## **Important Dates to Remember**

## 2023

	July	
4 July	Independence Day- Office closed	
22-27 July	National Convention – Phoenix, AZ – Department closed (21-28 July)	
	August	
1 August	Annual Report for Non-Profit Corp. Deadline	
4 August	Coast Guard Birthday	
26 August	Homecoming – VFW - Searcy – Evening entertainment in Beebe	
31 August	Quartermaster Bond Expires	
	<u>September</u>	
4 September	Labor Day – Department Closed	
11 September	Patriot Day/National Day of Service	
15 September	POW/MIA Day	
18 September	Air Force Birthday	
29 September	VFW Day – VFW Established in 1899	
31 September	Employee/Bingo Bond Expires	
	<u>October</u>	
9 October	Columbus Day – Department Closed	
13 October	Navy Birthday	
31 October	Entries for the Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen and Teacher of the Year need to be turned in to the Post	
	<u>November</u>	
1-4 November	Southern Conference – Tulsa, OK	
7 November	Election Day	
10 November	Marine Birthday, Veteran's Day Observed – Department Closed	
11 November	Veteran's Day	
15 November	Completion of Post Judging on Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen and Teacher of the Year Award entries	
<b>20 November</b> Updated October 18, 20	Post Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen entries due to District	

22 - 24 November	Thanksgiving – Department Closed			
	<u>December</u>			
1 December	Teacher of the Year entry <u>must</u> be in the hands of the Department Chairman			
7 December	Pearl Harbor Day			
12 December	Completion of District Judging on Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Award entries			
14 December	District 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen contact information (name, address, phone number, email address, etc.) due to Department for Mid-Winter invitations			
December 19 - January 2	Christmas Holiday - Department Closed			
20 December	Space Force Birthday			
<u>2024</u>				
	January			
1 January	New Year's Day			
1 January	Deadline for Public Servant Award to be submitted to Department			
13 January	Participants for Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen Reports Due to Department Chairmen			
15 January	Martin Luther King Day – Department Closed			
31 January	Department Reports for Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen - Due to National			
	<u>February</u>			
1 February	Smart Maher Teacher of the Year and Public Servant due to National			
2-3 February	Mid-Winter – Airport Holiday Inn, Little Rock			
19 February	Presidents Day – Department Closed			
28 February	VFW Member of the Year due to District			
	<u>March</u>			
1 March	Post Entry Deadline for Scout of the Year			
Watch Gen. Orders	5 Deadline for Nick Bacon Scholarships			
10 March	Daylight Savings Time			
28 March	VFW Member of the Year, VFW Employer of the Year, and JROTC due to Department Chairmen			

31 March	Easter	
	<u>April</u>	
1 April	Deadline for Scout of the Year to be submitted to the Department Chairman	
	<u>May</u>	
4 May	VFW National Day of Service	
27 May	Memorial Day – Department Closed	
30 May – 2 June	State Convention – Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs	
	June	
14 June	Flag Day, Army Birthday	
19 June	Juneteenth	

## DATES AND LOCATONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

## **UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:**

27 July – 1 August 2024	National Convention – Louisville, KY
5 - 9 November 2024	Southern Conference – Nashville, TN
31 Jan – 1 Feb 2025	Mid-Winter - Airport Holiday Inn, Little Rock
5—8 June 2025	State Convention – Embassy Suites, Jonesboro
9–14 August 2025	National Convention – Columbus, OH
15–20 August 2026	National Convention – Salt Lake City, UT
31 July – 5 August 2027	National Convention - Milwaukee, WI
5–10 August 2028	National Convention – San Antonio, TX