

Department of Georgia VFW Auxiliary

Buddy Poppy

OCTOBER 2020

VFW National Home For Children

NATIONAL "Buddy"® Poppy Display Contest

"Buddy"® Poppy display contests provide a fun, creative way for the Post and Auxiliary to work together. It is also an opportunity to involve members and other organizations in your community; consider asking prominent members of your community and youth groups to participate in the contest. When the contest is over, use your displays to help tell the "Buddy"® Poppy story; share with students at a local school, take them to community centers or local libraries, or take them to local veterans centers or veteran homes to show off your beautiful work.

Category 1- Public promotion of poppy sales: (Window, booth, parade, or poster displays, sales promotion, etc.)

Displays must be designed for public exposure and must bear a message urging the buying and wearing of the VFW Buddy Poppy.

At least one (1) of the poppies used in the display must be in their original form and color, with labels attached.

Category 2- Memorial or inspirational displays (wreaths, memorial tablets or plaques, patriotic or devotional themes.)

Displays must be designed to honor the dead, to inspire devotion to God and country, or to dramatize the activities supported by the Buddy Poppy Program.

At least one (1) of the poppies used in the display must be in their original form and color, with labels attached.

Category 3- Artistic or decorative use of poppies: (Post home displays, table centerpieces, corsages, pictures, plaques, models, scenes, hats, novelty pieces, etc.)

Display not meeting the qualifications for categories 1 or 2 shall automatically be entered in Category 3.

Complete freedom shall be permitted in use of poppies, poppy parts or poppy labels, and in the use of dyes or paints in achieving the desired artistic effect. C. At least one (1) of the poppies used in the display must be in their original form and color, with labels attached.

Post name, Post number, city or state (including the shape of your state) may not be visible on display entries; failure to comply will result in disqualification.

Judging

Judging of displays will be on the basis of effectiveness, purpose, clarity of theme, suitability, originality, beauty and number of Poppies used. Where a sample of a large number of identical items (such as corsages or wreaths) is entered, full credit shall be given for the total number of Poppies used.

This month I hope all of our auxiliaries have been busy getting out in the community and doing a Buddy Poppy drive, put an article in the newspaper, had poppies to hand out at post functions, etc. The VFW and Auxiliary's Relief Funds are used for local veterans and their families in need. Remember the VFW Children's Home for their needs and veteran's rehabilitation services

The October 16-18, 2020 Macon convention is looking forward to seeing many entries for our display tables. You can enter more than one category but make sure you follow the rules.

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