

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS  
47th ANNUAL MID-WINTER CONFERENCE  
JANUARY 29 – FEBRUARY 1, 2026**

**THURSDAY JANUARY 29, 2026**

6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room	Room 837
7:00 p.m.	COMMANDER'S DINNER WITH SR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF (by invitation)	Burdicks – Draft Room

**FRIDAY JANUARY 30, 2026**

**DRESS CODE of the DAY: CASUAL, VFW COMMANDER'S POLO & GREY SLACKS**

**PICK UP PRE-PURCHASED BANQUET TICKETS (Pickup at Auxiliary Registration)**

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Registration (Closed for Lunch 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.)	Foyer outside Flats
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Program Display tables	Great Lakes
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	VFW & Auxiliary Buddy Poppy Displays	Great Lakes
8:30 a.m.	VFW Service Committee Meeting Chairman, PSC John Griffith	Prairies
9:00 a.m.	VFW Budget & Finance Committee Meeting Chairman, PSC David Miller	Prairies
9:30 a.m.	VFW Bylaws & Resolutions Committee Meeting Chairman, PSC Kevin Conklin	Prairies
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>	
10:15 a.m.	Post Inspections & Audits (Lessons Learned) Dept Inspector, Butch Ogden	Prairies
10:30 a.m.	Department All-State / All-American Program Review Director, Mike Martin	Prairies
10:45 a.m.	Community Service – National Day of Service Department Director, Tracy Nagy	Prairies
11:00 a.m.	Youth Activities Program, Applications Preparation Department Director, Larry Thayer	Prairies
11:15 a.m.	VFW State Legislative Updates State Legislative Directors, Scott Taylor & Derek Blumke	Prairies
<b>12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>LUNCH ON YOUR OWN</b>	
1:00 p.m.	VFW National Legislative Priorities Update National Legislative Cmte Members, Kimberly Napoleon & Ray Lopez	Prairies
2:00 p.m.	Department Membership Program Review Director, Orville Beauchamp	Prairies

