



Buddy Poppy/National Home Program 2023-24

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“Buddy”® Poppy

MID-WINTER POPPY DISPLAYS

Thanks to all the Auxiliaries that created and brought in a Buddy Poppy Display for our Mid-Winter Conference. They were all fantastic! I picked 5 secret judges to make the decision of who the winners would be, so I didn't have to make the choices.

And the winners were:

1st Place—Chippewa Post #1038 Auxiliary with a “Bee the Change” wreath that promotes our programs.

2nd Place—Goede-Smith-Ramsey Post 8478 Auxiliary created by Teresa Steinke

3rd Place—Edwin Frohmader Post 1879 Auxiliary created by Deanna Carothers.

Honorable Mention-Ozaukee County Memorial Post 5373 Auxiliary created by Jane Jacque.

Greater Plover Memorial Post 10262 Auxiliary and DePere Post 2113 Auxiliary also had great entries.

Watch for the rules and entry blank for Buddy Poppy Displays for State Convention. Remember the first place winner in that contest goes on to National!



VFW National Home



This is the last push to sign up as a Life Member; have a special program to promote the National Home; or even just talk to your own members and neighbors and tell them all about the VFW National Home before it is time to fill out your Year-End Report.

So, let's take a little quiz to see just how much you have been paying attention to the information I have sent out to you or look at the National Home website for the answers-

1. **Where is the VFW National Home?** (Eaton Rapids, MI)
2. **How many homes are there at the National Home?** (42-Under About/Community)
3. **What anniversary did the National Home just celebrate on January 7th of this year?** (Their 99th Anniversary)
4. **Who qualifies to apply to stay at the VFW National Home?** (On website under Who We Help)
5. **How long can a family stay at the Home?** (click on How we Help on website)
6. **How much does a family have to pay to stay at the National Home?** (No charge. Also on How We Help page)
7. **How many ways can you help the VFW National Home?** (See You Can Help page)

If you were able to correctly answer the above questions—You Win! You are definitely ready to talk to any person or group to let them know what the VFW National Home is!

Whenever possible, show people the VFW National Home website at www.vfwnationalhome.org. It is easy to maneuver through and is filled with all the information you could possibly need to tell people what the VFW National Home is all about.

Are you afraid to talk in front of a group? Think you can't do it justice? Let the VFW National Home speak for itself. Check out the “Stories” on their website under “Who We Help” and click on one of the stories. You don't have to say a word!

And don't forget about all the information in Malta. So, no excuses my fellow members, let's make sure the VFW National Home IS NOT the Best Kept Secret we have.

Remember to tell me what you did to promote the VFW National Home on your Year-End Report!

Buddy Poppy Contest Winners!



SECOND PLACE

THIRD PLACE

HONORABLE MENTION

Check out pictures of all of the entries on our website under Programs/Buddy Poppy...

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