

Purpose

This proposal would create an incentive for district commanders and district vice commanders to visit posts. Personal contact at this level sets an example for post membership workers to make the personal contacts necessary for a successful membership program.

Criteria

In order to qualify for the award, district commanders and/or vice commanders must visit each post in their district during the year. For districts with more than 30 posts, district vice commanders can assist in making visits, but the district commander must visit at least 30 posts.

Certification

A list of posts in a district can be obtained with the assistance of department headquarters. The list is mailed in spreadsheet format to each district commander. At the completion of the 100-percent visit requirement, district commanders will send the completed spreadsheet to the department, and it will be forwarded to National Headquarters by Aug. 1, 2010.

Awards

District commanders who achieve the 100-percent visit requirement receive a certificate recognizing their achievement. Additionally, qualifying districts will be split into five categories and given a special prize, based on a drawing. Categories will separate districts by number of posts (See chart below). The district commander drawn from each category will receive a gift certificate from National Emblem Sales. The certificate amount will reflect the increased difficulty for larger districts.

Category 1 (up to 20 posts)	\$100
Category 2 (21-35 posts)	\$200
Category 3 (36-50 posts)	\$300
Category 4 (51-65 posts)	\$400
Category 5 (over 65 posts)	\$500

Additionally, department commanders whose departments have all districts achieving the 100-percent requirement will receive special recognition at the 2010 National Convention.