



VFW Department of Wyoming News – May 2017

Membership

As of May 1st, Wyoming membership is at 95.01%. Your Commander and your Membership Chairman want you all to keep pushing that number up!

May Post Charter Anniversaries

Leonard C. Purkey VFW Post 3305, Greybull, 5/29/1935

Ramar Brown VFW Post 10056, Dubois, 5/21/1966

Important days in May – National Military Appreciation Month

May 1, 2017 – Loyalty Day

May 8, 2017 – VE Day

May 20, 2017 – Armed Forces Day

May 29, 2017 – Memorial Day

900 Club

May 900 Club winners

1. VFW Post 2673 Auxiliary in Cody - \$500
2. Mike W. – Sold by VFW Post 2221 in Laramie - \$300
3. MJ G. – Sold by VFW Post 2673 in Cody - \$100

Scouting

The Department's Scout of the Year is Ryan Quintana from Gillette.

Department Convention

The Department Annual Convention is in Thermopolis, June 9-11. More information and the application can be found on the Department Website at www.vfwwy.org under the Resources tab. Our National representative is PCIC Richard Eubank. The *tentative* schedule follows.

- Thursday, June 8, 3:00 pm – Audit Committee
- Thursday, June 8, 6:00 pm – Budget Committee (SVC, JVC, Jr. PDC, A/Q)
- Thursday, June 8, 7:00 pm – Council of Administration
- Friday, June 9, 7:00 am – Past Commanders' Breakfast
- Friday, June 9, 9:00 am – Memorial Service
- Friday, June 9, 10:00 am – Joint Opening
- Friday, June 9, 12:00 pm – Luncheon & Awards
- Friday, June 9, 2:30 pm – General Session
- Friday, June 9, 7:00 pm - Banquet
- Saturday, June 10, 7:00 am - Past Commanders' Breakfast
- Saturday, June 10, 9:00 am – General Session
- Saturday, June 10, 12:00 pm – Luncheon (Speaker: Auxiliary National Rep)
- Saturday, June 10, 2:30 pm – General Session
- Saturday, June 10, 4:30 pm - Joint Installation
- Saturday, June 10, 6:30 – Commander's and President's Reception
- Saturday, June 10, 7:00 pm – Banquet (Speaker: VFW National Rep)
- Sunday, June 11, 8:00 am – Council of Administration
- Sunday, June 11, 10:00 am – Veterans Service Committee
(Commander, A/Q, three immediate PDCs)

Please remember to send your list of deceased members to Donnell Nichols at donnell@vcn.com by **May 15, 2017**. We want to make sure their names are mentioned at the Memorial Service.

Community Service

The final year-end report to National is due **May 31, 2017**. Please get your reports to Willis Cain well before that date.

Membership Program Revisited

Membership Chair is Ray Cassell, raycassell@yahoo.com.

1. All posts that finish in first place, in each of the four membership divisions as of June 30, 2017 will receive a plaque (minimum of 25 members).
2. All posts achieving 100% membership by June 30, 2017 will receive a plaque and a pin for the post commander and quartermaster (minimum of 25 members).
3. Members who recruit new or re-instated members will have their names entered, one entry for each member recruited, for a drawing for one \$100 VFW Emblem and Supply gift certificate. It is the responsibility of the post quartermaster to provide the Department Membership Chair with the names of post members who qualify for this drawing no later than May 31, 2017.
4. Each post achieving 100% by the last working day of May 2017 will be entered into a drawing for a \$100 VFW Emblem and Supply gift certificate for the post commander and quartermaster (minimum 25 members).
5. The top three recruiters on the last working day of May 2017 will receive an expense allowance of \$100 to help defray the expense of attending the Department Convention. It is the responsibility of the post quartermaster to submit the recruiter's name and number recruited to the Department Membership Chair by May 31, 2017.
6. The post that recruits the most re-instated members will receive a \$100 VFW Emblem and Supply Gift Certificate.
7. District Commanders will receive a bonus of \$25 for each percentage point over 100% membership their district achieves by the last working day of May 2017. Maximum award of \$100.

District Meeting Reminders

District 3 Spring Meeting: Postponed due to weather. The new date is May 13, 2017, 10:00,
Post 9439, Casper

District 5 Spring Meeting: May 20, 2017, 10:00, Cheyenne, Post 1881

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