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HAPPY NEW YEAR 2021



Several pandemic protocols will need to carry over into the new year if there's going to be any hope of slowing the spread of the virus, health experts say. Until the majority of the population is vaccinated and more information is available on the vaccines' ability to stop virus transmission, [masks](#) are still going to be needed. The same goes for [physical distancing](#), [frequent hand-washing](#) and avoiding crowded indoor areas.

"If we all work together doing that and getting vaccinated, it'll get us quicker to the end point, which is to go back to normal life," Ostrosky-Zeichner says. Another behavior that should carry into 2021: Get your [flu shot](#) if you haven't already, Vermund says. This will help the health care system from becoming overstressed. "I truly believe that if we all work together, and focus for the next three or four months, we can go back to normal life as we know it," Ostrosky-Zeichner adds.

Luis Ostrosky-Zeichner, M.D., a professor of medicine and an infectious disease specialist
Sten Vermund, M.D., dean of Yale School of Public Health

A Prayer for the New Year

May the Lord bless and keep us. May the Lord make His face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us. And may the Lord lift up His countenance upon us and give us peace. And may the blessings of Heaven be on all our comrades wherever they are dispersed in our world. Amen

Print out a copy of a 2021 calendar at: <https://www.calendardate.com/2021.php>

Member Benefits

The VFW appreciates your service, and so do patriotic businesses across the country. That's why we've teamed up to offer you - as a VFW member - and your family discounted pricing on valuable merchandise and services. It's just one more way we're able to say "thank you" for all you've done to protect our freedom!

Click the link to see them: <https://www.vfw.org/join/member-benefits>

The Department of Pacific Areas (DPA) is currently number three in membership.

Bravo Zulu to all that have contributed to this effort. Keep up the good work.

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#STILL SERVING CAMPAIGN

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AMERICA, IN EVERY WAY
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and show us how you're #StillServing.



<https://todaysvfw.org/blog/>

COMMANDER'S CALL

Greetings Comrades,

Happy New Year! All the best to you, your family, and friends for 2021.

A special congratulations to District VII and CDR Bobby Reyes as they have already met the requirements for All American recognition. In addition, similar congratulations to Post 124 and CDR Willie Gadiano, as well as Post 12146 and CDR Mike "Coop" Cooperman. Both posts have also met the requirements for All American recognition. Exceptional work by all in completing the All American requirements prior to the completion of the first half of the 2020-2021 term.

I'd like to recognize our Department's Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen, and Smart/Maher National Citizenship Education Teacher Award winners. **The Patriot's Pen** winner is **Hoyoung Kong**, from District 6, Post 1509, **Voice of Democracy** winner is **Emma Ball**, from District 2, Post 9555, and the **Teacher's Award 9-12 grade** winner is **Ronald Coia**, from District 1, Post 9723. Well done to the winners and to the posts and districts that nominated and supported them.

Congratulations to District V for being selected as the host District for the DPA 2021 Convention. Well done D5 CDR and Convention Chairman Lou Holub.

By any measure, the first half of the term has been successful. As we continue to do the important work of our great organization let's not forget our most important mission; that is, looking out for each other. In our mission statement we call it fostering camaraderie, but in plain English it's veterans helping veterans.

As our National SVCINC noted during his remarks at our CofA, we are in the service business. Assisting and watching out for Veterans is the service we provide.

Let's pledge to keep that as our goal as we march into the second half of the 2020-2021 term.

There is no question we have the dedicated and committed comrades to ensure that happens.

Thanks for all you do every day as we honor our promise to meet the mission of the VFW.

Kenneth A. Stein
Commander
Department of Pacific Areas



Commander

Ken Stein



UPCOMING COMMEMORATIVE DATES



BUILD AND FIGHT IN THE

NAVY
Seabees



WANTED-CONSTRUCTION WORKERS

MEN 17 AND 38 TO 50 BY
VOLUNTARY ENLISTMENT
MEN 18 TO 37 BY
VOLUNTARY INDUCTION
APPLY AT ANY NAVY RECRUITING STATION
The Army Engineers Also Need Construction Workers



March 5 - US Navy Seabees Birthday

Since March 5, 1942, the U.S. Navy has employed an elite cadre of construction battalion Sailors, better known as Seabees. Guided by the motto, “We Build, We Fight,” Since then the Seabees have been the Navy's construction force, building bases and airfields, conducting underwater construction, and building roads, bridges, and other support facilities. They play a crucial role in supporting the fleet and combatant commands while carrying out the Navy's maritime strategy. Seabees also play an important role in sustaining global relationships. Seabees are forward deployed around the world to provide engineering and construction support while promoting regional stability and improving lives through engineering civic action projects in many countries.

March 24 - Start of Kosovo Campaign 1999

In 1999, once all diplomatic avenues had failed, NATO launched an air campaign to halt the humanitarian catastrophe unfolding in Kosovo. Operation Allied Force started on 24 March 1999 and was suspended on 10 June, lasting a total of 78 days. On 10 June 1999, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia accepted the withdrawal of its military, police and paramilitary forces and the deployment of an effective international civil and security presence.

March 31 - End of Operation Restore Hope—Somalia 1995

25 March 1994 Most of the American troops were out of Somalia, ending Operation Continue Hope the follow-on mission to Restore Hope. Only a few hundred marines remained offshore to assist with any noncombatant evacuation mission that might occur in the event violence broke out that necessitated the removal of the over 1,000 U.S. civilians and military advisers remaining as part of the U.S. liaison mission. All UN and U.S. personnel were

finally withdrawn almost a year later in March 1995.

In the SPOTLIGHT

In the VFW, we know our veterans are #StillServing and rising to meet the challenges of this uncertain time. We want you to share your stories and maybe even inspire others across our Department to do the same. Click here to tell us your story. pacifictimes@vfwpacific.org

Here are some of the photos of the Post 9892 Christmas party we sponsored in the local area. Social distancing and masks were worn. Over 30 kids attended. Jollibee and small toys were given.



In the SPOTLIGHT



On Saturday, December 19th, a troop of two Boy Scouts of America Lone Scouts girls did a “Scouting for Food” project in the hills behind Clark International Airport. Lone Scouts do not have a sponsoring organization, their parents run the program and cover the costs. Their plan was to provide a package containing a full day’s meal, along with hygienic supplies, to 180 indigenous Aeta mountain tribe children.

They began taking collections in October at VFW Robert W. Zaher Post 2485, Angeles City Philippines. A donation box was set up and members began dropping off food items.

Leathernecks Philippines organization not only made a great contribution but showed up to assist in handing out the packages as well.



The Scouts met on a rainy morning to decide if the weather would allow the day’s program to begin as the road to the village was turned into mud in a rain-storm. They made it to the site and began setting up at 9am. Prior to handing out the packages, every child was given a mask, some hand sanitizer, then a dinner roll. At first only a few kids showed up, however an hour later they had handed out 300 food packages to the children.



On behalf of VFW Post 12146 (Banchang/Utapao), American Legion Post TH02 (Pattaya) and the Red Bar



Darkside, we were honored and humbled to be able to spend time with the children of the Baan Kruja orphanage on this beautiful Christmas Day. We raised 9000 baht last night at our Christmas Eve Dinner. This money was donated to Baan Kruja. Red Bar Darkside owner Kobkaew Limprasart, cooked lunch for the children as well. Baan Kruja provides a home and safe haven for children rescued from physically and sexually abusive environments. With all the things these children have been through, they still had a big smile on their faces. God bless these beautiful children and the outstanding staff at Baan Kruja. Merry Christmas and love to all.

In the SPOTLIGHT

Mrs. Boonchoo Moangmaithong (seated center) welcomes members and families of the Fred J. Estes VFW Post 9876 on their goodwill visit to Baan Kru Boonchoo Foundation for disabled children and children with special needs.



25 November 2020 – Fred J. Estes VFW Post 9876 Members and Wives paid a special visit to a wonderful woman, Mrs. Boonchoo Moangmaithong, President of the Baan Kru Boonchoo Foundation for disabled children and children with special needs. A large donation of food, drink, cooking items and personal hygiene items was made. Post Commander Guarnuccio and several Post members and members of the Wives Club delivered the items and were given a tour of the facility.

The Boonchoo Foundation, located in Sattahip, is a non-profit organization with the main purpose of developing the potentiality of disabled children of all ages, focusing on encouragement to become accepted into society and improving their quality of life through activities such as Self-care training, Occupational training and Sport training.

There are approximately 160 children in the Foundation. The land and facility were donated from several local philanthropists. A Staff of 35 people include Physical Education and Music Teachers, Social workers and psychologists, Cooks Maids and Drivers. Income comes solely from donations from individuals, businesses, government offices and organizations. It was an honor and privilege for our Post to make a contribution and to see amazing people do fantastic work for their community.

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Department of the Pacific Areas District V Fred J. Estes Post 9876 325, 23 Pattaya 13/3 Alley Pattaya, Thailand 20150.Tel: 038-423-

462 www.VFWPost9876.org email: FVPost9876@hotmail.com.

In the SPOTLIGHT



On 25 December 2020 Christmas event at Wat Samnak School, a school for severely disabled children. Comrades Don Muerett, Bill Ahberg, Bryan Bowman, Howard Holzworth and Gary Steuer aka Santa Claus from Banchang Utapao VFW Post 12146 attended.



On 26 December 2020 Christmas event at Ann's House for Orphaned and Abandoned Children. Comrades Don Meurett, Dan Morgan and Howard Holzworth from the Banchang Utapao VFW Post 12146 attended.



In the SPOTLIGHT

VFW Post 9723 LCpl Frank C. Allen Memorial Post Okinawa, Japan

Invited by AAFES Camp Foster to be guest speaker representing Post 9723/District1 sharing how USMC was born and the purpose/history of the Traditional Cake Cutting event conducted 10 November each year plus recognition of Veterans Day 11 November.



Your feedback is important to us. Please submit your Letters to the Editor or Suggestions by clicking pacifictimes@vfwpacific.org

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Greetings Comrades,

First of all, I would like to say we had a very successful ZOOM C of A on December 5th and thank you to all who were able to attend. Our National Senior Vice Commander in Chief Fritz Mihelcic was our distinguish guest and he really said some great comments about our Department!

Looking at our Membership numbers at the Midterm, I must say our Department is really performing well at this time. Overall we stand at 95.04% (as of 15 Dec) needing only 597 members to reach 100%, and we stand 3d in the Western Conference only behind Montana and Alaska. Many Post are in striking position of reaching 100% and bravo to our many outstanding recruiters. Congratulations to Post Commander Jim Rogers and the Comrades of Post 11447 for becoming the 4th Post to reach 100% in membership this year. Post 124, 12146, and 12163 are the others. D7 is the first District to reach over 100%...Congratulations DC Commander Reyes and Comrades!!!

Speaking of the three Posts, each of them were awarded the Early Bird Life Membership stipends for reaching 100% plus by 30 November. The Posts were awarded the following:

Post 124	20 LM Recruited	Awarded \$1,600.00
Post 12146	06 LM Recruited	Awarded \$400.00
Post 12163	05 LM Recruited	Awarded \$400.00

As of 15 December, the Department has 11,109 Life Members which is an all-time high! Lastly about Membership, because of the unique situation many of the Posts finds itself concerning the pandemic, for the second half of the year, let's contact all of our unpaid annual members and get them to renew for the year or even better to GO LIFE!! Also as a reminder for All State you must have a least one Legacy upgrade. Remember to RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT!!! A very important part of our organization's overall success!

The All State Spreadsheet will be sent to the District Commanders right after the New Year. Post/District Commanders, remember to forward all inquiries and completed tasks you may have to the appropriate Program Chairperson. If you are not sure who they are please go to our General Order that is on the vfwpacific.org website. It includes the Chairperson's name, email, etc. If there are any questions to what is on the Spreadsheet and I am being asked, the question will go to the Chairman. Help me and let's work smarter not harder!

It has been a pleasure working with Commander Stein and the "Veterans Are Our Business" Team during the first portion of the year and I am confident the second half will be just or even more successful. Thank you Comrades of the Pacific Areas for keeping our Department the finest in the VFW!! Your continued commitment to our Programs, communities and camaraderie will keep us there!




Senior Vice Commander

Kevin Mitchell

Wishing you and yours a very safe, healthy, and happy holiday season. Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!!! May god bless the USA and I love you all!!!

Yours in Comradeship and Service,

**Kevin E. Mitchell
Senior Vice Commander
Department of Pacific Areas**



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JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

Comrades,

DPA Public Servant Award Winners that will be going to National are:

EMT Post 9612 Hospitalman Jesse Russo Wilson

LEO Post 1054 Master at Arms 1st Class Petty Officer Alexander M. Victor

FF Post 8180 Fire Fighter Staff Sergeant Thomas E. Gilpin Jr.

Congratulations to them all.



Junior Vice Commander

Warren "Max" Maxson



Post 9612

Hospitalman

Russo Wilson



Post 1054

Master-at-Arms
1st Class Petty Officer
Alexander Victor



Post 8180

Staff Sergeant

Thomas Gilpin Jr.

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL

Yours in Comradeship

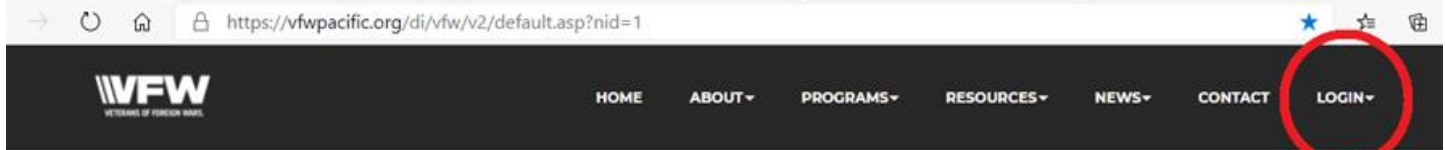
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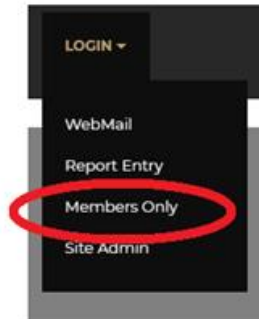
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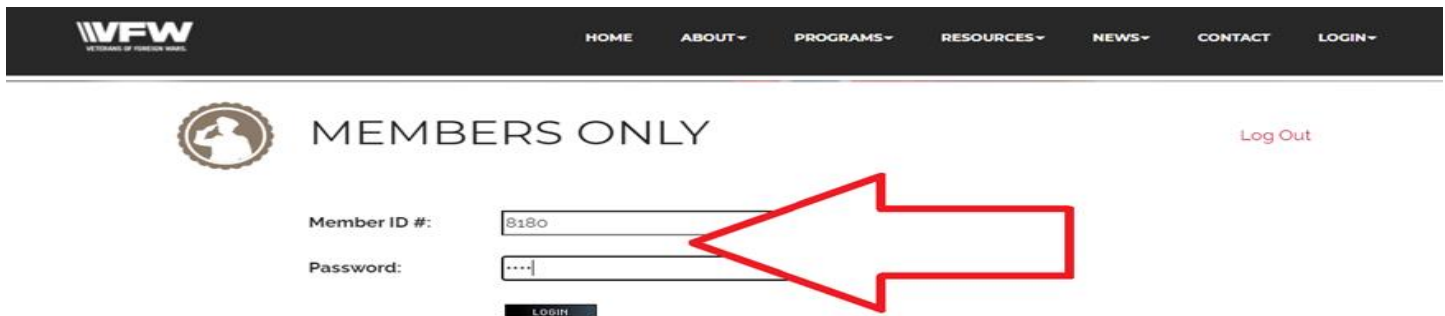
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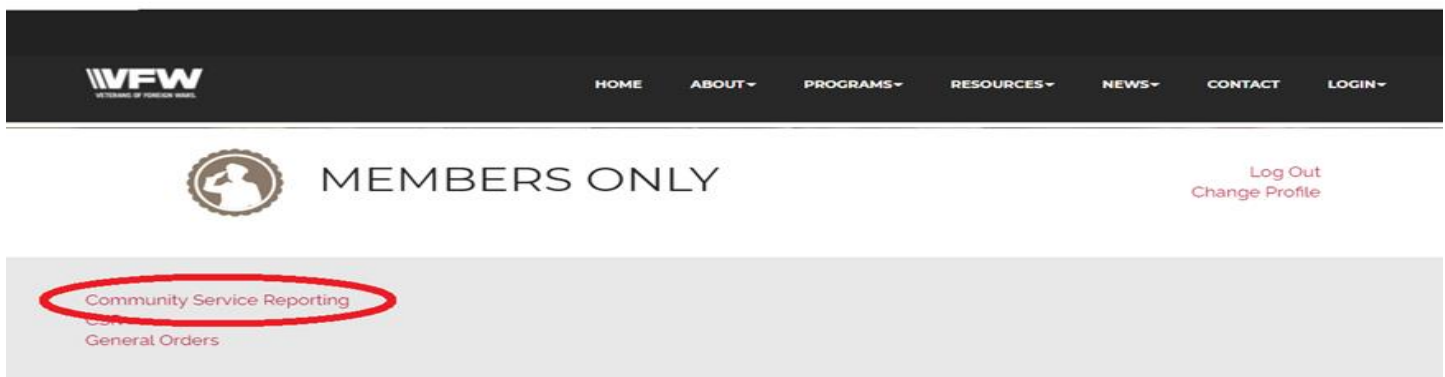
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STEP 2: Click on MEMBERS ONLY



STEP 3: Enter your information, then click LOGIN



STEP 4: Click COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORTING

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

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VFW Department of Pacific Activity Reporting

Please use the form below to enter your activity.
One report for ONE activity.

* Post* * Submitter Email* * Date of Activity*

mm/dd/yyyy

* Hours* * Miles* * Members*

* Total Expense or Donation* Dollar Value (Calculated) Total Dollars (Calculated)

STEP 5: Fill in ALL the (*) marked areas

* Description*

SUBMIT

STEP 6: Make sure to add a brief description of the event and click SUBMIT

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Program Activity

Month: November Year: 2020
Post: District:
Date of Activity: 2020-11-12
Hours: Miles:
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Dollars Value: Total Dollars:
Description:

STEP 7: Go to you email and you SHOULD see an email from the DPA with the
SUBJECT **Your Report Has Been Added Successfully**
Save this for your record
If you did NOT receive this email contact Augie and CC Me.



Warren "Max" Maxson

WANTED

FOR ROBBERY OF VETERANS

There are many companies & individuals who are breaking the law by charging veterans to file claims for benefits.

The law only authorizes the following individuals to assist in the preparation of claims for benefits:

- VA Accredited Attorneys
- VA Accredited Agents
- VA Accredited Vet Service Organization Representatives
- VA Accredited State / County Representatives
- VA Regional Office Representatives
- A private individual with one-time permission granted by the VA to assist one claimant

No One including those above can charge or financially gain for providing assistance to veterans to file a claim

The only time a fee may be charged is after a claim for benefits has been denied and then only by Accredited Attorneys or Agents!

If you see a situation like this, file a report with the Office of the General Counsel for the Department of Veterans Affairs. If you have further questions or would like to check on whether an individual or company is operating legally, please contact the Office of the General Counsel at 202- 461-7699 or via internet at <https://www.va.gov/OGC/>



DPA ADJUTANT/QUARTERMASTER

Comrades,

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year! We finally have 2020 in the books.

As we start planning for the new year, I would like to caution those that like to purchase plane tickets early. The Department convention is set for the 27 – 30 June in Pattaya Thailand, however, due to the current pandemic we are unsure if we will be able to travel. Therefore, I would not advise on buying plane tickets until we know for sure if the convention will be a in person meeting or held via Zoom.

A question was brought up during our Council of Administration last month concerning Buddy Poppy refunds. It looks like National did not amend any of the Poppy orders but instead proceeded the change of the order as a new order. If you get more boxes of Poppy's than you originally order let me know. Almost every Post has ordered the required Buddy Poppy's for All State. If you have not order yet and plan to order, please fill out the Buddy Poppy order form and email to me.

There are a few Post's that have not sent me their Quarterly Audits. Again this is a requirement for All State. Please check the spreadsheet on the Department webpage.

As a reminder, Post elections will begin in March with the nominations and the election in April. If you Post Quartermaster does not have access to the reporting tools, have them contact membership services to gain access. I can also help you fill in the online election report.

Hope you all continue to stay safe and healthy.

Yours in Comradeship,

Shawn Watson

Adjutant/Quartermaster



Shawn Watson





FACT SHEET

As the nation's oldest major war veterans' organization, the VFW has an impeccable and longstanding record of service and stewardship. More than 4.5 million patriotic Americans, both members and non-members, entrust the VFW with financial contributions and dedicate millions of volunteer hours.

YOUR DONATION OF

\$20

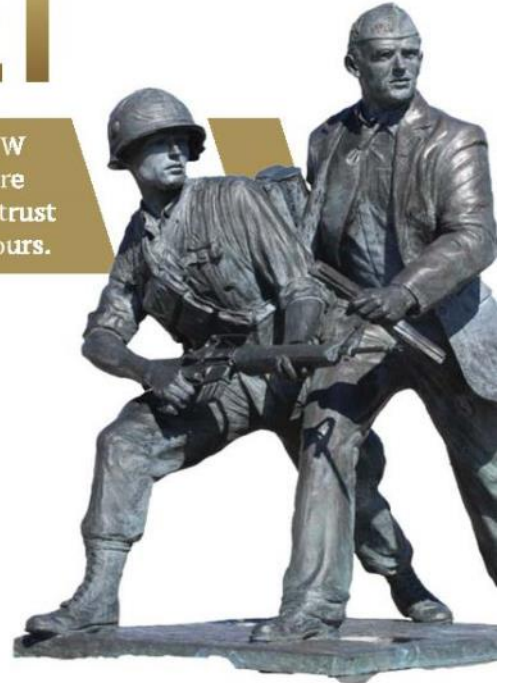
ENSURES THE VFW CAN

Educate a separating service member about his or her well-earned VA benefits through a private benefits counseling session with a VFW Service Officer.

Provide training to 4 VFW Service Officers on signs of emotional suffering so they can better direct veterans to programs and services.

Help cover rent, utilities or groceries for a military family struggling with the hardships of war.

Deliver 4 morale-boosting "welcome home" celebrations for service members who have returned from combat.



2,100+

Number of VA-accredited VFW representatives across America and abroad, helping veterans fight for the VA benefits they have earned.

56

Number of VFW-SVA Fellows (student veterans) who have traveled to Washington, D.C., to advocate for veterans' rights.

\$9 billion+

The total annual amount the VFW helped veterans recoup in VA disability compensation and pension benefits — which includes \$1.6 billion in new benefits paid to veterans in fiscal year 2019.

2.3 million+

Number of service members and their family members hosted at VFW Military Assistance Program (MAP) events since 2005.

20

Number of times the VFW has testified before Congress in the last 12 months alone. The VFW has been instrumental in virtually every major legislative victory for veterans in the 20th and 21st centuries.

\$3.5 million

Amount of scholarships, monetary awards and other incentives the VFW distributes annually to middle and high school students through two major patriotic essay competitions.

\$11.9 million

Value of financial assistance awarded to military families since 2004 to help cover basic needs in times of crisis. 44% of the funds covered basic housing needs.

\$7.9 million

Amount of scholarships awarded to more than 1,764 veterans and service members through VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship" since January 2014.

Updated September 2020

Learn more about the VFW's programs and services at vfw.org.

DPA JUDGE ADVOCATE

Greetings Comrades,

2020 Has certainly been a year we would all like to forget. I've washed my hands so much my exam notes from 1969 are starting to show through. Hopefully, everyone had a safe **Holiday Season** and the **New Year** will bring you and your families much joy and happiness.

National Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Matthew M. "Fritz" Mihelcic was in attendance at the DPA C-of-A and informed us that there will be a National Convention next year even if we can't meet in person and that there will be major changes to the National Bylaws and Manual of Procedures next year, to include a complete re-write of Article IX.

If anyone is planning to recommending a change, here are the general guidelines for submitting a change to the VFW Bylaws or Manual of Procedures.

PREPARING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT

TO THE NATIONAL BYLAWS, MANUAL OF PROCEDURE OR RITUAL

Bylaws: Any member in good standing, a Post, a District, or a Department, may propose an amendment to the National Bylaws; provided, however, before consideration at the National Convention, the proposed amendment must be approved by a Department Convention. Immediately following a Department Convention, the proposed amendment(s) must be forwarded to National Headquarters.

Manual of Procedure and Ritual: Any Post, District, or Department may propose an amendment to the Manual of Procedure or Ritual; provided, however, before consideration at the National Convention, the proposed amendment must have been forwarded, through channels and have been properly approved.

In order to meet National Bylaw/Manual of Procedure Article XIV requirements, to provide fifteen (15) day notice to all Posts of all amendments, the Adjutant General requests all amendments be forwarded to National Headquarters no later than five (5) working days following the close of the Department Convention.

Bylaw, Manual of Procedure or Ritual changes not in proper form, unclear as to meaning, or concerning matters clearly not within the scope and purpose of the Veterans of Foreign Wars cannot be considered by the National Convention.

A proposed change to the National Bylaws, Manual of Procedure or Ritual must be submitted as such, not as a resolution. Proposed amendments must be definite and specific as to the verbiage to be deleted or added. Use of the most recent amended copy of the National Bylaws, Manual of Procedure and Ritual is encouraged, as proposed changes considered by Convention delegates cannot be amended on the floor.

The current copy of the National Bylaws, Manual of Procedures and Rituals was amended July 24, 2020, Effective August 23, 2020.

YIC
D.N. Marohl
Judge Advocate



DPA Judge Advocate

Delbert "Bert" Marohl





MORE FACTS ABOUT THE VFW



The VFW by the numbers

1.5 million

Number of VFW and VFW Auxiliary members.

6,092

Number of VFW Posts worldwide.



Helping veterans get justice

108,000+

Number of veterans the VFW assisted in submitting new VA claims in fiscal year 2019.

15,000+

Number of VA claims filed by the VFW's Pre-Discharge offices in fiscal year 2019 resulting in more than \$136 million in disability compensation.

25

Number of VFW Pre-Discharge offices across the nation, including the military district of Washington, D.C., area.



Helping struggling military families

10,614

Number of grants provided to military families facing financial hardship through **VFW Unmet Needs** since 2004.

\$5,246,634

Amount of grants provided through **VFW Unmet Needs** covering housing for struggling military families since 2004.

3,575

Number of military families who received assistance with housing needs since 2004.



Improving life in America

9.4 million

Number of volunteer hours contributed by VFW members annually.

\$44.1 million

Amount donated annually to local community service projects by VFW members.



1899

Year the VFW started to fight for veterans, service members and their families.



Honoring the fallen

8.7 million

Number of VFW "Buddy"® Poppies distributed by the VFW last year.

\$8 million

Amount raised through the VFW "Buddy"® Poppy program for needy veterans.



Inspiring patriotism in young people

64,000+

Number of high school students who competed in the 2019–20 VFW Voice of Democracy competition.

164,000+

Number of students who competed in the 2019–20 VFW Patriot's Pen competition.

Updated September 2020

Learn more about the VFW's programs and services at [vfw.org](https://www.vfw.org).

NATIONAL HOME CHAIRMAN

Comrades,

As we end this MAD year of 2020 and start into the Year of 2021. I wish good health to everyone. The CofA on Zoom was good but not great as we are still unable to meet in person.

The National Home Donation are moving along and the reminder that I sent seemed to get a lot of the District and Post moving. Comrade's if you are wanting to make it on the ALL STATE listing for this VFW year you need to make your Districts and Post Donations. As you can see on the confirmed list below from the National home we are still running short this year of getting 100% donations.

If any of District or Post are having any problems with making their donation to the National home please let me know so I can assist you.

Visit the National Home BLOG site to see what else is happening. [Click here:](#)

National Home Donation Report

Report for District and Post as of 11 December 2020. This list has been confirmed by the National Home and by emails received with proof of Donation.

District / Post	Reported	District / Post Donated	District / Post	Reported	District / Post Donated
District 1	Yes	\$50.00	10217	Yes	\$50.00
9723	Yes	\$50.00	10249	Yes	\$300.00
District 2	Yes	\$50.00	11575	Yes	\$50.00
1054	Yes	\$50.00	12074	Yes	\$50.00
9555	Yes	\$50.00	12146	Yes	\$50.00
9612	Yes	\$50.00	12163	No	\$0.00
District 3	No	\$0.00	District 6	No	\$0.00
8180	Yes	\$75.00	1509	No	\$0.00
9985	Yes	\$50.00	2917	No	\$0.00
10033	No	\$0.00	3457	No	\$0.00
10223	Yes	\$50.00	District 7	Yes	\$50.00
12147	No	Pacific House	124	Yes	\$50.00
District 4	No	\$0.00	2485	Yes	\$50.00
9957	No	\$0.00	9892	Yes	\$50.00
District 5	No	\$0.00	11447	Yes	\$50.00
9876	Yes	\$250.00	12130	Yes	\$50.00
9951	No	\$0.00			
Post 12147 Project Pacific House		\$0.00	Yokosuka Scouts via Post 1054		\$0.00
Dist/Post Total	\$1,475.00	Special Projects	\$0.00	Grand Total	\$1,475.00
Not Confirmed		Working on			

Yours in Comradeship,
Randell E. Himes
nhcdpa@vfw-pacific.org



Randell E. Himes

Please report any and all donations that you make to the National Home to me so they can be recorded and tracked.

Email them to nhcdpa@vfw-pacific.org

The VFW National Home for Children serves as a living memorial to America's Veterans by helping our nation's veteran and military families during difficult times.



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FOR CHILDREN



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and what WE can do
for YOU.

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Start enjoying the benefits and camaraderie of belonging to a group of veterans who have earned their membership through service to our country. The Veterans of Foreign Wars has thousands of Posts across the nation and plenty of ways for you to get involved in a way that suits you best. Start making friends and contacts who understand where you've been and can help you get to where you want to go. You've earned this right - join the VFW today!

You can join the VFW if you...

- are a U.S. citizen or U.S. national
- have served honorably or are currently serving in the US Armed Forces
- received a campaign or service medal for overseas service
- served at least 30 consecutive or 60 non-consecutive days in Korea anytime since 1949
- received Hostile Fire or Imminent Danger Pay

Visit vfw.org/join for a complete list of eligibility.

You've earned it.

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Comrades,

I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

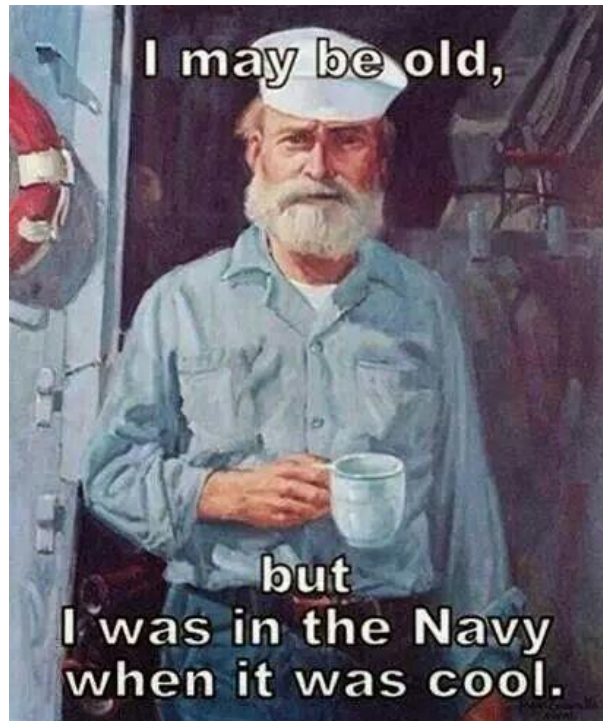
As we start the New Year, we can finally put 2020 behind us, I hope. This has most certainly been a year I for one would like to forget. Zoom meetings are something I would like to see go away, and get back to true comradeship. I really miss seeing all of you. Congrats to Pattaya Beach on winning the bid for Convention 2021. Let's all say a prayer that it will actually happen.

Those that have been able have done well at pushing through memberships. For some countries, like Japan, it is rough. The rules say we can't have meetings of more than 10, and activities such as fundraisers and membership drives are forbidden. Just do the best you can.

I know it's hard, but think positive through these difficult times. For nine months we have all been on a roller coaster ride that seems to bottom out more than anything else. Let's all just ride it out, and it will end at some point. Watch your health and those around you. Check up on those you haven't seen in a while. Make sure everyone, and yourself, have everything that's needed to get through this.

Any ways, keep your chin up, and support our Vets!!

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