

From: VFW Communications <Communications@vfw.org>
Sent: Friday, September 13, 2024 9:53 AM
To: Dorothy Mock
Subject: COA Weekly

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION
WEEKLY UPDATE



Sept. 13, 2024

Greetings,

We hope you enjoy this week's National Council Weekly Update on the pertinent happenings of your VFW departments.

Today's Council Weekly will conclude our weekly distribution of this newsletter as we transition to a Council **Monthly** moving forward.

The general format of the monthly newsletter will remain the same, however our distribution will take place on the second Friday of each month. The next Council Monthly will be distributed on Oct. 11, 2024.

Quartermaster General

Information about the VFW's 125th Anniversary can be found at vfw125.org. This includes how to get involved, a list of VFW Destination Posts, and all anniversary related merchandise.

There are 37 Posts participating in the 125th Anniversary Commemorative Post Community Program as of Sept. 9, 2024.

Contact: VFW Quartermaster General Marc Garduno, MGarduno@vfw.org.

Human Resources

- Promotions:
 - o Taylor Engle has been promoted to Director, Meeting & Events in the K.C. Office.

- Positions Actively Recruiting For:
 - Member Services Advisor – K.C. Office.

Contact: VFW Human Resources Director Sari Maple, SMaple@vfw.org.

Membership

- September’s Membership Monday topic, “**Membership by the Numbers,**” is complete and available on the Membership Recruiting and Retention page behind the login at vfw.org, where our other Membership Monday webinars can be found. Get an expert look and understanding of where to find basic member reports and learn how to use them.
- Encourage your leadership to start planning now for those larger recruiting opportunities. We are here to help! Do you have hard chargers out developing new Posts? Call us at 888.564.6839 or email us at membership@vfw.org.
- The Membership team is on Facebook! Find and follow the Membership Facebook Page at facebook.com/VFWMembership, a source for membership news, learning and sharing best practices.
- If you have a topic for training, we would love to hear from you! Contact us by emailing, Membership@vfw.org.

Contact: VFW Membership Interim Director Corey Hunt, CoreyHunt@vfw.org.

Administrative Operations

- There are currently 59 Posts under suspension, 33 of which are CIC suspensions due to no election report. The organization has 5,602 chartered Posts.
- Administrative Operations is engaged in 11 Article IX Disciplinary Actions, six Administrative Removals/Actions and 10 membership eligibility challenges.
- Currently Administrative Operations has 175 Bylaws/Articles of Incorporation submissions in for review, 23 of which are new.

Department Inspections

- As the 2024-2025 term is getting started, the following 10 Departments have been identified and are tentatively scheduled for inspections. We are currently working on availability, scheduling and logistics with hopes that the first inspection will take place in early October 2024. Special orders will be sent to each Department with instructions on the next steps once they have been officially scheduled. Departments that have been identified for inspections are as follows:
- Western Conference:
 - Pacific Areas
 - Utah
 - Washington

- Eastern Conference:
 - Europe
 - Delaware

- Southern Conference:
 - Mississippi
 - Oklahoma

- Big 10 Conference:
 - Michigan
 - South Dakota
 - Iowa

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Quentin Carroll at QCarroll@vfw.org.

2023-2024 End of Year Roll Up:

- Administrative Operations processed 262 total Post suspensions of which 155 were CIC suspensions due to no election reports for the 2023-24 & 2024-25 terms. There were 36 Post consolidations, 91 cancellation of Charters, and 13 new Posts processed and completed. Additionally, we issued 113 VFW Charters and 115 Auxiliary Charters for various reasons to include replacements, Post name or location changes, and Post consolidations.

- A total of 10 Department Inspections were scheduled and completed by the National Inspection team.

- A total of 107 Article IX Disciplinary Actions adjudicated: 63 officer removals, 22 - 518 letters, 87 eligibility challenges of which 73 were terminated due to ineligibility, four were found eligible, 48 voluntary resignations, 26 voluntary surrenders, and 13 reinstatements.

- 759 Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation have been received for review and approval during the 2023-2024 term.

Contact: VFW Administrative Operations Director Quentin Carroll, QCarroll@vfw.org.

National Veterans Service

- NVS director attended the Fall VBA Leadership Symposium in Kansas City, Missouri.

- NVS health team participated in a GAO meeting on Vet Centers.

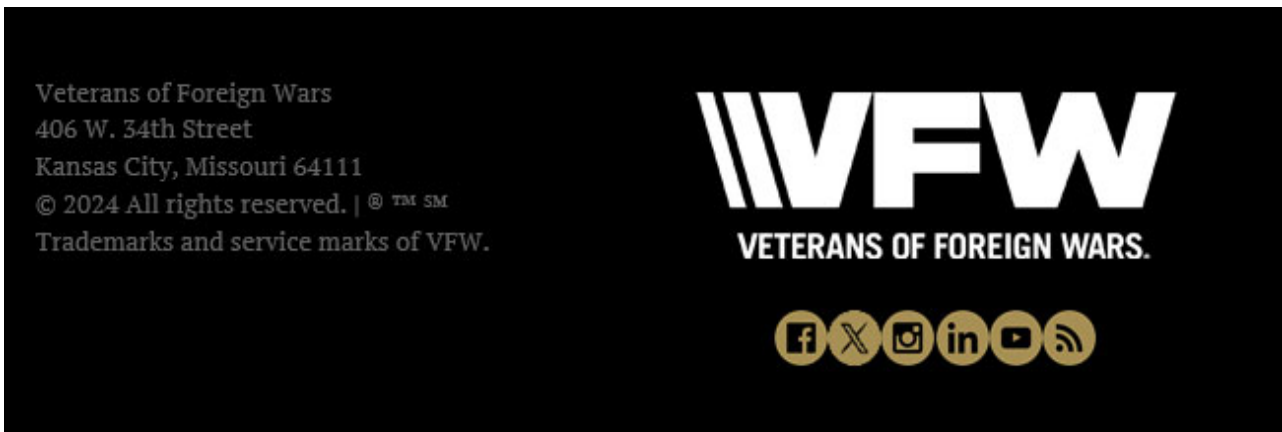
- NVS health team attended the White House Suicide Prevention Day.

- NVS BDD reps briefed transitioning service members on VA benefits at military installations across the country.

- NVS health team attended briefing on prevalence outcome of TBI issues.

- NVS health team participated in a bi-monthly ATLAS meeting.
- NVS participated in a 9/11 memorial service at the Washington Office.
- NVS leadership attended the Washington legislative press conference.

Contact: VFW National Veterans Service Director Michael Figlioli, MFiglioli@vfw.org.



Dorothy Mock

Administrative Coordinator, Communications
VFW National Headquarters
406 W. 34th Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64111
816.756.3390



[Follow us on social!](#)