

# The Missouri Yellow Brick Road

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General Orders

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## President's Message

Free \$\$\$! Free \$\$\$! Free \$\$\$! Who doesn't want free money? Did you know you can help our Department receive FREE money from the National VFW Auxiliary? If we can get 95% in membership before November 30<sup>th</sup>, National will send the Department \$200 AND it does not stop there! As we hit the goals set for membership, the National VFW Auxiliary will send us money. What a great way to get funds into our treasury to help with our programs? So, let's get going and get those dues paid as we continue to retain our current members and recruit new members so our Department will grow.

Plan a special Christmas celebration for your membership, where you can collect those final dues. Consider having a potluck and inviting your members to attend. Especially reach out to any new members so they are included. Tell them they are to be a special guest since they are new to the Auxiliary.

Veterans Day is coming up on November 11, 2025. Has your Auxiliary planned a way to honor your veteran on Veterans Day? Dinners, parades, school programs and other get togethers will show each and everyone of them how much we care. Fly those flags shake their hands and give them a hug and see those smiles shine.

Have you planned an event for the Veterans in your community for Thanksgiving and Christmas? Why not invite them to enjoy a meal with you and your family or make a meal at the Post where all can enjoy. Take a meal to those who are unable to attend. Let's not forget them.

Is your Post planning a "Buddy"® Poppy campaign? Make sure to report what you did. Are you taking items to the hospital or homes for the veterans? Make sure to report it!

A new membership application will be coming out January 1, 2026. Please make sure your Auxiliary is using it. Department Treasurer, Jackie Davis will be contacting the Auxiliary Treasurers on a training of this new application.

I cannot believe how fast 2025 is coming to an end but we are going to make 2026 even better. I wish you and your families a great Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas. As we go into the new year, Let's be **"THE REASON A VETERAN SMILES TODAY"** and everyday as we go into 2026. We can all do this.

*Patti Burge* - Missouri VFW Auxiliary President



### Calendar of Events

- Veterans Day – November 11, 2025
- Thanksgiving – November 27, 2025
- Pearl Harbor Day – December 7, 2025
- Christmas Eve - December 24, 2025
- Christmas Day – December 25, 2025
- New Years Eve – December 31, 2025
- New Years Day – January 1, 2026



*May you and  
your family have  
a wonderful  
holiday season.*