



General Order #2

February 5, 2025

Comrades,

1. Please note the following changes in GO#1.
 - a. Riders Chair: Brad Blackburn
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2. The Scout of the Year deadline for entries to the post is March 1st. Rules and applications are located on the department web page: [Scout of the Year](#). Please note that National has discontinued the Scout program so the highest level award this year is the Department.
3. The Comrade of the Year deadline for entries to the District is April 5th. Rules and applications are on the Department web page: [Comrade of the Year](#). The winner will get a Department Cap with the title Member of the Year, a citation presented at the Convention, a complimentary room, mileage reimbursement at .30 per mile, a complimentary banquet ticket, and a hospitality band.
4. The Chaplain of the Year deadline to the Department Chaplain is April 15th. Rules and applications are located on the Department web page: [Chaplain of the Year](#).
5. Billy Ray Cameron Golf Tournament is June 3-4. [Billy Ray Cameron Open Information](#).
6. The Otis N. Brown Memorial/Billy Ray Cameron Scholarship application is due to the Dept Adjutant by April 15th. The application is located on the department web page: [Scholarship Application](#).

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7. Our New Department Headquarters physical address is 4310 Cumberland Rd., Fayetteville, NC 28306. The mailing address is PO Box 367, Spring Lake NC 28390. We will have a community open house event on April 26th from 12-4 pm. The grand opening is May 29th. Be sure plenty of Membership Committee Members are on hand, along with officers and comrades to greet our community, guests, and dignitaries. There will be more information to follow.
8. Each Post will pay the National Convention registration fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25). Posts are required to register their Post delegate(s) by National General Order #7, recently published, online through the Online Membership System (OMS). Instructions will be sent to your Department email address and also located on VFW.org.
9. Attention is directed to Section 217 of the National Bylaws and the Manual of Procedure covering nomination, election, and installation of Post Officers. Submit your Post Election form through OMS immediately following the election. Nominations should be held in March and April, and election immediately following the April nominations. Post and District Quartermasters are directed to file the election reports immediately after the completion of the election/meeting.
10. The Department Convention is **June 12-15, 2025** at the Embassy Suites located at 204 Centreport Dr. Greensboro, NC 27409. The links to reserve your room and purchase your banquet/hospitality room tickets on VFWNC.com.
11. All State Post criteria: Posts may submit \$100 to the Department in lieu of advancing a safety award to the District.
12. The Department Raffle will be drawn no later than April 1st, 2025. All Posts and Districts must sell their raffle tickets and turn them in to the Department Quartermaster.

BY COMMAND OF
ANNIE CUMMINGS
COMMANDER
VFW DEPARTMENT OF NC

OFFICIAL:



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