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Department President's Theme:

"ENPOWERING VETERANS, ENRICHING COMMUNITIES"

National President's Theme:

"FROM OUR ROOTS TO OUR BRANCHES EXTENDING SERVICE TO OUR VETERANS"

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President Dawn Kuhn



Reminder: Must be read by the Auxiliary Secretary at the first meeting following receipt, then filed for reference. November 2024



The National organization each year sets membership goals for the Departments. There is a **monetary award to the Department** for achieving their goals. This award assists the Department with the income needed to operate the Department and provide award money for the Auxiliaries. This year one focus is retaining annual members. **There are more goals ahead, so I am asking all annual members to please** <u>pay</u> <u>your dues as soon as possible</u>. Help the Department of Virginia achieve our required national goals.



<u>TREASURERS</u> – You have a very <u>important role</u> in helping the Department achieve our membership goals. If you have not sent out renewal letters, please do so now. If you have sent dues renewals follow up with a reminder. MALTA does have a

renewal letter and dues reminder available for the treasurers to use. In addition, on MALTA is an unpaid members list to assist you. When you receive membership payments and new membership applications, please process them immediately to our Department Treasurer.

PER SECTION 104 – MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING – Annual members who have not paid their dues by December 31 are no longer a **member in good** standing. Auxiliary Conductor be sure to pay attention when checking membership cards at your meetings.... <u>especially the January 2025 meeting</u>. Do not forget this applies to President, Secretary and Treasurer, their dues must be paid no later than 12/31/24.

I would like to remind everyone that your assistance is needed in creating the centennial book for our 100th anniversary, we will need photos of our auxiliary veterans, gold, blue and silver star families. Photos of our many members who have helped build this great organization in Virginia over the last 100 years. Please keep in mind that without the photos we will not be able to create the centennial book. Please send photos and release/information form to Tracy Hoffman marketing@vfwva.org

Attention crafty auxiliary members, would you like to donate hand crafted items?



Would any auxiliaries'/districts/ members like to donate a silent auction item or basket?

These items will be used for the ways and means table.

• The ways and means items are sold at the mid-winter conference in January and Department Convention in June. Proceeds are used to operate the Department and support monetary program awards to auxiliaries.

If you are interested, please reach out to Danielle Biggs. Ways and Means chairman. (540) 455-0808 or <u>drbvfwaux@gmail.com</u> Your support would be greatly appreciated. Always remember if your auxiliary needs assistance in anyway, please reach out to your District President or the Department Line Officers.



In the spirit of the season, we want to give thanks to all our wonderful Members who make our growth not just possible, but worthwhile. **May this Thanksgiving be as joyful as you deserve, and the start of a happy holiday**

season and an even happier new year!

ATTEST:

BY ORDER OF:

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Ellen Stogsdill Department Secretary VFW Auxiliary, Virginia

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Dawn Kuhn Department President VFW Auxiliary, Virginia



Department of Virginia

Chaplain's Desk

I would like to start off by asking everyone to keep your brothers and sisters of the VFW and Auxiliary, as well as non- members and all their families, who have been affected by the recent devastations that have occurred in many states in your thoughts and prayers.

There are issues that I would like to cover with you beginning with addresses. I have had cards that I have sent that have been returned to me as nondeliverable. Please make sure to check with the family member or friend that the address they gave to you is correct before I receive that information to share.

I have also been informed that some of you are not receiving Chaplain Alerts. Please know that if you have unsubscribed to anything from the VFW or Auxiliary, you will not receive the alerts, communication from the Department or anything. Also, check in Malta to make sure that your email address is correct or that it is even listed in your information.

To all District Presidents, when you visit the auxiliaries in your District if you have not already done so, ask the members if they receive the Chaplain Alert.

REMINDER

YOU DO NOT NEED TO SEND CHAPLAIN REPORTS

Thank you all for what you do!

"Spread love everywhere you go."

Susan Dinon, Chaplain 321 N. Court Street Luray, Virginia 22835 susanforvets@gmail.com (540) 244-6008

Photo Release Form Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary <u>Department of Virginia</u>



I, _____, hereby authorize the use of my photograph and military and or family information, to be used in the June 2025 Department Virginia Auxiliary Convention book. This information will not be used for any other social media or department of Virginia media accounts.

Attached is the photo I would like to use in the June 2025 Special Centennial convention book. The department of Virginia auxiliary turns 100 6/14/2025.

Branch of Service: Rank:
Dates of Service:
District # Auxiliary #
Are you a Gold Star, Blue Star, or White Star Family?
Would you like to honor the veteran in your family:
Name of Veteran:
Rank / Military Service
Would you like to share a photo of your honored veteran?
If you would please fill out this form and with Photos.
Do you have photos from the past that showcase our members who helped build our great organization and would like to share them?
Information on who, what, where and why about the photo.
Thank you for supporting us in creating a centennial convention book.
If you have any questions, please reach out to Department President Dawn Kuhn

kuhn@comcast.net 804-909-5792.

Please send photos and forms to Tracy Hoffman marketing@vfwva.org

Signature_____Date____

Auxiliary#_____District t#_____



Hello everyone! I have received many wonderful reports and have enjoyed reading them all. If you have reported and it is not reflected on the tracker, please feel free to reach out to me and I will correct it. I look forward to seeing what you all have planned for the observance of patriotic holidays for the month of October.

OCTOBER HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES

Mark These Dates on Your Calendar Now

There are a number of recognition days, holidays and deadlines coming up in October, including the Statue of Liberty's birthday and Halloween. If you attended a VFW Auxiliary birthday celebration at the Statue in the past, or if your Auxiliary participates in activities relating to Halloween, we would love to see and share! Please send your pictures to us at info@vfwauxiliary.org. Note: throwback pictures do not require a photo release, but if photographing children at your events, please either submit a release signed by their parents or guardians or written permission from submitting parents or guardians to use the photos. Otherwise, we will have to cover their faces. Thank you!

Patriotic Observances 10/02: Rosh Hashanah begins at sunset 10/07: Global War on Terrorism and Desert Storm Veterans Day 10/10: World Mental Health Day 10/11: Yom Kippur begins at sunset 10/13: Happy Birthday, U.S. Navy! 10/14: Indigenous Peoples Day 10/14: Columbus Day 10/21: National Pets for Veterans Day 10/26: Day of the Deployed 10/27: Navy Day 10/28: Statue of Liberty's birthday 10/31: Halloween October is Down Syndrome Awareness Month, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, National Physical Therapy Month and Adopt a Shelter Dog Month.

> Chairman: Crystal Woods 904 Jewell Ave Portsmouth, VA 23701-1912 <u>ctodd0711@gmail.com</u> (757) 818-4148



This month's Auxiliary Outreach promotion is a message from our National Auxiliary Outreach Ambassador Bambi Johnson.

Q: Why Couldn't the Bicycle Stand Up by Itself?

We all know that teams can usually accomplish more than one person alone. Does your Auxiliary have an Auxiliary Outreach team? An Auxiliary Outreach team can grow your network of partnerships in your community.

Preparation for seeking new partnerships is important to building those relations and helping your Auxiliary grow. Your team can prepare printed materials to distribute in the community, or newspapers and social media, as well as collect photos of your members participating in the projects. Printed materials can explain not only that we have willing volunteers, they also can introduce the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary mission to the public. Your materials should reflect that this Program is to benefit the members of our communities.

Your team should include both your Auxiliary Outreach Chairman and Membership Chairman, as they will work hand in hand for potential new members who are the result of sharing who we are as an organization. Most Auxiliaries have at least a few members that are comfortable with public speaking. They could give a presentation to groups, such as your local Chamber of Commerce, on our interest in helping other organizations with their community projects. Every time you are able to present to a group, either verbally or in writing, you have an audience for not only that group's interest but also the interests and hobbies of anyone that is in attendance.

The photos your team collects can be utilized in both your reporting and in the collage, you are planning for the year end. Remember to use #auxiliaryoutreach when you share photos on social media so we can all share the good work of our organization.

This time of year, fire season is in full swing in many parts of the country, be sure to reach out to all your emergency service organizations to see how you can partner with them. Also, the holidays will be here before we know it so food banks and many organizations will need help with their projects. Plan now so that you have time to make your motions and let's get out there!

A: It was two tired.

I hope your Auxiliary has a very successful year.



Robert DeChamplain. 2024-2025 Auxiliary Outreach Chairman 7417 Wildwood Dr Norfolk, VA 23518-4415 (757) 239-4517 <u>amleg327bobd@gmail.com</u> VFW VAuxiliary, Virginia

ginia Communication 3 Department of Virginia Buddy Poppy & VFW National Home Program



"From Our Roots to Our Branches, Extending Service to Our Veterans" Jodie Hollinger, National Ambassador Kathy Voss, Department of Virginia Chair



November 2024

I would like to begin by genuinely thanking those of you who have jumped into this program year with the passion and enthusiasm that I have come to recognize as commonplace for the Department of Virginia. You are awesome!

As you prepare to celebrate the numerous upcoming holiday's, please remember to utilize the "Buddy"® Poppy into all of your events. Veterans Day is the perfect time to distribute poppies. Many restaurants give free meals to veterans that day. Check in to see if they will allow you to pass out poppies and a small pamphlet to share the history and significance of the "Buddy"® Poppy! What a great way to educate the public and honor those who served. If you are hosting dinners or luncheons, the poppies make beautiful centerpieces and the new metal poppies wrap around utensils for a lovely presentation! Does your post have a tree? Poppies are the perfect ornament! They are a nice attachment to wreaths and other decorations and can be tied onto gifts and those "bottles" to give for that unexpected party invitation.

Please remember after your activity to fill out the National Program Award No.1 entry form. You will want to describe your activity and/or event and include the following if used: • Flyers • Brochures • Social Media Posts • Newsletters • Handouts • Photos Our National Ambassador, Jodie Hollinger is very excited to see how you are educating others while sharing the poppy in our communities!

From our Ambassador-Jodie Hollinger: (She says it best 🕹)

Many people have inquired about what the National Home needs, and my first response is FAMILIES! The dedicated staff at the National Home is doing an amazing job supporting the families that live there, but eventually these families transition out and move on. It's crucial that we help spread the word about the resources available to those who qualify. Let's work together to ensure that more families know there's a place where they can find support and get back on their feet! Please be sure to share the helpline number: 800-313-4200 The eligibility requirements are: • Actively Serving • Veteran • VFW/Auxiliary The easiest way to start the process is the online application to see if they qualify. Log onto the website – www.vfwnationalhome.org and click on the red GET HELP box.

Remember our challenge to all auxiliaries and individuals to send birthday cards for the National Home, which will be displayed during the celebration to be held that day. Anyone wishing to send a card, individually or as an auxiliary or district, should address the card to:

VFW National Home c/o Kathy Voss 80 Lake Knoll Road Union Hall, VA 24176

All cards must be received by December 28, 2024, so that they may be forwarded as a bundle from the department to the National Home in time for the celebration. I would love to send a big box of cards to let the National Home know that the Department of Virginia is celebrating with them and supports their hard work on behalf of Veterans and their families. Please continue to promote the National Home Lifetime Membership as well as the Centennial Membership. You can find more information on the website: <u>https://vfwnational.home.org</u>

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Program Goals:

- Promotes and supports the <u>VFW "Buddy" ® Poppy Program</u>
- Promotes and supports the VFW National Home
- <u>Promotes the Natnional Home Helpline</u>. Contact the Helpline at 800.313.4200 or <u>help@vfwnationalhome.org</u>.

Awards for Auxiliaries:

1. Most outstanding activity and/or event using the VFW "Buddy" ® Poppy to educate their community about the VFW "Buddy" ® Poppy.

• Citation and \$25 to one VFW Auxiliary in each of the 10 Program Divisions that hosts the most outstanding activity and/or event using the VFW "Buddy" ® Poppy to educate their community about the VFW "Buddy" ® Poppy.

2. Most outstanding activity and/or event to recognize and celebrate the VFW National Home's 100th Birthday.

• Citation and \$25 to one VFW Auxiliary in each of the 10 Program Divisions that hosts the most outstanding activity and/or event to recognize and celebrate the VFW National Home's 100th Birthday.

Awards for Departments and Department Chairmen:

1. \$25 VFW Store gift certificate to one Department "Buddy" ® Poppy & VFW National Home Chairman in each of the 10 Program Divisions for the best promotion of the uses of the VFW "Buddy" ® Poppy while educating the community about the VFW "Buddy" ® Poppy.

2. \$25 VFW Store gift certificate to one Department "Buddy" ® Poppy & VFW National Home Chairman in each of the 10 Program Divisions for the best promotion of recognizing the VFW National Home's 100th Birthday.

3. The Outstanding Performance Award and Second-Place Outstanding Performance Award will be awarded in each of the 10 Program Divisions based on the criteria listed on Page 5 and for the promotion of the Program goals listed at the top of Page 18. Winners will be announced, and awards presented at the 2025 VFW Auxiliary National Convention in Columbus, Ohio.

Important Deadlines:

- Health and Happiness MUST be paid by 4/30/2025. It would be my preference that you pay this as soon as possible. Any auxiliary this year that pays their health and happiness prior to September 30 will be entered into a drawing for a cash award at the Department Midwinter Conference.
- Reports must be filed by April 30, 2025! Any auxiliary the files a report prior to November 30 will be entered into a drawing for a cash award at the Department Midwinter Conference.
- Department Program Awards for convention will be announced at a later date.

Please contact me with any questions or should you need assistance with your program goals or reporting.

Kathy L. Voss 919-264-7839 <u>klvjwv83@gmail.com</u>

Extension and Revitalization

November 2024

Extension - Department Chief of Staff working with VFW Post to form a new Auxiliary.

Revitalization – Helping Auxiliaries working to become and to continue to be a healthy Auxiliary.

Time to recharge the batteries. Some ideas.



• Partner with your post for a membership appreciation event. Send invitations to all members. A wonderful opportunity to reconnect and renew friendships!!

• Ask the Post if you can do a presentation at their meeting providing information to the Comrades of family members who are eligible to become an auxiliary member.

• For new members attending an auxiliary meeting, have a season member be a meeting mentor to help the new member understand the workings of the Auxiliary and our traditions. A great mentoring opportunity.

Do not forget to utilize MALTA -Member Resources not only for Extension and Revitalization but for all the National Programs.



District Presidents – With your official visits and the weekly reports that are sent if you see a red flag with an Auxiliary in your District please reach out to President Kuhn or me. It is best to address the problem early before it is too late. Together we can create a team up to help the Auxiliary achieve success.

A healthy Auxiliary enables us to continue our mission of serving our Veterans, their families, and the community.



I would like recognize Patricia Jurgensen, Secretary Auxiliary 609. She prepares a quiz on different topics about the Auxiliary that is given under the Good of the Order. Members are given time to select their answers and to discuss. Wonderful way to mentor and educate. Excellent job Patricia!!

Please share with me ideas that your Auxiliary has used that were successfully.

The Department is here to help your Auxiliary be all that you can be!!

Revitalization + Mentoring + Membership = Success!!



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STORIAN & MEDIA RELATIONS

Chairmanbe Jamie Stewart 5194 Longbow Rd King George, Va 22485 757-897-5521 Jstewart.vfwaux@outlook.com

Happy Fall! For many Auxiliaries this is a busy time of the year with fall festivals, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and so much more! Make sure to send in the reports of your auxiliaries participating in these activities. If you tag me in Facebook posts, I will repost it to the department page or email the photos and description of your activity.



Shout out to District 1 for being 100% reported already! There are four Auxiliaries that are one short of 100%!!!! As a department we are 30% reported! Keep the reports coming!

Just a reminder, please send reports to this email. I am not able to reply sometimes to my iCloud.

Notes from our National Ambassador, Tela!



If you like to follow the National President, Brenda Bryant's travel around the US there is an interactive map you can view. The map is located at the bottom of the national website at <u>www.vfwauxiliry.org</u> then click on the green play button. Each pin has a video clip you can view.

<u>Auxiliary Snapshot</u>



Aux 1177 participated in the suicide awareness walk at VAMC Martinsburg **on September 11.**



In the words of our National Ambassador, You can Brighten Veterans Lives.

I know not every Auxiliary has a VA Hospital near them, but you can go to your local Hospital or a nursing home and connect with Veterans to brighten their day. Some may not have any visitors at all, and this small gesture of visiting can and will brighten their day. Wheather it is sitting with them and talking to them or reading to them, they would love the interaction and know they are appreciated.

Christmas is coming up and that would be an awesome way to reach out to the Veterans with cards or even small gift bags, you can talk to a local school and inquire if their Chorus would like to perform at the

facility that you all go to. But it doesn't have to be just a holiday to connect to a veteran. Your Auxiliary can make your own holidays for the Veteran, have an Ice Cream Social or a Cookie Day party, are just a couple of examples. You can have a "card signing" party where the Aux, Post, Friends, Youth groups and Grade School students sign cards for the Veteran, Halloween, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas and Valentines Day or just thinking of you cards that can be given at any time.

Look for Volunteers



We always need Volunteers, ask your family, friends and neighbors or any neighborhood groups that you might belong, to see if they might be interested in volunteering. The do not need to be an auxiliary member to volunteer. Also remember to keep track of Volunteer hours, this is how they can get their pin.



District 2 Auxiliaries had an Ice Cream Social at Jones and Cabacoy Veterans Care Center in Va Beach. They had 45 residents attend, all Auxiliary's donated the toppings and cookies and candy. All had a great time.

Dept of VA AUX and the following Auxiliaries 621,2447,8613,9660,9760,1177 and 1994 collected items for "Mommy Baby Shower Collection" for Martinsburg Veterans Hospital.

Dept of VA Auxiliaries supporting the Food Pantry at Martinsburg VA Hospital with Food and Gift Cards of approx. \$950.

Martha Braunshausen, VA VFW AUX Hospital Chairman

msswusn@aol.com or 757-289-1686



LEGISLATIVE

Chairman: Beverly Abbott 130 Brookview Rd • Danville, VA 24540-3408 (434)792-4497 • desiabbott@comcast.net



- **Report** any contact your members **have made contact** with their legislators on all levels: local, state, national. (letters, phone calls, e-mails, special events, etc.)
- Report the number of members who voted, transported others to vote, and who worked for the board of elections in their area. (Not if you worked to support a certain candidate – you must remain non-partisan)
- Provide instructions to sign up for VFW Action Corps Weekly. <u>https://votervoice.net/VFW/register</u>
- **Contact your legislators** to let them know your views on upcoming bills or any issues you feel they need to address involving veteran's issues.
- Do NOT report on receiving a legislator's batch mail/e-mails it is important for YOU to CONTACT your legislators to let your voice be heard.
- Create activities to engage your members in the legislative process have your members create a bill of importance for our veterans.
- Make sure your members know who their legislators are and how to contact them.
- Review and explain the VFW Priority Goals to your members.

2024 Priority Goals - Action Corps Weekly - VFW Action Alerts - etc. <u>https://www.vfw.org/advocacy/national-legislative-service</u> <u>https://malta.vfwauxiliary.org/MemberResources</u> - click on Legislative.

National Award:

Citation and \$25 to one VFW Auxiliary in each of the 10 Program Divisions that hosts the most outstanding activity and/or event that collaborated with the VFW Post connecting members with local lawmakers.

Remember to REPORT!!! For each report, add the NEW items that your Auxiliary members have done to let your voice be heard. Remember to include your District and Auxiliary numbers!!!



Loyally, Beverly Abbott

Chairman: Vicki Butler

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From "Our Roots to Our Branches, Extending Service to Our Veterans" begins with a positive and proactive step towards: Finding, Engaging with, and Activating ALL qualifying individuals.

Most often we will find these potential members within our own family, certainly within our own community, almost always within our house of worship and even within our social network.

If everyone within this organization gets Just one member, we will **DOUBLE** the size of our organization overnight. We can do it!

A few tips to SWAP and share:

- Create a recruiting committee in your Aux or District
- Target & hold at least two recruiting events per year
- Make it a friendly competition. Challenge a fellow Auxiliary or District to see who can hit 100% first or highest growth. We all love a little friendly challenge.
- Demonstrate the value of membership on social media.
- Place the VFW Auxiliary Membership QR Code on EVERYTHING!!!
- Partner with similar organizations on an event: other VSOs, Student Veterans, Community Civic Organizations (Veterans & their family members are members there too!)
- Connect with "Student Veterans" network on university & college campuses.
- Create a "Phone-Tree" to reach out to members you haven't seen in awhile. Check in to see how they are doing.
- Give memberships as gifts to qualifying relatives, the Holiday season is almost here. A Life Membership is a wonderful gift. Or, gift a fellow member's renewal as a nice Holiday Surprise.

Let's be all that we can be, with our membership!!! #SouthernConference #VFWAUX #VARocksMembership



Outstanding Auxiliary Requirements 2024-2025

National By-law Administrative follow through:

- Auxiliary installation report must be received by National Headquarters by **June 30, 2024**.
 - Information can be entered through Malta. If entered through Malta, please provide the information to the Department Secretary Ellen Stogsdill. If you are unable to enter the information into Malta, please send your typed and completed installation report to Department Secretary Ellen Stogsdill no later than **June 15, 2024**.
 - If the installation report is not received by National Headquarters in Malta by **June 30, 2024**, you will have to mail the installation report to National Headquarters for input.
 - Any installations not received by National Headquarters by **July 31, 2024**, will result in the Department being required to submit a request to put the auxiliary on suspension to allow time for mentoring and rejuvenation.
 - Sec. 806A. Subsection 7

Suggestion: Enter your installation report immediately after your elections.

- Auxiliary Presidents and Treasurers must be bonded by August 31, 2024. The Bond can be paid by the treasurer through Malta.
 - If you need to mail a check, the bond application can be found in Malta.
 - Failure to pay the bond on time will result in the Department being required to request the auxiliary be put on suspension to mentor and rejuvenate.
 - Sec. 814

Suggestion: Bond can be paid any time after **July 1, 2024**. Do not wait until the last minute to pay the bond.

- District dues must be paid to the district treasurer no later than September 30, 2024.
 - Dues are based on the June 30 membership of the previous year and may not exceed fifty cents per member.
 - District Treasurers are responsible to report to OA chairman the payment of district dues by the district auxiliaries.
 - Sec 506.
- Required: 990's must be filed by November 15,2024
 - If you would like Department Treasurer Cathy Graham to file for your auxiliary or district fill out the 990-release form and return to Cathy Graham. Information is on the form.
 - If your Auxiliary or District treasurer files the 990, you must send Department Treasurer Cathy Graham cg12dc12@outlook.com a copy of the acceptance letter.
 Filing is a two-step process, once submitted you must wait to return to the IRS site to obtain your acceptance letter this process takes 7 minutes.
- If the President, Secretary, and treasurer are annual members, their dues <u>must</u> be paid by December 31, 2024.
 - As per National if the dues are not paid by January 4, 2025, a letter or email will be issued from Department on January 5, 2025, requesting the nonpaid officers be removed from their position.

 Any annual member who has not paid their annual dues by December 31, 2024, is no longer considered to be in good standings. Be sure to check dues cards at your January meeting.

Suggestion: Be sure to check dues cards at your January meeting.

Section 814 – Trustees, Duties all levels

Quarter	Month Covered	Audit Completed by	 Audit must be in the office of the Department Treasurer as follow:
Second	April, May and June	July 31 Annually	August 31 Annually
Third	July, August, September	October 31 Annually	November 30 Annually
Fourth	October, November, December	January 31 Annually	February 28 Annually
First	January, February, March	April 30, Annually	May 31Annually
	Send to Cathy Graham, Dep Fairfax, VA 22031-1132		

* Required: SOI Training

- All auxiliary Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers must attend a district school of instruction.
- If you are unable to attend, you own district arrangements can be made by the department president for you to attend another district school of instruction.
- If a district president needs to do a school of instruction during an auxiliary visit, they must reach out to the department president to schedule and understand the auxiliary meeting will need to be extended to accommodate the school of instruction.
- Trustees are encouraged to attend the district school of instruction.

Required: District meeting Attendance

- National By-laws Sec. 810 A subsection J Assure that the President or their representative attend all properly called district conventions and meetings.
- The District Secretary will report to the Outstanding Auxiliary Chairman immediately after all conventions, schools of instruction and meetings the attendance of each auxiliary. Attendance at the District School of Instruction will require officers plus members in attendance.
- If a meeting has a virtual option, an auxiliary member must call in and stay the entire meeting to receive credit for attendance.

Membership

- <u>100 % PLUS 1 member</u> based on members paid as of June 30, 2024, and all other award requirements are met, auxiliaries that achieve this goal will receive a plaque.
- <u>100% in membership</u> based on membership paid as of June 30, 2024, and all other award requirements are met, auxiliaries that meet this requirement will receive a certificate from department.
- Note Deceased members do not play a part in in the percentage calculations for O.A. Report them in Malta, your treasurer can do this.

Required: Monetary Donations

- VFW National Home- Health and Happiness Two choices:
 - \$.10 cents per member based on the June 30, 2024, membership.
 - \$.25 cents per member based on the June 30, 2024, membership.

Note: Auxiliaries that choose to donate \$.25 cents per member will receive a citation from National for their contribution.

- Payment can be made three ways. Please let the Department Treasure know the amount and date paid, for reporting to the OA Chairman, this comes from the Department Treasurer, important to send report.
 - Malta
 - Check mailed to the dept. Treasurer earmarked health and Happiness, Payable VFW Aux Dept. VA
 - Check mailed to National Headquarters, ear marked Health and Happiness. Payable VFW National Headquarters

Attn: National Secretary/ Treasurer Ann Pantelakos 406 West 10th St, 10 Floor, Kansas City, MO 64111

- VA Medical Center Fund (Hospital) \$.045 per member based on membership as of June 30,2024 check mailed to the Dept. Treasurer, ear marked VA Medical Center.
- ALL Monetary Donations must be paid by April 30, 2025

* Required: Programs

All auxiliaries are encouraged to promote and report in all programs. There are three programs that are required. Our organization is founded on promoting patriotism and supporting our veterans, service men and women and their families.

- Americanism
- **Hospital:** In addition to the VA Medical Center donation, one project needs to be reported under hospital.
- Veterans and Family Support.
- Donations made to VFW Veterans and Military Support can be made by check earmarked.

Veterans and Military Support. Mailed to: VFW National Headquarters, ATTN: Veterans & Family support, 406 West 34th St, 9th floor, Kansas City, MO 64111

 In addition, one other program report must be made: Buddy Poppy/ National Home, Community Outreach, Historian/ Media, Legislative, Membership, Mentoring for Leadership, Scholarship, and Youth Activities

Note: New way to achieve your top Goal to add that 1 more member.

If your auxiliary has achieved 100% and has <u>reported in every program</u> (Americanism, Buddy Poppy/ National Home, Historian, Hospital, Legislative, Membership, Presidents Special Project, Scholarship, Veterans & Family Service, and Youth Activities and have completed all other outstanding auxiliary requirements by April 30, 2025.

You can obtain your plus one member by having a member of your auxiliary who is a VA Hospital, hospital, Children's hospital, clinics, nursing home, hospice program, and or veterans home <u>registered volunteer</u>. This member must be a register volunteer with reported volunteer hours between July 1, 2024- March 31, 2025. There is a form to be filled out by the volunteer services director to be eligible. Form to be submitted to Department Hospital Chairman Martha Braunshausen by March 31, 2025. This member will also be eligible to be nominated at the end of the year for outstanding hospital Volunteer of the year award.



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Communication 3 **President's Special Project**







757 - 477 - 5086 fredj@verozen.n

Judy Lupole

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Facts about The Blue Mountain: www.barnsatbluemountain.org

President Dawn Volunteers in her spare time at The Barn!











They are a 501c3 non-profit, they are a self-sustaining organization that relies on fundraising, donations, and grants to pay staff, care for their horse partners, monthly rent for their facilities, and all other expenses. They do work with Blue Mountain Therapy to provide quality services with their amazing staff. Their services are not billable to insurance companies currently. They are part of an army of equine assisted service providers working hard to supply hard data and results that will push companies to recognize the benefits and pay for these services. This is why they Fundraise so much! Their staff, board members, and volunteers work hard on raising funds all year to help cover the cost of services and care for their horse partners. They ask for no more than 1/3 of the cost of providing an equine assisted service from the family they serve. They have a sliding scale that can take the cost down to as low as \$5 per session. So fundraising and your support makes it possible to provide a trained & healthy equine partner, an equine specialist &/or certified therapeutic riding instructor, a therapist or counsellor in some cases, volunteers or added staff for aid, and the equipment and facility to those benefiting from our programs in your community.

They work closely with Physical, occupational, and speech therapists, as well as, behaviour technicians, mental health professionals, and social workers from Blue Mountain Therapy. They collaborate and work closely with Emory & Henry College and their equine, psychology, and therapy departments to both put the most up to date methods into practice and to train upcoming equine assisted services professionals.

Programs they have:

Healing Hooves is a therapeutic riding program serving ages 6&up with a variety of physical & mental disabilities, or cognitive delays.

Changing Strides is an at-risk youth program serving ages 6-19. They work with DSS, foster care agencies, juvenile court, and mental health agencies to provide a safe space for healing and growth. They work on personal growth, healthy relationships and communication, and selfsufficiency.

Serve a Purpose Program serves our veterans, active military, and their families with both community engagement & support, and equine assisted psychotherapy with a mental health professional.

Pony Power Reading Program is for all ages and promotes reading and literacy while being in the calm realm of horses that is judgement free.

Pony Pals Program is an all-inclusive group class that is open to ages 6-15. This group learns horse safety, handling, behaviour, communication, independence, teamwork, social skills, emotional regulation, and leadership.

Barn Buddies Program is for adults with disabilities or cognitive delays to enjoy outdoor and social activities while learning social skills, emotional regulation, and independence.

Please Send donations to Department Treasurer: Cathy Graham 9691 Lindenbrook Street, Fairfax, Virginia 22031-1132.



Continue to promote the following Auxiliary contests

Did yon Know!!

The Continuing Education Scholarship is for your members (who have been a member for at least one full year) and their immediate family? Yes, when you talk about this program during your meeting and/or hand out applications, you just promoted this program. When you send me a report, please include this program.

- The applicate must be at least 21 years old by February 15th and answer all the questions on the application.
- Submit an essay of 300 words or less (describing their commitment to their goals and how this scholarship will help them attain these goals) to National Headquarters by February 15, 2025.

March 31, 2025 Deadline

Young American Creative Patriotic Art & 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contests

There are two categories for this contest which is open to students in **grades 9-12** by March 31, 2025 deadline and who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the United States, its territories and possessions; or dependents of U.S. military or civilian personnel in overseas schools.

Both categories have the same rules:

- If the American Flag is used, it must conform to the Federal Flag Code in relation to colors, number of stars and stripes and other pertinent rules of the code.
- Complete typed explanation of the entry (250 words or less) along with application with parent or guardian signature and include it with the entry.
- > Entry must be completed during the current school year

A. Two Dimensional:

- Entry must be on canvas or paper, watercolor, pencil, pastel, charcoal, tempera, crayon, acrylic, pen, ink, oil, marker or other media may be used.
- Entries may not be smaller than 8" x 10" and not larger than 18" x 24", INCLUDING mat.
- Digital art and photography are not accepted

B. Three Dimensional:

- Entry may be paper, papier mâché, pottery, sculpture, fabric, wood, metalwork, etc.
- Entry may not be larger than 18" in any direction and may not weigh more than 5 pounds.
- Digital art, photography, weapons, art generated by a 3-D printer and jewelry are NOT accepted.

There will be two \$50 drawings at the Winter Conference. One for the District with 100% & Auxiliaries that have reported Mary Corkhill P.O. Box 1912 Manassas, VA 20109 703/361-8950 mcorkhill@comcast.net



Communication 3



VETERANS & FAMILY

SUPPORT

2023-2025 Reporting Form

Bettina Lane 285 Deerfield PI Mineral, VA 23117-4758 540-287-1454 Presidentauxvfwpost8947@gmail.com



ETERANS

Don't forget to report. The deadline for reporting is the 10th of each month.

Dear Brothers and Sisters

I am excited to work with you this year as your Veterans & Family Support Chairperson, and I know we will have a great year.

Our mission is to support our veterans and their families, and there are many ways to lend a helping hand, or a kind word. Did you know that just taking an hour out of your busy life; visiting a veteran who is home bound and a kind word can make this veterans day or even month. Sometimes even a short phone call means a lot to a



Here are just a few examples of what we can do:

- Visit elderly veterans and/or family in your community.
- Assist veterans/family members in getting them to the grocery store, doctors appointments, hospital visits etc.
- Volunteer to help cook meals or pack care packages for veterans and/or service members.
- Honor Flight
- Greet troops at the airport when returning to CONUS.
- Educate yourself with the various programs listed on the VFW Aux Malta website, in order to be able to assist Veterans and Service Members. (scroll down on the left to Veterans and Family Support Program) i.e. MAPS and VNS grants etc.
- Honor the veterans and/or service members in your community with a special event recognizing them.
- Suicide prevention (be vigilant and carry cards, etc.). However, don't take action yourself, unless you are a certified trained professional in the field.
- Take dinner to a veteran and his/her family.
- Make a difference in the life of a veteran.

These are just a few examples of ways to assist veterans.

Suicide Prevention

Each day we lose between 17 to 22 (numbers are conflicting dependent on the source) veterans and service members to suicide.

> There are many ways to distribute the suicide prevention help line phone number in our communities.



Let's flood our communities with the Suicide Prevention Cards or **Dog Tags** or other means available.



Brothers and Sisters, I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather. It is hard to believe the holidays are just around the corner.

Dates to Remember:

October 14 – Columbus Day

October 31 – Halloween

November 5 – Election Day November 11 – Veterans Day

November 11 – veterans Day November 28 - Thanksgiving

December 25 – Christmas Dav



- October is National Book Month: Host a Halloween party, have a reading corner; see if the members of your Auxiliary can volunteer to read books to the children and see if any children want to read to the group.
- November 11-15- National Young Readers Week: Contact your local library or school library and see about setting up a table with games, contest forms, book lists and R.A.P cards for our young readers.
- December- Read a Book Month: While Christmas and winter are a fun time in a child's life, it can sometimes be sad and disappointing time for a military child if their parent is deployed. To make this season even more memorable, here are several Christmas books that are perfect for reading to a military child.
 - The Night Santa got Lost: Michael Keane
 - Christmas from Heaven: Tom Brokaw
 - Christmas in America: Callista Gingrich

Participate in a Christmas book countdown: unwrap and read one book each day until Christmas!

Here are some other ways we can promote Patriotism through Literacy:

- Read a book to a Veteran.
- Start a library at your VFW.
- Send books overseas in a care package.

UPDATE: There was a change to the Illustrating American Contest. The form has been updated and placed on MALTA Member Resources, Youth Activities. It is REQUIRED for the student's name and grade to be written on the back of every art entry. Please be sure the entry form is correctly filled out.

Please let me know if I can be of any assistance to you. I have received many great reports. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to the Youth Activities Program.

Dinah Doyle Youth Activities Chairman 3449 Crimson Holly Lane Virginia Beach, VA 23453 n2runn1@yahoo.com





District Meetings



SECTION 810A – Auxiliary President, Bullett J, Page 72 Podium Edition By-laws & Ritual 2024: Assure that the President or their representative attend all properly called District Conventions or meetings.

REMINDER District Secretaries: Please send the Attendence at 2024 -25 District Meetings to the OA Chairmans Maggie Myers & Patty Baskett. It is an Oustanding Auxiliary Requirement for a member from each Auxililiary to attend District and Conventions Meetings.

	1/18/2025 Distict 1 Meeting	Date	1-18-2025 District 7 Meeeting
Lunch	ТВА	Lunch	11:30 AM
Meeting	11:00 AM	Meeting	After Lunch
	VFW 176, Newport News		Post 2447, Endiburg
Place	21 Forrest Dr	Place	100 Veterans Way
	Newport News, VA 23606		Edinburg, VA 2282
Aux	iliary Representative: SVP Kelli Levitt	Auxil	iary Representative: President Dawn Kuhn
VFW R	epresentative: St Cmdr. Mitch Rubenstien	VF	W Representative: SVC Doug Hoffman
Date	2/8/2025 District 2 Meeting	Date	11/3/2024 District 8 Meeting
Lunch	No Lunch	Lunch	TBA
Meeting	9:00a.m.	Meeting	9:00:00 AM
	Post 2894, Chesapeake		Post 9835, Warrenton
Place	3329 Battlefield Blvd	Place	Warrenton Police Department Training Center
Tace	Chesapeake, VA 23322	Tace	333 Carriage House Lane
	Chesapeake, VA 25522		Warrenton, VA 20186
	ry Representative: President Dawn Kuhn	Auxil	iary Representative: President Dawn Kuhn
VFW Repres	entative: VFW ONLY On 11-9-2024 Post 4411	VFV	W Representative: Surgeon Randy Coker
Date	11/16/2024 District 3 Meeting	Date	1/25/2025 District 9 Meeting
Lunch	After Meeting	Lunch	
Meeting	1:00 PM	Meeting	9:00 AM
	Post 2239, Chester		Post 7726, Independence
Place	14705 Jefferson Ave	Place	115 Klondike Rd
	Chester, VA 23836		Independence, VA 24348
	entative: COS Carol Vangi/Jamie Stewart		xiliary Representative: JVP Kathy Voss
VFW R	epresentative: St Cmdr. Mitch Rubenstien	VFW Represent	ative:
Date	11/22/2024 District 4 Mosting	Date	2/9/2025 District 10 Mosting
	11/23/2024 District 4 Meeting		3/8/2025 District 10 Meeting
Lunch	No Lunch	Lunch	
Meeting	1:00 PM	Meeting	1:30 PM
	Post 8759, Amelia		Post 9274, Falls Church
Place	166640 Five Forks Rd	Place	7118 Shreve Rd
	Amelia Court House, VA 23002		Falls Church, VA 22043
	ry Representative: President Dawn Kuhn		Ixiliary Representative: JVP Kathy Voss
VFW Rej	oresentative: State Chaplain Robert Ruffolo	VFW	Representative: VFW ONLY on 12/7/2024
Date	11/16/2024 District 5 Meeting	Date	1/25/2025 District 11 Meeting
Lunch	After Meeting	Lunch	No Lunch
Meeting	10:00	Meeting	10:00 AM
	Post 647, Danville		VEW Post 2216 Steunton
Place	275 VFW Drive Place VFW Post 2216 Staunton 815 N. Augusta Street Staunton, V/		
	Danville, VA 24541		615 IN Augusta Street Stautton, VA 24401

Auxiliary Representative: Chaplain Susan Dinon VFW Representative: VFW Meeting at Post 4639

Lunch	No Lunch
Meeting	10:00 AM
Place	VFW Post 2216 Staunton 815 N. Augusta Street Staunton, VA 24401
<u>A</u>	uxiliary Representative: SVP Kelli Levitt
VFW	Representative: St Cmdr. Mitch Rubenstien

Date	2025 District 6 Meeting	Date	11-16-2024, District 13 M	eeting				
Lunch	TBA	Lunch	11:00 AM					
Meeting	tba	Meeting	12:00 AM					
Place		Place	Post 8947, Louisa Mineral Ave	201 Mineral,				
	ТВА		VA 23117	ŕ				
	Auxiliary Representative:	Auxiliary Representative: President Dawn Kuhn						
VFW Re	epresentative: VFW ONLY on 12-7-2024	VF	W Representative: Surgeon Randy Coker					

District Presidents: Please review the schedule and confirm to the Department Secretary, your Representative and me that the date, time and location is correct. If is not correct, please let the Department Representive and I know as soon as possible any changes

Additionally, if your meeting should be cancelled, please let your Department Representative and I know as soon as possible.

Dawn Kuhn, Department President



Do not <u>forget to file your 990-N</u> with the IRS prior to <u>November 15, 2024</u>.

• Form to send to our department Treasurer is on our website

https://vfwauxva.org/uploads/Documents/2024990form.pdf and she will file, once the form is received.

- President, Treasurer and Secretary Annual Dues MUST BE paid by <u>12-31-2024.</u>
- All Members needs to make sure that your Profile Information in Malta is correct.

<u>The Department and National use information for your Name, Address, Phone Number and E-mail to send</u> you information.

• IF you *are not receiving* the Department Communication you either have unsubscribed or your email is wrong in Malta. Contact the Department Secretary if you have any questions.





Check our website <u>VFW Auxiliary Department of Virginia (vfwauxva.org)</u> for National Awards Calendar, Communications and Reporting forms. If your Auxiliary is having an event and would like it added to our Calendar any questions concerning our website, contact Vicki Butler, Webmaster <u>vickibutler@hotmail.com</u>

Winter Council Meeting 2025

January 10-12, 2025. Winter Council Meeting

Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center. 6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, VA Phone 757-220-2250. Room Rates are \$92.00 per night.

Tentative Schedule for <u>AUXILIARY</u> at Winter Council:

January 10, 2024, 2-5 p.m. Department Audit. AUDIT TEAM ONLY IN ATTENDANCE. January 10, 2025, 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting, any council member that cannot attend, contact Dawn and Ellen.

Dress: Business Casual.

January 11, 2025.7:30 -8:15 a.m. Floor Practice. January 11, 2025, 8:30 – 12:00 p.m. Conference Meeting. Dress: Official look for Officers, District Presidents, and Floor Team



March 22, 2025

Post 2447, 100 Veterans Way, Edinburg, VA Hotel with Block of rooms: Holiday Inn Express 1130 Motel Drive, Woodstock, VA Phone: 540-459-5000 Room rates: \$110.00 (available for Friday and Saturday night) Cutoff date is Saturday February 1, 2025; more details to

June Convention 2025

VFW AUXILIARY, NATIONAL EVENTS

June 18 – 22, 2025 State Convention

Hotel Madison Shenandoah Valley Conference Center 710 S. Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA Phone 540-564-0200. Room Rates are \$129.00 per night. Cutoff Date is Thursday, May 22, 2025.

All National Events are available at www.vfwauxiliary.org

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District 1										х				
176	44	37	84.09%	19.80	19.80							х		
3219	249	227	91.16%	112.05	112.05		62.25		100.00	Х		х		
District 1	293	264	90.10%	131.85	131.85	0.00	62.25	0.00	100.00	0.00		x		
District 2									50.00	Х				
392	568	534	94.01%	255.60	255.60		142.00		100.00	Х		х	х	
2582	36	35	97.22%	16.20			9.00					х		
2894	34	30	88.24%	15.30			25.00			Х		х		
3160	303	287	94.72%	136.35			136.35			Х		х		
4411	105	69	65.71%	47.25			26.25					х		
4809	322	308	95.65%	144.90	144.90		80.50		100.00	Х		х	х	
District 2	1368	1263	92.32%	615.60	400.50	0.00	419.10	0.00	250.00	0.00		х		
District 3										Х				
622	35	21	60.00%	15.75						Х		х		
637	383	279	72.85%	172.35	172.35		95.75	100.00		Х	1	х		
2239	72	51	70.83%	32.40	32.40		18.00	100.00	100.00	Х		х	х	
4639	52	32	61.54%	23.40	23.40		13.00			Х		х		
6364	181	139	76.80%	81.45	81.45		45.25			Х		х		
7167	54	46	85.19%	24.30	24.30		13.50		100.00			х	х	
8046	44	31	70.45%	19.80	19.80		11.00			Х	1	х		
8529	83	61	73.49%	37.35						Х	Ī	х		
9501	56	39	69.64%	25.20	25.20		29.00	50.00		Х	l –	х		
9808	193	161	83.42%	86.85	86.85		19.30			Х	1	х		
10387	39	14	35.90%	17.55	17.55		10.00	50.00	25.00	Х		х		
10654	33	28	84.85%	14.85	14.85	50.00	8.25			Х		х		
10657	30	30	100.00%	13.50	13.50		7.50		100.00	Х	l	х		
District 3	1255	932	74.26%	564.75	511.65	50.00	270.55	300.00	325.00	0.00	l			

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District 4														
7059	62	37	59.68%	27.90	27.90		15.50			Х		х		
7166	36	30	83.33%	16.20	16.25		9.00			Х		х		
8163	53	47	88.68%	23.85	23.85		13.25	50.00	500.00	Х		х		
8759	37	20	54.05%	16.65						Х		х	х	
9855	33	26	78.79%	14.85								х		
9954	112	112	100.00%	50.40	51.75		28.75			Х		х		
District 4	333	272	81.68%	149.85	119.75	0.00	66.50	50.00	500.00	0.00		х		
District 5									25.00	Х				
647	75	52	69.33%	33.75	33.75		18.75	200.00	25.00			х		
7854	26	21	80.77%	11.70	11.70		6.50		25.00			х		
8243	31	13	41.94%	13.95	14.40		8.00		25.00	Х		х		
District 5	132	86	65.15%	59.40	59.85	0.00	33.25	200.00	100.00	0.00		x		
District 6									25.00	Х				
776	21	7	33.33%	9.45			10.00			Х		х		
1033	56	29	51.79%	25.20	25.20		14.00		70.00			х		
1264	95	76	80.00%	42.75	42.75		23.75			Х		х	х	
1841	33	33	100.00%	14.85	14.85		8.25			Х		х		
District 6	205	145	70.73%	92.25	82.80	0.00	56.00	0.00	95.00	0.00		х		
District 7									500.00	Х				
621	107	75	70.09%	48.15	48.15		53.50			Х		х	х	
2447	541	373	68.95%	243.45								х		
8613	103	62	60.19%	46.35						Х		х	х	
9292	13	2	15.38%	5.85			3.50					х		
9660	38	31	81.58%	17.10			10.00			Х		х		
9760	385	307	79.74%	173.25	173.25		194.25			Х		х		
District 7	1187	850	71.61%	534.15	221.40	0.00	261.25	0.00	500.00	0.00		х		

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3103	228	163	71.49%	102.60	102.60		57.00			Х		х		
7589	105	92	87.62%	47.25	47.25		26.25	300.00	100.00	Х		х		
12202	48	45	93.75%	21.60						Х		х		
District 8	381	300	78.74%	171.45	149.85	0.00	83.25	300.00	100.00	0.00				
District 9									225.00	Х				
1115	203	180	88.67%	91.35	91.35		20.30	150.00		Х		Х		
1184	32	19	59.38%	14.40	14.40		8.00	25.00		Х		х		
4667	116	105	90.52%	52.20			29.00			Х		х	х	
6000	43	18	41.86%	19.35								х		
7136	22	22	100.00%	9.90						Х		х		
7726	94	87	92.55%	42.30										
7969	33	21	63.64%	14.85						Х		х		
9696	63	43	68.25%	28.35								х		
District 9	606	495	81.68%	272.70	105.75	0.00	57.30	175.00	225.00	0.00		x		
District 10									15.00	Х				
609	42	41	97.62%	18.90	18.90		10.50			Х		х		
1177	43	40	93.02%	19.35	19.35		10.75			Х		х		
1503	1108	1038	93.68%	498.60	498.60		277.00			Х		х		
3150	166	159	95.78%	74.70	74.70		41.50			Х		х		
7327	141	134	95.04%	63.45				87.00		Х		х		
7916	232	222	95.69%	104.40								х		
8469	41	41	100.00%	18.45								х		
9274	28	19	67.86%	12.60	12.60		7.00			Х		х		
District 10	1801	1694	94.06%	810.45	624.15	0.00	346.75	87.00	15.00	0.00		х		
District 11									15.00					
632	182	133	73.08%	81.90						Х		x		
3136	15	10	66.67%	6.75	6.75		3.75					х	x	
4204	24	15	62.50%	10.80			15.00			Х		x		
7814	27	25	92.59%	12.15	12.15		6.75			Х		х		
8644	57	55	96.49%	25.65			14.25			Х		х		
District 11	305	238	78.03%	137.25	18.90	0.00	39.75	0.00	15.00	0.00		x		
1994	42	40	95.24%	18.90	18.90		10.50			Х		x	х	
District 13										Х				
1827	212	151	71.23%	95.40	95.40		53.00			Х		х		
8169	33	24	72.73%	14.85	14.85		8.25		100.00			х	х	
8947	86	76	88.37%	38.70	43.00		43.00		100.00	X		х		
10574	177	99	55.93%	79.65	79.65		50.00	100.00	101.50	Х		x		
District 13	508	350	68.90%	228.60		0.00	154.25	100.00	301.50	0.00		х		
Members at Large	723	685	94.74%											

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	6-30-24 Totals	10/10/24 Total	%	AMOUNT OWED	AMOUNT PAID	OTHER	AMOUNT PAID	AMT PAID	AMT PAID			
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	1	293	264	90.10%		10	1801	1694	94.06%			
	2	1368	1263	92.32%		2	1368	1263	92.32%			
	3	1255	932	74.26%		1	293	264	90.10%			
	4	333	272	81.68%		9	606	495	81.68%			
	5	132	86	65.15%		4	333	272	81.68%			
	6	205	145	70.73%		8	381	300	78.74%			
	7	1187	850	71.61%		11	305	238	78.03%			
	8	381	300	78.74%		3	1255	932	74.26%			
	9	606	495	81.68%		7	1187	850	71.61%			
	10	1801	1694	94.06%		6	205	145	70.73%			
	11	305	238	78.03%		13	508	350	68.90%			
						5	132	86	65.15%			l
	13	508	350	68.90%								
Members A	t Large	723	685	94.74%								
Department'	s Total	9,139	7,614	83.31%								

	VFW VAu	kiliary, Virginia			unication 3				Noven	nber 2024
As of	10/10/24		Auxiliaries that are REPORTED i n All Programs X = Chairman's has RECEIVED a report from your Auxilary.							grtment of irginia 2024-2025 ERANS, ENRICHING COMMUNITIES
Dist	Auxiliary	Americanism	Auxiliary Outreach	Buddy Poppy & National Home	Historian	Hospital	Legislative	Scholarship	VFS	Youth Activties
Aux	1994		x	Х		Х	x		x	
DVA01	176				Х	х				
DVA01	3219	X		x	Х	х			х	
DVA02	392	X	x	x	Х	х	x	Х	х	x
DVA02	2582			X						x
DVA02	2894	X		х	X		x	Х	х	x
DVA02	3160	X	x	x	X	х		X	x	x
DVA02	4411	X			X		x			x
DVA02	4809		x	Х	X	Х		Х	x	x
DVA03	622	X								x
DVA03	637	X				Х		Х	x	
DVA03	2239					Х			x	
DVA03	4639					х			х	
DVA03	6364					х				
DVA03	7167					х			х	
DVA03	8046	X	x	X	X	х	x	Х	х	x
DVA03	8529					х				
DVA03	9501					х			x	
DVA03	9808		x	X	X	х	x		x	
DVA03	10387					х			x	
DVA03	10654									
DVA03	10657	X		X	Х	х	x	Х	х	

	VFW VAux	kiliary, Virginia		Comm	unication 3				Noven	nber 2024		
As of	10/10/24			Auxiliaries that X = Chairman's has Rl					Department of Virginia 2024-2025 EAPOWERING VETERANS, ENRICHING COMMUNITIES			
Dist	Auxiliary	Americanism	Auxiliary Outreach	Buddy Poppy & National Home	Historian	Hospital	Legislative	Scholarship	VFS	Youth Activties		
DVA04	7059	X	X			X		X	X	X		
DVA04	7166	Λ	X		x	x	x	Λ	x	~		
DVA04	8163	x	x	x	x	x	x		X			
		Χ	×	×	Χ	~	×		~			
DVA04	8759											
DVA04	9855						X		X			
DVA04	9954					X		Х	X			
DVA05	647		x			Х	X	Х	х	X		
DVA05	7854					х	x					
DVA05	8243					х			х			
DVA06	776			X					х			
DVA06	1033	Х	x	X				Х	X	x		
DVA06	1264	Х	x	X	Х	х	x		X			
DVA06	1841	Х		X	Х	х	x	Х	X	x		
DVA07	621	Х	x	X	Х	х	x	Х	X	x		
DVA07	2447				Х	х		Х				
DVA07	8613	Х		X	Х	х		Х	X			
DVA07	9292	Х				х		Х				
DVA07	9660	Х	x	X	Х	х		Х	x	x		
DVA07	9760	Х	x	X	Х	х	x	Х	х	x		
DVA08	3103					х			x			
DVA08	7589	X	x	X	Х	х	x	Х	x	x		
DVA08	12202	X	x	X	Х	х	x		x			

r	VFW VAu	kiliary, Virginia		Comm	unication 3				Noven	ber 2024
As of	10/10/24			Auxiliaries that X = Chairman's has RI					Dep EAPOWERING VET	grtment of irginia 2024-2025 ERANS. ENRICHING COMMUNITIES
Dist	Auxiliary	Americanism	Auxiliary Outreach	Buddy Poppy & National Home	Historian	Hospital	Legislative	Scholarship	VFS	Youth Activties
DVA09	1115	Х	x			X	х		х	x
DVA09	1184					х				
DVA09	4667			X						
DVA09	6000	Х				х				x
DVA09	7136									
DVA09	7726									
DVA09	7969									
DVA09	9696									
DVA10	609	X	x	X		x			х	x
DVA10	1177		x	X	X	x			х	x
DVA10	1503	X		X		x			х	
DVA10	3150	X		X		x	х		х	x
DVA10	7327								х	
DVA10	7916									
DVA10	8469									
DVA10	9274					х			х	
DVA11	632	Х								
DVA11	3136	X				х			X	
DVA11	4204			X						
DVA11	7136	Х		X			х			
DVA11	7814					х				
DVA11	8644	Х		X		х			х	

	VFW VAu	kiliary, Virginia		Novem	ber 2024					
As of	10/10/24		,	Auxiliaries that X = Chairman's has R l			Ŭ			rtment of rginia 2024-2025
			4	Auxilal y.	EMPOWERING VETE	RANS, ENRICHING COMMUNITIES				
Dist	Auxiliary	Americanism	Auxiliary Outreach	Scholarship	VFS	Youth Activties				
DVA13	1827					х				
DVA13	8169				Х					
DVA13	8947	X	х	X		х	х	X	х	x
DVA13	10574					Х			x	

Below Is a list of our Chairman,

If your Auxiliaries is being **shown not reported**, Please contact the Chairman.

If you have any questions or concens abut the programs. Contact our Departmnt President Dawn Kuhn.

Department of Virginia Chairmens /Appointments 2024-2025

Program	Name	Address	City	State	Zip	Phone	Email
Americanism	Crystal Woods	904 Jewell Ave	Portsmouth	VA	23701-1912	(757) 818-4148	ctodd0711@gmail.com
Auxiliary Outreach	Robert DeChamplain	7417 Wildwood Dr	Norfolk	VA	23518-4415	(757) 239-4517	amleg327bobd@gmail.com
Buddy Poppy - National Home	Kathy Voss	80 Lake Knoll Road	Union Hall	VA	24176-4155	(919) 264-7839	klvjwv83@gmail.com
Extension & Revitalization	Carol Vangi	1024 Hullview Ave	Norfolk	VA	23503-2028	(757) 621-5519	cjonesvangi@gmail.com
Historian - Media Relations	Jamie Stewart	5194 Longbow Rd	King George	VA	22485-3168	(757) 897-5521	Jstewart.vfwaux@outlook.com
Hospital	Martha Braunshausen	8810 Gramel St	Norfolk	VA	23503-4814	(757) 289-1686	msswusn@aol.com
Legislative	Beverly Abbott	130 Brookview Rd	Danville	VA	24540-3408	(434) 792-4497	desiabbott@comcast.net
Membership	Vicki Butler	220 Hillcrest Dr	Fredericksburg	VA	22401-4010	(757) 284-1651	vickibutler@hotmail.com
Outstanding Auxiliary and	Maggie Myers	2647 Courthouse Rd	Louisa	VA	23093-3310	(434) 242-3826	magmyer64@yahoo.com
District Presidents	Patty Basskett	2651 Frontage Rd NW Apt 104	Roanoke	VA	24017-1456	(276) 733-9970	pbaskettva1115@yahoo.com
President Special Project	Judy Lupole	1246 Quarter Way	Virginia Beach	VA	23464-8510	(757) 581-2702	luvedale88@verizon.net
Fresident Special Froject	Fred Jenings	1246 Quarter Way	Virginia Beach	VA	23464-8510	(757) 477-5086	fredlyj@verizon.net
Scholarships	Mary Corkhill	PO Box 1912	Manassas	VA	20108-0802	(703) 361-8950	mcorkhill@comcast.net
Veterans & Family Support	Bettina Lane	285 Deerfield Pl	Mineral	VA	23117-4758	(540) 287-1454	Presidentauxvfwpost8947@gmail.com
Youth Activities	Dinah Devins Doyle	3449 Crimson Holly Ln	Virginia Beach	VA	23453-2802	(757) 560-0493	<u>n2runn1@yahoo.com</u>

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		Memb	embership Install. Bond Dues Dues HH VA Med Dues Dues Dues HH VA Med Dues Dues HH VA Med														Horn	VFS	11 Drog	Hosp.						
Dist	Auxiliary	Until 100%	%	instail.	вопа	Dues	Dues	нн	VA Med	990	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	Pres	Sec	Tres	Amer.	ноsp.	VFS	+1 Prog	Vol.
Aux	1994	-2	95.24%	х	х	N/A	х	х	х	Х		х	Х		х				х	х	Х	1	1	1	1	
DVA01	176	-7	84.09%	х	х	х	х	х		0		х			х				х	х	Х		1		1	
DVA01	3219	-21	91.57%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		х			х				х	х	Х	1	1	1	1	
DVA02	392	-29	94.89%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х	Х		х	х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA02	2582	0	100.00%	х	х	х	х	х		0		х			х	х			х	х	Х					
DVA02	2894	-4	88.24%	х	х	х	х	х		Х		х			х	х			х	х	Х	1		1	1	
DVA02	3160	-16	94.72%	х	х	х	х	х		Х		х			х	х			х	х	Х	1	1	1	1	
DVA02	4411	-36	65.71%	х	х	х	х	х		0		х			х	х			х	х	Х	1			1	
DVA02	4809	-13	95.96%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		х			х	х			х	х	Х		1	1	1	
DVA03	622	-14	60.00%	х	х	х	х			Х		х			x	х			х	х	Х	1				
DVA03	637	-104	72.85%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		х			х	х			х	х	Х	1	1	1	1	
DVA03	2239	-21	70.83%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		х	Х		х	х			х	х	Х		1	1		
DVA03	4639	-20	61.54%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		х			х	х			?	х	Х		1	1		
DVA03	6364	-42	76.80%	х	х	х	OWE	х	х	Х		х			х	Х			х	w	W		1			
DVA03	7167	-8	85.19%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		х	Х		х	Х			х	х	Х		1	1		
DVA03	8046	-13	70.45%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		х			N/A	Х			х	х	Х	1	1	1	1	
DVA03	8529	-22	73.49%	х	х	х	х			Х		х			х	Х			х	х	Х					
DVA03	9501	-17	69.64%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		х			х	Х			х	х	Х		1	1		
DVA03	9808	-31	83.94%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		х			х	х			х	х	Х		1	1	1	
DVA03	10387	-25	35.90%	х	х	х	OWE	х	х	Х		х			х	х			х	N/A	Х		1	1		
DVA03	10654	-5	84.85%	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х		Х			х	х			х	N/A	Х					
DVA03	10657	0	100.00%	х	х	х	х	Х	х	Х		х			х	х			Х	х	Х	1	1	1	1	

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		Memb	pership	Install.	Dand	Dist.	Officer	Do	nations	990		Au	dits		Di	istrict N	leetin	gs	S	OI Tra	ining	A	lless	VFS	1 0100	Hosp.
Dist	Auxiliary	Until 100%	%	instail.	Bond	Dues	Dues	нн	VA Med	990	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	Pres	Sec	Tres	Amer.	Hosp.	VFS	+1 Prog	Vol.
DVA04	7059	-25	59.68%	х	х	х	OWE	х	х	х		х			х	х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA04	7166	-6	83.33%	х	х	х	OWE	х	х	х		х			х	х			х	х	х		1	1	1	
DVA04	8163	-5	90.57%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	х			Х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA04	8759	-17	54.05%	х	х	х	OWE			х		х	Х		х	х			Х	х	х					
DVA04	9855	-7	78.79%	х	х	х	х			0		х			х	х			Х	х	W			1	1	
DVA04	9954	0	100.00%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	х			х	х	х		1	1	1	
DVA05	647	-22	70.67%	х	х	х	х	х	х	0		х			х	х			х	х	х		1	1	1	
DVA05	7854	-5	80.77%	х	х	N/A	х	х	x	0		х			х	х			Х	х	х		1			
DVA05	8243	-18	41.94%	х	х	х	OWE	х	x	х		х			х	х			Х	W	х		1	1		
DVA06	776	-13	38.10%	х	х	х	OWE	х		х		х			w				х	х	х			1	1	
DVA06	1033	-26	53.57%	х	х	х	х	х		0		х			х				Х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA06	1264	-18	81.05%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х	Х		х				х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA06	1841	1	103.03%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х				х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA07	621	-31	71.03%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х	Х		х	х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA07	2447	-167	69.13%	х	х	х	х			0		х			х	W			w	W	W		1		1	
DVA07	8613	-41	60.19%	х	х	х	х			х		х	Х		х	х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA07	9292	-11	15.38%	х	х	х	OWE	х		0		х			х	х			х	х	W		1		1	
DVA07	9660	-7	81.58%	х	х	х	х	х		х		х			х	х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA07	9760	-78	79.74%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA08	3103	-65	71.49%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	х			Х	х	х		1	1		
DVA08	7589	-11	89.52%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	х			Х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA08	12202	-3	93.75%	х	х	х	х	х		х		х			х	х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	

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		Memb	pership	Install	Dist. Officer Donations Audits District Meetings SOI Training													VFS	1 0	Hosp.						
Dist	Auxiliary	Until 100%	%	instail.	вопа	Dues	Dues	нн	VA Med	990	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	Pres	Sec	Tres	Amer.	Hosp.	VF5	+1 Prog	Vol.
DVA09	1115	-21	89.66%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	Х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA09	1184	-11	65.63%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	Х			х	х	х		1		1	
DVA09	4667	-11	90.52%	х	х	х	х	х		х		х	х		х	Х			х	N/A	Х					
DVA09	6000	-25	41.86%	х	х	0	х			0		х			N/A	Х			N/A	N/A	N/A	1	1			
DVA09	7136	0	100.00%	х	х	х	х			х		х			N/A	Х			х	х	х					
DVA09	7726	-7	92.55%	х	х	0	х			0					х	Х			N/A	х	N/A					
DVA09	7969	-12	63.64%	х	х	х	х			х		х			N/A	Х			х	х	х					
DVA09	9696	-20	68.25%	х	х	х	х			0		х			х	Х			х	х	х					
DVA10	609	-1	97.62%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	Х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA10	1177	-3	93.02%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	Х			х	х	Х		1	1	1	
DVA10	1503	-68	93.86%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	Х			х	х	Х	1	1	1	1	
DVA10	3150	-7	95.78%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	Х			х	х	Х	1	1	1	1	
DVA10	7327	-7	95.04%	х	х	х	х			х		х			х	Х			х	х	W			1		
DVA10	7916	-10	95.69%	х	х	х	х			0		х			х	Х			х	х	Х					
DVA10	8469	0	100.00%	х	х	х	х			0		х			х	Х			х	х	Х					
DVA10	9274	-9	67.86%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	Х			х	х	Х		1	1		
DVA11	632	-47	74.18%	х	х	х	х			х		х			х				х	х	Х	1				
DVA11	3136	-5	66.67%	х	х	х	х	х	х	0		х	х		х				х	х	х		1	1		
DVA11	4204	-9	62.50%	х	х	х	х	х		х		х			х				х	W	W					
DVA11	7814	-2	92.59%	х	х	х	OWE	х	х	х		х			х				х	х	W					
DVA11	8644	-1	98.25%	х	х	Х	Х	х		х		х			х				х	Х	W	1	1	1	1	

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Dist	Auxiliary	Until 100%	%	install.	вопа	Dues	Dues	нн	VA Med	990	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	Pres	Sec	Tres	Amer.	Hosp.	VF5	+1 Prog	Vol.
DVA13	1827	-61	71.23%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	х			N/A	N/A	х					
DVA13	8169	-9	72.73%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х	х		х	N/A			х	х	х				1	
DVA13	8947	-10	88.37%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	х			х	х	х	1	1	1	1	
DVA13	10574	-78	55.93%	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х			х	х			х	х	х		1	1		

Wishing all a Happy Thanksgiving Holiday with Family and Friends!

Keep those reports coming into the Department Chairperson's!

Everyone is Bonded!!

To Do's

District Treasurers: District dues still needed for the following: Auxiliaries: 7854, 6000, 7726.

District Presidents: Only 8 Auxiliaries with Officers that still have outstanding dues to pay. Deadline is 12/31/24

District Secretary: Responsible for emailing attendance from every District Meetings to Maggie, Patty, Carol, Ellen and Dawn . Not receiving these, if not reported to us, Auxiliary will not earn OA award, even if every other requirement is met.

Membership: Negative number in "Until 100%" is number of members Auxiliary needs to reach 100% - 1 more member gets to Membership Goal.

Celebrations:

- -1841 First Auxiliary to reach Memebership 103.03% Take a Bow Folks!!
- Down to 17 Auxilairies that need to complete **990N** and report to Cathy.
- One Auxiliary missing 2nd Audit and 3rd Audits are starting to arrive Great Job Everyone!!
- 24 AUxiliaries have completed the Reports Requirement. 8 are close only missing 1.

Any questions about this report or anything on it - feel free to reach out to Patty or I for clarification. Reporting continues to come in.

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Maggie Myers - magmyer@yahoo.com

Legend: Pink Box with "W" means Presidental Wavier given, Pink Box with a Zero means not reported, Pink Box with a N/A means not attended.

National President Brenda Bryant Department of Virginia Visit Agenda

Sunday, October 27, 2024

10:00 AM – Arrival time at Roanoke Airport for Aisle of Honor - <u>5202 Aviation Dr NW</u> Roanoke, Virginia 24012

10:30 AM – Planned arrival of President Brenda

Free time will follow with lunch on your own

1:00 PM – Leave Comfort Inn <u>5070 Valley View Blvd NW, Roanoke, VA 24012</u> · (540) 527-2020 for Black Dog Salvage 902 13th Street SW, Roanoke, VA for visit

6:00 PM – Dutch Treat Dinner– Location near hotel TBD

Monday, October 28, 2024

9:00 AM – Depart Comfort Inn for Tour of the D-Day Memorial, Bedford, VA - <u>3 Overlord Circle</u>, <u>Bedford, VA 24523</u>

NOTE: Dress comfortably in VFWA attire with comfy shoes! All those attending must arrive at the Memorial NO LATER THAN 10:15 AM! Dress for the weather! After the tour all members will be on their own for lunch.

Day of the Dead/Halloween Themed Dinner (Madam President Brenda's favorite holiday) Day of the Dead/Mexican Fiesta Costumes welcome! VFW Post 1264 Roanoke, <u>4930 Grandview Ave NW, Roanoke, VA 24012</u>

2:00 PM – Canteen Opens at Post with Face Painting and Hat Decorating

4:00-5:00 PM – Social Hour

5:00 PM – Dinner served

7:00 PM - Evening Concludes

9:00 PM – Canteen Closes

If you are planning to attend, please text Kathy Voss (919-264-7839) with your cell number so she may build a group text to keep all informed of any important changes or updates during the event. Thank you!

Questions? Contact Kathy Voss, Visit Chairman (919) 264-7839 or klvjwv83@gmail.com