoking/vaping in the Post meeting room during the Post meeting as set forth below:

It is held to be objectionable and contrary to accepted rules of order and proper decorum implicit in the ritual of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to permit alcoholic beverages or the use of smoking/vaping products in the Post meeting room during the Post meeting. Accordingly, the presence, dispensation, and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages or the use of smoking/vaping products in VFW meeting rooms during VFW meetings are unacceptable and are prohibited.

It is the intent of the Commander-in-Chief's decision, regarding this response, to include Post, County Council, District and Department meetings, whereas it is held to be objectionable. Please refer to section 1001(25) of the National Manual of Procedure.

4. Certificates of charter evidencing consolidation have been issued to the following Posts:

Post Nos. 7098 and 12238 consolidated as Post No. 7098, Richmond, Kentucky

Post Nos. 1201 and 2855 consolidated as Post No. 1201, Ponca City, Oklahoma

Post Nos. 4380 and 2195 consolidated as Post No. 4380, Allen, Texas

Post Nos. 1375 and 5639 consolidated as Post No. 1375, Chadron, Nebraska

BY COMMAND OF
CORY L. GEISLER
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

OFFICIAL:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dan West", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Dan West
Adjutant General