



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
Department of Wisconsin
“Buddy” Poppy & National Home for Children
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Hello to all of our Auxiliaries in Wisconsin. My name is Laurie Coffin and I am your chairman for this worthy and wonderful program for 2021-2022.

First of all, let's get answers to some important questions.....who won the “Buddy” Poppy contest for Mid-Winter. Well, we had 15 wonderful displays and they were viewed by everyone at the convention. I decided to let everyone who wanted to vote do so. We counted 106 votes on Friday evening.

- 3rd Place – Madison Day Post #7591, Madison - District 2 \$10.00
- 2nd Place – Ozaukee County Memorial # 5373, Belgium – District 6 \$15.00
- 1st Place – Fort Atkinson #1879, Fort Atkinson – District 2 \$25.00

If you were there and voted, thank you very much.

Then we had the judging for the June convention. Using all of the same “Buddy” Poppy displays, I had 3 members of the VFW judge these. They had 3 winners for each placing and there was a point system for judging. Plus, there was a judging for the Most Impressive Display.

Category 1 PUBLIC PROMOTION OF POPPY CAMPAIGNS

- 3rd Place – Ozaukee County Memorial #5373, Belgium – District 6
- 2nd Place – Dickman Spaeth #8584, Cashton – District 11
- 1st Place – DePere #2113, DePere – District 8

Category 2 MEMORIAL OR INSPIRATIONAL DISPLAY

- 3rd Place – Mueller-Hintz #1866, Marshfield - District 7
- 2nd Place – Fort Atkinson #1879, Fort Atkinson – District 2
- 1st Place – Burns #388, Wausau – District 7

Category 3 ARTISTIC OR DECORATIVE USE OF THE BUDDY POPPY

- 3rd Place – Greenwood Memorial #987, Baraboo – District 11
- 2nd Place- DePere #2113, DePere – District 8
- 1st Place – Otto Oas #659, Manitowoc – District 8

MOST IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY

- Fort Atkinson #1879, Fort Atkinson – District 2 for their Purple Heart Display.

Money Awards were given out and certificates for the Mid-Winter winners. The Convention winners will be receiving their monetary awards and certificates for participating in the mail.

Please think about entering the Mid-Winter contest in February (it will be in Baraboo). Please use the Dept. President (Don't FUDGE of Care for Veterans) and National President (Soaring Above and Beyond) themes for your display. Good Luck!

NATIONAL HOME

There is a trip being planned for the end of October to go to the National Home. It is a great time and lots to see and learn.

We are asking for donations from the Auxiliaries and Posts so that a truck can be purchased for the new snowplow that was purchased.

Keep track of what you do for both of these programs for your year-end report.

Report your donations received from poppy drives to WI VFW Headquarters: VFW Dept. of WI Headquarters, PO Box 6128, Monona, WI 53716.

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