

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WAR DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 23-24-3

SEPTEMBER 2023

1. State Commander Colleen Wiley has declared Saturday, September 23, 2023, **VFW Founders' Day** in Ohio. All Posts and Districts are instructed to not schedule any activities which will conflict with Founders' Day activities to be held in Columbus that day.
2. Announcement is made that the Department Roster is being printed and will be mailed in the near future. The post copies will be sent to the Commander and are encouraged to make it available to any post officer who may need the information contained therein. Additional copies may be purchased from Department Headquarters for cost per copy and the cost of postage.
3. **NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY, SEPTEMBER 15** Posts should conduct an appropriate ceremony. Information on conducting a ceremony can be found in the current VFW Manual of Procedure and a speech is in the Citizenship Education Program Chairman's Booklet.
4. **PATRIOT DAY, SEPTEMBER 11.** Per Presidential Proclamation, September 11th is designated as "Patriot Day." The President requests the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff (sunrise to sunset) and a moment of silence observed in honor of the individuals who lost their lives on that day due to terrorist attacks on the United States.
5. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to section 218 (a)(11)(b), Manual of Procedure, Trustees, which states that **POST TRUSTEES SHALL PREPARE** and submit quarterly, through their Post Commander, a Post Trustees' Report (VFW Store product #4214) to the Department Quartermaster for referral to the Department Inspector. The first report is due at the close of September. Do not mail these reports to National Headquarters.
6. The **distribution** of VFW "Buddy" Poppies will be conducted according to the provisions set forth in section 711 of the National By-Laws and the Manual of Procedure. Department, District and Post Commanders should arrange now for the **distribution** of "Buddy" Poppies in their respective areas. All profits accruing from the **distribution** of "Buddy" Poppies shall be used in accordance with section 704 of the National By-Laws and the Manual of Procedure.

BY ORDER OF:
Colleen Wiley
State Commander

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