



VFW Department of Wyoming News – April 2018

April Post Charter Anniversaries

Thunder Basin Centennial Post 7756, 4/04/1990, Gillette

Bridger Valley Post 7798, 4/12/1990, Mt. View

Robert E. Stoddard Post 4343, 4/15/1959, Cheyenne

900 Club

April 900 Club winners

1. Ticket 334 – VFW Post 9439 - \$500
2. Ticket 125 – VFW Post 11453 - \$300
3. Ticket 156 – Jim Pedersen - \$100

Scholarship Application

May 3rd is the deadline for the Past State Commander/Past State President Scholarship applications. Hopefully, every post is out there looking for a deserving applicant. The application can be found on the Department Website at www.vfwwy.org under the Programs tab.

District Meetings

District 1 Spring Meeting: April 7, 2018, 10:00, Post 2281, Thermopolis

District 2 Spring Meeting: April 14, 2018, 10:00, Post 7756, Gillette (Prince of Peace Lutheran Church)

District 3 Spring Meeting: April 15, 2018, 10:00, Post 9439, Casper

District 4 Spring Meeting: May 5, 2018, 10:00, Post 4797, Afton (Civic Center)

District 5 Spring Meeting: April 21, 2018, 10:00, Post 4471, Guernsey

PCI Update

I've received a number of phone calls about the PCI post cards. That means the word is getting out. If a post member calls about the post card, please tell them it is a legitimate fundraiser. One of the side benefits of the fundraiser is that the company provides us with updated contact information. The return address on the PCI postcard is:

Wyoming VFW
Verification of Member Data
PO Box 809107
Dallas, TX 75380-9107

Passing of a Past Department Commander



Larry Orr was a member of VFW Post 1881. Larry joined the VFW in 1967, becoming a Life Member in 1983. He became active in 1999 and was elected Commander for four and a half years at Guernsey Post 4471. He served as District 5 Commander for two years, and State Chief of Staff, State Chaplain, State Jr. Vice Commander, State Sr. Vice Commander and State Commander.

VFW Wyoming Department Convention

Each post will shortly receive a written invitation to our Department Convention. As we did with the 2018 Mid-Winter, we'll be packing the Convention with information you need to run an effective VFW Post. Assistant Adjutant General John Muckelbauer will be our National Representative. We plan to ask him to give us lessons in VFW non-profit status and how to keep your posts tax exempt. We'll also host representatives from the Wyoming Veterans Commission (WVC) to talk about some new and continuing initiatives, including our partnership in building a memorial for Wyoming's War Dead and the ongoing push to make Wyoming 211 the best resource for Wyoming veterans. This is in addition to celebrating our Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen winners, along with our Teachers of the Year, Public Servants of the Year, and our Scout. We'll also see who wins membership and community service awards. And, of course,

we'll elect new Department officers. So please bring along as many members of your post as possible, and let's make this a great Convention.

The Convention is sponsored by VFW Post 1881 and will be held at Little America in Cheyenne. The Council of Administration, Veterans Service Committee, Audit Committee and Budget Committee meet on June 7th. The general Business Meetings take place June 8th and 9th. The forms are on the department website at vfwwy.org. Click on News and Events. You'll then see Dept Convention.

Do you have questions?

About Community Service? Contact Donnell at donnell@vcn.com

About Citizenship? Contact Don at dcmack22@yahoo.com

About Poppies? Contact Rod at rodarlene2002@yahoo.com

About Membership? Contact Ray at raycassell@yahoo.com

All these programs are nearing end of year report time, so make contact now!

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