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General Orders No. 8

February 2022
2021-2022 Series

To be read at the next regular meeting.

- MEMBERSHIP! MEMBERSHIP! MEMBERSHIP!**
Post Quartermasters - please be sure you're promptly entering memberships following monthly meetings. **Posts are reminded that 100% membership must be obtained by April 1, 2022 with 3% of that total being New and/or Reinstated members in order to qualify for All-State. Commander Maynard has determined 130 points will be necessary for consideration.** The Leadership Training Booklet contains this information.
- Scout of the Year Award:** Annually, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States awards three individuals who are: Eagle Scouts, Girl Scout Gold Award recipients, Venture Summit Award recipients and/or Sea Scout Quartermasters who have risen above their peers in exemplifying the qualities of that rank. **POST deadline for submissions is March 15, 2022**
DEPARTMENT deadline for submissions is April 1, 2022
All entries can be forwarded to Department Headquarters at the following:
VFW, Dept. of Ak
500 E Park Ave
Wasilla, AK 99654
This information, along with entry form, are also available on our website at www.alaskavfw.org, under the "From Your Program Chairperson" tab.
- Department Officers:** The allowable standard mileage rate for business use of an automobile is **56** cents per mile. Please submit travel forms in a timely manner to Quartermaster Sheppard. Updated travel forms are available on our website under the 'Resources' tab.
- 2022 Department Convention:** The 2022 Department Convention will be hosted by Post 10029, North Pole, June 9-11, 2022. Additional information will be furnished at Mid-Winter Conference and posted on the Department website when available.
- All-State:** Post Commanders are reminded to check the requirements to become an All State Post Commander. Four (4) such honors can be awarded at the Department Convention in North Pole. Requirements for the All-State teams were amended in this year's Program. Refer to your 2021-2022 Leadership Training booklet for additional information. An electronic version of this booklet is located on the Department website at www.alaskavfw.org, under the "Resources" tab. See the enclosed form used for All-State judging to assist you with meeting these requirements. This form is also available on the Department website under the "Resources" tab.
Reminder: The All-State deadline is April 1, 2022, NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Buddy Poppy:** Buddy Poppy season is in full swing. Please submit your orders through Department Headquarters using the enclosed form.
- 2022 National Convention:** 123rd National Convention will be held in Kansas City, Missouri **July 16-21, 2022**. Additional details will be available on our website under the "Conventions" tab when available.
- Raffle:** The \$10,000 Raffle tickets were distributed at the Mid-Winter Council of Administration meeting, in January. All tickets and monies should be promptly returned to Department Headquarters.
Reminder: If you are having difficulties selling your raffle tickets, there are always Posts looking to obtain more. Please don't save them - return them.

9. All officers should obtain current copies of the National By- Laws, Manual of Procedure and Ritual. Copies of the revised edition are available through the VFW Emblem and Supply Department at National Headquarters. 1-800-821-2606 or visit the online store at www.vfwstore.org and use the convenient "Search" tool, located on the top, right hand side of the web page. You are also reminded that Demeter's Manual of Parliamentary Law and Procedure has been replaced with Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 11th Edition. This change was approved at the 118th National Convention. Copies may be purchased online at many retailers.
10. The sponsoring Posts for Patriots Pen and winners for 2021- 2022 have been announced. They are:

First Place Natalie Hinsberger Post 10221

Entries were received from Posts: 1685, 3629,9365,10029 10046, 10221,10450

11. The sponsoring Posts for Voice of Democracy and winners for 2020 - 2021 have been announced. They are:

First Place Sydney M. Steadman Post 10046

Entries were received from Posts: 1685, 3629,3836,4352,7056,9365, 9981, 10029, 10041, 10046,10221,10450

14. **Teacher of the Year:** The 2021 Teacher of the Year recipient has been announced.

9 - 12 Kathryn Manning VFW Post 10029
Entries were received from Posts: 3629,9785,10029,10450

15. Last Roll Call: 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. Please be sure that you are notifying National as well so that they are removed from the membership roster. If you need assistance, please contact Department Headquarters at (907) 373-7600.

Ero (Steve) Walli Post 10221

OFFICIAL



Mel Sheppard
State Adjutant

BY THE ORDER OF:



Todd Maynard
State Commander

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

www.alaskavfw.org

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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.

Post Number: _____

**VFW, Department of Alaska
Post and Auxiliary
Community Projects Reporting Form**

Reporting Period _____ - _____

Numerical entries only, please

Programs	Post		Post		Post		Auxiliary		Auxiliary		Auxiliary
	Projects		Hours		Dollars		Projects		Hours		Dollars
Americanism											
Safety											
Youth											
Community Service											
Hospital, Funerals, etc...											
TOTALS	0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00

Program Suggestions

AMERICANISM: Veterans in the Classroom, Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, Proper use and display of the American Flag, Presenting Flags, and Patriotic materials.

SAFETY: Fire Safety, Hunters Safety, Water Safety, Bicycling Safety and off road Vehicle safety are excellent projects.

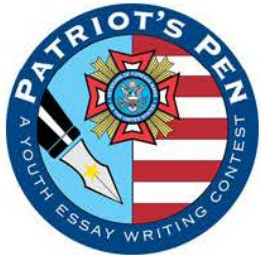
YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Boy and Girl Scouting, Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps

COMMUNITY SERVICE: You know the City, Town or Village that you live in. Find out what the Seniors or Elders need, Adopt a Road program, can you volunteer for Meals on Wheels? Can your Post become a resource center for the Community?

GENERAL GUIDELINES:
Projects: Actual projects completed (to include donation of VFW Post for functions)
Hours: Actual hours spent on community activities
Dollars: Actual monies spent/donated plus \$0.14 per mile

**Return this Completed Form to the Department of Alaska:
500 E Park Avenue, Wasilla, AK 99654
(907) 373-7601, fax
vfwstatehq@mtaonline.net**

Typed Name of Post or Auxiliary Community Activities Chairperson _____ Date _____
Please keep a copy for your records.



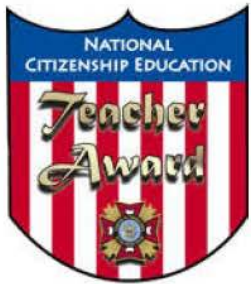
1st Place Winner Natalie Hinsberger Viril (Pa) Haga Memorial Post 10221

Entries were received from the following Posts: 1685, 3629, 9365, 10029, 10046, 10221, 10450



1st Place Winner Sydney M. Steadman Jerry V. Horn Memorial Post 10046

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9981, 10029, 10041, 10046, 10221, 10450*



Grades 9 – 12 Winner Kathryn Manning Weldon M. Rucker Post 10029
Ben Eielson Jr/Sr High School

Entries were received from the following Posts: 3629, 9785, 10029, 10450

Alaska MEMSTATS as of Monday, January 24, 2022

Post	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	%	Div	City	N/R LM	Prior Annl	Ret	N/R %
1685	274	6	0	14	294	311	94.53%	4	ANCHORAGE	2	41	48.78%	2.57%
3629	331	11	3	25	370	385	96.10%	3	FAIRBANKS	3	50	48.00%	4.42%
3836	127	0	0	5	132	139	94.96%	7	TALKEETNA	0	7	71.43%	0.00%
4352	245	0	0	2	247	255	96.86%	4	KETCHIKAN	0	13	23.08%	0.00%
5559	66	0	0	5	71	79	89.87%	9	JUNEAU	0	7	71.43%	0.00%
7056	194	0	0	2	196	198	98.99%	5	KODIAK	0	6	50.00%	0.00%
9365	530	5	2	17	554	569	97.36%	3	WASILLA	7	42	59.52%	2.46%
9569	75	0	0	0	75	75	100.00%	9	NOME	0	0	100.00%	0.00%
9785	1732	20	4	24	1780	1789	99.50%	1	EAGLE RIVER	18	77	57.14%	2.35%
9978	243	0	0	4	247	250	98.80%	4	ANCHORAGE	0	5	80.00%	0.00%
9981	405	4	0	10	419	433	96.77%	3	ANCHORAGE	6	26	50.00%	2.31%
10029	442	4	0	4	450	456	98.68%	3	NORTH POLE	9	18	33.33%	2.85%
10032	25	0	0	1	26	33	78.79%	11	CORDOVA	0	5	40.00%	0.00%
10041	144	0	0	1	145	153	94.77%	6	BETHEL	0	4	50.00%	0.00%
10046	216	3	0	6	225	243	92.59%	5	SOLDOTNA	2	24	41.67%	2.06%
10221	115	1	1	5	122	129	94.57%	7	ANCHOR POINT	1	15	46.67%	2.33%
10450	33	3	1	4	41	38	107.89%	11	DELTA JUNCTION	2	8	50.00%	15.79%
10682	28	0	0	2	30	33	90.91%	11	GLENNALLEN	0	3	33.33%	0.00%
12151	33	1	1	5	40	41	97.56%	11	CRAIG	3	12	58.33%	12.20%
15002	1391	14	9	48	1462	1516	96.44%	1	ANCHORAGE	17	0	0.00%	2.64%
District Total	6649	72	21	184	6926	7125	97.20%	1		70			2.29%

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES REPORT

2021 - 2022

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	54	0	4	100	X	x			x	164	\$3,848.00	0	130	\$550.00	294	\$4,398
3629	4	4	3	19	X	x	x	x	x	465	\$1,535.50	85	1,543	\$2,651.10	2,007	\$4,187
3836						x						0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
4352						x						0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
5559	12	0	0	143						227	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
7056						x						0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
9365	2	2	0	8	X	x	x		x	94	\$4,815.00	6	197	\$300.00	291	\$5,115
9569							x					0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
9785	9	15	12	12				x		1,425	\$35,500.00	41	620	\$8,136.00	2,045	\$37,545
9978														\$0.00	0	\$0
9981						x						0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
10029					X	x	x	x						\$0.00	0	\$0
10032												0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
10041	9	5	1	20		x	x			124	\$34,602.91	45	35	\$25,721.98	159	\$60,325
10046	0	0	0	0	X	x				334	\$1,343.00			\$0.00	334	\$1,343
10221			0		X	x						68	621	\$2,626.10	533	\$2,626
10450	163	24.5	57	304	X	x	x	X	x	685	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
10682										19	\$800.00	0	0	\$0.00	19	\$800
12151		0	0	0						0	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0
TOTALS	0	51	77	606	7	12	6	4	4	3,536	\$82,444.41	245	3,146	\$39,985.18	5,682	\$116,339

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