

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA

2006 MEMBERSHIP - AWARDS PROGRAM
(JULY 1, 2005 - JUNE 30, 2006)

NATIONAL COMMANDER - IN - CHIEF

"PROUD TO SERVE AMERICA'S VETERANS"

DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA

"SERVING VETERANS AND COMMUNITY"

This Membership - Awards Program has been designed with incentives to work on membership, VFW programs, meeting attendance and submission of reports.

MEMBERSHIP PLAQUES will be presented at the State Convention to the largest Post in each category. The judging will be based on Membership as of December 26, 2005.

Category A - Posts with Membership of 10 thru 100
Category B - Posts with Membership of 101 thru 300
Category C - Posts with Membership of 301 thru 500
Category D - Posts with Membership of 501 thru 1000
Category E - Posts with Membership of 1001 or more

The minimum Post Membership increase Goal in the 2005 Membership - Awards Program is 20 members.

POST QUOTAS will be the Post Membership listed at National Headquarters on June 30, 2005.

The quota will **NOT** be reduced because of members who die, move out of the area in which the Post is located, or transfer to another Post.

A NEW POST will be assigned a Membership Quota of 30 members.

POST AWARDS

A NEW AND REINSTATED MEMBERSHIP PLAQUE will be awarded to the Post that recruits the most new and reinstated members (excluding MIPs) by the day prior to awards judging. This plaque will be awarded at the State Convention.

A LIFE MEMBERSHIP INCREASE PLAQUE and \$100.00 will be awarded to one Post in each District. To qualify, the increase must be at least 5% over the total at the beginning of the year. The greatest percentage of increase in Life Members by the day prior to awards judging will determine the Posts selected. The plaques will be awarded at the State Convention.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP DRAWINGS - There will be three (3) drawings for a Life Membership in the VFW. Posts with 10 thru 100 members will have one (1) chance, Posts with 101 thru 250 members will have two (2) chances and Posts with 251 or more members will have three (3) chances.

The first drawing will be held on September 29, 2005 and the Post must have 25% of its 2006 membership quota to participate.

The second drawing will be held on November 8, 2005 and the Post must have 50% of its 2006 membership quota to participate.

The third drawing will be held on January 3, 2006 and the Post must have 100% of its 2006 membership quota to participate.

DRAWING FOR \$200.00 CASH AWARD - There will be three (3) Posts selected for this award. Posts must meet their membership quota by the day prior to awards judging to be eligible. Drawings will be held on the day of awards judging. (MIPs not included)

POST RECOGNITION AWARDS

A POST MEMBERSHIP BANNER will be awarded to each Post that meets their 2006 Membership Quota by May 12, 2006 excluding MIPS.

Victory Streamer for reaching the previous years' membership by May 12, 2006 excluding MIPS.

100% plus Post Commander and Quartermaster pins to Posts exceeding 100% by May 12, 2006 excluding MIPS.

Post Commander and Post Quartermaster Ball Cap to Posts who are 100% in membership excluding MIPS.

2005-2006 ALL STATE TEAM

There will be a maximum of 25 Posts on The All State Team.

The 25 All State Posts will receive an All State Post Banner.

For a Post to be eligible, it must have reached 100% of their Membership Quota by the day prior to awards judging excluding MIPS.

The Post Quartermaster must be bonded.

The Post must have been inspected by the day prior to awards judging.

All Audit Report must be turned into State Headquarters by the day prior to awards judging.

Posts with less than 50 members are not eligible for the All State Team. To be eligible the Post must increase their membership to 50 members excluding MIPS. The Post will then be classified as 100%.

All State Judging Points will be given for participation in the programs as outlined below:

40 Points - For 100% in Membership

10 Points - For submitting a Community Service Record Book for judging

5 Points - For participating in the Buddy Poppy Program.

5 Points - For having the Post Commander or an authorized member attend each District Meeting/Convention.

5 Points - For having all four (4) Quarterly Audit Reports on file at Department Headquarters.

Reports must be submitted each quarter.

5 Points - For being credited in the Voice of Democracy Program.

5 Points - For being credited in the Patriot's Pen Program.

* 5 Points - For being credited with at least two Hospital Reports

* 5 Points - For being credited with at least two Americanism Reports

* 5 Points - For being credited with at least two Community Activities Reports

* 5 Points - For being credited with at least two Safety Reports

* 5 Points - For being credited with at least two Youth Activities Reports

ADDITIONAL POINTS for MEMBERSHIP - **When the Post has completed all the above programs**, one fifth (1/5) of one (1) point will be assigned for each additional member above 100% (MIPs will not count).

HOSPITAL REPORTS/AMERICANISM/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/SAFETY/YOUTH ACTIVITIES REPORTS:

Post's must report at least twice to receive 5 points once during the first reporting period (May 1 through October 31) and once during second period reporting period (November 1, through April 30).

Posts submitting Hospital Reports for 1st and 2nd reporting periods will receive a State Citation.

Posts reported in 3 categories of Community Activities, 4 categories of Safety, 8 categories of Americanism and 4 categories of Youth Activities during the reporting period of May 1, 2005 through April 30, 2006 will receive a State Citation.

ALL STATE TEAM AWARDS

The All State Post Commanders will receive: A Citation; an All State cap; an All State pin; two (2) free tickets for you and your spouse/guest to the State Convention Banquet to be held on Saturday night. A check in the amount of \$300.00, to assist in payment of expenses while attending and participating at the State Convention, will be presented. Time of payment will be at the discretion of the Department Commander.

The All State Post Quartermasters will receive: A Citation; an All State cap; an All State pin; two (2) free tickets for you and your spouse/guest to the State Convention Banquet to be held on Saturday night. A check in the amount of \$300.00 to assist in payment of expenses while attending and participating at the State Convention will be presented. Time of payment will be at the discretion of the Department Commander.

The All State Commanders and All State Quartermasters will be individually recognized at the Awards Program during the State Convention.

From the All State Team, the Post with the highest points in the All State Judging will be designated as the Outstanding Post of the Year 2005-2006. The Commander and Quartermaster of this Post will be the Captains of the All State Team.

The Awards and Citation Committee will break all ties and their decision will be final.

2005-2006 ALL STATE DISTRICT COMMANDERS

For a District Commander to qualify, the Commander must meet the following All State District Commanders criteria:

1. Have the District at 100% or more in membership by the day prior to awards judging excluding MIPs.
2. Have all Posts, in the District, inspected by January 31, 2006.
3. Have Post Quartermasters, for all Posts in the District, properly bonded by the day prior to awards judging.
4. Have all Audit Reports, for all Posts in the District, turned into State Headquarters by the day prior to awards judging.
5. Have all Posts in the District reported in: Americanism, Community Activities, Hospital, Safety and Youth Activities in each reporting period.

ALL STATE DISTRICT COMMANDERS AWARDS

Each All State District Commander will receive the following: A Citation and an All State District Commander's cap.

The All State District Commander(s) will also receive two (2) tickets for you and your spouse/guest to the State Convention Banquet to be held on Saturday night. (Duplicate awards will not be given if a similar one has been earned). Time of payment will be at the discretion of the Department Commander.

Each All State District Commander will receive a VFW Jacket if the District is 100% or more in membership excluding MIPs.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

All individual recruiting awards must be certified to State Headquarters, by the Post Quartermasters, by the day prior to awards judging. The names of the individuals recruited, Post Number and the name of the recruiter must be received before any award is given.

An annual member who recruits 5 New or Reinstated Members (MIPs not included) will receive:

Annual Dues (National & Department portions) paid, for the current year, by the Department.

Name and membership number entered into a drawing for a Life Membership.

(For each additional 5 members recruited, an additional entry will be made in the Life Membership Drawing).

A Life Member who recruits 5 New or Reinstated Members (MIPs not included) will receive:

Name and membership number entered into a drawing for a \$300.00 cash award.

(For each additional 5 members recruited, an additional entry will be made in the cash award drawing).

The drawings for the Life Membership and cash award listed above will be conducted on the day of awards judging.

An individual recruiter may also receive for:

10 New or Reinstated Members - a Pen and Pencil Set.

25 New or Reinstated Members - a Department Aide-de-Camp Recruiting Award with engraved citation and an official cap.

50 New or Reinstated Members - a National Aide-de-Camp Recruiting Award with engraved citation and an official cap.

100 New or Reinstated Members - a Century Recruiter Award with engraved citation, an official cap, and a pen and pencil set.

RECRUITER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The recruiter signing up the most new or reinstated members (excluding MIP) by May 13, 2006 will receive the following:

Round trip airfare to the 107th National Convention in Reno, Nevada.

One National Convention banquet ticket.

Expense check in the amount of \$500 to help defray expenses.

Department citation.

Distinctive cap and name badge.

THE SAMUEL B. DeVAUGHAN MEMBERSHIP AWARD is awarded to the member who recruits the most new and/or reinstated members (MIPs not included) of the 2005-2006 Membership Year. Entry must be certified by Post Quartermaster and entry with names of recruited members must be submitted by the day prior to awards judging. Post quartermasters are excluded from this award. (Post Quartermasters are entitled to participate in most phases of the State Membership Campaign and are eligible to earn other individual awards). This award will be presented at the State Convention.

THE GEORGE C. DALBY AWARD is awarded to any Post member for outstanding participation in VFW programs. Rules for this contest are sent to each Post in the spring. Deadline for submission to State Headquarters is the day prior to awards judging. Post and District Commanders are excluded from this award. This award will be presented at the State Convention.

THE W. B. SHAFER, JR. MEMBERSHIP AWARD is awarded to the Post making the greatest percentage gain in membership as shown by the State Membership Report dated the day prior to awards judging (MIPs not included). This award will be presented at the State Convention.

THE RICHARD A. (AL) GUAGER AMERICANISM AWARD is awarded annually and rules for this contest are sent to each post in the spring. Deadline for submission to State Headquarters is by the day prior to awards judging. This award will be presented at the State Convention.

THE GEORGE E. McCracken HONOR GUARD/COLOR GUARD AWARD is awarded to the most outstanding Post Honor Guard/Color Guard. Deadline for submission to State Headquarters is by the day prior to awards judging. This award will be presented at the State Convention.

FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR AWARD is awarded to the most outstanding fire fighter. The selectee will receive a plaque and a check for \$200.00. The deadline for submission to State Headquarters is January 1, 2006. Send resume of nominees' background, resume of background in fire/emergency safety work, accomplishments in fire/emergency safety field, photograph, title and address to State Headquarters. This award will be presented at the State Convention.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD is awarded to the most outstanding law enforcement officer. The selectee will receive a plaque and a check for \$200.00. The deadline for submission to State Headquarters is January 1, 2006. Send resume of nominees' background, resume of background in law enforcement work, accomplishment in the field, photograph, title and address to State Headquarters. This award will be presented at the State Convention.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD is awarded to the most outstanding Emergency Medical Technician. The selectee will receive a plaque and a check for \$200.00. The deadline for submission to State Headquarters is January 1, 2006. Send resume of nominees' background, resume of background in paramedic work, accomplishment in the field, photograph, title and address to State Headquarters. This award will be presented at the State Convention.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARDS are presented to the most outstanding Teachers. The selectees will receive a Citation and a check for \$200.00. There are three winners - Kindergarten through Fifth, Sixth through Eighth and Ninth through Twelfth. The deadline for submission to State Headquarters is January 1, 2006. These awards will be presented at the State Convention.

Entries (3 levels) will be submitted from Posts to their respective District. Districts will judge all entries and select the winners (3 levels) to be sent to Department for judging. The Department will judge entries (3 levels) from each Districts and select winners (3 levels) to be sent to National for judging.

THE W. I. WOODDELL MEMORIAL POST QUARTERMASTER AWARD is awarded annually to the Post Quartermaster who has shown outstanding dedication to his Post and the Department. Submission of nominee is to be sent in by the Post Commander. Submission must be received the day prior to the awards judging. The recipient is to be selected by a committee headed by the State Quartermaster. The award will consist of a custom-lettered citation, plus a check in the amount of \$200.00 from the Department. This award will be presented at the State Convention.

THE CLAIR B. POFF PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD is awarded to the Post for the most outstanding newsletter or publication and then forwarded to National for judging. To enter, send two different copies of your Post Newsletter to State Headquarters along with the editor's name and address. Deadline for submission to State Headquarters is January 1, 2006. This award will be presented at the State Convention.

THE ROBERT H. RINER AWARD is awarded to the District Commander with the highest percentage gain in membership over last year. Membership gain will be as shown by the State Membership Report dated the day prior to awards judging. This award will be presented at the State Convention.

WILLIAM T. (BILL) ALLEN HOSPITAL AWARD is awarded to Posts for their outstanding reporting in hospital work. Plaques for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be presented. The winning Posts will be determined by the State Hospital Chairman. These awards will be presented at the State Convention.

CLARENCE E. KELLEY MEMORIAL VOICE OF DEMOCRACY AWARD (Trophy) is awarded to the Post that sponsors the State's first place winner and will be presented at the State Convention.

The Post VOD Chairman will receive one night's lodging, mileage and a banquet ticket to attend the Community Service Conference in Washington, D.C. (Duplicate award will not be given if the chairman receives a National Appointment).

Each Post that participates in the program will receive a citation.

The State VOD winners will receive: 1st place - \$1,000.00; 2nd place - \$600.00; and 3rd place - \$400.00). The 1st place winner is expected to attend the Winter Conference Banquet, read entry and receive the State Award.

PATRIOT'S PEN PLAQUE is awarded to the Post that sponsors the State's first place winner and will be presented at the Winter Conference.

The State Patriot's Pen essay winner will receive: 1st place - \$500.00; 2nd place - \$300.00; and 3rd place - \$200.00). The 1st place winner is expected to attend the Winter Conference Banquet, read entry and receive the State Award.

EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

The Eagle Scout selected for this award will receive a plaque and a check for \$500.00. The award will be presented at the State Convention.

This competition is open to any Eagle Scout between the ages of 15 and 18 who is still in High School.

Each scout must submit his application to a VFW Post for sponsorship. The Post may select an Eagle Scout of the Year entry and submit the application to the District Scouting Representative, for judging, no later than March 15, 2006.

Each District may submit one (1) entry to the Department. Entry must be submitted no later than April 1, 2006.

Each District participating in the Eagle Scout Program will receive a citation.

Department judging for this award will be conducted by the Department Eagle Scout and Scouting Committee. The Department's winning entry will be submitted to National for judging.

COMMUNITY SERVICE RECORD BOOK should be kept from May 1, 2005 to April 30, 2006 for State judging. Plaques will be awarded to the top three (3) entries. Special Citations will be awarded to the fourth through tenth places; and all other entries not placing in the top ten will receive a citation. The top ten winners will be presented plaques/citations at the State Convention. One award from National will be presented for the top State entry.

In addition to the above awards, all Posts entering a Community Service Record Book will have a chance to win a monetary award in the amount of \$200.00 if judged best overall entry in their respective membership category. One (1) check will be issued to each membership category.

Category A - Posts with Membership of 10 thru 100.

Category B - Posts with Membership of 101 thru 200.

Category C - Posts with Membership of 201 thru 500.

Category D - Posts with Membership over 500.

NOTE: To receive the monetary award for a record book entry in any of the four categories a Post must be 100% in membership.

NOTE: Record Book entries may be used to help break any ties in the All State Team Judging. The amount of effort placed in preparing the entry will be considered.

BUDDY POPPY CITATIONS will be presented to the District Commander whose District purchased the most Buddy Poppies and to the District Commander whose District had 100% participation in the Buddy Poppy Program.

The Post in each District who purchased the most Buddy Poppies will be given a citation.

These awards will be presented at the State Convention.

LOYALTY DAY CITATIONS will be given for the Most Outstanding District Competition and for the Most Outstanding Post Competition. These awards will be presented at the State Convention.

JUDGING for awards will be on May 13 & 14, 2006. All judging material must be at State Headquarters by 5:00 P.M. (1700 Hours) on May 12, 2006. **(NO EXCEPTIONS!)**

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**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE
UNITED STATES**

2005-2006

National Membership Program

12/20/04 Draft

MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT

In cooperation with Department leaders, the National Organization strives to achieve membership goals. A strategic plan has been conceived and should be, with the assistance from the National Organization, implemented at the Department level. To sustain a vibrant membership base, National Headquarters offers technical, logistical and financial resources to ***make recruiting in the field a well-organized operation.***

Departments have the responsibility to initiate a well-planned program, using Department funds and resources allocated by the National Organization.

MEMBERSHIP GOALS FOR 2005-2006

The National Organization, with a full understanding of the importance of recruiting new and reinstated members in addition to retaining our continuous members, has implemented a plan to recruit at least 175,000 New and Reinstated (N/R) Members for the 2005 - 2006 program year.

- At least 40,000 MIP members.
- 135,000 N/R members from the Departments, Districts and Posts.

NATIONAL CONTESTS AND AWARDS

DEPARTMENT AWARDS

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S MEMBERSHIP AWARD TRIP TO ALASKA July 2006

All fifty-four (54) Department Commanders and their guest will be enjoying this wonderful vacation award being offered by our Commander-in-Chief as a small token of his appreciation for “a job well done,” provided the Department is 99% (not including MIP), or 100% (including MIP) in membership by May 31, 2006.

In addition, if a Department on June 30, 2006 exceeds the number of new and reinstated members it had on June 30, 2005 or is 100% in membership (not including MIP) or 110% (including MIP), that Commander will receive \$250.00 cash, to be awarded by the Commander-in-Chief during this trip.



COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S JACKET AWARD

All fifty-four (54) Department Commanders will be presented with a Commander-in-Chief's jacket if their September 30, 2005 new & reinstated totals are higher than the prior year on September 30, 2004.

THE "SHOW ME" CHALLENGE

Commander-in-Chief Mueller has decided to add some fun to this membership program. The "SHOW ME CHALLENGE" is a recruiting challenge where anyone at any time can challenge another to see who has recruited the most members. Challenge awards will be issued to all recruiters recruiting new or reinstated members as follows:

Number of N/R Members Recruited	Medallion Awarded
3	Private
5	Corporal
10	Sergeant
25	Captain
50	Major
75	Colonel
100	Brigadier General
200	Major General
300	Lieutenant General
400	General
Leading National Recruiter	General of the Class of 2006

Department Commander's Challenge

PENNSYLVANIA	MARYLAND	MAINE	
CALIFORNIA	NEBRASKA	NEW MEXICO	
	OHIO	IOWA	NORTH DAKOTA
	TEXAS	TENNESSEE	NEW HAMPSHIRE
NEW YORK	CONNECTICUT	PACIFIC AREAS	
ILLINOIS	ARIZONA	MONTANA	
	FLORIDA	GEORGIA	IDAHO
	MICHIGAN	COLORADO	VERMONT
MINNESOTA	WEST VIRGINIA	EUROPE	
INDIANA	OKLAHOMA	RHODE ISLAND	
	NEW JERSEY	KENTUCKY	DELAWARE
	MISSOURI	ALABAMA	WYOMING
WISCONSIN	LOUISIANA	NEVADA	
MASSACHUSETTS	ARKANSAS	ALASKA	
	KANSAS	SOUTH CAROLINA	UTAH
	VIRGINIA	OREGON	HAWAII
WASHINGTON	MISSISSIPPI	LATIN AMERICA/CARIBBEAN	
NORTH CAROLINA	SOUTH DAKOTA	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	

Members are required to carry these medallions at all times after issuance and must be prepared to challenge or be challenged by their fellow comrades. The highest-ranking comrade is the winner and can offer his personal challenge to the loser, hopefully pertaining to membership or VFW Programs.

In addition, each Department Commander will be issued a special medallion at the beginning of the year. This medallion is to be worn at all times as long as your Department membership exceeds are ahead of your assigned Department in this challenge.

Use this as a tool to encourage membership growth by creating competition between the leadership of the various Posts and Districts within your Department or outside your Department.

DISTRICT & POST AWARDS

WELCOME TO KANSAS CITY



Twelve (12) Post and six (6) District Commanders, one from each division (***Distinguished Division Only***) and their spouse/guest can win this exciting Kansas City Award Trip.

Commanders will have to be 100% to qualify for this award and must be the top Commander in their membership division (***Distinguished Division Only***) as of March 31st to win.

The award winners will receive round-trip travel from the airport nearest the Commanders' home to Kansas City, Missouri.

A fun filled weekend is planned that may include touring, shopping, a major league baseball game, and a complete tour of National Headquarters.

Awards are not transferable.

100% DISTRICT & POST AWARD

A distinctive streamer will be awarded to every District and Post that reaches 100% in membership by June 30, 2006.

CENTURY RECRUITER AWARD

For recruiting 100 new and/or reinstated members (excluding MIP), the recruiter receives a distinctive citation and cap from the Commander-in-Chief.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF RECRUITING AWARDS

For recruiting 25, 50, 75 new and/or reinstated members (excluding MIP), the recruiter receives a distinctive plaque from the Commander-in-Chief.

Membership pins, together with the membership medallions, will also be given to those recruiters who sign up *three (3), five (5) and ten (10) new or reinstated members (excluding MIP).*

A special pin will be given to those individuals recruiting *twenty-five or more MIP members.*

For recruiting the most new or reinstated members (excluding MIP) by December 31, 2005, one Post and District Commander from each Distinguished membership division (18 winners) will be awarded a specially designed Commander-in-Chief's watch. Note: total must exceed the number of new or reinstated members recruited by December 31, 2004.

NEW FOR 2005-2006: Ladies Auxiliary members are eligible to receive these awards and are encouraged to participate by recruiting new or reinstated members for the VFW.

RECRUITER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The recruiter signing up the most new or reinstated members (excluding MIP) by June 30, 2006 and spouse/guest will receive the following:

- Round trip airfare to the 107th National Convention in Reno, Nevada.
- Head table seating at the annual National Convention banquet.
- Expense check in the amount of \$1,000 (maximum per individual/couple) to help defray expenses.

- Commander-in-Chief's citation.
- Distinctive cap and name badge.

CHALLENGE OF THE FUTURE AWARD

Awards and special recognition will be given to the recruiter who recruits the greatest number of new or reinstated members in each of the following four categories:

- Category number one.
 - Those individuals ages 18 – 34.
- Category number two.
 - Those individuals ages 35 – 50.
- Category number three.
 - Those individuals ages 51 – 65.
- Category number four.
 - Active Duty, Reserve, or National Guard regardless of age (excluding MIP).

The winning recruiters in each of these four categories will receive the following:

- Round trip airfare to the 107th National Convention in Reno, Nevada.
- Expense check in the amount of \$500 (maximum per individual/couple) to help defray expenses.
- Commander-in-Chief's citation.
- One ticket to the National Convention banquet.
(Accompanied winners will receive an additional ticket.)

ALL AMERICAN COMMANDERS 2005 - 2006

This is a National award.

Up to 190 Post, District and Department Commanders can earn this distinct honor.

All-American Team

In accordance with proposed Division allocations, each member of the All-American team will receive the following:

1. Specially designed All-American cap and name badge.
2. All-American lapel pin.
3. All-American citation.
4. All-American streamer.

In addition, the twenty-four (24) Post and twelve (12) District Commanders who are leading their respective membership divisions (Distinguished and Honor Divisions) at year- end close on June 30, 2006 will win the following:

5. Round trip airfare to the 107th National Convention in Reno, Nevada.
6. One ticket to the National Convention banquet. (Accompanied winners to the National Convention will receive an additional ticket.)
7. Expense check in the amount of \$500 to help defray hotel accommodations.
8. Invitation to the All-American breakfast.

ALL AMERICAN POST COMMANDER QUOTA

Membership Division	Placement Distinguished Division	Placement Honor Division	Membership Division	Placement Distinguished Division	Placement Honor Division
1 2,001 & over	1st thru 3 rd	1 st and 2 nd	7 351 to 450	1st thru 6 th	1 st and 2 nd
2 1,501 to 2,000	1st thru 10 th	1 st thru 3 rd	8 251 to 350	1st thru 6 th	1 st and 2 nd
3 951 to 1,500	1st thru 10 th	1 st thru 3 rd	9 151 to 250	1st thru 6 th	1 st and 2 nd
4 751 to 950	1st thru 10 th	1 st thru 3 rd	10 101 to 150	1st thru 5 th	1 st and 2 nd
5 551 to 750	1st thru 10 th	1 st thru 3 rd	11 51 to 100	1st thru 5 th	1 st and 2 nd
6 451-to 550	1st thru 10 th	1 st thru 3 rd	12 under 50	1st thru 5 th	1 st and 2 nd

One hundred fifteen (115) Post Commanders can be selected on the basis of year-end membership percentage (6-30-06).

To qualify, a Post must reach a minimum of 100% of the previous year's membership, **of which 5% or more must be new or reinstated members** place in its membership division in accordance with the assigned allocation and complete three of the following five activities:

1. Student entry in the Voice of Democracy competition.
2. Student entry in the Patriot's Pen competition.
3. Participate in the Adopt a Unit program.
4. Participate in and request one award pin for the Community Service Volunteer program.
5. Participate in and request one award pin for the Hospital Volunteer program.

NOTE: CHANGE FOR 2005-2006 - HONOR DIVISION MUST REACH 100% OF PREVIOUS YEARS PAID MEMBERSHIP TO QUALIFY FOR ALL AMERICAN.

ALL AMERICAN DISTRICT COMMANDER QUOTA

	Placement	Placement
Membership Division	Distinguished Division	Honor Division
1 13,001 & over	1st thru 3 rd	1 st and 2 nd
2 9,001 to 13,000	1st thru 5 th	1 st thru 3 rd
3 5,001 to 9,000	1st thru 4 th	1 st thru 3 rd
4 3,001 to 5,000	1st thru 5 th	1 st thru 3 rd
5 1,751 to 3,000	1st thru 4 th	1 st and 2 nd
6 1,750 or less	1st thru 4 th	1 st and 2 nd

Forty (40) District Commanders can be selected on the basis of year-end membership percentage (6-30-06).

To qualify, a District must reach a minimum of 100% of the previous year's membership, **of which 5% or more must be new or reinstated members** and place in its membership division in accordance with the assigned allocation and conduct at least one District school of instruction as verified by the Department Headquarters.

NOTE: CHANGE FOR 2005-2006 - HONOR DIVISION MUST REACH 100% OF PREVIOUS YEARS PAID MEMBERSHIP TO QUALIFY FOR ALL AMERICAN

Every Department Commander who meets the following criteria ***will be recognized as an All American Department Commander*** based on the end of year-end membership percentage (6-30-06).

To qualify, a Department ***must reach a minimum of 100% of the previous year's membership*** of which ***5% or more must be new or reinstated members*** and ***complete five of the following nine activities:***

1. Nominate a member of the "new" VFW Volunteer of the Year program.
2. Nominate a teacher in all three categories of the VFW Citizenship Education Teacher Award program.
3. Nominate an individual for the Firefighter Award program.
4. Nominate an individual for the Law Enforcement Award program.
5. Nominate an individual for the EMT Award program.
6. Nominate an individual for the Eagle Scout Award program.
7. Nominate an individual for the VFW Outstanding Post Service Officer of the Year Award program.
8. Nominate an individual for the VFW Outstanding Health Care Award program.
9. Nominate an individual for the VFW Youth Hero Award program.

NOTE: CHANGE FOR 2005-2006 - HONOR DIVISION MUST REACH 100% OF PREVIOUS YEARS PAID MEMBERSHIP TO QUALIFY FOR ALL AMERICAN