



Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Wyoming

### **Membership Program 2018-2019**

Retaining current members is priority for our Department. We need to also pick up members that have lapsed in the past few years. Quartermasters need to present the Commanders with a list of members that have not paid their dues within the past 1-2 or more years. Some of these members have been caught up in the daily schedules life presents and have fallen out of touch of posts. Post Commanders and Quartermasters and/or Membership Chair persons can take this list of members and do membership drives. Take a couple of Hours a week to go out and talk to these members and get them to sign back up and pay dues. Sometimes these Veterans have leads to new Veterans that may be eligible, follow up on the new leads. When visiting with the Veterans, present them the Life Membership options, and promote obtaining life memberships. Take the opportunity to promote VFW when visiting the prospects by using the fact sheet and talking about the various programs.

District Commanders talk to your posts about some of the ideas of how to present the Posts to the Veterans. Membership Drives, Booths at a trade show, local businesses that will allow a booth on the premises. Visit with the Posts about obtaining free recruiting materials from National and presenting order forms. Also, talk about setting goals at the Posts to obtain new members. Retaining members and recruiting new members is key to a Post in having success in the future.

### **Awards**

For new or reinstated members recruited between July 1, 2018 and April 1, 2019.

Recruiters will receive 1 chance for every member signed up for a \$100.00 gift certificate

Recruiters with 10 members will receive Certificate/Citation.

### **Top Recruiter incentives.**

1<sup>st</sup> \$400.00 to go toward Life Membership if currently an annual member.

2<sup>nd</sup> \$300.00 to go toward Life Membership if currently an annual member.

3<sup>rd</sup> \$200.00 to go toward Life Membership if currently an annual member.

- Already life member, it goes toward Life Legacy Membership Bronze.
  - Already Life Legacy Member, it goes toward Next Level, Silver or Gold.
  - Already Life Legacy Gold Member, recruiter will receive the Cash.

To be eligible, you must have signed up 15 members by 31 December 2018 and 25 members by 1 June 2019

### **All State Post Criteria**

Membership 100%

Reports turned in for Community Service, Buddy Poppies (must purchase) and Citizenship

Voice of Democracy – One entry advanced to District level.

Patriots Pen – One entry advanced to District level.

National Citizenship Education Teachers Award – At least one entry (K-5, 6-8, and 9-12) to District.

Veterans Military Service – minimum of \$50.00 fundraiser to go to National Veterans and Military Services.

National Veterans Service – Appoint a Post Service Officer.

Public Service/Safety Award – At least one entry (Law Enforcement, Fire Fighter, EMT) to Department.

Commander and Quartermaster must attend District meetings (Spring and Fall), Mid-Winter Conference, and Summer Convention. If one can not attend for health reasons, a designated representative may attend (preferably SVC or JVC).

### **All State District Criteria**

Membership 100%

Voice of Democracy – At least one entry advanced to Department level.

Patriots Pen – At least one entry advanced to Department level.

National Citizenship Education Teachers Award – one entry (K-5, 6-8, and 9-12) advanced to Department level.

Veterans Military Service – minimum of \$50.00 fundraiser to go to National Veterans and Military Services.

National Home for Children- minimum of \$50.00 fundraiser to go to National Home for Children.

Commander and Quartermaster must attend District meetings (Spring and Fall), and Mid-Winter and Summer Convention Councils of Administration. If one can not attend for health reasons, a designated representative may attend (preferably SVC or JVC).