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Veteran's Day - is officially November 11th and planning a program at your Post is very important for the VFW, our members and your community.

Endowment Association - Annually, the Kansas Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Auxiliary, through its Endowment Association, offers college and vocational school scholarships to the children and grandchildren of its membership. Applications are available on the Kansas VFW website <http://vfwks.org/>

Applicants must have a parent or grandparent who are actively affiliated with a VFW Post or Auxiliary in the State of Kansas. Active means either a life member or a member whose dues are paid for the current membership year or were so at the time of his/her death.

Applications are submitted through the VFW Post or Auxiliary that can verify the membership affiliation of the parent or grandparent.

Applications are made available through local VFW Posts or Auxiliaries. Applicants should ensure that they have the current application form.

Completed application forms are returned to the VFW Post or Auxiliary for review and to verify eligibility for submission to the VFW Endowment Association for consideration. The deadline for submission (to Department Headquarters) of applications is **February 1, 2019**.

In 2018, the VFW Endowment Association awarded \$24,500 for scholarships. These scholarships ranged from \$1500 to \$2000.

Buddy Poppies - are being distributed throughout many areas in Kansas during the Veteran's Day weekend. Hope these distributions will meet with great success. Effective October 1, 2014 the Buddy Poppy rates were increased. Cost is \$115.00 per thousand. All orders to be mailed to Department Headquarters. Increments of less than 1,000 are \$15.00 per hundred.

Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen - Post deadline is October 31st and District deadline is November 15th. These programs are all mandatory for All State and All American programs.

Teacher Award – Post deadline is October 31st, District deadline is November 15th. **This program is mandatory for All American. ***Participation counts towards All-State but is not mandatory.**

Clubs - should review their rules and activities to make sure they are in compliance with state and federal laws.

Eisenhower Vigil – Thanks to all Comrades and members of the Auxiliary whom stood watch at the annual Eisenhower Vigil.