

## GENERAL ORDERS

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At the 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual State Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Virginia, held in Richmond, Virginia, June 16-19, 2005, I Daniel D. Boyer, Jr., being duly elected and installed as State Commander in Accordance with Article V, Section 517 of the National By-Laws, do hereby assume Commander.

All previous appointments are hereby declared vacant as of June 19, 2005, except those set forth in the By-Laws.

## **ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS AND APPOINTMENTS FOR 2005-2006:**

<b>Commander</b>	Daniel D. Boyer, Jr.	Post 7726
<b>SR. Vice Commander</b>	Charles (Doc) Crouch	Post 3150
<b>JR. Vice Commander</b>	Jimmy Lee Wallace	Post 1503
<b>Adjutant/Quartermaster</b>	Kim A. DeShano	Post 993
<b>Judge Advocate</b>	Harold Roesch, II	Post 3219
<b>Surgeon</b>	Rex Faris	Post 8467
<b>Chaplain</b>	Edward L. Powers	Post 392
<b>Chief-of-Staff</b>	Roy Swanner	Post 7726
<b>Inspector</b>	Bill Shifflett	Post 9292
<b>Past Dept. Commander</b>	Tom W. Hines	Post 7166
<b>Historian</b>	John S. Nealey	Post 7589
<b>District Commander 1</b>	John W. King	Post 5500
<b>District Commander 2</b>	Eugene Brougham	Post 4809
<b>District Commander 3</b>	Roger Webb	Post 8356
<b>District Commander 4</b>	Jimmie J. McIlwain	Post 637
<b>District Commander 5</b>	Robert King	Post 4637
<b>District Commander 6</b>	Leon J Fields	Post 4522
<b>District Commander 7</b>	William R Shifflett	Post 9292
<b>District Commander 8</b>	Paul L Sutton	Post 1811
<b>District Commander 9</b>	Milton Dye	Post 9640
<b>District Commander 10</b>	J. David Keith	Post 7916
<b>District Commander 11</b>	Earle P Weekley, Jr	Post 8644
<b>District Commander 12</b>	Ray Wells	Post 5715
<b>District Commander 13</b>	Curtis Bartmess, Jr	Post 10574
<b>ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b>		
Chairman	Tom W. Hines	Post 7166
Vice Chairman	Peter M. Snelling	Post 2157
Members	All Past Dept. Commanders	
<b>AUDIT COMMITTEE</b>		
Chairman	Thomas Gimble	Post 1503
Members	M. Conrad Agresti, III	Post 3150
	Gary D. Dressel	Post 1503
	C. Lee Willoughby	Post 1503
	Joe Martin	Post 1827
	Squire L Searcy	Post 1115
<b>AWARDS &amp; CITATIONS</b>		
Chairman	Conrad Yetter	Post 993
Vice Chairman	Harold Roesch, II	Post 3219
Members	Leon J Fields	Post 4522
	William Bovee	Post 10546
	Joe B Martin	Post 1827
<b>BUDDY POPPIES</b>		
Chairman	Kim A. DeShano	Post 993
<b>BUDGET &amp; FINANCE</b>		
Chairman	Paul T. Moore	Post 4491
Vice Chairman	Fred L. Wolking	Post 2163
Members	Otis N. Berry	Post 637
	John Edwards	Post 8545
	Chris Birch	Post 9760

**BY-LAWS & SOP**

Chairman	Harold Roesch, II	Post 3219
Vice Chairman	Jimmy Lee Wallace	Post 1503
Members	Bob Loy	Post 392
	Tom Bailey	Post 8467

**CIVIL SERVICE & EMPLOYMENT**

Chairman	J. B. Young	Post 7327
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**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Chairman	James K Martin	Post 1503
Vice Chairman Americanism	J. Gary Wagner	Post 3150
Vice Chairman Comm. Activities	Lynn Harris	Post 7166
Vice Chairman Safety	Charles Harris	Post 6044
Vice Chairman Youth	Stanley Dixon	Post 9478

**CONVENTION COMMITTEE**

Chairman	Harry Huff	Post 2216
Vice Chairman	Eugene Chavis	Post 10826
Members	W. J. Leonard	Post 7327

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

Chairman	Fred L. Wolking	Post 2163
Members	John Edwards	Post 8545
	Charles Wilkerson	Post 9808
	Carroll Danielson	Post 8163

**DISASTER RELIEF**

Chairman	Waynard Caldwell	Post 4522
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**EAGLE SCOUT CHAIRMAN**

Chairman	Curtis S. Hunter	Post 1503
Vice Chairman	Ronald Knowles	Post 7589

**FUND RAISERS**

Chairman	Kim A. DeShano	Post 993
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**GRAVES REGISTRAR**

Chairman	Edward L. Powers	Post 392
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**GUARD**

Melvin Webb	Post 1115
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**HOMECOMING COMMITTEE**

Chairman	Joseph O. Longstreet	Post 3219
Vice Chairman	Joe B Martin	Post 1827
MC	Kim A. DeShano	Post 993
Members	Lynn Harris	Post 7166

**HOMELESS VETERANS**

Chairman	Leon Fields	Post 4522
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**HONOR GUARD**

Captain	George E. McCracken	Post 609
Members	Fred L. Wolking	Post 2163
	Douglas S. Hayes	Post 647
	Phillip L. Hewitt	Post 9808
	Ronald L. Mills	Post 647
	Howard A. Ahola	Post 993
	Dean Breeding	Post 993
	Melvin E. Webb	Post 1115
	Oscar K. Creasy	Post 3103

	Kenneth R. Williams	Post 647
	Herbert DeGroft	Post 8545
	Robert H Crowe	Post 8545
	Richard Schmidt	Post 993
<b>HOSPITAL COMMITTEE</b>		
Chairman	Rex Faris	Post 8467
<b>HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE</b>		
Chairman	Joseph O. Longstreet	Post 3219
Members	Chris Burch	Post 9760
	Lynn Harris	Post 7166
	Winfred H Beckwith	Post 3219
<b>LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE</b>		
Chairman	John P. McAnaw	Post 8469
Vice Chairman	Edward Essertier	Post 8469
Members	Ken Ward	Post 7327
	Fred Wolking	Post 2163
	J. B. Young	Post 7327
<b>LOYALTY DAY COMMITTEE</b>		
Chairman	Peter M Snelling	Post 2157
<b>MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE</b>		
Chairman	Charles (Doc) Crouch	Post 3150
District Recruiters		
1, 2, 4	Tom W. Hines	Post 7166
3, 13	Fred L Wolking	Post 2163
5, 9, 12	Rex Faris	Post 8467
6, 7, 11	Roy Swanner	Post 7726
8, 10	Hector Estrada	Post 7916
<b>MILITARY ASST. "MAP"</b>		
Chairman	John King	Post 5500
Vice Chairman	M. Conrad Agresti	Post 3150
Coordinators		
Central/Southwest	Fred L. Wolking	Post 2163
Southeastern	Lawrence F. Mattera	Post 5500
Western	Peter M. Snelling	Post 2157
<b>OFFICER OF THE DAY</b>		
	Steve Lassiter	Post 4809
<b>OUTREACH</b>		
	M. Conrad Agresti	Post 3150
<b>PARLIAMENTARIAN</b>		
	Bobby Walls	Post 176
<b>PATRIOT'S PEN</b>		
Chairman	Don Hall	Post 2216
Vice Chairman	Joe Martin	Post 1827
<b>POLITICAL ACTION</b>		
Chairman	James Grummons	Post 7327
Vice Chairman	William Bovee	Post 10546
<b>POW-MIA COMMITTEE</b>		
Chairman	Jimmy Lee Wallace	Post 1503
Vice Chairman	W. J. Leonard	Post 7327

**PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Chairman	Larry Mattera	Post 5500
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**RESOLUTIONS**

Chairman	John P. McAnaw	Post 8469
Members	Fred L. Wolking	Post 2163
	J. B. Young	Post 7327
	Edward Essertier	Post 8469

**SERGEANT AT ARMS**

Melvin Webb	Post 1115
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**SERVICE OFFICER**

Fred Fralin	Post 4522
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**TEACHER RECOGNITION**

Chairman	Chris Birch	Post 9760
Vice Chairman	James Sanderson	Post 7136

**TIME & PLACE**

Chairman	Cutter Clements	Post 2239
Members	Chris Birch	Post 9760
	M H Bob Loy	Post 392

**VIRGINIA COTTAGE**

Chairman	W. J. Leonard	Post 7327
Vice Chairman	Wirt C. Alvis	Post 9808

**VOD COMMITTEE**

Chairman	Earle P. Weekley, Jr	Post 8644
Vice Chairman	Donald A. Trausneck	Post 1115

**WELFARE SERVICE**

Chairman	Fred Fralin	Post 4522
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**VAMC HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVES**

VA Veterans Care Center	Frank H. Powell	Post 4522
Deputy	James F. Werner	Post 632
Hampton Representative	Wayne P. Pierce	Post 4809
Hampton Deputy	Charles G. Bohlinger, III	Post 824
Hampton Deputy	James R. Maley, Sr.	Post 176
Martinsburg Assoc. Repr.	William R. Shifflett	Post 9292
McGuire Representative	Clarence E. Clements	Post 2239
McGuire Deputy	James D. Rose	Post 9808
McGuire Deputy	Tom Briggs	Post 2239
Mountain Home Assoc. Repr.	Emory H. Sykes	Post 6975
Mountain Home Deputy	Kenneth Suthard	Post 6975
Salem Representative	Percy N. Bolton	Post 1841
Salem Deputy	Waynard E. Caldwell	Post 4522
Salem Deputy	Guy S. Clifton	Post 484
Washington DC Assoc. Repr.	William F. Carbin	Post 609

## STATE COMMANDERS MESSAGE:

Comrades and Sisters, in my first message to you, I will briefly reflect on the past, and then focus on the future. The Convention, in my opinion, was a good one. It was as well organized as a Convention can be. For that, we must thank Harry Huff and Kim DeShano. It was a pleasure to see so many familiar faces as well as a few new ones. I hope more of our members will decide to attend next year's convention to participate in the business of the VFW, socialize, and enjoy the camaraderie which is an important part of what the VFW is all about.

Last year was a good year for the Department. We reversed the decline in membership, achieving over 102% of our goal in paying members. Reports are still a problem, but we did as well as past years in turning them in. We continued to work to put posts in good working order. Equally important, we took the initial steps to make Virginia a leader in the Southern Conference. The credit goes to PDC Tom Hines and to you, the membership. Congratulations to Tom! We are leading our division, and he should walk across the stage at Salt Lake City to receive his All American Commander's hat.

Now let's look to the future—this new VFW year. Success is an attitude. So, we are going to start this year with an attitude—an attitude to be successful in our goals. We can achieve 103% membership. We can achieve 100% in reports. We will become a leader in the Southern Conference. Finally, I want us to have some fun while we are doing it.

Comrades and Sisters, I ask you to join with me in moving the Department forward this year. Many of us working together will lessen the load on the few. Membership will be at the forefront of our activities. The area Recruiting Coordinators will work with the District and Post Commanders to set up recruiting events. But, we must also implement the programs that make the VFW a positive influence in our communities. As you finish these programs—and independent events—please fill out the activity reports. The State Officers are available to help you as you see fit. To quote a brave man's words, "Let's roll!"

Yours in Comradeship,  
Daniel D. Boyer, Jr.

## GENERAL ORDERS:

The cut off for the General Orders is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. No EXCEPTIONS. If you received a hard copy of the General Orders and have the ability to print satisfactory copies from the internet please call us or email us at [stateheadquarters@vfwva.org](mailto:stateheadquarters@vfwva.org). Subscriptions for General Orders are \$24.00 for the year or \$2.00 per issue.

## QUARTERLY AUDIT REPORTS:

Attention is directed to Section 218, Manual of Procedure Duty of Trustees, Form P-113. Trustees Report of Audit must be prepared in detail at the close of each quarter, one of which ended June 30<sup>th</sup> and is now due at State Headquarters.

## DISTRICT MEETINGS:

- FIRST –** DATE TBD POST 2296 TASLEY 11:00 AM
- SECOND –** 08-06-2005 POST 392 VIRGINIA BEACH NOON LUNCH MEETING AT 1:00 PM, Representative State Commander Dan Boyer
- THIRD –** 09-10-2005 3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT HDQTRS MEETING AT 2:00 PM, Representative State Judge Advocate Hal Roesch
- FOURTH –** 08-07-2005 POST 8163 CLARKSVILLE MEETING AT 2:00 PM, Representative State Commander Dan Boyer
- FIFTH –** 08-14-2005 POST 4637 MARTINSVILLE MEETING AT NOON Lunch to follow, Representative State Commander Dan Boyer

- SIXTH –** 08-14-2005 SPONSORED BY POST 1033 Salem VA Medical Center Building 76-2 MEETING 2:00 PM, Representative State Chief-of-Staff Roy Swanner
- SEVENTH –** 09-18-2005 POST 9760 BERRYVILLE, MEETING 11:30 AM, Representative State Junior Vice Commander, Jimmy Lee Wallace
- EIGHTH –** 09-18-2005 POST 2524 CULPEPER MEETING AT 1:00 PM, Representative State Senior Vice Commander Doc Crouch
- NINTH –** 09-11-2005 POST 1184 PULASKI Registration 10:30 AM, Representative State Commander Dan Boyer
- TENTH –** TBA
- ELEVENTH –** 09-11-2005 POST 2216 STAUNTON MEETING 11:30 AM, Representative State Surgeon Rex Faris
- TWELFTH –** 09-17-2005 POST 9830 DAMASCUS Registration at 10:00 AM Meeting at 11:00 AM followed by lunch, Representative State Surgeon Rex Faris  
01-07-2006 POST 1994 ABINGDON Registration at 10:00 AM Meeting at 11:00 AM followed by lunch  
05-12-2006 POST 9600 POUND Registration at 10:00 AM Meeting at 11:00 AM followed by lunch
- THIRTEENTH –** DATE TBA POST 7638 GORDONSVILLE TIME TBA

#### **IMPORTANT 2005-2006 DATES:**

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| July 16-17, 2005      | School of Instruction Holiday Inn Select, Lynchburg, Virginia- Room Rates are \$63.00 per night. Telephone # 434-528-2500  |
| July 30, 2005         | Satellite Training, Various Locations  |
| August 20-26, 2005    | National VFW Convention, Salt Lake City, Utah  |
| September 23-25, 2005 | Fall Council Meeting: Holiday Inn Select, Lynchburg, Virginia- Room Rates are \$63.00 per night. Telephone # 434-528-2500  |
| November 4-6, 2005    | Southern Conference, Biloxi, Mississippi, Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino Resort, Room Rates are \$65.00 for double occupancy, cut off date for reservations is October 4, 2005, Telephone # 1-888-946-2847 |
| January 13-15, 2006   | Winter Council Meeting, Crown Plaza Williamsburg at Fort Magruder, 6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, Room Rates \$65.00 plus Tax based on single/double occupancy. Reservation # 1-800-333-3333         |
| June 15-18, 2006      | State Convention, Sheraton Richmond West Hotel, Room Rates are \$85.00 per night Reservations 804-285-1234   |
| September 15-17, 2006 | Fall Council Meeting: Holiday Inn Select, Lynchburg, Virginia- Room Rates are \$63.00 per night. Telephone # 434-528-2500  |

#### **REPORT FORMS:**

Please mail all Reports to State Headquarters. This includes Americanism, Community Activities, Deceased Reports, Homeless Veterans, Hospital, Inspection, Safety, and Youth Activities. A copy of all reports are attached.

## MEMBERSHIP:

Attached to this in this General Orders is the 2005-2006 Membership & Awards Program. Also, enclosed is the Individual Recruiting Awards for new/reinstated members. All individual recruiting awards must be certified to State Headquarters by the Post Quartermasters no later than May 12, 2006. The names of the individuals recruited, Post Number and the name of the recruiter must be received before any award is given.

## SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION:

The School of Instruction will be held July 16-17 at the Holiday Inn Select, Lynchburg, Room rate \$63.00 per night. Telephone # 434-528-2500. Registration form is attached and must be submitted no later than **July 8<sup>th</sup>**. An agenda is attached.

## SATELLITE TRAINING LOCATIONS:

Satellite training will be held on July 30<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM at the following locations. All members are encouraged to attend one of the listed locations. This event is very informative and provides you the opportunity to ask questions of our National Headquarters Staff. There will be a member of the Department in attendance at each location. Please notify the Post that you plan to participate at their location. This will help them make arrangements to accommodate all who wish to attend.

### DISTRICT # LOCATION

DISTRICT 1	Attend District 2 or District 3
DISTRICT 2	Post 392 Larry Mattera (PDC) 757-838-4588
DISTRICT 3	3rd District Headquarters James Tucker (PDC) 804-328-0629
DISTRICT 4	Post 637 Hopewell Fred Wolking
DISTRICT 5	Post 1115 Hillsville Rex Faris (Surgeon) 276-952-2532
DISTRICT 6	Attend District 4 or 5
DISTRICT 7	Attend Post 2216 Staunton
DISTRICT 8	Attend Post 7327 Springfield or Post 2216 Staunton
DISTRICT 9	Attend District 5
DISTRICT 10	Post 7327 Springfield Jimmy Lee Wallace (Junior Vice Cmdr) 703-680-3869
DISTRICT 11	Post 2216 Staunton Doc Crouch (Senior Vice Cmdr) 703-319-0845
DISTRICT 12	Attend District 12
DISTRICT 13	Attend District 10 or 11

## NATIONAL CONVENTION BANQUET:

The National Convention Banquet will be held on Monday, August 22, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$50.00 each and **must** be purchased through Department Headquarters. Order form is attached and must be received no later than 7/15/05.

## BONDS:

All bonds will expire August 31, 2005. Please see attached rate schedule for costs of your bond and return completed form and payment to State Headquarters.

## SOUTHERN CONFERENCE SHIRTS:

Orders are being taken for Southern Conference shirts to be picked up at the National Convention. These are White polo shirts with red and blue trim around the collar and the sleeves. The cost is \$25.00 per shirt. Shirts this year are the same for the men and women's styles. If you would like to purchase one of these shirts please fill out the attached order form and return to State Headquarters by July 14, 2005. All orders must be received by this date. Any received after will not be processed.



**LIFE MEMBERSHIP PAY OUT – 2006:**

Palmer & Cay, a professional actuarial firm, recently completed an evaluation of the Life Membership Fund. Based on this evaluation, the Life Membership Board of Trustees, pursuant to Section 111 of the VFW By-Laws, has determined that, for the 2006 membership year, the Life Membership Fund will pay out **\$3.50** for each **Plan A, B and C** life member, and **\$5.50** for each **Plan D** life member to their Post, Department and to National Headquarters. Payment will be made in September 2005 for all life members recorded as of August 31, 2005.

In addition, **\$5.50 will be paid in January 2006** for each life member processed from September through December 2005 (Plan D) to their Post, Department and to National Headquarters.

If you have any questions, please call Robert A Crider, Director, Member Dues Processing, at National Headquarters.

**WEBSITE:**

The Department of Virginia has another website, the address is <http://www.manilasites.com/vfwva/>. This new form of website is called blogging and allows communication between Members, Post's, State, and National. Any Post or Member wishing to set up a free site needs to contact State Headquarters.

**LAKE COUNTRYFEST FUNDRAISER:**

State Headquarters is involved with a mega entertainment event that will be held Saturday August 13, 2005 in South Hill at the Roanoke River Business Park. Lake Countryfest is an outdoor Country Music Concert featuring country music superstars Travis Tritt, Marty Stuart, Emerson Drive, and Cowboy Crush. Tickets for this event are \$40.00 at the gate but can be purchased for \$10.00 through State Headquarters. These tickets may be sold by the Posts as a fundraiser for \$20.00 each. For every 250 tickets that are sold the Post will receive 50 free tickets which can be sold for the \$20.00. Please keep in mind that this is a very easy way for your Post to raise money. A flyer is attached with an order form. Tickets will be ordered through State Headquarters.

**AMERICA BANDS TOGETHER:**

## Band Together for America's Troops!

Remember - and support - those in harm's way by wearing this patriotic red wristband that proudly proclaims, "I Support Our Troops." Just think what this heartfelt symbol of support will mean to the soldier in a lonely outpost or the hospitalized veteran. Knowing that millions of Americans carry them in their thoughts - and hearts - each day will mean so much. Order yours today!



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Your donation will support emergency assistance for troops, as well as VFW programs that serve veterans and active-duty service members.

Yes, please send me the following quantity of patriotic wristbands:\*(price includes S/H):

<input type="checkbox"/> (2) .....\$4.95	<input type="checkbox"/> (10) .....\$22.30
<input type="checkbox"/> (50) ..... \$93.75	<input type="checkbox"/> (100) .....\$175.00

\*For order sizes of 300 and 1,200 please call (816) 756-3390

I want to do even more. Here's an additional gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_

I'd also like to know more about how to buy an American Flag.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**AMERICA BANDS TOGETHER**

Please return this form to:  
**AMERICA BANDS TOGETHER** VFW State Headquarters  
 403 Lee Jackson Hwy  
 Staunton, VA 24401

AMERICABANDSTOGETHER.ORG

**RAFFLE WINNERS:**

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2500.00</b>	<b>Roland Dixon</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>1000.00</b>	<b>Alton D. Petty</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>Walter K. Steiner</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>Joe B. Martin</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>John W. Kelsey, Jr.</b>
<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>David T. Beatty</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>Donald M. Fraser</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>Harold E. Soyars</b>

9 <sup>th</sup>	200.00	Mac A. Phipps
10 <sup>th</sup>	200.00	Maxwell C. Trainum
11 <sup>th</sup>	200.00	Stuart O. Loftis

## VFW SPECIAL INTEREST LICENSE PLATE:

Legislation was approved by the General Assembly authorizing the issuance of a VFW license plate. An application form is attached to the General Orders, 350 pre-signed applications must be received within 180 days to avoid reauthorization by the General Assembly. Please complete the License Plate Application and submit along with \$10.00 and the appropriate prorated fees (schedule attached to the order form). Applications **MUST BE** submitted to **State Headquarters**. Upon receipt of the 350 required applications, State Headquarters will forward them to DMV to begin production. If you have any questions please contact Dan Watts, Post 4639, 4680 Hickory Signpost Rd, Williamsburg, VA 23185, [exseabird@msn.com](mailto:exseabird@msn.com).

## PUBLICITY:

A television production company is seeking to interview a family where there are multiple generations of war veterans. Ideally, they are looking for someone who is currently serving in or has returned from Iraq or Afghanistan, whose parent served in Vietnam, and whose grandparent served in World War II/Korea (the family tie can extend into uncles, aunts, etc.). If the family can stretch back four generations ... even better, but all family members must still be living and all must have served in a war zone.

Please forward this to your Districts and Posts and have them contact me immediately if they have members who meet the requirement or know of veteran families who do. I need a name and daytime phone number. I will call first to discuss the project and receive permission before putting them in contact with the TV company, which is AI Roker Productions.

Regards,

Joe Davis  
 Director of Public Affairs  
 Veterans of Foreign Wars  
 Washington Office  
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 State Adjutant

By Order of:

Daniel D. Boyer, Jr.  
 State Commander