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GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 12

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1. Department Commander Rick Redfern and the Department Line Officers would like to thank everyone who served during the 2008-2009 year.
2. Make sure that the 2009-2010 Post Election Report form has been completed and mailed to National Headquarters. **If not, please do so immediately!**
3. **All Post Quartermasters have been sent a letter from Department advising them of their Post delegate strength and the amount of the delegate fees for voting at the State Convention. Please use the form that was sent to you to submit your delegate list to Department. You must list the delegates that will be attending the Convention and return the form to us with the check for delegate fees. The delegate fees must be paid even if your Post will not have anyone attending the Convention (as mandated by the Department By-Laws). Department will fill out the names of your Post members who will be attending the Convention on the delegate cards and have them available to be picked up at the registration desk. DELEGATE CARDS WILL NOT BE MAILED, THEY MUST BE PICKED UP AT CONVENTION!!!!**
4. **POSTS WILL BE DENIED VOTING PRIVILEGES AT THE STATE CONVENTION IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:**  
  
**(1) DELGATE FEES ARE NOT PAID; (2) REPORT OF ALL AUDITS FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, INCLUDING MARCH 2009 ARE NOT RECEIVED AT DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS; (3) THE POST QUARTERMASTER IS NOT BONDED OR DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS HAS NOT RECEIVED PROOF OF AN OUTSIDE BOND; (4) THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS REPORT FORM HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED AT NATIONAL; (5) ANY MONEY IS OWED TO DEPARTMENT FOR POPPIES, QUARTERMASTER BONDS, ETC.**
5. The Department Convention will be held June 18-21, 2009 at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn.
6. The National Convention will be held August 15-20, 2009 in Phoenix, Arizona. In accordance with Section 222 of the National By-Laws, **“Each Post shall register, in advance, at least one delegate to the National Convention by the payment of \$10.00 for each delegate.”**

OFFICIAL  
ROBERT D. WEISS  
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BY ORDER OF  
RICHARD A. REDFERN  
STATE COMMANDER