

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS



MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

2023-2024

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

This membership program has been designed to recognize and award you for promoting membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Note: To receive credit, please remember to put your name and VFW ID/ member number on all Membership Application Forms for all new members you recruit.

To be eligible for any award:

- ✓ You must meet the award criteria on or before the Department deadline date (as indicated in this guide).
 - ✓ Membership numbers must appear on National's website (memstats) on or before the Department's contest deadline date.
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- Post must have at least 50 members to receive any membership award
 - Unless otherwise stated, awards will be presented at the State Convention
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Respectfully,

James R. Morrissey III
State Commander

Craig DeOld
Membership Chairman

Monthly Membership Contest

Post: TBD Monthly Contest Drawing:

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July 2023 \$50.00 & (1) Commanders' Shirt

August \$50.00 Prize

September \$50.00 Prize

October \$50.00 Prize

November \$50.00 Prize

December \$100.00 Prize & (2) Tickets to VOD/PP Banquet

January \$50.00 Prize & (2) Tickets to Commander-in-Chief Banquet

February \$50.00 Prize

March \$50.00 Prize

April \$50.00 Prize

May \$50.00 Prize (2) Tickets to Awards Banquet (State Convention)

June 2024 \$100.00 Prize

Recruiter: New Members Monthly Contest:

July 2023 \$50.00 & (1) Commanders' Shirt

August \$50.00 Prize

September \$50.00 Prize

October \$50.00 Prize

November \$50.00 Prize

December \$50.00 & (2) Tickets to VOD/PP BANQUET

January \$50.00 Prize & (2) Tickets to C-IN-C Banquet

February \$50.00 Prize

March \$50.00 Prize April

\$50.00 Prize

May \$50.00 Prize (2) Tickets to Awards Banquet (State Convention) June

2024 \$100.00 Prize

Monthly Contest: Each month posts & recruiters leading with the most new members on the last day of the month will received a monthly prize (listed above)

In the event of a tie a raffle drawing will be held to determine the winner. (Must have a minimum (3) for posts, (3) for recruiters. Awards will be based on the current month totals and not accumulative total. Every month posts and recruiters will have the opportunity to compete as the contest re-starts over at the beginning of each month.

Early Bird - Continuous Membership Award Deadline: December 31, 2023

Continuous members who renew their dues at least one month earlier than when they are due will be entered to win a Life Membership if renewed by 12/31/2023 (1 winner).

100% Membership Award Deadline: December 31, 2023

Posts with 50 or more members achieving 100% membership by 12/31/2023 will be entered to win a \$500.00 and \$ 250 cash prize (2 winners). Posts with 49 or less will be entered to win a \$200.00 cash prize (1 winner).

Post Commanders Contest Deadline: May 31, 2024

Post Commanders LEADING in their DIVISION as of May 31, 2024, at 8am and reaching or exceeding 102% will be the guest of the State Commander to attend the State Convention in June 2023. They will receive a full room and tax (2 nights) and two (2) tickets to the Awards Banquet.

All-State Post Award

- ✓ Must have 102% or greater in Membership by **June 30th 2024 at 8am** ✓ Must have all four (4) Quarterly Audits submitted.
- ✓ Post Quartermaster **MUST** be Bonded on or before aug.31,2023 for the full year.
- ✓ Must have submitted a Community Service Report.
- ✓ Must have participated/purchase Buddy Poppy.
- ✓ Must have participated in the Voice of Democracy Program (Entry).
- ✓ Must have participated in the Patriot Pen Program (Entry).
- ✓ Must have Submitted a Candidate to **ONE** of the following:
 - Teacher Award, Police or Firefighters Award, Scout of Year
- ✓ Must have attended Field Training/OTI
- ✓ Post must have participated in a Special Project event or donation of \$50.
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- ✓ Post must have participated in a National Home donation of \$50.
- ✓ Post must have participated in a Unmet Needs donation of \$50.

All State Post Commander

Post Commander achieving All-State will receive the following:

- All State Post Commander's Cap and Commanders Jacket
- All State Post Commander's Lapel pin.
- Two (2) ticket to the State Convention's Awards Banquet.

Post who achieve All-State after State Convention will be presented their items at the 1st Council of Administration meeting. (Cap & lapel pin only).

Post Quartermaster's Award

The Post Quartermaster of a Post that achieves ALL STATE POST status will receive the Following:

- All State Quartermaster Lapel Pin. ➤
- All State Quartermaster Cap or Jacket

Post Quartermasters who achieve All-State after State Convention will be presented their items at the 1st Council of Administration meeting.

All State District Commanders Award

District Commander must be 102% by 8am on JUNE 30, 2024

- All Posts in District MUST be Inspected by March 31, 2024.
- Must have a Voice of Democracy District entry submitted to Department.
- Must have a Patriots Pen entry submitted to Department.
- Must have at least one Post in District submit a Candidate to the Department for **ONE** of the following: Teachers Award, Police and/or Firefighter Awards, Scout of Year

- District must have participated in a special project event or donation of \$100.
- District must have participated in a donation to the National Home of \$100.
- District must have participated in a donation to the Unmet needs program of \$100..

All-State District Commander Will be awarded the following:

- An All State Commander's Cap.

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- A Distinctive Jacket
- Two (2) tickets to the State Convention Awards Luncheon. ➤ \$250.00 Prize.

District Commanders who achieve All-State after State Convention will be presented their items at the 1st Council of Administration meeting. (Cap & lapel pin only)

District Quartermaster's Award

The District Quartermaster that achieves ALL STATE District status will receive the Following:

- All State Quartermaster Lapel Pin
- Choice of an All State Quartermaster Cap or Jacket

District Quartermaster who achieve All-State after State Convention will be presented their items at the 1st Council of Administration meeting.

District Commanders Contest

District Commanders LEADING their DIVISIONS and reaching or exceeding 102% by May 31, 2024, at 8am will receive \$250.00 Prize.

Reinstate Members Award

Post with the most reinstated members by June 1, 2024 will receive \$250.00 cash prize. (Minimum of 20)

State Commander Special Membership Awards

Awards are in addition to the monthly membership contest.

3 Members Recruited: State Commanders Challenge Coin

5 Members Recruited: Top Three Challenge Coins

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10 Members Recruited: (1) Commander's Shirt

15 Members Recruited: (2) Tickets to the Commander-in-Chief's Reception

20 Members Recruited: (2) Tickets to the Awards Banquet (State Convention)

30 Members Recruited: (2) nights Hotel Stay (State Convention)