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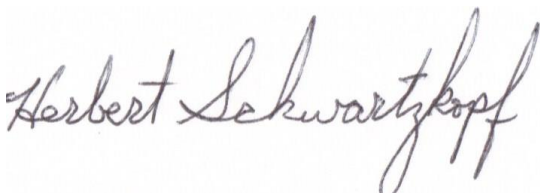
TOPEKA, KANSAS

PLEASE READ AT POST MEETING

FEBRUARY 2017

1. The 118th National Convention, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States will be held in New Orleans, LA on July 22-26, 2017.
2. The 96th Annual Department Convention will be held in Manhattan, Kansas, June 9-11, 2017.
3. Post Commanders and Quartermasters are urged to watch deadline dates for Department Membership Awards.
4. National by-laws (Manual of Procedure Section 218-11-a, b, & c) require that audits be signed by "all 3 Trustees and the Commander". It is critical that all Trustees perform timely and thorough audits of the QM's financial reports. Even if a Post is properly Bonded it does not mean they are financially protected if audits are not being completed! The Bonding company requires that proper audits are proactively performed in order to settle any potential claims.
5. Attention is called to Section 213 of the National VFW By-Laws wherein it states (in part): "Any Post in arrears for any financial obligations ... for fees, dues, poppy money, supply money, failing to have the office of Quartermaster properly bonded in accordance with Section 703, failing to ensure that the Post is properly insured in accordance with Section 709, failing to submit properly completed quarterly Post Trustees Report of Audit, Post Election Report for the ensuing year, or other obligations, shall be deprived of all representation in ... District, Department and National Conventions. Such representation shall be restored promptly upon proper adjustment of such deficiencies."

By order of
Gerald D., Commander
Department of Kansas, VFW



ATTEST: Herbert Schwartzkopf, Adj.-Qm.
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