

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

DISTRICT 18 ROSTER BOOK 2026 – 2027



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District 18 Commander

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THIS DOCUMENT IS FOR DISTRICT 18 OFFICIAL BUSINESS ONLY

DISTRICT 18 VFW MEETINGS

Lykens	Post 2385	2August, 2026	2:00 p.m.
Mechanicsburg	Post 6704	1 November, 2026	2:00 p.m.
New Cumberland	Post 7415	3 January, 2027	2:00 p.m.
Myerstown	Post 6076	2 May, 2027	1:00 p.m. Loyalty Day
			2:00 p.m. Convention
District 18 Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen Banquet		February 7, 2027 Hummelstown Fire Company	2:00p.m.



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2026 – 2027

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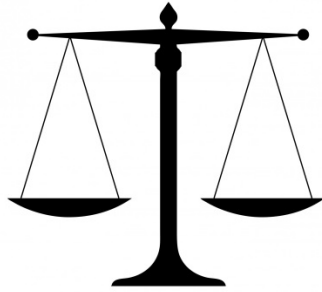
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***All program submittals must go thru the District Chairmen.
If you cannot get in touch with any chairman,
please contact the District Commander.
Please do not go directly to the State Chairmen.***



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Post 8638 Highspire
Post 8851 Boiling Springs
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During your inspection, all Posts are required to purchase 200 Poppies

***Note: A list of required items will be sent out
prior to the inspection by the inspector.***

***Please have all the required documents laid out
and ready for the inspector at the time of inspection.***

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***Note: Any changes in your Post elections,
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DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

The Department has scheduled training events to help all posts understand and fulfill their duties. HQs will have it posted on the Department of PA Website. These sessions are of great importance to both new and experienced post officers. Reserve the day and location that works best for you. Each post should send several officers to create a shared vision and teamwork. Contact State HQs for more info (717) 234-7927.

PLANNING CALENDAR 2025-2026 **SCHEDULE OF VFW MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

2026

June 19	Juneteenth (Department HQ Closed July 22 nd)
July 4	Independence Day (Department HQ closed July 3 rd)
July 10-11	Flying Squadron - Penn Stater Hotel & Conference Center 215 Innovation Blvd., State College, PA 16803 (Invitation Only)
July 11	PTI #1 – Selinsgrove VFW Post 6631 – District 17 (5:00 PM) 940 Route 522, Selinsgrove, PA 17870 (570) 374-3912
July 12	PTI #2 – Elk Mountain VFW Post 8488 - District 14 (9:00 AM) 8212 State Route 106, Kingsley, PA 18826 (570) 222-9820
July 12	PTI #3 – Butler, O’Connor McCormick VFW Post #106 District 9 (6:00 PM) 837 Lincoln Ave, West Chester, PA 19380 610-696-5858
July 13	PTI #4 – Fox Eichelberger VFW Post #7415 District 18 (6:00 PM) 109 3 rd Street, New Cumberland, PA 17070 (717) 774-5868
July 18	PTI #5 - King David VFW Post #1132 District 19 (9:00 AM) 95 Wetmore Ave, Kane, PA 16735 (814) 837-6630
July 18	PTI #6 – Bruce Shorts VFW Post 5958 District 28 (5:00 PM) 206 St John St, Titusville, PA 16354 (814-827-6223)
July 19	PTI #7 – Junction City VFW Post #128 District 25 (9:00 AM) 179 Virginia Ave, Rochester, (724) 774-4378
July 19	PTI #8 – J Howard Snyder VFW Post #781 District 27 (6:00 PM) 10 Billott Ave North Huntingdon, PA 15642 (724) 863-1515
July 20	PTI #9 – Standing Stone VFW Post 1754 District 30 (6:00 PM) 520 Penn St, Huntingdon, PA 16652 (814) 643-4141

July 25-29	National Convention Reno, NV
<i>August 2</i>	<i>District 18 Meeting – Post 2385 Lykens, PA 424 Specktown Road, Lykens, PA 17048</i>
September 7:	Labor Day (Department HQ Closed)
September 11	Patriot's Day
September 18	POW-MIA Day
September 27	Gold Star Mother's Day
October 12	Columbus Day (Department HQ (Closed
November 1-9	Eastern Conference – Garmisch, Germany
<i>November 1</i>	<i>District 18 Meeting – Post 6704 Mechanicsburg, PA 4907 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050</i>
November 3	Election Day
November 11	Veterans Day (Department HQ Closed)
November 13-15	Commander's Testimonial – Ambassador Conference Center, Erie, PA
November 26 -27	Thanksgiving Holiday (Department HQ Closed)
December 24 -25	Christmas Holiday (Department HQ Closed)
December 31-Jan 1	New Year's Holiday (Department HQ Closed)

Happy New Year 2027

<i>Jan 3</i>	<i>District 18 Meeting – Post 7415 New Cumberland 109 3rd Street, New Cumberland, PA 17070</i>
January 18	Martin Luther King Jr (Department HQ Closed)
January 28-31	Mid-Winter Conference, Penn Stater Hotel, State College, PA
February 15	President's Day (Department HQ Closed)
Feb 27-March 4	Legislative Conference, Washington, D.C.
March 5-7	Women Veterans Conference – DoubleTree by Hilton, Reading, PA
April 9-10	Department President's Testimonial – DoubleTree Pittsburgh-Cranberry
March 26-29	Good Friday & Easter Holiday Weekend (Department HQ Closed)
May 1:	Loyalty Day

May 3 *District 18 Meeting – Post 6076 Myerstown, PA*
 410 West Main Street, Myerstown, PA 17067

May 31: Memorial Day (Department HQ Closed)

June 9-13 Department Convention: Ambassador Conference Center, Erie, PA

June 19 Juneteenth (Department HQ Closed)



2026 - 2027 MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

Plaques

Lloyd Pike	Post at the Highest 100 + 1 goal with 401 to 700 members
Henry Grab	Post at the highest 100% + 1 goal with 301 to 400 members
Whitey Walters	Post at the highest 100% + 1 goal with 201 to 300 members
Ron Tyler	Post at the highest 100%+1 goal with 200 and less members
Joe Hertzler	Post with the highest numerical increase in the District
David “Spike” Gyger	First Post with 101% in the District

Frank Green Memorial Plaque: Awarded to the most outstanding VFW member who has not served as a line officer (i.e. Commander, Sr. Vice Commander and Jr. Vice Commander) at District level or higher. Nominations for the Frank Green Memorial Plaque must be submitted to the District Commander

No later than 31 March 2027

The District will provide awards for the Post by each Division
(Based on attaining highest % goal)

Division	# Members	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Division 1	200 or less	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
Division 2	201 to 300	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
Division 3	301 to 400	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
Division 4	401 to 700	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00

MEMBERSHIP IS THE BACKBONE OF OUR ORGANIZATION!!!!

All cut-off dates for District is 31 March 2027.

Buddy Poppy District Display Contest

Please go to [Department and National Websites for Contest Rules](#)

Candidates for All State and All-American Team Commander & Quartermaster must meet the Department of Pennsylvania criteria and submit the worksheets directly to Department Headquarters.

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1916-17	Hugh McLaughlin *
1933-34	Henry Grab *
1939-40	Lloyd Pike *
1955-56	Marlin (Whitey) Walter
1970-71	Ronald Tyler
1976-77	Joe Hertzler
2001-02	Charles Beistline
2023-24	David W. “Spike” Gyger

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PAST DISTRICT 18 COMMANDERS and PRESIDENTS

Commanders			Presidents		
1946-47	William Freeland	*	Ruth O'Donnel	*	
1948-49	William Freeland	*	Ruth O'Donnel	*	
1949-50	James Reilly	*	Ruth O'Donnel	*	
1950-51	Charles Ensor	*	Catherine Atticks	*	
1951-52	Marlin Walter	*	Irene Cooke	*	
1952-53	Carl Zellers	*	Amelia Reznick	*	
1953-54	Kenneth Jacobs	*	Maude Brown	*	
1954-55	Larry Conjar	*	Ruth Foote	*	
1955-56	Russell Fritz	*	Erma Ebersole	*	
1956-57	James Wilson	*	Margaret Sierer	*	
1957-58	Robert Evans	*	Pearl Shaffer	*	
1958-59	Lester Thompson	*	Lucy Fink	*	
1959-60	Richard Brown	*	Helen Klinepeter	*	
1960-61	Russell C. Miller	*	Ethel Hetrick	*	
1961-62	Ray Fogelsonger	*	Kathryn Lankford	*	
1962-63	Richard Wolfe, Sr.	*	Alma V. Murray	*	
1963-64	Charles Sierer	*	Opal Chronister	*	
1964-65	Joseph Hertzler	*	Ruby R. Miller		
1965-66	Harry Cassel	*	Mildred Holmes	*	
1966-67	Ronald G. Tyler	*	Leola Shulenberger	*	
1967-68	Francis F. Hindermeyer	*	Mary Musser	*	
1968-69	Richard Castanas	*	Wanda LeRoy	*	
1969-70	John Whisler	*	Margaret Davis	*	
1970-71	Frank Green	*	Kathryn Lankford	*	
1971-72	Glenn Keller	*	Helen Davis	*	
1972-73	Edward B. Palmer Sr.	*	Mary G. Vieli Whisler	*	
1973-74	John Slessor Jr.	*	Martha G. Barnhart	*	
1974-75	Edgar Wagener	*	Edythe M. Gassert	*	
1975-76	Ray Dewitt	*	Josephine Bucciarelli	*	
1976-77	Ray E. Varner	*	Mary Etta Hainly	*	
1977-78	Bill Blankenship	*	Charlotte Marpoe	*	
1978-79	Frank Greenawalt	*	Alice Mae Baum	*	
1979-80	Sam Matthews	*	Frances DeWitt	*	
1980-81	Harry R. Schreffler	*	Kathleen M. Keller	*	
1981-82	Robert Metz	*	Marcella Green	*	
1982-83	Richard L. Keller	*	Marion F. Wagener	*	
1983-84	Terry L. James		Georgia M. Giddings	*	
1984-85	Vacant/R		Beatrice L. Laughman		
1985-86	Dale S. Wise		Marlene Stoker		
1986-87	Glenn E. Witmer	*	Dorothy Mae Adams	*	
1987-88	David N. Myers	*	Lula Hutchison		
1988-89	John Whisler	*	Patricia Hunsicker		
1989-90	Richard Burke	*	Rebecca L. Heberlig		
1990-91	Thomas W. Gassert	*	Carrie Breach	*	

1991-92	Kenneth Rothermel Jr *	Diane Hansen	
1992-93	Francis F. Hindermeyer *	Mary Etta Hainly	*
1993-94	John W. Faulkner Jr *	Carrie Breach	*
1994-95	L. E. "Bud" Stone *	Deborah Rothermel	
1995-96	L. E. "Bud" Stone *	Teresa M. Bell	*
1996-97	Charles "Lee" Beistline	Angela Miller	
1997-98	Clifford L. Kreiser *	Lula Hutchison	
1998-99	Charles B. Allen	Beverly Raber	
1999-00	Ronald G. Stensland	Kathy Jo Reinsmith	
2000-01	Larry E. Suhr	Kathy Jo Reinsmith	
2001-02	Terry Raber	Amy Karper	
2002-03	Wrayburn Reinsmith-AS/AA	Patricia Peiper	
2003-04	Macario M. Rico *	Doris Mae Holt-Kennedy	
2004-05	Roland Gallagher *	Karen Hoover	
2005-06	Edward A. Deissroth-AS/AA	Karen Hoover	
2006-07	Edward A. Deissroth	Betty Palese	*
2007-08	George Beck III	Deborah Rothermel	
2008-09	Glen J. Hoffer -AA	Nancy Kreiner	
2009-10	Donald Prescott	Wendy Prescott	
2010-11	Glen J. Hoffer	Dale Lepore	
2011-12	David W. "Spike" Gyger	Dale Lepore	
2012-13	David W. "Spike" Gyger-AS/AA	Dale Lepore	
2013-14	Donna Coulter	Kathy Jo Reinsmith	
2014-15	Paul Kreiner	Nancy Kreiner	
2015-16	Will D'Amico	Wendy Prescott	
2016-17	Scott Fritz	Robin Kohler	
2017-18	Ricky Snyder	Robin Kohler	
2018-19	David "Spike" Gyger-AS/AA	Karen Mooney	
2019-20	David "Spike" Gyger-AS/AA	Karen Mooney	
2020-21	Frederick "Rick" Bower AS/AA	Robin Kohler	
2021-22	Fredrick Hechler	Robin Kohler	
2022-23	Fredrick Hechler	Robin Kohler	
2023-24	Frederick Hechler	Joey Diehl	
2024-25	Jeffrey Pucket	Joey Diehl	
2025-26	David W. "Spike" Gyger-AS/AA	Joey Diehl	
2026-27			

* Denotes Deceased District Commanders / Presidents

AS Donates All State Commander

AA Donates All American Commander

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