## **DECEMBER "BUDDY" ® POPPY / NATIONAL HOME PROMOTION**

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## "Buddy"® Poppy

Happy Holidays! I know the year is going by fast – it's so hard to believe, and now it's that time of year when the holidays are upon us and the "Buddy"® Poppy can be a small-but-amazing decoration, whether you use them to hold silverware at a holiday party, or to decorate wreaths with "Buddy"® Poppies can be a beautiful even though somewhat small decorative piece. The VFW has many videos on the "Buddy"® Poppy from behind the scenes and behind the Veterans who help put them together. Don't forget to announce your events bringing more to them and answering questions they have on the little poppy that decorate your tables and don't forget to report.

## National Home

The National Home has for the last 100 years focused on not just the children but all families of our Veterans, even the Veterans themselves. There is an eligibility form on the website <a href="www.vfwnationalhome.org">www.vfwnationalhome.org</a>, to determine if one qualifies to reside on campus. There are so many benefits for the veterans and their families, from education to help getting funding to getting back on their feet for their families.

There are so many ways to help, whether by donating, becoming a Home Front Hero, becoming a Life Member, purchasing tribute bricks or even recruiting members.

Together we can make this year a year of Peace, Love, Patriotism and From Sea to Shining Sea, Honoring Veterans Who Keep Us Free.

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