



The Patriot

2009 National 'Web Award' Competition Winners Announced

National HQ: The VFW Communications Department has announced winners of the 2009 **Web Award** Competition. The Websites were judged based on navigation, load time, design, and overall content. Entries were divided into two separate categories; VFW Departments and VFW Posts/Districts.

The first place winner in the Department category is the **Department of South Carolina**. Second place has been awarded to the Department of Maine.

In the Post/District category, Post 3917 has been named this year's first place winner, with Post 3396 being awarded second place.

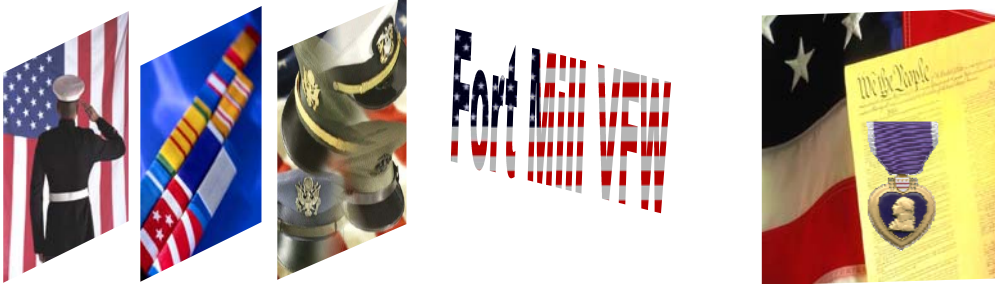
This year's award-winning websites not only met, but surpassed the required criteria for judging including incorporation of new communications tools.

The reason this is included in our newsletter is because several members from our Post played a role in reaching this milestone. In 2007 a team was put together with the objective of making the Department's web site the best in the country. Offering on-line reporting, statistics, brochures, power point presentations and up to date information, The web master Sam Smith, work with the team to complete every aspect. Our Post should be proud to know Bill Trask., our current Post and District Commander helped to make this happen. Congratulations Commander! Dept's website www.vfwsc.org ..The Editor

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Quote of the Month

"I think I've discovered the secret of life - you just hang around until you get used to it"
.....Charles M. Schulz

Officers for 2008-2009

House Committee: Rob Elkin, Jim Welch, Denver Tenney, Bill Trask, Ralph Best and Chairman, Art Courtemanche

VFW Post 9138 Officers

- Commander.....Bill Trask
- Sr. Vice Cmdr.....John Marker
- Jr. Vice Cmdr.....Rob Elkin
- Quartermaster.....Ralph Best
- Chaplin.....Steve Giles
- Surgeon.....Monroe Tiller
- Judge Adv.....Art Courtemanche
- 3 Yr. Trustees... ..Glenn Harris
- 2 Yr. Trustee...Larry Clinton, Sr
- 1 Yr. Trustee.....Sam Griffin
- Membership.....Bill Trask

Ladies Auxiliary Officers

- President.....Anne Cash
- Sr. Vice Pres.Sarah Clinton
- Jr. Vice Pres.....Pam Elkin
- Treasurer.....Kim Trask
- Secretary.....Carolyn Griffith
- Chaplain.....Kathy Shirley
- Conductress.....Pam Fleetwood
- Guard.....Frances Howe
- 3 Yr Trustee.....Elaine Marker
- 2 Yr Trustee.....Anne Cain
- 1 Yr Trustee..Charlotte Podgorski

Men Auxiliary Officers

- President.....Scott Collins
- Sr.Vice Pres.Jerald Efird
- Jr.Vice Pres.....Vacant
- Treasurer.Dan Rollins
- Secretary.....Dan Rollins
- Chaplain.....Russel Planer
- 3 Yr Trustee.....David Cash
- 2 Yr Trustee.....Paul Skinner
- 1 Yr Trustee.....Lou Illiano



A Note from the Commander

This last year has been exceptional. We will be continuing our programs with Flag Day on the 14th at 2:00 PM at the post home. The new Fort Mill Elks Lodge will be doing a ceremony followed by a flag disposal ceremony with Rock Hill Post 2889. We will attend the State Convention from the 26th – 28th where we will be named All State for the 8th time in the posts history. I wish to thank everyone for the hard work this year that made this happen. We have a great group of officers set and I expect this coming year to be better than last.

I am still looking for a few volunteers that are willing to take a chairmanship for some of our programs please see me if you are interested. Please take a little time and get involved in one of our many projects. We are a respected organization in the community only because of what we accomplish for the betterment of the community. Let's work together and have another great year.

Bill Trask: wtrask@gmail.com

From the Quartermaster

We are entering another month and several of our members are under the weather. Let's remember them as we go forth and don't forget the Vets in the VA Hospital. Thanks to all who are putting in time at the post fixing up in different areas. Drop by socialize with some your fellow comrades and enjoy the deck in this nice weather.

Ralph Best: ralph.best@gmail.com

News from Ladies Auxiliary President

We have made over 150 Daggitt dolls in our workshops. We took 30 dolls to our Veterans at Dorn VA nursing home in May, they all thought the dolls were so cute. We have sent 26 dolls to Iraq to our soldiers serving our country. If you have not seen the dolls, ask any Ladies Auxiliary member at the Post and we will be glad to show them to you. Each one is different they are just too cute. We will start our workshops back in the fall Workshops usually last 2 hours and we have so much fun making them.

Our next meeting is June 8, 7PM, at the Post. Please plan to attend; we have a lot to discuss on plans for the summer months. Our Ladies Auxiliary is very active, come out and be a part of it. Thanks to all the Ladies Auxiliary members for all that you do for our Veterans and community. .

Anne Cash: acash09@yahoo.com

News from the Men's Auxiliary

Well, another fine year has gone by and the installation of our new officers was completed at our last monthly meeting. Thanks to all of our past officers for the job they did in organizing our Auxiliary. We all look forward to an exciting and event filled year ahead. Come out and support your Post and enjoy the companionship of all of our regular members, as well as our Women's and Men's Auxiliary members. There are several planned events over the next several months, keep referring to the newsletter to keep informed on the dates and times for these events and then come out and enjoy. We would like to see more of you at our monthly meetings, held the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm. Our next meeting will be June 16th, come out and join in the fun of planning and improving our Post. Our new officers for 3009-2010: Pres: Jerald Efird, Sr.VP Scott Collins, Jr. VP: Vacant, Sec: Dan Rollins, Tres: Dan Rollins, Chaplin: Russ Planer, 3yr Trustee: Vacant, 2yr Trustee: David Cash, 1yr Trustee: Paul Skinner.

Dan Rollins / Treasurer: darwjr@yahoo.com

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

We have several members of our VFW family that could use a call or card. Contact the Post for their names, telephone numbers and addresses. If you know any comrades or families in distress, please let us know. God bless our men and women in the military.Steve Giles

From the Canteen

We now have a suggestion/comment box in the post. Please let us know what we can do to make your post better.

Canteen Manager: Charlotte

Congratulations to all officers for volunteering your time to serve!

Election Results

Post Election Results

Commander: Bill Trask, Sr Vice Commander: Art Courtemanche, Jr Vice Commander: Richard Gagnon, Quartermaster: Ralph Best, Judge Advocate: Bob Wiltz, Chaplain: Rob Elkins, Surgeon: Hal Rutter, 3yr Trustee: Sam Griffin, 2yr Trustee: Glenn Harris, 1yr Trustee: Larry Clinton

Ladies Auxiliary:

Same officers as last year with exception of Frances Howe and Kathy Shirley, who switched..

District Election Results

Commander: Bill Trask- 9138 Fort Mill, Sr Vice Commander: John Hill-6732 Clover, Jr Vice Commander: Wayne Johnson-6732 Clover, Quartermaster: Paul Hicks- 2889 Rock Hill, Judge Advocate: Jim Luchs-2889 Rock Hill, Chaplain: Charlton Blanks-5930 Chester, Surgeon: Doc Sweet-2889 Rock Hill, 3yr Trustee: Glenn Harris-9138 Fort Mill, 2yr Trustee: Jeff Payne- 8990 Kershaw, 1yr Trustee: Sam Griffin-9138 Fort Mill

We would like to congratulate Sam Griffin on the recent elections at the Fort Mill American Legion. Sam will serve as the Commander for 2009-2010. The Fort Mill VFW looks forward to working with the Legion on mutual projects.

Congratulations are also in order for Sarah Clinton, who was elected District 5 President.

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

HD-TV Sports	1 Support your Post	2 Happy Hour 5-7pm	3 Socialize with veterans And families	4 HH 5-pm 1st weekly drawing-7pm	5 Food & 2nd drawing-7pm	6 HD-TV Sports
7 HD-TV Sports	8 HC 5:45 Reg. Mting 7:00pm	9 Happy Hour 5-7pm	10 Socialize with veterans And families	11 HH 5-pm 1st weekly drawing-7pm	12 Food & 2nd drawing-7pm	13 HD-TV Sports
14 Flag Day Ceremony at the Post 2pm	15 Support your Post	16 Men's Aux. Meeting 7pm	17 Socialize with veterans And families	18 HH 5-pm 1st weekly drawing-7pm	19 Food & 2nd drawing-7pm	20 HD-TV Sports
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