### VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

#### INFORMATION BULLETIN

**JUNE, 2023** 



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Mike Kemery, Commander 2022 – 2023

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

## DEPARTMENT 100% POSTS and DISTRICTS 100% IN MEMBERSHIP

285, 404, 541, 549, 720, 769, 836, 1433, 1677, 1704, 1763, 2066, 2135, 2357, 2364, 2555, 2767, 3516, 3516 3584, 3708, 3713, 6271, 6310, 6789, 6790 7061, 7400, 7507, 7968, 8242, 8987, 9399, 9401, 9632, 9907, 9972, 9977, 10005, 10227, 10254, 10385, 10386, 12043, 12098,12210 DISTRICT 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10

100% PLUS, WHO WILL BE NEXT?

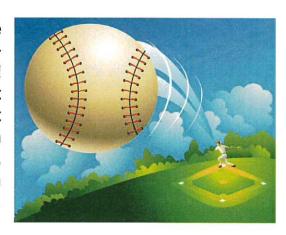


### **COMMANDER'S CHALLENGE**

# Commander-in-Chief Tim Borland has issued a Home Run Challenge to all VFW Posts for the month of June 2023 to recruit and retain members to finish this membership year strong!

Over the last eleven months, we have seen record-breaking efforts in recruiting and retention from all levels of the VFW; Post, District, and Department. This membership year is not yet over, and the Commander-in-Chief is issuing one final challenge to encourage all of us to get out there and keep working to bring our membership to 102% in growth!

We don't want to watch that perfect pitch go by, we want to hit it out of the park! So the Commander-in-Chief is laying down this Home Run Challenge! The Post in each membership division that increases their membership by the furthest past the 100% mark in June will receive a \$750 cash award deposited into the Post account! In addition, the 2nd through 5th place Posts in each Division will go into a drawing for another \$250 award.



To be eligible for this award, a Post must exceed 100% in membership, and must have increased their membership percentage by the most during the month of June. In addition, a Post must bring in at least one New or Reinstated member in June to be eligible for these awards. The end of the year is approaching, and we want to remind everyone that the All-American program runs through June 30th and there are still more ways to reward your Post for membership excellence. Recruit new members, retain your existing members, reinstate lapsed members, because we want to reward membership growth all the way through the year's end!

This has been a banner year for membership growth, one that will set the new standard for membership excellence for years to come. This kind of growth is not possible without each and every one of our VFW members who has answered the call and helped recruit, retain, and mentor a strong membership base. Through this dedicated effort, we have truly proven that

### **EVERY VETERAN COUNTS!**

This contest will compare a Post's membership percentage on June 1st to their membership percentage on June 30th. The Post in each division that increases their membership percentage by the highest amount will win the award. Dues payments and applications processed online before close of business will be credited that day, payments and applications made through the mail will be processed when received. Posts must be above 100% on June 30th and have at least one New or Reinstated member during the month of June to be eligible for these awards. Questions about this or other membership programs can be sent to membership@vfw.org.

#### Bill "Jumper" Schaeffler Sr.

#### Friday June 09, 2023

A week ago our Department Convention was marred by an unprecedented tragedy. I wanted to take a few minutes to reassure you that your Veterans' of Foreign Wars Department of Arizona Officers are already "on it". We have been communicating twice daily at a minimum, mostly by phone with some texting as backup due to circumstance.

VFW Arizona will continue to move forward. Our mission of representing Arizona's Veteransand their families did not "pause" so we also cannot take a break. I will continue to expect the highest standards from all of you. And you in return will get the very best that I and our line have to give. I am blessed with VFW Officers of the highest caliber and I refuse to let them or you down.

There will be a few changes to the All-State program but they are minimal. I will not set unachievable goals. Arizona will continue to lead the successive 100% membership with 57 years and, we will indeed make soon to be Commander in Chief Duane Sarmiento's requirement of at least 102% membership.

I would like all of you to remember that if you need help of any sort we are here for you.

I have invited Dana Allmond, Director Arizona Department of Veterans Services, and Tom Winkel, DirectorArizona Coalition for Military Families into our Tuesday June 13<sup>th</sup>, staff meeting. We will be discussing mental health issues at length. If you would like to be present you may indeed be here.

Again, rest assured that I am very aware of the standards I will be held to, by you the body of our Department, my predecessors and our National Organization. I will not fail you.

Bill "Jumper" Schaeffler SR, Commander Department of Arizona Veterans of Foreign Wars "Lets Go"

### VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS Department of Arizona

General order No. 1

Series 2023 - 2024

- 1. In accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, and having been duly elected and installed as Commander, Department of Arizona, I, Bill "Jumper" Schaeffler, hereby assume responsibility for the Department and establish Headquarters at 6423 S. Ash Ave Tempe, AZ 85283. Phone (480)941-5258 Fax (480)994-3730.
- 2. The following Officers having been duly elected and installed at the 103rd State Convention held June 03, 2023 at the Scottsdale Plaza Resort, Scottsdale, Arizona and will be accorded the recognition due them:

	Department Officers	
Sr. Vice Commander	Jim McCormick	Post 9972
Jr. Vice Commander	Greg Harrell	Post 549
Quartermaster	Hope Blood	Post 12210
Chaplain	Phil Erickson	Post 7968
Judge Advocate	Brit Brandt	Post 10005
Surgeon	Hugues Byrne	Post 1677
Jr. PDC	Mike Kemery	Post 7401
	National Council	
National Council Member	L. Gene Wood	Post 9400
	District Commanders	
District No. 1	Thomas Hayes	Post 8242
District No. 2	Joe Cluck	Post 1709
District No. 3	Russell Hill	Post 285
District No. 4	Robert Bischke	Post 1796
District No. 5	Jason Khalaf	Post 10254
District No. 6	James Zawacki	Post 8987
District No. 7	Dennis Bringham	Post 6271
District No. 8	Angela Kruse	Post 10005
District No. 10	Derek Hulsebus	Post 3713

#### **Convention Committee**

Chairman	Mike Parker	Post 9400
2 Year	Kelly Silva	Post 1677
3 Year	Tereasa Wright	Post 5990
4 Year	Jason Khalaf	Post 10254

#### 3. The following appointments are hereby announced.

L. Gene Wood	Post 9400
Ray Thomas	Post 3632
Betty Gripp	Post 549
Michael Pearson	Post 2135
Steve Franklin	Post 1433
Ken Deist	Post 7401
	Ray Thomas Betty Gripp Michael Pearson Steve Franklin

- 4. All previous appointments having expired are declared null and void.
- 5. All District Commanders will make written reports to the Department Commander each month on the form provided for this purpose. The District Commanders are also requested to send a copy of the minutes from each of their District Meetings to the Department Commander at the Department Headquarters.
- 6. Dress code for members of the Council of Administration will be slacks (no shorts) and a collared shirt.
- 7. To prevent scheduling conflicts, all invitations requesting a Department Officer to attend a special function must go through Department Headquarters.
  - 8. All reports will be sent to Department Chairperson by due dates. The District Commanders Report will be sent to Department Headquarters by due date.
  - 9. Every Post will be expected to participate in the following programs during the 2023-24 year: Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen, Citizenship Education Teacher's Awards, Buddy Poppy, Public Servant Award and Veteran and Military Support.
- 10. Attention of Commanders is directed to section 703 of the National By-Laws which requires that each officer be bonded with an indemnity company in the sum at least equal to the amount of the liquid assets for which they are accountable.

- 11. Posts are urged to start planning programs now for the observance of Veterans Day.
- 12. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to the requirement of a timely filing of Internal Revenue 990 and 990T, where applicable.
- 13. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to section 1001 (25) of the Manual of Procedure concerning alcoholic beverages in the Post meeting room during the Post meeting: "The presence dispensation and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages or use of smoking/vaping products in VFW meeting rooms during VFW meetings is unacceptable and is prohibited".
- 14. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to section 218(a)(11), Manual of Procedure, Trustees, which states that Post Trustees shall prepare and submit quarterly through their Post Commander, a Post Trustees' Report of Audit to the Department Quartermaster.
- 15. Veterans of Foreign Wars reaffirm its commitment to that chartered purpose by first recognizing that in order to end racism within our organization it is not enough to be non-racist/non-discriminatory: we must be proactive.
- 16. Members are reminded that acts of Sexual Harassment, Racial or Sexual Discrimination, and other conduct prejudicial to good order and discipline or conduct determined to be unbecoming of a member will not be condoned.

By Command of

Bill "Jumper" Schaeffler

Bill Schaeffler, Commander Department of Arizona

### SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

### SUPPORT OUR SERVICE OFFICERS



HAVE YOU GOT YOUR VFW or AUX. PLATES?

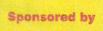


The 20th Arizona Korean Association will host the Korean War Memorial Event to honor all who served and sacrificed in defense of freedom and democracy of Republic of Korea, and to celebrate the anniversary of ROK-US alliance.

2023 marks the 70th anniversary of ROK-US alliance which was forged in blood. All Korean War veterans, USFK members, family members, and those who would like to participate in are invited to this special event.

Please contact the Arizona Korean Association at (602) 351-5754 or AZKoreans@gmail.com

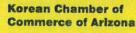
### FREE EVENT FREE DINING SERVED

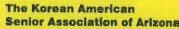














Hosted By



**Homer Hulbert Institute** 

501(C)(3) Nonprofit



\$375 worth of pork - 75 lbs total weight

6 lbs Bacon - 8 Pork Steaks - 1 Loin Roast 24 Chops - 1 Pork Butt - 1 Rack Spare Ribs 1 Smoked Bone-in Ham - 2 Country Ribs 18 lbs Mix and Match Sausage



Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior	Percent	Div	City	N/R LM	Need
9400	4	640	108	13	72	833	849	98.11%	2	SUNNYSLOPE	13	16
9401	8	511	8	8	180	707	684	103.36%	3	LAKE HAVASU CITY	10	-23
9632	2	68	1	0	1	. 70	68	102.94%	9	PAGE	3	-2
9833	8	91	2	0	5	98	107	91.58%	8	DOLAN SPRINGS	0	9
9907	6	291	13	5	59	368	364	101.09%	3	SHOW LOW	4	-4
9972	7	1983	101	139	135	2358	2325	101.41%	1	SIERRA VISTA	. 28	-33
. 9977	7	88	0	. 3	6	97	93	104.30%	8	ARIZONA SUNSITES	4	-4
10005	8	446	14	1	51	512	500	102.40%	3	<b>BULLHEAD CITY</b>	11	-12
10015	5	53	6	0	4	63	70	90.00%	9	TUCSON	3	7
10227	2	331	15	2	50	398	374	106.41%	3	PRESCOTT VALLEY	17	-24
10254	5	97	3	2	<b>1</b> 8	120	110	109.09%	8	THREE POINTS	0	-10
10385	7	47	8	0	12	67	65	103.07%	10	THATCHER	3	-2
10386	8	155	8	15	94	272	237	114.76%	5	K!NGMAN	0	-35
10726	8	103	0	0	16	119	120	99.16%	7	PARKER DAM	1	1 :
11014	8	97	1.	0	25	123	131	93.89%	7	MEADVIEW	3	8
12031	4	56	0	0	11	67	72	93.05%	. 9	ANTHEM	0	5
12043	10	134	17	3	47	201	197	102.03%	5	MARICOPA	5	-4
12098	3	73	4	1	8	86	86	100.00%	9 .	BUCKEYE	2	0
12128	2	36	0	0	8	44	46	95.65%	11	WILLIAMS	0	2
12210	4	17	3	1	14	35	22	159.09%	11	GLENDALE	0	-13
12222	5	0	2	0	0	2	0	0.00%	11	ORO VALLEY	0	-2
15003	99	211 <b>1</b>	234	26	461	2832	2853	99.26%	1.	SCOTTSDALE	73	21
State	100	17116	993	496	3358	21963	21793	100.78%		STATE	379	-170
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Dist	1	1314	41	18	228	1601	1565	102.30%	4	DIST 1	24	-36
Dist	2	1192	31	12	230	1465	1425	102.80%	5	DIST 2	25	-40
Dist	3	1340	61	19	252	1672	1654	101.08%	4	DIST 3	21	-18
Dist	4	2000	158	46	332	2536	2570	98.67%	3	DIST 4	30	34
Dist	5	1887	79	20	263	2249	2247	100.08%	3	DIST 5	47	-2
Dist	6	614	19	9	128	770	779	98.84%	6	DIST 6	9	9
Dist	7	2467	125	218	222	3032	2976	101.88%	3	DIST 7	39	-56
Dist	8	1843	45	25	460	2373	2327	101.97%	3	DIST 8	31	-46
Dist	10	2348	200	103	782	3433	3397	101.05%	2	DIST 10	80	-36
Dist	99	2111	234	26	461	2832	2853	99.26%	3	MAL	73	21
State	100	17116	993					100.78%		STATE	379	-170

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior	Percent	Div	City	N/R LM	Nee
40	3	96	0	0	9	105	122	86.06%	7	AVONDALE	0	17
285	3	75	1	1	19	96	94	102.12%	. 8	SURPRISE	3	-2
404	8	101	3	1	13	118	114	103.50%	7	MOHAVE VALLEY	. 4	-4
541	2	296	8	2	39	345	336	102.67%	4	PRESCOTT	4	-9
549	5	1220	57	13	145	1435	1399	102.57%	1	TUCSON	31	-36
720	4	319	21	26	60	426	391	108.95%	3	PHOENIX	6	-35
769	1	211	. 4	4	66	285	273	104.39%	4	QUARTZSITE	3	-12
836	7	85	2	51	: 30	168	158	106.32%	6	BISBEE	0	-10
1433	3	577	44	10	82	713	701	101.71%	3	GLENDALE	13	-12
1677	10	321	26	4	85	436	432	100.92%	3	CASA GRANDE	24	-4
1704	6	71	1	1	16	89	89	100.00%	8	GLOBE	0	0
1709	2	161	0	3	34	198	203	97.53%	5	FLAGSTAFF	. 0	5
1760	4	212	8	2	50	272	302	90,06%	4	MESA	1	30
1763	1	198	6	1	33	238	234	101.70%	5	YUMA	0	-4
1796	4	85	2	1	17	1.05	122	86.06%	7	BLACK CANYON CITY	2	17
2066	7	108	6	23	<b>1</b> 5	152	150	101.33%	. 6	NOGALES	1	-2
2135	3	210	7	1	84	302	293	103.07%	4	PEORIA	0	-9
2190	8	24	1	0	10	35	38	92.10%	11	CHLORIDE	. 0	3
2357	1	118	7	3	15	143	133	107.51%	7	BOUSE	3	-10
2364	6	35	1	1	28	65	64	101.56%	: 10	PINETOP-LAKESIDE	. 0	-1
2555	8	106	6	0	31	143	140	102,14%	7	GOLDEN VALLEY	2	-3
2767	5	31	2	1	16	50	47	106.38%	11	MAMMOTH	1	-3
3513	4	313	9.	2	35	359	364	98.62%	3	SCOTTSDALE	3	-5 5
3516	8	118	1	0	22	141	139	101.43%	7	KINGMAN	0	-2
3584	10	32	2	2	21	57	53	107.54%	10	SUPERIOR		
3632	4	204	5	0	45	254	263	96.57%	4		0	-4
3708	1	40	1	0	1	42	42	100.00%	11	TEMPE SALOME	2	9
3713	10	131	23 :	17	101	272	238	114.28%	лл 5	COOLIDGE	0	
4903	5	287	4	3	48	342	369	92.68%	3	TUCSON	3 5	-34
5990	5	199	5 i	1	32	237	252	94.04%	4			27
									•	MARANA	7	15
6271 6306	7	156	8	2	24	190	•	102.70%		BENSON	3	-5
	8	91	1	0	13	105	117	89.74%	7	GOLDEN SHORES	. 0	12
5310 5739	3	309	5	6	50	370	358	103.35%	3	TOLLESON	3	-12
	2	105	3 ·	2	33	143	145	98.62%		CAMP VERDE	0	2
5789	2	18	0	0	10	28	28	100.00%		WINDOW ROCK	0	0
5790	1	211	2	1	34	248	245	101.22%		WELLTON	. 7	-3
7061	1	131	6	5	16	158	156	101.28%		PARKER	3	-2
7400	2	177	4	3	55	239	225	106.22%		COTTONWOOD	1	-14
7401 -	10	427	25	1	77	530	556	95.32%	3	CHANDLER	11	26
7507		154	2	1	28	185	185	100.00%		FOUNTAIN HILLS	3	0
7968	10	844	49	12	260	1165	1157	100.69%		APACHE JUNCTION	23	-8
3242	1	405	15	4 ,	63	487	482	101.03%	3	YUMA (Y.P.G.)	8	-5
3807	6	126	3	1	19	149	163	91.41%	6	TONTO BASIN	3	14
3987	6	91	1	1	6	99	99	100.00%	8	EAGAR	. 2	0
399	10	459	58	64	191	772	764	101.04%	2	APACHE JUNCTION	14	-8

### Posts by Number...

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40	AVONDALE (3)	3513	SCOTTSDALE (4)	9399	APACHE JCT. (10) (Saguaro Dr.)
285	SURPRISE (3)	3516	KINGMAN (8) (Wikieup Ave.)	9400	SUNNYSLOPE (4)
404	MOHAVE VALLEY (8)	3584	SUPERIOR (10)	9401	LAKE HAVASU CITY (8)
541	PRESCOTT (2)	3632	TEMPE (4)	9632	PAGE (2)
549	TUCSON (5) (Old Spanish Tr.)	3708	SALOME (1)	9833	DOLAN SPRINGS (8)
720	PHOENIX (4) (Thomas Rd.)	3713	COOLIDGE (10)	9907	SHOW LOW (6)
769	QUARTZSITE (1)	4903	TUCSON (5) (Beverly Ave.)	9972	SIERRA VISTA (7)
836	BISBEE (7)	5990	MARANA (5)	9977	ARIZONA SUNSITES (7)
1433	GLENDALE (3)	6271	BENSON (7)	10005	BULLHEAD CITY (8)
1677	CASA GRANDE (10)	6306	GOLDEN SHORES (8)	10015	TUCSON (5) (Fontana Ave.)
1704	GLOBE (6)	6310	TOLLESON (3)	10227	PRESCOTT VALLEY (2)
1709	FLAGSTAFF (2)	6739	CAMP VERDE (2)	10254	THREE POINTS (5)
1760	MESA (4)	6789	WINDOW ROCK (2)	10385	THATCHER (7)
1763	YUMA (1) (14th St.)	6790	WELLTON (1)	10386	KINGMAN (8) (John L. Ave.)
1796	BLACK CANYON CITY (4)	7061	PARKER (1)	10726	PARKER DAM (8)
2066	NOGALES (7)	7400	COTTONWOOD (2)	11014	MEADVIEW (8)
2135	PEORIA (3)	7401	CHANDLER (10)	12031	ANTHEM (4)
2190	CHLORIDE (8)	7507	FOUNTAIN HILLS (4)	12043	MARICOPA (10)
2357	BOUSE (1)	7968	APACHE JCT. (10) (Phelps Dr.)	12098	BUCKEYE (3)
2364	PINETOP-LAKESIDE (6)	8242	YUMA (Y.P.G.) (1) (Hwy. 95)	12128	WILLIAMS (2)
2555	GOLDEN VALLEY (8)	8807	TONTO BASIN (6)	12210	Glendale N. (4)
2767	МАММОТН (5)	8987	EAGAR (6)	12222	Oro Valley (5)
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### Posts by City...

FLAGSTAFF 1709 (2)

GLENDALE 1433 (3)

FOUNTAIN HILLS 7507 (4)

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ANTHEM 12031 (4)	GLENDALE N. 12210 (4)	PRESCOTT VALLEY 10227 (2)
APACHE JCT. 7968 (10) (Phelps Dr.)	GLOBE 1704 (6)	QUARTZSITE 769 (1)
APACHE JCT. 9399 (10) (Saguaro Dr.)	GOLDEN SHORES 6306 (8)	SALOME 3708 (1)
ARIZONA SUNSITES 9977 (7)	GOLDEN VALLEY 2555 (8)	SCOTTSDALE 3513 (4)
AVONDALE 40 (3)	KINGMAN 3516 (8) (Wikieup Ave.)	SHOW LOW 9907 (6)
BENSON 6271 (7)	KINGMAN 10386 (8) (John L. Ave.)	SIERRA VISTA 9972 (7)
BISBEE 836 (7)	LAKE HAVASU CITY 9401 (8)	SUNNYSLOPE 9400 (4)
BLACK CANYON CITY 1796 (4)	MAMMOTH 2767 (5)	SUPERIOR 3584 (10)
BOUSE 2357 (1)	MARANA 5990 (5)	SURPRISE 285 (3)
BUCKEYE 12098 (3)	MARICOPA 12043 (10)	TEMPE 3632 (4)
BULLHEAD CITY 10005 (8)	MEADVIEW 11014 (8)	THATCHER 10385 (7)
CAMP VERDE 6739 (2)	MESA 1760 (4)	THREE POINTS 10254 (5)
CASA GRANDE 1677 (10)	MOHAVE VALLEY 404 (8)	TOLLESON 6310 (3)
CHANDLER 7401 (10)	NOGALES 2066 (7)	TONTO BASIN 8807 (6)
CHLORIDE 2190 (8)	Oro Valley 12222 (5)	TUCSON 549 (5) (Old Spanish Trail)
COOLIDGE 3713 (10)	PAGE 9632 (2)	TUCSON 4903 (5) (Beverly Ave.)
COTTONWOOD 7400 (2)	PARKER 7061 (1)	TUCSON 10015 (5)
DOLAN SPRINGS 9833 (8)	PARKER DAM 10726 (8)	WELLTON 6790 (1)
EAGAR 8987 (6)	PEORIA 2135 (3)	WILLIAMS 12128 (2)

PHOENIX 720 (4) (Thomas Rd.)

PINETOP-LAKESIDE 2364 (6)

PRESCOTT 541 (2)

15 (5) 90 (1) WILLIAMS 12128 (2) WINDOW ROCK 6789 (2) YUMA 1763 (1) (14th St.)

YUMA (Y.P.G.) 8242 (1) (Hwy. 95)