

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS**



**DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA**

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**COMMANDERS MESSAGE:**

We need to start thinking about two areas of concern; one that affects us in Virginia and one that affects us in general.

The first is our annual members and the rate of membership renewal. At the present time less than half of our annual members have renewed for next year. It is time to start calling these folks or, better yet, drop by and say hello. See why they haven't been to a Post meeting or function lately. To keep these Comrades on board we have to make them feel that they are a part of the organization and not just a number. No one likes to feel that they are being taken for granted.

Secondly, we are fast approaching Veterans Day. Originally a commemoration of the Great War Armistice effected at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in 1918. A commemoration that now encompasses a remembrance of all American Veterans, past and present. It is an observance that many of our civilian counterparts take seriously, but which many see as an additional day off from work. We as Comrades in the VFW need to reach out to our communities and insure that they understand the significance of the service and sacrifices made by veterans and their families throughout the entire history of our great nation; service and sacrifice that is ongoing throughout the world even as we lay wreaths of remembrance and respect on Veterans Day; and service and sacrifice that will continue into the future. Bring your community into your ceremonial observances not only as observers but, where possible, as participants. To Honor The Dead By Serving The Living is a motto that may be difficult to impart to those who never served, but it's not impossible.

Yours in Comradeship,  
C. D. "Doc" Crouch  
Department Commander

**SPECIAL ORDER 55:**

His membership having been questioned under the provisions of Section 108 of the National By-Laws and the veteran having failed to submit proof of campaign medal service which would qualify for membership, it is hereby ordered that the name of David L. Duncan, Life Membership No. 911958, be removed from the rolls of John C. Culin Post No. 1827, Charlottesville, Virginia, and his membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States terminated by reason of ineligibility.

By order of  
Gary L. Kurpius  
Commander-in-Chief

**DISTRICT MEETINGS:**

**FIRST – 11-18-06 11:00 AM PHOEBUS POST 3219 STATE REPRESENTATIVE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER HAL ROESCH**

**SECOND – 11-18-06 NOON LUNCH 1:00 PM MEETING NORFOLK POST 3160 STATE REPRESENTATIVE COMMANDER C. D. CROUCH**

- THIRD – 12-03-06 2:00 PM MEETING 3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT HQ'S STATE REPRESENTATIVE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER JIMMY LEE WALLACE**
- FOURTH – 11-05-06 2:00 PM MEETING SOUTH HILL POST 7166 STATE REPRESENTATIVE CHIEF OF STAFF ROY SWANNER**
- FIFTH – 11-19-06 NOON LUNCH MEETING TO FOLLOW STUART POST 7800 HELD AT AMERICAN LEGION POST STATE REPRESENTATIVE CHIEF OF STAFF ROY SWANNER**
- 02-25-07 NOON LUNCH MEETING TO FOLLOW DANVILLE POST 647
- 05-20-07 NOON LUNCH MEETING TO FOLLOW INDEPENDENCE POST 7726
- SIXTH – 11-05-06 2:00 PM MEETING SALEM VAMC SPONSERED BY POST 4165 STATE REPRESENTATIVE SURGEON JAMES MARTIN**
- SEVENTH – 12-10-06 11:30 AM MEETING FRONT ROYAL POST 1860 STATE REPRESENTATIVE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER JIMMY LEE WALLACE**
- 03-11-07 11:30 AM MEETING SHENANDOAH POST 8613
- 05-20-07 11:30 AM MEETING BERRYVILLE POST 9760
- EIGHTH – 11-19-06 1:00 PM MEETING MANASSAS POST 7589 STATE REPRESENTATIVE COMMANDER C. D. CROUCH**
- NINTH – 01-28-07 10:30 AM MEETING MARION POST 4667 STATE REPRESENTATIVE JUDGE ADVOCATE REX FARIS**
- TENTH – 12-03-06 1:00 PM MEETING WOODBRIDGE POST 7916 STATE REPRESENTATIVE SURGEON JAMES MARTIN**
- 02-25-07 1:00 PM MEETING McCLEAN POST 8241
- 05-20-07 1:00 PM DISTRICT CONVENTION DALE CITY POST 1503
- ELEVENTH – 01-28-07 11:30 AM LUNCH MEETING TO FOLLOW LEXINGTON POST 1499 STATE REPRESENTATIVE COMMANDER C. D. CROUCH**
- TWELFTH – 01-06-07 11:00 AM MEETING PENNINGTON GAP POST 10298 STATE REPRESENTATIVE ADJUTANT/QUARTERMASTER KIM DESHANO**
- THIRTEENTH – 12-03-06 1:00 PM MEETING LUNCH TO FOLLOW GORDONSVILLE POST 7638 STATE REPRESENTATIVE COMMANDER C. D. CROUCH**

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

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| November 2-5, 2006  | Southern Conference, Greensboro, North Carolina, Sheraton Four Seasons, Room Rates are \$95.00 plus tax. 1-800-242-6556.             |
| November 10, 2006   | Deadline for the gold Medal Awards. Must be submitted to State Headquarters to be eligible for National. Information attached.       |
| January 19-21, 2007 | Winter Council Meeting, Crowne Plaza Fort Magruder Williamsburg, 757-220-2250, Room Rates \$60.00 must be book by December 27, 2006. |
| March 4-7, 2007     | Community Service & Legislative Conference, Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington D.C. Reservation form attached.                          |
| June 14-17, 2007    | State Convention, Room Rates \$87.00, Sheraton Richmond West Hotel, Richmond, VA, Telephone 804-285-1234                             |



## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION:

VFW Posts should take the necessary steps to incorporate under the laws of the state in which the Post is located. Financial responsibility laws, as interpreted by the Courts, may cause members of unincorporated Posts to be at risk. Incorporating under the provisions of Section 708 of the National By-Laws and Manual of Procedure and the laws of the state will provide protection for Post members. Posts are urged to contact their Department Adjutant to obtain the proper forms for incorporating. The Articles of Incorporation must be reviewed by the Commander-in-Chief prior to forwarding them to the proper state authorities.

## ASSOCIATE MEMBER CARDS:

National By-Laws provides for only one type of membership; that is active membership. There are no provisions in the National By-Laws, nor is there any authority or justification for issuance of Club Membership cards, Associate Member cards, Honorary Membership cards, Courtesy Membership cards or any other special type of cards. Any Post issuing such unauthorized cards, or conducting club operations open to the general public, endangers its standing with the Internal Revenue Service as a non-profit organization. Officers signing outlaw cards admitting non-members to VFW premises are subject to disciplinary action. National and Department officers cannot defend practices that conflict with VFW By-Laws or procedure.

## AUDIT REPORTS:

Attention is directed to Section 218, Manual of Procedure Duty of Trustees, Form P-113. Trustees Report of Audit must be prepared in detail at the close of each quarter, one of which is September 30<sup>th</sup> and is now due. Please submit to State Headquarters. Audits for June 30<sup>th</sup> are Past Due and are noted below.

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted an Audit Report for the period ending 6/30/06 as of 10/23/06

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| <b>DIST. 3</b>  | 3125  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 4</b>  | 10570 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 11</b> | 7814  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 13</b> | 7638  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## AUTO INSURANCE:

Effective September 1, 2006, the VFW Sponsored Auto Insurance changed from GMAC to AIG, one of the largest insurance organizations in the world. The program includes member preferred rates and coverage features exclusively for VFW members and their families. To get a free, no-obligation quote call 1-800-354-0181 or go to [VFW Sponsored Auto Insurance](http://www.vfw.org/index.cfm?fa=mbr.level&eid=221), <http://www.vfw.org/index.cfm?fa=mbr.level&eid=221>.

## BUDDY POPPIES:

Plans should be under way for the Veterans Day Buddy Poppy Campaign. Contact Department Quartermaster to place your order for Buddy Poppies. Miscellaneous items (coin cans, caps, buttons, posters, etc.) should be ordered directly from the VFW Emblem and Supply Catalog. VFW Programs Chairmen's Guides have been mailed to each Post.

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Congratulation to districts 2, 9 and 10 for being 100% reported. Out of 173 posts 147 have submitted reports.

Lynn Harris  
Community Activities  
Vice-Chairman

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted a Community Activities Report for the first half as of 10/13/06

|                 |       |       |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| <b>DIST. 1</b>  | 2296  | 6002  | 8629 | 9358 |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 2</b>  | 2582  |       |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 3</b>  | 100%  |       |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 4</b>  | 622   | 8048  | 8599 | 8902 | 10570 |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 5</b>  | 10840 |       |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 6</b>  | 484   | 4299  | 4522 | 4920 | 5311  | 8184 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 7</b>  | 1150  | 9660  |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 8</b>  | 4468  |       |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 9</b>  | 100%  |       |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 10</b> | 100%  |       |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 11</b> | 452   | 4989  | 8479 |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 12</b> | 10611 |       |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 13</b> | 8717  | 10295 |      |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## **NATIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE & LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE:**

The 2007 National Community Service Conference and the National Legislative Conference will meet in Washington DC, March 4-7, 2007 at the Omni Shoreham Hotel.

The attached agenda reflects combining the two conferences. Most of the attendees will arrive on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> with all departing on Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. The exceptions are the committee members who are meeting on Sunday morning (see attached tentative agenda) and the National Council of Administration, who are authorized to arrive on Saturday, March 3rd.

Please note the Parade of Winners will be on Monday night, March 5; the Commander-in-Chief testimony will be Tuesday morning, March 6; the Celebration of Achievement Banquet will be Tuesday evening, March 6; and, there will be no Congressional Reception with the Congressional Award being presented during Monday's Joint Opening Session. There will be no functions scheduled for Wednesday, March 7, which will be for departures. You will receive a final agenda at the conference.

As stipulated in the agenda, the following committees will meet on Monday, March 5, 2007 (and will each be ninety minutes in duration):

- National Buddy Poppy
- National Youth Education & Community Service
- National Homeless Veterans/Employment & Training
- National Veterans Care
- National Military Assistance
- By-Laws Review
- National Security
- National Military Affairs
- National POW/MIA

To make hotel reservations, please call 202-756-5125 or (800)-843-6664 and ask for the Veterans of Foreign Wars rate. Housing opens on December 15, 2006. You may also use the attached room reservation form and fax or mail to the hotel or do your reservations on line (see form). The Omni Shoreham room rate is \$194 single/double or \$204/Triple/Quad plus 14.5% tax. Reservation cut-off date is Monday, February 5, 2007. Reservations received after that date will be taken on a space available basis only and may be at a higher room rate. In addition to those who are authorized to arrive on Saturday, March 3, there will be a limited number of additional rooms available for other attendees who may want or need to arrive earlier than Sunday.

Your Celebration of Achievement Banquet tickets will be available at State Headquarters the third week of December. Ladies Auxiliary members must purchase their tickets through their Department Adjutant.

## DUES RESERVE FUND:

The attention of Post Commanders and Quartermasters is directed to Section 218, Manual of Procedure, Duties of Quartermaster, which provides for the Dues Reserve Fund. The Post Quartermaster is required to maintain a dues reserve fund to which shall be credited not less than one-half the Post's part of the current year's dues paid by each member prior to July 1. Included therein, shall be not less than one-half of the per capita tax refunded annually to Posts for Life Members, as set forth in Section 111, Manual of Procedure.

## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS:

State Headquarters will be closed for the following holidays:

Veterans Day, Friday November 10

Thanksgiving, Thursday November 23 and Friday November 24

## HOSPITAL:

### 12 Tips to Prevent Cold and Flu the "Natural" Way

Since there are no known cures for colds and flu, prevention must be your goal. A proactive approach to warding off colds and flu is apt to make your whole life healthier. The most effective way to prevent flu, frankly, is to get the flu shot. It may not be natural, but it works better than anything else. But there are other strategies you can employ as well.

**#1 Wash Your Hands:** Most cold and flu viruses are spread by direct contact. Someone who has the flu sneezes onto their hand, and then touches the telephone, the keyboard, a kitchen glass. The germs can live for hours -- in some cases weeks -- only to be picked up by the next person who touches the same object. So wash your hands often. If no sink is available, rub your hands together very hard for a minute or so. That also helps break up most of the cold germs.

**#2 Don't Cover Your Sneezes and Coughs With Your Hands:** Because germs and viruses cling to your bare hands, muffling coughs and sneezes with your hands results in passing along your germs to others. When you feel a sneeze or cough coming, use a tissue, then throw it away immediately. If you don't have a tissue, turn your head away from people near you and cough into the air.

**#3 Don't Touch Your Face:** Cold and flu viruses enter your body through the eyes, nose, or mouth. Touching their faces is the major way children catch colds, and a key way they pass colds on to their parents.

**#4 Drink Plenty of Fluids:** Water flushes your system, washing out the poisons as it rehydrates you. A typical, healthy adult needs eight 8-ounce glasses of fluids each day. How can you tell if you're getting enough liquid? If the color of your urine runs close to clear, you're getting enough. If it's deep yellow, you need more fluids.

**#5 Take a Sauna:** Researchers aren't clear about the exact role saunas play in prevention, but one 1989 German study found that people who steamed twice a week got half as many colds as those who didn't. One theory: When you take a sauna you inhale air hotter than 80 degrees, a temperature too hot for cold and flu viruses to survive.

**#6 Get Fresh Air:** A regular dose of fresh air is important, especially in cold weather when central heating dries you out and makes your body more vulnerable to cold and flu viruses. Also, during cold weather more people stay indoors, which means more germs are circulating in crowded, dry rooms.

**#7 Do Aerobic Exercise Regularly:** Aerobic exercise speeds up the heart to pump larger quantities of blood; makes you breathe faster to help transfer oxygen from your lungs to your blood; and makes you sweat once your body heats up. These exercises help increase the body's natural virus-killing cells.

**#8 Eat Foods Containing Phytochemicals:** "Phyto" means plants, and the natural chemicals in plants give the vitamins in food a supercharged boost. So put away the vitamin pill, and eat dark green, red, and yellow vegetables and fruits.

**#9 Eat Yogurt:** Some studies have shown that eating a daily cup of low-fat yogurt can reduce your susceptibility to colds by 25 percent. Researchers think the beneficial bacteria in yogurt may stimulate production of immune system substances that fight disease.

**#10 Don't Smoke:** Statistics show that heavy smokers get more severe colds and more frequent ones.

Even being around smoke profoundly zaps the immune system. Smoke dries out your nasal passages and paralyzes cilia. These are the delicate hairs that line the mucous membranes in your nose and lungs, and with their wavy movements, sweep cold and flu viruses out of the nasal passages. Experts contend that *one* cigarette can paralyze cilia for as long as 30 to 40 minutes.

**#11 Cut Alcohol Consumption:** Heavy alcohol use destroys the liver, the body's primary filtering system, which means that germs of all kinds won't leave your body as fast. The result is, heavier drinkers are more prone to initial infections as well as secondary complications. Alcohol also dehydrates the body -- it actually takes more fluids from your system than it puts in.

**#12 Relax:** If you can teach yourself to relax, you can activate your immune system on demand. There's evidence that when you put your relaxation skills into action, your interleukins -- leaders in the immune system response against cold and flu viruses -- increase in the bloodstream. Train yourself to picture an image you find pleasant or calming. Do this 30 minutes a day for several months. Keep in mind, relaxation is a learnable skill, but it is *not* doing nothing. People who try to relax, but are in fact bored, show no changes in blood chemicals.

Yours In Comradeship,  
Jim Martin

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted a Hospital Report for the first half as of 10/13/06

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| <b>DIST. 1</b>  | 2296  | 6002  | 8629 | 9358 |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 2</b>  | 2582  |       |      |      |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 3</b>  | 100%  |       |      |      |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 4</b>  | 8048  | 8228  | 8599 | 8902 | 10570 |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 5</b>  | 100%  |       |      |      |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 6</b>  | 484   | 4165  | 4299 | 4522 | 4920  | 5311 | 8184 |  |
| <b>DIST. 7</b>  | 1150  | 9292  | 9660 |      |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 8</b>  | 3103  | 4468  | 7728 |      |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 9</b>  | 100%  |       |      |      |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 10</b> | 100%  |       |      |      |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 11</b> | 452   | 4805  | 4989 | 8479 |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 12</b> | 10611 |       |      |      |       |      |      |  |
| <b>DIST. 13</b> | 8717  | 10295 |      |      |       |      |      |  |

## INSPECTIONS:

Congratulations District 3, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 12 for being 100%!!! Percentage Inspected is 83.33%!

Yours in Comradeship,  
William R. Shifflett  
Veterans of Foreign Wars  
Department of Virginia- State Inspector

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted an Inspection Report for the first half as of 10/13/06

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| <b>DIST. 1</b>  | 2296 | 4856 | 6002  | 7167 | 8629 | 9358 |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 2</b>  | 993  | 2894 | 8545  |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 3</b>  | 100% |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 4</b>  | 2584 | 8617 | 10570 |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 5</b>  | 100% |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 6</b>  | 100% |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 7</b>  | 1150 |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 8</b>  | 2524 | 4468 | 7728  | 9835 |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 9</b>  | 100% |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 10</b> | 100% |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 11</b> | 2424 | 7701 | 8644  |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 12</b> | 100% |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |  |  |  |
| <b>DIST. 13</b> | 1827 | 2217 | 7638  | 8436 | 8717 | 8947 | 10295 | 10546 | 10574 |  |  |  |

## **LIFE MEMBERSHIP DRAWING:**

Congratulations! Harold Treacle Memorial VFW Post 993 is the winner of a free Life Membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Virginia. Harold Treacle Memorial VFW Post 993 was made eligible for this Free Life Membership for having 25 percent of your membership goal reported to State Headquarters by the September 29, 2006.

## **MEMBERSHIP:**

Well, it's November already. Overall, the Department is doing "okay". Not great, but we're working towards the Commander's goals. It is extremely sad to still see so many Posts that have not recruited any new members, nor reinstated any members this far into the membership year. Unfortunately, those Post Commander's who do not maintain a membership program are failing in their responsibilities as a Post Commander. It is the responsibility of each member of the VFW to seek out worthy comrades, and encourage them to join this great organization. Also, we need to contact those annual members who have not renewed their membership, and encourage them to renew early. As everyone should know by now, Life membership and Annual membership fees will increase effective January 1, 2007. This should serve as an incentive to either go Life now, or to renew early. The Commander's goal of 100% in membership by December 31<sup>st</sup> can be done. But, it will take a concentrated effort by all hands to make it happen. If every member recruits just one new member, we would lead the nation in membership. Let's strive to make it happen!

Jimmy Lee Wallace  
Membership Chairman

## **NATIONAL BY-LAWS, MANUAL OF PROCEDURE & RITUAL:**

All officers should obtain current copies of the National By-Laws, Manual of Procedure and Ritual. Copies of the 2007 revised edition of the Congressional Charter, By-Laws, Manual of Procedure and Ritual are available through the VFW Emblem and Supply Department, National Headquarters. The 2007 revised edition reflects the amendments adopted by the 107th National Convention, which became effective on September 26, 2006.

## **NATIONAL HOME:**

I have received the yearly report from the VFW National Home for Children informing us of our Donations/Contributions for the Fiscal Year 2005-2006. There were 329 individual donors and 567 gifts given.

For the Districts, Posts, Auxiliaries and Cooties there were 104 donors and 181 gifts. There was a significant amount of money donated to our VFW National Home for Children and I do thank all that participated. (Note: Since gifts have been credited to more than one constituent, report totals may not be absolutely accurate.

I ask for and have received a listing of the past 5 years expenses to keep up and maintain our Virginia House located at our VFW National Home for Children. I have done some calculations on it and results are: Total expenses from 6/30/01 to 6/29/05 were \$12,430.70 with average yearly being \$2486.14. By adding the \$4000. Which is the calculated estimate to expand our sponsorship asked for by the National Home Staff and also by our District 5 National Home Trustee John Hamilton. The expanded sponsorship includes the following: Heating Fuel(Natural Gas) water & sewer, electricity, insurance, local telephone service, trash removal, lawn, tree & shrub care, pest control & Misc. The Facility Manager Todd Marriott has indicated to completely sponsor our house it would be approximately \$6500 per year. At the present time your Contributions/Donations are enough for us to fully sponsor our Virginia House at the National Home. In the future your money that is sent to the National Home needs to be designated/earmarked to support our Virginia House so we can begin to fully sponsor our Virginia House located at the VFW National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids, Michigan. At the end of each fiscal year (June 30) if our fund to support our Virginia House exceeds \$10,000. That excess will be donated to our National Home to use as needed at that time.

I have inquired of the National Home personnel, (Nancy Archambeau) who has informed me that awards which our Posts, Auxiliaries and Cooties would earn through their donations as long as the Posts, Auxiliaries and Cooties are identified and their current mailing address is provided they will receive the same recognition and awards.



I truly encourage all to participate in this endeavor.

Yours in Comradeship  
WJ Leonard  
VFW Virginia National Home Chairman

## OPERATION UPLINK:

**Operation Uplink** is a unique program that keeps military personnel and hospitalized veterans in touch with their families and loved ones by providing them with a free phone card. Using contributions from supporters like us, **Operation Uplink** purchases phone cards and distributes them to servicemen and women who are separated from those they care about.

As new threats surface from around the world, military deployments have increased dramatically. **Operation Uplink** is at the forefront of responding to the needs of deploying service members. Over 5,000,000 phone cards since 1996 - almost 900,000 in the last 100 days alone. **Operation Uplink** has always been supported and sustained solely by donations - the majority of which come from VFW and Ladies Auxiliary members.

With the holiday season right around the corner the demand on phone cards will be high. **Operation Uplink** needs donations to continue to supply our troops and hospitalized veterans with phone cards this holiday season. Let us show that Virginia supports **Operation Uplink** make a contribution today. Uses the form attached and send donations to State Headquarters.

Kim A. DeShano  
State Adjutant/Quartermaster

## POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE:

### MAKE A DIFFERENCE – VOTE!

The VFW-Political Action Committee (PAC) endorses the following Virginian candidates in the upcoming election because they have a **proven** track record that will make a positive difference in the lives of Veterans, their families, and military personnel.

|                             |                           |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Senator George Allen        |                           |
| Representative Thelma Drake | 2 <sup>nd</sup> District  |
| Representative Virgil Goode | 5 <sup>th</sup> District  |
| Representative James Moran  | 8 <sup>th</sup> District  |
| Representative Rick Boucher | 9 <sup>th</sup> District  |
| Representative Frank Wolf   | 10 <sup>th</sup> District |

The National VFW-PAC sent detailed questionnaires to all candidates and evaluated their answers, as well as their written voting records. If the questionnaire was not returned, the VFW-PAC did not endorse the candidate. These questionnaires focused on 2006-2007 VFW Legislative Priority Goals: VA Budget, VA Benefits and Compensation, Veteran Education, Military Retirees, and National Security and Defense.

Consider voting for political candidates who support Veterans' issues!

Jerry Peterson  
Chairman, Virginia VFW-PAC

## PATRIOTS PEN:

Patriot's Pen Department Judging 29 December 2006 at Dept Headquarters, Staunton.

All District winners' essays, pictures, District reporting forms (2) must accompany entries and be in my hands no later than midnight 28 December 2006. Awards will be presented at the Winter Conference in Williamsburg.

The Department 1st Place winner and family's room reservations should be made by the sponsoring Post/Auxiliary to insure they are present.

Any additional information?? Call me ASAP. Our time frame is very short this year.

Phone: 540-887-8024

E-Mail: [dlhallvfw@hotmail.com](mailto:dlhallvfw@hotmail.com)

Address: 836-A North Augusta Street  
Staunton, Va., 24401-3211

Thanks,  
Don Hall  
Patriot's Pen Chairman

## **POST RELIEF FUND:**

Section 704 of the Manual of Procedure outlines the various things for which the Post Relief Fund can be used. A few years ago, the phrase, "To foster true patriotism through historical and educational programs," was added to this section. This allows the Post to use the relief funds for the Voice of Democracy program or other Americanism programs that are educational. This does not include Post building projects, hall remodeling, color guard uniforms or any other expenditure that does not follow the guidelines as outlined in Section 704.

## **POW:**

### **Air Force Pilot Missing in Action From Vietnam War is Identified**

The Department of Defense POW/Missing Personnel Office announced today that the remains of a U.S. serviceman, missing in action from the Vietnam War, have been identified and will soon be returned to his family for burial with full military honors. He is 1st Lt. James L. Hull, U.S. Air Force, of Lubbock, Texas. He will be buried Nov. 13 at Arlington National Cemetery near Washington, D.C. On Feb. 19, 1971, Hull and a fellow crew member were flying a mission near the Laos/Vietnam border when their O-2A Skymaster crashed. Both men died, but Hull's body was buried in the wreckage and could not be recovered because of hostile enemy action. Between 1993 and 1997, the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC) led three investigations with U.S. and Socialist Republic of Vietnam (S.R.V.) teams, and one trilateral investigation with a Lao People's Democratic Republic (L.P.D.R.) team. During the first investigation, the team interviewed a Vietnamese citizen who produced human remains and an identification tag for Hull that he claimed to have recovered from a crash site located just inside Laos. The joint team was not allowed to cross the border and the investigation was suspended. The Vietnamese turned over the bone fragment to U.S. officials, but the ID tag's whereabouts are still unknown. Additional investigations yielded some information concerning a crash site located just inside the Laotian border. The S.R.V. allowed a Vietnamese national to walk to the purported crash site and collect a fragment of the wreckage. Based on the location, type of aircraft and retrieved wreckage, analysts determined it was Hull's crash site. In May 2006, a joint U.S. and L.P.D.R. team excavated the site where they recovered additional evidence and human remains.

More than a half century after he died in the flaming crash of a CIA-owned cargo plane and became one of the first two Americans to die in combat in Vietnam, a legendary soldier of fortune known as "Earthquake McGoon" is coming home. The skeletal remains of James B. McGovern Jr., discovered in an unmarked grave in remote northern Laos in 2002, were positively identified on September 11 by laboratory experts at the U.S. military's Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command in Hawaii. They will be flown back to the mainland next week for a military funeral in New Jersey on October 28, said McGovern's nephew, James McGovern III, of Forked River, New Jersey. "Bottom line, it's closure for my family and a great feeling," McGovern said. Six feet and 260 pounds -- huge for a fighter pilot -- McGovern carved out a flying career during and after World War II that made him a legend in Asia. He died May 6, 1954, when his C-119 Flying Boxcar cargo plane was hit by ground fire while parachuting a howitzer to the besieged French garrison at Dien Bien Phu. Killed along with "McGoon," 31, were his co-pilot, Wallace Buford, 28, and a French crew chief. JPAC experts are still seeking the remains of co-pilot Buford, one of 35 civilians among 1,797 Americans still unaccounted for in Indochina. James McGovern III said his namesake uncle will be buried with military honors in Basking Ridge, next to his brother John, a former sportswriter who died in 2001. James McGovern III said that as a Purple Heart recipient in World War II, his father was eligible for burial at Arlington National Cemetery, but had expressed hope of one day lying next to his long-lost brother. "All those years were enough of a separation," James III said.

May they rest in peace;  
Joe Martin  
POW / MIA Chairman

## REPORTS DEADLINE:

The deadline for submitting all Reports for the 1<sup>st</sup> Half is November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Any reports submitted for the 1<sup>st</sup> Half after this date will not be accepted.

## SAFETY:

This being one of the required reports for making All-State, there has to be a minimum of two (2) submitted each year. One during the first half and the other during the second half. The chart below reflects the Posts that HAVE NOT submitted any reports as of this date. Congratulations to District 3 & 9 & 10 for being 100% reported for the first half. There is only one Reporting Period left in the First-Half of the year.

Steve Lasseter  
Safety Vice-Chairman

Posts listed below **HAVE NOT** submitted a Safety Report for the first half as of 10/13/06

|          |       |      |       |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
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| DIST. 2  | 8545  |      |       |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 3  | 100%  |      |       |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 4  | 622   | 8599 | 8902  | 10570 |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 5  | 1115  | 8467 | 10840 |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 6  | 484   | 1444 | 4165  | 4299  | 4522 | 4920 | 5311 | 8184 |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 7  | 1150  | 9660 |       |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 8  | 4468  |      |       |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 9  | 100%  |      |       |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 10 | 100%  |      |       |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 11 | 8479  |      |       |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 12 | 10611 |      |       |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| DIST. 13 | 8436  | 8717 | 10295 |       |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |

## VFW SPECIAL INTEREST LICENSE PLATE UPDATE:

At the Winter COA meeting held January 14, 2006 in Williamsburg the COA voted to pay for the first 350 applications submitted to State Headquarters to insure the production of the plate. Now is the time to make the decision and submit your application to State Headquarters. Applications will be **FREE to THE FIRST 350 APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO STATE HEADQUARTERS**. The form is attached to the front of the General Orders. Please notify your Membership! It is a shame that we have only received 155 applications out of the 350 that are necessary to begin production. There is no cost to send the application in, please pass the word along!

## VA URGES VETERANS TO WEAR MEDALS ON VETERANS DAY:

WASHINGTON – The Honorable R. James Nicholson, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and leaders of major veterans organizations today called on America's veterans to help kindle a new spark of patriotism on Veterans Day by wearing the medals they earned during military service.

"We are announcing a *Veterans Pride Initiative* to remind Americans of the pride and honor in the hearts of those who have served," Nicholson said. "We expect Americans will see our decorated heroes unite in spirit at ceremonies, in parades and elsewhere as a compelling symbol of courage and sacrifice on Veterans Day, the day we set aside to thank those who served and safeguarded our national security."

The campaign is modeled after a tradition in Australia and New Zealand, countries who honor the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) on April 25. ANZAC Day sees veterans wearing their military decorations whatever they are doing on that day. Nicholson said he hopes a U. S. tradition will ensue to emulate this pride in being a veteran and in honoring our veterans.

VA is offering information about the campaign on its Web page, <http://www.va.gov/veteranspride/>, where veterans also can obtain information about how to replace mislaid medals and learn how to confirm the decorations to which they are entitled.

People wishing to receive e-mail from VA with the latest news releases and updated fact sheets can subscribe at the following Internet address: [http://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/opalist\\_listserv.cfm](http://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/opalist_listserv.cfm)

**VFW FOUNDATION:**

WOULD YOU LIKE A CHECK FROM THE VFW FOUNDATION? ARE YOU OVER AGE 60?

Please contact Mike Anderson at 816/968-2720 or [manderson@vfw.org](mailto:manderson@vfw.org). Give him your birth date and he will tell you how much income you could receive for the rest of your life.

Official:



Kim A. DeShano  
State Adjutant

By Order of:



C. D. Crouch  
State Commander

Registration deadline January 12th

# WINTER COUNCIL MEETING

January 19-21, 2007

Crown Plaza Williamsburg at Fort Magruder ~ Williamsburg, Virginia ~ 757-220-2250 ~

\$60.00 Per night

*(Group Rate Deadline is December 27th)*

**PRE REGISTRATION FOR COMBINATION BANQUET/DANCE TICKETS**

**\$30.00 INCLUDES RECEPTION, DINNER BANQUET, AND SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE**

**(ALL TICKETS MUST BE PRE-PURCHASED. THERE WILL BE NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE WINTER COUNCIL MEETING.)**

## Dinner Menu

Your choice of:

### Stuffed Flounder

Tender flounder filet wrapped around our famous crabmeat stuffing and asparagus

~or~

### Crushed Roast Pork Loin

With Andouille sausage stuffing, red onion marmalade and thyme au jus

Both Served with:

House Salad

Coffee/Tea/Decaf

Side Dishes

Warm Rolls and Butter

Dessert

RETURN THIS PORTION TO STATE HEADQUARTERS BY **JANUARY 12, 2007 (NO EXCEPTIONS)**

Check, Visa, or MasterCard Accepted

Person placing the order (name) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out completely for each person you are registering including Post number or Auxiliary number:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Post \_\_\_\_\_ Aux \_\_\_\_\_ Food Choice: (circle) Pork or Flounder

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Please charge my card: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Circle One: MasterCard or Visa Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

*Pre-paid tickets will not be mailed to you; they will be available for pick up at registration.*



# Operation Uplink

**Yes I want to help keep America's servicemen and women in touch with their families and loved ones. Please use my donation to Operation Uplink to provide prepaid calling time for active-duty military personnel and hospitalized veterans.**

*" I was deployed to overseas when my son was two weeks old. The card helped me to hear him cry and laugh. Thanks for what you do for the active duty force!"  
-Service Member, United States Armed Forces*

## **Please accept my donation of:**

- \$100.00**
- \$500.00**
- \$1000.00**
- Other \_\_\_\_\_**

My Check in Enclosed  
 Please charge my credit card

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_  
Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mastercard or Visa (circle one)

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_  
Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Time Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## **DO YOU KNOW A POST WHO IS UP TO THE CHALLENGE?**

I would like to Challenge Post # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ to match our contribution. You may send them a letter regarding my challenge and the challenge amount.

## Department of Virginia 2007

# Emergency Medical Technician, Law Enforcement Officer, and Firefighter of the Year Candidate Requirements

### **Awards for Public Servants**

Each year, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Virginia selects an emergency medical technician, a law enforcement officer and a firefighter to receive outstanding Public Servant of the Year. These presentations of awards will be made at the VFW Department Convention in June. Post Safety Chairmen are encouraged to submit a candidate for these awards to the Department Headquarters by January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Emergency Medical Technician Gold Medal**

Any individual, who actively gives emergency medical treatment, provides rescue service or civil disaster assistance as a member of any public or volunteer company organized to give emergency medical care, provide rescue and civil disaster assistance to our nation's citizens.

### **Law Enforcement Gold Medal**

Any individual who serves in a municipal, county, state or federal unit tasked with enforcement of the laws pertaining to their area of responsibility. This award does not apply to individuals employed by private companies or security services.

### **Firefighters Gold Medal**

Any individual who actively fights fires as a member of any public or volunteer company organized to fight fires and give assistance to our nation's citizens.

### **Criteria for all Public Servant of the Year**

#### **Awards:**

Candidates must have demonstrated:

- Recognition by their colleagues or those they serve.
- Consistent excellence in the performance of their duties.
- Consistent dedication to their official responsibilities over a period of years and continuous growth in responsibilities and skills within their profession.

#### **Documentation required for all candidates:**

- Nomination letter containing the candidate's name, title, address, telephone and identifying the award for which the individual should be considered.
- One page resume of the candidate's overall background.
- One page resume of the candidate's background in their field.
- One page listing of the candidate's accomplishment and awards in their field.
- Photograph (preferably a head shot) of the candidate.

## **UPDATED:**

### **Nomination**

Post Safety Chairmen should send the above information to the **Department Headquarters by November 10, 2006.**

# OMNI SHOREHAM HOTEL

*In an ideal world...*

Our nation's capital is rich in history and diversity, and the Omni Shoreham Hotel is no exception. Since opening in 1930, the Omni Shoreham Hotel has been central to many important events in the diplomatic, social and official lives of Washington. Inaugural balls of presidents from Franklin D. Roosevelt through George W. Bush have been held here at the Omni Shoreham Hotel. In addition to being a favorite gathering place for presidents, the hotel has featured some of the greatest figures in the entertainment world including Judy Garland, Maurice Chevalier, Marlene Dietrich, Frank Sinatra, Lena Horne, and Bob Hope.

The Omni Shoreham is located on eleven picturesque acres in Rock Creek Park. It is one hundred yards from the Woodley Park Metro station, connecting you to the many attractions of our nation's capital. The Smithsonian, the White House, Capitol Hill, the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and the boutiques of Georgetown are all just minutes away.

To reserve your guest room at the special conference rate, please call (202) 756-5125 or (800) 545-8700 and ask for the **Veterans of Foreign Wars** rate. You may also complete the bottom of this page and fax it to 202-756-5145 or you can mail this form in an envelope and send it to: Reservations Department, Omni Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert St. NW, Washington DC, 20008.

**ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2007**

## **Veterans of Foreign Wars/Community Service & Legislative Conference March 4-7, 2007**

Please print or type

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Date (Check-in time is 3 PM): \_\_\_\_\_

Special Requests: Non-smoking Room  
(Please Circle) Handicap Accessible Room

Departure Date: (Check-out time is 12PM): \_\_\_\_\_

Rooms:            Single **\$194**            Triple **\$204**  
(Please Circle)    Double **\$194**            Quad **\$204**

\*\*Room rates do not  
include 14.5 % sales tax

**One night's room and tax deposit must accompany this reservation request. A personal check, money order or a valid major credit card number and expiration date is acceptable. Upon check out you will be charged for all nights confirmed above. Your reservation will not be confirmed until we receive your deposit.**

**Should you cancel your reservation, the deposit is refundable if notice is received at least 24 hours prior to arrival, and a cancellation number is obtained.**

Method of Payment:    American Express    Visa    Master Card    Diners Club    Discover  
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**National VFW and Ladies Auxiliary  
Community Service and Legislative Conference  
March 4-7, 2007  
Omni Shoreham Hotel  
Washington, DC**

**Tentative Agenda  
(Meetings subject to change)**

**Sunday, March 4, 2007**

|                                  |                   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| National Veterans Service        | <b>7a-8:30a</b>   |
| Political Action Committee Board | <b>8:30a-10a</b>  |
| Budget & Finance Committee       | <b>10a-11:30a</b> |
| Council of Administration        | <b>2p-4p</b>      |
| National Legislative Committee   | <b>5p-6p</b>      |

**Monday, March 5, 2007**

|                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Joint Opening Session | <b>8a-11:30a</b>    |
| Information Fair      | <b>12:30p-3:30p</b> |

**Committee/Workshop Meetings 1p-2:30p**

National Youth Education, & Community Service  
Military Assistance  
National POW/MIA  
National Homeless Veterans, Employment & Training  
National By-Laws Review

VFW Membership Briefing

Ladies Auxiliary Membership Meeting

**Committee/Workshop Meetings 3p-4:30p**

Buddy Poppy  
Veterans Care  
National Security  
National Military Affairs

National Home

VFW Membership Briefing

Ladies Auxiliary Membership Meeting

|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Parade of Winners | <b>6:15p</b> |
|-------------------|--------------|

**Tuesday, March 6, 2007**

|                                    |               |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Commander-in-Chief Testimony       | <b>10a</b>    |
| Celebration of Achievement Banquet | <b>6p-10p</b> |

**10/24/06**

# Department Commander's Homecoming Fund Raiser



Shirts are available thru State Headquarters for purchase with the Cross of Malta on the right side and a pocket on the left side for the VFW. These shirts are forest green in color with the emblem in color and the State in red, white, and blue. You can use the Shirt order form below.

**XXXL SIZES ARE LIMITED- ORDER NOW!**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Post/Auxiliary Number

\_\_\_\_\_ Full Name

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_ Street

\_\_\_\_\_ City State Zip Code

| Number | Size      | Price   | Total |
|--------|-----------|---------|-------|
| _____  | Medium    | \$25.00 | _____ |
| _____  | Large     | \$25.00 | _____ |
| _____  | X-Large   | \$25.00 | _____ |
| _____  | XX-Large  | \$25.00 | _____ |
| _____  | XXX-Large | \$25.00 | _____ |

Method of Payment: Cash Check Mastercard Visa

Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*Shipping add \$5.00 for the first Shirt and \$3.00 for each additional Shirt not to exceed \$11.00*

SHIPPING \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

| District        | Post         | Life        | New       | Reinstated | Cont       | Current     | Goal        | %            | City           |
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| 1               | 176          | 87          | 0         | 0          | 26         | 113         | 174         | 64.94        | NEWPORT NEWS   |
| 1               | 824          | 58          | 0         | 0          | 15         | 73          | 95          | 76.84        | GRAFTON        |
| 1               | 960          | 56          | 8         | 0          | 10         | 74          | 75          | 98.67        | YORKTOWN       |
| 1               | 2296         | 23          | 0         | 0          | 39         | 62          | 64          | 96.88        | TASLEY         |
| 1               | 3219         | 394         | 28        | 12         | 79         | 513         | 771         | 66.54        | PHOEBUS        |
| 1               | 4856         | 28          | 0         | 0          | 12         | 40          | 74          | 54.05        | EXMORE         |
| 1               | 5500         | 46          | 2         | 0          | 25         | 73          | 98          | 74.49        | HAMPTON        |
| 1               | 6002         | 93          | 0         | 2          | 31         | 126         | 149         | 84.56        | DENBIGH        |
| 1               | 7167         | 65          | 3         | 2          | 58         | 128         | 154         | 83.12        | WARSAW         |
| 1               | 8252         | 236         | 0         | 0          | 20         | 256         | 297         | 86.2         | GLOUCESTER     |
| 1               | 8629         | 8           | 0         | 0          | 10         | 18          | 25          | 72           | CHINCOTEAGUE   |
| 1               | 9358         | 9           | 1         | 0          | 8          | 18          | 23          | 78.26        | TANGIER        |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>1103</b> | <b>42</b> | <b>16</b>  | <b>333</b> | <b>1494</b> | <b>1999</b> | <b>74.74</b> | <b>TWELFTH</b> |
| 2               | 392          | 1235        | 26        | 7          | 169        | 1437        | 1669        | 86.1         | VIRGINIA BEACH |
| 2               | 993          | 104         | 1         | 0          | 22         | 127         | 160         | 79.38        | PORTSMOUTH     |
| 2               | 1211         | 37          | 0         | 0          | 11         | 48          | 53          | 90.57        | VIRGINIA BEACH |
| 2               | 2582         | 30          | 0         | 0          | 11         | 41          | 51          | 80.39        | SUFFOLK        |
| 2               | 2894         | 36          | 1         | 1          | 25         | 63          | 82          | 76.83        | CHESAPEAKE     |
| 2               | 3160         | 622         | 15        | 3          | 115        | 755         | 905         | 83.43        | NORFOLK        |
| 2               | 4411         | 78          | 1         | 1          | 22         | 102         | 121         | 84.3         | FRANKLIN       |
| 2               | 4809         | 967         | 18        | 13         | 212        | 1210        | 1454        | 83.22        | NORFOLK        |
| 2               | 8545         | 74          | 2         | 0          | 13         | 89          | 111         | 80.18        | SMITHFIELD     |
| 2               | 9382         | 88          | 1         | 5          | 26         | 120         | 133         | 90.23        | SUFFOLK        |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>3271</b> | <b>65</b> | <b>30</b>  | <b>626</b> | <b>3992</b> | <b>4739</b> | <b>84.24</b> | <b>THIRD</b>   |

| District        | Post         | Life        | New       | Reinstated | Cont       | Current     | Goal        | %            | City              |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|
| 3               | 1426         | 27          | 0         | 1          | 15         | 43          | 60          | 71.67        | MIDLOTHIAN        |
| 3               | 2239         | 141         | 4         | 4          | 45         | 194         | 237         | 81.86        | COLONIAL HEIGHTS  |
| 3               | 2583         | 11          | 2         | 1          | 12         | 26          | 34          | 76.47        | ASHLAND           |
| 3               | 3125         | 6           | 0         | 0          | 4          | 10          | 27          | 37.04        | DOSWELL           |
| 3               | 4639         | 86          | 1         | 0          | 29         | 116         | 144         | 80.56        | WILLIAMSBURG      |
| 3               | 6364         | 159         | 4         | 1          | 31         | 195         | 221         | 88.24        | RICHMOND          |
| 3               | 8046         | 33          | 0         | 0          | 11         | 44          | 85          | 51.76        | NORGE             |
| 3               | 8356         | 49          | 0         | 0          | 36         | 85          | 112         | 75.89        | WEST POINT        |
| 3               | 8529         | 77          | 0         | 0          | 26         | 103         | 125         | 82.4         | SANDSTON          |
| 3               | 9224         | 36          | 0         | 0          | 16         | 52          | 54          | 96.3         | RICHMOND          |
| 3               | 9501         | 22          | 1         | 0          | 11         | 34          | 46          | 73.91        | AYLETT            |
| 3               | 9808         | 560         | 2         | 3          | 65         | 630         | 679         | 92.78        | MECHANICSVILLE    |
| 3               | 10387        | 23          | 0         | 0          | 8          | 31          | 131         | 23.66        | PETERSBURG        |
| 3               | 10654        | 86          | 0         | 1          | 5          | 92          | 103         | 89.32        | RICHMOND          |
| 3               | 10657        | 65          | 3         | 0          | 7          | 75          | 98          | 76.53        | GLEN ALLEN        |
| 3               | 11124        | 14          | 0         | 0          | 8          | 22          | 27          | 81.48        | QUINTON           |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>1395</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>11</b>  | <b>329</b> | <b>1752</b> | <b>2183</b> | <b>80.26</b> | <b>NINTH</b>      |
| 4               | 622          | 57          | 21        | 3          | 33         | 114         | 153         | 74.51        | PETERSBURG        |
| 4               | 637          | 164         | 6         | 0          | 138        | 308         | 385         | 80           | HOPEWELL          |
| 4               | 2163         | 59          | 3         | 0          | 30         | 92          | 118         | 77.97        | CHESTERFIELD      |
| 4               | 2584         | 19          | 0         | 2          | 10         | 31          | 38          | 81.58        | CULLEN            |
| 4               | 5313         | 50          | 0         | 0          | 11         | 61          | 88          | 69.32        | NOTTOWAY          |
| 4               | 7059         | 114         | 3         | 0          | 52         | 169         | 244         | 69.26        | FARMVILLE         |
| 4               | 7166         | 148         | 0         | 2          | 40         | 190         | 286         | 66.43        | SOUTH HILL        |
| 4               | 7819         | 67          | 0         | 0          | 28         | 95          | 130         | 73.08        | CREWE             |
| 4               | 7897         | 22          | 0         | 0          | 19         | 41          | 56          | 73.21        | BLACKSTONE        |
| 4               | 8048         | 17          | 0         | 0          | 14         | 31          | 50          | 62           | LAWRENCEVILLE     |
| 4               | 8163         | 60          | 7         | 1          | 46         | 114         | 140         | 81.43        | CLARKSVILLE       |
| 4               | 8228         | 7           | 0         | 1          | 8          | 16          | 28          | 57.14        | CHASE CITY        |
| 4               | 8446         | 29          | 1         | 0          | 14         | 44          | 50          | 88           | BUCKINGHAM        |
| 4               | 8599         | 2           | 0         | 0          | 10         | 12          | 21          | 57.14        | BROOKNEAL         |
| 4               | 8617         | 30          | 0         | 1          | 10         | 41          | 54          | 75.93        | GOOCHLAND         |
| 4               | 8759         | 33          | 0         | 0          | 18         | 51          | 76          | 67.11        | AMELIA COURT HSE  |
| 4               | 8902         | 12          | 0         | 0          | 3          | 15          | 22          | 68.18        | KEYSVILLE         |
| 4               | 9855         | 33          | 4         | 0          | 34         | 71          | 111         | 63.96        | APPOMATTOX        |
| 4               | 9954         | 122         | 2         | 0          | 36         | 160         | 174         | 91.95        | VICTORIA          |
| 4               | 10570        | 23          | 0         | 0          | 13         | 36          | 43          | 83.72        | POWHATAN          |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>1068</b> | <b>47</b> | <b>10</b>  | <b>567</b> | <b>1692</b> | <b>2267</b> | <b>74.64</b> | <b>THIRTEENTH</b> |

| District        | Post         | Life        | New            | Reinstated | Cont       | Current     | Goal        | %            | City            |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 5               | 647          | 243         | 4              | 3          | 95         | 345         | 403         | 85.61        | DANVILLE        |
| 5               | 873          | 17          | 1              | 0          | 5          | 23          | 23          | 100          | GRETNA          |
| 5               | 1115         | 544         | 4              | 10         | 332        | 890         | 1083        | 82.18        | HILLSVILLE      |
| 5               | 2820         | 14          | 3              | 0          | 14         | 31          | 46          | 67.39        | BASSETT         |
| 5               | 4637         | 74          | 0              | 1          | 61         | 136         | 175         | 77.71        | MARTINSVILLE    |
| 5               | 7568         | 27          | 1              | 1          | 17         | 46          | 53          | 86.79        | GALAX           |
| 5               | 7726         | 160         | 6              | 0          | 113        | 279         | 401         | 69.58        | INDEPENDENCE    |
| 5               | 7800         | 69          | 1              | 2          | 34         | 106         | 128         | 82.81        | STUART          |
| 5               | 8243         | 45          | 12             | 1          | 38         | 96          | 135         | 71.11        | HALIFAX         |
| 5               | 8467         | 65          | 3              | 0          | 33         | 101         | 136         | 74.26        | MEADOWS OF DAN  |
| 5               | 10840        | 32          | 0              | 0          | 20         | 52          | 58          | 89.66        | PENHOOK         |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>1290</b> | <b>35</b>      | <b>18</b>  | <b>762</b> | <b>2105</b> | <b>2641</b> | <b>79.7</b>  | <b>ELEVENTH</b> |
| 6               | 484          | 32          | 0              | 1          | 15         | 48          | 52          | 92.31        | ROANOKE         |
| 6               | 776          | 95          | 2              | 0          | 27         | 124         | 142         | 87.32        | RADFORD         |
| 6               | 1033         | 139         | 0              | 4          | 69         | 212         | 245         | 86.53        | COVINGTON       |
| 6               | 1264         | 255         | 3              | 5          | 66         | 329         | 400         | 82.25        | ROANOKE         |
| 6               | 1444         | 53          | 0              | 0          | 5          | 58          | 93          | 62.37        | ROANOKE         |
| 6               | 1841         | 60          | 0              | 3          | 63         | 126         | 147         | 85.71        | TROUTVILLE      |
| 6               | 2157         | 114         | 0              | 2          | 82         | 198         | 255         | 77.65        | BEDFORD         |
| 6               | 4165         | 35          | 1              | 0          | 26         | 62          | 72          | 86.11        | ALTAVISTA       |
| 6               | 4299         | 24          | 0              | 0          | 16         | 40          | 62          | 64.52        | CLIFTON FORGE   |
| 6               | 4318         | 41          | 1              | 0          | 25         | 67          | 73          | 91.78        | SALEM           |
| 6               | 4491         | 73          | 0              | 0          | 26         | 99          | 119         | 83.19        | NEW CASTLE      |
| 6               | 4522         | 159         | 2              | 1          | 42         | 204         | 232         | 87.93        | VINTON          |
| 6               | 4920         | 13          | 0              | 0          | 7          | 20          | 27          | 74.07        | ELLISTON        |
| 6               | 5311         | 83          | 0              | 1          | 36         | 120         | 146         | 82.19        | CHRISTIANSBURG  |
| 6               | 5895         | 15          | 0              | 0          | 6          | 21          | 25          | 84           | BUCHANAN        |
| 6               | 7854         | 87          | 1              | 0          | 27         | 115         | 164         | 70.12        | FLOYD           |
| 6               | 8184         | 55          | 0              | 0          | 15         | 70          | 97          | 72.16        | LYNCHBURG       |
| 6               | 9805         | 0           | <b>Defunct</b> | 0          | 1          | 1           | 0           | 0            | RUSTBURG        |
| 6               | 9877         | 19          | 0              | 1          | 15         | 35          | 43          | 81.4         | AMHERST         |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>1352</b> | <b>10</b>      | <b>18</b>  | <b>569</b> | <b>1949</b> | <b>2394</b> | <b>81.41</b> | <b>EIGHTH</b>   |

| District        | Post         | Life        | New            | Reinstated | Cont       | Current     | Goal        | %            | City           |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| 7               | 621          | 131         | 0              | 0          | 78         | 209         | 256         | 81.64        | LURAY          |
| 7               | 1150         | 15          | 0              | 1          | 4          | 20          | 28          | 71.43        | SPERRYVILLE    |
| 7               | 1860         | 212         | 2              | 2          | 68         | 284         | 361         | 78.67        | FRONT ROYAL    |
| 7               | 2123         | 269         | 4              | 0          | 85         | 358         | 416         | 86.06        | WINCHESTER     |
| 7               | 2447         | 189         | 7              | 0          | 104        | 300         | 417         | 71.94        | EDINBURG       |
| 7               | 4698         | 18          | 0              | 0          | 20         | 38          | 47          | 80.85        | GROTTOES       |
| 7               | 6044         | 15          | 0              | 0          | 7          | 22          | 32          | 68.75        | WINCHESTER     |
| 7               | 7899         | 22          | 0              | 0          | 26         | 48          | 58          | 82.76        | STANLEY        |
| 7               | 8613         | 115         | 3              | 1          | 60         | 179         | 204         | 87.75        | SHENANDOAH     |
| 7               | 9292         | 116         | 1              | 0          | 48         | 165         | 194         | 85.05        | ELKTON         |
| 7               | 9660         | 57          | 1              | 1          | 59         | 118         | 133         | 88.72        | BROADWAY       |
| 7               | 9760         | 123         | 4              | 3          | 127        | 257         | 289         | 88.93        | BERRYVILLE     |
| 7               | 9872         | 63          | 0              | 0          | 0          | 63          | 71          | 88.73        | HINTON         |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>1345</b> | <b>22</b>      | <b>8</b>   | <b>686</b> | <b>2061</b> | <b>2506</b> | <b>82.24</b> | <b>FIFTH</b>   |
| 8               | 1177         | 32          | 9              | 1          | 6          | 48          | 44          | 109.09       | LEESBURG       |
| 8               | 1811         | 184         | 0              | 1          | 3          | 188         | 190         | 98.95        | MANASSAS PARK  |
| 8               | 2524         | 190         | 2              | 2          | 48         | 242         | 271         | 89.3         | CULPEPER       |
| 8               | 3103         | 200         | 3              | 2          | 122        | 327         | 408         | 80.15        | FREDERICKSBURG |
| 8               | 4468         | 36          | 1              | 0          | 0          | 37          | 36          | 102.78       | PURCELLVILLE   |
| 8               | 7589         | 145         | 9              | 0          | 55         | 209         | 242         | 86.36        | MANASSAS       |
| 8               | 7728         | 31          | 0              | 0          | 17         | 48          | 53          | 90.57        | REMINGTON      |
| 8               | 8208         | 21          | 41             | 6          | 25         | 93          | 65          | 143.08       | STANARDSVILLE  |
| 8               | 9835         | 36          | 2              | 0          | 11         | 49          | 53          | 92.45        | WARRENTON      |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>875</b>  | <b>67</b>      | <b>12</b>  | <b>287</b> | <b>1241</b> | <b>1362</b> | <b>91.12</b> | <b>FIRST</b>   |
| 9               | 956          | 0           | <b>Defunct</b> | 0          | 1          | 1           | 0           | 0            | DANTE          |
| 9               | 1184         | 119         | 11             | 0          | 57         | 187         | 225         | 83.11        | PULASKI        |
| 9               | 2719         | 29          | 3              | 0          | 20         | 52          | 64          | 81.25        | WYTHEVILLE     |
| 9               | 4667         | 511         | 11             | 7          | 234        | 763         | 876         | 87.1         | MARION         |
| 9               | 6000         | 138         | 2              | 0          | 67         | 207         | 298         | 69.46        | NARROWS        |
| 9               | 7136         | 107         | 5              | 1          | 63         | 176         | 234         | 75.21        | TAZEVELL       |
| 9               | 7328         | 30          | 1              | 0          | 33         | 64          | 93          | 68.82        | SALTVILLE      |
| 9               | 7360         | 46          | 6              | 0          | 50         | 102         | 112         | 91.07        | GRUNDY         |
| 9               | 7969         | 20          | 1              | 1          | 18         | 40          | 56          | 71.43        | BLAND          |
| 9               | 9640         | 110         | 0              | 0          | 46         | 156         | 189         | 82.54        | RICHLANDS      |
| 9               | 9696         | 129         | 2              | 2          | 66         | 199         | 236         | 84.32        | BLUEFIELD      |
| 9               | 9864         | 60          | 2              | 0          | 15         | 77          | 83          | 92.77        | LEBANON        |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>1299</b> | <b>44</b>      | <b>11</b>  | <b>670</b> | <b>2024</b> | <b>2466</b> | <b>82.08</b> | <b>SIXTH</b>   |

| District        | Post         | Life        | New            | Reinstated | Cont       | Current     | Goal        | %            | City           |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| 10              | 609          | 78          | 6              | 0          | 17         | 101         | 116         | 87.07        | ALEXANDRIA     |
| 10              | 1503         | 1335        | 26             | 4          | 221        | 1586        | 1878        | 84.45        | DALE CITY      |
| 10              | 3150         | 361         | 11             | 4          | 48         | 424         | 457         | 92.78        | ARLINGTON      |
| 10              | 5412         | 55          | 6              | 1          | 16         | 78          | 85          | 91.76        | BURKE          |
| 10              | 7327         | 397         | 41             | 7          | 79         | 524         | 611         | 85.76        | SPRINGFIELD    |
| 10              | 7916         | 318         | 7              | 6          | 67         | 398         | 477         | 83.44        | WOODBIDGE      |
| 10              | 8241         | 172         | 2              | 0          | 46         | 220         | 276         | 79.71        | MC LEAN        |
| 10              | 8469         | 171         | 2              | 1          | 38         | 212         | 245         | 86.53        | FAIRFAX        |
| 10              | 8815         | 20          | 3              | 0          | 1          | 24          | 29          | 82.76        | LORTON         |
| 10              | 9274         | 212         | 9              | 1          | 29         | 251         | 269         | 93.31        | FALLS CHURCH   |
| 10              | 9478         | 64          | 3              | 0          | 25         | 92          | 101         | 91.09        | STERLING       |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>3183</b> | <b>116</b>     | <b>24</b>  | <b>587</b> | <b>3910</b> | <b>4544</b> | <b>86.05</b> | <b>SECOND</b>  |
| 11              | 452          | 21          | 0              | 2          | 12         | 35          | 42          | 83.33        | CRIMORA        |
| 11              | 632          | 327         | 2              | 4          | 116        | 449         | 521         | 86.18        | HARRISONBURG   |
| 11              | 1499         | 79          | 2              | 0          | 33         | 114         | 134         | 85.07        | LEXINGTON      |
| 11              | 2216         | 199         | 7              | 4          | 166        | 376         | 492         | 76.42        | STAUNTON       |
| 11              | 2424         | 32          | 1              | 1          | 15         | 49          | 57          | 85.96        | WAYNESBORO     |
| 11              | 3060         | 40          | 0              | 0          | 0          | 40          | 42          | 95.24        | DEERFIELD      |
| 11              | 3136         | 27          | 0              | 3          | 19         | 49          | 62          | 79.03        | MOUNT SOLON    |
| 11              | 4204         | 29          | 0              | 1          | 19         | 49          | 63          | 77.78        | HOT SPRINGS    |
| 11              | 4805         | 11          | 0              | 0          | 14         | 25          | 59          | 42.37        | BUENA VISTA    |
| 11              | 4989         | 55          | 0              | 0          | 0          | 55          | 57          | 96.49        | MONTEREY       |
| 11              | 7701         | 36          | 0              | 1          | 24         | 61          | 75          | 81.33        | LOVINGSTON     |
| 11              | 7814         | 23          | 1              | 0          | 0          | 24          | 27          | 88.89        | STAUNTON       |
| 11              | 8279         | 16          | 0              | 0          | 24         | 40          | 51          | 78.43        | STEELES TAVERN |
| 11              | 8479         | 5           | 0              | 0          | 5          | 10          | 20          | 50           | LYNDHURST      |
| 11              | 8644         | 117         | 1              | 0          | 53         | 171         | 206         | 83.01        | BRIDGEWATER    |
| 11              | 9339         | 55          | 1              | 1          | 33         | 90          | 103         | 87.38        | STUARTS DRAFT  |
| 11              | 9480         | 34          | 0              | 0          | 10         | 44          | 55          | 80           | CRAIGSVILLE    |
| 11              | 10773        | 0           | <b>Defunct</b> | 0          | 0          | 0           | 29          | 0            | GOSHEN         |
| 11              | 10826        | 38          | 12             | 0          | 35         | 85          | 111         | 76.58        | VERONA         |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>1144</b> | <b>27</b>      | <b>17</b>  | <b>578</b> | <b>1766</b> | <b>2206</b> | <b>80.05</b> | <b>TENTH</b>   |

| District        | Post         | Life         | New        | Reinstated | Cont        | Current      | Goal         | %            | City            |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 12              | 1994         | 63           | 5          | 1          | 37          | 106          | 130          | 81.54        | ABINGDON        |
| 12              | 3782         | 35           | 1          | 0          | 13          | 49           | 74           | 66.22        | HAYSI           |
| 12              | 4301         | 76           | 6          | 0          | 15          | 97           | 102          | 95.1         | NORTON          |
| 12              | 5715         | 93           | 12         | 0          | 23          | 128          | 159          | 80.5         | BIG STONE GAP   |
| 12              | 6975         | 395          | 2          | 6          | 239         | 642          | 809          | 79.36        | BRISTOL         |
| 12              | 8652         | 47           | 16         | 0          | 22          | 85           | 53           | 160.38       | COEBURN         |
| 12              | 8979         | 88           | 2          | 3          | 48          | 141          | 161          | 87.58        | CLINTWOOD       |
| 12              | 9600         | 71           | 0          | 0          | 69          | 140          | 177          | 79.1         | POUND           |
| 12              | 9830         | 53           | 0          | 1          | 27          | 81           | 92           | 88.04        | DAMASCUS        |
| 12              | 10298        | 40           | 4          | 2          | 19          | 65           | 86           | 75.58        | PENNINGTON GAP  |
| 12              | 10310        | 33           | 0          | 1          | 11          | 45           | 69           | 65.22        | EWING           |
| 12              | 10611        | 13           | 1          | 1          | 15          | 30           | 36           | 83.33        | GATE CITY       |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>1007</b>  | <b>49</b>  | <b>15</b>  | <b>538</b>  | <b>1609</b>  | <b>1948</b>  | <b>82.6</b>  | <b>FOURTH</b>   |
| 13              | 1827         | 157          | 5          | 0          | 61          | 223          | 263          | 84.79        | CHARLOTTESVILLE |
| 13              | 2044         | 37           | 0          | 1          | 6           | 44           | 47           | 93.62        | EARLYSVILLE     |
| 13              | 2217         | 31           | 0          | 0          | 24          | 55           | 67           | 82.09        | ORANGE          |
| 13              | 2613         | 5            | 0          | 0          | 4           | 9            | 18           | 50           | COLUMBIA        |
| 13              | 7638         | 70           | 0          | 0          | 13          | 83           | 98           | 84.69        | GORDONSVILLE    |
| 13              | 8169         | 17           | 1          | 0          | 16          | 34           | 38           | 89.47        | SCOTTSVILLE     |
| 13              | 8436         | 18           | 0          | 3          | 11          | 32           | 38           | 84.21        | YANCEY MILLS    |
| 13              | 8717         | 39           | 0          | 0          | 12          | 51           | 61           | 83.61        | KING GEORGE     |
| 13              | 8947         | 104          | 1          | 0          | 25          | 130          | 150          | 86.67        | LOUISA          |
| 13              | 10295        | 58           | 0          | 0          | 10          | 68           | 87           | 78.16        | BOWLING GREEN   |
| 13              | 10546        | 81           | 2          | 0          | 11          | 94           | 123          | 76.42        | SPOTSYLVANIA    |
| 13              | 10574        | 79           | 3          | 0          | 46          | 128          | 170          | 75.29        | COLONIAL BEACH  |
| <b>District</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>696</b>   | <b>12</b>  | <b>4</b>   | <b>239</b>  | <b>951</b>   | <b>1160</b>  | <b>81.98</b> | <b>SEVENTH</b>  |
| MAL             |              | 777          | 86         | 55         | 757         | 1675         | 2337         | 71.67        |                 |
| <b>State</b>    | <b>0</b>     | <b>19805</b> | <b>639</b> | <b>249</b> | <b>7528</b> | <b>28221</b> | <b>34752</b> | <b>81.21</b> |                 |