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1. COMMANDER'S MESSAGE:

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I want to thank you for the opportunity to lead the Department of Virginia VFW. It has been a dream of mine and the fulfillment has been way beyond my expectations. As I traveled the state, I became more aware of the diverse membership we have. Isn't it great that we, the VFW, can function as such a diverse group? I only hope that every Post will continue to grow closer as a member of team VFW Virginia.

Let me take a moment to thank my Officers and Council for the hard work and dedication that they gave me and the Department. It was you that enabled us to accomplish all we have. Our Headquarters staff, Kim, Angie and Janet; you keep this Department going day to day, THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!

We are still working toward our goal of 100% membership and have made GREAT strides in the last month; we now only need 970 more to reach 100% by June 30th. I have extended the Honor Post Banner award through 30 June. If your Post reaches 100% by 30 June they will receive the banner.

To Mary and all the Ladies Auxiliary, it has been a pleasure. I wish every Post had an Aux. They are such an asset to a Post. I became a better Commander with your inputs, I am sure your will give the incoming Commander the same support as I know he will give you. To the Men's Aux, many of you have made a substansional difference in your Post and I thank you. We as a Department will have to look at making arrangements for expanding the Men's Aux.

We have already started the reporting period for the first half of next year, let's get the Department off to a great start and have at least 1 report in by the Convention. Remember to report often and NOT just once for each half. We just passed Memorial Day and EVERY Post should have something to report.

Last but not least, I do not plan on fading away, in fact I wish I could hold the position another year. As cool as that would be, it would not be fair to the Officers in line, that I know will do a fantastic job. I will however continue to serve the Dept. of Virginia as Past Commander and will try to represent us on a National level as Council Member if given the chance, and maybe further (more to follow). Let me close with my thoughts on the membership of Virginia, you

are, by far, the best Department in the VFW!!! Please continue your efforts to keep us there. We will continue to be a major player in the Southern Conf. and VFW as long as we keep our membership numbers and reporting.

Thank you for one of the best years of my life,

Hal Roesch, II, State Commander

2. DISTRICT MEETINGS:

1ST- Date: TBA

Meeting: 11 AM Meal After

Location: Post 176

24 Forest Dr. Newport News

2ND- Date: 9/19/09

Lunch: 12:00 PM Meeting: 1:00 PM Location: Post 392

2408 Bowland Pkwy, VA Beach

3RD- Date: 9/12/09 **Meeting:** 1:00 PM

Location: 3rd District HQ

10044 Pamunkey Rd,

Mechanicsville

4TH- Date: 8/8/09

Meeting: 2:00 PM Location: Post 7059

1616 Graham Rd, Farmville

5TH- **Date**: 8/29/09

Meeting: Lunch at noon meeting to follow

Location: Post 4637

2327 Old Chatham Rd,

Martinsville

6TH- Date: TBA

Meeting: 2:00 PM Location: Post

7th- Date: 09/13/09

Lunch: 11:30 AM Meeting: 1:00 PM Location: Post 1860

1847 N Royal Ave Front Royal

8th- Date: 8/09/09

Meeting: 1:00 PM meal after

Location: Post 1177

401 Oldwaterford Rd NW,

Leesburg

8th- **Date**: 10/25/09

Meeting: 1:00 PM meal after

Location: Post 2524

12210 Sperryville Pike Culpeper

8th- Date: 1/10/10

Meeting: 1:00 PM meal after

Location: Post 3103

2701 Princess Anne St

Fredericksburg

8th- **Date**: 4/11/10

Meeting: 1:00 PM meal after

Location: Post 7589

9304 Centerville Rd Manassas

9th- Date: TBA

Lunch: 11:30 AM Meeting to follow

Location:

10th- Date: TBA

Meeting: 11:30 AM - 4:00 PM Brunch first

Location:

11th- Date: 9/13/09

Lunch: 11:30 AM **Meeting:** 12:30 PM **Location:** Post 1499

105 Memorial Ln Lexington

12th- Date: 9/12/09

Registration:10:00 AM Meeting: 11:00 AM Location: Post 1994

765 Baugh Ln Abington

13th- Date: TBA

Meeting: 1:00 pm

Location:

3. AMERICANISM REPORT:

Thanks to the 63 Posts which sent multiple reports for the second half and especially to those who wrapped up their year with reports at the end. And, congratulations to the ten Districts which were 100% reported. That's one more District than last year! With Loyalty Day, Memorial Day, and Vietnam Veterans Week and other events behind us, do your new commanders a favor and get Americanism reported before we go to Richmond for the Department Convention. And, remember that Flag Day is just ahead of us!

Three hundred-sixteen reports have been received from 155 posts. Sixty-three posts have sent multiple reports.

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J. Gary Wagner, Chairman

4. AUDIT REPORT:

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, 2009 and is now **PAST DUE**.

Posts listed below have **NOT** submitted an Audit Report for the period ending March 31, 2009

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5. BLOGMASTER REPORT:

Have Lap Top – Will Travel

This is a reminder to Department Officers, District/Post Commanders, Adjutants, and Quartermasters; your VFW webmail passwords will be reset immediately after the Department Convention in Richmond. Please let your counterpart incoming Officers know of the password change. Passwords also change for those Officers that are remaining in their previous year's position.

Encourage a member of your Post to become the webmaster for your Post's webcom site to attend. I will have a 5laptop and will be at the Department Convention to assist all.

Jerry Peterson, BlogMaster

6. CLOSINGS:

State Headquarters will be closed June 11-15, 2009 for State Convention.

7. COMMANDER'S CLUB:

The Commander's Club will hold its annual luncheon meeting at the Department Convention in June. The Commander's Club offers a low-key networking opportunity to share thoughts on leadership and community service among the Department. We also provide honoraria for Voice of Democracy and other contest winners. Membership is open to all current and past Post, District, and Department Commanders and Cootie Seam Squirrels.

Eligible comrades (including Commanders-elect) who are not yet members may sign-up for the luncheon no later than June 1, 2009 provided they concurrently apply for membership.

M. C. "Connie" Agresti, Commanders Club President

8. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

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Lynn Harris, Chairman

9. DELL ALL-IN-ONE MODEL 948 PRINTER, COPIER, AND FAX MACHINE:

Through Gifts-In-Kind the Department received 200 Dell Model 948 All-In-One printers. The Department would like to give one printer to each Post who would like one. They must be for the VFW and not personal use. These are usuable as a **printer**, **fax**, **and or printer**, some are new and some are refurbished, all come with ink, USB cable and manual. They do **NOT** require a computer to work as a copier or fax machine. (Fax machines requires a phone line hooked up to it). They will be distributed on a first-come basis and must be picked up from State Headquarters. We will **NOT** ship them due to the cost of shipping. They are ready for pick-up **NOW**.

Kim DeShano, State ADJ/QM

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. HOSPITAL REPORT:

Congratulations to the Six (6) Districts for all being 100% reported. Posts that have submitted reports for the second half of the reporting period have been taken off of the Matrix. There has been a great improvement over the last month.

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Steve Lasseter, Chairman

14. IMPORTANT DATES:

Jun 11-14, 2009	Department of Virginia State Convention, Richmond, VA. Reservation Cut-off is May 11, 2009 Room Rate: \$93.00 Call 804-285-2000
June 27, 2009	School of Instruction Post 3219 Phoebus
June 28, 2009	School of Instruction Post 1503 Dale City
July 11, 2009	School of Instruction Post 6975 Bristol
July 12, 2009	School of Instruction Post 7726 Independence
July 18, 2009	School of Instruction Post 1499 Lexington
July 19, 2009	School of Instruction Post 2447 Edinburg
July 25, 2009	School of Instruction Post 637 Hopewell
Aug 15-20, 2009	National VFW Convention, Phoenix, AZ
Nov 5-8, 2009	VFW Southern Conference, Corpus Christi, TX, Bayfront Rooms, \$99.00

Jan 15-18, 2010 Council of Administration, Williamsburg, VA Room Rate: \$67.00

Deadline for reservations – December 24, 2009 to insure group rates. Call 800-227-6963

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

15. LEGISLATIVE REPORT:

CONTACT YOUR CONGRESSMAN: House Resolution 23 has been introduced to provide a \$1,000 special monthly pension to those veterans who served in the Merchant Marines from December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946. The VFW opposes this legislation because it creates inequities among veterans and the \$500 million price tag over five years could take funding away from other key programs. The Merchant Marines was one of 28 civilian groups who supported the war effort, but none of them receive a special monthly pension. Contact your representatives in Congress to indicate your objections to this measure. To send a message to your legislators, visit the VFW National website.

GI Bill Registration Update: VA received more than 25,000 claims for education benefits during the first two weeks that veterans could apply online for the new Post 9/11 GI Bill. The number of applications submitted in the first week was more than three times the rate of benefit applications usually received through the Veterans Online Application system. Veterans can apply for their "Certificate of Eligibility" at website www.GIBILL.VA.gov. Applicants may expect to receive their certificates within 24 hours of submission. VA will begin paying on August 1, 2009.

16. MAP:

Once again at this year's State Convention we will be raising money for our MAP Program. We have two individuals that are willing to have their hair cut by the individual or Post that donates the most money and the one who collects the most is the one who's hair gets cut.

The two individuals are 13th District Commander Gary Myers and Post 392 Commander Bill Moran. Time for the event will be Saturday at approximately 1330 Pool Side.

So don't forget your money or checks. Come out and join in the fun and let's raise some funds for those still in uniform.

Kim DeShano, State Adjutant/Quartermaster

17. MEMBERSHIP KITS – 2009/2010:

2009/2010 Membership Kits will include membership applications, benefit brochures, and a disk containing manuals and forms. A hard copy of the Quartermaster Manual will <u>not</u> be provided in the Post Quartermaster Membership Kit.

Rosters will be mailed separately from the kit and will go out with the June Monthly Maintenance Journal (MMJ). Rosters will be generated at the close of business on June 30, 2009. If no election report has been received, then the MMJ and roster will be forwarded to the Department.

If you have any questions, please send an email to Denise Edelman at dedelman@vfw.org

18. MILITARY WOMENS ADVOCACY:

On May 20, 2009, the House Committee on Veterans Affairs conducted a full committee roundtable on the topic, "The Growing Needs of Women Veterans: Is the VA Ready?" Representatives from sixteen veteran organizations and auxiliaries participated in the discussion. Comrade Sheridan represented the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Department of Veterans Affairs staff members were present to answer questions and provide clarifying information.

Major topics of discussion:

Access to VA Facilities. The appointment schedules of service providers specifically serving women veterans are often full, so there is limited availability of physical and mental health care for those women. Many Veterans are young parents, and most centers do not provide on-site or nearby child care for parents during their appointments. At

some centers, Veterans with small children have been criticized for bringing the children and some have been denied access to care.

<u>Military Sexual Trauma</u>. Women in the military have been, and continue to be, subject to sexual harassment, abuse, and assault. Unfortunately, the VA centers, staff, and service providers have been slow to acknowledge and treat women veterans subject to Military Sexual Trauma.

<u>Delayed and Denied Disability Claims</u>. Participants cited ongoing problems in receiving timely resolution of their disability claims. Of particular note was the women's perspective that Military Sexual Trauma does not receive serious consideration by the VA as a service-related PTSD condition.

Overall Quality of Care and Facilities. There is broad agreement that VA health facilities are visually unappealing, with a less-than-friendly prevailing customer attitude. Few have separate treatment facilities for women. Only one panelist named the VA as their medical provider of choice; all other eligible veterans on the panel would choose another health care source over the VA.

Chairman Bob Filner (D-CA) and members of his committee expressed their commitment to ensuring that women veterans receive fair, high quality treatment and equal access to VA services. The committee will schedule another meeting to provide the VA an opportunity to respond to the issues raised during this committee roundtable.

Margo Sheridan, Chairman

19. NATIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION PROGRAM:

This program is designed to provide recognition and awards to VFW members who volunteer their time to outside organizations. Recognition is in the form of certificates and/or lapel pins which are given to volunteers who have completed the number of hours prescribed for those awards. For more information, see the 2009 – 2010 VFW "It's About Service" Programs Chairmen's Guide or contact the VFW Programs department at 816-968-1148 for a nomination form.

20. NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN:

"The VFW Riders of the Department of Virginia will be offering lapel pins to commemorate their ride to the National Home July 1-4 this year. One hundred % of the proceeds will be applied to the contributions being collected by the Department. Look for riders offering pins at the State Convention in June.

The Riders will leave Hampton Roads on the morning of 1 July at 0800. They will be making stops to collect additional donations on a (1,118 mile) route to Eaton Rapids Michigan. The official start of the ride will be at the Virginia State Headquarters at approximately 1500 that afternoon in Staunton, Va.

Overnight stops will be in Beckley, West Virginia and Louisville, Kentucky. The Virginia Riders will be meeting riders from Texas, Arizona, Iowa, New Mexico, and Oklahoma at POST 1563 in Indiana. The William Faire Memorial Ride will consist of the final 180 miles to the National Home early on the morning of the 4th of July to participate in the July 4 Parade with children from the Home. Ceremonies culminating the event and offering donations from each Department to the home will follow the Parade. If anyone is interested in participating in this ride on two wheels or four please contact the following.

Kim DeShano at State Headquarters Randy Schilling (757) 830-7609 rschilling1@verizon.net

Randy Schilling
President VFW Riders Hampton Roads

21. POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE:

Please Vote June 9th!

The Virginia primary will be held June 9th!

Please understand that the VFW-PAC endorsement does not review any other issue the candidate supports other than veterans issues. Also, the VFW-PAC does not endorse any candidate during a primary election. It is up to you to determine the candidates that deserve your support and to insure the rights of our Veterans are championed.

When veterans unite, America listens. Our collective VOICE makes a difference.

Jerry Peterson, Chairman

22. ROSTER CHANGES:

National Military Services Chairman Ron Link 9347 Hedgeford Street Manassas Park, VA 20111 571-921-9220 8446: James H. Morris, QM 5252 Francisco Rd Appomattox, VA 24522 For 2008-200

23. SAFETY REPORT:

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Carl A Penning, III, Chairman

24. 2009 – 2010 VOICE OF DEMOCRACY AND PATRIOT'S PEN THEMES:

The 2009–2010 themes have been chosen by Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Thomas Tradewell, Sr. The Voice of Democracy theme will be "Does America Still Have Heroes?" and the Patriot's Pen theme will be "When is the Right Time to Honor Our Military Heroes?" This information will be posted on the VFW website.

Don Hall, Chairman

25. YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

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John Miska, Chairman

Official:

Kim A. DeShano State Adjutant By Order of:

Harold Roesch, II State Commander

87th ANNUAL CONVENTION DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES SHERATON RICHMOND WEST – RICHMOND, VIRGINIA JUNE 11-14, 2009

Eugene Chavis	Joseph T. Horan
Convention Chairman	Convention Vice Chairman

Thursday, June 11, 2009			
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 ADMINISTRATON 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 12, 2009			
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		COOTIE GRAND SCRATCH	MONTICELLO
9:00 PM	1:00 AM	DANCE	REGENCY BALLROOM
Saturday, June 13, 2009			
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 SESION	BALLROOM A
		(NOMINATION OF STATE OFFICERS)	
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 14, 2009			
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: \$10.00 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 – Room 267**Tenth District - Room 257** Cooties – Madison Room

Important DATE!

STATE CONVENTION REGISTRATION

State Convention will be held June 11 - 14, 2009 at the

Sheraton Richmond West Hotel – 6624 West Broad Street -Richmond - 804-285-2000

The banquet/dance will be held on June 13th.

You will **NOT** be able to purchase banquet/dance tickets the weekend of the Convention. Dance tickets may be pre-purchased or they will be available at the registration table.

You MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR THE BANQUET/DANCE (NO REFUNDS)

Banquet/Dance Tickets: \$40.00 Dance Tickets Only: \$5.00

Your choice of:

Sliced Peppercorn Encrusted Sirloin

Alaskan Salmon with Lemon Caper Butter

Both Served with:

Garden Salad Warm Rolls and Butter Southwestern Potato Cakes Green Beans Almandine Strawberry Shortcake

Your choice of Iced Tea, Iced Water, Coffee, or Hot Tea

RETURN THIS PORTION TO STATE HEADQUARTERS BY June 5, 2009 No Exceptions No Refunds after June 5th Check, Visa, or MasterCard Accepted

Person placing the order (name)		Phone	:		
Please fill out completely for each person you	are registering including	Post or Auxiliary	number		
Name:	_ Post/Aux:	Food Choice:	(circle)	Sirloin or Salmon	Dance Only (circle)
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Pre-paid tickets will not be mailed to you; they will be available for pick up at registration.

You may e-mail this form to: stateheadquarters@va.vfwwebmail.com or fax to: 1-866-416-0586

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

June 27	Post 3219 Phoebus	122 E Mellen St, Hampton
June 28	Post 1503 Dale City	14631 Minnieville Road, Dale City
July 11	Post 6975 Bristol	516 Cumberland Street, Bristol
July 12	Post 7726 Independence	115 Klondike Road, Independence
July 18	Post 1499 Lexington	105 Memorial Lane, Lexington
July 19	Post 2447 Edinburg	100 Veterans Way, Edinburg
July 25	Post 637 Hopewell	1400 Lynchburg Street, Hopewell

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
- Recruiting Programs
- Dept. & National Membership Awards Program
- Rules and Regulations of Club Rooms
- Parliamentary Law & Procedure, By-Laws (Nat'I/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 one week prior to the School of Instruction you will be attending.

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)
SOI Location	
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Signed:	
Post Commander	

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1	824	68	18	5	36	127	103	123.3	GRAFTON
1	960	61	9	1	16	87	92	94.57	YORKTOWN
1	2296	33	3	1	35	72	70	102.86	TASLEY
1	3219	434	102	18	133	687	675	101.78	PHOEBUS
1	5500	50	3	0	36	89	109	81.65	HAMPTON
1	6002	89	24	1	90	204	181	112.71	DENBIGH
1	7167	58	5	2	57	122	131	93.13	WARSAW
1	8252	268	14	5	36	323	308	104.87	GLOUCESTER
1	8629	10	0	0	13	23	23	100	CHINCOTEAGUE
1	9358	8	0	0	10	18	23	78.26	TANGIER
District	Totals	1159	189	35	502	1885	1868	100.91	Third
2	392	1325	127	14	255	1721	1735	99.19	VIRGINIA BEACH
2	993	103	10	3	35	151	159	94.97	PORTSMOUTH
2	1211	36	2	0	12	50	53	94.34	VIRGINIA BEACH
2	2582	29	3	0	14	46	49	93.88	SUFFOLK
2	2894	37	2	3	28	70	70	100	CHESAPEAKE
2	3160	669	138	14	183	1004	978	102.66	NORFOLK
2	4411	77	2	2	25	106	108	98.15	FRANKLIN
2	4809	962	80	14	220	1276	1319	96.74	NORFOLK
2	8545	80	15	4	20	119	109	109.17	SMITHFIELD
2	9382	98	14	4	40	156	141	110.64	SUFFOLK
District	Totals	3416	393	58	832	4699	4721	99.53	Fifth

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3	1426	40	23	5	40	108	83	130.12	MIDLOTHIAN
3	2239	140	11	4	52	207	215	96.28	COLONIAL HEIGHTS
3	2583	11	0	0	17	28	31	90.32	ASHLAND
3	4639	94	12	1	39	146	181	80.66	WILLIAMSBURG
3	6364	175	19	2	54	250	242	103.31	RICHMOND
3	8046	36	5	2	11	54	50	108	NORGE
3	8356	46	0	1	61	108	110	98.18	WEST POINT
3	8529	73	4	0	31	108	123	87.8	SANDSTON
3	9224	33	0	1	15	49	53	92.45	RICHMOND
3	9501	22	2	1	13	38	42	90.48	AYLETT
3	9808	636	66	8	131	841	810	103.83	MECHANICSVILLE
3	10387	25	10	8	74	117	136	86.03	PETERSBURG
3	10654	85	2	3	10	100	99	101.01	RICHMOND
3	10657	67	16	1	12	96	90	106.67	GLEN ALLEN
3	11124	12	0	0	7	19	22	86.36	QUINTON
District	Totals	1495	170	37	567	2269	2287	99.21	Seventh
4	622	78	12	7	54	151	193	78.24	PETERSBURG
4	637	182	16	5	106	309	341	90.62	HOPEWELL
4	2163	54	0	0	28	82	89	92.13	CHESTERFIELD
4	2584	16	0	0	14	30	38	78.95	CULLEN
4	5313	50	6	4	19	79	75	105.33	NOTTOWAY
4	7059	112	10	4	68	194	220	88.18	FARMVILLE
4	7166	144	2	6	51	203	218	93.12	SOUTH HILL
4	7819	63	1	1	38	103	114	90.35	CREWE
4	7897	24	1	2	15	42	42	100	BLACKSTONE
4	8048	16	0	0	18	34	38	89.47	LAWRENCEVILLE
4	8163	71	11	0	61	143	155	92.26	CLARKSVILLE
4	8228	10	0	1	9	20	20	100	CHASE CITY
4	8446	31	7	0	23	61	54	112.96	BUCKINGHAM
4	8759	29	4	0	35	68	70	97.14	AMELIA COURT HSE
4	8902	11	0	1	8	20	22	90.91	KEYSVILLE
4	9855	45	0	2	36	83	107	77.57	APPOMATTOX
4	9954	118	2	1	45	166	174	95.4	VICTORIA
4	10570	21	0	0	15	36	40	90	POWHATAN
District	Totals	1075	72	34	643	1824	2010	90.75	Twelve

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5	647	234	13	0	127	374	371	100.81	DANVILLE
5	873	17	0	0	8	25	26	96.15	GRETNA
5	1115	533	21	31	347	932	930	100.22	HILLSVILLE
5	2820	25	15	2	60	102	100	102	BASSETT
5	4637	69	4	11	89	173	171	101.17	MARTINSVILLE
5	7568	29	5	3	35	72	73	98.63	GALAX
5	7726	165	16	0	204	385	443	86.91	INDEPENDENCE
5	7800	65	5	1	27	98	101	97.03	STUART
5	8243	45	7	2	62	116	128	90.63	HALIFAX
5	8467	70	3	1	48	122	138	88.41	MEADOWS OF DAN
5	10840	34	11	0	21	66	58	113.79	PENHOOK
District	Totals	1286	100	51	1028	2465	2539	97.09	Eighth
6	776	82	9	3	28	122	122	100	RADFORD
6	1033	135	12	10	73	230	229	100.44	COVINGTON
6	1264	266	6	5	89	366	372	98.39	ROANOKE
6	1444	45	1	5	12	63	68	92.65	ROANOKE
6	1841	54	1	0	61	116	139	83.45	TROUTVILLE
6	2157	111	4	2	81	198	217	91.24	BEDFORD
6	4165	35	0	0	25	60	67	89.55	ALTAVISTA
6	4299	25	3	2	22	52	57	91.23	CLIFTON FORGE
6	4318	43	3	0	26	72	69	104.35	SALEM
6	4491	68	3	1	22	94	100	94	NEW CASTLE
6	4522	153	0	0	34	187	216	86.57	VINTON
6	4920	18	0	0	8	26	28	92.86	ELLISTON
6	5311	87	0	1	53	141	148	95.27	CHRISTIANSBURG
6	5895	18	0	0	3	21	24	87.5	BUCHANAN
6	7854	76	9	2	37	124	132	93.94	FLOYD
6	8184	56	0	2	13	71	72	98.61	LYNCHBURG
6	9877	19	2	1	24	46	45	102.22	AMHERST
District	Totals	1291	53	34	611	1989	2105	94.49	Ninth

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7	621	125	0	0	75	200	216	92.59	LURAY
7	1860	207	29	2	88	326	322	101.24	FRONT ROYAL
7	2123	288	12	6	113	419	416	100.72	WINCHESTER
7	2447	209	17	4	125	355	364	97.53	EDINBURG
7	6044	16	0	0	9	25	28	89.29	WINCHESTER
7	8613	130	6	4	71	211	210	100.48	SHENANDOAH
7	9292	115	15	1	66	197	195	101.03	ELKTON
7	9660	65	4	4	52	125	125	100	BROADWAY
7	9760	126	12	7	186	331	326	101.53	BERRYVILLE
District	Totals	1281	95	28	785	2189	2202	99.41	Sixth
8	1177	48	27	4	23	102	94	108.51	LEESBURG
8	1811	175	8	0	0	183	189	96.83	MANASSAS PARK
8	2524	186	4	3	57	250	268	93.28	CULPEPER
8	3103	210	35	6	109	360	350	102.86	FREDERICKSBURG
8	7589	164	91	3	74	332	291	114.09	MANASSAS
8	7728	28	3	1	12	44	48	91.67	REMINGTON
8	8208	36	0	0	21	57	294	19.39	STANARDSVILLE
8	9835	42	2	1	12	57	56	101.79	WARRENTON
District	Totals	889	170	18	308	1385	1590	87.11	Thirteenth
9	1184	123	12	4	124	263	258	101.94	PULASKI
9	2719	30	7	3	23	63	60	105	WYTHEVILLE
9	4667	515	14	3	269	801	856	93.57	MARION
9	6000	157	28	5	115	305	288	105.9	NARROWS
9	7136	123	25	1	130	279	274	101.82	TAZEWELL
9	7328	29	5	1	47	82	78	105.13	SALTVILLE
9	7360	48	8	2	65	123	133	92.48	GRUNDY
9	7969	20	3	1	20	44	44	100	BLAND
9	9640	117	21	1	85	224	210	106.67	RICHLANDS
9	9696	137	36	13	88	274	252	108.73	BLUEFIELD
9	9864	57	1	2	29	89	90		LEBANON
District	Totals	1356	160	36	995	2547	2543	100.16	Fourth

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10	609	94	14	1	29	138	121	114.05	ALEXANDRIA
10	1503	1429	223	25	324	2001	1937	103.3	DALE CITY
10	3150	419	17	5	74	515	500	103	ARLINGTON
10	5412	65	13	0	22	100	94	106.38	BURKE
10	7327	439	149	21	113	722	704	102.56	SPRINGFIELD
10	7916	383	30	4	107	524	536	97.76	WOODBRIDGE
10	8241	186	30	1	114	331	313	105.75	MC LEAN
10	8469	202	25	1	71	299	282	106.03	FAIRFAX
10	9274	212	9	3	29	253	263	96.2	FALLS CHURCH
10	9478	68	25	9	61	163	132	123.48	STERLING
District	Totals	3497	535	70	944	5046	4882	103.36	First
11	452	22	0	3	16	41	41	100	CRIMORA
11	632	310	6	5	124	445	474	93.88	HARRISONBURG
11	1499	80	1	0	39	120	131	91.6	LEXINGTON
11	2216	199	12	4	159	374	452	82.74	STAUNTON
11	2424	25	0	0	13	38	44	86.36	WAYNESBORO
11	3060	40	0	2	2	44	42	104.76	DEERFIELD
11	3136	27	1	1	27	56	56	100	MOUNT SOLON
11	4204	28	4	2	25	59	59	100	HOT SPRINGS
11	4805	51	3	0	2	56	55	101.82	BUENA VISTA
11	7701	40	0	0	28	68	72	94.44	LOVINGSTON
11	7814	22	1	1	1	25	23	108.7	STAUNTON
11	8279	18	0	1	18	37	37	100	STEELES TAVERN
11	8479	5	0	1	10	16	15	106.67	LYNDHURST
11	8644	178	7	2	82	269	268	100.37	BRIDGEWATER
11	9339	52	2	0	36	90	92	97.83	STUARTS DRAFT
11	9480	33	0	3	14	50	50	100	CRAIGSVILLE
11	10826	46	5	1	69	121	121	100	VERONA
District	Totals	1176	42	26	665	1909	2032	93.95	Tenth

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12	1994	83	15	7	83	188	173	108.67	ABINGDON
12	3782	39	4	1	22	66	75	88	HAYSI
12	4301	64	12	0	44	120	110	109.09	NORTON
12	5715	154	0	0	32	186	264	70.45	BIG STONE GAP
12	6975	380	5	2	263	650	708	91.81	BRISTOL
12	8652	60	3	6	37	106	106	100	COEBURN
12	8979	90	7	1	63	161	160	100.63	CLINTWOOD
12	9600	65	4	1	74	144	151	95.36	POUND
12	9830	50	1	0	40	91	94	96.81	DAMASCUS
12	10298	44	2	9	21	76	72	105.56	PENNINGTON GAP
12	10310	42	5	3	19	69	68	101.47	EWING
District	Totals	1071	58	30	698	1857	1981	93.74	Eleventh
13	1827	150	21	4	84	259	269	96.28	CHARLOTTESVILLE
13	2044	35	2	0	11	48	56	85.71	EARLYSVILLE
13	2217	31	0	0	25	56	67	83.58	ORANGE
13	2613	5	2	2	17	26	24	108.33	COLUMBIA
13	7638	55	4	1	26	86	99	86.87	GORDONSVILLE
13	8169	31	6	0	24	61	59	103.39	SCOTTSVILLE
13	8436	15	0	0	18	33	43	76.74	YANCEY MILLS
13	8947	93	3	1	30	127	137	92.7	LOUISA
13	10295	61	4	3	15	83	85	97.65	BOWLING GREEN
13	10546	82	2	0	14	98	107	91.59	SPOTSYLVANIA
13	10574	82	78	14	100	274	184	148.91	COLONIAL BEACH
District	Totals	640	122	25	364	1151	1130	101.86	Second
MAL	15048	2538	364	67	1460	4429	4681	94.62	
State	Totals	22170	2523	549	10402	35644	36571	97.47	