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VFW AUXILIARY

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MEMO

Date: September 29, 2023

To: National Line Officers National District Council Members
Past National Presidents
Department Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurers

From: Ann Panteleakos, National Secretary-Treasurer

Subject: MALTA Updates and Soft Rollout of the Approved 2023-2024 National Budget and 2023-2024 Standing Rules

The approved 2023-2024 National Budget and the approved 2023-2024 Standing Rules are available for your review behind MALTA login: Go to **Member Resources** and then to **Miscellaneous Resources** where you will find the heading—**National Standing Rules and Budgets** as a motion was made, seconded, and passed at the 2023 National Convention Council of Administration meeting that VFW Auxiliary members in good standing should have access to these documents for the sake of transparency in the organization's business operations.

During this "Soft Rollout," we ask that the National Line Officers, National District Council Members, Past National Presidents, and Department Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurers, login to review and be sure that you can access these documents without issue.

Department Secretaries can now enter Acting Treasurers and/or installed Treasurers on all levels. Go to the installation page, select which Auxiliary, etc. that is getting a change. Enter the membership ID number for the new Acting Treasurer and check the box that indicates "acting." Once a new Treasurer has been elected and installed, you can put them in but do not check or uncheck the temporary box.

It was brought to our attention that the annual membership cards printed out from behind MALTA login were missing the year. This issue has been corrected.

From: LJKing <LJKing@vfw.org>
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2023 10:42:13 AM
To: LJKing <LJKing@vfw.org>
Cc: Kelly Jones <KellyJones@vfw.org>
Subject: Department Fundraising Promotion

Greetings from the VFW National Headquarters Development,

We wanted to make it easier to navigate the resources and easily promote participation from your members. You will receive regular emails from us right before a mailing goes out to your membership.

The November Christmas Card package will be mailed out soon. Below is the link to the ad slick that can be used in your outreach to your members. Whether you put it in your department newsletter, newspaper, email, or whatever platform you may want to use:

<https://aaf1a18515da0e792f78-c27fdabe952dfc357fe25ebf5c8897ee.ssl.cf5.rackcdn.com/1993/AUX+3656-2+Auxiliary+Nov+EDCP+Ad+Slick+REVISED.pdf?v=1697748917000>

Check out the Department Resource link for some helpful resources to get the word out about the need for donations in your department. If you have questions — or need assistance — please contact the VFW Development Department at 816.968.1143. Upcoming mailings and new ad slicks will be posted as they become available. Be sure to check back often:

<https://heroes.vfw.org/page/32137/action/1?locale=en-US>

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Message from the President



Must be read by the Auxiliary Secretary at the first meeting following receipt, then file for reference.

MEMBERSHIP – The National organization each year sets membership goals for the Departments.



There is a **monetary award to the Department** for achieving their goals. This money helps the Department with income needed to run the Department and to be able to have award monies for the Auxiliaries. This year one of the focus is retaining annual members.. **There are more goals ahead, so I am**

asking all annual members to please pay your dues as soon as possible.

Help the Department of Virginia achieve our goals.

TREASURERS – You have a very ***important role*** 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 received membership payments and new membership**

applications, please process immediately to our Department Treasurer.



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.... **especially the January 2024 meeting.** Do not forget this applies to President, Secretary and Treasurer.

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 of 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:

Ellen Stogsdill

Ellen Stogsdill
Department Secretary
VFW Auxiliary, Virginia

V. Butler

Vicki Butler
Department President
VFW Auxiliary, Virginia



Thank You

I want to thank everyone who came out for Gary and my homecoming event on Saturday, Oct 14th. We had a wonderful turnout of over 100 people and had a great time dancing, listening to music and making smores at the GIANT bonfire. I know there was a ton of work that went into planning and getting all of the food together from lots of Auxiliary and VFW members jumping in to help. I am honored and grateful for everything each of you do every day and loved how many Auxiliary members worked together from across the state to make this event happen. Also, I appreciated how you all indulged my love of pumpkin spice. ♥

I have to also give a big personal thank you to ***Dawn Kuhn and Marcia Semones*** who planned and coordinated everything and the Hillsville Auxiliary #1115 for all hosting us at your Post home.



Vicki Butler
Department President
VFW Auxiliary, Virginia



How about that homecoming!! I hope everyone enjoyed the beautiful fall foliage on your trip to South West Virginia. You must admit it is very pretty in this part of the state.

I know President Vicki and Commander Gary were very humbled with the support of their homecoming. What an amazing evening. I want to thank Grover King Post 1115 and Auxiliary Hillsville for hosting the Chicken Stew event.

A **BIG THANK YOU** to all the Auxiliary and VFW members who pitched in to make this evening a success. In true VFW and Auxiliary fashion our members stepped up to ensure this event would be exceptional! Thank you to each one of our VFW and Auxiliary members who became the kitchen crew, true teamwork at its best.

I want to personally thank everyone who brought a dessert, your generosity was delicious and enjoyed by all. Good to know we have all these wonderful bakers among us.

A special thank you to everyone who helped clean up after the event. Your help was much appreciated.

President Vicki, as your homecoming chairperson, I want to thank you for entrusting me with this event. Enjoy your year and if you need anything, I am here to help you.

Respectfully,
Dawn
Homecoming Chairman

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

WHEN YOU SEND A CHAPLAIN REPORT: Include ALL deceased members, they MUST be entered into Malta If you need help entering the information, please contact Ellen Stogsdill at ellenstogsdill@cox.net or Cathy Graham at cg12dc12@outlook.com.

I ask that you Please DO NOT include requests for alerts and/or cards on this form! A separate request will ensure timely attention!

ALERTS & CARDS; For anyone other than yourself – please be sure that the person is aware and okay with Her or His information being shared with others. Will be sent to any VFW or Auxiliary member, and/or their family members.

Friendly reminder there been a change in the chaplain's alerts, due to this change we will only be sending out **one Chaplain alert a week on Wednesdays/Thursday.** This is to save on the cost of emails that we send through MailChimp and to make sure we do not go over our limit.

I have received 11 Reports for September. Thank you to those that reported. Those of you who have not it is not too late to start. If you need any help reach out to me.

Thank You to Lynn Moretz for helping her Chaplain out by emailing me her report, that's great Teamwork!!

CARDS & ALERTS SENT THIS PERIOD: Thinking of You: 9, Get Well: 2 Sympathy: 1, E-Mail Alerts: 0.

While I am not an Official Clergy Person – I am a friend and available, should you need me. Please remember those who are ill or struggling.

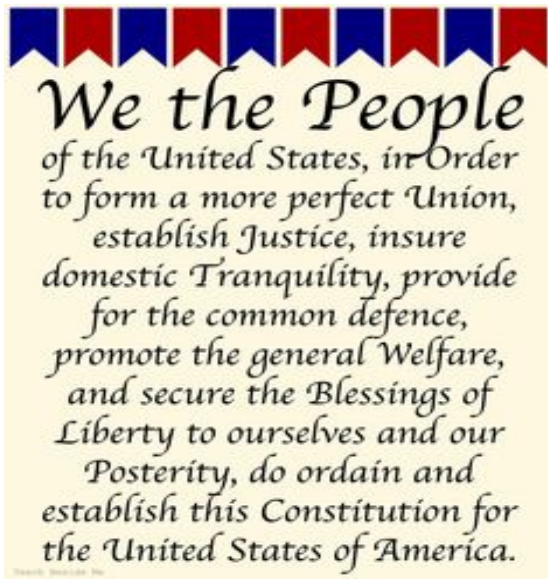
Peter 5:6-7.6 Humble yourself, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

Please respect those that do not celebrate or believe in Halloween. Happy Thanksgiving Everyone.

Respectfully
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AMERICANISM



**"Banding Together For Our
Veterans"**

#AuxTRIBE

Planning is Patriotism!

**When we are prepared, make
others prepared and feel secure,
we are able to secure freedom,
safety and health for others.
We are our brothers' keepers!**

How many of you spent the third Friday in September recognizing Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Day, **#MoreThanLetters** at your Posts? Please be sure to send me a report of your participation in activities recognizing this special day reminding us to "NEVER FORGET".

Americanism:

September is Disaster Preparedness Month and the recent tragic fires in Maui, the hurricane in Florida and the wildfires all over the place have got our National Ambassador Linda thinking. Is disaster preparedness patriotism? And if so, how? In socially, economically and politically challenging times one must feel secure in order to ensure that freedom and our preferred way of life goes on no matter what events threaten our way of living. We are all familiar with the many types of threats we as Americans face such as Earthquakes, Forest Fires, Floods, Epidemics, and Tornadoes to name a few. Recognizing these threats and preparing ourselves to deal with them brings to mind our service members and the fact that they are always ready to serve and protect one another and us, are we ready to serve and protect each other?

Patriotic Instructors:

Ambassador Linda's challenge to us and our Auxiliaries this quarter is to put together a disaster preparedness pack. Your Auxiliary could organize an event where everyone contributes items necessary in an emergency such as a canned food item or bandages, it needn't be a costly item just one that would be useful in an emergency.

This activity might be a great new way to observe these upcoming Patriotic Holidays:

*Marine Corps Birthday	November 10, 2023	*Pearl Harbor Day	December 7, 2023
*Veterans Day	November 11, 2023	*Space Force Birthday	December 20, 2023

Karla Coker

Americanism Chairman - Department of Virginia



We have 12 Auxiliaries reported in Auxiliary Outreach. If anyone has questions about Outreach don't hesitate to email me at the address below.

Q: What's the difference between a hippo and a Zippo?



All volunteer efforts must be voted on and approved by your Auxiliary. If you make a motion to do this in the name of the VFW Auxiliary during your meeting and it passes, please do so. Then report it in the Outreach form.

The fall season is the time of year that organizations have fundraisers, bazaars, etc. They may have a pancake supper or chili suppers. It could be rescue squads, fire departments, or a Rotary club. It could be a fundraiser for school clubs or athletic sports groups. It might be a way to raise money for a homeless shelter or women's shelters. There are a great many ways to assist your community through your Auxiliary.

I have received reports from a couple of Auxiliaries that reported outreach projects that were community service. Donating money for sponsorship/t-shirts/walk for a good cause, is not Auxiliary Outreach. Supplying and cooking a meal at your Post for another group doesn't count.

Working at registration tables, handing t-shirts to participants, and manning water stations along a walk/run route. Serving food, washing dishes, and cleaning after a function, all qualify as Auxiliary Outreach.

Auxiliary Outreach is donating your blood sweat and tears to an organization outside of your own.

Auxiliary Outreach is not writing checks, collecting items or money for another organization, baking, food preparation, participating in events...

Whatever you do in community service, turn this into your Post. They can add this to their Community Activities reports.

A: One is really heavy, and the other is a little lighter.

I hope your Auxiliary has a very successful year.



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“Buddy”[®] Poppy/National Home Program-

Department of Virginia
National Ambassador, Lisa Jackson
Department Chair, Kathy Voss



I don't know about you, but *I love fall!* Crisp air, cooler temperatures, firepits and cozy sweaters remind me it is the perfect time to get out into our communities and share our story using the “Buddy”[®] Poppy!

With Veterans Day rapidly approaching, all Auxiliaries should be planning a “Buddy”[®] Poppy distribution in their communities. Please contact your Post adjutant to ensure you can obtain additional Poppies, should your auxiliary supply be insufficient. You can also order brochures through The VFW store that contain history and information about the Poppies. If your Auxiliary is having a fall festival or “trunk or treat”, please consider having Poppies on hand to remind everyone of our mission!

There will soon be a new “Buddy”[®] Poppy available and it is made of metal at a lesser production cost than those of our “legacy” Poppy. As soon as I know when they are available, you will know! Many of you have asked and I thank you for your patience. Until then...keep using the Poppies you have on hand to promote our programs and report those activities.



The National Home is fully occupied! Each and every home, with the exception of one being remodeled, has a veterans' family living and thriving within its doors. There also is a waiting list, which highlights the need for the Home and its mission. How can you help? Continue to sign up those Lifetime Members. It only costs \$50 and anyone can support the home by being a lifetime member. Your neighbors, friends, family members and even businesses and other organizations. Did you know you do NOT need to be affiliated with the VFW or its Auxiliary to be a National Home Lifetime Member? Many of you are working hard to recruit life members and I thank you. Also keep in mind the CIC and National Auxiliary Presidents joint project to benefit the remodel of the Visitors Center at the Home.

Please don't forget to report your promotions and donations. I look forward to hearing from you and again, THANK YOU!



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Extension and Revitalization



This Promotion is focused on how to **REVITALIZE AND REJUVENATE YOUR AUXILIARY**. When the District President completes the District Official Visit of Auxiliary, our District Presidents or assigned Representatives have first-hand knowledge of their Auxiliaries. We use our District Presidents to be our ears and eyes. Listen to what the District President or

Representative is telling you. **It is important to have good communication between the Auxiliary, District President or Representative, Department President and Department Chief of Staff.**



Let us **REVITALIZE** our Auxiliaries by having a **GOOD ATTITUDE** when you visit them. The Department is training your District Presidents or assigned Representatives to look for the positives in our Auxiliaries. They should also be trained on how to be in the right zone to have recharging and thrilling ideas for our National Programs. Our District President or Representative should have inspiring words for your meetings. They will have lifting, energized conversations during their visit. **They will inspire our members by giving members entrusted words on how to vitalize their Auxiliaries. By using these words, we can REVITALIZE our Auxiliaries on being the best that they can be.**



Remember every member needs to feel that their involvement is necessary for the success of the



Auxiliary. If the members feel **WELCOMED AND NEEDED**, they will come back to the meetings and functions we have. Let us show that we are proud of our Auxiliary and our members in our community and



INVOLVE ALL MEMBERS IN OUR WORK.

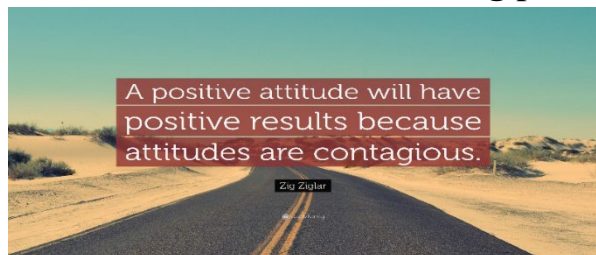


We can help any Auxiliary that might need our assistance. The District President or assigned Representative will be positive and have fresh ideas. They will tell someone that they did the wrong thing in a positive way. **We can REJUVENATE any Auxiliary member by BEING POSITIVE.** A member will listen if you have positive words to say. District President or Representative, remember there is always the Department President and I that you can ask for support. If we **REVITALIZE** and **REJUVENATE** our Auxiliaries there will be less Red Flag Auxiliaries in our Department.

Remember Banding Together for Our Veterans starts with us being positive.



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Today's Events are Tomorrow's History



Congratulations to District 1, District 2 and District 8 for being 100% reported!



Make this Program Year the time to refresh your storytelling skills. Our job as the Historian is to capture the Auxiliary year and share it with all our members and our communities through photos and videos.

Legacy Member Interviews



Share the stories/interviews of our Legacy members in your Auxiliary that has been extremely beneficial as a mentor and/or has a long history of aiding our veterans and their families. Ask them about their experiences. Be sure to ask them what being a member of the VFW Auxiliary family means to them. Be creative, use your imagination. Download the interviews on a thumb along with the completed National Historian Award #1 Form. A reminder from our National Historian, please get a photo release signed by the Auxiliary member whom you will be interviewing.

Auxiliary Snapshot



2023 Independence Day Parade-Veterans and Auxiliary from post 8169, Scottsville, VA along with Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, ROTC from Buckingham County and volunteers, celebrate July 4th with the annual Scottsville Fireman's parade. Fellow Comrades and ROTC make up the Color Guard and hand out candy while the Auxiliary, Scouts and helpers walk and hand out flyers of events and flags. We have handed out over 2,000 flags!



Hospital

November 2023

- Hello Brothers and Sisters! Important dates to remember this month: November 11th is Veterans Day, November 26th is Thanksgiving and November 3rd is National Sandwich Day!!!!

The focus this month is: Volunteering:

Volunteering is a wonderful way to donate your personal time to our veterans! Be on the lookout for volunteers because volunteers are a priceless asset to our nation's veterans and to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Here is a list of ways you can volunteer:

- -Volunteer Transportation Network Driver
- -Greet veterans at the main entrance as a Red Coat Ambassador
- -Become a part of the Compassionate Contact Corps
- -Volunteer at National Cemeteries
- -Make a monetary donation
- -Play/organize bingo



Let us talk about Whole Health...did you know the following are available to support your veteran's health and well-being?

- -Acupuncture
- -Battlefield Acupuncture
- -Biofeedback
- -Chiropractic Care
- -Guided Imagery
- -Clinical Hypnosis/Hypnotherapy
- -Massage Therapy
- -Meditation
- -Tia Chi/Qigong
- -Yoga



I had the opportunity to visit the Jones & Cabacoy Veterans Care Center in Virginia Beach. The opening date of the facility may be sometime in December. The facility offers short- and long-term nursing care, rehabilitation, and memory care. They have a Donation Wish List – here are some of the items they have listed. You can use this list to get ideas for facilities near you or make a care package for this facility.

1. Shaving kits
2. Shaving Cream
3. Body Wash
4. Mini Flashlights
5. Shoelaces
6. ESPN Magazines
7. Model Cars
8. American & Military Flags
9. Military Books for Library
10. Puzzles
11. Fidgets and Sensory Objects
12. Board Games
13. Military Artwork
14. Stationery
15. Radios

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LEGISLATIVE

November

POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT

- Report: No. of members who voted**
No. of members who worked at a polling station
No. of members who transported vets/members to polls
(Remember, this can also be reported for Americanism.)

I am so delighted to see Auxiliary Legislative Chairs starting our year off with so much energy. As our National President Carla Martinez’s theme for 2023-2024 is:

BANDING TOGETHER FOR OUR VETERANS

- Based on the information shared by their Auxiliaries in their reports, we have participated in success of passage of legislation beneficial to all veterans and their families. A great deal of thanks for your advocacy and actions taken to help our veterans and their families.

Suicide Prevention

- Many of you helped the Suicide Prevention Hotline Designation Act of 2020 become a reality. Signed into law in October 2020, 988 became a national resource/crisis hotline for anyone considering harming themselves or for the families of veterans in crisis, to get help before the threat ends in a very bad situation.

Legislation to watch: Major Richard Star Act 2023
 Camp Lejeune Justice Act of 2022
 Women Veterans Issues

- *Pay attention to bills, especially to new bills, that are e-mailed in the Legislative Alerts monthly. And, act on them.*

Make it personal

- VFW Auxiliary members are instrumental in aiding the VFW to pass or block legislation that impacts veterans and their families. Each year, members contact legislators to share our views regarding such legislation with them and invite them to share their positions on veterans’ issues; we hold legislators accountable for honoring America’s promises to our nation’s veterans. **Report on your members actions for/against bills about veteran’s issues.**

Together we can make a difference in the lives of our veterans, active military, and their families.
Let YOUR VOICE BE HEARD regarding important Veteran’s issues.

Remember to REPORT TO ME!!!
And, remember to include your District and Auxiliary numbers!!!

Loyally, Beverly Abbott



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MEMBERSHIP

Greetings All You Movie Stars!



I am so excited! I have been peeking at the numbers on the Auxiliaries in Virginia, and the numbers are going up at a fast pace! Congratulations! Many of you have really put extra effort to make **your Auxiliary “movie” the best that ever was!**



As I have mentioned before, **Membership IS the lifeblood of our organization** and as talent scouts, you have proven time and time again that your recruiting skills know no bounds! The incentives many of you have offered to encourage members to pay their dues quickly and also to encourage many to switch over to Life Members are fantastic.

Lights: Anyone can recruit a new cast member. Following the guidelines on the Eligibility Wheel does help with any question one might have. Don't be shy. You would be surprised how many people are eligible and are not aware. **Turn that spotlight on and get them recruited!**



Camera: Follow up with your new Member. Please don't leave that person on the sidelines of your movie! They may have some interesting ideas to help grow your Auxiliary. And help make your movie Golden Malta Worthy. **Remember, just because you have tried it before and it didn't work, try their idea from a different angle and just maybe it will be a winner!**



Action: There are tons of ways to **promote your Membership movie**. We are coming up to the season of craft fairs and what better way to chat about Membership than having a table set up at these functions. Do it in conjunction with a bake sale or make some ornaments utilizing “Buddy”® Poppies to give out. No matter the function, always have some sort of Membership set up available.



Now you have your cast and crew so it's extremely important you make them feel part of your movie and Auxiliary. Encourage participation and find out their strengths and capitalize on it. See what functions work best for them and you're Auxiliary. I know some younger Moms have babysitting issues. Have a high school student volunteer to help the day of the meeting by watching and playing with these kids in a quiet corner. This could be one of your VOD Students and they could qualify as a Member. Perhaps pay for their first year's dues in turn to help babysit!!



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Appreciation

WE LOVE OUR MEMBERS!

CONGRATULATIONS



To the following Auxiliaries for:

District 2, Auxiliary 392 = 103.31%

District 2, Auxiliary 4809 = 100.34%

just one more

District 3, Auxiliary 2339, 100%

District 6, Auxiliary, 1841. 100%

District 11, Auxiliary 8644, 100%

District 12, Auxiliary 1994, 100%



JUST RECRUIT!



Membership Data is from Malta as of 10-19-2023.



2024



To the following members for RECRUITING 5 or more Members this year:

District 2:

Auxiliary 392, Dinah Doyle:

18 Members

Auxiliary 4411. John Darby

5 Members

Auxiliary 4809, Ashley Johnson:

15 Members

District 7:

Auxiliary 2447, Benjamin Crisman:

11 Members

Auxiliary 2447, Darlene Franco

5 Members

District 8:

Auxiliary 3103, Nancy Kearney:

8 Members

Auxiliary 3103, Trish Jones:

13 Members

Auxiliary 7589, Ann Mitchell

6 Members

WHO'S NEXT?

MENTORING FOR LEADERSHIP

Brothers and Sister,

Mentoring Makes a Difference

I have a very important question for you! Are you one of my BOO-tiful mentors for Virginia?

We all have had a mentor who has helped us navigate thru the VFW Auxiliary. The times are changing and we need to make sure that our members are up to date on changes in the Bylaws, Ritual and programs.

Membership, Recruiting, Extension and Mentoring for Leadership share some of the same resources. **“Building on the VFW Auxiliary Foundation”** holds a wealth of knowledge and can be found at <https://malta.vfwauxiliary.org/MemberResources>.

One of the best things I have found on mentoring is below.



Good Mentoring – “Open the door, open your eyes, open your heart.”

- Be kind, not right**
- Mentor must be dedicated, knowledgeable and supportive of all members**
- Know how to communicate.**
- Kind to everyone**
- Positive, never negative**
- Make every member feel important**
- Show appreciation**
- Develop genuine interest in members**
- Respect, listen and smile!**
- Remember, everyone has talent and something to contribute**



I would like to have at least one member, (more is better), from every District in Virginia to start a Question and Answer team. As a team we can assist other mentors around the state as needed. We need to brainstorm and make sure that our Auxiliaries survive!

Can You Be a Mentor ?



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Outstanding Auxiliary 2023-2024 November



All Auxiliaries submitted their installation reports and paid their bond by the required deadlines.

Membership - A big shout out to the following Auxiliaries

Achieved 100% +1 Auxiliary 392 and 4809

Achieved 100% Auxiliaries 1841, 8644 and 1994



District Treasurers – District Dues paid by September 30th. I have received the information from some of the District Treasurers. Thank you! To those who have not, please send the information of District Dues paid to me as soon as possible.

District Secretaires – I do need the information for the date and attendance of your District School of Instructions. Again, I do have the information from some of the District Secretaries. Thank you!!



If the President, Treasurer or Secretary are an annual member, their annual dues must be paid no later than December 31, 2023. As per National If dues are not paid by the President, Treasurer or Secretary by January 4, 2024, the Department must submit an e-mail or letter on January 5, 2024, requesting the nonpaid Officer be relieved of their position. FYI.....Any annual member who does not pay their dues by December 31, 2023 are no longer a member in good standing. Be sure to check those membership cards at your January meeting.

This year there is a new opportunity for your Auxiliary to receive the Outstanding Auxiliary award.

If your Auxiliary achieves 100% by missing the (+1) in Membership, you can still earn the Outstanding Auxiliary designation by participating and reporting in each Program (being 100% Reported in all Programs). All programs are Americanism, Auxiliary Outreach, Buddy Poppy/National Home, Extension/Revitalization, Historian, Hospital/VAVS, Legislative, Membership, Mentoring for Leadership, Presidents Special Project, Scholarship, Veterans and Family Service, and Youth Activities and **completing** all other Outstanding Auxiliary requirements by April 30, 2024.

I encourage all members to review the requirements for Outstanding Auxiliary. Don't let a requirement slip through the crack! Please reach out if you have any questions.



Chairman: Carol Vangi
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PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT

Protect our Defenders is a nonprofit organization working to end sexual violence, victim retaliation, misogyny, sexual prejudice, and racism in the U.S. military.



Mission: *Protect Our Defenders (POD) is the pre-eminent national human rights organization dedicated to ending sexual violence, victim retaliation, misogyny, sexual prejudice, and racism in the military and combating a culture that has allowed it to persist.*



We honor, support, and give voice to survivors of military sexual violence. We seek reform to ensure all service members are provided a safe and respectful work environment free from misogyny and racism, and have access to a fair, impartially administered system of justice.

Values: *The women and men who serve in our Armed Forces should not have to work in an environment where harassment and sexual assault is widespread, and victims face retribution for reporting their assaults. Service members deserve a system of justice worthy of the American principles they have dedicated their lives to protect.*



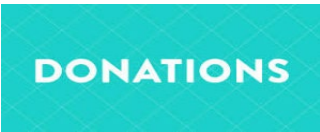
The prevalence of sexual violence, victim retaliation, misogyny and racism in the military and a culture that has allowed it to persist erode military values of integrity and sacrifice, undermine good order and discipline and exacerbate existing inequalities for women, people of color and LGBTQ service members. Reforming this culture will strengthen our military and promote unit cohesion and morale. Protect Our Defenders has a deep understanding of military process and procedure. We work respectfully and collaboratively, engaging stakeholders who can speak from personal experience about the need for reform, to promote change from outside and from within the military.

Our Work: Protect Our Defenders deploys a multifaceted effort towards reform.



Every day, through policy reform, advocacy, public education, and pro bono support, we work to provide those who serve in our military a safe and respectful environment free from harassment and abuse, and to create a justice system that can fairly and effectively judge these crimes.

These efforts are directly informed by our work with survivors, their families, and current and former military members, and are grounded in our core values.



Send donations to Department Treasurer

Cathy Graham

9691 Lindenbrook Street
Fairfax, Virginia 22031-1132



Send reports and a copy of the check to Judy Lupole and Fred Jennings

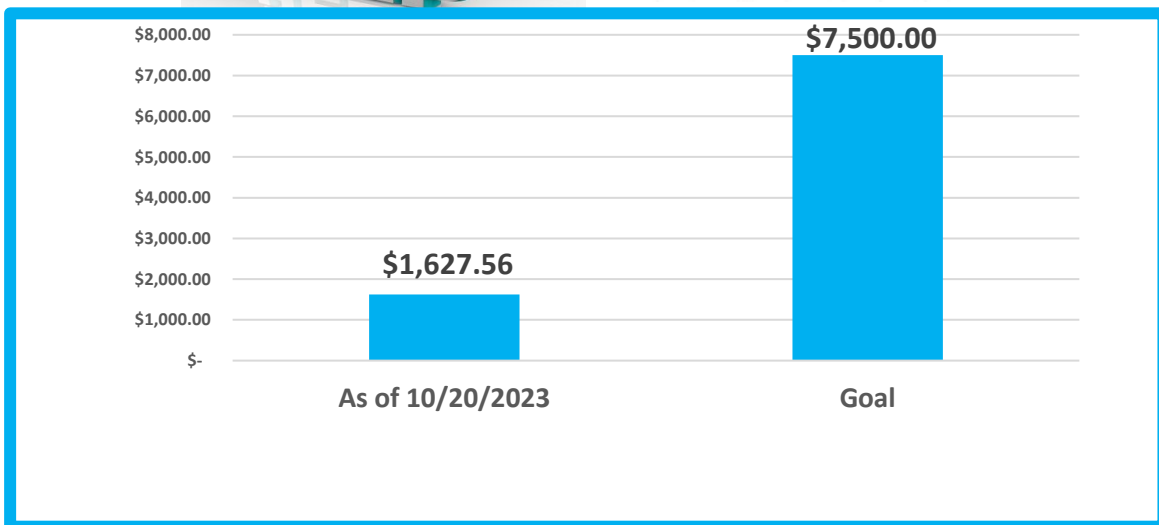
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Scholarship

CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Continuing Education Scholarship is open to any Auxiliary member who has been a member for at least a year, their spouse, their son or daughter with financial need. The family member does not have to live with you or in Virginia. Applicants must be 18 years or older and must fill out the application and write a brief essay (no more than 300 words) describing their commitment to their goals and how this scholarship will help them attain those goals.

Deadline: February 15, 2024.

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY AUDIO-ESSAY CONTEST

The theme for this year is **What Are The Greatest Attributes of Our Democracy?** The contest is open to students in grades 9-12 who attend a public, private, or parochial high school or home study programs in the United States. Follow up with your school/teacher contacts this month – **the Deadline is midnight on October 31, 2023.**

PATRIOT'S PEN ESSAY CONTEST

The theme for this year is **How Are You Inspired by America?** Open to students in grades 6-8 by the **October 31** deadline who are enrolled in public, private, or parochial school or home study program in the United States. Follow up with your Middle School teachers – make sure they have the information needed to have a successful contest. **Deadline is midnight on October 31, 2023**

YOUNG AMERICAN CREATIVE PATRIOTIC ART CONTEST **3-DIMENSIONAL PATRIOTIC ART CONTEST**

These Contests are open to all patriotic young artists in grades 9-12. Entries will be judged on patriotic theme and technique. **Deadline: March 31, 2024.**

Contact your area ROTC Units, Boy Scout or Girl Scout Troops, local teen groups participating in community-sponsored sports, and Parks and Recreation activity centers. In every community, there are multiple groups where you can promote our programs. Our youth scholarship programs benefit every student in our communities.

PATRIOTIC ART ESCROW FUND

You can help this program by making a monetary donation. The donation can be made through MALTA or you can mail a check to the VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters. Please specify on the check that it is for the Patriotic Art Scholarship Fund.

Kathy Birch, 2023-2024 Scholarship Chairman
304 E Main St
Berryville, VA 22611-1306
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VETERANS AND FAMILY SUPPORT

Banding Together for Our Veterans



Service, Mentorship & Patriotism

November is not only the month of Veteran's Day, but also a time for giving thanks. We thank our Lord for our blessings bestowed on us, our loved ones for their support, our friends for their friendship. But what about the many strangers that cross our paths in daily life? Do you give them a smile with a nod hello? How easy is that to do? No time at all actually and you may make their day.



The third focus for the Veterans and Family Support Program is **Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness**. Tessa Butcher writes about a question that was "asked regarding where to find information on the Veterans Crisis Line posters. From MALTA Member Resources, once you click on the link for Veterans Crisis Line, scroll to the bottom of the page and under the "Show Support" heading, click on "Spread the Word." Here you will be able to find resources for social media posts, print materials and videos to utilize in your advocacy efforts. Our National Organization has also added the Veterans Crisis Line information to the National Website homepage, so it's front and center. Remember, when promoting the 988 number and speaking to a veteran make sure they know to still press option 1 to get in touch with someone who is qualified in assisting veterans. For those who aren't comfortable verbally talking to someone, the option for texting is still available by texting the number 838255. For additional resources, please visit www.vfw.org/assistance/mental-wellness."



I have mailed wallet-sized Veterans Crisis cards to your District Presidents to be handed out to their area auxiliaries. Please hand these out to vets and active military you know and especially those you don't. I volunteer at the USO Dulles and I've placed them there as well as the Senior Centers of my county. When my auxiliary makes their "Thank a Vet" bags for area residents, I'll include a Crisis card, a Buddy Poppy and a Thank You Coin with the goodies. How will you pass out these cards or thank service personnel for their service?

Don't Forget: **Nov 10th** – Vets and Family Support Reports are due to cindypcx2@yahoo.com
Nov 15th – Applications for "Sports Clips® Help A Hero" Scholarship due; **Nov 18th** – National Adoption Day (how about adopting a unit?); **Nov 23rd** – Thanksgiving Day; **Nov 28th** – Giving Tuesday.

DEPARTMENT AWARDS (Given at Department Convention):

The most outstanding activity and/or event to increase awareness of military suicide and mental health wins \$25 to their Auxiliary! The most outstanding activity by (3) individuals to increase awareness of military suicide and mental health wins \$25.

The most outstanding activity and/or event that increases the support of veterans, service members and their families will win \$25 for their Auxiliary. The most outstanding activity by (3) individuals to increase the support of veterans, service members and their families will win \$25.

Chairman: Cynthia Cortner
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 C: (619) 254-0014,
cindypcx2@yahoo.com

Youth Activities

- Hello Brothers and Sisters!! Some important dates to remember this month: US Marines Birthday is November 10th and will be 248 years old, November 11th is Veterans Day, November 24th is Thanksgiving and November 3rd is National Sandwich Day!!!!
- Library Celebrations and Events: Children's Book Week | **November 6-12, 2023** "Children's Book Week" is the annual celebration of books for young people and the joy of reading. Established in 1919, Children's Book Week is the longest-running national literacy initiative in the country.

Veterans Day is just around the corner. Get your youth to write cards thanking a veteran for their service and taking them to a nursing home or the VA Hospital if one is close by or a hospital. Even giving a card to a Veteran that is in your post or Auxiliary, shows they are appreciated a lot.



Continue checking with our youth and teachers with what they need for school supplies. Can your Auxiliary, help in any way? Ever thought of adopting a classroom? Obviously, you will want to talk with the teacher to determine if she/he would like that assistance, however, I doubt you will be turned down. Teachers truly appreciate any assistance with supplies which would help their students learn during the school year. This can be an ongoing project. Adopting a classroom could also help you in getting our **Patriotism Through Literacy** started which could lead to other teachers wanting assistance in their classrooms. The younger elementary youth have reading time, and you could volunteer by reading to them a book on patriotism and then donating that book to the teacher classroom library or the school library. Remember if you can volunteer to read in a classroom or library the younger kids love it.

Things to Remember: Also take an opportunity to promote Auxiliary contests like Get Excited for the Red, White, and Blue! And Illustrating America. There will be more information on this in the next couple of months.

Thank you for the amazing reports I have received!!! Please keep those reports coming!! Contact me if you need assistance.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY!!!!



Chairman: Diane Melson
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District Meetings OCTOBER 2023

District

1 **Date** 1/20/2024
Lunch Meeting 11:00 AM
Place POST 8252, Gloucester at DAV
 6265 Professional Dr, Gloucester, VA 23061
Auxiliary Representative Vicki Butler, President
 VFW Representative SVP Mitch Rubenstein

2 **Date** 11/18/2023
Lunch Meeting No Lunch
 9:00 AM
Place Post 3160, Ocean View
 111 A View Ave, Norfolk, VA 23503
Auxiliary Representative Debbie Martin, PDP
 VFW Representative State Surgeon Charles Bush

3 **Date** 11/18/2023
Lunch Meeting After Meeting
 10:00 AM
Place Post 2239, Colonial Heights
 14705 Jefferson Ave, Chester, VA 23836
Auxiliary Representative Vicki Butler, President
 VFW Representative JVC Doug Hoffman

4 **Date** 10/21/2023
Lunch Meeting After Joint Opening
 1:00 PM
Place Post 8163, Clarksville
 7488 Highway Fifteen
 Clarksville, VA 23927
Auxiliary Representative Vicki Butler, President
 VFW Representative Commnder Gary Adams

5 **Date** 11/18/2023
Lunch Meeting TBD
 10:00
Place Post 647, Danville (Auxiliary Only)
 275 VFW Dr, Danville, VA 24541
Auxiliary Representative Jennifer Winn, Chaplain
 VFW Representative Advocate Mark Maggio, VFW meeting at Post 4637

6 **Date** 12/2/2023
Lunch Meeting Noon
Place Post 1264, Roanoke
 4930 Grandview Ave NW, Roanoke, VA 24012
Auxiliary Representative Vicki Butler, President
 VFW Representative SVP Mitch Rubenstein

District

7 **Date** 1/20/2024
Lunch Meeting After Lunch
Place Post 2447, Edinburg
 100 Veterans Way, Edinburg, VA 22824
Auxiliary Representative Dawn Kuhn, SVP
 VFW Representative Judge Advocate Mark Maggio

8 **Date** 11/18/2023
Lunch Meeting No Lunch
 Noon
Place Post 7228, Bealeton (Morrisville)
 12496 Harpers Run Rd, Bealeton, VA 22712
Auxiliary Representative Cathy Graham, Treasurer
 VFW Representative PSC Rick Raskin

9 **Date** 1/20/2024
Lunch Meeting No Lunch
 10:00 AM
Place Post 9696, Bluefield
 131 Lovelane Street Bluefield VA 24605
Auxiliary Representative Susan Dinon, Conductress
 VFW Representative ADJ/QM Ed Mann

10 **Date** 3/9/2024
Lunch Meeting NO LUNCH
 10:30 AM
Place Post 1503, Dale City, 14631
 Minnieville Rd, Virginia 22193
Auxiliary Representative Susan Dinon, Conductor
 VFW Representative

11 **Date** 1/27/2024
Lunch Meeting No Lunch
 10:00 AM
Place Post 2216, Staunton
 212 Frontier Dr in Staunton, Virginia 24401
Auxiliary Representative Kelli Levitt, JVP
 VFW Representative JVC Doug Hoffman

12 **Date** 12/2/2023
Lunch Meeting TBA
Place Registration at 1000 and Meeting at 1100
 Post 1994, Abingdon
 17581 Lee Hwy #3921, Abingdon, VA 24210
Auxiliary Representative Marcia Semones. PDP
 VFW Representative Commander Gary Adams

13 **Date** 11/18/2023
Lunch Meeting 11:00 AM
 After Meeting
Place Post 8947, Louisa
 201 Mineral Ave, Mineral, VA 23117
Auxiliary Representative Kelli Levitt, JVP
 VFW Representative SVP Mitch Rubenstein

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 Representative 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.
 Vicki Butler Department President

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Don't **forget to file your 990-N** with the IRS prior to **November 15, 2023**, or you can lose your non-profit status. Form to send to our department Treasurer is on our website <https://vfwvauxva.org/uploads/Documents/2024990form.pdf> and she will file, once the form is received. **Make sure you send the Accepted Form from the IRS to the Department Treasurer after filing.**
- **Audit for July – September 2023** must be completed by **October 31, 2023**. Accepted Audit by vote of the Auxiliary must be **sent to the Department Treasurer** no later than **November 30, 2023**.
- President, Treasurer and Secretary Annual Dues must be paid by **12-31-2023**.



NO ZOOM MEETING WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE 2023 -2024 AUXILIARY COUNCIL OR CONVENTION DEPARTMENT MEETINGS. IF YOU ARE ON COUNCIL AND WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND CONTACT VICKI BUTLER OR ELLEN STOGSDILL

2024 Winter Conference: Thursday, January 11, 2024 - Sunday, January 14, 2024:

Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center, 6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185, (757) 220-2250. RATE: 1 King Bed or 2 Double Beds: \$89.00 plus tax. All guestroom rates include a complimentary breakfast buffet in our dining room.

CUTOFF DATE: Reservations by attendees must be received on or before Monday, December 11, 2023.

METHOD OF RESERVATIONS: Reservations for the Event must be made by individual attendees directly with the hotel reservations department at (757) 220-2250 by identifying yourself with the Veterans of Foreign Wars - Winter Council Meeting group.



All auxiliary meetings will be Casual Dress in January, 2024. Be Comfortable!



NATIONAL PRESIDENT CARLA IS COMING TO RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	
ARRIVES: 3/17/2024	DEPARTS: 3/19/2024
MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW CLOSER TO THE DATE	



2024 June Convention: Wednesday, June 12, 2024 – June 16, 2024:

Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center, 6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185 (757) 220-2250. Information to follow closer to the date.



VFW AUXILIARY, NATIONAL EVENTS

November 1 – 4, 2023 Southern Conference, Tulsa, Oklahoma

July 27 – Aug 1, 2024 National Convention, Louisville, Kentucky

August 9 – 14, 2025 National Convention, Columbus, Ohio

VFW AUXILIARY, VIRGINIA

Auxiliaries Reported as of: 10-15-2023

Reporting Period is May 1, 2023 thru April 30,2024

	Americanism	Buddy Poppy/VFW National Home for Children	Auxiliary Outreach Program	Extension & Revitalization	Historian	Hospital	Legislative	Membership	Mentoring for Leadership	President Speacial Project	Scholarships	Veterans and Family Support	Youth Activities
District 1													
176					Reported					Reported			
3219					Reported	Reported							
District 2										Reported			
392	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
993			Reported		Reported					Reported			
2582	Reported				Reported				Reported	Reported			
2894	Reported			Reported	Reported			Reported	Reported	Reported		Reported	Reported
3160					Reported		Reported			Reported			
4411	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported	
4809	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
District 3													
622										Reported			
637	Reported	Reported			Reported			Reported			Reported		
2239	Reported	Reported		Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported
4639													
6364													
7167					Reported					Reported			
8046													
8529													
9501													
9808	Reported	Reported					Reported	Reported		Reported			
10387													
10654													
10657	Reported											Reported	

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District 4													
7059			Reported				Reported			Reported			
7166													
8163										Reported			
8759						Reported							Reported
9855													
9954	Reported		Reported		Reported					Reported	Reported		Reported
District 5													
647							Reported			Reported			
7854			Reported				Reported					Reported	
8243										Reported			
District 6													
776					Reported								Reported
1033	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
1264						Reported							
1841		Reported					Reported			Reported			
District 7													
621							Reported		Reported				Reported
2447					Reported								
8613					Reported			Reported				Reported	Reported
9292					Reported								
9660							Reported				Reported		
9760	Reported	Reported			Reported			Reported		Reported		Reported	Reported
District 8													
3103					Reported								
7589	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
12202					Reported								

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District 9													
1115	Reported		Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported					
1184	Reported					Reported				Reported			Reported
4667	Reported												
6000													
7136													
7726													
7969													
9696					Reported								
District 10													
609	Reported	Reported				Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported	Reported
1177	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
1503	Reported				Reported			Reported				Reported	
3150	Reported						Reported	Reported					Reported
7327	Reported												
7916					Reported								
8469													
9274					Reported								
District 11													
632													
3136		Reported								Reported			
4204													
7814					Reported								
8644		Reported					Reported			Reported			
District 12													
1994		Reported	Reported				Reported			Reported		Reported	
9600					Reported								

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District 13													
1827	Reported			Reported		Reported		Reported	Reported				
8169					Reported								
8947					Reported				Reported				Reported
10574					Reported								

The above numbers are reports received by the Department Chairmans as of the 10th of the month

If your Auxiliary has reported and it is not shown, please call the chairman

VFW Auxiliary, Virginia 2023 -2024 Department Chairman

Program	Name	Address	City	State	Zip	Phone	Email
Americanism	Karla Coker	13212 Trails End Ct	Manassas	VA	20112-5504	(571) 221-7350	kjcoker1503@gmail.com
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Buddy Poppy - National Home	Kathy Voss	804 Blue Thorn Dr	Apex	NC	27539-9106	(919) 264-7839	klvjwv83@gmail.com
Extension & Revitalization	Georgette Bannon	4036 Georgia Rd	Chesapeake	VA	23321-5312	(757) 715-0202	georgettebannon@gmail.com
Historian - Media Relations	Jamie Stewart	5194 Longbow Rd	King George	VA	22485-3168	(757) 897-5521	jamie_stewart91@icloud.com
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Membership	Georgette Bannon	4036 Georgia Rd	Chesapeake	VA	23321-5312	(757) 715-0202	georgettebannon@gmail.com
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Oustanding Auxiliary	Carol Vangi	1024 Hullview Ave	Norfolk	VA	23503-2028	(757) 621- 5519	cjonesvangi@gmail.com
President Special Project "Protect our Defender"	Judy Lupole	1246 Quarter Way	Virginia Beach	VA	23464-8510	(757) 581-2702	luvedale88@verizon.net
President Special Project "Protect our Defender"	Fred Jennings	1246 Quarter Way	Virginia Beach	VA	23464-8510	(757) 477-5086	fredlyj@verizon.net
Scholarships	Kathleen Birch	304 E Main St	Berryville	VA	22611-1306	(540) 955-3311	katbirch@comcast.net
Veterans & Family Support	Cynthia Reyes Cortner	11 Halifax Ct	Sterling	VA	20165-5611	(619) 254-0014	cindypcx2@yahoo.com
Youth Activities	Diane Melson	7832 James Blair Ln	New Kent	VA	23124-2992	(703) 314-3809	dmelsonvfw9808@aol.com

VFW Auxiliary
 Department of Virginia
 as of 10-20-2023

Auxiliary	Membership			VA Medical Centers			Health & Happiness	VFW Vet. & Mil. Programs	Pres Special Project	CDR Special Project	X = Audit Received by Department Treasurer			
	6-30-23 Totals	10/20/23	%	AMOUNT OWED	AMOUNT PAID	OTHER		AMT PAID	AMT PAID	Amt Paid	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
District 1														
176	50	37	74.00%	22.50	22.50				15.00			x		
3219	225	212	94.22%	101.25	101.25		56.81					x	x	
District 1	275	249	90.55%	123.75	123.75	0.00	56.81	0.00	15.00	0.00		x		
District 2									60.00					
392	514	537	104.47%	231.30	232.00		129.00		100.00			x	x	
993	68	52	76.47%	30.60	30.60		17.00		50.00			x		
2582	36	34	94.44%	16.20			9.00		50.00			x		
2894	34	25	73.53%	15.30	25.00		25.00		50.00			x		
3160	302	273	90.40%	135.90	135.90		75.50		127.56			x		
4411	95	75	78.95%	42.75	42.75		23.75					x		
4809	295	297	100.68%	132.75	132.75		73.75		100.00			x		
District 2	1344	1293	96.21%	604.80	599.00	0.00	353.00	0.00	537.56	0.00		x		
District 3														
622	34	26	76.47%	15.30	15.30		8.50		50.00			x		
637	382	283	74.08%	171.90	171.90							x	x	
2239	71	70	98.59%	31.95	31.95		17.75	100.00	50.00			x		
4639	60	28	46.67%	27.00			21.00					x		
6364	170	130	76.47%	76.50	76.50		42.50					x		
7167	52	40	76.92%	23.40	23.40		13.00					x	x	
8046	46	37	80.43%	20.70	20.70		20.70					x		
8529	72	51	70.83%	32.40	21.15		11.75					x	x	
9501	56	30	53.57%	25.20	25.20		14.00		25.00			x		
9808	194	157	80.93%	87.30	87.30				100.00			x		
10387	38	12	31.58%	17.10			9.50					x		
10654	33	27	81.82%	14.85	14.85	50.00	8.25					x		
10657	31	18	58.06%	13.95	13.95		7.75		125.00			x		
District 3	1239	909	73.37%	557.55	502.20	50.00	174.70	100.00	350.00	0.00		x		

Auxiliary	Membership			VA Medical Centers			Health & Happiness	VFW Vet & Mil. Programs	Pres Special Project	CDR Special Project	X = Audit Received by Department Treasurer ** RECEIVED BUT RETURNED			
	6-30-23 Totals	10/20/23	%	AMOUNT OWED	AMOUNT PAID	OTHER		AMT PAID	AMT PAID	Amt Paid	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
District 4														
7059	67	51	76.12%	30.15			16.75		200.00			x		
7166	37	36	97.30%	16.65	16.65		9.25				**			
8163	52	41	78.85%	23.40	23.40		13.00		50.00			x	x	
8759	39	19	48.72%	17.55								x	x	
9855	31	26	83.87%	13.95	13.95							x		
9954	121	109	90.08%	54.45	54.45				25.00			x		
District 4	347	282	81.27%	156.15	108.45	0.00	39.00	0.00	275.00	0.00				
District 5														
647	73	51	69.86%	32.85	32.85		18.25	200.00	25.00			x		
7854	24	14	58.33%	10.80	10.80		6.00		25.00			x		
8243	29	25	86.21%	13.05	13.05		7.25	25.00	25.00			x		
District 5	126	90	71.43%	56.70	56.70	0.00	31.50	225.00	75.00	0.00		x		
District 6														
776	19	6	31.58%	8.55	10.00		10.00					x		
1033	50	27	54.00%	22.50	22.50		12.50		50.00			x		
1264	79	76	96.20%	35.55			19.75					x		
1841	23	23	100.00%	10.35	5.75		5.75		100.00			x		
District 6	171	132	77.19%	76.95	38.25	0.00	48.00	0.00	150.00	0.00		x		
District 7														
621	104	58	55.77%	46.80	46.80		26.00					x	x	
2447	488	328	67.21%	219.60			123.25					x		
8613	102	58	56.86%	45.90	46.35		25.75					x		
9292	13	2	15.38%	5.85			3.50					x		
9660	39	24	61.54%	17.55	17.55		10.00					x	x	
9760	393	311	79.13%	176.85	176.85		98.25		25.00			x		
District 7	1139	781	68.57%	512.55	287.55	0.00	286.75	0.00	25.00	0.00		x		

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	6-30-23 Totals	10/20/23	%	AMOUNT OWED	AMOUNT PAID	OTHER		AMT PAID	AMT PAID	AMT PAID	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
District 8														
3103	175	159	90.86%	78.75	78.75		43.75					x		
7589	102	98	96.08%	45.90	45.90		25.50	300.00	50.00			x		
12202	46	37	80.43%	20.70								x		
District 8	323	294	91.02%	145.35	124.65	0.00	69.25	300.00	50.00	0.00		x		
District 9														
1115	206	192	93.20%	92.70	92.70		20.60					x	x	
1184	31	21	67.74%	13.95								x	x	
4667	119	110	92.44%	53.55	53.55		29.75					x	x	
6000	45	24	53.33%	20.25								x		
7136	21	14	66.67%	9.45										
7726	100	89	89.00%	45.00	45.00		25.00					x		
7969	32	18	56.25%	14.40	14.40		10.00					x		
9696	62	52	83.87%	27.90								x		
District 9	616	520	84.42%	277.20	205.65	0.00	85.35	0.00	0.00	0.00		x		
District 10									15.00					
609	43	42	97.67%	19.35	19.35		10.75					x		
1177	43	34	79.07%	19.35	19.35		10.75		25.00			x	x	
1503	1047	1005	95.99%	471.15	471.15		261.75	500.00				x		
3150	168	165	98.21%	75.60	75.60		42.00					x	x	
7327	149	142	95.30%	67.05								x	x	
7916	225	207	92.00%	101.25								x		
8469	42	41	97.62%	18.90								x	x	
9274	30	20	66.67%	13.50								x		
District 10	1747	1656	94.79%	786.15	585.45	0.00	325.25	500.00	40.00	0.00		x		
District 11														
632	181	127	70.17%	81.45								x		
3136	15	13	86.67%	6.75	6.75		3.75		10.00			x	x	
4204	23	6	26.09%	10.35								x	x	
7814	26	21	80.77%	11.70								x		
8644	60	60	100.00%	27.00	27.00		15.00					x	x	
District 11	305	227	74.43%	137.25	33.75	0.00	18.75	0.00	10.00	0.00		x		

Auxiliary	6-30-23			10/20/23			VA Medical Centers			HEALTH & HAPPINESS	VFW Veterans & Military Support Program	Pres Special Project	CDR Special Project	X = Audit Received by Department Treasurer				
	Totals	Totals	%	AMOUNT OWED	AMOUNT PAID	OTHER	AMOUNT PAID	AMT PAID	AMT PAID					AMT PAID	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
District 12																		
1994	40	40	100.00%	18.00	18.00		10.00	25.00						x		x		
9600	47	18	38.30%	21.15										x				
District 12	87	58	66.67%	39.15	18.00	0.00	10.00	25.00	0.00	0.00				x				
District 13																		
1827	202	147	72.77%	90.90	90.90		50.50								x		x	
8169	35	28	80.00%	15.75	15.30		8.25		100.00						x		x	
8947	82	73	89.02%	36.90											x			
10574	167	121	72.46%	75.15											x			
District 13	486	369	75.93%	218.70	106.20	0.00	58.75	0.00	100.00	0.00					x			
Members at Large	730	656	89.86%															
	Membership			Va Medical Centers			Health & Happiness	VFW Vet. & Mil. Programs	Pres Special Project	CDR Special Project								
	6-30-23 Totals	10/20/23 Total	%	AMOUNT OWED	AMOUNT PAID	OTHER	AMOUNT PAID	AMT PAID	AMT PAID	AMT PAID								
Total - VIRGINIA	8935	7516	84.12%	3692.25	2789.60	50.00	1557.11	1150.00	1627.56	0.00								
District Percentages								Percentage Order										
	District	6-30-23 Totals	10/20/23 Totals	%			District	6-30-23 Totals	10/20/23 Totals	%								
	1	275	249	90.55%			2	1344	1293	96.21%								
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	3	1239	909	73.37%			8	323	294	91.02%								
	4	347	282	81.27%			1	275	249	90.55%								
	5	126	90	71.43%			9	616	520	84.42%								
	6	171	132	77.19%			4	347	282	81.27%								
	7	1139	781	68.57%			6	171	132	77.19%								
	8	323	294	91.02%			13	486	369	75.93%								
	9	616	520	84.42%			11	305	227	74.43%								
	10	1747	1656	94.79%			3	1239	909	73.37%								
	11	305	227	74.43%			5	126	90	71.43%								
	12	87	58	66.67%			7	1139	781	68.57%								
	13	486	369	75.93%			12	87	58	66.67%								
Members At Large		730	656	89.86%														
Department' s Total		8,935	7,516	84.12%														



**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, VIRGINIA
AND
AUXILIARY**



Winter Council of Administration Meeting January 11– 14, 2024
Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center
6945 Pocahontas Trail
Williamsburg, Virginia 23185 (757) 220-2250

**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE. SUBJECT TO CHANGE.
THE AGENDA FOR THE AUXILIARY COUNCIL/CONFERENCE SHALL BE AT
THE DISCRETION OF THE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2024

1:00 PM	6:00 PM	Virginia Veterans Foundation Board Meeting	TBD
FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2024			
11:00 AM	5:00 PM	VFW Headquarters Table Open	Williamsburg Room
12:30 PM	2:30 PM	Microsoft 365 Training (open to all members)	Amphitheater
12:30 PM	2:30 PM	VFW History, Core Values & Traditions	Peterburg
1:00 PM	5:00 PM	VFW Auxiliary Audit (Treasurer and Audit Team)	Richmond
3 PM	5:00 PM	Microsoft 365 Training (Repeats)(open to all members)	Amphitheater
12:30 PM	2:30 PM	VFW History, Core Values & Traditions (Repeats)	Peterburg
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Vendor Appreciation Event	Williamsburg Room
7:00 PM	9:00 PM	VFW Auxiliary Council Meeting	Richmond

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2023

7:30 AM	8:30 AM	Past Department President Breakfast	
8:00 AM	2:30 PM	VFW Headquarters Table Open	Williamsburg Room
8:00 AM	2:30 PM	Service Officer Training	Amphitheater
8:30 AM	9:00 AM	Commanders Club Meeting	Peterburg
9:30 AM	12:00 PM	VFW Council of Administration Meeting	Peterburg
9:00 AM	12:30 PM	VFW Auxiliary Business /Program Presentation (No Floor work)	Richmond
12:00 PM	1:00 PM	VFW Riders Meeting	Petersburg A
1:30 PM	3:00 PM	MOCA Meeting	Petersburg A
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Membership & Recruiting Workshop	Petersburg B & C
3:00 PM	4:00 PM	MOC Meeting	Petersburg B & C
3:00 PM	4:00 PM	Women Veterans Forum	Amphitheater
6:00 PM	8:00 PM	VOD & PP BANQUET	Richmond

SUNDAY JANUARY 14, 2024

9:00 AM	9:30 AM	Joint Devotional Service	Amphitheater
TEACHER OF THE YEAR, VOICE OF DEMOCRACY, AND PATRIOT'S PEN BANQUET TICKETS: \$55.00			
Department Hospitality Room			Williamsburg Room



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Department Hospitality Room – Williamsburg Room

(Tentative schedule subject to change)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE JANUARY 4TH

WINTER COUNCIL MEETING

January 11 – 14, 2024

Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center ~ Williamsburg, Virginia ~ 757-220-2250 ~ \$89.00 Per night

(Hotel Group Rate Deadline is December 11th)

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR BANQUET TICKET
\$55.00

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PRE-PURCHASED. THERE WILL BE NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE WINTER COUNCIL MEETING.

Dinner Menu

Herb Crusted Chicken

AND

Sliced Herb Crusted Roast Beef

Served with:

House Salad

Southern Style Green Beans Oven Roasted Potatoes

Warm Rolls and Butter

Chocolate Cake

Coffee Iced Tea

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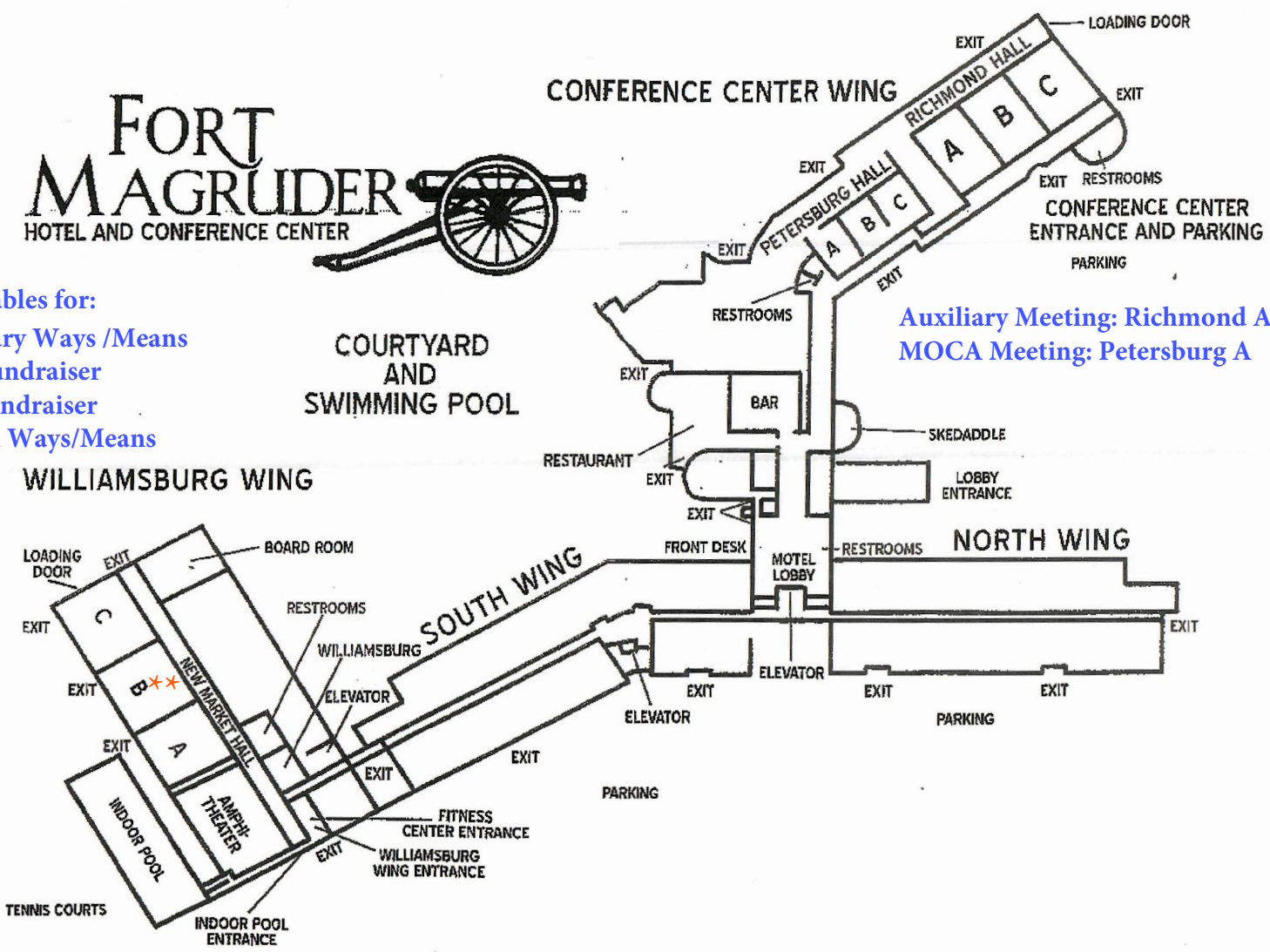
President's Theme: "Service Mentorship and Patriotism"

National President's Theme: "Banding Together for Our Veterans"



★★ Tables for:
 Auxiliary Ways /Means
 SVP Fundraiser
 JVP Fundraiser
 MOCA Ways/Means

COURTYARD
 AND
 SWIMMING POOL



Auxiliary Meeting: Richmond A,B,C
 MOCA Meeting: Petersburg A