



Department of Maine
Veterans of Foreign Wars
In Memory of Veterans
Past – Present - Future



SEPTEMBER 2009

GENERAL ORDERS

No. 3

“SPECIAL NOTICE – SPECIAL NOTICE”

Absence of the Commander: During the period of 10-13 September 2009, Commander Michaud will be out of the State attending Commander-in-Chief Thomas J. Tradewell’s Homecoming in Wisconsin. During this period, anyone needing assistance are to contact State JVC Louis A. Peterson II @ 282-4284 or email Captain@maine.rr.com.

Relocation of VFW Service Office: The VSO office will be moving 1 September to its new location in Bldg 205, Room 129. It is projected that the move will be for one month. Telephones may take longer and as soon as we receive the information, we will notify everyone.

Togus Fall Frolic: Will be held 12 September 2009. Everyone will meet in bldg 207, 1st floor, Dirigo Room 121 and sign in. Everyone is asked **NOT** to bring any food items to the Fall Frolic. The VFW will be assigned Veteran’s Village (72-CLC), 2nd floor in bldg 207. Everyone will meet between 8:30 and 9:30 am and then go to the ward for bingo. Let us have a good turn for our Chmn Duane Leathers.

Winter Uniform Wear: Wearing of the winter uniform (Blue jacket/grey slacks) will be for the period of October 1, 2009 thru March 31, 2010.

1. October CoA Meetings: Will be held in Old Town, ME on 11 October 2009. The Headquarters hotel will be the Black Bear Inn, 4 Godfrey Drive, Orono, ME, tel: 866-7120. Rates will be \$109.00 for 1 to 2 persons, for more persons in a room, please check with the Black Bear. **NOTE** that this is the sports season for UMO and foliage season and hotels in the area filling very quickly, so please make your reservations ASAP. On Saturday, the following VFW meetings will convene at the Black Bear Inn:

- 11 am – Veterans Service Cmtee
- 12 noon – Finance and Audit Cmtee
- 1 pm – 2010 State Convention Cmtee

Other motel available is the Milford Motel, 174 US Rte 2, Milford (Approximately 10 miles from the Black Bear Inn), Tel: 1-800-282-3330, e-mail: info@milfordmotelontheriver.com. Rates are as follows: \$65.00 for 2 beds, 2 persons, \$90.00 for 2 bedroom suite plus 7% lodging tax. Extra person is \$7 a night.

2. Eastern States Conference: Will be held November 13-15, 2009 at the Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel, 10100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, tel: 1-800-638-2100 or 443-856-4557 or fax 410-524-3834. Rates for the Clarion Resort Fontainebleau are \$90.00 per night + tax double/double and \$110 for executive King and \$15.00 per night for each additional adult per room. Cut off date for reservation is October 3, 2009. The banquet menu consists of Virginia Glazed Ham & 3 oz Maryland Crab Cake or Grilled Breast of Chicken with Lemon Herb Sauce & 3 oz Maryland Crab Cake. Price for the banquet tickets are \$45.00 and must be obtained from the Dept of Maine Adjutant. **Please make your check payable to**

“Department of Maryland, VFW”. Deadline for banquet ticket purchase is **November 7, 2009**. Packages were emailed to VFW and LAVFW ESC Delegates/Alternates.

3. *Solicitation of Funds:* Post Commanders are reminded that IAW Section 214 of the National By-Laws and Manual of Procedures: “A Post shall not solicit funds or donations or otherwise engage in fund raising activities or projects outside the immediate geographical area or community of the Post.”

4. *Deadline for General Orders:* The deadline for Department Officers and Committee Chairmen is still the 20th of each month for forwarding information to this office. You can send it via USPS to 64 Washburn St., B-1, Caribou, ME 04736-2125, fax it to 207-496-3713 or email to thedumas@gwi.net.

5. *Change of Location, Meeting Place, Day or Time:* Post Commanders are reminded that IAW Section 206, Manual of Procedures:

A Post may, after at least 30 days written notice to the Department Commander and members of the Post, change its chartered location upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at a regular or special meeting. Upon recommendation of the Department Commander, an amended Charter will be issued by the Commander-in-Chief. No change may be affected until an amended Charter is issued.

At such time as the Post changes its location from one community to another, any portion of the Post name that relates to the geographical area or community from which it has relocated shall be deleted from its name.

A Post may, after at least fourteen (14) days written notice to the Department Commander and members of the Post, change its meeting place, appointed day or time upon a majority vote of the members present at a regular or special meeting.

6. *Control of Units:* All Commanders are reminded that IAW Section 709, Manual of Procedure requires that: Any activity, unit or club sponsored, conducted or operated by, for or in behalf of a Post or District shall be at all times under the direct control of such Post or District and that all money, property or assets of any kind must be placed in the care and custody of the respective Quartermaster. All Commanders should ensure that all provisions of Section 709 are enforced.

7. *Post Meetings/Quorum:* IAW Section 203 of the National By-Laws states: “Posts shall hold at least one regular meeting each month. Also, Post By-Laws may specify the minimum number of members required to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a regular or special meeting, provided that in no case shall the quorum be less than five (5) members.”

8. *District Adjutants:* Article VII, Section 7 of the Dept of Maine By-Laws states: Each District Adjutant in the Department of Maine shall submit a true copy of each District meeting minutes to the Department Adjutant not later than seven (7) days following each District meeting. (***NOTE:*** These minutes can be either e-mailed and/or mailed and the signature of the District Adjutant is **no longer** required.)

9. *Post Commander – Attendance at District Meetings:* Section 218(a) (1) k, Manual of Procedures: All Post Commanders must “Assure that he or his representative attend all properly called District Convention or meetings.

10. *Reminder to all Post Commanders:* Article X, Section 8(a) states: Any and all canteens or bars located so as to be part of any Veterans of Foreign Wars facility and/or premises owned or rented by the Veterans of Foreign Wars shall close and remain closed during any Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, Districts or Department meeting or formal installation.

11. *Post Commanders:* If you and/or a Representative are unable to attend a District Meeting, it is asked that you forward to your District Commander a copy of your activities since the last District meeting so as to

inform the Commander of what has transpired during that time. This will also give a chance for the District Commander to prepare his Commanders Report to be presented at the next Council of Administration.

12. Vacancy of Post Quartermaster: Section 220 of the National By-Laws states: Should the vacancy occur in the office of Post Quartermaster, the Post Commander may appoint a Pro Tempore Quartermaster to carry out the duties incident to that office. The appointment shall in no instance exceed more than sixty (60) days and shall be null and void upon the election of a Post Quartermaster.”

13. Buddy Poppies: Ordering of Buddy Poppies will be completed thru State Quartermaster Donald Linscott (**Order form is enclosed in these GOs**). Cost of the Poppies is \$57.50 per 500 with a minimum order of 500. **Note: The National requirement for ordering Poppies is now 5 poppies per members.** Make your check payable to “**Department of Maine, VFW**” and forward your order to QM Donald W.Linscott, PO Box 1286, Auburn, ME 04211-1286.

14. Department Directories, 2009-10 Membership & Communities Programs: Post packages were passed out to all District Commanders at the July CoA meeting in Jay for passing on to their respective Posts Commanders. **If you have not received your package by now, please contact your District Commander.** As in the past, there is only one directory per person regardless of the number of committees one may hold.

15. Veterans Day: All Posts and members are encouraged to participate in the observance of Veterans’ Day on 11 November 2009.

16. Change of Addresses: Post and District Commanders, Department Officers and Chairmen are reminded that if they have a change of address and/or email addy’s to notify the State Adjutant Office ASAP so that corrections can be made to the Department mailing and National can be notified. We had instances of Post/District Commanders and officers who have had a change of address and did not notify the Department, thus preventing them from receiving all of the information from the Department and National.

17. Commanders, Quartermasters & Trustees: Your attention is directed to the requirement of timely filing of Internal Revenue Form 990 and 990T. November 15th is the filing deadline for Post using the VFW fiscal year of 1 July thru 30 June.

18. Request for Department Commander at Post and/or District Functions: Any Posts and/or District Commanders wishing to have the Department Commander present at one of the functions are asked to notify the State Adjutant at least ten (10) days in advance. This is to afford the Commander time to put it in on his calendar and/or appoint another Department Officer to attend in his place in case his schedule is already programmed for that date.

19. Displaying of Military Service Symbols: Military Service flags, insignias, etc., should be displayed in the following order (Left to Right as you face the flags): Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard.

20. National POW/MIA Recognition Day: Will be held on September 18, 2009. Posts should conduct an appropriate ceremony. Information on conducting a ceremony can be found in the current Manual of Procedure.

21. Patriot’s Day: Per Presidential Proclamation, September 11th is designated as “Patriot Day.” The President requests the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff (sunrise to sunset) and a moment of silence observed in honor of the individuals who lost their lives on that day due to terrorist attacks on the United States.

22. Post Inspections: Deputy Inspectors shall make every effort to inspect every Posts under their cognizance on an annual basis and correct such discrepancies as may be disclosed.

23. VFW Caps, Official: All personnel are advised that there is only one official cap of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, namely, a cap of the overseas type, lettered with VFW initials, Post numerals, State, rank of office (when applicable), and bearing the Cross of Malta emblem. The color shall be regulation, Army Shade 51 or Suntan, tropical worsted. Organizational echelons shall be designated by the appropriate color of the braid and lettering on the cap. Caps will not be worn while eating or seated during meals. All other types of headgear, i.e., baseball types, western types, sporting types, are not official headgear and will not be worn at meetings of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

24. Post Reserve: Remember Post Quartermasters to maintain a dues reserve fund to which shall be credited not less than one half of the Post's part of the 2009-10 year's dues paid by each member prior to July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, except dues remitted by the Post. No Post Quartermaster shall disburse, nor shall an obligation be incurred against this fund until after July 1, 2010, at which time, it shall be transferred to the Post General Fund and be available for expenditure.

25. CoA and Cmtee Members: All CoA and Cmtee members are advised that you must notify both the State Commander and the State Adjutant if you are unable to attend a Council of Administration (CoA) meeting for the year 2009-10. Also, a copy of your report **MUST** be forwarded to the State Adjutant prior to the CoA meeting for presentation at the meeting.

26. Attention to all Recipients of General Orders: Due to the cost of sending our General Orders, anyone wishing to receive them via e-mail are asked to send their email address to thedumas@gwi.net. The USPS has raised their rates thus costing the Department more to forward the GOs.

27. Candidates for Department High Office:

Department Commander	John E. Williams	Post 11553
Department Sr. Vice Commander	Louis A. Peterson II	Post 6859
Department Jr. Vice Commander	Kevin G. Woodward	Post 11553
Department Quartermaster	Donald W. Linscott Jr.	Post 1603
Department Judge Advocate	Mark G. Reilly	Post 6859
Department Surgeon	Ronald F. Smith	Post 1761
Department Surgeon	Palmer A. Hebert	Post 3335
Department Chaplain	Charles A. Warden	Post 11553

28. 2009-10 National By-Laws Books: Post Commanders are suggested to order their 2009-10 National By-Laws books. At the recent National Convention, many By-Laws were voted upon (especially in the Chaplain duties) and became effective after the Convention. Cost of the book is \$6/90 ea or you can order the CD at a cost of \$5.00 by going to www.vfwstore.org or completing the order form and forward to National Headquarters.

29. Candidates for National Councilman District 1 for Year 2011-2013:

Raymond R. Lupo	Post 4633
R. Randy Worthley	Post 8835
Andre L. Dumas	Post 9389

30. District Meeting Dates:

Date	District	Post	Time	Dept Officer
13 Sep 09	1	9699 – Ashland	2:00 pm	Adj Dumas
13 Sep 09	8	1285 – Waterville	2:00 pm	QM Linscott

20 Sep 09	3	9779 – Calais	2:00 pm	Adj Dumas
20 Sep 09	10	9328 – Harrison	1:00 pm	JVC Peterson
20 Sep 09	11	6548 - Kennebunk	2:00 pm	Cmdr Michaud
27 Sep 09	4	109 – Ellsworth	2:00 pm	QM Linscott
18 Oct 09	1	9609 – Fort Kent	2:00 pm	Adj Dumas
18 Oct 09	4	5723 – Jackman	2:00 pm	JVC Peterson
18 Oct 09	6	9437 – Washington	1:00 pm	Cmdr Michaud
18 Oct 09	9	9459 – Lisbon	2:00 pm	QM Linscott
25 Oct 09	7	4524 – Waldoboro	2:00 pm	Adj Dumas

31. Dates to Remember:

September 7 – Labor Day
 September 11 – Patriot’s Day
 September 8 (1892) – Pledge of Allegiance adopted
 September 17 – U.S. Constitution approved by first U.S. Congress (Citizenship Day)
 September 17 – VFW Ladies Auxiliary Birthday (95 years old)
 September 18 – POW/MIA Recognition Day
 September 27 – Gold Star Mothers Day

32. Directory Changes:

Pg 1, 9, 63 – Chg C. Warden e-mail to: cwarden1@roadrunner.com
 Pg 13 – Add NCW D-1 – Jacqueline R. Nevin, 55 Humphrey Rd., Franklin, NH 03235, tel 603-934-3044, Cell 603-491-3867 – E-mail addy jackiendcm1@comcast.net
 Pg 31 – Post 832 – Chg Cmdr to: Samuel C. Flint, 15 George St., So Portland, ME 04106, tel: 767-3894, e-mail: sflint@maine.rr.com
 Pg 34 – Post 4525 – Chg Cmdr e-mail addy to: glfvfw1641@live.com
 Pg 39 – Post 3381 – Chg Adj Loring address to: 1 Burnurwubskek Lane, Indian Island, ME 04468-1234
 Pg 41 – Post 1641 – Chg Cmdr e-mail addy to: Johnhowland@myfairpoint.net
 Pg 51 – Post 9150 – Add Cmdr e-mail addy: OSI1940@aol.com
 Pg 53 – Post 9394 – Chg Adj info to: Ronald P. Marchand, 255 Beech Rd., Eliot, ME 03903
 Pg 62 – Post 11299 – Cmdr M. Williams Changes: 27 Court St., Machias, ME 04654, tel: 259-1141, Cell: 271-1309, e-mail: mwilliams23@maine.rr.com
 Pg 65 – Post 3108 Men’s Aux – Chg President to: Scott Patten, 250A Lincolnville Ave, Belfast, ME 04915, tel: 338-2725
 Pg 66 – Post 3335 Men’s Aux – Chg President address to: 15 Hyde Rd., Jay, ME 04239-5089
 Pg 67 – Post 4154 Men’s Aux. – Chg Cmdr address to: 8 Juniper Rd., Pamola Park, Millinocket, ME 04462-1517

OFFICIAL

BY ORDER OF:

Andre L. Dumas
 ANDRE L. DUMAS
 State Adjutant

Alfred "Al" E. Michaud Sr.
 ALFRED E. MICHAUD SR.
 State Commander



State Commander Alfred E. Michaud Sr.



Greetings Comrades: We have just returned from the National Convention and the State of Maine was well represented. A lot of By-Law changes were voted in but the \$25.00 registration fee with the \$50.00 late fee was defeated in committee. Another plus was the National Organizations request to start the National Members at Large again was also defeated in committee and on the floor by majority vote. I wish to thank Randy Worthley for the outstanding job he did for us in the committee. To all the Maine Delegate Committee Members on all the Committees we sent, our heartfelt thanks for a job well done by each of you.

Our new Commander-in-Chief Thomas J. Tradewell Sr. has hit the ground running. The top project this year is Membership, we need to get our numbers up so when we speak to the politicians we speak loud and clear. We need membership because without it, how can we accomplish all the other great things we do in this organization stated by our new Commander-in-Chief. We had the opportunity to speak with Tommy several times one on one and we stated the State of Maine fully supports his goals and directions. He also is looking at cutting some more wasted funding on the National level to put it back into proper perspective. His heart and mind is Veteran orientated, and he fully believes in leaving no one behind.

President Obama also reinforced he has not cut any of the Veterans programs but has increased funding for them and started some new ones. He also stated there are a lot of false rumors out there about cutting benefits. He clearly stated it is not happening on his watch. As for Health Care, he is not asking the lower income or middle income to pay for it. He is going after the ones that make \$250,000.00 per year or more to support it. They get a 36% write off that he plans on reducing to 18% which would cover most the cost of the program.

It is now up to you to help keep the wheels turning into the right direction. As our National Recruiters and Membership Chairman keep saying RETAIN, RECRUIT, REINSTATE. If there was ever a time to put our organization back on track this is it. For years, it has been said we need change, well it is here. Now it is time to make a decision to be part of the solution or to be part of the problem. Every voice does count and the more members, the bigger the voice.

Once National sends us the copy of all the new By-Law and Procedure changes that were accepted, we will get it out to you.

We also need to get out there and work on VOD, Patriots Pen, Teacher of the Year all three categories, EMT of the Year, Fireman of the Year, Police Officer of the Year and all the other programs set forth.

In the Past, the Veterans before us set the stage so we could receive the benefits we have now. It is now our turn to fight for increase benefits and health care for those who will come after us. It will be the job of those after us to even kick it up a notch future. In Memory of Veterans Past, Present and Future.

My deepest Thanks goes to all of you for your volunteer time and efforts invested in helping those that cannot help themselves and their families, on behalf of those who have gone before us. Also, for supporting the Troops now serving and showing our support too them. When your country called you answered, and now you still answer the call of our brothers and sisters who have served in harm's way.

God Bless each and everyone of you and keep you safe.

Alfred E. Michaud Sr.

(AL) Alfred Michaud Sr.

State Commander



Deceased Roll Call



*Department of Maine, VFW
Charles A. Warden, Chaplain
July 20 – August 19, 2009*

“May our Comrades Rest in “Eternal Peace in Post Eternity”

District 1

2599 – GRASS, Edwin C – Korea

**9699 – COTE, Rayno J. – WW II
DEPREY, James – Korea**

District 2

4154 – POUND, Donald R. – Korea

District 3

558 – SULLIVAN, John E. – WW II

District 5

3198 – HOLMES, Elwin M. – WW II

District 8

1285 – COSTLEY, James A. – Vietnam

District 9

**1641 – BROWN, Gerald R. – Korea
MARCELLINO, John Sr. – WW II
O’KANE, Bernard J. – WW II**

9459 – MERRILL, Russell

9787 – BEAN, Silver E.

District 10

832 – RICHARDS, John M. – Vietnam

**6859 – BEST, William H. – WW II
KOUTSIVITIS, Nicholas P. – WW II
REGAN, Leonard J. – WW II**

District 11

**6977 – CARPENTER, Hervey B. – WW II
CHASE, Herman W. – WW II
MAHONEY, John R. – WW II/Korea/Vietnam
PICARD, Joshua A. – Iraq
STANDISH, Arnold M. – WW II**

Members-at-Large

**15020 – ADAMS, Preston E. – WW II
JOHNSON, William E.
OLIVER, Roger K.**



SENIOR VICE COMMANDER
POW/MIA – WREATH ACROSS AMERICA
John E. Williams



SVC: By now, all of the Posts and District Commanders should be working on their membership and community activities programs. Let us make our Cmdr Al a 100% “All American Commander”. Remember that it is only thru our membership numbers that our Commander-in-Chief Thomas J. Tradewell Sr. can go to Washington D.C. and make sure that we do not lose the benefits that we all have earned while we served our country in time of need.

WAA: Wreath sponsorship orders are coming in more rapidly. Please have your Post consider participating in the WAA Program this year. For more information, check the web site or call the WAA officer at (207) 483-2038.

POW/MIA: As you all well know by now, Capt Michael Speicher’s who was shot down on Jan 17, 1991 in the Persian Gulf remains were recovered in Iraq and returned to the United States for burial. Our government needs to continue to search and recover the other POW/MIAs. Also, all of the Posts are asked to conduct a program on National POW/MIA Recognition Day, September 18. Displaying the POW/MIA Chair, Table for One or flying the POW/MIA flag pole are things every Post should be doing routinely. POW/MIA activities that your Post can do are: Participating in parades, holding a POW/MIA Recognition Day Program, donations or anything else that keeps this very important issue in the public eye. Please make sure that you report your program to our Community Activities Chairperson Janet Michaud. We must never forget our POW/MIAs and make sure that our politicians also do not forget them.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER
Louis A. Peterson II

We are back from the National Convention with very positive actions taken by various National Committees & the back-up vote of the delegates. The National Council of Administration has heard the voice of all our fellow comrades & now they have to listen. You will read all about the changes from the respective members that attended the workshops. I found an outfit you may be interested hearing about, the Veteran Ticket Foundation. They are a non-profit organization providing free or discounted tickets to the more than 26 million Veterans & Active Duty Service Members in the United States. Donate your tickets or cash to VeteranTickets.org or call 888-241-1550. You may also get tickets for less! Sports, concerts & theater tickets. Check in at VetTix.com

Liaison - MVH Scarborough: The Maine Veterans Home in Scarborough is having the Residents & Family BBQ on Saturday 12 September 09. FMI to volunteers, please call Marcia Shalek at the MVH in Scarborough. They also need volunteers for One-on-One visits, the Fresh Air Club & Gardening talents. The telephone # to call is 883-7184.

JUDGE ADVOCATE
VOICE OF DEMOCRACY/PATRIOT’S PEN/CONVENTION 2010
Kevin G. Woodward

Just returned from the National Convention in Phoenix, I must say that I am very proud to have been part of the Maine delegation. It was a good convention and I think that a good time was had by all (for the most part). A great deal of information will be coming forward in the coming months. It is now time to show our support for Commander in Chief Thomas J. Tradewell and the rest of the National Officers.

Voice of Democracy/Patriots Pen –
Entry Deadline Nov. 1, 2009

Voice of Democracy 2009-2010 Theme
"Does America Still Have Heroes?"

Patriots Pen 2009-2010 Theme
"When is the Right Time to Honor Our Military Heroes?"

Judge Advocate: Comrades, school start dates are upon us. The program information should be available to the participants in the Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen programs. Remember, the student entries must be received by the Posts NLT Nov. 1, 2009. Again let's not get discouraged if the schools show reluctance on accepting the information to present the programs to their students. Remember that there are several avenues that you can use to get the information out to the students. You can use the local newspapers and radio stations, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, YMCA, Church youth groups and any other youth activities that you may be aware of. Some cable companies offer information channels for their areas. Take a minute to talk to the students that you know and explain the program to them, ask them to let their friends know about it. The student entry forms may be downloaded from the National web site <http://www.vfw.org/resources/pdf/vod.pdf> and <http://www.vfw.org/resources/pdf/patriotspen.pdf>. Don't forget to coordinate your efforts with the Ladies Auxiliaries from your posts. They are a major contributor and a valuable asset to this program as well as everything that we do.

I am requesting that the District Commanders provide me the contact information for their chairman for the program. Please forward the information to me via e-mail bampa_5@yahoo.com or snail mail Kevin Woodward, 1 Johnson Lane, Machiasport, ME 04655.

SURGEON
CONVENTION SITE SELECTION 2011
Mark G. Reilly

I just returned from attending my first national convention. It was a good experience and I was able to learn more how the VFW operates. I am even more ready to work hard to help make this organization even better than it already is.

September is National Cholesterol Education Month. It is a good time to get your blood cholesterol checked and take steps to lower it if it is high. National Cholesterol Education Month is also a good time to learn about lipid profiles and about food and lifestyle choices that help you reach personal cholesterol goals.

The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute offer helpful resources to use during National Cholesterol Education Month.

CHAPLAIN
NATIONAL HOME
Charles A. Warden

And God said let there be light and there was light---God called the light day and the darkness, he called night. Genesis 1-3-5. Father we praise you and thank you for creating this beautiful world and for creating us. We especially thank you for creating light. We know there is no one like you.

Chaplains Thought for the Month: Many children are afraid of the dark. Many adults are afraid of the light. Thank you and God Bless Chaplain Charlie

National Home: Comrades, in August a special brick campaign was launched for those that would like to display a permanent tribute on the campus of the VFW National Home for Children. Each brick costs \$100 and all proceeds go to the operating fund. Bricks may be purchased to pay tribute to a special person or just to sign your name on the campus sidewalk. What a great way to help our National Home. You can send your money to our Quartermaster and he will see it gets to the right place. Thank you Chuck Warden Chmn

NATIONAL COUNCILMAN DISTRICT 1
Eugene A. Pawlik Sr.

Comrades: It was great visiting with many of you during our National Convention in Phoenix. It was a week of memorable events especially from my perspective, considering my participation in the swearing in of our National Council Members and my attendance at the first Council meeting. The meeting itself was rather unremarkable and dealt primarily with the approval of the Adjutant General's paying the bills until the budget is approved and the ratification of the various appointments made by the Adjutant General and the Quartermaster General. I'm afraid that the honeymoon will be over at the October Council of Administration Meeting, especially since Commander-in-Chief Thomas J. Tradewell has seen fit to assign me to the Budget and Finance Committee! I hope to see you Comrades at Commander-in-Chief Tradewell's Homecoming in Milwaukee which is shaping up to be a real fun affair. Until I see you at the Department of Maine CoA in October, stay safe and enjoy the rest of our very elusive summer! In Comradeship: Gene Pawlik

HISTORIAN
Robert H. Bernard, PSC

As you all know by now, the Department Officers and members have returned from the National Convention that was held in Phoenix AZ. It was a great convention and along with getting work done, a good time was had by all. Since we are all back and settled in, I have a request for those that attended the convention. Would anyone that took photos please forward a copy to me for the Commander's book. You can also put them on a disk or E-mail them to me. Thank you so very much.

As I have said in earlier reports, if you have anything that involves the Department Commander or events that are happening, please send it to me so I can add it to the book. Again thank you.

Please send the information to: Bob Bernard, 78 Robie Street, Gorham, Maine 04038. E-Mail: rbernard@maine.rr.com

INSPECTOR/TOGUS BEAL HOUSE
James M. Sawyer, PSC/Chairman

Inspector: Comrades: As I stated in the last GOs, The Manual of Procedure Section 218 (11) states: "Not later than the end of the month following the last day of each quarterly period. Through the Post Commander, submit a Post Trustee's Report of Audit to the Department Quartermaster for referral to the Department Inspector." Comrades, the 2nd Quarter has been over for almost two months. Posts still missing Audits:

- District #1 - 2599 District #2 - 2299, 7529, 9429. District #3 - 558, 11299
- District #4 - 109, 3381 District #5 - 5723, 7866, 10881 District #6 - 2499, 4169
- District #7 - 8395 District #9 - 11032 District #11 - 7997, 9394

Comrades: Being a Quartermaster of a large post myself, I can see no reason why these audits have not been done. It is the responsibility of the Post Commander to see that the audit is done on time. Post Commanders are to be reminded that according to National By-Laws, the Department Commander can remove them from office if he deems they are not doing their job.

Togus Beal House: The Beal's House is doing fine. We held our Board meeting July 11th. All finances were audited and found to be correct and in good order. The VFW and Ladies Auxiliary is still number one in donations and we thank you very much. Our next meeting will be September 12th, so my report will be in the next GO's.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER
Rene A. Deschene, S.O.

Cemetery: The Department of the VA has awarded monies to two of our State Veteran Cemetery. \$240,634 was awarded to the Springvale Cemetery and \$326,267 was awarded to the Caribou Cemetery.

Pre-Discharge Claims: All soldiers that are being discharged from active duty will be able to file a claim with the VA prior to the discharge date. This includes National Guard and Army Reserve. All of these claims will be processed at a VA facility determined by the VA. For the East coast, the facility is in Winston-Salem, NC. There is no exception as to where those Veterans claim will be processed. Also once processed at those location; all future claims will be processed at those locations. Also all of these claims will be paperless claims.

Healthcare Reform: The President's Health Care Reform Act will have some effect to Veterans. First of all, the proposed budget for Health Care at the VA will have the largest increase for a single year. TriCare and ChampVA programs will exempt Veterans and Dependents from being assessed penalties. Cost for TriCare and ChampVA recipients may drop if the proposal is approved.

Post Service Officers Program: A training program is scheduled for October 7, 2009 at the York Beach Post 6977. The training will begin at 8:00 am and end around noon. All those Service Officers that have not attended a training seminar this year must attend this one. We also ask that all those notify this office ASAP so that we can have a good head count for material and snacks.

Veterans helping Veterans

LEGISLATIVE
Peter F. Miesburger, PSC/Chairman

Legislative Program: As I previously stated, both the state of Maine Senate and House of Representatives are on recess until January 2010. When both Houses reconvene, there will be no new Legislatures Bills introduced until the 125th Legislature convenes.

This past August has been a very busy month in regards to "HEALTH CARE" issues. As all of you know, the 111th Congress has been on recess during the month of August and will not reconvene until the first week of September 2009. During the recess time frame, not one of our Congressional Delegation had schedule a "TOWN MEETING" in regards to the National Health Care problems. This past month, I followed various telecast Town Hall meeting which were sponsored nationwide by various Senators and congressional members. Till this day, I still not fully understand the new proposed "National Health Care Plan". From what I understand, the so called new "Health Care Plan" will not affect military retirees "TriCare Plan" and/or Department of Veterans Affairs health care programs.

In regards to both military retirees and/or Department of Veterans Affairs health care programs, if you have any problems and/or questions in regards to these programs, take a few minutes and contact anyone of our Congressional delegation in regards to either one of these issues and schedule an appointment to answer your question, as I don't have the answers to many of these problems that you may have.

TO ALL VIETNAM Veterans, time is rapidly running out to contact Togus VA Medical Center and request a complete "AGENT ORANGE" physical. There is no cost to have this physical, just your time. The program is known as "BOOTS ON THE GROUND" and applies to anyone who was in Vietnam, regardless if you were there for a full tour of duty or TDY. To all my Vietnam Comrades, do it today before it is too late. How about you Desert Storm Veterans, have you registered at the Togus VA Medical Center in regards to your time spent in the "DESERT". Comrades, time is rapidly running out in regards to both these programs, do it today, don't wait until tomorrow.

Comrades: I want to take this time to publicly say "THANKS" to Commander AI for having faith in me to serve as his representative while he was out of state attending the National VFW Convention.

ADVISORY TO TOGUS
Raymond R. Lupo, PSC/Chairman

Veterans Advisory to Togus: Parking is still a problem due to the construction, all should be aware that they are subject to fines if not in proper areas. Funding was submitted for additional parking areas, however request was not approved.

Although Togus has processed a large volume of new applications the last few months, many Priority 8 growth is down for the year and cost is up 8 to 10 %. We need to insure that all Maine Veterans enroll in the VA system. With the reopening of category 8, this could insure that our health system at Togus will be secured.

CBOC at Bangor is well underway and the additional space needed for Rumford is ongoing. Additional personnel will be added to the Caribou unit. The mobile Rural Unit Van problems are completed and soon will be sent to the rural areas.

Recruitment for needed personnel is ongoing in all Departments and some have already been hired such as two Radiologists, with one will reading MRI's to avoid sending them to Boston.

VBA has stated that processing time for case pending is 106 days compared to National time of 118 days.

Action Corp: All should make themselves familiar with the VFW legislative goals along with Veterans bills being proposed, you should express your thoughts to our Congressional Representatives at all times. **REMEMBER**, if you don't keep informed or sit back and do nothing...you may lose more then you'll get?

PAC: To advise you on where the Department stands in this program; you need to tell us what YOU contributed. To date thus far, not one report has been received.

NATIONAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION TEACHER AWARD
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE
R. Randy Worthley, PSC/Chairman

I've just returned home from National Convention and though it was a "DRY" heat it was a very good convention and well attended. We saw temperatures of 106 degrees when we arrived to a high of 110 degrees while in Phoenix. Anyway a good time with President Obama paying the Veterans a visit and good to see all my good friends from the other Departments once again. I was appointed to the "NATIONAL BY-LAWS, MANUAL OF PROCEDURES & RITUAL COMMITTEE" and what a time we had. Let me just say there were many discussions - some very vocal... National wanted to bring back the 'National Members-at-Large Program' but we turned this down in Committee. Another change National wanted would have definitely hurt the small posts particularly as each post would have paid, in advance, a *mandatory* National Convention Registration Fee of \$25.00 (with a \$50.00 late charge fine) *PLUS* the \$10.00 Delegate fee to everyone attending convention... This change was rejected by the membership vote on the floor. Many other changes were discussed in committee but the above were the two BIG changes National wanted but did not get this year. I will say this was one of the most intense committees I've served on to date...

TEACHER AWARD - The following information must be sent to me for a valid submission. I am looking forward to receiving many good nominations again this year. We went all the way to First Place once before and we can do so again!

1. Original entry form and essay of 350 words or less
2. Official Post Teacher Entry Form w/signatures at Post, District and Department level
3. One page resume (no more than two sides)
4. Up to 5 pages (both sides) of additional documentation (i.e. news articles, supervisor's recommendations)
5. Good quality head and shoulders photograph (*color copies or low grade computer printouts will NOT be accepted*)

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE - On August 5th I attended a monthly meeting with all Service Officers and Claims Personnel of all Veterans Groups at VA-Togus. I plan on being present for each monthly meeting as much is discussed here and I need this information to properly represent the VFW. I have been receiving many questionnaires since taking over this position. Most are positive and those not I am checking with Rene Deschene or Jim Weiss to see what the problem was. On the whole the VFW-VSO is in good working order. We can be very proud of the dedication and professionalism extended to the membership from our VFW representatives.

Remember... the shortest sentence is 'I AM' and the longest sentence is 'I DO'. We can always use more volunteer help at Togus!

If needed I can be reached at 873-0868, rcworthley@roadrunner.com or 1700 Albion Road, Winslow, ME 04901.

**CERTIFIED NATIONAL RECRUITER
HOMELESS VETERANS
Wayne H. Elkins, Chairman**

Homeless Veterans: Correction to last month GO Report, I had stated that the Homeless Veterans Stand-down will be November 1, but should have read that the **Stand-down will be Saturday November 7**. Due to a prior commitment, I missed last month meeting and have no new information. The stand down is still proceeding on course.

National Recruiter Central: Recruiting new members this year has tapered off, I am not seeing the numbers of Veterans stopping by the recruiting booth at the fair as I have over the past couple of years. This could be due to the hot weather we are having or the economy. I still have concerns that we are not putting out enough information to bring in Women Veterans to the organization. Out of 50 to 60 Veterans I see at recruiting booth, maybe one will be a Women Veteran. Again, I will be at the Windsor Fair starting August 30th and will be there until September 7. Please, if you are in the area stop by, give a hand be part of a great recruiting event.

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
AMERICANISM/LOYALTY DAY, BLOOD BANK,
SAFETY & DRUG ABUSE, YOUTH ACTIVITIES
Janet L. Michaud, Chairperson**

Greetings Comrades: As you will notice on the Community Activities status report sheet, many Posts have only reported once as shown on the far right of the form which represents three (3) months. We in the Department and especially when the Department Representatives attend District meetings keeping on hearing all of the outstanding projects conducted by the Posts yet remain unreported. Please take the time and report all of your projects, also remember that once you have all of your blocks completed, it does not mean that you stop reporting. The more projects, number of volunteers and volunteers you report to me, the better the final report will look when I report to National at the of the 1st six months of this program. Included in this month's GOs is the blank form for those who report via USPS and also the explanations sheet for each categories when reporting. Remember that when Commander-in-Chief Thomas Tradewell goes in front of her Legislators, that those numbers look good along with a great membership. Keep up the good work that you are all doing for the Department of Maine. As always, you can ask questions by email or phone vfwme@yahoo.com or 207-649-3085.

BOWLING/GOLF/WAYS & MEANS

Paul S. Colburn, Chairman

Ways & Means: Some of the monies for Ways and Means are coming in, albeit slowly. I have heard that some of the District Commanders don't have their tickets yet. I am checking on this and will report as soon as I know something. Again, the tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. The prizes for the drawing which will be held at the State Convention in Ellsworth this coming June are an Old Town Discovery Canoe and an Old Town Kayak. Lets' get the money in as soon as possible and see if we can sell ALL OF THE TICKETS!!!!!!!

NATIONAL MILITARY SERVICE

Harry J. Stickney, Chairman

Comrades: The Maine delegates to the VFW National Convention are all back in (warm but not sunny) Maine. The convention and the committee members didn't have a lot of free time in the day because of the committee requirements. Some of the committees met and had short meetings with positive outcomes, some were longer and some were long and contentious. Fortunately, the National Military Service (NMS) was informative and civil. Many topics were discussed and the highlights are noted in my bullet comments:

- VFW nationally down 230,000 members from 2008
- **NMS Un-Met Needs** grants are down \$300,000 from 2008
- NMS donation still a requirement for All-American Post consideration
- Purchase of 10 **NMS "T" shirts** also satisfies NMS donation requirement
- VFW **Auxiliaries may donate** to NMS but please send funds to National Auxiliary with request that funds be donated to VFW NMS for full recognition at VFW and LAX
- There will be **no phone cards issued** by Operation Uplink until November 2009
- Deployed military will still receive \$650,000 in free phone call days to the USA

At the top of the list, the membership loss is driving down the monies available to NMS and will probably continue to drive down monies available to other VFW programs.

I can not speak for the other committees but will address some of my bullet comments: The **Un-Met Needs** will have to work smarter (nationally) with less money and recognize the need is still there; purchasing 10 of the **NMS T-shirts** will also satisfy the All-American requirement and a purchase of 72 or more T-shirts will allow the posts to "personalize" the product; **ladies auxiliaries who donate to NMS** will not receive credit unless they forward their donation to National VFW Auxiliary with the request where the money is to be credited (and receive credit from the VFW and Auxiliary) and lastly, there will be **no phone cards issued until after November**. At that time, they expect that a lawsuit initiated against SPRINT will be settled by a \$1,500,000 donation in the form of VFW domestic and international phone cards. Until that is settled; military personnel will still be able to call home on "free call days" of which there is \$650,000 set aside for those purchases. There is also a plan in place to utilize the Defense Switching Network (DSN) lines for MWR calling. For you senior citizens, the DSN nomenclature replaced the old Autovon network.

HOSPITAL/VAVS

Duane M. Leathers, Chairman

Don't forget the Togus Fall Frolic. It will be held on September 12, 2009. This year, we will meet in building 207, 1st floor and sign in.

Organizations are asked **NOT** to bring food items to the Fall Frolic. The VFW will be assigned Veteran's Village (72-CLC), 2nd floor in building 207. We will meet between 8:30 and 9:30 am and than go to the ward for bingo.

Don't forget this year that the Commanders' Special Project is Togus VAVS, so let's make this a banner year for our Veterans at Togus. Don't forget the Commanders' Special Project.

Remember Hospitalized Veterans Need Our Help!!!

***VETERANS CEMETERY SOUTH
James E.N. Bachelder, PSC/Chairman***

The State of Maine will receive an additional grant of \$240,635 for the further establishment of the Springvale State Veterans Cemetery. This money will help to complete the first phase of the three phase cemetery.

The progress is looking good. We can see the large boulders being crushed and used to level the burial areas. It is hard to understand the changes if you never saw the grounds before the project began. We do not anticipate any delays. The Grand Opening is still scheduled for Memorial Day 2010.

The Southern Maine Veterans' Memorial Cemetery Association is responsible for the beautification of the grounds like every other state Veterans' Cemetery Association. If you live in York or Cumberland County and would like to have input to the decorating of this cemetery, please feel free to contact the association. You can contact me at 477-2877 or james.bachelder@metrocast.net

We hope to see a large turnout for the Grand Opening.

***VETERANS CEMETERY NORTH
Andre L. Dumas, Chairman***

The Northern Maine Veterans Cemetery was very fortunate in it being awarded a grant total of \$326,267 from the Veterans Administration for a one acre project which will allow us to build 3 more columbarium walls to continue to offer the option of cremation burial in a columbarium. It will provide another 216 columbarium niches. This will give the cemetery 9 columbarium walls which are in great demand by the Veterans versus in-ground burials. Also, everyone must realize that the Northern Cemetery committee personally raised all of the monies for the 2nd set of niches (3 columbarium walls) with monies received from the VA. We are also in the process of doing more beautification of the cemetery which is the function of the Cemetery Committee. Any Posts wishing to make a donation may do so by forwarding a check marked "***Northern Maine Veterans Cemetery Corporation***" and forwarded to ***Fred Ormezzani, PO Box 312, Caribou, ME 04736-0312***. Your donations will be greatly appreciated. We now also have a website and I will publish it in next months GOs.

***CERTIFIED NATIONAL RECRUITER
BOYSCOUTS
William "Bill" B. Bradbury, Chairman***

CNR: Hello Comrades, I personally know that new members can come from anywhere and any place. I went camping up north and talked to my camping neighbor and found out that he just got back from Iraq, he didn't know about his benefits for him or his young family and after talking to him for a short time about what his benefits were, I got him as a new life member. Remember that each District has to have four membership drives scheduled through out this 2009-2010 membership year. If you need any help what so ever in a recruiting booth, program training, a Post and District event or if you decide to go door to door and need my help please give me a call @ 320-0060 or e-mail me at scoutcamper@aol.com use and please use "VFW recruiting event" for the comment line so it does not go into my spam file. Let's give 110% for our State Commander Al Michaud and as before always remember the word for this year is RECRUIT, RECRUIT, and RECRUIT some more. Thank you Comrades,

DRAWING. TO DATE WE HAVE OVER 897 IN THE DRAWING! PLEASE TELL ALL YOUR MEMBERS – THANK YOU !

L/M's won't be listed until SEPTEMBER even though we were told they would be listed early this year. PLEASE SIGN THE BOTTOM OF THE APPLICATIONS AND PUT YOUR CARD NUMBER ON TOO. IF A REINSTATED MEMBER PAYS MAKE SURE YOU TAKE CREDIT AND AGAIN PUT YOUR NAME ON CARD & NUMBER ON IT – IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS PLEASE ASK ANY OF THE MEMBERSHIP TEAM – WE ARE HERE TO ASSIST YOU !
CERTIFIED NATIONAL RECRUITER NEEDED FOR NORTHERN PART OF THE STATE –

APPLY TO AJ Roy.

Our NEW CNR for the SOUTHERN AREA IS William “BILL” Bradbury from VFW Post 1603 Auburn.

ALL DEPARTMENT OFFICERS AND DISTRICT COMMANDERS ARE ASKED TO PASS THE WORD

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**>>> GREAT AMERICANISM PROJECT TO REPORT TO DEPARTMENT <<<  
POST THAT WISH TO PURCHASE AN AMERICAN FLAG FOR THE WALKWAY AT  
CEMETERIES IN AUGUSTA MAY SEND A CHECK FOR \$25.00 MADE OUT TO:  
“Veterans Memorial Cemetery Association” and send to: Arthur J. Roy.**

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## PROGRAM STATUS REPORT

| Post/Location<br>24 AUGUST 2009 | Community<br>Activities | Americanism | Loyalty<br>Day | POW/MIA | Voice of<br>Democracy | Patriot's<br>Pen | Blood<br>Program | Safety | Youth | Buddy<br>Poppy | Togus<br>Aid | REPORTS<br>SUBMITTED |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|---------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|--------|-------|----------------|--------------|----------------------|
| <b>DISTRICT 1</b>               |                         |             |                |         |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              |                      |
| 2599 Presque Isle               |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  | X      |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 6187 Ft. Fairfield              |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  | X      |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 9389 Caribou                    |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  | X      |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 9609 Ft. Kent                   | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  | X      | X     |                |              | 2                    |
| 9699 Ashland                    |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  | X      |       |                |              | 1                    |
| XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX            |                         | 100%        | 100%           | 100%    |                       |                  |                  | 100%   |       |                |              |                      |
| <b>DISTRICT 2</b>               |                         |             |                |         |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              |                      |
| 1438 Lincoln                    |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 1605 Burlington                 | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        | X     |                |              | 10                   |
| 2299 Sherman                    |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 4154 Millinocket                | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                | X      | X     | X              |              | 3                    |
| 7529 Island Falls               |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       | X              |              | 2                    |
| 9429 West Enfield               | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        | X     |                |              | 2                    |
| XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX            |                         | 100%        | 100%           | 100%    |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              |                      |
| <b>DISTRICT 3</b>               |                         |             |                |         |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              |                      |
| 558 Eastport                    |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 9779 Calais                     |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 11299 Perry                     |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 11553 Harrington                | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                | X      | X     |                | X            | 2                    |
| XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX            |                         | 100%        | 100%           | 100%    |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              |                      |
| <b>DISTRICT 4</b>               |                         |             |                |         |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              |                      |
| 109 Ellsworth                   | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  | X      | X     |                |              | 3                    |
| 1761 Bangor                     | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  | X      | X     |                |              | 4                    |
| 3381 Old Town                   |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       | X              |              | 1                    |
| 4527 Orrington                  |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 4633 Hampden                    | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                | X      | X     | X              |              | 4                    |
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| <b>DISTRICT 5</b>               |                         |             |                |         |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              |                      |
| 3198 Skowhegan                  |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 4298 Dexter                     |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  | X      | X     | X              |              | 3                    |
| 5723 Jackman                    |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 6924 Fairfield                  |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                | X            | 2                    |
| 7865 Madison                    |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       | X              |              | 2                    |
| 7866 Norridgewock               |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 8934 Embden                     |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 10881 Farmington                | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  | X      | X     | X              |              | 3                    |
| 11191 Newport                   |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       | X              |              | 2                    |
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| <b>DISTRICT 6</b>               |                         |             |                |         |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              |                      |
| 2499 Rockland                   |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 3095 Friendship                 |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                |        |       | X              |              | 2                    |
| 3108 Belfast                    |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 4169 Vinalhaven                 |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 6131 Northport                  |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 9437 Washington                 |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX            |                         | 100%        | 100%           | 100%    |                       |                  | 100%             |        |       |                |              |                      |
| <b>DISTRICT 7</b>               |                         |             |                |         |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              |                      |
| 2197 Topsham                    |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        | X     |                |              | 2                    |
| 4525 Waldoboro                  | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                | X      | X     |                |              | 2                    |
| 7738 Bath                       |                         | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  |                  |        |       |                |              | 1                    |
| 8395 New Harbor                 | X                       | X           | X              | X       |                       |                  | X                | X      | X     | X              |              | 2                    |
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| Post/Location<br>24 AUGUST 2009 | Community<br>Activities | Americanism | Loyalty Day | POW/MIA | Voice of<br>Democracy | Patriot's Pen | Blood<br>Program | Safety | Youth | Buddy Poppy | Togus Aid | REPORTS<br>SUBMITTED |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|-----------------------|---------------|------------------|--------|-------|-------------|-----------|----------------------|
| <b>DISTRICT 8</b>               |                         |             |             |         |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           |                      |
| 9 Gardiner                      | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               | X                | X      | X     | X           |           | 3                    |
| 887 Augusta                     | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  | X      | X     |             | X         | 2                    |
| 1285 Waterville                 | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               | X                | X      | X     | X           |           | 6                    |
| 8835 Winslow                    | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               | X                | X      | X     | X           | X         | 3                    |
| 9526 Winthrop                   | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               | X                |        | X     |             |           | 8                    |
| XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX            | 100%                    | 100%        | 100%        | 100%    |                       |               |                  |        | 100%  |             |           |                      |
| <b>DISTRICT 9</b>               |                         |             |             |         |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           |                      |
| 1603 Auburn                     | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               | X                | X      | X     | X           |           | 4                    |
| 1641 Rumford                    |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 1                    |
| 3335 Jay                        | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        | X     | X           |           | 3                    |
| 9150 Lewiston                   |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 1                    |
| 9459 Lisbon                     | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 2                    |
| 9787 South Paris                |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       | X           |           | 1                    |
| 11032 Greene                    |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             | X         | 1                    |
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| <b>DISTRICT 10</b>              |                         |             |             |         |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           |                      |
| 832 So. Portland                | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        | X     |             |           | 4                    |
| 6783 Lovell                     | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  | X      | X     | X           |           | 3                    |
| 6859 Portland                   | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  | X      | X     |             | X         | 5                    |
| 7642 East Hiram                 |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               | X                | X      | X     |             |           | 1                    |
| 9328 Harrison                   |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       | X           | X         | 1                    |
| 9605 Long Island                |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 1                    |
| 10529 Yarmouth                  |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 1                    |
| 10643 Windham                   |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 1                    |
| 10879 Gorham                    |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 1                    |
| 11362 Naples                    |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        | X     |             |           | 1                    |
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| <b>DISTRICT 11</b>              |                         |             |             |         |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           |                      |
| 489 Biddeford                   | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        | X     |             |           | 1                    |
| 5744 So. Berwick                | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               | X                |        | X     |             |           | 3                    |
| 6548 Kennebunk                  |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 1                    |
| 6977 York Beach                 | X                       | X           | X           | X       |                       |               | X                | X      | X     |             |           | 8                    |
| 7997 Old Orchard Beach          |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 1                    |
| 9394 Kittery                    |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             |           | 1                    |
| 9935 Sanford                    |                         | X           | X           | X       |                       |               |                  |        |       |             | X         | 1                    |
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|   | Div | Post # | Name           | HIGH        | 2009        | 8/21/009  | L/M      | CONT      | N/R      | L/MN     | MEMB%        | DUES:   |
|---|-----|--------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------|---------|
| 1 | 3   | 2599   | Presque Isle   | 570         | 196         | 14        | 0        | 14        | 0        | 0        | 7.1%         | \$26.00 |
| 1 | 3   | 6187   | Fort Fairfield | 228         | 108         | 12        | 0        | 9         | 3        | 0        | 11.1%        | \$26.00 |
| 1 | 6   | 9389   | Caribou        | 867         | 513         | 19        | 0        | 18        | 1        | 0        | 3.7%         | \$25.00 |
| 1 | 3   | 9609   | Fort Kent      | 526         | 196         | 26        | 0        | 26        | 0        | 0        | 13.3%        | \$26.00 |
| 1 | 3   | 9699   | Ashland        | 291         | 157         | 8         | 0        | 8         | 0        | 0        | 5.1%         | \$26.00 |
| 1 |     |        | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>2482</b> | <b>1170</b> | <b>79</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>75</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>6.75%</b> |         |
| 2 | 2   | 1438   | Lincoln        | 135         | 75          | 3         | 0        | 2         | 1        | 0        | 4.0%         | \$25.00 |
| 2 | 2   | 1605   | Burlington     | 76          | 63          | 2         | 0        | 0         | 2        | 0        | 3.2%         | \$23.00 |
| 2 | 1   | 2299   | Sherman St     | 97          | 49          | 6         | 0        | 6         | 0        | 0        | 12.2%        | \$21.00 |
| 2 | 4   | 4154   | Millinocket    | 494         | 230         | 14        | 0        | 11        | 3        | 0        | 6.1%         | \$30.00 |
| 2 | 2   | 7529   | Island Falls   | 81          | 65          | 4         | 0        | 4         | 0        | 0        | 6.2%         | \$26.00 |
| 2 | 2   | 9429   | West Enfield   | 84          | 70          | 3         | 0        | 3         | 0        | 0        | 4.3%         | \$22.00 |
| 2 |     |        | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>967</b>  | <b>552</b>  | <b>32</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>26</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>5.80%</b> |         |
| 3 | 1   | 558    | Eastport       | 184         | 36          | 1         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 2.8%         | \$23.00 |
| 3 | 2   | 9779   | Calais         | 85          | 51          | 10        | 0        | 9         | 1        | 0        | 19.6%        | \$22.00 |
| 3 | 2   | 11299  | Perry          | 186         | 97          | 3         | 0        | 3         | 0        | 0        | 3.1%         | \$24.00 |
| 3 | 4   | 11553  | Harrington     | 224         | 227         | 19        | 0        | 14        | 5        | 0        | 8.4%         | \$25.00 |
| 3 |     |        | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>679</b>  | <b>411</b>  | <b>33</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>8.03%</b> |         |
| 4 | 4   | 109    | Ellsworth      | 355         | 205         | 10        | 0        | 10        | 0        | 0        | 4.9%         | \$25.00 |
| 4 | 5   | 1761   | Bangor         | 703         | 419         | 50        | 0        | 50        | 0        | 0        | 11.9%        | \$25.00 |
| 4 | 5   | 3381   | Old Town       | 604         | 377         | 17        | 0        | 17        | 0        | 0        | 4.5%         | \$25.00 |
| 4 | 1   | 4527   | Orrington      | 110         | 40          | 2         | 0        | 2         | 0        | 0        | 5.0%         | \$24.00 |
| 4 | 3   | 4633   | Hampden        | 284         | 144         | 16        | 0        | 13        | 3        | 0        | 11.1%        | \$25.00 |
| 4 |     |        | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>2056</b> | <b>1185</b> | <b>95</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>92</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>8.02%</b> |         |
| 5 | 3   | 3198   | Skowhegan      | 323         | 128         | 10        | 0        | 10        | 0        | 0        | 7.8%         | \$25.00 |
| 5 | 3   | 4298   | Dexter         | 141         | 105         | 20        | 0        | 19        | 1        | 0        | 19.0%        | \$25.00 |
| 5 |     |        | Jackman        |             |             |           |          |           |          |          |              |         |
| 5 | 1   | 5723   | Station        | 57          | 14          | 1         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 7.1%         | \$25.00 |
| 5 | 4   | 6924   | Fairfield      | 436         | 252         | 12        | 0        | 11        | 1        | 0        | 4.8%         | \$25.00 |
| 5 | 3   | 7865   | Madison        | 163         | 107         | 5         | 0        | 5         | 0        | 0        | 4.7%         | \$21.00 |
| 5 | 1   | 7866   | Norridgewock   | 69          | 15          | 2         | 0        | 2         | 0        | 0        | 13.3%        | \$24.00 |
| 5 | 2   | 8934   | Embden         | 138         | 68          | 9         | 0        | 9         | 0        | 0        | 13.2%        | \$23.00 |
| 5 | 1   | 10881  | Farmington     | 45          | 29          | 1         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 3.4%         | \$25.00 |
| 5 | 2   | 11191  | Newport        | 65          | 51          | 4         | 0        | 4         | 0        | 0        | 7.8%         | \$20.50 |
| 5 |     |        | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>1437</b> | <b>769</b>  | <b>64</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>62</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>8.32%</b> |         |
| 6 | 3   | 2499   | Rockland       | 277         | 172         | 3         | 0        | 3         | 0        | 0        | 1.7%         | \$27.00 |
| 6 | 1   | 3095   | Friendship     | 128         | 37          | 3         | 0        | 3         | 0        | 0        | 8.1%         | \$21.00 |
| 6 | 3   | 3108   | Belfast        | 320         | 127         | 9         | 0        | 8         | 1        | 0        | 7.1%         | \$26.00 |
| 6 | 1   | 4169   | Vinalhaven     | 81          | 18          | 1         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 5.6%         | \$21.00 |
| 6 | 2   | 6131   | Northport      | 230         | 71          | 4         | 0        | 4         | 0        | 0        | 5.6%         | \$26.00 |
| 6 | 2   | 9437   | Washington     | 135         | 61          | 4         | 0        | 4         | 0        | 0        | 6.6%         | \$24.00 |
| 6 |     |        | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>1171</b> | <b>486</b>  | <b>24</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>23</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>4.94%</b> |         |
| 7 | 2   | 2197   | Topsham        | 114         | 81          | 6         | 0        | 6         | 0        | 0        | 7.4%         | \$25.00 |
| 7 | 2   | 4525   | Waldoboro      | 218         | 68          | 10        | 0        | 9         | 1        | 0        | 14.7%        | \$20.50 |
| 7 | 2   | 7738   | Bath           | 198         | 88          | 2         | 0        | 2         | 0        | 0        | 2.3%         | \$20.50 |
| 7 | 3   | 8395   | New Harbor     | 297         | 104         | 14        | 0        | 14        | 0        | 0        | 13.5%        | \$23.00 |
| 7 |     |        | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>827</b>  | <b>341</b>  | <b>32</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>31</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>9.38%</b> |         |

|       |   |                 |                |              |              |            |          |            |           |          |              |         |
|-------|---|-----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|----------|--------------|---------|
| 8     | 3 | 9               | Randolph       | 143          | 105          | 11         | 0        | 11         | 0         | 0        | 10.5%        | \$25.00 |
| 8     | 5 | 887             | Augusta        | 352          | 378          | 20         | 0        | 17         | 3         | 0        | 5.3%         | \$30.00 |
| 8     | 5 | 1285            | Waterville     | 600          | 388          | 69         | 0        | 51         | 18        | 0        | 17.8%        | \$28.00 |
| 8     | 5 | 8835            | Winslow        | 792          | 447          | 22         | 0        | 17         | 5         | 0        | 4.9%         | \$27.00 |
| 8     | 2 | 9526            | Winthrop       | 123          | 75           | 3          | 0        | 3          | 0         | 0        | 4.0%         | \$25.00 |
| 8     |   |                 | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>2010</b>  | <b>1393</b>  | <b>125</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>99</b>  | <b>26</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>8.97%</b> |         |
|       |   |                 |                |              |              |            |          |            |           |          |              |         |
| 9     | 4 | 1603            | Auburn         | 505          | 272          | 25         | 0        | 21         | 4         | 0        | 9.2%         | \$29.00 |
| 9     | 5 | 1641            | Rumford        | 882          | 350          | 43         | 0        | 39         | 4         | 0        | 12.3%        | \$25.00 |
| 9     | 6 | 3335            | Jay            | 647          | 499          | 38         | 0        | 37         | 1         | 0        | 7.6%         | \$25.00 |
| 9     | 3 | 9150            | Lewiston       | 199          | 168          | 10         | 0        | 9          | 1         | 0        | 6.0%         | \$22.00 |
| 9     | 4 | 9459            | Lisbon         | 546          | 273          | 15         | 0        | 15         | 0         | 0        | 5.5%         | \$30.00 |
| 9     | 4 | 9787            | South Paris    | 421          | 231          | 20         | 0        | 19         | 1         | 0        | 8.7%         | \$25.00 |
| 9     | 1 | 11032           | Greene         | 68           | 47           | 3          | 0        | 3          | 0         | 0        | 6.4%         | \$26.00 |
|       |   |                 | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>3268</b>  | <b>1840</b>  | <b>154</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>143</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>8.37%</b> |         |
|       |   |                 |                |              |              |            |          |            |           |          |              |         |
| 10    | 6 | 832             | South Portland | 1701         | 669          | 35         | 0        | 35         | 0         | 0        | 5.2%         | \$30.00 |
| 10    | 2 | 6783            | Lovell         | 110          | 56           | 5          | 0        | 3          | 2         | 0        | 8.9%         | \$25.00 |
| 10    | 6 | 6859            | Portland       | 1051         | 523          | 28         | 0        | 26         | 2         | 0        | 5.4%         | \$25.00 |
| 10    | 2 | 7642            | East Hiram     | 137          | 63           | 4          | 0        | 4          | 0         | 0        | 6.3%         | \$25.00 |
| 10    | 2 | 9328            | Harrison       | 95           | 57           | 4          | 0        | 4          | 0         | 0        | 7.0%         | \$30.00 |
| 10    | 1 | 9605            | Long Island    | 61           | 32           | 9          | 0        | 9          | 0         | 0        | 28.1%        | \$22.00 |
| 10    | 2 | 10529           | Yarmouth       | 101          | 99           | 0          | 0        | 0          | 0         | 0        | 0.0%         | \$25.00 |
| 10    | 2 | 10643           | Windham        | 81           | 61           | 5          | 0        | 4          | 1         | 0        | 8.2%         | \$31.00 |
| 10    | 1 | 10879           | Gorham         | 68           | 33           | 5          | 0        | 5          | 0         | 0        | 15.2%        | \$25.00 |
| 10    | 1 | 11362           | Naples         | 49           | 36           | 3          | 0        | 3          | 0         | 0        | 8.3%         | \$28.50 |
| 10    |   |                 | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>3454</b>  | <b>1629</b>  | <b>98</b>  | <b>0</b> | <b>93</b>  | <b>5</b>  | <b>0</b> | <b>6.02%</b> |         |
|       |   |                 |                |              |              |            |          |            |           |          |              |         |
| 11    | 3 | 489             | Biddeford      | 489          | 190          | 10         | 0        | 8          | 2         | 0        | 5.3%         | \$20.50 |
| 11    | 3 | 5744            | So Berwick     | 158          | 144          | 12         | 0        | 12         | 0         | 0        | 8.3%         | \$21.00 |
| 11    | 1 | 6548            | Kennebunk      | 121          | 36           | 1          | 0        | 1          | 0         | 0        | 2.8%         | \$23.50 |
| 11    | 5 | 6977            | York Beach     | 348          | 330          | 17         | 0        | 17         | 0         | 0        | 5.2%         | \$30.00 |
| 11    | 3 | 7997            | O.O.B.         | 322          | 184          | 17         | 0        | 17         | 0         | 0        | 9.2%         | \$25.00 |
| 11    | 2 | 9394            | Kittery        | 126          | 64           | 9          | 0        | 9          | 0         | 0        | 14.1%        | \$26.00 |
| 11    | 4 | 9935            | Sanford        | 506          | 263          | 14         | 0        | 13         | 1         | 0        | 5.3%         | \$25.00 |
| 11    |   |                 | <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>2070</b>  | <b>1211</b>  | <b>80</b>  | <b>0</b> | <b>77</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>0</b> | <b>6.61%</b> |         |
|       |   |                 |                |              |              |            |          |            |           |          |              |         |
|       |   | 15020           | M.A.L.         | 583          | 744          | 81         | 0        | 76         | 5         | 0        | 10.9%        |         |
|       |   | <b>8/21/009</b> |                | <b>21004</b> | <b>11731</b> | <b>897</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>824</b> | <b>73</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>7.6%</b>  |         |
|       |   |                 |                |              |              |            |          |            |           |          |              |         |
| ajroy |   | <b>NEED</b>     |                |              | <b>10834</b> |            |          |            |           |          | <b>100%</b>  |         |



*Department of Maine  
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S.  
Buddy Poppy Order Form*



DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

POST NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ POST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SHIP TO: (Name): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(No P.O. Boxes. Must have a Street Address)

DATE OF SALE: \_\_\_\_\_

REMEMBER: It usually takes 4 to 6 weeks to receive your Poppies. **Plan Ahead.**

| <u>AMOUNT</u>                     | <u>TOTAL</u>              |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| _____ Poppies (Minimum 500) ..... | \$ 115.00 Per 1,000 _____ |
| _____ Poppies (Minimum 500) ..... | \$ 57.50 Per 500 _____    |

**PLEASE SEND THE ORDER & CHECK TO:**  
**Department of Maine V.F.W**  
**P.O. Box 1286**  
**Auburn, ME 04211-1286**  
**Make your check payable to: Department of Maine VFW**



Date Received & Recorded: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Receipt Returned to Post: \_\_\_\_\_



This receipt acknowledges that Post # \_\_\_\_\_ has requested & ordered Buddy Poppies:  
 on \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature, Department Quartermaster)



**VFW ACTIVITY SERVICE PROGRAM REPORT  
(Reporting Year 1 May 2009 – 30 April 2010)**



**Post / Auxiliary Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **District Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Month:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**If report is for the Post check line** \_\_\_\_\_

**If report is for Ladies Auxiliary check line** \_\_\_\_\_

**If report is for Men's Auxiliary check line** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL THIS FORM TO THE STATE ACTIVITIES CHAIRPERSON. ALL FORMS MUST INDICATE WHO PREPARED THE REPORT.**

Check the lines that this report reflects:

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ **Americanism** \_\_\_\_\_ **Safety** \_\_\_\_\_ **Community** \_\_\_\_\_ **Blood** \_\_\_\_\_ **Youth**

Submit the monthly total for what you checked above

\_\_\_\_\_ **Total Hours** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Mileage** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Volunteers**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Total Money** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Pints of Blood**

(2) **POW/MIA: Description** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Number of Members:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mileage:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Money:** \_\_\_\_\_

(3) **Activity Description:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Number of Members:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mileage:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Money:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Prepared By:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Preparer's name:** \_\_\_\_\_

## ***COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES EXPLANATION***

**Community Activity:** Any project that deals with in the community such as parades, helping a church or other organization, food pantries, helping a local family in need, beatification projects Post and local area, allowing a non member to uses post for a funeral – wedding – meetings – training are just a few. Mowing a yard for some one handy cap or elderly, fuel assistance, food assistance and many more that deal with non members to which you are helping out in the community.

**Americanism:** Anything dealing with the American flag, Pledge of Allegiance, Military funerals, helping fellow veterans, and many more that show your support of our Country and what we stand for. Helping and supporting our troops.

**Loyalty Day:** Probably the easiest of the activities, only requirement is reading at you District or Post meeting the Loyalty Day speech at the right time of the year to your members.

**POW/MIA:** POW/MIA Table display, display POW/MIA flag, hold POW/MIA vigil, POW/MIA remembrance speech on POW/MIA Day or anything else pertaining to POW/MIA.

**Voice of Democracy:** Submitting a Post level Voice of Democracy winner to the District

**Patriots Pen:** Submitting a Patriot Pen winner from your post to the District.

**Blood Program:** Amount of pints donated by members, post held Blood drives, volunteer to assist with Blood drives.

**Safety:** Anything dealing with safety issues such as bicycle safety for kids, fluorescent Trick or Treat bags, gun safety, snowmobile safety, crosswalk safety, Fire Department Safety and/or donations, DARE Program, Police Grammar, Junior and High School safety training, building a ramp for a handicap individual, testing emergency lighting for proper operation, inspecting CO2 and PKP or other firefighting equipment, and there are many more.

**Youth:** Anything pertaining to helping or being involved with the youth, donations to Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Brownies, etc. Scholarships, holding a youth dance, gifts or donations to Home for Little Wonderers, Christmas parties, Easter Egg Hunts. Anything that deals with even allowing them to use the Post home for meetings, graduation parties, chess clubs, choir clubs, sponsoring a Little League Team or any sports Team through High School, to only name a few.

**Buddy Poppies:** Purchase your Poppies through the Department

**Togus Aid:** Money sent to VAVS threw Dwaine Leathers

**Commanders Project:** Funds sent to Chairman of Commanders Project



# Graves Registration Report

Department of Maine, VFW



Mail to: Charles A. Warden, Chaplain  
 Department of Maine, VFW  
 398 Indian River Rd  
 Addison, ME 04606

Subject: Report of Deceased Comrade

Post # \_\_\_\_\_ District # \_\_\_\_\_ regrets to report the death of:

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(Last Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Middle Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ (First Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Whose Address was: \_\_\_\_\_

Who Served with: \_\_\_\_\_ During: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Branch of Service) (War Era: WW I, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, etc.)

Date of Death: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Death: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Burial/Cemetery: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address if Next of Kin: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Street Address) \_\_\_\_\_ (Town or City) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip Code) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Obituary Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Office: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Print Name)

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Date Received & Recorded: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Receipt Returned to Post: \_\_\_\_\_

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This receipt acknowledges that Post # \_\_\_\_\_ has reported the death of Comrade:

\_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_

to the Department Chaplain.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature, Department Chaplain)

(All previous forms are obsolete. Updated June 15, 2009)