

**NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES**

**General Orders No. 4  
Series**

**2013-14**

1. The following National appointments are hereby announced:

**NATIONAL DEPUTY CHIEFS OF STAFF:**

Travis Whaley, Post 6022, Cottdale, AL  
Herb Stettler, Post 10046, Soldotna, AK  
Tom Judd, Post 9907, Show Low, AZ  
Tom VonAhLefeld, Post 1763, Yuma, AZ  
Frank Forrest, Post 7659, Glastonbury, CT  
Richard Kennedy, Post 27, APO, EU  
Mark Alvarez, Post 3308, Tallahassee, FL  
Frederick Charles, Post 10140, Tampa, FL  
Paul Goldych, Post 4256, Madeira Beach, FL  
Harry Paul, Post 10069, Port Saint Joe, FL  
Robert Poucher, Post 8083, Belleview, FL  
Richard Attaway, Post 4629, Lagrange, GA  
Wayne Hagan, Post 6126, Perry, GA  
George Barlett, Post 10154, Honolulu, HI  
Jeffery Britt, Post 2698, Sparta, IL  
Chris Cornell, Post 1567, Herrin, IL  
George Foy, Post 5917, Bolingbrook, IL  
John Lenhardt, Post 6504, Waterloo, IL  
Allan Richard, Post 1197, Batavia, IL  
Charles La Plante, Post 9383, Delphi, IN  
Steve Milbourn, Post 5864, Greenwood, IN  
Carl Pearson, Post 1431, Crawfordsville, IN  
Jacob Gruber, Post 738, Des Moines, IA  
Richard Knerr, Post 1565, Muscatine, IA  
Melanie Meier, Post 56, Leavenworth, KS  
Gonzalo Reyes, Post 7397, Lenexa, KS  
Charles Miller, Post 8639, Okolona, KY  
Alvin Hatten, Post 3155, Winnsboro, LA  
Joel Demers, Post 6859, Portland, ME  
Harvey Cunningham, Post 8185, Port Deposit, MD  
George Helmcamp, Post 5838, Joppa, MD  
Joy Cumming, Post 1018, Dorchester Center, MA  
Robert Grassick, Post 1702, Braintree, MA  
Richard Chasse, Post 3979, Cloquet, MN  
Donald LaCroix, Post 6587, Spring Lake Park, MN  
John Lopez, Post 1223, Dilworth, MN  
Joseph McAleavy, Post 1222, Granada, MN  
Thomas Tinney, Post 2567, Vicksburg, MS  
Richard Osborn, Post 1634, Billings, MT  
Larry Gerlt, Post 2704, Ralston, NE  
James Pierce, Post 5547, Syracuse, NE  
Dennis Espinoza, Post 3396, Sparks, NV  
Joseph Clark, Post 816, Littleton, NH  
Raul Sanchez, Post 6917, Organ, NM

John Ambrose, Post 7414, Canandaigua, NY  
Brian Curtis, Post 6780, Dansville, NY  
John Hanley, Post 1384, Long Beach, NY  
Ronald Jubis, Post 6001, Yorkville, NY  
Thomas Milanowski, Post 5296, Salamanca, NY  
William Perkowski, Post 770, Catskill, NY  
Marsha Rowe, Post 7325, Constantia, NY  
Edward Todd, Post 672, Brewster, NY  
Donald Fenter, Post 5263, Lawton, OK  
Rick Higgins, Post 4039, Creswell, OR  
Robert Zaher, Post 2485, FPO, Pacific Areas  
Thomas Dougherty, Post 3474, Dunmore, PA  
James Frisbie, Post 7251, Throop, PA  
Henry Mannella, Post 1810, Pittsburgh, PA  
William Mayer, Post 8896, East Berlin, PA  
Michael McLane, Post 7069, Clarks Summit, PA  
John Rybcinski, Post 3474, Dunmore, PA  
Glenn Standish, Post 5207, Covington Township, PA  
Richard Hartman, Post 4487, Middletown, RI  
Paul Slater, Post 10804, Little River, SC  
Rick Williamson, Post 3164, Canton, SD  
Raymond Rich, Post 4641, Dickson, TN  
Ingleborg Conley, Post 12075, Kingwood, TX  
John Gear, Post 12117, Knox City, TX  
Glenn Gibbs, Post 6441, Wimberley, TX  
Norman Macey, Post 4816, Porter, TX  
Lavern Terbl, Post 7873, Pottsboro, TX  
John Velasquez, Post 4692, Bryan, TX  
Allston Gilmond, Post 6689, Essex Junction, VT  
Craig Dudley, Post 4809, Norfolk, VA  
Tommy Hines, Post 9954, Victoria, VA  
James Rickard, Post 6002, Newport News, VA  
Alger Bragg, Post 224, Aberdeen, WA  
Linda Fairbank, Post 2289, Seattle, WA  
Robert Milby, Post 6450, Chester, WV  
Robert Bolz, Post 1691, New Berlin, WI  
William Knudson, Post 1866, Marshfield, WI  
John Schultz, Post 10262, Plover, WI  
Donnell Nichols, Post 7756, Gillette, WY

**ASSISTANT INSPECTORS GENERAL:**

Donald Collum, Post 10774, Falkville, AL  
Wendell Speegle, Post 9785, Eagle River, AK  
Jeffrey Eiler, Post 285, Surprise, AZ  
Fred Nelson, Post 10227, Prescott Valley, AZ  
John Larensen, Post 5095, East Hampton, CT  
Billie Sherd, Post 10708, EU  
Edward Breitenbach, Post 10167, Holiday, FL  
Donald Bult, Post 11406, Jacksonville, FL  
William Dyslin, Post 8205, Panama City, FL  
Douglas Pattelena, Post 4287, Orlando, FL  
Steven Schneider, Post 8255, Middleburg, FL  
Harvard Hopkins, Post 12002, Alpharetta, GA  
Nathan Jackson, Post 4830, Moultrie, GA  
Melvin Hori, Post 10276, Honolulu, HI

Michael De Ross, Post 8821, Chicago, IL  
Bradley Gould, Post 630, Urbana, IL  
Jeffrey Hastings, Post 805, O'Fallon, IL  
Marshal Hawk, Post 454, Bloomington, IL  
Donald Smithenry, Post 4226, Olney, IL  
Eric Billman, Post 6904, Fortville, IN  
Johnny Capps, Post 6653, Clinton, IN  
Michael Sims, Post 3790, Logansport, IN  
Robert Peters, Post 5981, Lansing, IA  
Donald Roepke, Post 8884, Vinton, IA  
Hans Hull, Post 56, Leavenworth, KS  
Lee Reynolds, Post 7397, Lenexa, KS  
Erik Strange, Post 1170, Louisville, KY  
Wesley Mitchell, Post 3337, La Place, LA  
Arthur Roy, Post 1603, Auburn, ME  
Peter Moore, Post 7757, Upper Marlboro, MD  
John Ulrich, Post 8097, Jessup, MD  
Donald Lafond, Post 7239, Acushnet, MA  
Edward Walsh, Post 1018, Dorchester Center, MA  
Robert Cook, Post 1403, Benson, MN  
Charles Dresen, Post 6208, Prior Lake, MN  
James Mc Candless, Post 2818, Litchfield, MN  
Michael Pierce, Post 3723, Owatonna, MN  
Benjamin Baker, Post 3962, Corinth, MS  
David Steadman, Post 5748, Joliet, MT  
Roger Broeker, Post 1504, North Platte, NE  
James Jenson, Post 9558, Springfield, NE  
Henry F Beltran, Post 10047, Las Vegas, NV  
Jorg Dreusicke, Post 10722, Pelham, NH  
Jerry Ligon, Post 12071, Ruidoso, NM  
Lance Becker, Post 7275, Lancaster, NY  
Peter Vitulli, Post 3350, East Rockaway, NY  
Robert Carter, Post 4884, Spiro, OK  
Wayne Sharp, Post 1442, Portland, OR  
Eric Larsen, Post 9876, Pacific Areas  
Thomas Brown, Post 928, Folsom, PA  
John Foster, Post 2, Philadelphia, PA  
James Lindsey, Post 6558, Womelsdorf, PA  
Edward Mc Donald, Post 1536, Sayre, PA  
Ronald Peters, Post 212, Bradford, PA  
James Ritchie, Post 6495, Levittown, PA  
Raymond Shipp, Post 1754, Huntingdon, PA  
Peter Wisnieski, Post 9404, Coventry, RI  
Willie Mays, Post 8166, Orangeburg, SC  
Harry Moshier, Post 3342, Sisseton, SD  
Claude Abbott, Post 10855, Alcoa, TN  
Wayne Cooley, Post 9078, Round Rock, TX  
Keith King, Post 3278, Brownwood, TX  
John Lozanski, Post 5076, Garland, TX  
Peyton Lumpkin, Post 9182, Katy, TX  
William Shaffer, Post 2427, Tomball, TX  
Richard Shawver, Post 3893, Nacogdoches, TX  
Timothy Von Bon, Post 8307, Layton, UT  
Ronald Browe, Post 7823, Middlebury, VT  
John Meehan, Post 1503, Woodbridge, VA

Ramon Stafford, Post 7059, Prospect, VA  
Kenneth Wiseman, Post 2582, Portsmouth, VA  
Nestor Tamayao, Post 3063, Seattle, WA  
John Weatherill, Post 2669, Port Orchard, WA  
John Dillinger, Post 1101, Romney, WV  
Kenneth Amble, Post 9336, Arena, WI  
Leroy Jansky, Post 1038, Chippewa Falls, WI  
Gary Matthees, Post 10262, Plover, WI  
Ray Cassell, Post 7756, Gillette, WY

2. Members are reminded that their annual membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars expires December 31, 2013, unless their 2014 dues are paid and reported to Department and National Headquarters. All officers are encouraged to make every effort to renew the membership of continuous members prior to January 1, 2014. As a reminder, the annual dues will increase by \$10 effective January 1, 2014.

3. Section 220 of the National By-Laws, "Vacancies and Removal of Elective Officers or Committee Members" states that "Any elective Post officer removed by the Department Commander, by reason of failure to pay current dues or by vote of the Post under the provisions of this section, shall not be eligible to serve in any Post office in the same administrative year in which the officer is removed."

4. For the purpose of establishing continuous membership, a member may reimburse Department and National dues for all delinquent years, provided he was a member in good standing for five (5) consecutive years prior to the delinquency.

5. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to section 218 of the Manual of Procedure, "Duty of Trustees". Trustees Report of Audit must be completed in detail at the close of each quarter, one of which ends December 31, 2013. 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 and Adjutant records.

6. A thorough program of Post inspection is necessary to ensure compliance with National and Department By-Laws and directives. District and Department Inspectors to include Assistant Inspectors shall make every effort to inspect every Post under their cognizance on an annual basis and correct such discrepancies as may be disclosed.

7. The distribution of VFW Buddy Poppies will be conducted according to the provisions set forth in sections 711 of the National By-Laws and Manual of Procedure. Department, District, County Council and Post Commanders should arrange now for the distribution of Buddy Poppies for the Memorial Day campaign in their respective areas. All profits accruing from the distribution of Buddy Poppies shall be used in accordance with sections 219 and 704 of the Manual of Procedure.

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

Post Nos. 891 and 9939 consolidated as Post No. 891, Asheville, North Carolina  
Post Nos. 1681 and 7680 consolidated as Post No. 1681, Gering, Nebraska  
Post Nos. 9899 and 12120 consolidated as Post No. 9899, Archdale, North Carolina  
Post Nos. 819 and 1010 consolidated as Post No. 819, San Leandro, California  
Post Nos. 3775 and 6468 consolidated as Post No. 3775, West Branch, Michigan  
Post Nos. 4308 and 4894 consolidated as Post No. 4308, Lake Villa, Illinois  
Post Nos. 2759 and 6426 consolidated as Post No. 2759, Lengby, Minnesota

9. Announcement is made of the authorization of the charters for the following Posts:

Post No. 12133 - Reno, Nevada  
12134 - Reno, Nevada

BY COMMAND OF  
WILLIAM A. THIEN  
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

OFFICIAL:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John E. Hamilton".

John E. Hamilton  
Adjutant General