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GENERAL ORDERS NO. 3  
 SERIES 2023-2024, SEPTEMBER 2023

All General Orders will be forwarded electronically and posted on the state website at <https://vfwv.com/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=60909>. Posts or individuals who want a hard copy of the General Orders and accompanying documents, send \$25 to VFW State HQS, PO Box 9431, South Charleston, WV 25309.

1. **MEMBERSHIP:** Continue doing Buddy checks on your members who you have not seen for a while. This is an excellent way to work your expired list. For assistance with membership, contact Junior Vice Commander Simmons at 205-434-0490.

2. **UPCOMING DISTRICT MEETINGS:**

*Districts serve lunch before meeting. Time listed is lunch time.*

District 1	Chester	October 29	12:00 PM	Heaney	Chippis
District 2	Parkersburg	October 21	12:00 PM	Ogden	Chippis
District 3	Grafton	October 21	12:00 PM	Simmons	Kennedy
District 4	Martinsburg	October 22	1:00 PM	Elliott	Kennedy
District 5	Milton	October 28	12:00 PM	Heaney	Crum

Schedule subject to change.

**In accordance with Section 218(a)(1)k, Post Commanders are to assure that the Commander or their representative attend all properly called District meetings or Convention. Information for members to participate in the meeting electronically will be provided at a later date.**

3. **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

<b>Aug 31, 2023</b>	<b>2024 Accountable Officer Bond applications due State HQS</b>
Oct 31, 2023	Voice of Democracy, Patriot’s Pen and Teacher of the Year entries due to Posts
Oct 31, 2023	Post Trustees Quarterly Audit for July – September due State HQS
Nov 2-5, 2023	Southern Conference Tulsa, OK
Nov 15, 2023	2022 Tax Filings due for Posts whose accounting year runs 1 July – 30 June
Nov 30, 2023	Post Voice of Democracy, Patriot’s Pen and Teacher entries to District
Nov 30, 2023	Post Public Servant entries (one each Law/FF/EMT) to District
Dec 20, 2023	District Voice of Democracy and Patriot’s Pen entries due State HQS
Jan 15, 2024	District Teacher of the Year entry due State HQS
Jan 19-21, 2024	Mid-Winter Conference Stonewall Jackson Resort

4. **2023-2024 COMMANDER’S MANUAL MISSING PAGES:** Some of the manuals picked up at the State Convention and mailed to all Posts Commander Elliot’s may have missing pages 69-72. Included as an attachment are those missing pages. The missing pages are included in the Commander’s Manual available on our website at <https://vfwv.com/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=60882>.

5. **COMMUNITY SERVICE AND RECRUITING EVENT ENTRIES ON THE ALL-AMERICAN DASHBOARD**: Community Service entries are required to be made the month of the event. Entries of dates outside of the current month will be rejected for being entered late. When making community service entries, make sure you answer the questions who, what, where, when and why when completing the event explanation field. Also Recruiting events are entered on the Dashboard under “Programs” and are not to be entered as a community service event. As long as a Post has had a community service entry approved each month satisfies the All-American requirement for a Post to submit a community service report quarterly.
6. **DISTRICT DUES**: District dues are to be sent to the District Quartermaster, not State HQS. Contact your District Quartermaster to find out the amount of your District dues.
7. **BUDDY POPPY ORDERS**: The State Quartermaster is the only person who can process Buddy Poppy orders. Posts and Auxiliaries are to complete the Buddy Poppy order form and send to State HQS. Post orders will be placed through the Online Membership System by the State Quartermaster and sent to the Post Quartermaster directly from the VFW Store. Auxiliary orders will be sent from State HQS to the person completing the order form.
8. **2024 SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTIONS**: The schedule for the 2024 Schools of Instruction are included with these General Orders. At least two Post Officers are to attend the School of Instruction on the date and location of their assigned Post. If there is a conflict with attending the Post Commander is to contact the District Commander to determine when they can meet the requirement to attend a School of Instruction.
9. **VFW MAGAZINE DISTRIBUTION**: VFW Magazine is going digital! Starting January, we will have six printed issues and four digital issues per year. However, [Veterans of Foreign Wars VFW](#) will still offer print versions to those who still want to receive all issues of VFW Magazine in their mailbox. Contact us at 1-833-839-8387 to request printed issues be sent to you.
10. **COMMANDER CALENDAR**: Any Post requesting the presence of Commander Elliott through June 2024 need to send a request in writing to State Headquarters.

OFFICIAL:  
S. KEVIN LIGHT, ADJUTANT  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

BY ORDER OF:  
KAMI M. ELLIOTT, COMMANDER  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

VFW State of West Virginia

Memstats as of 083123

City	Post	Dst	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Adjusted Prior Year*	Percent	Div	RS	N/R LM	Prior Annual	Retention	N/R %
MOUNDSVILLE	437	1	0	0	0	4	4	155	2.58%	6		0	60	18.33%	0.00%
MORGANTOWN	548	1	0	1	0	3	4	123	3.25%	7		0	23	26.09%	0.81%
TERRA ALTA	578	1	0	0	0	3	3	97	3.09%	8		0	22	18.18%	0.00%
FAIRMONT	629	1	0	0	1	2	3	400	0.75%	3		0	33	15.15%	0.25%
KINGWOOD	826	1	0	0	0	0	0	60	0.00%	10		0	10	10.00%	0.00%
MASONTOWN	1589	1	0	0	0	1	1	95	1.05%	8		0	21	61.90%	0.00%
TUNNELTON	2345	1	0	0	0	2	2	48	4.16%	11		0	10	10.00%	0.00%
BRUCETON MILLS	2523	1	0	4	1	2	7	52	13.46%	10		0	19	21.05%	9.62%
WEIRTON	2716	1	0	0	0	3	3	223	1.34%	5		0	90	16.67%	0.00%
ROWLESBURG	3008	1	0	0	0	1	1	33	3.03%	11		0	1	0.00%	0.00%
NEW CUMBERLAND	3526	1	0	1	0	5	6	95	6.31%	8		0	54	20.37%	1.05%
ELM GROVE	4442	1	0	2	0	19	21	196	10.71%	5		0	103	24.27%	1.02%
SISTERSVILLE	6327	1	0	2	0	22	24	152	15.78%	6		0	79	68.35%	1.32%
CHESTER	6450	1	0	4	0	166	170	757	22.45%	2		0	128	97.66%	0.53%
EAST FAIRMONT	7048	1	0	4	0	4	8	267	2.99%	4		0	38	28.95%	1.50%
WESTOVER	9916	1	0	0	0	3	3	116	2.58%	7		0	20	30.00%	0.00%
<b>District 1 Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>2869</b>	<b>9.06%</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>0</b>			<b>0.70%</b>

PARKERSBURG	1212	2	0	0	0	18	18	445	4.04%	3		0	111	23.42%	0.00%
WEST UNION	3408	2	0	0	0	4	4	55	7.27%	10		0	14	35.71%	0.00%
CHARLESTON	3466	2	0	0	0	6	6	142	4.22%	7		0	31	48.39%	0.00%
HARRISVILLE	3554	2	0	0	0	2	2	92	2.17%	8		0	22	22.73%	0.00%
CLAY	4419	2	0	0	0	0	0	57	0.00%	10		0	12	8.33%	0.00%
BELLE	5269	2	0	0	0	1	1	60	1.66%	10		0	21	9.52%	0.00%
GLENVILLE	5469	2	0	0	0	0	0	38	0.00%	11		0	8	100.00%	0.00%
RIPLEY	5501	2	0	0	0	8	8	228	3.50%	5		0	122	19.67%	0.00%
SAINT ALBANS	6418	2	0	0	0	3	3	63	4.76%	10		0	12	25.00%	0.00%
RAVENSWOOD	6669	2	0	0	0	3	3	127	2.36%	7		0	42	21.43%	0.00%
CHESAPEAKE	8363	2	0	0	0	11	11	117	9.40%	7		0	42	30.95%	0.00%
ELKVIEW	8516	2	0	0	0	3	3	70	4.28%	9		0	16	18.75%	0.00%
MASON	9926	2	0	8	8	74	90	549	16.39%	3		0	66	100.00%	2.91%
<b>District 2 Total</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>2043</b>	<b>7.29%</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>0</b>			<b>0.78%</b>

BELINGTON	410	3	0	1	1	3	5	188	2.65%	5		0	18	16.67%	1.06%
CLARKSBURG	573	3	0	2	1	27	30	482	6.22%	3		0	163	16.56%	0.62%
WESTON	1976	3	0	0	0	0	0	39	0.00%	11		0	15	13.33%	0.00%
GRAFTON	3081	3	0	0	0	9	9	144	6.25%	6		0	40	35.00%	0.00%
BUCKHANNON	3663	3	0	0	2	2	4	173	2.31%	6		0	28	17.86%	1.16%
WEBSTER SPRINGS	3738	3	0	0	0	0	0	40	0.00%	11		0	15	0.00%	0.00%
BURNSVILLE	3757	3	0	0	0	0	0	14	0.00%	11		0	5	100.00%	0.00%
QUINWOOD	4484	3	0	0	0	3	3	120	2.50%	7	S	0	39	15.38%	0.00%
MARLINTON	4595	3	0	0	0	2	2	50	4.00%	11		0	17	11.76%	0.00%
SUMMERSVILLE	6106	3	0	2	0	5	7	70	10.00%	9		0	19	31.58%	2.86%
ALDERSON	6723	3	0	2	0	3	5	66	7.57%	10		0	17	11.76%	3.03%
RENICK	6737	3	0	0	1	1	2	16	12.50%	11		0	6	16.67%	6.25%
CRAIGSVILLE	8614	3	0	0	0	2	2	31	6.45%	11		0	12	33.33%	0.00%
SALEM	9151	3	0	0	0	0	0	68	0.00%	9		0	7	0.00%	0.00%
<b>District 3 Total</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>1501</b>	<b>4.59%</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>0</b>			<b>0.80%</b>

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Memstats as of 083123

City	Post	Dst	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Adjusted Prior Year*	Percent	Div	RS	N/R LM	Prior Annual	Retention	N/R %
MARTINSBURG	896	4	0	0	1	5	6	265	2.26%	4		0	62	17.74%	0.38%
ROMNEY	1101	4	0	4	0	0	4	88	4.54%	8		0	27	14.81%	4.55%
WARDENSVILLE	2102	4	0	1	0	5	6	147	4.08%	6		0	86	11.63%	0.68%
KEYSER	3518	4	0	0	0	4	4	147	2.72%	6		0	33	30.30%	0.00%
CHARLES TOWN	3522	4	0	7	0	1	8	598	1.33%	3		0	29	100.00%	1.17%
ELKINS	3647	4	0	1	0	4	5	128	3.90%	7		0	40	17.50%	0.78%
BERKELEY SPRINGS	4019	4	0	1	0	4	5	120	4.16%	7		0	41	43.90%	0.83%
COALTON	5583	4	0	0	0	0	0	17	0.00%	11		0	4	25.00%	0.00%
HARMAN	5781	4	0	0	0	1	1	20	5.00%	11		0	13	30.77%	0.00%
RIDGELEY	6452	4	0	1	0	9	10	82	12.19%	9		0	31	32.26%	1.22%
PETERSBURG	6454	4	0	0	0	0	0	110	0.00%	8		0	0	100.00%	0.00%
FORT ASHBY	6667	4	0	1	1	10	12	152	7.89%	6		0	41	36.59%	1.32%
MATHIAS	7780	4	0	0	0	1	1	17	5.88%	11		0	2	50.00%	0.00%
MOOREFIELD	9606	4	0	0	0	7	7	110	6.36%	8		0	59	15.25%	0.00%
SUGAR GROVE	9666	4	0	1	0	0	1	90	1.11%	8		0	2	50.00%	1.11%
<b>District 4 Total</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2091</b>	<b>3.34%</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>0</b>			<b>0.91%</b>

HUNTINGTON	1064	5	0	0	0	6	6	239	2.51%	5		0	64	18.75%	0.00%
IAEGER	1144	5	0	1	0	0	1	39	2.56%	11		0	9	33.33%	2.56%
SOPHIA	4326	5	0	0	0	1	1	131	0.76%	7		0	49	8.16%	0.00%
BECKLEY	4469	5	0	0	0	5	5	102	4.90%	8		0	37	16.22%	0.00%
HINTON	4500	5	0	0	0	0	0	28	0.00%	11		0	14	7.14%	0.00%
ALUM CREEK	4768	5	0	0	0	8	8	71	11.26%	9		0	13	53.85%	0.00%
MADISON	5578	5	0	1	0	13	14	236	5.93%	5		0	82	26.83%	0.42%
CHAPMANVILLE	6153	5	0	1	0	2	3	101	2.97%	8		0	12	25.00%	0.99%
ANSTED	7695	5	0	0	0	4	4	63	6.34%	10		0	20	35.00%	0.00%
OCEANA	8364	5	0	0	0	0	0	60	0.00%	10		0	3	33.33%	0.00%
WELCH	8413	5	0	0	0	0	0	17	0.00%	11	S	0	5	40.00%	0.00%
HURRICANE	9097	5	0	0	3	7	10	166	6.02%	6		0	47	17.02%	1.81%
HUNTINGTON	9738	5	0	0	0	7	7	195	3.58%	5		0	56	25.00%	0.00%
MILTON	9796	5	0	1	0	2	3	101	2.97%	8		0	31	38.71%	0.99%
<b>District 5 Total</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>1549</b>	<b>4.00%</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>0</b>			<b>0.45%</b>

Members at Large	15050		0	6	0	20	26	885	2.93%	2		0			0.68%
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<b>State Total</b>		<b>255</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>10938</b>	<b>5.81%</b>			<b>0</b>			<b>0.73%</b>
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# SOI LOCATIONS

6450 Chester

3526 New Cumberland

2716 Weirton

4442 Elm Grove

437 Moundsville

\*Will meet at:

Elm Grove Thursday, Oct. 12th @ 6 p.m.

548 Morgantown

9916 Westover

629 Fairmont

7048 East Fairmont

3081 Grafton

\*Will meet at:

Westover Thursday, Oct. 5th @ 8 p.m.

1589 Masontown

2523 Bruceton Mills

2345 Tunnelton

826 Kingwood

3008 Rowlesburg

578 Terra Alta

\*Will meet at:

Masontown Wednesday, Oct. 11th @ 7 p.m.

6327 Sistersville

3554 Harrisville

1212 Parkersburg

\*Will meet at:

Parkersburg Wednesday, Oct. 11th @ 7 p.m.

5501 Ripley

6669 Ravenswood

9926 Mason

\*Will meet at:

Mason Tuesday, Oct. 10th @ 7 p.m.

8516 Elkview

4419 Clay

6418 St. Albans

8363 Chesapeake

5269 Belle

3466 Charleston

4768 Alum Creek

5578 Madison

\*Will meet at:

Madison Tuesday, Oct. 9 @ 7 p.m.

3408 West Union

573 Clarksburg

9151 Salem

\*Will meet at:

Clarksburg Monday, Oct. 2nd @ 7 p.m.

410 Belington

3647 Elkins

5583 Coalton

5781 Harman

9666 Sugar Grove

\*Will meet at:

Belington Tuesday, Oct. 3rd @ 7 p.m.

1976 Weston

3663 Buckhannon

3757 Burnsville

5469 Glenville

\*Will meet at:

Buckhannon Monday, Oct. 9th @ 6 p.m.

8614 Craigsville

6106 Summersville

6737 Renick

4595 Marlinton

3738 Webster Springs

\*Will meet at: TBD

Summersville Monday, oct. 2nd @ 7 p.m.

6723 Alderson

4484 Quinwood

7695 Ansted

4500 Hinton

\*Will meet at:

Alderson Saturday Oct. 14th @ 10 a.m.

@ The Presbyterian Church

4469 Beckley

4326 Sophia

8364 Oceana

8413 Welch

1144 Iaeger

6153 Chapmanville

\*Will meet at:

Sophia Sunday, Oct. 1st @2 p.m.

1064 Huntington

9738 Huntington

9796 Milton

9097 Hurricane

\*Will meet at:

9738 Huntington Tuesday Oct. 10th @ 7 p.m.

6454 Petersburg

7780 Mathias

9606 Moorefield

2102 Wardensville

\*Will meet at:

Wardensville Tuesday Oct. 10th @ 7 p.m.

6452 Ridgeley

6667 Fort Ashby

3518 Keyser

1101 Romney

\*Will meet at:

Ft. Ashby Tuesday Oct. 10th @ 6:30 p.m.

4019 Berkeley Springs

896 Martinsburg

3522 Charles Town

\*Will meet at:

Charlestown Tuesday, Oct. 10th @ 7 p.m.

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO MAKE YOUR OWN  
GROUP OR ONE IS CLOSER, BY ALL MEANS,  
CHOOSE ANOTHER THAT WILL WORK FOR  
YOU.**

## **ALL-STATE POST REQUIREMENTS**

1. Post must achieve 100% in membership by May 1, 2024.
2. Post must recruit one NEW member.
3. Post must hold two Recruiting Events.
4. Conduct 2 Community Service projects/events as a Post.
5. Minimum of two Post Officers will attend two School of Instructions.
6. Post Commander, or Senior Vice Commander (if Post Commander is unavailable), will attend all District meetings and conventions.
7. Post shall hold 2 fundraisers for National Home for Children, West Virginia House.
8. Post makes a \$275.00 donation to State HQS for VFW Programs no later than May 1, 2024.
9. Complete monthly Community Service entries in the dashboard.
10. Complete Post Community Service entries in the dashboard by April 1, 2024 for end of year District judging.

## **All-American Post Criteria**

- Membership must be at least 102%
- Must conduct two Membership recruiting events, submit reports through All- American Dashboard
- Post-Election Report must be submitted to National Headquarters
- Meet all the following Program Participation Criteria:
  - Voice of Democracy - minimum of one entry advanced to District judging (Overseas Post can donate \$100 to National in lieu of entry)
  - Patriots Pen - minimum of one entry advanced to District judging (Overseas Post can donate \$100 to National in lieu of entry)
  - Hold a fundraiser with the proceeds going to Veterans & Military Support Programs Services, minimum of \$100.
  - National Citizenship Education Teachers Award –Post must advance a teacher to District; if no District judging applies then advance to Department for judging (Overseas Post donate \$100 to National in lieu of entry)
  - A Post must submit a community service report quarterly to their department for submission to the All-American Dashboard. The quarters are July-Sept, Oct-Dec, Jan-March, and April-June.
  - Buddy Poppy- Purchase Three per member in the Post

## **ALL-STATE DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS**

### **2023-2024**

1. Districts must achieve 100% in membership by May 1, 2024.
2. Districts must conduct two recruiting events.
3. Districts submit one Patriot's Pen and one Voice of Democracy entry to State for judging.
4. Districts submit one entry for Teacher of the Year from each of the three categories (Elementary, Middle School, and High School) for State judging.
5. Districts submit one entry for Public Servant of the Year in one of three categories (Law Enforcement/Firefighter/EMT) for State judging.
6. District Commander, or Senior Vice Commander (if District Commander is unavailable), attend all Council of Administration meetings.
7. Promote schools of instruction for Post officers at District meetings.
8. District must be in good standing with National By-Laws.

### **All-American District Criteria**

- Membership must be at least 102%
- Conduct two Membership recruiting events, submit report through the dashboard.
- District-Election Report must be submitted to National Headquarters.
- Meet all the following Program Participation criteria:
  - Voice of Democracy - minimum of one entry advanced to Department judging (Overseas District donate \$100 to National in lieu of entry)
  - Patriots Pen - minimum of one entry advanced to Department judging (Overseas District donate \$100 to National in lieu of entry\*see last page)
  - National Citizenship Education Teachers Award – one entry advanced to Department judging (Overseas District donate \$100 to National in lieu of entry)

## VFW Teacher Nomination Form

Please attach the required documentation.

### Nominated Teacher

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject and grade taught: \_\_\_\_\_

Current School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

We recommend, but not mandatory, please describe (type or print) why you feel your nominee should be selected for this award, then sign the nomination statement.

Submit nomination materials to your local VFW Post. Visit [vfw.org/Find-a-Post](http://vfw.org/Find-a-Post) for locations.

DO NOT SEND to the VFW National Headquarters.

### Person Nominating Teacher

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline: Submit to local VFW Post by October 31.**

*Identify and recognize America's best educators.*



*Wouldn't you like to see them get the honor they deserve?*

*Now you can!*



For more information, contact your local VFW Post or its Auxiliary or visit our website at [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org).

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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

**SMARTMAHER**  
VFW NATIONAL  
CITIZENSHIP  
EDUCATION  
TEACHER  
AWARD  
Grades K-12

### VFW Cares About Education

Founded in 1899, the VFW highly supports the education of America's youth. VFW and its Auxiliary have developed a slate of programs dedicated to helping America's educators. VFW Citizenship Education programs stimulate interest in America's history, traditions, Americanism, civic responsibility, flag etiquette and patriotism.

VFW wants to identify and recognize America's best educators who instill a sense of national pride in students. It offers cash awards, commemorative plaques and all-expenses-paid trips to the VFW National Convention for these worthy teachers. The trip provides an opportunity for winners to network with like-minded individuals.

Teachers care deeply about America and its children. They're concerned about the perpetuation of America's noblest traditions and highest ideals. Wouldn't you like to see them get the honor they deserve?

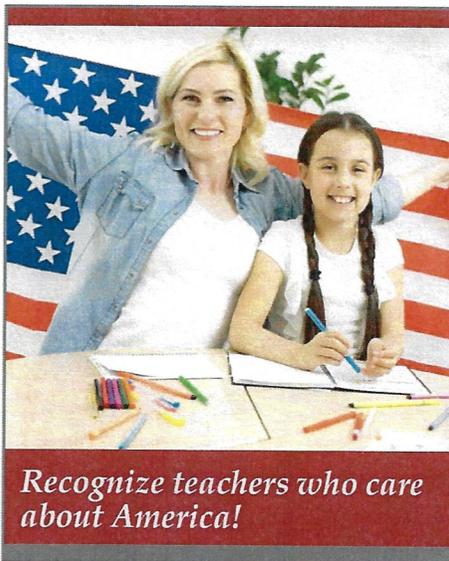
#### Now you can...

VFW annually recognizes the nation's top classroom elementary, junior high and high school teachers who teach citizenship education topics regularly and promote America's history and traditions effectively.

Teachers who promote civic responsibility, flag etiquette and patriotism are prime candidates for this award. For example, do you know a teacher who plans field trips to city hall or organizes community volunteer projects? Maybe you know an instructor who invites veterans into the classroom to discuss their military experiences. Perhaps you are familiar with a teacher who fosters the development of democratic values and beliefs through special projects. If you know of such a teacher, honor him or her today with the Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher Award.

### How Does the Contest Work?

Based on the nominees submitted, VFW chapters, called Posts, will recognize teachers in the following categories, K-5, 6-8 and 9-12. Posts then submit these winners' names and required documents to their District-level judging, if applicable, who will forward their winners to the Department (or state) level. After judging, each Department then forwards their winners to VFW National Headquarters for consideration in the national awards contest.



*Recognize teachers who care about America!*

#### Who is Eligible?

All current certified/licensed teachers in grades K-12 are eligible. Previous national VFW winners are ineligible. Nominations can be submitted by themselves, fellow teachers, supervisors, family members or other interested individuals.

### Nominate Someone Deserving

Have a teacher in mind? Complete the nomination form and see below for additional recommended documentation, then submit it to your local VFW Post. The investment that a teacher makes in today's youth will be the dividends we will all reap from future leaders.

#### How are Teachers Nominated?

Fill out the nomination form contained in this brochure, and provide a one-page resume as a minimum or up to five pages as a maximum of documentation of their teaching experience (for example: references, news articles, etc.) and a head-and-shoulder photo if available.

Please submit your completed nomination form signed, along with the required documentation to your local VFW Post. Visit [vfw.org/Find-a-Post](http://vfw.org/Find-a-Post) for Post locations or call VFW Programs Department at 816.756.3390 ext. 6287 to find the Post nearest you.

#### When is the Deadline?

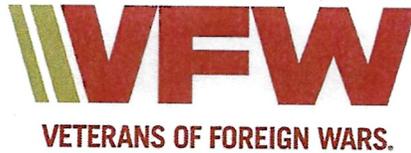
Nominations must be submitted to your local Post by October 31. Post judging occurs November 1-15.

#### What are the National Awards?

Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher Awards include the items below:

- A national \$1,000 Past Commander-in-Chief John Smart/Maher award for each of the top K-5, 6-8, and 9-12 teachers for professional development expenses.
- \$1,000 award for each winning teachers' school.
- Plaques for both the winning teacher and school.
- An all-expenses-paid trip to attend the VFW National Convention.

*NOTE: (The winner will receive a 1099-MISC as a result of their award and all-expense paid trip.)*



## VFW Public Servant Award Citation Post Entry Form

NOTE: VFW Point of Contact should fill out their section below prior to distributing this form.  
This will provide individuals from outside of the VFW with the needed information to submit their packets successfully.

### To be filled out by VFW representative

Sponsoring VFW Post #:  Sponsoring District #:

Date of Presentation: MM/DD/YY (if available)

#### VFW Post POC

Full Name:

Phone:  Email:

Address: (where to mail entry)

City:  State:  Zip:

### Individual Submitting Nomination

Full Name:

Phone:  Email:

### Nominee Information

Choose appropriate citation: (EMT, Firefighter or Law Enforcement)

Full Name: (please list as you wish it stated on the citation)

Occupation Title: (if any) (please list as you wish it stated on the citation)

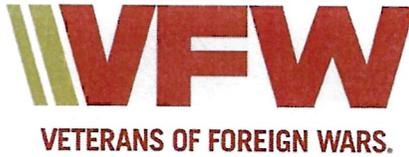
Employer Name: (please list as you wish it stated on the citation)

Address of Employer:

City:  State:  Zip:

Employer Phone:  Employer Email: (if available)

Please complete this form and submit to your local VFW Post using the information provided above. Ensure to include all required documentation that is outlined on the instructions sheet provided with this form. All post entries must be received by their **Department Headquarters no later than January 1st**. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tammy Beauchamp at 816-756-3390 x 6287, e-mail [tbeauchamp@vfw.org](mailto:tbeauchamp@vfw.org)



## VFW Life Saving Award Citation Entry Form

NOTE: Please attach and send with this form all documentation of the event (newspaper clippings, articles, etc.).

### To be filled out by VFW Representative

Sponsoring VFW Post #:  VFW Department:

Date of Presentation: MM/DD/YY (if available)

**VFW POC**

Full Name:

Phone:  Email:

Address: (for mailing citation)

City:  State:  Zip:

### Nominee Information

Choose appropriate citation: (Regular, Line of Duty or Valor)

Full Name: (please list as you wish it stated on the citation)

Gender:

Occupation Title: (please list as you wish it stated on the citation or N/A)

Employer Name: (If available)

Address of Employer: (If available)

City:  State:  Zip:

Employer Phone:  Employer Email: (if available)

Please complete this form and submit to VFW National Headquarters, Attn: Tammy Beauchamp at Fax# 816-968-1149 or E-mail to [tbeauchamp@vfw.org](mailto:tbeauchamp@vfw.org) or Lynn Rolf at [lrolf@vfw.org](mailto:lrolf@vfw.org). Ensure to include all required documentation that is outlined above in reference to the event. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AND AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA  
VFW BUDDY POPPY ORDER FORM

**FULL NAME AND MEMBER NUMBER:**

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(Must be the name of an individual, not a Post or Auxiliary name)

Ordered by: POST NO. \_\_\_\_\_

or

AUX NO. \_\_\_\_\_

(Cannot be "Both")

**PHYSICAL MAILING ADDRESS (NO PO BOX):**

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(Street)

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

DATE OF POPPY EVENT: \_\_\_\_\_ (Do not use ASAP, TBD or leave blank)

***(Month/Day/Year)***

***Traditional Buddy Poppies:***

Number of Poppies \_\_\_\_\_ \$275 per 1,000, (plus \$24 shipping) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$167 for 500 including shipping (minimum order) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

***Signed:*** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name**

**Title**

**NOTE: ALL ORDERS MUST BE SENT TO THE STATE HEADQUARTERS. ORDERS FAX'D TO 304-768-1407 OR CALLED IN TO STATE HEADQUARTERS WILL BE FORWARDED ONCE PAYMENT IS RECEIVED.**

Make checks payable to: **VFW STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA**

**Send all Orders and checks direct to:**

**VFW State of West Virginia**

**PO Box 9431**

**South Charleston, WV 25309**

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## Deceased Members 073123-083023

Post	First	MI	Last
437	Worthy		Boggs, Jr
437	Larry	W	Mc Donald
573	Marvin	L	Ashcraft
573	John	R	Gonsorcik
1976	James	R	Casey
2716	Robert	S	Roberts
2716	David	P	Dye
3081	David	D	Cox
3081	David	C	Robison
5501	Bobby	L	Skeen
6327	Jack	G	Gaiser
6327	Fred	W	Felton
9097	Herbert	L	Hessom
9738	John	M	Lentz

## **Changes to the 2023-2024 State Directory to accompany the September General Orders**

### **VFW:**

#### **Change:**

- Change VFW Programs Chairman to 1212, David George, 4823 8<sup>th</sup> Ave, Vienna 26105, 304-494-7871
- Alderson Post 6723 change Junior Vice Commander to Joseph Clay, 1191 Hamilton Ridge Rd, Alderson 24910, 304-445-7400
- Belington Post 410 change Commander to Robert Guthrie, 323 Fairview Rd, Belington 26250.
- Belington 410 change Senior Vice Commander to John Sturm, 281 Lee St, Belington 26250.
- Chesapeake Post 8363, change Commander Holland's phone prefix from 681 to 304.
- Huntington Post 9738, change Adjutant and Quartermaster to Adj/QM Thomas Murphy, 6 Fairfax Dr, Chesapeake, OH 45619, 276-245-6879.

#### **Auxiliary:**

- Change PDP and Auxiliary 5578 Wanda Harless-Hurley's phone number to 304-687-2665.
- Change Historian, District 1 President and Auxiliary 578 President Jessica Sisler's phone number to 252-665-1089.

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