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SUBJECT: NATIONAL THIRD VICE COMMANDER PROGRAM

The 3rd Vice Commanders is responsible for organizing and planning child welfare and youth activities. He or she should also plan, formulate and execute athletic programs for their post.

We can assist today's youth by helping them cope with their uncertainties of an ever-changing society. We can help them channel their energies to constructive pursuits and away from the many temptations in today's world. We must remind them at every opportunity to display patriotism and honor service to our country.

Activities should be coordinated with the Third Vice Presidents to maximize results and to involve as many people as possible. Specific rules and regulations - awards and cut-off dates - for the National 3rd Vice Commanders activities are attached. Please read the instructions carefully.

In the past, Post, Chapters, and Department have conducted their own independent contests throughout the year. We encourage you to continue sponsoring such contests. Our goal is to keep young minds busy. A busy mind may be the link that will have them SAY NO to drugs and to keep them law-abiding citizens.

Grades 3-5 Veterans Day Patriotic Post Contest
Grades 3-5 Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest
Grades K-2 Valentines Day Coloring Book Contest
Grades 6-8 Easter Poster Contest
Grades 6-8 What America Means To Me Essay Contest
Grade 12 Thomas J. Cuite Scholarship

Let me hear from all of you! Communication should be a two way process so that we can continue to improve the National Third Vice Program. Let me know how you are doing and any issues you have come across.

REPORTS

All Post 3rd Vice Commanders are responsible for the submission of two reports throughout the year. Third Vice Commanders wishing to augment their reports with additional detail may do so.

REPORT NO. 1 - Due Jan. 15 - This report will cover the period from June 1 to Dec. 31.

REPORT NO. 2 - Due June 15 - This report will cover the period from Jan. 1 to June 15.

Chapter Third Vice Commanders are required to submit a copy of their annual report to the delegates at the Chapter Convention or no later than June 20.

Department Third Vice Commanders are required to file a copy of their annual report to the delegates at the Department Convention or no later than June 20.

Third Vice Commanders should send a copy of their report **directly to ALL higher Echelon 3rd Vice Commanders** (Chapter, Department and National) for each Reporting Period. Reports can be sent either by US Mail or as an attachment to an email.

Please time your reports to arrive at each higher Echelon 3rd Vice Commander as follows:

First Report (covers June 16 - Dec 31)

- Post 3rd Vice CDR Report to Chapter 3rd Vice CDRs by January 1st
- Post and Chapter 3rd Vice CDR Reports to Department 3rd Vice CDR by January 10th
- Post, Chapter, and Department 3rd Vice CDR Reports to the National 3rd Vice CDR no later than January 15th.

Second Report (covers January 1 - June 15)

- Post 3rd Vice CDR Report to Chapter 3rd Vice CDRs by June 1st
- Post and Chapter 3rd Vice CDR Reports to Department 3rd Vice CDR by June 10th
- Post, Chapter, and Department 3rd Vice CDR Reports to the National 3rd Vice CDR no later than June 15th

Bulletins prepared by State Department Third Vice Commanders - it is requested that a copy of all bulletins prepared and disseminated to respective Posts under the office of State Department Third Vice Commanders, be sent to National Headquarters, ATTN: National Third Vice Commander. We welcome personal commentary and constructive evaluation of each and every echelon 3rd Vice Commander. Some phases of this program have been tried and tested over the years. Other areas are new. We are always looking for new innovation. We are soliciting your assistance in this regard. We want your positive input and constructive criticism.

This program requires a considerable amount of time and effort. Following are a few suggestions:

1. Please read the requirements for each activity/contest.
2. Please make note of the cutoff-due date for each activity.
3. Document everything you do, as it relates to your programs.
4. Please use the required documents contained in your package, for each activity/contest.
5. Check the National Web site and take advantage of forms provided.
6. When possible, submit forms via chain of command by e-mail.
7. Finally, transfer all documented youth activity/contest to the Youth Activity Report Form and mail to:

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Outstanding Department	1st-Plaque/Cash	2nd-Citation	3rd-Citation
Outstanding Chapter	1st-Plaque/Cash	2nd-Citation	3rd-Citation
Outstanding Post	1st-Plaque/Cash	2nd-Citation	3rd-Citation
Outstanding Individual	1st-Plaque/Cash	2nd-Citation	3rd-Citation

Note: If you have limited space & can't accommodate plaques, please note on report if cash is preferred