

**2026 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO**  
**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES**

15-17 January 2026

**Final Schedule of Events**

**Thursday 15 January 2026**

4:00 PM – 6:00PM	(Conference Center Main Lobby)	Registration
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	<b>Hip Pocket Department Training</b>	Hospitality Room
6:00 PM – 10:00PM	(Room 124)	Hospitality Room

**Friday 16 January 2026**

12:00 noon – 4:00 PM	(Conference Center Main Lobby)	Registration
<i>(Attire is Business Casual; Others-R.E.D. Friday attire acceptable; VFW cap (tan or brown))</i>		
12:00PM – 2:30 PM	(Aspen Room)	Auxiliary COA Training for Officers
2:30 – 3:30 PM	(Aspen Room)	Auxiliary Floor Practice
<b>2:30 – 3:15 PM</b>	<b>(Tamarack Room)</b>	<b>VFW Dept COA Executive Session (COA only)</b>
3:30 – 5:00 PM	(Tamarack Room)	Department VFW Council Meeting
3:30 – 5:30 PM	(Aspen Room)	Auxiliary Council Meeting
<i>(Attire is casual, or, optional- dress to theme) (Theme: Monte Carlo Casino Royale)</i>		
5:00 PM	(Ponderosa/Tamarack)	No Host Cocktails before Homecoming
6:00 PM	(Ponderosa/Tamarack)	Homecoming Dinner at The Riverside Hotel
8:00 PM – 10:00PM	(Room 124)	Hospitality Room

**Saturday 17 January 2026**

7:00 – 8:00 AM	(Quiet Bar Room)	Past Department Presidents (PDP) Breakfast**
8:00 – 10:30 AM	(Conference Center Main Lobby)	Registration
<i>(Attire is Business Casual* for Joint Opening, VFW cap (brown or tan))</i>		
9:00 – 10:30 AM	(Tamarack Room)	VFW & AUX Joint Opening
<i>(Attire is VFW Casual After Joint Opening; VFW cap (brown or tan))</i>		
10:30 – 11:30 PM	(Tamarack Room)	Department VFW Business Meeting
11:30 – 12:00 PM	(Tamarack Room)	OMS Training Session #1
10:30 – 12:00 PM	(Aspen Room)	Auxiliary Business Meeting
12:00 – 1:30 PM	(On Your Own)	Lunch Break
12:00 – 1:30 PM	(Quiet Bar Room)	Past State Commanders (PSC) Luncheon**
1:30 – 3:30 PM	(Tamarack Room)	Department VFW Business Meeting
3:30 – 4:00 PM	(Tamarack Room)	All American Dashboard Training Session #2
1:30 – 4:00 PM	(Aspen Room)	Auxiliary Business Session Training-all Programs
4:30 – 5:30 PM	(Quiet Bar Room)	VOD & PP Winners Meeting
5:30 – 6:30 PM	(Fireside Foyer)	No Host Cocktails

**(Everyone in their seats for Introductions by 6:15PM)**

*(Attire is Business formal for Awards Dinner(only Presenter, State Commander, State Awards Chairman will wear hats for award recipient pictures))*

6:30 PM	Introduction of VOD and Patriot's Pen Students, CET Recipient
7:00 – 9:00 PM	(Laurel/Ponderosa)
9:00 – 10:00 PM	(Room 124)

**Sunday 18 January 2026 Departure Day – Safe Trip Home**

*\*Business casual - defined as closed toe footwear, trousers (clean, good condition blue jeans are acceptable) or dress/skirt, VFW Collared shirt, VFW overseas cover. It can tend to get cold in the room so you may want to bring a light jacket.*

*\*\*PSC Luncheon, PDP Breakfast, buffet, fixed price, no extras. Located in Quiet Room*