

Winners of VFW Publication Contest Announced

Nearly a dozen VFW Departments have been chosen as this year's winners

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) has announced the winners of the 2023 National Publications Contest. More than six years ago, the contest changed significantly to encourage more participation. This created two new categories: Best Magazine and Best Feature Article. This year's competition retained those changes.

Two non-VFW-affiliated journalism professionals served as judges for the competition. This is designed to guarantee impartiality and objectivity in the judging. To reiterate, VFW staffers play no part in judging the entries.

The winning publications in each category are:

Best Magazine

Grand Award:

Texas VFW News Lupita M. Perez, Editor

Silver Award:

California Veteran Rodger Meier, Editor

Best Feature Article

Grand Award:

"VFW Motorcycle Riders"
Michael P. Mauer, *The South Hills Mon Valley Messenger*Department of Pennsylvania

Silver Award:

"VFW Member Helps Fellow Veterans Through Music Glenn M. Chrisman, *Illinois VFW News* Department of Illinois

Bronze Award:

"Stolen Ceremonial Military Rifles Recovered" Mathew N. Wells, *The Daily World* Department of Washington

Department Publications

Large Frequency (printed 5+ times per year)

Grand Award:

Wisconsin VFW News Marla J. Morgan, Editor

Small Frequency (printed 1-4 times per year)

Grand Award:

*Illinois VFW News*Barb Wilson, Editor

Silver Award:

Iowa Voice Newspaper Linda Jones, Editor

Bronze Award:

Department of South Carolina Sentinel Bill LaMonte, Editor

District/Post Publications

Large Frequency (printed 5+ times per year)

Grand Award:

Greenwood VFW Post 5864 Newsletter Steve Milbourn, Editor Department of Indiana

Silver Award:

SSG Dozier VFW Post 2894 Newsletter Dan Eaker, Editor Department of Virginia

Bronze Award:

Watch On The Rhine News (Post 27) Lee R. Wolverton, Editor Department of Europe

Small Frequency (printed 1-4 times per year)

Grand Award:

Veterans of Mount Prospect Illinois (Post 1337) John DeGroot, Editor Department of Illinois

Silver Award:

Fort Atkinson Post Dispatch (VFW Post 1879) Kelly Stine, Editor Department of Wisconsin

Bronze Award:

VFW Post 1587 Monthly Newsletter Larry Patch, Editor Department of Indiana