

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS



DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA

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1. COMMANDER'S MESSAGE:

This will be my final message to you as your State Commander. I want to thank each and every one of you for the opportunity to serve as your Commander for the 2007-2008 membership year. What a glorious year the Department of Virginia has had! We have consistently led the Southern Conference in membership, and have exceeded our established goal of 101% in membership. To my line officers, thank you for always being there when I needed you. Because of your dedication and loyalty to this organization, you were very instrumental in our many successes. The District Commanders we had this year did an outstanding job. They consistently showed supreme leadership in dealing with their respective posts, and have served on the Council of Administration with honor. Your wise council and advice to me and the other line officer's have made it possible for all of us to be successful. Each and every Committee Chairman has done their job in an excellent manner. Without your active participation, many deserving folks would not have gotten the recognition they so richly deserve.

But, most importantly, I want to thank all the 36,000+ members of this great Department for your active participation in our many programs and activities, and for your steadfast devotion to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. You are the life-blood of this organization, without which we could not long endure. You, at the grass-root level, are the true heroes of the VFW. You have stepped up to the plate, and made your Posts successful and growing. In my many travels throughout the State, you have always made me and Kathi feel welcome when we visited you. For that, we have been blessed and I thank you. I will go out of office with many, many fond memories of the times I got to spend at the different Posts, and with so many friends. You have consistently showed true support for your Posts, your fellow members and the communities in which you live. Because of each of you, this great organization continues to prosper and grow. You, along with your auxiliaries, are the reason our many programs get done. You are a credit to yourself and this organization! I know you will continue to give your full support to your next State Commander, as you have done for me.

To MY Madam President, Ellen Stogsdill and all the Ladies Auxiliary, thank you for the many, many support activities you have shown the VFW throughout this year. You are a very important part of this organization, and I personally appreciate all you have done. My year with Ellen has been both productive and rewarding, as I have seen our Auxiliary grow and become more active. I know you will continue on your successful path.

I could not close out my final message as State Commander, without acknowledging our wonderful staff at State Headquarters - Kim, Angie and Janet – thank you. I want every member of this organization to know and understand what a tireless staff they have. Our Headquarters Staff are the best I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. Kim and his staff are the administrative backbone of this organization. They literally keep the organization running on a day-by-day basis. For all you do for the VFW Department of Virginia, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. I know we would not have been as successful as we were without your expertise and knowledge.

To my wife, Kathi, you were always there for the driving, navigating and support that is essential to be successful. I love you and thank you. You are truly the rock that I've leaned on so many times this past year.

To our incoming State Commander and his fine line officer's, I wish you continued success for the upcoming year. I know that you are prepared to take this Department onward and upward. Please note that if you ever need anything of me, to just call. To all, God Bless each of you and God Bless this great organization.

Jimmy Lee Wallace
State Commander

2. SPECIAL ORDER NO. 275:

Her eligibility to membership having been questioned under the provisions of Section 108 of the National By-Laws and the veteran having failed to submit proof of campaign medal service which would qualify for membership, it is hereby ordered that the name of Carol Huggard, Life Membership No. 9545439, be removed from the rolls of Department of Virginia, Member-at-Large Post No. 15048, and her membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States terminated by reason of ineligibility.

3. SPECIAL ORDER NO 278:

The suspension from membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States for a period of one (1) year ending April 15,2008, of Clyde F Sayers, Life Membership No. 6103560, Charles B. Morris Post No. 7568, Galax, Virginia, as set forth in Special Order No. 195 dated May 7, 2007, having expired, it is hereby ordered that the membership with all rights and privileges attendant thereto of Clyde F. Sayers, be restored and such membership assigned to Department of Virginia Member-at-Large Post No. 15048 effective April 15, 2008.

4. SPECIAL ORDER NO 283:

His eligibility to membership having been questioned under the provisions of Section 108 of the National By-Laws and the veteran having failed to submit proof of campaign medal service which would qualify for membership, it is hereby ordered that the name of Joe Diets, Life Membership No. 1463867, be removed from the rolls of John Fox, Jr. Post No. 5715, East Stone Gap, Virginia, and his membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States terminated by reason of ineligibility.

5. DISTRICT MEETINGS:

1ST-	Date: TBA Time: Location: Rep:	Location: Post 8902 Keysville Rep:
2ND-	Date: 9/13/08 Lunch: Noon Meeting: 1:00 PM Location: Post 392 Virginia Beach Rep:	5TH- Date: 08/23/08 Lunch: 12:00 Noon Location: Post 8243 Halifax Time: Rep:
3RD-	Date: 08/09/08 Meeting: 10:00 AM Location: District Headquarters Rep:	6TH- Date: TBA Time: Location: VAMC Salem Rep:
4TH-	Date: 08/10/08 Time: 2:00 PM	7th Date: TBA Time: Location: Rep:

8th Date: 09/21/08
Time: 1:00 PM
Location: Post 2524 Culpeper
Rep:

11TH-Date: 09/14/08
Lunch: 11:30 AM
Time: 12:30 PM
Location: Post 8644 Bridgewater
Rep:

9TH- Date: 09/08/08
Time: 11:00 AM Lunch to follow
Location: Post 6000 Narrows
Rep:

12TH-Date: 09/13/08
Meeting: 11:00 AM
Location: Post 3782 Haysi
Rep:

10TH-Date: TBA
Time:
Location:
Rep:

13th-Date: 07/13/08
Time: 1:00 PM Lunch after Meeting
Location: TBA
Rep:

6. IMPORTANT DATES:

June 12-15, 2008 State Convention Room Rates \$89.00, Sheraton Richmond West Hotel, Richmond, VA, Telephone 804-285-2000. Room rates through May 21, 2008

School of Instruction will be held at the following locations: All classes will be 9:00AM-4:00PM

- July 19, 2008 Post 9808 Mechanicsville, 7168 Flag Lane, Mechanicsville
- July 20, 2008 Post 2216 Staunton, 212 Frontier Drive, Staunton
- July 26, 2008 Post 392 Virginia Beach, 2408 Bowland Pkwy, Virginia Beach
- July 27, 2008 Post 1503 Dale City, 14631 Minnieville Rd, Dale City
- Aug 09, 2008 Post 1115 Hillsville, 701 West Stuart Dr, Hillsville

August 16-21, 2008 National VFW Convention, Orlando, FL

January 14-19, 2009 Council of Administration, Williamsburg, VA Room Rate: \$69.00
 Deadline for reservations – December 24, 2008 to insure group rate.

August 15-20, 2009 National VFW Convention, Phoenix, AZ

January 15-18, 2010 Council of Administration, Williamsburg, VA Room Rate: \$67.00
 Deadline for reservations – December 24, 2009 to insure group rates

August 21-26, 2010 National VFW Convention, Indianapolis, IN

7. ROSTER CHANGES:

1211 Clyde Shelton, CMDR
 709 Beacon Hill Rd
 Chesapeake, VA 23322
 757-410-9950

7167 Robert Potter, CMDR
 402 Folly Neck Rd
 Warsaw, VA 22572

2583 Ulic Rainard, CMDR
 5702 Oak Villa Ln
 Harrisonburg, VA 22801

7327 Terri Andreoni, QM
 4524 Commons Dr Apt 101
 Annandale VA 22003

8. AMERICANISM:

Year-End Report

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted an Americanism Report for the 2nd Half as of 05/16/08

Dist 1.	100%								
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Dist 2	2582								
Dist. 3	100%								
Dist. 4	8902	10570							
Dist. 5	100%								
Dist. 6	4522	4920	7854	8184					
Dist. 7	100%								
Dist. 8	100%								
Dist. 9	100%								
Dist. 10	100%								
Dist. 11	452	4204	4989						
Dist. 12	100%								
Dist. 13	100%								

J.Gary Wagner
Vice Chairman, Americanism

9. AUDIT REPORTS:

In Accordance with the SOP and the National By-Laws, **three Trustees must sign** the Trustees' Report of Audit before it can be accepted.

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 is March 31 and is now **PAST DUE**.

Please submit to State Headquarters. Commanders are reminded that accurate and complete records shall be kept by all persons handling Post funds, including the Club Manager and Bingo Chairman. These records shall be audited by Post Trustees in the same manner as Post Quartermaster records.

Congratulations to Dist 1 and 10 for 100% reporting.

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted an Audit Report for the period ending 3/31/08 as of 05/20/08

Dist. 1	100%													
DIST. 2	2582													
DIST. 3	11124													
DIST. 4	2163	5313	8759											
DIST. 5	873													
DIST. 6	1444	2157	4299	4522	5311	8184								
DIST. 7	7899													
DIST. 8	3103													
DIST. 9	9696													
DIST. 10	100%													
DIST. 11	3136	9339												
DIST. 12	3782	9830												
DIST. 13	2613	8717	8947											

10. CLOSINGS:

State Headquarters will be closed for the State Convention, June 11th –June 16th.

11. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Year-End Report

Congratulations to Districts 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13 for 100% reporting. The Department had 154 posts out of 163 submit reports.

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted a Community Activities Report for the 2nd Half as of 05/16/08.

Dist. 1	100%								
Dist. 2	100%								
Dist. 3	2583								

Dist. 4	10570							
Dist. 5	100%							
Dist. 6	4522	4920	7854	8184				
Dist. 7	100%							
Dist. 8	100%							
Dist. 9	100%							
Dist. 10	100%							
Dist. 11	452	4204	4989					
Dist. 12	100%							
Dist. 13	100%							

Lynn Harris
Community Activities Vice Chairman

12. ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE AT STATE CONVENTION:

National By-Laws, Section 213-Arrearage. Any Post in arrears for National, Department, County Council, or District dues, poppy money, supply money, or other financial obligations, or failing to have the office of Quartermaster properly bonded in accordance with section 703, or failing to submit properly completed Quarterly Post Trustees Report of Audit or post Election Report shall be deprived of all representation in County Council meetings, District, Department and National Conventions. Such representation shall be restored promptly upon proper adjustment of such deficiencies.

13. FLAGS:

FLAG DAY, JUNE 14. All VFW units are reminded to properly display the U.S. Flag on Flag Day, Saturday, June 14 and to conduct a ceremony or program as feasible. See the VFW Programs Chairmen's Guide, "It's About Service" for Fun Facts about the U.S. Flag. You may contact the VFW Communications Department for a Flag Day speech. It is also suggested Posts should award the VFW Patriotic Citizens Award for those who have daily displayed our National flag. Product No. 4385, VFW Emblem and Supply Department.

14. GENERAL ORDERS:

The cut off for the General Orders is the 20th 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@va.vfwwebmail.com. Subscriptions for General Orders are \$24.00 for the year or \$2.00 per issue.

15. GOLF TOURNAMENT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CHILDRENS HOSPITAL:

We would like to invite you to participate in the VFW Department of Virginia Golf Tournament, held at the Hollows Golf Course, located in Montpelier, to be held June 11th, 2008. A registration form is attached for your use. If you are unable to attend, please pass this information on to those that may be interested. Hole sponsorships in the amount of \$100.00 (minimum) are available. Donations of other amounts are needed and appreciated. Proceeds will benefit the Children's Hospital, Richmond. We would like to thank those Post's that have already stepped up to the plate and sponsored a hole.

16. HOSPITAL:

The information listed below is per State Headquarters records.

Year-End Report

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted a Hospital Report for the 2nd Half as of 05/16/08

Dist 1	100%			
Dist 2	2582			
Dist 3	100%			
Dist 4	2163	10570		
Dist 5	100%			

Dist 6	4522	4920	7854	8184
Dist 7	100 %			
Dist 8	100%			
Dist 9	100%			
Dist 10	100%			
Dist 11	452	4204	4989	
Dist 12	100%			
Dist 13	100%			

17. INSPECTION:

All Districts and Posts are 100% reported as of this General Orders printing.

William R. Shifflett
State Inspector

18. 2008 MEMBERSHIP KIT:

The 2008 Membership Kits are scheduled to begin mailing the first week of June. Posts are to submit their election report as soon as possible to ensure that they receive their kit in a timely fashion.

19. NATIONAL CONVENTION BANQUET:

The National Convention Banquet will be held on Monday, August 18, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$50.00 each and must be purchased through your Department Headquarters. Deadline to order tickets is July 15, 2008.

20. NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION:

Attention of Post Commanders is directed to Section 222 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 in the amount of ten dollars (\$10.00) per delegate. Advanced registration for the 109th National Convention should be mailed with each delegate's name and address to: Convention Registration, 406 West 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111 or you may register on-line at vfw.org.

21. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY:

Post, District, Department Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters are reminded of the requirements of Sections 216(c), 316, 414(c) and 515(d) of the National By-Laws with regard to proof of eligibility for all newly-elected and appointed officers. Elected and appointed officers shall not be installed or assume the duties of their office until proof of eligibility has been submitted and properly reviewed. Failure or refusal to submit proof of eligibility within sixty (60) days of election or appointment shall result in the office being declared vacant.

22. SAFETY:

Year-End Report

Posts that have submitted Safety Reports have been removed from the matrix. The Posts that are still showing have not submitted their Safety reports as of May 16, 2008. Congratulations to District 1 District 3, District 5, District 7, District 8, District 9, District 10, and District 12 for being 100% reported. Thank you for your assistance in completing this task.

DIST. 1	100%								
DIST. 2	2582								
DIST. 3	100%								
DIST. 4	8048	10570							
DIST. 5	100%								
DIST. 6	4165	4522	4920	7854	8184				

DIST. 7	100%								
DIST. 8	100%	7728							
DIST. 9	100%								
DIST. 10	100%								
DIST. 11	452	4204	4989						
DIST. 12	100%								
DIST. 13	10295								

Steve Lasseter
Safety Vice-Chairman

23. VOD & PATRIOTS PEN THEMES 2008-2009:

VOD Theme: Service and Sacrifice by America's Veterans Benefits Today's Youth by
Patriot's Pen Theme: Why America's Veterans Should be Honored

24. VOICE OF DEMOCRACY PROGRAM:

Thanks to all of the Posts and Auxiliary who participated this year in the program. With your dedication and hard work, our Department continues to be on of the best Department's nationally.

With 54 Departments participating, this is how we finished for the year:

	<u>Nationally</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
Post Participating	13 th Place	81 Posts
Auxiliaries Participating	12 th Place	58 Auxiliaries
Students Participating	18 th Place	841 Students
Monetary Awards	6 th Place	\$52,270
Additional Monies	17 th Place	\$ 8,598.55
Total Monies Spent	9 th Place	\$60,868.55

Samantha R. Roth, the Department of Virginia's winner, finished 9th at the National level. She was sponsored by Grafton Post 824 and their Ladies Auxiliary.

I have confidence that next year we will do even better.

Earle P. (Buddy) Weekley, Jr.
VOD Chairman

25. YOUTH ACTIVITES:

Year-End Report

Congrats to District 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13 for being 100

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted a Youth Activities Report for the 2nd Half as of 5/16/08

Dist 1	100%						
Dist 2	2582						
Dist 3	100%						
Dist 4	5313	8902	10570				
Dist 5	100%						
Dist 6	4165	4522	4920	7854	8184		
Dist 7	100 %						
Dist 8	100%						
Dist 9	100 %						
Dist 10	100 %						
Dist 11	452	4204	4989				
Dist 12	100%						
Dist 13	100%						

John Miska
Youth Activities Chairman

26. 109TH NATIONAL CONVENTION HOUSING:

109th National Convention in Orlando, Florida, August 16-21, 2008 and we anticipate many members will take this opportunity to plan family vacations. To assist our members we will open housing and convention registration early this year – *December 31, 2007*.

This early open will be communicated to each post by email. It is however, our understanding, many posts may not access their email accounts on a regular basis. Convention registration and housing information were be mailed with the election reports in February.

Our Department has been assigned to the Rosen Centre with a block of **30** rooms.

A list of amenities for your hotel may be found on the hotel website www.rosencentre.com or by contacting the hotel at 407-996-9840.

Be sure to book your reservations by **July 14, 2008** in order to receive special convention rates noted below:

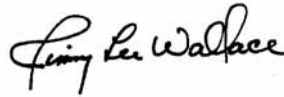
Rates for:	Single:	\$115
	Double:	\$115
	Triple:	\$135
	Quad/Club Level:	\$155

Official:



Kim A. DeShano
State Adjutant

By Order of:



Jimmy Lee Wallace
State Commander

86th ANNUAL CONVENTION
DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES
SHERATON RICHMOND WEST – RICHMOND, VIRGINIA
JUNE 12-15, 2008

Eugene Chavis
Convention Chairman

Earle P. Weekley
Convention Vice Chairman

**Thursday,
June 12, 2008**

1:00 PM	5:00 PM	REGISTRATION, VFW	BALLROOM FOYER
9:30 AM	1:00 PM	REGISTRATION, MOC	BALLROOM FOYER
9:30 AM	10:30 AM	BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING	CHESAPEAKE
11:00 AM	NOON	COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATOR MEETING	CHESAPEAKE
2:30 PM	4:00 PM	JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICES	BALLROOM B/C/D
6:00 PM	10:30 PM	JOINT PRESENTATION OF AWARDS	BALLROOM B/C/D

**Friday,
June 13, 2008**

8:00 AM	5:00 PM	REGISTRATION, VFW	BALLROOM FOYER
9:00 AM	11:00 AM	JOINT OPENING SESSION	BALLROOM B/C/D
9:30 AM	1:00 PM	REGISTRATION, MOC	BALLROOM FOYER
11:30 AM	2:00 PM	COMMANDERS CLUB LUNCHEON	MONTICELLO A/B
2:30 PM	5:00 PM	BUSINESS SESSION	BALLROOM A
5:30 PM	8:00 PM	COOTIE GRAND SCRATCH	MONTICELLO
9:00 PM	1:00 AM	DANCE	REGENCY BALLROOM

**Saturday,
June 14, 2008**

7:30 AM	8:30 AM	PAST STATE COMMANDERS/PRESIDENTS BREAKFAST	TIDEWATER ROOM
9:00 AM	3:00 PM	REGISTRATION, VFW	BALLROOM FOYER
9:00 AM	1:00 PM	BUSINESS SESSION (NOMINATION OF STATE OFFICERS)	BALLROOM A
2:00 PM	5:00 PM	NEW DISTRICT COMMANDERS SCHOOL	TIDEWATER
1:30 PM	4:30 PM	SERVICE OFFICERS MEETING	SHULA'S
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	RECEPTION	MONTICELLO A/B
7:00 PM	9:00 PM	ANNUAL BANQUET	REGENCY BALLROOM
9:00 PM	1:00 AM	DANCE	REGENCY BALLROOM

**Sunday,
June 15, 2008**

9:00 AM	9:30 AM	JOINT DEVOTIONAL SERVICE	BALLROOM B/C/D
9:30 AM	1:30 PM	BUSINESS SESSION (ELECTION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS)	BALLROOM A
1:30 PM	3:00 PM	COUNCIL MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSE OF CONVENTION	BALLROOM A

Registration \$3.00 (**All persons are required to register**)
FRIDAY DANCE: \$5.00 per person

SATURDAY BANQUET/DANCE TICKETS MUST BE PRE-PURCHASED- THEY CAN NOT BE PURCHASED AT THE CONVENTION - THIS YEAR YOU MAY PURCHASE A TICKET TO THE SATURDAY DANCE FOR \$5.00 & TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE CONVENTION

The hotel will not have cash bars set up for either dance. Bottles will be permitted in the ballroom during both dances. The hotel will furnish ice and mix. **THERE WILL BE NO ADMITTANCE AT EITHER DANCE WITHOUT A TICKET. NO EXCEPTIONS!**

HOSPITALITY ROOMS

State – Room 147**First & Second Districts - Room 139**Third District – George Washington Room**
Fourth District – Madison Room**Tenth District - Room 257** Cooties - Room 267

GENERAL ORDERS SUBSCRIPTION FORM

JULY 2008– MAY 2009

PRICE \$24.00 PER YEAR OR \$2.00 PER ISSUE

Name: _____

Post: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone number: _____

Please circle method of payment:

CHECK MONEY ORDER CREDIT CARD (DISCOVER MASTERCARD/VISA ONLY)

CREDIT CARD # _____

EXPIRATION DATE: _____

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA, VFW

SUBJECT: SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

There will be a School of Instruction held on the following dates and locations, all times will began at 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

July 19 th	Post 9808 Mechanicsville	7168 Flag Lane, Mechanicsville
July 20 th	Post 2216 Staunton	212 Frontier Drive, Staunton
July 26 th	Post 392 Virginia Beach	2408 Bowland Parkway, Virginia Beach
July 27 th	Post 1503 Dale City	14631 Minnieville Road, Dale City
Aug 9 th	Post 1115 Hillsville	701 West Stuart Drive, Hillsville

All new Post Commanders and Quartermasters are urged to attend, and everyone else is invited. You must register for one of the above locations so we may have a count as to how many are attending at each location so lunch preparation can be made (meals will be provided by the Host Post). **IF YOU ARE NOT REGISTERED MEALS WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.**

Subjects of Instructions will include:

- Membership
- MIP & Recruiting Programs
- Dept. & National Membership Awards Program
- Rules and Regulations of Club Rooms
- Parliamentary Law & Procedure, By-Laws (Nat'l/Dept/Post) & SOP
- Inspections & Reports
- Duties & Responsibilities of Post CMDR's, SVC & JVC
- Duties of Post ADJ & QM, QM Records (Ledger & Computer)
- Post Visits/Roundups
- VOD, Patriots Pen, Teachers Recognition Program, Scouting, MAP
- eMembership and Web Development

We must know how many will be attending, so therefore, the following form must be completed and returned to State Headquarters **no later than July 10th.**

No food will be prepared for those that do not register with the Department.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION REGISTRATION

Return this form to:
 Department of Virginia, VFW
 403 Lee Jackson Hwy
 Staunton, VA 24401

Or by Fax: 1-866-416-0586

Name of Attendees: (please print) (please use additional paper if necessary)

Location _____

No. of People Attending _____

Post: _____

Signed: _____

Post Commander



**Veterans of Foreign Wars
2008 National Convention
August 16 – 21, 2008
ORLANDO HOUSING FORM**

INSTRUCTIONS

Reservations can be made in one of the following ways:

INTERNET: Visit the **VFW** web site at www.vfw.org

TELEPHONE:
Toll free (US) 888-221-9425

FAX:
801-355-8019

MAIL:
THE HOUSING CONNECTION
175 S. West Temple, Suite 140
Salt Lake City, UT 84101

DEADLINE

Reservations must be made by phone, fax, mail, or internet by **July 14, 2008** in order to guarantee convention rates.

CONFIRMATIONS

The Housing Connection will send you a confirmation of your reservation. Please review all information for accuracy. Email confirmations will be sent if an e-mail address is provided (preferred), or they can be faxed or mailed. If you do not receive a confirmation or have questions, please call The Housing Connection. **You will not receive a confirmation from the hotel.**

TAX RATE and REQUESTS

All rates are per room and are subject to 13.5% tax (subject to change). Special requests cannot be guaranteed, however hotels will do their best to honor all requests. Hotels will assign specific rooms upon check-in based on availability.

A ROOM DEPOSIT BY CHECK OR CREDIT CARD GUARANTEE IS REQUIRED TO SECURE RESERVATIONS:

ROOM DEPOSIT/GUARANTEE will be accepted in the form of a check in the amount of \$119.00. Make check payable to: The Housing Connection and mail to the address above. Rooms can also be guaranteed with a valid credit card, expiration date, and authorized signature of cardholder. If the charge to the credit card is denied, we reserve the right to release your reservation.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

Cancellations after July 14, 2008 will be subject to a \$25.00 cancellation fee. If cancellation occurs within 72 hours of arrival, one night's room and tax or full check deposit will be forfeited entirely to the hotel.

GUEST INFORMATION

FOR BEST AVAILABILITY, MAKE YOUR RESERVATION
VIA INTERNET (www.vfw.org) OR BY FAX (801-355-8019)

Arrival Date _____ **Departure Date** _____

First Name: _____ M.I.: ____ Last Name: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Fax: _____

If providing international numbers, please include country and city access numbers

Company: _____

Address: _____

Address 2: _____

City/State/Province: _____

Zip/Postal Code, Country: _____

HOTEL SELECTION

Each state/department has been assigned a hotel with an allocation of rooms. In the event the allotment has been filled, a room will be reserved at another VFW hotel based on your preference of rates or proximity and availability.

If hotel assignment is sold out, which is more important? (check one) _____ Room Rate _____ Location

State you reside in: _____

**Rosen Centre & Rosen Plaza are Smoke-Free Hotels
Peabody has 1 Floor of Smoking Rooms only**

Room Type Requested: _____ **One Bed** _____ **Two Beds**
(Submit only one room request per form. Should additional forms be needed, please make copies.)

List all room occupants:

Disability requiring special services N/S room request

Special Requests:

DEPOSIT INFORMATION

All reservation requests must be accompanied by a credit card guarantee or check for a \$119.00 deposit. Housing Forms received without a valid guarantee/deposit will not be processed. Faxed requests must include a valid credit card. Check deposits must be mailed with a completed housing form.

American Express Visa MasterCard Discover

Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

Name on Credit Card _____

Cardholder's Signature* _____

*I hereby authorize the The Housing Connection or any one of the participating hotels to process a charge to my credit card for each Room Deposit in accordance with the policies and information provide herein.

Check deposit for \$119.00 is enclosed and made payable to The Housing Connection. Mail housing forms to: The Housing Connection, 175 S West Temple Suite 140, Salt Lake City, UT 84101. Check deposits must be mailed and post marked no later than the deadline of July 14, 2008.

District	Post	Life	New	Reinstate	Continuous	Current	Prior	%	City
1	176	81	9	4	53	147	152	96.71	NEWPORT NEWS
1	824	63	15	4	20	102	96	106.25	GRAFTON
1	960	60	11	2	19	92	90	102.22	YORKTOWN
1	2296	31	3	1	35	70	71	98.59	TASLEY
1	3219	423	86	23	126	658	625	105.28	PHOEBUS
1	5500	51	6	2	50	109	105	103.81	HAMPTON
1	6002	83	36	6	47	172	144	119.44	DENBIGH
1	7167	61	1	2	67	131	147	89.12	WARSAW
1	8252	256	6	5	41	308	304	101.32	GLOUCESTER
1	8629	8	0	2	13	23	21	109.52	CHINCOTEAGUE
1	9358	9	2	2	10	23	21	109.52	TANGIER
District	Totals	1126	175	53	481	1835	1776	103.32	Second
2	392	1326	95	31	263	1715	1696	101.12	VIRGINIA BEACH
2	993	103	19	4	33	159	150	106	PORTSMOUTH
2	1211	37	2	1	13	53	52	101.92	VIRGINIA BEACH
2	2582	29	4	0	16	49	49	100	SUFFOLK
2	2894	38	1	0	30	69	83	83.13	CHESAPEAKE
2	3160	661	106	32	177	976	928	105.17	NORFOLK
2	4411	79	2	0	26	107	122	87.7	FRANKLIN
2	4809	986	51	28	253	1318	1364	96.63	NORFOLK
2	8545	78	8	0	22	108	107	100.93	SMITHFIELD
2	9382	92	10	1	37	140	140	100	SUFFOLK
District	Totals	3429	298	97	870	4694	4691	100.06	Sixth

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3	1426	34	20	7	22	83	53	156.6	MIDLOTHIAN
3	2239	146	9	4	56	215	229	93.89	COLONIAL HEIGHTS
3	2583	11	0	8	12	31	28	110.71	ASHLAND
3	4639	92	18	24	47	181	142	127.46	WILLIAMSBURG
3	6364	168	10	1	62	241	238	101.26	RICHMOND
3	8046	33	1	1	14	49	55	89.09	NORGE
3	8356	46	6	3	54	109	108	100.93	WEST POINT
3	8529	81	2	3	36	122	123	99.19	SANDSTON
3	9224	33	0	4	16	53	54	98.15	RICHMOND
3	9501	22	2	1	16	41	42	97.62	AYLETT
3	9808	613	27	4	101	745	723	103.04	MECHANICSVILLE
3	10387	25	6	6	74	111	136	81.62	PETERSBURG
3	10654	86	2	3	8	99	96	103.13	RICHMOND
3	10657	66	11	0	10	87	82	106.1	GLEN ALLEN
3	11124	13	0	1	8	22	23	95.65	QUINTON
District	Totals	1469	114	70	536	2189	2132	102.67	Third
4	622	72	47	9	65	193	167	115.57	PETERSBURG
4	637	183	6	12	138	339	338	100.3	HOPEWELL
4	2163	58	1	0	30	89	121	73.55	CHESTERFIELD
4	2584	17	0	2	19	38	38	100	CULLEN
4	5313	53	1	2	19	75	83	90.36	NOTTOWAY
4	7059	119	11	14	76	220	205	107.32	FARMVILLE
4	7166	146	1	6	65	218	267	81.65	SOUTH HILL
4	7819	65	3	0	45	113	131	86.26	CREWE
4	7897	24	0	0	18	42	51	82.35	BLACKSTONE
4	8048	16	0	2	20	38	42	90.48	LAWRENCEVILLE
4	8163	69	14	3	68	154	150	102.67	CLARKSVILLE
4	8228	10	0	2	8	20	20	100	CHASE CITY
4	8446	29	7	0	18	54	52	103.85	BUCKINGHAM
4	8759	33	2	0	33	68	70	97.14	AMELIA COURT HSE
4	8902	12	3	1	6	22	22	100	KEYSVILLE
4	9855	43	5	4	55	107	115	93.04	APPOMATTOX
4	9954	122	9	0	43	174	174	100	VICTORIA
4	10570	22	0	0	17	39	49	79.59	POWHATAN
District	Totals	1093	110	57	743	2003	2095	95.61	Twelfth

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5	647	234	7	5	125	371	398	93.22	DANVILLE
5	873	17	2	0	6	25	24	104.17	GRETNA
5	1115	533	13	20	364	930	982	94.7	HILLSVILLE
5	2820	21	32	1	40	94	59	159.32	BASSETT
5	4637	70	11	6	82	169	167	101.2	MARTINSVILLE
5	7568	32	1	0	40	73	120	60.83	GALAX
5	7726	171	25	1	246	443	424	104.48	INDEPENDENCE
5	7800	67	0	2	32	101	120	84.17	STUART
5	8243	44	10	10	63	127	123	103.25	HALIFAX
5	8467	71	11	1	54	137	142	96.48	MEADOWS OF DAN
5	10840	33	4	0	21	58	58	100	PENHOOK
District	Totals	1293	116	46	1073	2528	2617	96.6	Eleventh
6	776	89	1	0	31	121	130	93.08	RADFORD
6	1033	141	1	7	80	229	234	97.86	COVINGTON
6	1264	264	14	4	88	370	373	99.2	ROANOKE
6	1444	50	0	4	13	67	70	95.71	ROANOKE
6	1841	58	4	1	75	138	141	97.87	TROUTVILLE
6	2157	114	4	1	98	217	236	91.95	BEDFORD
6	4165	35	1	2	29	67	68	98.53	ALTAVISTA
6	4299	28	4	2	23	57	55	103.64	CLIFTON FORGE
6	4318	40	0	0	28	68	76	89.47	SALEM
6	4491	68	2	1	29	100	108	92.59	NEW CASTLE
6	4522	158	4	0	54	216	237	91.14	VINTON
6	4920	16	1	2	9	28	24	116.67	ELLISTON
6	5311	87	1	14	47	149	136	109.56	CHRISTIANSBURG
6	5895	21	0	0	3	24	24	100	BUCHANAN
6	7854	82	8	3	38	131	137	95.62	FLOYD
6	8184	56	1	1	14	72	75	96	LYNCHBURG
6	9877	20	2	0	23	45	43	104.65	AMHERST
District	Totals	1327	48	42	682	2099	2167	96.86	Tenth

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7	621	125	1	2	88	216	238	90.76	LURAY
7	1860	215	9	3	94	321	348	92.24	FRONT ROYAL
7	2123	289	10	9	107	415	414	100.24	WINCHESTER
7	2447	212	28	6	116	362	362	100	EDINBURG
7	6044	17	0	1	10	28	27	103.7	WINCHESTER
7	7899	21	1	0	27	49	55	89.09	STANLEY
7	8613	126	5	2	76	209	209	100	SHENANDOAH
7	9292	121	8	0	66	195	195	100	ELKTON
7	9660	60	5	2	58	125	132	94.7	BROADWAY
7	9760	127	42	3	154	326	309	105.5	BERRYVILLE
7	9872	59	0	0	0	59	63	93.65	HINTON
District	Totals	1372	109	28	796	2305	2352	98	Eighth
8	1177	42	32	2	17	93	59	157.63	LEESBURG
8	1811	179	6	1	3	189	195	96.92	MANASSAS PARK
8	2524	195	8	3	61	267	274	97.45	CULPEPER
8	3103	205	4	6	134	349	410	85.12	FREDERICKSBURG
8	7589	158	51	4	77	290	261	111.11	MANASSAS
8	7728	30	0	0	18	48	53	90.57	REMINGTON
8	8208	35	29	5	184	253	237	106.75	STANARDSVILLE
8	9835	40	4	1	11	56	55	101.82	WARRENTON
District	Totals	884	134	22	505	1545	1544	100.06	Sixth
9	1184	125	16	1	115	257	248	103.63	PULASKI
9	2719	33	0	2	25	60	60	100	WYTHEVILLE
9	4667	518	11	35	292	856	854	100.23	MARION
9	6000	155	33	9	91	288	263	109.51	NARROWS
9	7136	131	15	8	120	274	252	108.73	TAZEWELL
9	7328	30	0	0	48	78	90	86.67	SALTVILLE
9	7360	48	11	1	73	133	127	104.72	GRUNDY
9	7969	20	0	2	22	44	49	89.8	BLAND
9	9640	116	13	3	78	210	198	106.06	RICHLANDS
9	9696	135	5	9	103	252	250	100.8	BLUEFIELD
9	9864	59	4	1	25	89	90	98.89	LEBANON
District	Totals	1370	108	71	992	2541	2481	102.42	Fourth

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10	609	79	10	2	27	118	120	98.33	ALEXANDRIA
10	1503	1394	114	40	389	1937	1915	101.15	DALE CITY
10	3150	399	29	5	66	499	480	103.96	ARLINGTON
10	5412	62	5	1	26	94	91	103.3	BURKE
10	7327	435	144	14	110	703	636	110.53	SPRINGFIELD
10	7916	373	36	9	110	528	513	102.92	WOODBIDGE
10	8241	192	13	1	107	313	293	106.83	MC LEAN
10	8469	185	33	2	62	282	262	107.63	FAIRFAX
10	9274	217	2	2	42	263	282	93.26	FALLS CHURCH
10	9478	67	23	0	42	132	112	117.86	STERLING
District	Totals	3403	409	76	981	4869	4704	103.51	First
11	452	22	0	4	15	41	42	97.62	CRIMORA
11	632	319	14	3	135	471	497	94.77	HARRISONBURG
11	1499	82	3	2	44	131	132	99.24	LEXINGTON
11	2216	199	53	15	185	452	444	101.8	STAUNTON
11	2424	26	1	1	15	43	52	82.69	WAYNESBORO
11	3060	39	1	0	2	42	42	100	DEERFIELD
11	3136	27	0	2	27	56	56	100	MOUNT SOLON
11	4204	29	2	1	27	59	62	95.16	HOT SPRINGS
11	4805	52	0	1	2	55	58	94.83	BUENA VISTA
11	4989	53	0	0	0	53	55	96.36	MONTEREY
11	7701	39	0	2	29	70	72	97.22	LOVINGSTON
11	7814	22	0	0	1	23	26	88.46	STAUNTON
11	8279	16	0	0	21	37	45	82.22	STEELES TAVERN
11	8479	5	1	2	7	15	14	107.14	LYNDHURST
11	8644	122	5	1	81	209	207	100.97	BRIDGEWATER
11	9339	52	1	3	36	92	100	92	STUARTS DRAFT
11	9480	32	0	1	16	49	52	94.23	CRAIGSVILLE
11	10826	46	12	4	59	121	117	103.42	VERONA
District	Totals	1182	93	42	702	2019	2073	97.4	Ninth

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12	1994	79	18	1	75	173	157	110.19	ABINGDON
12	3782	38	1	0	36	75	75	100	HAYSI
12	4301	68	11	0	31	110	110	100	NORTON
12	5715	155	5	1	99	260	280	92.86	BIG STONE GAP
12	6975	384	9	8	305	706	781	90.4	BRISTOL
12	8652	61	4	0	40	105	129	81.4	COEBURN
12	8979	89	4	5	62	160	176	90.91	CLINTWOOD
12	9600	69	3	0	78	150	166	90.36	POUND
12	9830	51	1	4	38	94	92	102.17	DAMASCUS
12	10298	43	1	0	28	72	88	81.82	PENNINGTON GAP
12	10310	40	4	2	22	68	71	95.77	EWING
District	Totals	1077	61	21	814	1973	2125	92.85	Thirteenth
13	1827	158	9	8	92	267	265	100.75	CHARLOTTESVILLE
13	2044	38	8	0	10	56	47	119.15	EARLYSVILLE
13	2217	29	4	0	34	67	67	100	ORANGE
13	2613	5	1	3	15	24	23	104.35	COLUMBIA
13	7638	61	5	6	27	99	98	101.02	GORDONSVILLE
13	8169	23	14	0	20	57	44	129.55	SCOTTSVILLE
13	8436	17	1	1	24	43	43	100	YANCEY MILLS
13	8717	36	9	0	16	61	61	100	KING GEORGE
13	8947	103	2	0	31	136	144	94.44	LOUISA
13	10295	58	4	6	16	84	81	103.7	BOWLING GREEN
13	10546	81	5	3	18	107	107	100	SPOTSYLVANIA
13	10574	82	18	1	83	184	183	100.55	COLONIAL BEACH
District	Totals	691	80	28	386	1185	1163	101.89	Fifth
MAL	15048	2339	292	93	1738	4462	2972	150.13	STAUNTON
State	Totals	22055	2147	746	11299	36247	34892	103.88	