



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA

KAREN SHARP, PRESIDENT

GENERAL ORDERS

JULY 2026

First of all, I wish to thank everyone for giving me this tremendous honor and privilege to once again serve as South Dakota Department President. I hope I can live up to all your expectations. It is going to “Bee” Fantastic!

As this is the beginning of our 2026 – 2027 year, there is much to do.

AUDIT for the fourth (1/4) quarter (April 1 – June 30) is to be completed by July 31, 2026. It is recommended that the outgoing Treasurer and Trustee be invited to the audit.

BOND is due and payable. Please do so by July 31st. Remember both the President and Secretary should have copies of the Bond in their records.

E990 can now be filed. If it is done now, you won't forget.

DONATIONS may be submitted to Department Treasurer, Nancy Chester. The sooner, the better.

STANDING RULES are to be reviewed. After any changes, if any, motion to adopt as revised.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S VISIT will be in Pierre **August 21, 2026**. More details to follow.

FALL COUNCIL and SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION are scheduled to be held in Rapid City September 25 and 26. Going to try some new things this year. Come and see what we have done.

SHIRTS: I am going to place another order for Commander Rick and my shirts. The order will be for both VFW and Auxiliary shirts. Price is \$25 each. Please let me know how many, what size and if for the VFW or the Auxiliary by July 15. You may send a check to me at 310 Port Charlotte Ave., Fort Pierre, SD 57532.

WEBSITE (VFWAUXSD.ORG): We will be communicating lots through the website: vfwauxsd.org. There will be lots of information there. Check it out often and utilize this great tool. If you have suggestions, please let us know.

TINY HOUSES is Commander Rick and my Project for this year. There is a raffle that you personally and/or your Auxiliary may participate in by either buying or selling raffle tickets. Monetary donations, both personal or by Auxiliary are also acceptable. Perhaps your Auxiliary wants to do a fund raiser with the proceeds to go to the project. Send your donations to Nancy Chester, Department Treasurer.

Happy 4th of July to everyone. This is a big year. Enjoy and Be Safe.

Karen Sharp