DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN CONVENTION
BUDDY POPPY DISPLAY CONTEST

A Buddy Poppy contest will be held at the Department Convention. The rules have been designed to put the emphasis on the purpose and effectiveness of the display. The contest for 2021-2022 State Convention will be in honor of the State Commander and Auxiliary President’s theme “Don’t Fudge On Care For Veterans” and the National President’s theme Soaring Above and Beyond”.

ALL DISPLAYS MUST CONTAIN AT LEAST ONE (1) CURRENT YEAR POPPY IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM WITH THE LABEL ATTACHED. ONE SILK POPPY CAN BE USED.

RULES OF THE DEPARTMENT BUDDY POPPY CONTEST

Displays will be presented and judged in three (3) categories.

CATEGORY 1  PUBLIC PROMOTION OF POPPY CAMPAIGNS
(Window, Booth, Parades or Poster Displays campaign promotions, etc.)

A. Display must be designed for public exposure and must bear a message urging the donating to and wearing of the VFW Buddy Poppy.

B. At least one (1) of the current year Poppies used in the display must be in its original form & color, with the label attached.

C. Judging will be based on EFFECTIVENESS, (20 POINTS), CLARITY OF THEME (20 POINTS), SUITABILITY (10 POINTS), ORIGINALITY (15 POINTS), BEAUTY (15 POINTS) AND NUMBER OF POPPIES USED (20 POINTS). A POSSIBILITY OF 100 POINTS.

CATEGORY 2  MEMORIAL OR INSPIRATIONAL DISPLAY (POST/AUXILIARY)
(Wreath, Memorial Tablets, Patriotic or Devotional Theme)

A. Display must be designed to honor the dead, to inspire devotion to God & Country, or to dramatize the activity supported by the Buddy Poppy Program.

B. At least one of the current year Poppies used in the display must be in its original form & color, with the label attached.

C. Judging will be based on EFFECTIVENESS, (20 POINTS), CLARITY OF THEME (20 POINTS), SUITABILITY (10 POINTS), ORIGINALITY (15 POINTS), BEAUTY (15 POINTS), AND NUMBER OF POPPIES USED (20 POINTS). A POSSIBILITY OF 100 POINTS.

CATEGORY 3  ARTISTIC OR DECORATIVE USE OF THE BUDDY POPPY
(Post Home Displays, table decorations, hats, centerpieces, corsages, pictures, plaques, Models, scene, novelty pieces, etc.)

A. Any display not meeting the criteria of Categories 1 or 2 shall automatically be entered in Category 3.

B. At least one of the current year Poppies used in the display must be in its original form & color, with the label attached.

C. Judging will be based on SUITABILITY (25 POINTS), ORIGINALITY (25 POINTS, BEAUTY (20 POINTS), AND NUMBER OF POPPIES USED (30 POINTS). A POSSIBILITY OF 100 POINTS.
BUDDY POPPY DISPLAY CONTEST RULES – DEPARTMENT ANNUAL CONVENTION

1. A display that has received an award at a prior Department Convention CANNOT be entered again for two (2) years.
2. Do not identify your Post or Auxiliary on your Entry. YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED!
3. NO LIMIT ON ENTRIES IN EACH CATEGORY PER Post or Auxiliary.
4. Displays must be set up in the designated area prior to 12:00 noon on the Friday of the Convention Week. Judging will be held on Friday at 1:00 p.m. The units entering the display will be responsible for setting up & taking down of the display. The display must be removed between midnight Friday & 12:00 on Saturday of the Convention Week.
5. The display must be accompanied by the registration blank.
6. A white card may accompany the display, not to exceed 6”x12” in size on which is lettered in black ink an explanation of the theme of the display or other information of interest to the view of the judges. No identification of Post, Auxiliary name, number or city will be permitted on the card.
7. ONE POPPY MUST APPEAR IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AND MUST BE FROM THE CURRENT YEAR.
8. Awards will be given for the top three (3) entries in each category. The top entry in each category will be permitted to represent the Department of Wisconsin in the National Competition at the National Convention.

If your display will involve the use of the US Flag or Military Flags be sure to follow the Flag Code!

JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL!

JUDGES AWARD FOR THE MOST IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY

A Judges Award will be awarded for the MOST IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY in any category. The point system will not be used in the selection of this award. The winner may or may not be a category winner!
REGISTRATION FOR BUDDY POPPY DISPLAY CONTEST
ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

Post and/or Auxiliary Number __________ City ____________________________

Category (1, 2 or 3) __________ Display No. Leave Blank ________________

Number of Poppies used in Display _______________ (where display is entered in Category 3
And is a sample of a number of identical items, only one item need be displayed, but indicate the
Number of such items used and the total number of Poppies used.)

Name of person/persons responsible for setting up and taking down the display:
_____________________________________________________________________

If you are the top winner in one of the three categories, do you wish to have your display entered in the
National Contest? If yes, you will be responsible for having the display transported to the National
Convention. In case the winners cannot get their display to the National Convention, the Department
Chair will pick a substitute.  YES ______ NO ______

Your Signature & Title __________________________________________________________________

NOTE: This entry form must accompany your display to the designated area at the Department
Convention prior to 12:00 noon on Friday of the Convention week. If you are entering a display in more
than one category, prepare a separate copy of this form for each display.

BUDDY POPPY ANNUAL CONVENTION AWARDS PROGRAM
BUDDY POPPY DISPLAY CONTEST

1. Will follow Department Rules
2. Judges Award for "MOST IMPRESSIVE" – $15.00 Department Convention only
3. 1st, 2nd, 3rd place awards in each category – Department Convention only
4. 1st place in each category will be entitled to represent the Department of Wisconsin in the
National Convention Contest (Annual Department Convention Only)

DISPLAY CONTEST CASH AWARDS – ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

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