

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
DEPARTMENT OF OHIO**

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 11-12-6

DECEMBER 2011

1. The attention of Department, District, and Post Commanders is directed to Section 103, Manual of Procedure, which prescribes the manner in which applications for membership will be handled. Applications for membership of new, reinstating or transfer members must be voted on by the members present at a regular Post meeting. No Post, District, Department or National officer or any other member has authority to reject the application card of a person who is eligible for membership.
2. All members are urged to have their **2012 dues** paid and recorded at National Headquarters prior to December 31, 2010, to avoid interrupted delivery of the VFW Magazine and Ohio VFW News. Also, the \$1,000.00 accidental death and dismemberment insurance will lapse December 31st, if dues are not received at National Headquarters.
3. Members are reminded to participate in the **Department Christmas Card and Holiday Label Programs** by making a generous donation. Donations are used to fund the many programs throughout the Department of Ohio.
4. A reminder is issued to the District **Voice of Democracy** chairman to complete the report form provided by National Headquarters immediately following District judging and forward to the state chairman.
5. **NATIONAL AIDES-DE-CAMP, MEDAL OF HONOR CLASS**

Frank A. Herda	Post 1974	Parma, OH
Gordon R. Roberts	Post 6069	Lebanon, OH
Ronald E. Rosser	Post 3297	Delaware, OH
John F. Baker, Jr.	Post 3297	Delaware, OH
6. Post Commanders are reminded that Public law 103-308 designates **December 7th** as “National Pearl Harbor Day” and requests the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff (sunrise to sunset) in honor of the individuals who lost their lives on that day. **January 1** is one of the official days when the Flag of the United States is to be displayed by all Americans. Also be advised that the U.S. flag code has been amended by Congress and signed by the President to add **Martin Luther King Day** to the list of days on which the flag should be displayed.
7. The holiday season is upon us a time for joyfulness and thankfulness. To all comrades of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and sisters of the Ladies Auxiliary, and their families; sincere wishes for a joyous holiday season and a most prosperous New Year.
8. The **113th National Convention**, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, will be held in Reno, NV, **July 21-July 25, 2012**.

9. By Special Order of the Commander-in-Chief, posts listed below have been defunct in accordance with the provisions of Section 211 of the National By-Laws.

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BY ORDER:
Gerald "Mort" Ward
State Commander

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Robert W. Funk, Jr

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