

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF ALASKA

General Orders No. 12 & 1

June & July 2021

2020 - 2021 Series

To be read at the next regular meeting.

1. **There are posts with election reports and delegate fees pending.** Every post must elect officers and elect delegates to the state convention, according to sec. 503 of the National By-Laws.. **Submit your reports as soon as possible.**

2. All previous appointments will expire as of May 15th. All appointments are declared null and void at that time. Appointed officers will assume their duties after Department installation.

The following appointments are hereby announced by Commander Maynard.:



Adjutant	Mel Sheppard
Service Officer	Lisa Robinson
Service Officer	Abigail Brown
Service Officer (Interior)	Troy Eck
Chief of Staff	J.R. Hackett
Inspector	Brett Spencer
Legislative Officer	Dave Lemelin
Employment	Walter W. Watts, Jr.
Public Relations	Ryan McNeely
IPDC	Carol Kacal
Americanism/Teacher	Lance Smith
POW/MIA	Jan Trojan
Buddy Poppy	Bill Yudiskas
Citizenship Education	Lance Smith
Hospital	Barb Henning
Loyalty Day	Jarod Brown
National Home	Joe Reeves
Safety	Scott Quesenberry
Youth Activity	Derek Heavener
Voice of Democracy	Dustin Keffer
Patriot's Pen	Mike Cassidy
Life Membership	Troy Eck

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Community Activity	Joe Zeigler
Veterans Service	Walter W. Watts, Jr.
JROTC/ROTC	Derek Heavener
Homeless Veterans	David Joslin
Disaster Chairman	John Minnick
VAVS	Joe Simms
Fundraising Chairman	Troy Eck/ Bill Yudiskas
Veterans & Military Support	Ken Speegle
Scouting Chairman	Clinton "CJ" Stewart
Student Veterans of America	Ryan McNeely
Women Veterans	Melody Quesenberry

3. **The 76th Alaska State Convention was held May 15th, 2021 at Susitna VFW Post 9365 in Wasilla.** If you pledged donations for the Alaska hospitality room at National Convention, please submit those now. Posts that have not paid delegate fees for Department Convention should submit them to the Department Quartermaster.
4. 2021-22 Alaska Leadership Manual and 2021-22 Post Service Officer Booklet are available on our website under the "Resources" tab. All Posts having a representative at Convention will be handed booklets to return to their respective areas. Printing was limited - if your post wasn't in attendance to receive a booklet, please contact HQ to receive your copies. All those individuals who would like **additional** copies, can download the booklet from our website.
5. All Department Officers, elected or appointed, must have proof of eligibility on file in Department Headquarters, subject to review by the Department Commander, Department Quartermaster, and Department Adjutant. **Please verify that Department has your eligibility on file if you are uncertain.**
6. **Attention Post Commanders:** Please complete and return the enclosed form pertaining to your appointed chairmen.
7. **Jacket and Cap Sizes:** Please be sure that Department has your jacket and cap size on file if you are a **Department Officer, Post Commander** or a **Post Quartermaster**. If you are a female, please indicate whether you prefer a modified woman's style cap or a men's cap.
8. Post Commanders are urged to start planning and promoting all VFW programs for the year. Don't delay, get an early start for a successful year. Utilize the Department website at www.alaskavfw.org to download and print the information that you need.

9. The secret of success for the Veterans of Foreign Wars is membership. As new officers in your Post, get an early start and make membership your #1 priority for the year. **We are only a handful of members away from 100% membership. Please take a look at your membership rosters.**
10. Post Commanders shall see that the office of Quartermaster is bonded in accordance with Section 703, National Constitution and By-Laws and Manual of Procedures. He shall also see that Trustees Report of Audit is properly prepared and submitted to Department Headquarters each quarter as required by National By- Laws. Bonding for the new term will be soon. Current Quartermaster bonding is effective through August 2021. Bonding forms are attached. Bonds of 3K thru 25K are, **\$4.50 per thousand.** **Bonds \$26K and higher are \$4.00 per thousand.**
11. Attention Post Commanders and Quartermasters: The toll free number at VFW National Headquarters for Direct Dues is 1-800-963-3180. If you have questions or need assistance pertaining to direct dues, feel free to call this number. Quartermaster will receive an authorization code for accessing the OMS.
12. VFW National Convention will be held in Kansas City, Mo. From Jul 31-Aug 3, 2021. This convention will deal with VFW business only! More information will follow.
13. All Posts having special events and desiring a Department representative should send the invitation/request to the Department Adjutant at least three weeks prior to the event.
14. Community Projects Reporting Form: This will be included each month in the General Orders and you are asked to complete and return this form at the end of each month. If you would like more information on how to submit this form electronically, please contact Jessica at Headquarters for assistance. Community Activities run from May - April. We are just beginning our new term - be sure you are logging your activities for the most up to date information.
15. **Flag Day - June 14th**
Independence Day - July 4
Posts should plan suitable programs in observance of these days. Speeches can be obtained on our website at www.alaskavfw.org under the "Resources" tab.
16. Department Officers that have information to forward to the Posts on their programs and Posts that wish to make an announcement on an upcoming event can send to the following **by the 20th of the month** so that it may be announced in the General Orders:
500 E. Park Avenue, Wasilla, AK 99654
Fax: (907) 373-7601
vfwstatehq@mtaonline.net
17. In order to show the proper respect due our fallen comrades, the Department Adjutant is asking all Posts to notify him of the death of any member. Please do so in writing **by the 20th of each month** so that they can be listed in the Last Roll Call.

LAST ROLL CALL

Floyd Kakaruk

Post 9785

Official By the Order Of:



Mel Sheppard, State AQM



Carol Kacal, State Commander

***Please utilize the Department website to access
additional forms and information.***

www.alaskavfw.org

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.



DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States
TRAVELERS CASUALTY & SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA



Dear Comrade Commander:

Application for VFW Accountable Officers Crime Coverage

August 1, 2021

One of the most important communications you will receive during the year concerns the bond of your Unit Quartermaster. Section 703 of our National By-Laws requires that each accountable officer shall be bonded with an Indemnity Company as surety and the By-Laws places the responsibility for adequate bonding upon the Commander of the post. In any business it is customary to bond any officer handling funds. **THE BOOKS AND RECORDS OF THE ACCOUNTABLE OFFICER MUST BE AUDITED AT LEAST QUARTERLY BY THE TRUSTEES. THIS IS TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 218 OF THE NATIONAL MANUAL OF PROCEDURES.**

The Department Headquarters carries a schedule bond for the bonding of Department and Post Accountable Officers. This bond runs for a year – from September 1 to August 31 – premium payments are made on that basis. All bonds expire on August 31 and premium for New Year is due on September 1.

Any unit may decide whether it prefers to take out a bond with some other surety company or have its funds protected by the Department Headquarters schedule bond. But the matter should be given prompt attention because if your Accountable Officer had previously been bonded through the National Headquarters, **a new premium payment is required by September 1, 2021 and delinquent after this date.**

IF BOND IS NOT RENEWED, TERMINATED, OR CANCELLED AT EXPIRATION DATE OF 9-1-2021, THE POST HAS ONLY 90 DAYS TO SUBMIT A PROOF OF LOSS FOR PRIOR TERM, AFTER 90 DAYS PRIOR COVERAGE CEASES.

COVERAGES OF THE POLICY REQUIRE THAT:

1. You agree to make/or cause to be made, at least annually, an audit of your books and accounts, including complete verification of all securities and bank balances pertaining to each “employee and/ or volunteer”.

If the above is not complied with, the Surety Company will refuse to honor claim of missing funds which cannot be proven by records. Monthly audits and reconciliation of bank statements may avoid this denial of claim.

2. The Surety Company will not pay for loss resulting from any unauthorized advances made by an “employee” to any member for delinquent dues and assessments.

3. “Employee” means any duly elected position or any appointed officer as listed in the policy schedule.

4. POST MUST SUBMIT A PROOF OF LOSS FORM WITHIN 120 DAYS FROM THE FIRST DATE OF DISCOVERY OF THE LOSS. Proof of loss resulting from dishonest acts on the part of the bonded officer is required in settlement of claims.

THIS BOND IS ONLY FOR THE YEAR SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 TO AUGUST 31, 2022.

The funds of your Post are protected only for that year. Premium for the following year will be due September 1, 2022.

RETURN THIS APPLICATION WITH YOUR PREMIUM CHECK PAYABLE TO YOUR DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

 Give Post # and City Location

I hereby apply for A1. Employee/Volunteer Theft (Bond) in the amount of \$ _____ for the position
 of _____. For the year from September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022.

Number of Persons Bonded: 1 Number of Locations: 1 **Post Annual Income:** \$ _____ Dated: _____.

Has the post had any bond losses over the past three years? _____.
 If yes, provide a description with date and amount of loss on a separate sheet.

DEADLINE FOR BONDING IS SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 – AFTER THIS DATE YOU WILL BE DELIQUENT AND NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE VFW BY-LAWS.

 QM or Commander or Adjutant or Sr.Vice Signature

 Phone Number

 Street Address and City

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DEPARTMENT OF ALASKA

BUDDY POPPY ORDER FORM

MAIL TO: VFW, Department of Alaska
500 E. Park Avenue
Wasilla, AK 99654

POST NUMBER _____ LOCATION _____

Please place our order for the following:

	BUDDY POPPIES @ \$120.00 PER THOUSAND =	\$
	TOTAL AMOUNT ORDERED	\$
	AMOUNT INCLUDED WITH ORDER	\$
	BALANCE DUE DEPARTMENT	\$
	DELIVER BY (DATE):	_____

(NOTE: IF YOU PROVIDE A SPECIFIC DATE FOR DELIVERY, NATIONAL WILL ENDEAVOR TO MEET THAT DEADLINE. HOWEVER, PLEASE PLACE YOUR ORDER 8-12 WEEKS PRIOR (MINIMUM) TO WHEN YOU NEED YOUR POPPIES

SHIP ABOVE TO:

Name: _____ Title: _____

Street Address: _____

Orders will not ship to a PO Box

City/State/ZIP: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

All orders for Buddy Poppies must be submitted through Department Headquarters.
Please order your poppies a minimum of 8 - 12 weeks prior to when you need them.

**Alaska District 99 as of Tuesday, May 25,
2021**

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	Div	City	State	N/R LM	Prior	Ret	N/R %
1685	99	270	8	2	30	310	299	103.68%	4	ANCHORAGE	AK	8	41	82.93%	6.02%
3629	99	337	15	5	26	383	394	97.21%	3	FAIRBANKS	AK	0	50	54.00%	5.08%
3836	99	130	0	1	8	139	138	100.72%	7	TALKEETNA	AK	0	7	100.00%	0.72%
4352	99	250	0	0	4	254	267	95.13%	4	KETCHIKAN	AK	0	13	38.46%	0.00%
5559	99	69	4	0	6	79	79	100.00%	9	JUNEAU	AK	0	7	85.71%	5.06%
7056	99	194	1	0	3	198	199	99.50%	5	KODIAK	AK	1	6	83.33%	1.01%
9365	99	523	7	3	33	566	557	101.62%	3	WASILLA	AK	5	42	80.95%	2.69%
9569	99	75	0	0	0	75	74	101.35%	9	NOME	AK	0	0	100.00%	0.00%
9785	99	1715	12	0	51	1778	1767	100.62%	1	EAGLE RIVER	AK	20	77	76.62%	1.81%
9978	99	247	0	0	3	250	256	97.66%	4	ANCHORAGE	AK	0	5	60.00%	0.00%
9981	99	407	6	1	17	431	425	101.41%	3	ANCHORAGE	AK	4	26	73.08%	2.59%
10029	99	434	7	0	15	456	442	103.17%	3	POLE	AK	13	18	77.78%	4.52%
10032	99	27	0	0	1	28	31	90.32%	11	CORDOVA	AK	0	5	40.00%	0.00%
10041	99	148	0	1	3	152	152	100.00%	6	BETHEL	AK	0	4	75.00%	0.66%
10046	99	222	3	0	18	243	249	97.59%	4	SOLDOTNA	AK	1	24	83.33%	1.61%
10221	99	117	1	0	7	125	128	97.66%	7	ANCHOR POINT	AK	3	15	53.33%	3.13%
10450	99	29	1	0	4	34	37	91.89%	11	DELTA JUNCTION	AK	3	8	50.00%	10.81%
10682	99	27	2	1	3	33	29	113.79%	11	GLENNALLE N	AK	1	3	100.00%	13.79%
12151	99	29	0	1	10	40	39	102.56%	11	CRAIG	AK	1	12	100.00%	5.13%
15002	99	1405	31	3	66	1505	1530	98.24%	1	ANCHORAGE	AK	19	0	0.00%	3.46%
Dist Total		6655	98	18	308	7079	7092	99.81%	1			79			2.75%

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES REPORT

2020 - 2021

Post	A	S	Y	CS	PP	VOD	BP	TOY	VMS	Post Hours	Post Dollars	Aux Proj	Aux Hours	Aux Dollars	Total Hours	Total Dollars
1685	46	0	58	35	x	x	x		x	151	\$5,570.00	0	128	\$400.00	279	\$5,970
3629	1	0	0	2			x		x	25	\$210.00	5	21	\$10.00	46	\$220
3836	0	0	0	0		x	x			0	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
4352	4	0	0	1			x			58	\$1,900.00	0	0	\$0.00	58	\$1,900
5559	49	6	8	221			x		x	682	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	682	\$0
7056	0	0	0	0			x			60	\$600.00	0	0	\$0.00	60	\$600
9365	1	1	0	1		x	x		x	12	\$850.00	3	60	\$2,000.00	72	\$2,850
9569	0	0	0	0			x			0	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
9785	1	8	0	88	x	x	x	x	x	1,227	\$33,820.84	4	723	\$0.00	1,950	\$33,821
9978	1	1	2	3			x			9	\$100.00	8	76	\$990.00	85	\$1,090
9981	1	0	0	0	x	x	x		x	2	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	2	\$0
10029	33	12	11	48	x	x	x			30,930	\$9,626.84	22	525	\$908.68	31,455	\$10,536
10032	0	0	0	0			x			0	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
10041	22	1	5	5			x		x	164	\$32,568.90	82	409	\$28,961.69	573	\$61,531
10046	0	0	0	235			x			265	\$1,658.30	3	3	\$0.00	268	\$1,658
10221	5	0	0	19	x	x	x			528	\$1,317.00	37	605	\$4,605.00	1,133	\$5,922
10450	46	8	56	667	x	x	x			1,501	\$108.00	0	0	\$0.00	1,501	\$108
10682	10	0	0	10			x			449	\$383.18	0	0	\$0.00	449	\$383
12151	0	0	0	0			x			0	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
TOTALS	220	37	140	1,335	6	8	19	1	7	36,062	\$88,713.06	164	2,550	\$37,875.37	38,612	\$126,588

A-Americanism, S-Safety, Y-Youth, CS-Community Service, PP-Patriots Pen, VOD-Voice of Democracy, BP-Buddy Poppy, TOY-Teacher of the Year,
VMS - Veterans & Military Support

Highlighted cells indicate no reporting in this administrative year

"X"- Denotes participation in PP, VOD, BP, TOY and/or VMS

See Leadership Manual for further program details

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DEPARTMENT OF ALASKA
500 E. Park Avenue
Wasilla, AK 99654

DEPARTMENT CONVENTION DELEGATES

Enclosed is our remittance in the amount of \$ _____ covering the delegate fees on _____ delegates to the Department Convention. Post No. _____ had _____ members in good standing at the time of election of delegates.

Following is a list of our elected delegates and alternates:

Elected Delegates

Alternates

DELEGATE FEE COMPUTING CHART

1 to 30 members	\$3.00	931 to 960 members	96.00
31 to 60 members	6.00	961 to 990 members	99.00
61 to 90 members	9.00	991 to 1020 members	102.00
91 to 120 members	12.00	1021 to 1050 members	105.00
121 to 150 members	15.00	1051 to 1080 members	108.00
151 to 180 members	18.00	1081 to 1110 members	111.00
181 to 210 members	21.00	1111 to 1140 members	114.00
211 to 240 members	24.00	1141 to 1170 members	117.00
241 to 270 members	27.00	1171 to 1200 members	120.00
271 to 300 members	30.00	1201 to 1230 members	123.00
301 to 330 members	33.00	1231 to 1260 members	126.00
331 to 360 members	36.00	1261 to 1290 members	129.00
361 to 390 members	39.00	1291 to 1320 members	132.00
391 to 420 members	42.00	1321 to 1350 members	135.00
421 to 450 members	45.00	1351 to 1380 members	138.00
451 to 480 members	48.00	1381 to 1410 members	141.00
481 to 510 members	51.00	1411 to 1440 members	144.00
511 to 540 members	54.00	1441 to 1470 members	147.00
541 to 570 members	57.00	1471 to 1500 members	150.00
571 to 600 members	60.00	1501 to 1530 members	153.00
601 to 630 members	63.00	1531 to 1560 members	156.00
631 to 660 members	66.00	1561 to 1590 members	159.00
661 to 690 members	69.00	1591 to 1620 members	162.00
691 to 720 members	72.00	1621 to 1650 members	165.00
721 to 750 members	75.00	1651 to 1680 members	168.00
751 to 780 members	78.00	1681 to 1710 members	171.00
781 to 810 members	81.00	1711 to 1740 members	174.00
811 to 840 members	84.00	1741 to 1770 members	177.00
841 to 870 members	87.00	1771 to 1800 members	180.00
871 to 900 members	90.00	1801 to 1830 members	183.00
901 to 930 members	93.00	1831 to 1860 members	186.00

Commander _____ Post # _____