

**DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO  
1400 CARR STREET  
LAKEWOOD, COLORADO 80214**

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1

June 12, 2021

SERIES: 2021-2022

1. Having been duly elected and installed into the office of Commander, Department of Colorado, according to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, I hereby assume command of the Department of Colorado. All previously appointed officers and committeemen s term of office is hereby declared expired and now ineffective.

The following officers have been duly elected and installed at the 101st Annual Convention held June 09-12, 2021, Denver, CO., and will have full authority to act and shall be obeyed accordingly:

**COMMANDER:**

Barbara Green, #4051  
9025 Tuscany Way  
Colorado Springs 80921  
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**SR. VICE COMMANDER:**

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1220 Q Street  
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719-930-3930

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Denver 80238  
303-547-7578

**QUARTERMASTER:**

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1400 Carr St.  
Lakewood 80214  
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**CHAPLAIN:**

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Fountain 80817  
719-425-0807

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416 S Pine Dr.  
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720-226-1902

**SURGEON:**

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**ADJUTANT:**

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Colorado Springs 80920  
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**INSPECTOR:**

Eric Hutchins, #101  
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719-660-2935

**PAST DEPT. COMMANDER:**

Robert Kidd, Sr., #3917  
4114 Morley Cr.  
Colo Spgs. 80916  
719-648-6818

**SERVICE OFFICER:**

Anthony Heitman, #3631  
155 Van Gordon Room 203  
Denver, CO 80225  
303-914-5595

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155 Van Gordon Room 203  
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James Kruse, #5061  
2442 S Chase Ln.  
Lakewood 80227  
720-724-1924

**DISTRICT 2 COMMANDER:**

Raul Montano, #8898  
2428 California St.  
Pueblo 81004  
253-241-1306

**DISTRICT 3 COMMANDER:**

Fredric Scheck, #6624

110 Juneberry  
Milliken 80543  
970-580-5117

**DISTRICT 4 COMMANDER:**

Carol Thomas, #2551  
32 Lake St.

Hillrose 80733  
970-768-9257

**DISTRICT 5 COMMANDER:**

Eric Veed, #4051  
2765 Hamermesh Dr.

Colorado Spgs 80920  
719-238-6897

**DISTRICT 6 COMMANDER:**

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Las Animas 81054  
719-456-2435

**DISTRICT 7 COMMANDER:**

Michael Strawn, #8121  
24115 Hwy 149

Creede 81130  
719-658-0889

**DISTRICT 8 COMMANDER:**

Ron Johnson, #12009  
3043 Depew St.

Denver 80227  
303-478-0497

**DISTRICT 9 COMMANDER:**

Lisa Hatch, #5261  
1250 Desrado Dr.

Rangely 81648  
970-620-8751

**DISTRICT 10 COMMANDER:**

Terry Jacobson, #3471  
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Golden 80401  
303-523-1078

**DISTRICT 11 COMMANDER:**

Leonard Ladue, #3981  
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Grand Jct 81506  
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**DISTRICT 12 COMMANDER:**

Jerry Sallee, #5181  
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Monticello, UT 84535  
435-459-3074  
DISTRICT 13 COMMANDER:  
Rod Houser, #3411  
P O Box 11  
Kit Carson 80825  
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1. **COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION:** The next Council of Administration meeting will be Sunday, August 29, 2021. Joint Opening will be at 8:30 A.M. SHARP. VFW and VFW Auxiliary will be at Golden VFW Post #4171, **Training Sessions will be on Saturday August 28, 2021 at VFW Post #4171 Golden. ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS OR THEIR PROPER REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT.**

Any and all District and Post Officers and members are invited to attend. Uniform of the day will be black and white. All attending Officers must sign the roster with the Department Adjutant to record your presence at Council of Administration meeting and workshops.

2. **PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY:** All Department Officers are instructed to comply with Sec. 515, Paragraph (c) "Proof of Eligibility". Such proof must be on file at Department Headquarters **prior to August 23, 2021**. Failure to comply will disqualify Council Members from participation in the Council of Administration and District Commanders for reimbursement of expenses.

3. **2021 SPRING SWEEPSTAKES:** Prize winners of the Spring Sweepstakes are listed in this Colorado Veteran.

4. **SUBSCRIPTION DUES** notices will be mailed to the membership by National Headquarters. Call Department Headquarters with any questions.

5. **NATIONAL CONVENTION:** The 122nd National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. was held in Kansas City, MO.

6. **NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEE:** All Posts are reminded of the provision of the National By-Laws, which requires at least one registration from each Post. The registration fee of \$25.00 for the first Delegate and \$10.00 for the rest of the Delegates and a completed registration form must be sent to the Quartermaster General, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S., 406 West 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111.

7. **2021-2022 POST OFFICERS:** Posts that have not submitted Report of Election forms will do so immediately. Posts that have not submitted their Election Report to Department will not be listed in the Department roster.

Posts who did not properly reported elected officers by July 1, 2021, were suspended for a period of ninety (90) days by the Department Commander. This suspension will automatically terminate when a properly completed Report of Election of officers is received at National Headquarters. At the end of ninety (90) days, the Commander-in-Chief may cancel the charter of any Post not properly submitting a list of officers to National Headquarters.

***Please also send a copy of the Report of Election of officers to Department Headquarters.***

8. **QUARTERMASTER BONDS - AUDITS:** It is the duty of Commander to see that the office of the Quartermaster is bonded and that Trustees Reports of Audits are completed, signed by the Commander, Trustees, and Quartermaster and mailed to Department Headquarters no later than 25 days following the close of each quarter. All Quartermaster bonds carried through Department expire **August 31, 2021. The foregoing is a requirement of the National By-Laws.** Bond Applications have been mailed to the Post Quartermaster and District Commander.

9. **DEPARTMENT COLOR GUARD:** All requests for the State Color Guard Units or Ritual Teams will be directed by the State Commander to Chuck Cooper and will be handled in order of priority established by the Commander and recommendations from the District being considered. All requests will be submitted in writing to the State Commander, and it is requested that a copy be sent to Captain Chuck Cooper.

10. **COMMUNITY SERVICE and OTHER REPORTS:** Post Commanders are advised to send an **ORIGINAL report form - Community Service, Youth Activity, Americanism, Loyalty Day, Hospital and others pertaining to the Department Program report - DIRECTLY** to Department Headquarters, 1400 Carr Street, Lakewood, CO, 80214. Department Headquarters will scan same and send to the various VFW State Chairmen. The reporting year commences April 1, 2021. Do not report programs completed prior to that date for the reporting year 2021-2022. Please make a copy of these forms for your Post files. **THERE WILL BE NEW FORMS FOR 2021-2022 REPORTING ON THE VFW WEB SITE.**

11. **VFW CAPS, OFFICIAL:** All personnel are advised that there is only one official cap of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, namely, a cap of the overseas type, lettered with VFW initials, Post numerals, State, rank of office (when applicable), and bearing the Cross of Malta emblem. The color shall be regulation Army Shade 51 or Suntan, tropical worsted. Organizational echelons will be designated by the appropriate color of the braid and lettering on the cap. **Caps will not be worn while eating or seated during meals.**

All other types of headgear, i.e., baseball types, western types, sporting types, are not official headgear and will not be worn at meetings of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

12. **2020-2021 AWARDS:** Posts or individuals who have not received the appropriate awards they earned from the Department of Colorado in the 2020-2021 year, please notify Department, in writing, within Thirty (30) Days by applying for the appropriate awards.

13. **MEMBERSHIP:** The new membership year has started. Sign up a new and/or reinstated members and earn awards from Department.

ATTESTED BY:

*\s\ Bruce R. Dolan*

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Department Adjutant

BY COMMAND OF:

*\s\ Barbara Green*

Barbara Green

Department Commander