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DAV Volunteers Honored for Service to Veterans

COLD SPRING, Ky. – Ernest L. Flynn of Billings, Mont., and Frederica Haymaker of Los Angeles, have been selected by DAV (Disabled American Veterans) to receive the 2014 George H. Seal Memorial Trophy for extraordinary volunteerism. The awards will be presented by DAV National Commander Joseph Johnston at the organization’s 93rd National Convention Aug. 10-13 in Las Vegas.

“This year’s Seal award recipients are dedicated volunteers,” said Commander Johnston. “They represent the finest DAV has to offer in serving veterans.

“Volunteerism is one of the most important components of our mission and serves injured and ill veterans and their families,” said Johnston. “And DAV has more volunteers than any other veterans service organization. From our hospital volunteers to our Transportation Network drivers, to our Local Veterans Assistance Program; we reach out to deliver assistance to the veterans who need us.”

The prestigious awards honor the best of thousands of remarkable volunteers who serve in the Department of Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service (VAVS) Program. The awards are conferred in memory of George H. Seal, who was DAV’s Director of Membership and Voluntary Services and the leading organizer and administrator of DAV volunteer programs.

“Our 2014 Seal Trophy winners show what volunteers can mean to our veterans,” said Johnston. They are there to honor the promises made to the men and women who have served and sacrificed for our freedom.”

About DAV

DAV empowers veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. It is dedicated to a single purpose; fulfilling our promises to the men and women who served. DAV does this by ensuring that veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them; fighting for the interests of America’s injured heroes on Capitol Hill; and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life. DAV, a non-profit organization with 1.2 million members, was founded in 1920 and chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1932. Learn more at www.dav.org.