# STATE CONVENTION POPPY DISPLAY GUIDELINES

Have you thought about your "Buddy"<sup>®</sup> Poppy entry for the VFW State/Department Convention? You still have plenty of time to make a display and enter it into the competition.



There will be first, second, and third place winners in each of the three categories. First place winners will have the *option* of submitting their entry for judging in the National Competition in Columbus, OH. The three categories are:

### **CATEGORY 1: Public Promotion of Poppy Campaign**

Window, booth, parade, poster displays, campaign promotion, etc.

Displays must be designed for public exposure and must bear a message soliciting a donation for and wearing of the VFW "Buddy"<sup>®</sup> Poppy.

### **CATEGORY 2: Memorial or Inspirational Displays**

Wreaths, memorial tablets or plaques, patriotic or devotional themes.

Displays must be designed to honor the dead, to inspire devotion to God and Country, or to dramatize the activities supported by the "Buddy"<sup>®</sup> Poppy.

### **CATEGORY 3: Artistic or Decorative Use of Poppies**

Post Home displays, table centerpieces, corsages, pictures, models, scenes, hats, novelty pieces, etc.

\*Any display not meeting the qualifications of Category 1 or 2, shall automatically be entered in Category 3.

In ALL CATEGORIES, at least one (1) of the poppies used in the display MUST BE in its ORIGINAL FORM AND COLOR WITH LABEL ATTACHED.

## The Convention entry form can be found on the next page.

We hope to see many creative entries this year. Good luck to all.

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#### REGISTRATION FOR BUDDY POPPY DISPLAY CONTEST ANNUAL STATE/DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

Post and/or Auxiliary Number \_\_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Category (1,2, or 3) \_\_\_\_\_ Display No. Leave Blank \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Poppies used in Display \_\_\_\_\_\_ (where display is entered in Category 3 & is a sample of a number of identical items, only one item needs to 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 & 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 VFW and VFWA Chairmen will pick a substitute.

YES\_\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_\_

Your Signature & Title\_\_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** This entry form must accompany your display to the designated area at the State/ Department Convention prior to 12:00 noon on Friday of the Convention week. If 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 State/Department Rules
- 2. Judges Award for "MOST IMPRESSIVE"-\$25.00 State/Department Convention Only
- 3. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards in each category-**State/Department Convention Only**
- 4. 1<sup>st</sup> place in each category will be entitled to represent the State/Department of Wisconsin in the National Convention Contest

#### DISPLAY CONTEST CASH AWARDS-ANNUAL STATE/DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

CATEGORY	1	2	3	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	