



Department of South Dakota

General Orders #10 “Providing Top Cover”

April 1, 2019

- 1. Membership.** All State, District and Post Officers are asked work harder on membership this month as time is running short. This is necessary for our Great State of South Dakota to achieve 100% membership this year. Please help your membership drive by putting on a **push now** to attain your Posts membership quota.
- 2. Special Notice.** 2019-2020 Theme for Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen is: “What Makes America Great”
- 3. Arrearages, Deficiencies and Omissions. Reference Section 213, Page 15 of National By-Laws.** Any Post in arrears for any financial obligation to District, Department and National for fees, dues, poppy money, supply money, failing to have the office of Quartermaster properly bonded in accordance with Section 703, failing to assure that the Post is properly insured in accordance with Section 709, failing to submit properly completed Quarterly Post Trustees Report of Audit, Post-Election Report for the ensuing year, or other obligation, shall be deprived of all representation in District, Department and National Conventions. Such representation shall be restored promptly upon proper adjustment of such deficiencies.
- 4. Audit Reports.** Has your Post sent in its last Audit Report yet? A review of the Posts submission of Audit Reports indicates that many are missing. It is the Post Commander’s responsibility to ensure that they are sent in on a timely basis. If you don’t know what reports you have sent in, call the State Office to find out.
- 5. IRS Form 990.** All Posts that enjoy tax exemption status are advised that they must answer all questions on pages 1, 2, and 3 of the IRS Form 990. Submitting a copy of the Post Financial Statement in lieu of answering the individual questions is not acceptable. If the questions are not answered the IRS will return Form 990 to the Post. **Report must be filed by the 15th day of the 5th month following the close of the fiscal year.**
- 6. Special Olympics.** Our goal this year is \$1,500 and we are at \$1365. Posts are asked to make generous donations to the Special Olympics Fund Program. Send donations to VFW Department headquarters.
- 7. Post Elections.** Reference Section 217, page 71, Manual of Procedure, Nomination Election, Installation, of Officers and Term of Office. Officers shall be nominated in March and shall be elected in April. Nominations shall remain open until the Post is ready to vote. **Please become actively involved in this process.**
- 8. Installation of Officers.** Reference Section 217, page 71, Manual of Procedure. The Post Commander-elect will select the installing officer who holds or has held a rank at least as high as that of Post Commander. Post officers shall be installed in their respective offices prior to the convening of the Department Convention but shall not assume their duties until the Department Commander is installed. The installation may be conducted publicly at an open meeting. An Officer-elect who may be absent for good and sufficient reason or cause may be installed at any regular or special meeting prior to the Department convention. If not then installed, the office will automatically become vacant. Officers shall be elected for a term of one (1) year except that three trustees shall initially be elected for terms of one (1), two (2) and three (3) years and thereafter one (1) trustee shall be elected each year for a term of three (3) years.
- 9. District Commanders.** Reference Section 417, Page 21 of National By-Laws. The elected District Officers shall be nominated and elected annually at the District Convention or Spring Meeting. Nomination, election and installation shall be in a manner prescribed in the Manual of Procedure. The District Commanders will be installed again at the Department Convention in June, 2019 as a member of the Department Council of Administration, according to Section 522 Council of Administration – Composition, Powers and Duties, Page 26.

10. **2019-2020 Report of Election Forms.** These forms are mailed out by National Headquarters to the Post Adjutants who have been instructed to return the completed document directly to National Headquarters. **Post Adjutants are asked to make a copy** and send it to the State Headquarters so that we will know the election report has been completed. It is very important that you complete these election forms in the time allowed or your Post or District will be moved to the delinquent list at National Headquarters. The deadline is June 1, 2019 and if your election report is not in by June 1st 2019, your post will be put on the suspension list immediately. There will be no grace period as in past years. All positions must be filled and a member is not allowed to hold more than one elected office, see Sections 216, Elected and Appointed Offices, page 16. If the election report is not sent in on time the Post and officers will not receive any information from National and your dues notices will not be sent out to your membership.

11. **Delegates, District/State Conventions.** Reference National By-Laws, Section 222, and Page 76. Posts shall elect delegates and alternates to District conventions at a regular meeting of the Post held not less than thirty (30) days prior to the District Convention at which District officers are to be elected, one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each thirty (30) members or fraction thereof in good standing in the Post at the time of the election. Delegates and alternates to the Department Convention shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Post held not less than thirty (30) days prior to the Department Convention. Posts are entitled to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each thirty (30) members or fraction thereof in good standing in the Post at the time of the election. **Review your meeting date and make sure it's at least 30 days prior to June 14th.**

12. **National Convention Delegates.** Reference National By-Laws, Section 222, page 17. Each Post will pay, in advance, a National Convention registration fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which shall entitle the Post to a packet of Convention information materials and one identified registered delegate for the National Convention. Each additional attending delegate attending the National Convention will pay a ten-dollar (\$10.00) delegate fee.

13. **Community Service Record Books.** All Community Service projects completed during the period April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 should be included when making your Post/Auxiliary record book. Record Books must be received by April 22, 2019 and are to be sent to State Chairman, Barbara McKean, 504 S Wallace St., Parkston, SD 57366. Community Service Record Book forms may be downloaded from the Department Web site - vfwsd.org.

14. **Judging for the All-State Team of Commanders, District Commanders and Post Quartermasters.** Judging will be on May 4th, 2019, starting at 1430 in Sioux Falls (work, then dinner). All report information must be received at State Headquarters by 5 pm, Friday May 3rd, 2019. Please refer to the 2018-2019 Department Membership Program Booklet for details on these contests. A copy may be downloaded from the Department Web site - vfwsd.org.

15. **Buddy Poppies.** Posts are reminded to order their Buddy Poppies and poppy supplies and to complete arrangements for their year's poppy distribution. Order forms may be downloaded from the Department Web site - vfwsd.org.

16. **Department Convention.** The 2019 Department Convention will be held on June 13th-16th, 2019 in Madison, SD, hosted by Post 2638. For more convention information, i.e., registration, motel information, convention schedule, etc., go to the Home Page at the Department web site - vfwsd.org. Convention Ads for the 2019 Convention Booklet is due by May 1, 2019. Convention book ad submission form may be downloaded from the department web site - vfwsd.org.

17. **Commemorative Dates. Reference Section 223, Page 76-77 of Manual of Procedure.** Posts shall make arrangements for observances of Memorial Day. See that suitable grave markers, wreaths and United States flags are placed on the graves of deceased veterans and if practicable, conduct Memorial Day Services at the cemeteries in its locality. **Posts** shall see that suitable arrangements are made for the observance of Flag Day and Loyalty Day. **Also, Posts** should arrange special ceremonies, and all Commanders should alert comrades to their obligations for appropriate commemoration of other dates specified in the Ritual. Remember to report details of these events in your Community Service Report.

18. **Spring District Meetings:** See separate sheet on meeting dates, times, place, etc.

OFFICIAL:

Darwin Tolzin
Darwin Tolzin, Adjutant
Department of South Dakota
Veterans of Foreign Wars

BY ORDER OF:

Danny Frisby-Griffin
Danny Frisby-Griffin, Commander
Department of South Dakota
Veterans of Foreign Wars

Loyalty Day is May 1st
Please get your reports in ASAP for judging.

NEW Web site: Please start using vfwsd.org for all your state VFW information. The address changed just this month from sdvfw.org to the NEW vfwsd.org

Spring District Meetings
District #1 April 14th @ Beresford 2pm—Dept Rep: Rick Williamson
District #4 May 5th @ Watertown 2pm—Dept Rep: Cody Mangold
District #6 April 7th @ Gettysburg 2pm—Dept Rep: Sean Johnson
District #7 April 14th @ Mitchell 2pm—Dept Rep: Colin Reisner
District #10 April 28th @ Custer 1pm—Dept Rep: Ken Moss

2019-2020 Post Election Report
The deadline is June 1, 2019
Report online to National Headquarters. VFW.ORG

BUDDY POPPIES
GET YOUR POST ORDER IN TO STATE HEADQUARTERS
Order forms are posted on the Web site, vfwsd.org.

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Department Judging for ALL-STATE AWARDS for 2018-2019
Saturday, May 4th, 2019, at 2:30pm
5009 W 12th St. Suite 6A, Sioux Falls, SD
All reports must be in to State Headquarters by 5 pm, Friday, May 3rd, 2019

Election of Officers for Department

At this time the following members have announced their candidacy for the 2019-2020 VFW year:

Commander	Sean Johnson	Post 17	Aberdeen
Sr. Vice Commander	Cody Mangold	Post 791	Yankton
Jr. Vice Commander	Barbara McKean	Post 3298	Parkston
Quartermaster	Darwin Tolzin	Post 2118	Brookings
Chaplain	Mike Boxa	Post 9550	Burke
Judge Advocate	Colin Reisner	Post 791	Yankton
Surgeon			
National Council Member	Rick Williamson	Post 3164	Canton

Overseas Veteran

We are looking for **sponsors** for our paper. We still need your **support** to put it all together and on the web site for everyone to view. Please consider supporting our ongoing newspaper for the next year, your name will then be printed for the next 4 quarters in the paper.

- BRONZE** Category \$10
- SILVER** Category \$20
- GOLD** Category \$30

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

**Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of South Dakota
State Commander Danny Frisby-Griffin General Orders 04/2019**

Greeting Comrades,

All the Department Commanders got together with the Commander-in-Chief during the National Legislative Session to brainstorm ways to help those Departments struggling to meet the membership benchmarks. The main take-away is to keep working the phones, emails, USPS and roundups at different events than we have attended in the past. I also learned during the session the benchmarks were established using the 1992 membership timeline. This was the last time National achieved 100% in membership. The membership team is aware and appreciates all your time and energy you have put forth so far this year. As of 3/19/2019, we're holding in 51st place with 90.87% and 418 members behind last year.

Can you believe we're on 3 months away from the 89th Annual SD VFW Convention? It's coming up quickly and I've heard from a number of you about the lack of rooms at the Super 8 in Madison. We're not sure what happened with the rooms we had blocked and understand the price has increased significantly since we created the registration. Sorry about the misinformation and frustration. With that said, please continue sending in your registration and other forms as required.

April is an important month in our VFW leadership timelines with the election of Post and District Officers. Please follow the by-laws in electing the officers, ensure eligibility, membership renew to cover entire election year (July 2019-July 2020), complete election report online and install. The elections are normally conducted in April with installation in May for Posts.

Attached to these general orders are the latest (yes, they have changed slightly from last month and are current on our new website) 89th Convention schedule, ads form and registration information. The latest information can always be found our NEW website; <http://vfwsd.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=63286>.

Thanks again for your support and I look forward to hearing from you.

State Commander, Danny "Wham-O" Frisby-Griffin

Danny.frisby-griffin@outlook.com

**April 2019
General Orders
Senior Vice Commander
Sean Johnson**

Hello Friends from the wide tundra of the North. We are soon to be the flooded-out lakes of the North. I do hope the snow melts slow enough and the ground can absorb the moisture that would be nice. I don't know where the time is going, but it goes by so fast and I knew it would because everybody warned me it would. The Quartermaster and I are headed to Kansas City for Senior Vice training on the 4-7 April I am putting the rough touches together of my membership program, and starting to look at my green sheet for possible positions and appointments. If we have people interested let me know.

I want to take a moment to reflect: We have moved forward in the last couple of years and it will take a couple of more adding things in here or there to get where we need to be. We knew it couldn't be done all at once or overnight. The older peer mentors are to be commended they saw what was coming and they embraced it and helped us move forward. Look, I realize no one, I mean no one wants to hear membership anymore, and people do not want, to be in their jobs and not do them correctly. I have heard and seen we used to have people competing for the state chairs and now we don't, not one.

I realize that we are tired and worn out and just find it hard to be into it. What I ask of you is this, stop, take a deep breath, refocus don't give up, find a person to fill your position mentor them for a year. Do a military left seat, right seat show them how to do it correctly and then step down. We can ill afford to lose you and your valuable experience by you stepping down and losing all your valuable knowledge and experience for the State of South Dakota you are the gems we have. Comrades we have fought the good fight I have been there to see it. We need each and every one of us to help put the wind and gusto back into our sails. Now more than ever we need our Peer mentors to get this back on track be there to help us!

Enjoy you're April May is around the corner and state judging will be soon coming up so get the year end paperwork done and in for your points! Thank You !

**Jr. Vice Commander Cody Mangold
May 2019 General Orders**

Greetings Comrades,

Another month has passed and we are getting closer to the State Convention. I know you all are doing your best at membership. We are sitting right around 91% right now. We need to keep on membership and work on those expired comrades. Go through those expired in the last 5 years, getting some of them will help pull us through for a last-minute push. Besides working on membership please work on your Community Service reports and Hospital & Safety report. Also please get your Veterans Day, Memorial Day, Loyalty Day, and other reports in. We all need to work together for membership, and all of the reports.

Cody Mangold Jr. Vice Commander

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Barbara K. McKean
Judge Advocate
April General Orders

- ❖ [Your Community Service Book is due to me NLT 18 April 2019! They will be judged for All State Competition. To access the form, please go to <http://www.vfwsd.org/custom/vfw-forms> \(Select the Community Record Book Registration & Judging Information form\).](#)
- ❖ [Don't Forget your Loyalty Day report is due by 5 May 2019 \(send to Sean Johnson\)! Access form at: <http://www.vfwsd.org/custom/vfw-forms> \(Loyalty Day Report\).](#)
- Check out all the Reports available on our state website at <http://www.vfwsd.org/custom/vfw-forms>.
- General Orders are available at www.vfwsd.org
- You can access the Overseas Veteran at <http://www.vfwsd.org/Uploads/documents/27/201707OSV.pdf>

Community Service Reports NOT received for 2018-2019 are: (as of 18 Mar)

Dist 1: Yankton - missing 3rd Qtr; Alcester - missing 1st Qtr

Missing all 3 Qtrs are:

Parker; Beresford; Canton; Freeman; and Crooks

Dist 4: Missing all 3 Qtrs are:

Watertown; Sisseton; Flandreau; Britton; Summit; Goodwin; and Dell Rapids

Dist 6: Missing all 3 Qtrs are:

Huron; Mobridge; Faulkton; Miller; Eureka; Wessington Springs; and Turton

Dist 7: Scotland - missing 3rd Qtr

Missing all 3 Qtrs are:

Winner; Chamberlain; and Plankinton

Dist 10: Rapid City VFW - missing 2nd & 3rd Qtr

Missing all 3 Qtrs are:

Sturgis VFW; Lemmon; Belle Fourche; Faith; Newell; Spearfish; and Quinn

The posts that have submitted all 3 Qtrs are: Sioux Falls; Elk Point; Vermillion; Brandon; Brookings; Madison; Milbank; Webster; Aberdeen; Pierre; Redfield; Gettysburg; Marty; Mitchell; Lake Andes; Parkston; Tyndall; Armour; Wagner; Burke; Custer; and Deadwood!

For those posts that completed the reports each quarter – WE THANK YOU! I know *everyone* out there is doing the work. If you don't submit the reports, the VFW does not get the credit we deserve. **These reports are important!** They serve as a record of everything being done!

HISTORY OF LOYALTY DAY



According to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Loyalty Day originally began as "Americanization Day" in 1921 as a counter to the Communists' May 1 celebration of the Russian Revolution. On May 1, 1930, 10,000 VFW members staged a rally at New York's Union Square to promote patriotism. Through a resolution adopted in 1949, May 1st evolved into Loyalty Day. Observances began in 1950 on April 28 and climaxed May 1 when more than five million people across the nation held rallies. In New York City, more than 100,000 people rallied for America. In 1958 Congress enacted Public Law 529 proclaiming Loyalty Day a permanent fixture on the nation's calendar.

The VFW Auxiliary has stated that, "We realize that our freedom is truly unique, and that is why we take pride in it. Woodrow Wilson once said, "America was established not to create wealth but to realize a vision, to realize an ideal – to discover and maintain liberty among men." America was built on that ideal, and we have maintained it for over two centuries!

This land is "the land of the free" because of the many freedoms we enjoy ... the freedom of religion ... of speech ... of assembly ... but what it all comes down to is that we have the freedom of choice.

We have the choice to receive higher education or to begin a career. We have the choice to adopt two children or bear ten children. We have the choice to rally for another form of government or to demonstrate our pride in a democratic nation.

We should beware of taking our freedom for granted. Others fear what our country has ... what our country is ... and that is why they want to destroy it. We must cherish our freedom; we must protect it.

America has survived many trials ... the Civil War ... the Depression ... Hitler ... and we will survive terrorism. Why? Because we care about our freedom. We care about protecting our country. The very freedom that allows us to question our form of government is the same freedom that makes our nation strong.

So, be proud of your freedom. Be proud of your county. Don't be afraid to scream, "I'm proud to be an American!"

The purpose of Loyalty Day is to demonstrate our patriotism ... our support for our unique tradition of freedom. Showing our pride in America can be done on more than just Loyalty Day or the 4th of July ... we can demonstrate our loyalty throughout the year by helping our country be the best that it can be.

We can do this by teaching our youth about what it means to be an American ... taking care of our veterans, who have protected our freedom, and their families ... showing respect for our flag ... voting in elections ... or helping the homeless.

Let's work together and show the world that we are proud of our freedom. We are proud of our county...we are proud Americans! <http://vfw12024.org/Loyalty-Day.asp>

Barbara McKean
State Judge Advocate

State Surgeon April 2019
Colin Reisner

Comrades,

These are the current reports received as of March 25th.

District 1: Brandon, Elk Point, Vermillion, Yankton

District 4: Brookings, Madison, Milbank, Watertown, Webster

District 6: Aberdeen, Gettysburg, Huron, Pierre, Redfield

District 7: Armour, Burke, Chamberlain, Lake Andes, Marty, Parkston, Wagner

District 10: Custer, Deadwood, Newell, Rapid City

Sgt. Colin G. Reisner USA (Ret)
"Our Country, Not Ourselves"

**State Chaplain
Mike Boxa
Burke Post 9950
SDvfwChaplin2@outlook.com**

Dear Comrades, Brothers and Sisters,

I recently came back from Oklahoma this weekend. I attended the last three nights of revival at my small Pentecostal Church. I did the special singing the last few nights. I even got in an Usher job one evening service.

In driving down, I survived the flooding of our local rivers. On the return trip, the Snyders' phoned and said another dam went. Sure enough, it would be on my river crossing, the last river crossing not effected by the flooding from the week before. Running late and leaving 9 AM, I knew it was 11 hours' drive time and a gas stop break, I could see the bridge as the sun goes down around 8 PM. Sure enough, got to Newport, Nebraska and 43 miles up north is Burke and then 14 miles over to the farm by Gregory. We said prayers, Be of Good Courage, I was talking to myself. The sunsets and it got dark in the valley. The Niobrara Bridge over the river was fine. I said, Great, and then 2 miles later, the Keya Paha Bridge. Lights everywhere. Highway Patrol / Sherriff County lights. Oh NOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO! I thought the bridge is out. Do I have enough gas to make it around this hiccup and get to the farm? It could be a 275-mile drive over west and back.

A sheriff chats with me as I slow up and see his flashlight. He said the creek rose 2 feet from the dam burst 90 miles to the west. We are passable, but, the current was hitting the north side of the bridge support and eroding the base. They had called an earth moving Cat and some trucks of rock to get in, to shore up the base. The CAT was already filling in the sink hole and trying to detour the water away from the columns. The law enforcement caught it in time. I had a nice visit with the Sherriff. He said I would make it and do not hit the CAT. The Cat actually had a good driver, as I saw his operator skill driving and pushing a pile of reserve rock already there at the emergency rock supply spot.

There was an elderly lady who prayed Psalm 91 over me before I left Oklahoma. It is called the travelers protection Psalm many a times. It is a shorter Psalm, but the first lines of God's Word in it is, **He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.** ²**I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.** ³**Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.** ⁴**He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.** ⁵**Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; the two center verses go like this; 11 for he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.**

¹²**They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.**

I don't know why I said OH NO! I knew the Lord had me all the way.

Be there for one another!!

Warmest Regards,

Mike Boxa

**Department of South Dakota
Veterans of Foreign Wars Convention
Thursday, June 13 thru Sunday, June 16 2019
Madison, SD**

Thursday, June 13, 2019

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Registration	Science Center (SC)
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Post/District Quartermaster Meeting/Training	Nicky's
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	District Commanders (old/new) Lunch	Nicky's
2:30 PM - 3:45 PM	Council of Administration Meeting	Science Center (SC) 135
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM	Committee Meetings	SC Conf Rms 132 & 133
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Dinner	On your own
6:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Award Presenters Meeting	Tunheim Classroom Building (TCB) 203
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Joint VFW/Aux Awards Presentations	TCB 203

Friday, June 14, 2019 (Flag Day)

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Past Dept. Chief of Staff Breakfast	2 nd Street Diner
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Registration	Science Center
8:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Opening VFW Business Meeting	SC 135
9:45 AM - 10:00 AM	Coffee Break	Science Center
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Joint Memorial Service	TCB 203
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch	On your own
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Joint Opening Session (awards/guests)	TCB 203
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Dinner	On your own
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Old School Hospitality Night (cash bar)	VFW Post 2638
8:00 PM -	Entertainment	VFW post 2638

Saturday, June 15, 2019

8:00 AM - 11:30 PM	VFW Business Meeting	SC 135
9:45 AM - 10:00 AM	Coffee Break	Science Center
11:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	On your own
11:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Past Dept. Commander Luncheon	Prime Time Tavern
1:15 PM - 2:30 PM	VFW Business Meeting & Incoming Officer Pics	SC 135
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM	Joint Installation of Officers	TCB 203
4:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Close Convention	SC 135
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Social Hours (cash bar)	Dakota Prairie Playhouse
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Convention Banquet	Dakota Prairie Playhouse

Sunday, June 16, 2019

8:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Council of Administration Meeting (new)	SC 135
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Mandatory District Commanders Meeting	Science Center Conf Rms

**Department of South Dakota
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Convention
Thursday, June 13 thru Sunday, June 16, 2019
Madison, SD**

Thursday, June 13, 2019

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Registration	VFW Post 2638
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Council of Administration Meeting	VFW Post 2638
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Officers and Chairman's Luncheon	2 nd Street Diner
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Luncheon	On your own
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	Officer March Practice, Flag & Banner Practice, Ritual Practice	VFW Post 2638
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Opening Auxiliary Business Meeting	VFW Post 2638
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Dinner	On your own
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Past Department President's Dinner	2 nd Street Diner
6:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Award Presenters Meeting	Tunheim Classroom Building
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Joint VFW/Aux Awards Presentations	(TCB) 203

Friday, June 14, 2019 (Flag Day)

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Registration	VFW Post 2638
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Auxiliary Business Meeting	VFW Post 2638
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Joint Memorial Service	TCB 203
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch	On your own
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Gold Star Family/Recognition Luncheon	Nicky's
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Joint Opening Session	TCB 203
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Dinner	On your own
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Old School Hospitality Night (cash bar)	VFW Post 2638
8:00 PM -	Entertainment	VFW post 2638

Saturday, June 15, 2019

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Aux Business Meeting	VFW Post 2638
9:45 AM - 10:00 AM	Coffee Break	VFW Post 2638
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	On your Own
1:00 PM - 2:45 PM	Aux Business Meeting & Close Convention	VFW Post 2638
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM	Joint Installation of Officers	TCB 203
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Social Hours (cash bar)	Dakota Prairie Playhouse
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Convention Banquet	Dakota Prairie Playhouse

Sunday, June 16, 2019

8:30 AM – Until Done	Council of Administration Meeting (new)	VFW Post 2638
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**Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary
Convention Registration for the Department of South Dakota
June 13-16, 2019**

**** Please use one form for each individual registration****

Registration for Convention will be **\$80** per member prior to **May 20, 2019**, and **\$100** after **May 20, 2019**.

Individual banquet tickets will be sold to non-members for **\$40**. This **will also** include a name badge for the Hospitality Night. You can purchase these tickets in advance by informing us on your registration form. **Cut-off time for additional banquet tickets will be 4 PM Friday June 14, 2019.**

Those who have registered by **May 20, 2019**, will have their name entered into an **"Early Bird Drawing."** Two drawings will be made at the Convention for \$50 each. So, get your registration in by **May 20, 2019** to possibly be a winner.

Name badges will be required for the Hospitality Night and banquet. Events will be held at Dakota State University, Ronald Westby VFW Post 2638 (510 S Washington Ave), Nicky's, Second Street Diner and Prime Time.

PRINT Name:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Membership:

Auxiliary

Post

Post or Auxiliary Location:

Post #:

Please list the title you want on your badge if you hold an elected office at the Post, Auxiliary, District, or Department level:

VFWS Past Department Commanders and District Commanders, 2018/2019 and 2019/2020, Luncheon \$25.00 by May 20, 2019.

VFWS Auxiliary Officers and Chairman Luncheon \$15.00 by May 20, 2019.

Registration Form: **VFWS Auxiliary Gold Star Family/Recognition Luncheon \$18.00 by May 20, 2019.**

PRINT Name:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Auxiliary City, Name & Number

Are you a:

Gold Star Mother

Gold Star Family Member

Past Department President

45 Plus Member:

Years

Make checks payable to: **VFWS Post 2638 Convention Fund**

Mail Registration and Checks to:

VFWS Post 2638 Convention Fund

510 S Washington Ave

Madison, SD 57042

Any requested refunds will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Convention Registration:

VFWS Past Department Commander & District CC Lunch:

Auxiliary Officer & Chairman Lunch:

Gold Star Family & 45 yrs. + Lunch:

Non-Member Banquet Ticket:

Total:

YOU MUST MAKE YOUR OWN MOTEL RESERVATIONS, ask to see if they have SD VFW Convention or military/veteran rates. Rates listed do not include tax.

ALL VFW Council of Administration Officers and other individuals who are vouchered (until the facility is full) will reside in the Dakota State University Court Yard Dorm as a guest of the Department of South Dakota. Please contact Crystal or Darwin at 605.332.7441 or vfwsd@aol.com with the following information by May 15, 2019: name, genders, check-in/out date and any limitations (ie. mobility, sight, etc.). The Department will work with the DSU Summer Conferencing Staff for room assignments.

AmericInn: 504 10th St SE, Madison SD – 605.256.3076 -- \$89.99 for STD Room and \$94.99 for Suite
A Block of 30 rooms are available at AmericInn “SD VFW Convention”.

Super 8: 219 N Highland, Madison SD – 605.256.6931 -- approximately \$60.00
A Block of 20 rooms are available at Super 8.

Camp Lakodia (lodging and camping, 7.8 Miles): 45156 235th St, Madison SD – 877.525.6342 – approximately \$80/bed and RV – 30 AMPS 3 nights approximately \$110

The Lakes Lodge (11 miles), 20 Golf Dr, Wentworth SD – 605.483.3544 – Approximately \$110

Prairie Village (camping, 4 miles), 45205 SD Hwy 34, Madison – 605.256.3644 – Electrical sites \$21/night and non-electrical sites (dry lot) \$17/night

Lake Herman State Park (camping, 5 miles), 23409 Statem Park Dr, Madison – 605.256.5003 – Campsites: electrical \$21/night, non-electrical \$17/night; Cabins: \$45/night

There are numerous hotels/motels in Brookings, Sioux Falls and a couple in Howard if required.

89th Annual Convention Ads

Department of South Dakota VFW Convention — Madison, SD, June 13 - 16, 2019

Order Date: _____ **VFW or Aux. Representative:** _____
Contact: _____
Business Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Phone: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Black & White Ads:

Full Page—7.5W x 10H: \$150.00
Half Page—7.5W x 4.75H: \$75.00
Quarter Page—3.5W x 4.75H: \$50.00
Business Card—3.5W x 2.25H: \$35.00

Color Ads — Inside Pages:

Full Page—7.5W x 10H: \$200.00
Half Page—7.5W x 4.75H: \$125.00
Quarter Page—3.5W x 4.75H: \$80.00
Business Card—3.5W x 2.25H: \$45.00

Color Ads — Cover Pages:

Full Page—7.5W x 10H: \$250.00 (Only 3 available)

Make Payments to: VFW Post 2638 — Convention Fund

ALL ads must be submitted electronically (jpeg) by **May 6, 2019** to coordinator@chamberofmadisonsd.com

All payments, send to:
VFW Post 2638 Convention
510 S Washington Ave
Madison, SD 57042

All ads need to be submitted in digital format no later than **4:00 pm on Monday, May 6, 2019**

(Please make a copy for your Customer Order Receipt)

**Veterans of Foreign Wars & Auxiliary
Department of South Dakota**

Old School Hospitality Night

Annual Convention – 2019

Friday, June 14

6:30pm – 8:00pm Cash Bar

And Candidates provide food or item of choice

Ronald Westby VFW Post 2638
510 S Washington Ave
Madison, South Dakota

Convention Badges Required

Cost \$30.00 per candidate

Make checks payable to: VFW Post 2638 Convention Fund

Send to: VFW & Auxiliary Convention 2019
510 S Washington Ave
Madison, SD 57042
Vfwpost2638@outlook.com

PRINT Candidate Name:

For the Office of:

Address:

Contact Phone Number:

Email address:

Please check what you need:

Electricity: YES NO Paper plate size preference: SMALL LARGE

Plastic ware needed: KNIVES SPOONS FORKS

Anything else you need for your table?

VFW Auxiliary Chairman for Buddy Poppy / VFW National Home for Children

Now that Legislative Session is over, we are moving closer to State Convention in June. So please don't forget the challenge to all posts and auxiliaries to do a Buddy Poppy Display for it. Do it as partners with your post or the auxiliary can do it alone. But let's see just how many we can come up with.

There are three categories for the Poppy Display contest.

1. Public Promotion of Poppy Campaign (Window, booth, poster display, campaign promotions, etc.)
2. Memorial or Inspirational Display (Wreaths, memorial tablets or plaques, patriotic or devotional themes to honor the dead, to inspire devotion to God and Country.
3. Artistic or Decorative use of Poppies (Post Home displays, table centerpieces, corsages, pictures, plaques.

At least one poppy must be in original form and color with label attached. Post name, number, city or state (including shape of state) may NOT be visible on display.

Buddy Poppy Chairman's Guide can be viewed from www.vfwauxiliary.org/resources

We are asking to pre-register your Poppy Display this year, so we know how much room we will need. So here is a form to fill out and send to me by:

Name of Post or Auxiliary:

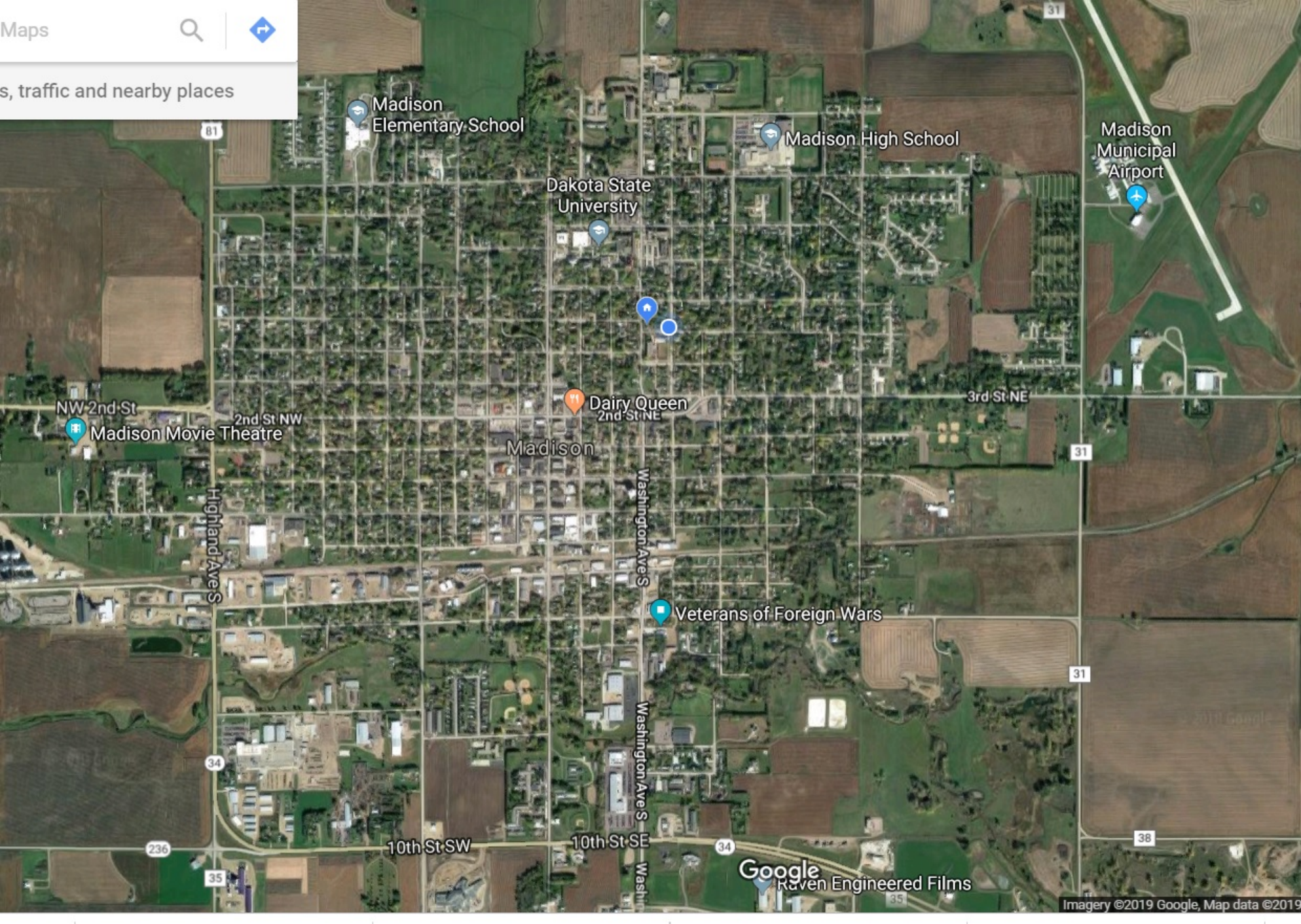
Category you're entering in:

Number of poppies:

Send to:



s, traffic and nearby places



Madison Elementary School

Madison High School

Madison Municipal Airport

Dakota State University

NW 2nd St
Madison Movie Theatre

Dairy Queen
2nd St NE

Madison

Veterans of Foreign Wars

Google
Raven Engineered Films



Center Church

Center St W

United States Postal Service

Sportsmans Bar

Center St E

Sporty's Bar

SW 1st St

South Dakota Department of Labor and...

1st St SE

1st St SE

2nd St SW

2nd St SE

2nd St SE

Heilman Ln

3rd St SW

3rd St SE

Builders FirstSource

Casey's General Store

3rd St SE

Van Eps Ave S

Egan Ave S

Harth Ave S

Lee Ave S

O'Reilly Auto Parts

Lincoln Ave S

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4th St SE

4th St SE

Veterans of Foreign Wars

S Grant Ave

5th St SE

Second Street Diner

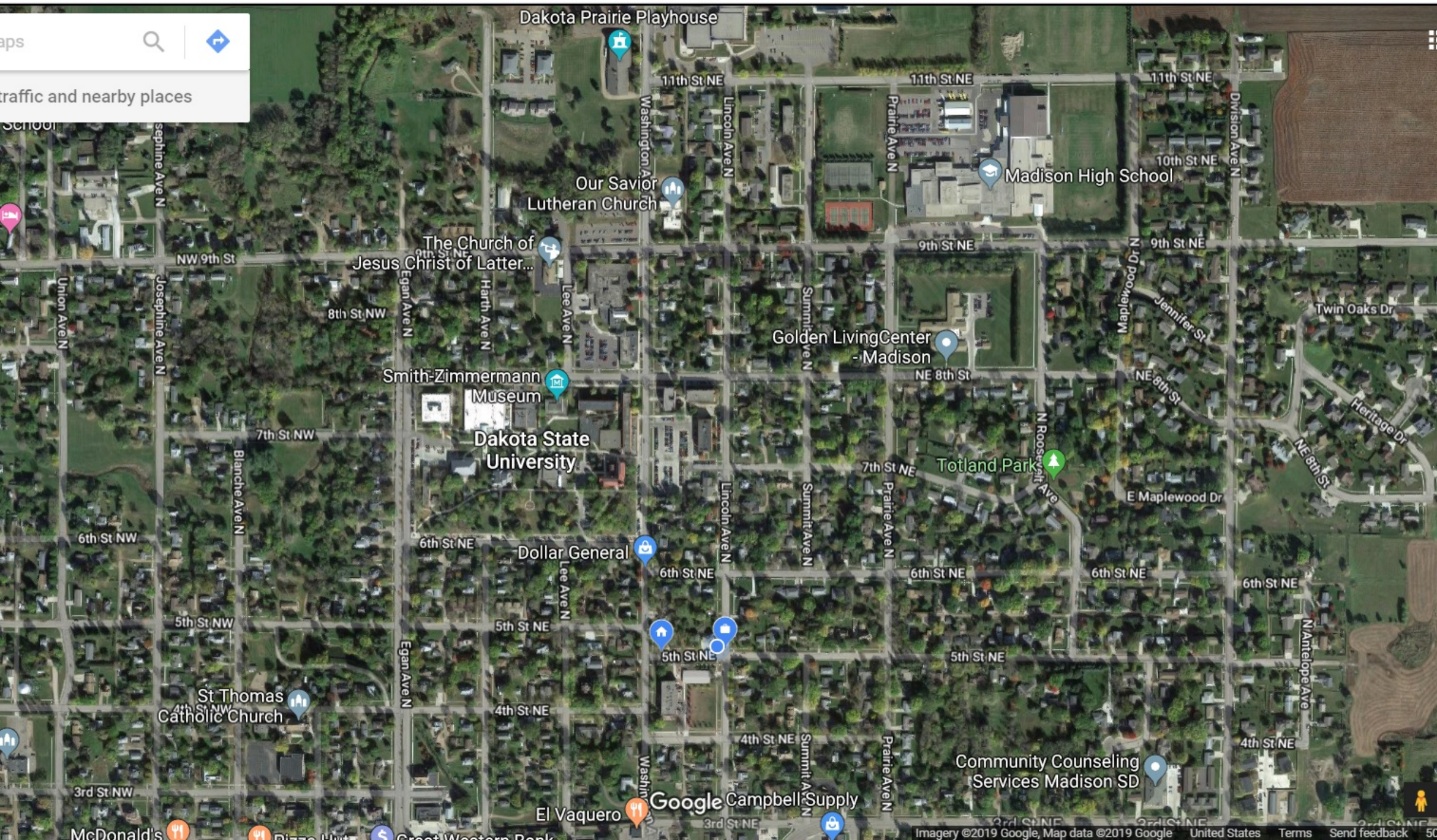
6th St SE

Harth Ave S

Lewis

Google

Montgomery's



Dakota Prairie Playhouse

11th St NE

11th St NE

11th St NE

Washington Ave N

Lincoln Ave N

Prairie Ave N

Division Ave N

Our Savior Lutheran Church

Madison High School

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter...

NW 9th St

9th St NE

9th St NE

8th St NW

Egan Ave N

Harth Ave N

Lee Ave N

Summit Ave N

Golden LivingCenter - Madison

NE 8th St

Maplewood Dr N

Jennifer St

Twin Oaks Dr

Smith-Zimmermann Museum

7th St NW

Dakota State University

7th St NE

Totland Park

E Maplewood Dr

Heritage Dr

6th St NW

Blanche Ave N

6th St NE

Dollar General

6th St NE

Lincoln Ave N

Summit Ave N

6th St NE

Prairie Ave N

6th St NE

6th St NE

5th St NW

Egan Ave N

5th St NE

Lee Ave N

5th St NE

Lincoln Ave N

Summit Ave N

5th St NE

St Thomas Catholic Church

4th St NE

4th St NE

3rd St NW

Washington Ave N

Google Campbell Supply

Community Counseling Services Madison SD

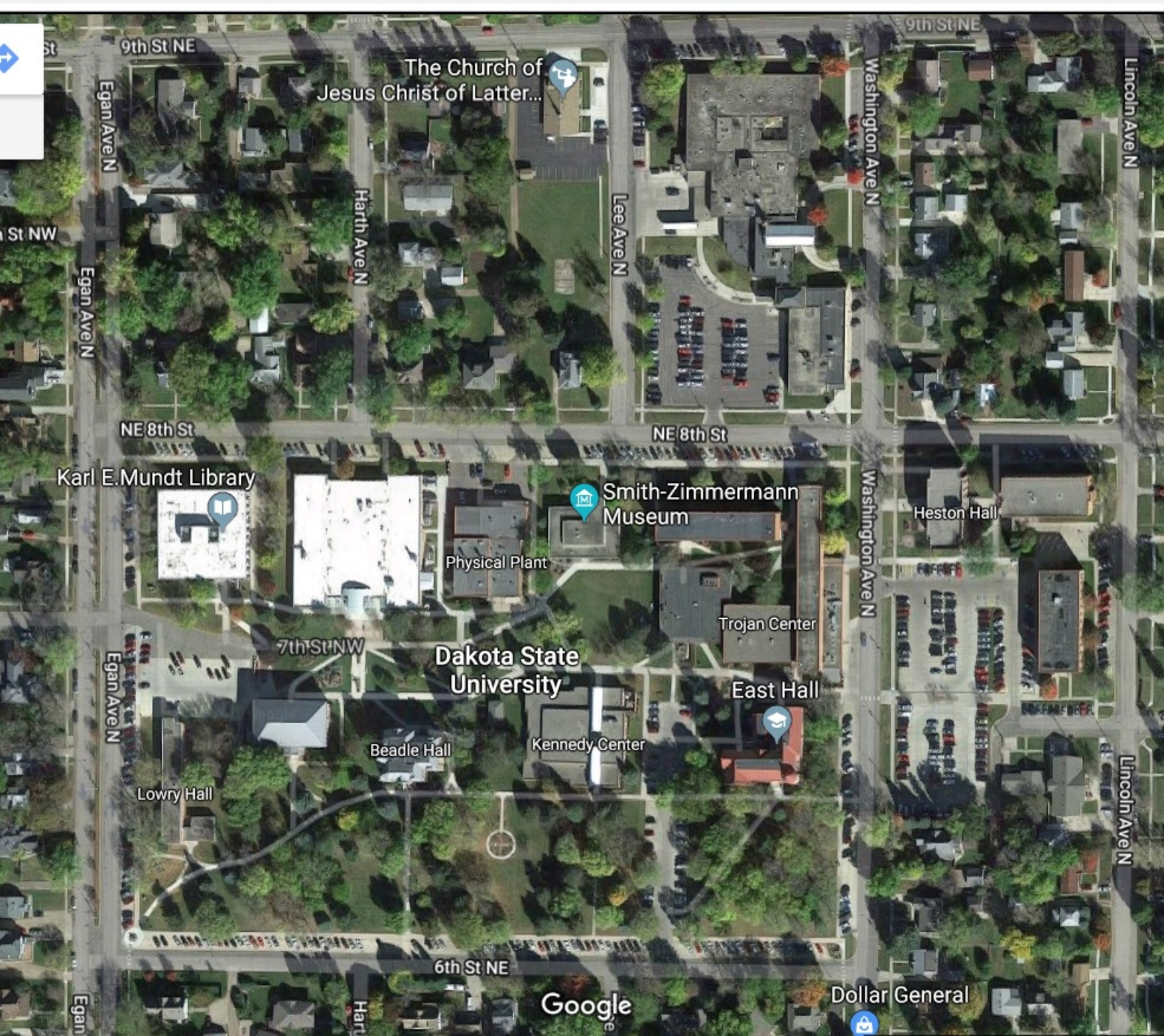
4th St NE

McDonald's

Pizza Hut

Great Western Bank

El Vaquero



The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter...

Karl E. Mundt Library

Smith-Zimmermann Museum

Physical Plant

Heston Hall

Dakota State University

Trojan Center

East Hall

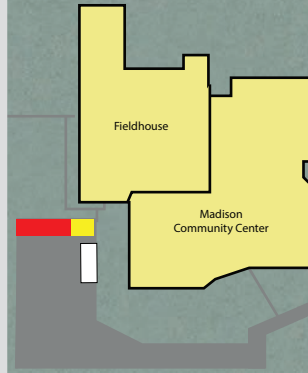
Beadle Hall

Kennedy Center

Lowry Hall

Google







Dollar General



11th Street NE



DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MADISON, SOUTH DAKOTA

-  Visitor Parking
30 Minute
-  Red Permit
(Faculty/Staff)
-  Handicap Parking
-  Blue Permit
(Student)
-  Blue Permit
(No Overnight)
-  Loading/Unloading
15 Minutes
-  Under Construction

**Map Subject to Change*

