



VFW Auxiliary
Department of Virginia
Communication #7
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*Happy
St. Patrick's
Day*

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

Brothers and Sisters,

Happy St. Patrick's Day!! Remember if you had any events send the reports to the chairmen and don't forget to send any pictures to our Dept Historian, Jamie Stewart.

Our membership and program year will be ending soon, and I could not be prouder of the Auxiliary members in the Department of Virginia. Don't stop now keep getting those members voted on and sent to the appropriate person for MALTA entry.

AUXILIARY TREASURERS: This is a reminder to all Treasurers that starting with the 2025 ANNUAL DUES year that will start being collected on July 1, 2024, **the National dues portion is raising from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per member.** The **Department Dues Portion is raising from \$5.50 to \$6.00 per Member.** Please make ensure that your organizations dues amount is adjusted accordingly in MALTA for this increase.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES: Please make sure that you are sending Attendance at District Meetings to the Outstanding Auxiliary Chairman Carol Vangi.



April is the month to elect officers and delegates for your District, Department and National Conventions. Included in this month's communications are helpful tips for selecting delegates. Department Secretary Ellen Stogsdill will be sending delegate forms to the Auxiliary Secretaries. **If you have any questions regarding delegates, please reach out to Ellen for help.**

I encourage Auxiliary President to review the program tracking report to ensure your Auxiliary has been given credit for your reports. If you find an error, please reach out to the Department Program Chairman. We are only human and sometimes we miss something.

Thank you all for everything you do for our Veterans, their families, and your community.

ATTEST:

Ellen Stogsdill
Department Secretary
VFW Auxiliary, Virginia

BY ORDER OF:

Vicki Butler
Department President
VFW Auxiliary, Virginia





All DECEASED MEMBERS MUST be entered into Malta by MAY 15 to be included in the Memorial Program. If you need help entering the information, please contact Ellen Stogsdill, at ellenstogsdill@cox.net or Cathy Graham, at cg12dc12@outlook.com so that all our departed members may be acknowledged.

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. **All alerts Must be in writing.**

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!**

At this time, I would like to give a Big Shoutout to Ellen Stogsdill for all her help and continued guidance. THANK YOU, you are our Angel!

I would like to say **Thank You All** for the Prayer's, Calls and Cards. I am doing better each day.

While I am not an Official Clergy Person – I am a friend and available, should you need me. With winter upon us Please remember to check in on those who are ill or struggling.

Happy Easter 🙏

May the renewal of life at Easter bring new Blessings of love, hope, Good Health, Happiness & Kindness to you & your loved ones.

Respectfully
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COMPLY WITH. BYLAWS/ADMINISTRATIVE FOLLOW-THROUGH

SEC. 806—INSTALLATION:

Sec. 806A—Auxiliary Installation: Auxiliary Officers shall be installed in their respective offices not more than **sixty (60) calendar days prior to the convening of the Department Convention on June 13, 2024.**

Sec. 806C—District Installation: The District Officers shall be installed before adjournment of the meeting at which elected.

- **Installation form must be entered into Malta by District/Auxiliary Secretary or sent to the Department Secretary to enter into Malta by the Auxiliary/District Secretary within 7 days after the election or installation of Officers.**
- **All Auxiliary and District installation reports MUST be received at National Headquarters and the Department Secretary by June 30, 2024.**
- **If you cannot elect officers, contact President Butler immediately after your meeting.**

ARTICLE III AUXILIARY DELEGATES:

Sec. 303—District Meetings and Convention: Delegates and Alternates to Districts shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Auxiliary held not less than thirty (30) calendar days **prior** to the District Convention at which District Officers are to be elected. • One (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate for each fifteen (15) members or fraction thereof in good standing in the Auxiliary at the time of the election of Delegates. **Delegates form must be to District Secretary before start of District Convention.**

Sec. 304—Department Meetings and Convention: Delegates and Alternates to the Departments shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Auxiliary held **not less than** thirty (30) calendar days prior to the Department Convention on **June 13, 2024:** • One (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate for each thirty (30) members or fraction thereof in good standing in the Auxiliary at the time of the election of Delegates. **Delegates form must be to Department Secretary by 5-26-2024.**

Sec 305 National Delegates: “Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention shall be elected at the last regular meeting in April; one for each fifty (50) members or fraction thereof in good standing **on March 31.** The VFW **Auxiliary Secretary** shall provide the names of the Delegates and Alternates to the National Secretary, along with their membership ID number, within thirty (30) calendar days of the day of election” and **no later than 5-31-2024.** Fillable applications are available on our website: <https://vfwauxva.org> then under News, then Events or by emailing ellenstogsdill@cox.net 757-777-7194. There is also a form in this communication.

Sec. 810—President, Duties of (All Levels); (Paragraph D): The President of the Auxiliary to a Department, District or Post shall, within thirty (30) days after installation into office, submit to the Commander of the respective Department, District or Post the last quarterly audit, membership status report, and such additional reports as may be required by the liaison committee. (National President see Section 810E). 1. Such reports will be acknowledged by each respective Commander during the next regular meeting of the Post over which they preside and may be read to the members assembled.

Sec 814 Duties of Trustees: All Auxiliaries and Districts MUST be bonded by **August 31, 2024, by the Auxiliary and District Treasurer.**

Sec. 506 District Dues: District dues must be paid to the District Treasurers by **September 30, 2024.**



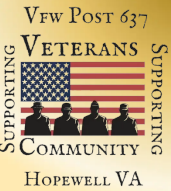
Department, District and Auxiliary Officers (Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers) dues MUST be paid by **December 31, 2024,** or submit an email or letter to relieve any non-paid Officers to National Headquarters by January 5, 2025.

All Members, please take time today to sign into MALTA and confirm that your information is correct in MALTA. National and Department uses your profile information in Malta to send you information.

NATIONAL AUXILIARY PRESIDENT Visits Virginia

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



<p>MAR 17 SUNDAY 5:00PM</p>	<p>St. Patricks Dinner VFW POST 9808 \$12.00 A PERSON RSVP BY MARCH 12TH TO 9808 7168 FLAG LANE MECHANICSVILLE, VIRGINIA 23111</p>	
<p>MAR 18 MONDAY 10:00 AM</p>	<p>Building 507 Homeless Veterans Supplies Dropoff VA RICHMOND MEDICAL CENTER 1201 BROAD ROCK BLVD. RICHMOND, VA 23249</p>	
<p>MAR 18 MONDAY 11:30AM</p>	<p>Lunch VFW POST 6364 6502 DICKENS PLACE, RICHMOND, VIRGINIA 23230</p>	
<p>MAR 18 MONDAY 2:00PM</p>	<p>Honoring Her Valor: A Tribute to Fallen Female Servicemembers VIRGINIA WAR MEMORIAL 621 S. BELVIDERE ST. RICHMOND, VA 23220 AUXILIARY DRESS- OFFICAL LOOK</p>	
<p>MAR 18 MONDAY 6:00PM</p>	<p>Dinner & Games VFW POST 637 RSVP BY MARCH 12TH TO 637 1400 LYNCHBURG ST. HOPEWELL, VA 23860</p>	

Lodging Near By:

Holiday Inn Express Richmond-Mechanicsville, an IHG Hotel
7441 Bell Creek Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23111
(804) 559-0022

In lieu of gifts please donate to her special project via MALTA. Cards welcome!



—Plaster Photo.
Ensign Elizabeth I. Seay
Wave Dies in Plane Crash

Coast Guard: "Born Ready"

HONORING THEIR VALOR

A TRIBUTE TO FALLEN FEMALE WAR HEROES

Honoring the 12 brave women from Virginia who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Please join us on March 18 at 2:00pm in the Shrine at the Virginia War Memorial.



AMERICANISM

What defines a nation? Our National Americanism Ambassador Linda Roloff shares that what typically defines a nation is:

- Borders
- Language
- Culture



When we look on a map or a globe, we can see where somebody has defined the edges of our physical territory as a nation. This “cartography” strictly speaking, can help us to visualize what the United States of America *looks like*...

but **AMERICA** is a feeling! It is the exceptional freedom we enjoy; it is the liberty to pursue whatever it is we lawfully choose to pursue, and it is a common language of pride and love i.e. **BROTHERHOOD** that we share, that truly defines us as a nation. In this election year, it is our duty to remind those around us of the part to play in keeping America strong and on the right track. It is not about telling them how or what to vote but reminding them that they have a right **to** vote and to do so in an educated and conscious manner that honors their understanding of the best America can be!



Prisoner of War / Missing in Action:

By now we are really getting into the swing of using full words rather than acronyms to convey the full measure of weight those words carry. As we conduct our rituals and prepare for Memorial Day in a few months, see how you might add places to SAY “Killed in Action” in your remembrances.

Memorial Day is also a good time to reflect on our loved ones still “Missing in Action.” Also, make sure your Post is flying the “POW/MIA” flag just under Old Glory a.k.a. our National Flag, and that the Star-Spangled Banner above your Post is looking her best!

Patriotic Holidays:

By celebrating together, we help to unite one another and fortify our culture. We do this in the observance of holidays we as a military-centered service organization find the most important to keep our mission front and center:

March 13, 2024 – K-9 Veterans Day – The date is the official birthday of the United States K-9 Corps and a day to honor their service.

March 25, 2024 – Medal of Honor Day – A holiday to honor the heroism and sacrifice of Medal of Honor recipients for the United States.

March 29, 2024– National Vietnam War Veterans Day – A national holiday to recognize and honor veterans who served in the military during the Vietnam War.

April 5, 2024 – Gold Star Spouses Day – A Day dedicated to those whose spouses gave their lives while serving in the U.S. military or because of service-connected injuries or illness.

Loyally,

Karla Coker, Americanism Chairman, Dept. of Virginia
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Americanism

Auxiliary Award No. 1

Entry Form • 2023-2024 Program Year

- Most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community that our VFW Auxiliary acronyms are “more than letters.”
 - Citation** to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event that educates their community that our VFW Auxiliary acronyms are “more than letters.” Citations will be mailed directly to participating Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters.
 - Citation and \$25** to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences that hosts the most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community that our VFW Auxiliary acronyms are “more than letters.” Winners will be announced at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after National Convention.

**Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to their Department
Americanism Chairman by March 31, 2024**

Auxiliary Name: _____ No.: _____

Department of: _____

Describe the activity and/or event that educated their community that our VFW Auxiliary acronyms are “more than letters.” (E.g., flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, e-newsletters, handouts, photos, links to videos, etc.)

Department Americanism Chairman: _____ Date: _____
(signature)

April 30, 2024 - The Department Americanism Chairman is to sign and send the completed Department winning entry form to National Americanism Ambassador Linda Roloff for judging.

AND

April 30, 2024 - The Department Americanism Chairman must **email** VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined **list** of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form.

Forms sent directly to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters will not be processed.



We have 29 Auxiliaries reported in Auxiliary Outreach. If anyone has questions about Outreach don't hesitate to email me at the address below.

Q: Why is it so hard for a leopard to hide?



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.

There will be two awards for Auxiliary Outreach.

\$100 for the Auxiliary with the most impactful Outreach project.

\$50 for the most Outreach Reports submitted.

Auxiliary Outreach Projects that qualify.

Work with local parks and recreation departments to plant trees, clear trails and beautify parks.

Serve food at soup kitchens or distribute food at food banks/cupboards.

Drive for Meals on Wheels or help prepare food for delivery.

Projects that DO NOT qualify as Auxiliary Outreach.

Hosting a dinner and donating the proceeds to a community organization.

Collecting clothing and/or health and comfort items for a VA Hospital or homeless shelter.

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: Because it's always spotted.

I hope your Auxiliary has a very successful year.



Robert DeChamplain. 2023-2024 Auxiliary Outreach Chairman

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“Buddy”[®] Poppy/National Home Program-March 2024

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



Thank you so much for embracing the “Hearts4theHome” Program this year! So far, we have raised well over \$3000.00 for the National Home because of your efforts, and I expect that number to go way up! Many of you signed out “Hearts” at the mid-winter and I just know you are busy spreading the word! What a wonderful, hardworking bunch you are! I am so proud of all the work you are doing to support our veterans and their families. Keep it up!

Don’t forget our challenge with the Department of West Virginia! The “Battle of the Virginia’s is ON, and we are neck in neck! I would like to ask each auxiliary to recruit at least two National Home Life Members between now and May 1. We will be holding a drawing for all those who do at the convention for fun prizes!

Awards will be given in multiple Buddy Poppy categories, as well as, for those auxiliaries and individuals who excel in uniquely promoting our VFW National Home and the “Hearts4theHome” Initiative! Remember that extra consideration is given for combining this program with another. You have shown your creativity all year so let’s cross the finish line in style! I look forward to seeing the outstanding ideas you will come up with in the next few months.

In Service to veterans, everywhere!

Kathy Voss

919-264-7839

Extension and Revitalization

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

It is Almost April – Time for Auxiliary Elections!

Five Essential Requirements to Maintain Status as a VFW Auxiliary:

1. Elect and install officers for the current year in accordance with Sec. 806A.
2. Hold at least ten (10) business meetings per year and a quorum (five) members in good standing) shall be present. (See Section 210 and 212)
3. Bond the offices of President and Treasurer not later than August 31 of the current year. (See Section 814)
4. Quarterly audits shall be completed in compliance with Section 814.
5. Dues shall be transmitted on at least ten members by February 1 of the current year. (See Section 207)



April is an especially important month for all Auxiliaries. Be familiar on voting procedures; see the Booklet of Instructions – Election of Officers or the Ritual.



1. Auxiliary Officers shall be elected by written ballot, if more than one candidate.

This is the time of year to inform new members on how an auxiliary works. Hopefully, you will get your VFW Post members involved as well. We can work wonders by working together!

Remember – A member shall not be in good standing until their dues have been paid by June 30 to remain a continuous member.

- Prior year's dues may not be paid after July 1.
- Any member who has not maintained continuous membership shall submit an application and be accepted in the same manner as a new member.
- Continuous membership begins again upon payment of dues.

Also, remember that when you institute an Auxiliary, **it does not stop there!** You or someone that you designate should follow up with those Auxiliary members and ask if they have any questions. Mentoring is not an overnight project; it is something that you stick with and nurture, and watch those Auxiliaries and members grow.

Every month at your meetings, read a few sections of the Bylaws to familiarize the new members and some of your longtime members. Go over the areas of:

- How to Drape the Charter
- Bringing a guest into the Auxiliary room
- How to proceed in opening and closing the Bible
- Different floor plans

Make it fun for all members attending; have a member not holding an office role play in the Chaplain duties. Maybe that will be their niche and show them how easy it is to take an office. That **is** mentoring – keeping your members interested and involved.



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HISTORIAN & MEDIA RELATIONS

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100%

Congratulations to District 1, District 2, District 7, and District 8 for being 100% reported! As a department we are almost to 70% reported!

Legacy (Long-Time) Member Videos

We are still accepting Legacy Member Videos until April 28, 2024! Please help us spotlight those members who have been with us for many years as well as help us learn from them! You can ask members from your district or even the department if you don't have someone in your Auxiliary. The forms are available in MALTA Member Resources, or you can call or email with any questions.



A Reminder from our National Historian on a Good Video

Composition, lighting, setting and focus. Create a compelling video by offering a short introduction. Check your lighting for unfavorable shadows. Be careful where you are pointing at your camera lens and from what angle. A good video will also require good audio. Use both hands, especially when using your phone. This will steady the camera lens and avoid wavy quality.

*Greet and introduce the members with some details about them.

*Ask how they joined and why they joined.

*Perhaps let them show pictures of themselves and/or their veteran. Let them tell of some of their favorite memories. Bring those memories to life.

*Keep in mind old photography no-no's while doing your interview. Watch for distractions or other people in the video. Keep a watchful eye!

Lastly, please remember that an Auxiliary/District or Department Facebook Page is considered property of the respective Auxiliary.

You have taken on the task of spotlighting our pride and the work our organization for generations. You have found the inspiration. Continue reclaiming your stories of your Auxiliary history and Auxiliary heritage.



Auxiliary Snapshot

12202 King George recognized Mr. Morris who turned 100 years old on Feb 12th. Mr. Morris is in the King George VFW and served in the Navy during WWII



March 2024

- Hello Brothers and Sisters! We will soon be **MARCHING** into warm weather and Spring is just around the corner. March 4 is National Hug a G.I. Day.



The focus this month is: HOSPITAL PROGRAM AWARDS:

- Awards for Auxiliaries
- 1. Most outstanding activity and/or event that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays.
 - Citation to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays. Entry form required and available in MALTA Member Resources. Auxiliaries must send the entry form to their Department Hospital Chairman by March 31, 2024, for judging. The Department Hospital Chairman must email National Headquarters by April 30, 2024, at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined list of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form. Citations will be mailed directly to participating Auxiliaries from National Headquarters.
 - Citation and \$25 to one Auxiliary in each of the four Conferences that hosts the most outstanding activity and/or event recognizing veterans on non-traditional holidays. The Department Hospital Chairman must sign and send a copy of the completed Department-winning entry form to the National Hospital Ambassador by April 30, 2024, for judging. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after National Convention.
- Awards for Departments and Department Chairmen 1. \$25 VFW Store gift certificate to one Department Hospital Chairman in each of the 10 Program Divisions for the best promotion that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays at any Hospital (VA and non-VA facilities). Winners will be announced, and awards presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.
- 2. Outstanding Performance Award 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 33. Winners will be announced, and awards presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

Hospital Program Awards to be given at June Convention in Williamsburg

- Outstanding Hospital Program
- Most reports by an Auxiliary
- Valentine for Veterans Participation
- Most volunteer hours by an Auxiliary



A huge **“Thank You”** for all your hard work this year!!! If you need assistance, please contact me.

Dinah Viner Devins Doyle
Hospital Chairman
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Hospital Award for Auxiliaries No. 1

Entry Form • 2023-2024 Program Year

1. Most outstanding activity and/or event that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays.

- **Citation** to every to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays. Citations will be mailed directly to the participating Auxiliaries from National Headquarters.
- **Citation and \$25** to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences with the most outstanding activity and/or event recognizing veterans on non-traditional holidays. Winners will be announced at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after VFW Auxiliary National Convention.

Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to their Department Hospital Chairman by March 31, 2024.

Auxiliary Name: _____ No.: _____

Department of: _____

Describe the outstanding activity and/or event recognizing veterans on non-traditional holidays. Please attach any additional information. (E.g., flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, e-newsletters, handouts, photos, links to videos, etc.)

Department Hospital Chairman: _____ Date: _____
(signature)

April 30, 2024 - The Department Hospital Chairman is to sign and send the completed Department-winning entry form to National Hospital Ambassador Della Steege for judging.

AND

April 30, 2024 - The Department Hospital Chairman is to **email** National Headquarters at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined **list** of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form.

Forms sent directly to National Headquarters will not be processed.



VFW Auxiliary National
VFW Auxiliary, Virginia
Hospital Volunteer Recruiter
Award No. 1 & No. 2
2023-2024

Hospital Award No. 1 & No. 2 for VFW Auxiliary Members

No. 1 "**Hospital Volunteer Recruiter**" Citation to one VFW Auxiliary member in each of the ten (10) Program Divisions who recruits the most Hospital volunteers (VA and non-VA facilities) from July 1, 2023 to March 31 2024. Winners will be announced and citations presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

No. 2 "**Hospital Volunteer Recruiter of the Year**" Plaque awarded to one VFW Auxiliary member in the nation who recruits the most Hospital volunteers (VA and non-VA facilities) from July 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 Winner will be announced and plaque presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Membership No.: _____

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Auxiliary No.: _____ Department of: _____

Total number of volunteers recruited: _____ **Program Division Number:** _____

In case of a tie, please consider the below information.

How long has the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter been a hospital volunteer? _____

Total lifetime hours served as a hospital volunteer: _____

Number of hours served from July 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024. _____

VA and non-VA facilities where the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter volunteers. _____

What are the volunteer assignments? _____

What other Hospital programs has the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter participated in? _____

Auxiliary Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

Auxiliary Hospital Chairman will forward the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter form with the most total volunteers recruited to the Department Hospital Chairman by Friday April 5, 2024.

Department Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

The Department Hospital Chairman will forward the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter form with the most total volunteers recruited to the National Hospital Ambassador Della Steege by Tuesday April 30, 2024.

The National Hospital Ambassador Della Steege will select the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter with the most total volunteers recruited in each of the **ten (10) Program Divisions** to be recognized and **one** Hospital Volunteer Recruiter **in the nation** with the most volunteers recruited.



VFW Auxiliary National Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year nomination form 2023-2024

Hospital Award No. 3 for VFW Auxiliary Members

No. 3 "Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year" Citation to the Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year in each of the ten (10) Program Divisions. Winners will be announced and citations presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

Eligibility:

- Volunteer may be any VFW Auxiliary member who serves as a VFW Auxiliary Hospital Volunteer in any medical facility in your Department (VAMC, military, community, children's hospital, nursing home, therapy center or clinic).
- Volunteer must serve from July 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024.
- Volunteer hours at VA and non-VA facilities may be combined for award purposes.
- VAVS Representatives and Deputies are also eligible to be considered as Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year.

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Membership No.: _____

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's VFW Auxiliary No.: _____ Department of: _____

Total number of volunteers recruited: _____ Program Division Number: _____

How long has the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter been a hospital volunteer? _____

Total lifetime hours served as a hospital volunteer: _____

Number of hours served from July 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024. _____

VA and non-VA facilities where the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter volunteers. _____

What are the volunteer assignments? _____

What other Hospital programs has the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter participated in? _____

Auxiliary Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

Please attach a separate sheet with detailed information on why this VFW Auxiliary Member is an Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year.

Auxiliary Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

Forward nomination forms to your Department Hospital Chairman by March 31, 2024.

Department Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

The Department Hospital Chairman will select ONE Outstanding Hospital Volunteer and forward it to the National Hospital Ambassador Mary Spindler by April 30, 2023.

The National Hospital Ambassador Della Steege will select **ONE** Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year for each of the ten (10) Program Divisions to be recognized.



LEGISLATIVE

March

I want to wish all of you and your families a happy



Our National President Carla Martinez's theme for 2023-2024 is:
BANDING TOGETHER FOR OUR VETERANS
 The best way to band together is to support legislation in support of our VETERANS!

Remember if you are submitting an entry for a **National Legislative award for Auxiliaries No. 1**, please be sure to **have the entry to me before March 31, 2023**. If you need this form, please contact me. One entry has been received – send in your Auxiliary's award entry! We need some competition!

Department awards:

- (1) Auxiliaries that have the most members respond to Action Corps Alerts. You must forward me the response.
- (2) Auxiliary that has the most VFW Action Corps weekly sign ups. You must send me a signup sheet.

A bill becoming a law (www.house.gov) – final steps:

Senate Action

After a measure passes in the House, it goes to the Senate for consideration. A bill must pass both bodies in the same form before it can be presented to the President for signature into law.

Resolving Differences

If the Senate changes the language of the measure, it must return to the House for concurrence or additional changes. This back-and-forth negotiation may occur on the House floor, with the House accepting or rejecting Senate amendments or complete Senate text. Often a conference committee will be appointed with both House and Senate members. This group will resolve the differences in committee and report the identical measure back to both bodies for a vote. Conference committees also issue reports outlining the final version of the bill.

Consideration by the President

After a measure has been passed in identical form by both the House and Senate, it is considered “enrolled.” It is sent to the President who may sign the measure into law, veto it and return it to Congress, let it become law without signature, or at the end of a session, pocket-veto it.

A simple way to help veterans and their families is be informed by signing up for VFW Action Corps weekly. **You can use the following to sign up:** QR Code (reach out to me for this information), Text “VFW” to 50457, Visit vfw.org/Join Action Corps weekly.

Remember report your legislative efforts to me.

I want to thank all the auxiliaries that have reported, keep the wonderful reports coming. I want to leave you with an Irish blessing:

“ May peace and plenty bless your world with a joy that long endures and may all life's passing seasons bring the best to you and yours.”



Loyally, Beverly Abbott

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



Legislative Award for Auxiliaries No. 1

Entry Form • 2023-2024 Program Year

- Most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community on veteran Legislative issues.
 - Citation** to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event that educates their community on veteran Legislative issues. Citations will be mailed directly to the participating Auxiliaries from National Headquarters.
 - Citation and \$25** to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences with the most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community on Legislative issues. Winners will be announced at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after VFW Auxiliary National Convention.

Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to their Department Legislative Chairman by March 31, 2024.

Auxiliary Name: _____ No.: _____

Department of: _____

Describe the Auxiliary hosted activity and/or event that educated their community on veteran Legislative issues. Please attach any additional information. (E.g., flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, e-newsletters, handouts, photos, links to videos, etc.)

Department Legislative Chairman: _____ Date: _____
(signature)

April 30, 2024 - The Department Legislative Chairman must sign and send the completed Department-winning Auxiliary entry form to National Legislative Ambassador Sherry Howland for judging.

AND

April 30, 2024 - The Department Legislative Chairman must email VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined list of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form.

Forms sent directly to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters will not be processed.

MEMBERSHIP

Lights, Camera, Action!

We are halfway through our Membership year and already many Auxiliaries are so close to being at the “final wrap” of reaching 100%.

Huge kudos to all the Auxiliaries in Virginia for achieving **100% plus in Paid Membership**, followed by the Auxiliaries that Just needs 1 more member.

Each Auxiliary in our Department has shown how to get those new rising stars signed up with a lucrative contract. They have shown how to make all new members very welcome.

Even if you have achieved 100%, you must move on to your sequel. There are many newer cast and crew members who need to help make your movie sequel extraordinary. Always make sure you guide your new cast members around your sound lot. Do they know about what to expect at an audition (meetings)? We older and wiser members have been to many auditions (meetings) and understand and know what to expect.

Please remember to take those newbies under your wing and help them feel part of the movie. Encourage participation with your newbies, but please, do not put them on the spot and make them feel uncomfortable. Always make it a fun and meaningful experience for them. Remind them that we are here for our veterans, service members, their families, and your community.

I also want to thank you all in advance for all the fun and informative Promotions I have received. It shows how much each of you cares about our organization and wants to continue to see it prosper.

Keep up the great work on achieving the goals set for your department. I foresee all at 100% by February 29, 2024. Let us make this a Leap Year to remember with 110% Membership across Virginia.

Greetings Movie Buffs!

Georgette Bannon
4036 Georgia Rd
Chesapeake, VA 23321-5312
(757) 715-



MENTORING FOR LEADERSHIP

Hello Department of Virginia!!

Can you believe that more half of our reporting year is over! This year has flown by.

Every Auxiliary should have some sort of mentor program. Mentoring broadens leadership skills. A mentor with added skills provides a more rounded guidance for mentoring members. Mentors are more than just friends and they are more than just instructors. A mentor is both to the mentee.



Auxiliaries, I need your help! Would you like to see your mentor win an award at Department Convention and maybe National Convention? Why not fill out a nomination form for that special mentor in your Auxiliary. While you are at it fill out a form for all those mentoring programs you have held during a meeting.

AWARDS

National Mentoring for Leadership Award for Members

Citation awarded to the first, second and third place member in each Department who is instrumental in fulfilling the role as a mentor/leader.

Citations will be mailed directly to the member.

All forms must be to me by March 31, 2024

1st Place - \$100.00

2nd Place - \$75.00

3rd Place - \$25.00

Awarded at Department Convention in June 2024

Recognition for your Auxiliary Mentoring Program from National!

All forms must be to me by March 31, 2024

National Mentoring for Leadership Award for Auxiliaries.

Citation to every Auxiliary that implements a Mentoring for Leadership Program.

Citations will be mailed directly to the participating Auxiliaries from National.

All forms are on the Department website or contact me for a form

Deborah J. Martin
539 Westwood Drive
Ruckersville, VA 22968
Debva0506@gmail.com





Mentoring for Leadership

Auxiliary Award No. 1 Entry Form • 2023-2024 Program Year

- Most unique activity and/or event that educates their Auxiliary members about how to find and train mentees while using and promoting VFW Auxiliary resources and learning material
 - Citation** to every Auxiliary that has an activity and/or event that educates their Auxiliary members about how to find and train mentees. Citations will be mailed directly to participating Auxiliaries from National Headquarters.
 - Citation and \$25** to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences that has the most outstanding activity and/or event that educates their Auxiliary members about how to find and train mentees. Winners will be announced at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after National Convention.

**Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to their Department
Mentoring for Leadership Chairman by March 31, 2024.**

Auxiliary Name: _____ No.: _____

Department of: _____

Describe the activity and/or event that educated their Auxiliary members about how to find and train mentees. (E.g., flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, e-newsletters, handouts, photos, links to videos, etc.)

Department Mentoring for Leadership Chairman: _____ Date: _____
(signature)

April 30, 2024 - The Department Mentoring for Leadership Chairman is to sign and send the completed Department winning entry form to National Mentoring for Leadership Ambassador Francine Cornish for judging.

AND

April 30, 2024 - The Department Mentoring for Leadership Chairman is to **email** National Headquarters at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined **list** of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form.

Forms sent directly to National Headquarters will not be processed.



Mentoring for Leadership Award for Members No. 1 *Nomination Form 2023-2024*

1. Citation awarded to the first, second and third place VFW Auxiliary member in each Department with the most unique and/or creative way to mentor a member to become a leader.

Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to the Department Mentoring for Leadership Chairman by March 31, 2024.

Nominee's Name: _____

Department of: _____ Auxiliary No.: _____

Nominee's Member ID No.: _____

Nominee's Phone No.: _____

Nominee's Email Address: _____

Share why the nominee deserves to receive the Mentoring for Leadership Award.

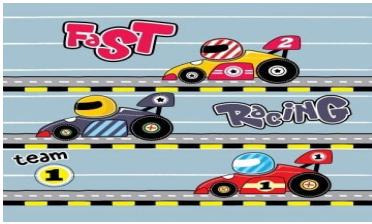
Describe what the nominee has done to deserve this award. Please attach any additional information. (E.g., flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, e-newsletters, handouts, photos, links to videos, etc.)

April 30, 2024 – Up to three nominations from each Department Mentoring for Leadership Chairman are due to the National Mentoring for Leadership Ambassador Francine Cornish by April 30, 2024.

Department Mentoring for Leadership Chairman: _____ Date: _____
(Signature)

Forms sent to National Headquarters will not be processed.

Outstanding Auxiliary 2023-2024



The finish line is fast approaching. There is still time for your Auxiliary to achieve Outstanding Auxiliary. Working together as a team can make it happen.



Now is the time to review the monthly communication for Report Tracker and the Membership and Financial Report. Make sure your Auxiliary has received proper credit and look to see what is needed for the Outstanding Auxiliary requirements. Auxiliary Treasurers, please take a moment to review the monetary requirements for Outstanding Auxiliary to be sure your Auxiliary has met the requirements. Ways to pay the monetary donations are available on the Outstanding Auxiliary guide.



SECTION 810A ATTENDANCE: Assure that the President or their Representative attend all properly called District Convention and Meetings. **The District Secretary to report to OA Chairman immediately after SOI's and District with a list of names, title, and Auxiliary number of those who attended.** District Presidents please keep the Auxiliaries in your District informed of the date and location of your District Meeting and District Conventions.

Pay Dues

Attention Annual Member. If you have not paid your 2024 Membership Dues you need to do as soon as possible. Reminder if you do not renew by June 30th you will need to rejoin.

Will your Auxiliary take the checkered flag as Outstanding Auxiliary?



Chairman: Carol Vangi
 1024 Hullview Ave
 Norfolk, VA 23503-2028
 757-621-5519 cjonesvangi@gmail.com

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.



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

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.

DONATIONS

Send donations to Department Treasurer Cathy Graham

9691 Lindenbrook Street
Fairfax, Virginia 22031-1132

Report

Send reports and a copy of the check to Judy Lupole and Fred Jennings
1246 Quarter Way
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23464



Judy Lupole
757-581-2702
luvedale88@verizon.net



Fred Jennings
757-477-5086
fredlyj@verizon.net



Scholarship

CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Continuing Education Scholarship program application date was February 15, 2024. The National VFW Auxiliary will announce the 4 winners – one from each of the Conferences.

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY AUDIO-ESSAY CONTEST PATRIOT'S PEN ESSAY CONTEST

The National Voice of Democracy Awards will be presented in Washington, DC on March 4, 2024. The **Parade of Winners** begin at 6:00 p.m. EST. To view, log on to: www.vfw.org. Virginia's Voice of Democracy Audio-Essay winner, Andrew Miller, will be there, celebrating with the other Department winners.

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

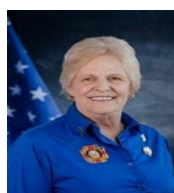
The National VFW Auxiliary has opened the Patriotic Art Contests to children of service members who are stationed abroad in Europe and Korea. U.S. citizenship is not required, but non-citizens must be Permanent U.S. Residents or have applied for a Permanent U.S. Resident status and have not been denied becoming a U.S. Citizen. Each Auxiliary will be financially responsible for all costs in returning the artwork to the student. If your Auxiliary is interested in participating in this unique opportunity, call the VFW National Auxiliary Headquarters for more information.

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

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
(540) 955-3311 katbirch@comcast.net





Scholarships

Auxiliary Award No. 1

Entry Form • 2023-2024 Program Year

1. Most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community about scholarship opportunities through the VFW Auxiliary.

- **Citation** to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event educating their community about scholarship opportunities through the VFW Auxiliary. Citations will be mailed directly to the participating Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters.
- **Citation and \$25** to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences that hosts the most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community about scholarship opportunities through the Auxiliary. Winners will be announced at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after National Convention.

Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to their Department Scholarships Chairman by March 31, 2024.

Auxiliary Name: _____ No.: _____

Department of: _____

Describe the activity and/or event that educated their community about scholarship opportunities through the VFW Auxiliary. (E.g., flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, e-newsletters, handouts, photos, links to videos, etc.)

Department Scholarships Chairman: _____ Date: _____
(signature)

April 30, 2024 - The Department Scholarships Chairman must sign and send the completed Department winning entry form to National Scholarships Ambassador Tina Hicks for judging.

AND

April 30, 2024 - The Department Scholarships Chairman must **email** VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined **list** of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form.

Forms sent directly to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters will not be processed.

VETERANS AND FAMILY SUPPORT

Banding Together for Our Veterans



Service, Mentorship & Patriotism



One of the bumps in the road that I've come across is finding resources to help our veterans and families. You know it's there but where?!? Don't get me wrong, I know of a few resources in my area of Loudoun County, but I was trying to find info for someone out of state. After surfing online and networking, I was able to get this person on the right track. This experience made me think of our Federal and Commonwealth resources and question how easy is it to find?

Depending on your search terms defines your results. Here are a few I've come across. If you have a resource, let me know so I can list it for all to use.

Keep in mind these are not vetted nor endorsed by VFW Auxiliary unless previously identified by National or VFW. It's best to look at the RACK card first, found in MALTA/Veterans and Family Support/Resources/[VFW Auxiliary Resource Rack Card](#)

FIND A VSO:

Veteran Affairs (VA) website, <https://www.va.gov/ogc/recognizedvsos.asp> provides a means to verify **Accredited Attorneys, Claims Agents, or Representatives** recognized as a VSO by the VA. You have questions? VA has answers, call 1-800-MyVA411 today.

VFW - <https://www.vfw.org/NVS> Can locate a representative in any state. Based in Washington DC.

The National Veteran Foundation - <https://nvf.org/veteran-service-officers/> "Provides crisis management, information and referral needs for all U.S, Veterans and their families." Also provides direct links to the major national Veteran Service Organizations, and to state and county Veteran Service Officers (VSO). Based in Los Angeles, CA.

The Virginia Navigator - <https://virginiannavigator.org/> "Your non-profit guide to Aging, Disability and Veteran Services in Virginia." They have a directory of 26,000 programs and resources with local, statewide, and national. Within this page, you'll find **The Veterans Navigator** <https://veteransnavigator.org/> which lists several services including transportation, health, and education. Based in North Chesterfield, VA.



FIGHTING HOMELESSNESS: Veterans who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness are strongly encouraged to contact the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans at **(877) 4AID-VET (877-424-3838)** for assistance. <https://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/housingresources/index.asp>
https://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/for_homeless_veterans.asp

SUPPORT FOR MILITARY SPOUSES:

Virginia Department of Veteran Services - <https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/> Offers Veteran Spousal Support Group, career fairs, childcare resources. Based in Richmond, VA.



Military One Source - <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/> “Defense Department-funded program available anytime, anywhere. Turn to Military OneSource for tax services, spouse employment help, webinars and online training, relocation, and deployment tools, and much more.”

Operation We Are Here – <https://www.operationwearehere.com/index.html>

This is “a one-stop HUB of resources for the military community and military supporters.” Based in Fort Moore, GA.

Military Spouse Advocacy Network – www.MilitarySpouseAdvocacyNetwork.org

Army Wife Network – www.armywifetwork.com

Navy Wives Club of America - www.NavyWivesClubofAmerica.org

Coast Guard – National Council of Coast Guard Spouses Clubs www.NationalCouncilofcgsc.org



“Virginia Dept of Veteran Services is pleased to announce that **Virginia’s first Women Veteran License Plate** has been approved by the Department of Motor Vehicles and will be in production and available by **Virginia Women Veterans Week in Mid-March 2024**. We extend thanks to all the women veterans who contributed to the design

process. Questions? Contact Kayleigh Rosenthal at Kayleigh.Rosenthal@dvs.virginia.gov.” See Proclamation of **Virginia Women Veteran Week March 20-26, 2024** by Governor Youngkin.



BURIAL BENEFITS:

VA Burial Benefits and Memorial Items - <https://www.va.gov/burials-memorials/>

Survivor and Dependent Educational Assistance -

<https://www.va.gov/education/survivor-dependent-benefits/dependents-education-assistance/>



Don't Forget Auxiliary Presidents - complete Award #1 and #2 so that your Auxiliary will receive a National Citation and a chance to win \$25 from your Conference (Southern). Forms must be received by 03/31/2024 at my address listed below. Award Forms are attached.



Veterans and Family Support Chairman: Cynthia Cortner
11 Halifax CT., Sterling, VA. 20165.
C: (619)254-0014, Cindypcx2@yahoo.com



Veterans & Family Support Auxiliary Award No. 1 Entry Form • 2023-2024 Program Year

1. Most outstanding activity and/or event to increase awareness of military suicide and mental health.
 - **Citation** to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event to increase awareness of military suicide and mental health. Citations will be mailed directly to the participating Auxiliaries from National Headquarters.
 - **Citation and \$25** to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences with the most outstanding activity and/or event to increase awareness of military suicide and mental health. Winners will be announced at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after VFW Auxiliary National Convention.

Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to their Department Veterans & Family Support Chairman by March 31, 2024.

Auxiliary Name: _____ No.: _____

Department of: _____

Describe the Auxiliary activity and/or event that increased awareness of military suicide and mental health. (E.g., flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, e-newsletters, handouts, photos, links to videos, etc.)

Department Veterans & Family Support Chairman: _____ Date: _____
(signature)

April 30, 2024 - The Department Veterans & Family Support Chairman is to sign and send the completed Department-winning Auxiliary entry form to National Veterans & Family Support Ambassador Tessa Butcher for judging.

AND

April 30, 2024 - The Department Veterans & Family Support Chairman must **email** National Headquarters at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined **list** of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form.

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Veterans & Family Support Auxiliary Award No. 2

Entry Form • 2023-2024 Program Year

1. Most outstanding activity and/or event to increase the support of veterans, service members and their families.
 - **Citation** to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event that increases the support of veterans, service members and their families. Citations will be mailed directly to the participating Auxiliaries from National Headquarters.
 - **Citation and \$25** to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences with the most outstanding activity and/or event the support of veterans, service members and their families. Winners will be announced at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after VFW Auxiliary National Convention.

Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to their Department Veterans & Family Support Chairman by March 31, 2024.

Auxiliary Name: _____ No.: _____

Department of: _____

Describe the Auxiliary hosted activity and/or event that increases the support of veterans, service members and their families. (E.g., flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, e-newsletters, handouts, photos, links to videos, etc.)

Department Veterans & Family Support Chairman: _____ Date: _____
 (signature)

April 30, 2024 - The Department Veterans & Family Support Chairman is to sign and send the completed Department-winning Auxiliary entry form to National Veterans & Family Support Ambassador Tessa Butcher for judging.

AND

April 30, 2024 - The Department Veterans & Family Support Chairman must **email** National Headquarters at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined **list** of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form.

Forms sent directly to National Headquarters will not be processed.

March



Hello Brothers and Sisters!! Hopefully, the warm weather will be with us soon, Happy March!!

Read Across America Day is March 2nd. Happy reading!!!



Include youth in your plans for the upcoming patriotic holidays:
 Navy Reserve Birthday, March 3, Hug a GI Day March 4,
 Seabee Birthday March 5, K-9 Veterans Day, March 13, Rosie the Riveter Day, March 22
 National Medal of Honor Day, March 25, Vietnam Veterans Day, March 29

Youth play such an important role in our future. Encourage involvement from an early age in all Auxiliary Programs! Every young person can find their place to serve when they are presented with a variety of opportunities to serve their communities and veterans.

Teach youth about Auxiliary efforts to:

- Respect and take pride in our country.
- Serve hospitalized veterans.
- Elect leaders who appreciate our military.
- Pass legislation that secures benefits for our veterans.
- And many other worthy efforts!



***Reminder:** Illustrating America Deadlines: Entries received by: Local Auxiliary- March 31
 Department -April 15, National Headquarters - May 5

Get Excited for the Red, White Blue Deadlines: Entries received by: Local Auxiliary- March 31
 Department -April 15 National Headquarters - May 5

Keep up the good work involving youth in Auxiliary and Post activities and providing opportunities for them to learn about patriotism and service. Great Job Everyone!!! Please let me know if you need assistance.



Chairman: Diane Melson

7832 James Blair Lane

New Kent, VA 23124

703-314-3809

Dmelsonvfw9808@aol.com



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- **Audit for October – December 2023** must be completed by **January 31, 2024**. Accepted Audit by vote of the Auxiliary must be **sent to the Department Treasurer** no later than **February 28, 2024**.

This is a reminder to all Treasurers that starting with the 2025 annual dues year that will start being collected on July 1, 2024, the National dues portion is raising from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per member. The Department Dues Portion is raising from \$5.50 to \$6.00 per Member. Please make ensure that your organizations dues amount is adjusted accordingly in MALTA for this. increase.

REMINDER

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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

- March 17-18, 2024 National President Carla visits to Richmond, Virginia.

The following meetings will be at Auxiliary 1841, 4902 Roanoke Rd, Daleville, Va 24083
A Email Invitation will be sent to all members that are required to attend once Meeting location is confirmed:

- July 19, 2024, TBA, Department Audit.
- July 20, 2024, 9-noon, Department School of Instructions/District President Training. **OPEN TO 24-25 Line Officers, 24-25 District Presidents and 24-25 Program Chairman.**
 - **Lunch to follow SOI.**
 - July 20, 2024, 1-3p.m. CoA Meeting for all council members, which includes 24-25 Offices and District Presidents and past (4) PDP.

Save
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. Room Rates: \$139.00 per night.

VFW AUXILIARY, NATIONAL EVENTS

Please contact Department Secretary about information for National Events.

July 27 – Aug 1, 2024, National Convention, Louisville, Kentucky.
August 9 – 14, 2025, National Convention, Columbus, Ohio.

If your Auxiliary would like to include an event you are having in our communication, please send the information to ellenstogsdill@cox.net to be included one (1) time on our Events Page. The information will also be posted on our Facebook page. **Please send in jpg or pdf file.**



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.**

District

1	Date	5/4/2024 District Convention
	Lunch	TBA
	Meeting	11:00 AM
	Place	Post 3219, Phoebus 122 E Mellen St Hampton, VA 23663
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		Jennifer Winn, Chaplain
VFW Representative		

2	Date	5/11/2024 District Convention
	Lunch	No Lunch
	Meeting	9:00 AM
	Place	Post 4809, Norfolk 5728 Bartee St Norfolk, VA 23502-4502
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		Ellen Stogsdill, PDP
VFW Representative		

3	Date	5/11/2024 Dostrict Convention
	Lunch	After Meeting
	Meeting	10:00 AM
	Place	Post 9808, Mechanicsville 7168 Flag Ln Mechanicsville, VA 23111
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		TBA
VFW Representative		

4	Date	4/13/2024, District Convention
	Lunch	After Joint Opening
	Meeting	1:00 PM
	Place	Post 7166, South Hill 1472 N Mecklenburg Ave South Hill, VA 23950
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		Ellen Stogsdill, Secretary
VFW Representative		

5	Date	5/18/2024 District Convention
	Lunch	TBD
	Meeting	10:00
	Place	Post 7854, Floyd (Auxiliary Only) 186 Epperly Mill Rd Floyd, VA 24091
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		
VFW Representative		

6	Date	4/6/2024 DISTRICT CONVENTION
	Lunch	TBA
	Meeting	11:00 AM
	Place	VFW 1264, Roanoke 4930 Grandview Ave NW Roanoke, VA 24012
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		Dawn Kuhn, SVP
VFW Representative		Surgeon Chareles Bush

District

7	Date	5/11/2024 District Convention
	Lunch	11:30 AM
	Meeting	After Lunch
	Place	Post 9660, Broadway 14550 Runions Creek Rd Broadway, VA 22815
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		Vicki Butler, President
VFW Representative		

8	Date	4/6/2024 District Convention
	Lunch	TBA
	Meeting	10:00:00 AM
	Place	Post 3102, Fredericksburg 2701 Princess Anne St Fredericksburg, VA 224013234
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		PDP Betty Ginble
VFW Representative		

9	Date	5/11/2024 District Convention
	Lunch	
	Meeting	10:00 AM
	Place	Post 1115, Hillsville 701 W. Stuart Dr. Hillsville Virginia 24343
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		Dawn Kuhn, SVP
VFW Representative		

10	Date	3/9/2024
	Lunch	NO LUNCH
	Meeting	10:30 AM
	Place	Post 1503, Dale City 14631 Minnieville Road Dale City, VA 22193
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		Susan Dinon, Conductor
VFW Representative		State Inspector Randy Coker

11	Date	4-11-2024, District Convention
	Lunch	No Lunch
	Meeting	10:00 AM
	Place	Post 8644, Bridgewater 118 Dry River Rd Bridgewater, VA 22812
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		Dawn Kuhn, SVP
VFW Representative		

12	Date	3/9/2024
	Lunch	4/4/2024 District Convention
	Meeting	TBA 11:00 AM
	Place	Post 1994, Abingdon 17581 Lee Hwy Abingdon, VA 24210
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		SVP Dawn Kuhn
VFW Representative		Commander Gary Adams

13	Date	2/24/2024
	Lunch	TBA
	Meeting	11:00 a.m
	Place	Post 8947, Louisa 201 Mineral Ave Mineral, VA 23117
<u>Auxiliary Representative</u>		President Vicki Butler
VFW Representative		Surgeon Charles Bush

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

VFW AUXILIARY, VIRGINIA

Auxiliaries Reported as of: 2-15-2024

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District 1													
176	Reported				Reported		Reported			Reported	Reported	Reported	
3219	Reported	Reported			Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported	
District 2													
392	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
993	(Special Order No.194) dated January 25, 2024, from the Veterans of Foreign Wars and received by the National VFW Auxiliary on January 30, 2024, cancelling the charter of Harold Treakle Memorial VFW Post No.993, Portsmouth, Virginia. In accordance with the National Bylaws, Article II, Section 208B, the VFW Auxiliary shall be allowed sixty (60) days to finalize its business before being cancelled by the National President.												
2582	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported		
2894	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
3160	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
4411	Reported	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	Reported		Reported			
637	Reported	Reported			Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported		Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
2239	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
4639												Reported	
6364	Reported											Reported	
7167					Reported		Reported			Reported		Reported	Reported
8046	Reported		Reported			Reported				Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
8529													
9501	Reported	Reported	Reported		Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported		Reported	Reported
9808	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
10387						Reported	Reported			Reported			
10654													
10657	Reported						Reported			Reported		Reported	

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

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District 9													
1115	Reported		Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported		Reported
1184	Reported					Reported				Reported		Reported	Reported
4667	Reported				Reported		Reported				Reported	Reported	Reported
6000	Reported		Reported				Reported			Reported	Reported		Reported
7136													
7726			Reported						Reported				
7969	Reported		Reported	Reported	Reported		Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported		Reported	
9696			Reported		Reported								
District 10													
609	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported	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	Reported		Reported	Reported			Reported	Reported	
3150	Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported	Reported	Reported
7327	Reported						Reported					Reported	
7916					Reported							Reported	
8469												Reported	
9274					Reported		Reported					Reported	
District 11													
632				Reported			Reported					Reported	
3136	Reported	Reported			Reported	Reported				Reported		Reported	Reported
4204	Reported					Reported				Reported			
7814	Reported		Reported	Reported	Reported		Reported	Reported			Reported	Reported	Reported
8644	Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported			Reported			Reported	Reported	Reported	Reported
District 12													
1994	Reported	Reported	Reported				Reported	Reported		Reported		Reported	
9600	Auxiliary voted to turn in their Charter at the November Meeting. Letter for pulling the Charter gas been sent to National.												

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

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

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

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	kicoker1503@gmail.com
Auxiliary Outreach	Robert DeChamplain	7417 Wildwood Dr	Norfolk	VA	23518-4415	(757) 239-4517	rdechamplain1@cox.net
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
Hospital	Dinah Devins Doyle	3449 Crimson Holly Ln	Virginia Beach	VA	23453-2802	(757) 560-0493	n2runn1@yahoo.com
Legislative	Beverly Abbott	130 Brookview Rd	Danville	VA	24540-3408	(434) 792-4497	desiabbott@comcast.net
Membership	Georgette Bannon	4036 Georgia Rd	Chesapeake	VA	23321-5312	(757) 715-0202	georgettebannon@gmail.com
Mentoring for Leadership	Deborah Martin	539 Westwood Drive	Ruckersville	VA	22968-3676	(434) 985-7987	debva0506@gmail.com
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

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	6-30-23 Totals	02/18/24	%	AMOUNT OWED	AMOUNT PAID	OTHER		AMT PAID	AMT PAID	Amt Paid	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
District 1														
176	50	44	88.00%	22.50	22.50		12.50	37.00	15.00			x	Dec	x
3219	225	236	104.89%	101.25	101.25		56.81					x	x	x
District 1	275	280	101.82%	123.75	123.75	0.00	69.31	37.00	15.00	0.00		x		x
District 2									110.00					
392	514	543	105.64%	231.30	232.00		129.00		100.00			x	x	x
993	68	74	108.82%	30.60	30.60		17.00		50.00			x	x	
2582	36	35	97.22%	16.20	16.20		9.00		50.00			x	x	
2894	34	28	82.35%	15.30	25.00		25.00	25.00	50.00			x	x	x
3160	302	293	97.02%	135.90	135.90		75.50		127.56			x	x	x
4411	95	98	103.16%	42.75	42.75		23.75		75.00			x	x	
4809	295	308	104.41%	132.75	132.75		73.75		100.00			x	x	x
District 2	1344	1379	102.60%	604.80	615.20	0.00	353.00	25.00	662.56	0.00		x	x	
District 3														
622	34	31	91.18%	15.30	15.30		8.50		50.00			x	x	x
637	382	354	92.67%	171.90	171.90				100.00			x	x	x
2239	71	71	100.00%	31.95	31.95		17.75	100.00	100.00			x	x	x
4639	60	50	83.33%	27.00	27.00		21.00					x	x	x
6364	170	175	102.94%	76.50	76.50		42.50					x	x	
7167	52	54	103.85%	23.40	23.40		13.00		25.00			x	x	x
8046	46	45	97.83%	20.70	20.70		20.70		50.00			x	Dec	
8529	72	69	95.83%	32.40	32.40		11.75					x	x	x
9501	56	56	100.00%	25.20	25.20		14.00		25.00			x	x	x
9808	194	188	96.91%	87.30	87.30		48.50		100.00			x	x	x
10387	38	28	73.68%	17.10	17.10		9.50					x	x	x
10654	33	28	84.85%	14.85	14.85	50.00	8.25					x	x	x
10657	31	30	96.77%	13.95	13.95		7.75		125.00			x	x	
District 3	1239	1179	95.16%	557.55	557.55	50.00	223.20	100.00	575.00	0.00		x	x	

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District 4														
7059	67	61	91.04%	30.15	30.15		16.75	100.00	200.00			x	x	x
7166	37	35	94.59%	16.65	16.65		9.25					x	x	x
8163	52	52	100.00%	23.40	23.40		13.00	50.00	50.00			x	x	x
8759	39	37	94.87%	17.55			9.25		50.00			x	x	x
9855	31	33	106.45%	13.95	13.95		8.00		25.00			x	Dec	
9954	121	116	95.87%	54.45	54.45		28.00		25.00			x	Jan	x
District 4	347	334	96.25%	156.15	138.60	0.00	84.25	150.00	350.00	0.00			x	x
District 5														
647	73	71	97.26%	32.85	32.85		18.25	200.00	25.00			x		x
7854	24	20	83.33%	10.80	10.80		6.00		25.00			x	x	x
8243	29	28	96.55%	13.05	13.05		7.25	25.00	25.00			x	x	x
District 5	126	119	94.44%	56.70	56.70	0.00	31.50	225.00	75.00	0.00			x	
District 6														
776	19	20	105.26%	8.55	10.00		10.00					x	x	x
1033	50	53	106.00%	22.50	22.50		12.50		50.00			x	x	x
1264	79	89	112.66%	35.55			19.75					x	x	x
1841	23	26	113.04%	10.35	10.35		5.75		100.00			x	x	x
District 6	171	188	109.94%	76.95	42.85	0.00	48.00	0.00	150.00	0.00			x	
District 7														
621	104	93	89.42%	46.80	46.80		26.00	200.00	50.00			x	x	x
2447	488	510	104.51%	219.60			123.25		500.00			x	x	
8613	102	105	102.94%	45.90	46.35		25.75					x	x	x
9292	13	12	92.31%	5.85	5.85		3.50					x	x	
9660	39	40	102.56%	17.55	17.55		10.00		25.00			x	x	x
9760	393	361	91.86%	176.85	176.85		98.25		25.00			x	x	
District 7	1139	1121	98.42%	512.55	293.40	0.00	286.75	200.00	600.00	0.00			x	x
District 8									100.00					
3103	175	229	130.86%	78.75	78.75		43.75					x	x	
7589	102	106	103.92%	45.90	45.90		25.50	300.00	50.00			x	x	x
12202	46	41	89.13%	20.70	20.70		11.50	45.70				x	x	
District 8	323	376	116.41%	145.35	145.35	0.00	80.75	345.70	150.00	0.00			x	x

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District 9																
1115	206	201	97.57%	92.70	92.70		20.60	150.00				x	x			
1184	31	31	100.00%	13.95	13.95		7.75	25.00	25.00			x	x	x		
4667	119	117	98.32%	53.55	53.55		29.75	50.00				x	x	x		
6000	45	43	95.56%	20.25	21.60		12.00		25.00			x	x	x		
7136	21	22	104.76%	9.45								Dec	Dec			
7726	100	93	93.00%	45.00	45.00		25.00					x	x			
7969	32	33	103.13%	14.40	14.40		10.00					x	x	x		
9696	62	62	100.00%	27.90	31.50		17.50					x	x	x		
District 9	616	602	97.73%	277.20	272.70	0.00	122.60	225.00	50.00	0.00		x			x	
District 10									15.00							
609	43	43	100.00%	19.35	19.35		10.75		25.00			x	x	x		
1177	43	43	100.00%	19.35	19.35		10.75		25.00			x	x	x		
1503	1047	1072	102.39%	471.15	471.15		261.75	500.00				x	x			
3150	168	168	100.00%	75.60	75.60		42.00					x	x	x		
7327	149	144	96.64%	67.05				50.00				x	x			
7916	225	222	98.67%	101.25								x	x	x		
8469	42	41	97.62%	18.90								x	x	x		
9274	30	25	83.33%	13.50								x	x			
District 10	1747	1758	100.63%	786.15	585.45	0.00	325.25	550.00	65.00	0.00		x				
District 11																
632	181	169	93.37%	81.45	81.45		45.25					x	x			
3136	15	15	100.00%	6.75	6.75		3.75	10.00	10.00			x	x	x		
4204	23	23	100.00%	10.35	15.00		15.00		15.00			x	x	x		
7814	26	28	107.69%	11.70	17.40		2.60					x	x			
8644	60	59	98.33%	27.00	27.00		15.00					x	x	x		
District 11	305	294	96.39%	137.25	147.60	0.00	81.60	10.00	25.00	0.00		x	x			
District 12									10.00							
1994	40	45	112.50%	18.00	18.00		10.00	25.00				x	x			
9600	47	0	0.00%	21.15								x	x			
District 12	87	45	51.72%	39.15	18.00	0.00	10.00	25.00	10.00	0.00	x					

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District 13																		
1827	202	194	96.04%	90.90	90.90			50.50							x	x	x	
8169	35	29	82.86%	15.75	15.30			8.25		100.00					x	x	x	
8947	82	84	102.44%	36.90	36.90			20.50		100.00					x	x	x	
10574	167	164	98.20%	75.15	75.15			41.75	100.00	100.00					x	x	x	
District 13	486	471	96.91%	218.70	218.25	0.00		121.00	100.00	300.00	0.00				x	x		
Members at Large	730	680	93.15%															
	Membership			Va Medical Centers			Health & Happiness	VFW Vet. & Mil. Programs	Pres Special Project	CDR Special Project								
	6-30-23 Totals	02/18/24 Total	%	AMOUNT OWED	AMOUNT PAID	OTHER	AMOUNT PAID	AMT PAID	AMT PAID	AMT PAID								
Total - VIRGINIA	8935	8826	98.78%	3692.25	3215.40	50.00	1837.21	1992.70	3027.56	0.00								
District Percentages				Percentage Order														
	District	6-30-23 Totals	02/18/24 Totals	%			District	6-30-23 Totals	02/18/2024 Totals	%								
	1	275	280	101.82%			8	323	376	116.41%								
	2	1344	1379	102.60%			6	171	188	109.94%								
	3	1239	1179	95.16%			2	1344	1379	102.60%								
	4	347	334	96.25%			1	275	280	101.82%								
	5	126	119	94.44%			10	1747	1758	100.63%								
	6	171	188	109.94%			7	1139	1121	98.42%								
	7	1139	1121	98.42%			9	616	602	97.73%								
	8	323	376	116.41%			13	486	471	96.91%								
	9	616	602	97.73%			11	305	294	96.39%								
	10	1747	1758	100.63%			4	347	334	96.25%								
	11	305	294	96.39%			3	1239	1179	95.16%								
	12	87	45	51.72%			5	126	119	94.44%								
	13	486	471	96.91%			12	87	45	51.72%								
Members At Large	730	680	93.15%															
Department' s Total	8,935	8,826	98.78%															



VFW AUXILIARY, VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT CONVENTION OFFICIAL DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES FORM



**NOT ACCEPTED BEFORE APRIL 1, NOR AFTER MAY 26th, 2024
of the Current Calendar Year**

~~THIS FORM MUST BE TYPED~~

TO: Ellen Stogsdill, Department Secretary
VFW Auxiliary, Virginia
6522 Chartwell Drive
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23464-3532
(757) 777-7194 ellenstogsdill@cox.net

TO: Jerry Miller, Credential Chairman
VFW Auxiliary, Virginia
PO BOX 233
Catharpin, VA 20143
(571) 236-3605 JPM561@aol.com

Per Section 304 of the National Bylaws, “Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Auxiliary held not less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to department Convention which starts on June 11, 2024; one for each thirty (30) members or fraction thereof in good standing on March 31. The VFW Auxiliary Secretary shall provide the names of the Delegates and Alternates to the Department Secretary and Credential Chairman, within thirty (30) calendar days of the day of election” and **no later than MAY 26th**.

The Auxiliary Secretary is to print out a copy of the Delegate(s) and Alternate(s) for his or her records.

*This is to certify that the Delegate(s) and Alternate(s) listed below were duly elected to represent our VFW Auxiliary at the upcoming Department Convention on June 11-14, 2024, based on the total VFW Auxiliary membership as of **MARCH 31** in the MALTA System. Membership as of _____ is _____ Divided by 30 = _____ Delegates/Alternative for 2024-2025. **Example: Membership as of 3/31/2023 is 299 divided by 30 = 9.96 = 10 Delegates/Alternates.***

DELEGATE/ALTERNATE WILL NEED TO SHOW MEMEBERSHIP CARD WHEN CHECKING IN AT CREDENTIAL DESK.

Any questions or you need additional lines, contact the Department Secretary. ellenstogsdill@cox.net

THIS FORM MUST BE TYPED

	Delegate			Alternate	
	First Name	Last Name		First Name	Last Name
1			1		
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Secretary Name	E-Mail Address	Phone Number
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VFW AUXILIARY, VIRGINIA DISTRICT CONVENTION OFFICIAL DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES FORM



**NOT ACCEPTED 30 Days BEFORE START OF 2024 DISTRICT CONVENTION NOR
AFTER START OF 2024 District Convention**

~~THIS FORM MUST BE TYPED~~

Per Section 303 of the National Bylaws, "Delegates and Alternates to the District Convention shall be elected at **a regular meeting of the Auxiliary held not less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the District Convention at which district Officers are elected.**

One Delegate/One Alternate for each fifteen (15) members or fraction thereof in good standing in the auxiliary at the time of the election of Delegates/Alternates. The VFW Auxiliary Secretary shall provide the names of the Delegates and Alternates to the District Secretary **prior to the start of the District Convention.** The Auxiliary Secretary is to print out a copy of the Delegate(s) and Alternate(s) for his or her records.

*This is to certify that the Delegate(s) and Alternate(s) listed below were duly elected to represent our VFW Auxiliary at the upcoming District Convention and is based on the total VFW Auxiliary membership as of **MARCH 31** in the MALTA System. Membership as of _____ is _____ Divided by 15 = _____ Delegates/Alternative for 2024-2025.*

Example: Membership as of 3/31/2023 is 299 divided by 15 = 19.93 = 20 Delegates/Alternates.

***THIS FORM MUST BE TO THE DISTRICT SECRETARY BEFORE THE START OF
THE DISTRICT CONVENTION.***

Any questions or you need additional lines, contact the Department Secretary. ellenstogsdill@cox.net

THIS FORM MUST BE TYPED

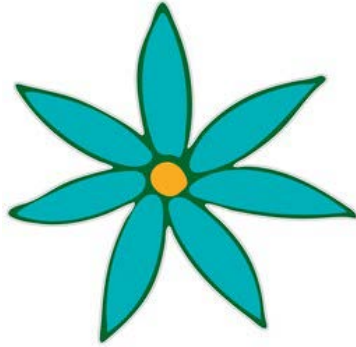
	Delegate			Alternate	
	First Name	Last Name		First Name	Last Name
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Secretary Name	E-Mail Address	Phone Number
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VFW Auxiliary, Virginia 2023-2024 District Secretaries

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Title	District	Address Line 1	City	State	Zip	Phone	Email
Dec	M	Guillory	Secretary	District 1	7984 Croydon Ln	Gloucester	VA	23061-4629	(757) 291-6690	deeguillory@cox.net
Ellen		Stogsdill	Secretary	District 2	6522 Chartwell Dr	Virginia Bch	VA	23464-3532	(757) 777-7194	ellenstogsdill@cox.net
Vivian	H	White	Secretary	District 3	7262 Bellspring Dr	Mechanicsville	VA	23111-3749	(804) 437-4703	mrssantamarine@comcast.net
Karla		Hardy	Secretary	District 4	734 Marrow St	South Hill	VA	23970-2806	(434) 774-9964	karlahardy66@gmail.com
Carolyn	C	Lewis	Secretary	District 5	1023 Cluster Springs Rd	South Boston	VA	24592-7059	(434) 575-7337	4lewis.carol@gmail.com
Melanie		Woods	Secretary	District 6	5959 Barbara Cir	Roanoke	VA	24018-6605	(540) 525-0068	beyaslf@gmail.com
Kathleen	K	Birch	Secretary	District 7	304 E Main St	Berryville	VA	22611-1306	(540) 955-3311	katbirch@comcast.net
GiGi	Kay	Keith	Secretary	District 8	10 Crowncrest Rd	Fredericksbrg	VA	22406-4895	(443) 366-9249	ggmoe2763@gmail.com
Rebecca	A	Edwards	Secretary	District 9	150 Deans Br	Marion	VA	24354-6930	(276) 781-0419	dnbedwards@aol.com
Patricia	Ann	Jurgensen	Secretary	District 10	12781 Chatter Brook Dr	Catharpin	VA	20143-1032	(703) 754-1244	pjurgy@aol.com
Robin	L	Nicolas	Secretary	District 11	422 Northfield Ct	Harrisonburg	VA	22802-4825	(540) 246-7769	nicolas19777@msn.com
Laura	M	Mitchell	Secretary	District 12	16365 Ayres Ln	Bristol	VA	24202-5031	(423) 217-5725	mitchelllaura95@gmail.com
Shema		Peppers	Secretary	District 13	8611 Seays Rd	Spotsylvania	VA	22551-3433	(540) 809-7701	speppers8312@gmail.com



love
gift

It has become customary to present our Department President with a monetary love gift during the President's Luncheon at June Convention.

This monetary gift will allow her to purchase a gift of her own choosing to remember her year as our Department President.

We all know the long hours and traveling that are required to complete responsibilities as well as obligations. This love gift will express our respect and appreciation for her devotion to our great organization.

If a District, Auxiliary or any member would like to donate, please make your check payable to VFW Auxiliary, Virginia, notation Luncheon Love Gift 2024 and mail to:

Cathy Graham
9691 Lindenbrook Street
Fairfax, Virginia 22031

Loyally,

Kelli Levitt, JV President
VFW Auxiliary, Virginia





It has become customary in the past, to present the Department President with a monetary love gift at the end of Saturday's convention. The monetary gift allows her to purchase a gift of her own choosing to remember her special year as our Department President.

We all know the long hours and all the traveling required of our Department President to complete her responsibilities as well as her obligations. This love gift will show how much we respect and appreciate her devotion to our great organization.

If your Auxiliary or any member would like to donate, please send a check to:

Make Checks Payable to: **VFW Auxiliary, Virginia**
Mail to: **Cathy Graham, Department Treasurer**
9691 Lindenbrook St
Fairfax, VA 22031-1132

In remarks on your donation make a note it is for the *Love Gift June 2023 Convention*.

Thank you all so very much for your hard work and your loyalty to our organization, Veterans, Service Men & Women, and their families.

Respectfully,
Dawn Kuhn
Department Sr. Vice President



**Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center.
6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185 (757) 220-2250
June 12-16, 2024**

Convention Chairman – Georgette Bannon, Carol Vangi, Ellen Stogsdill
Luncheon Chairman: Georgette Bannon/Vicki Petersen

Registration Chairman – Cindy Cortner
Credentials Chairman – Jerry Miller

Wednesday, June 12

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Officers' Floor Practice (attendance required) Memorial Service Practice

LOCATION

Richmond Hall

7:30 am - 9:00 am

Officers' Floor Practice (attendance required)

Richmond Hall

9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Auxiliary Opening Business Session.

Richmond Hall

Must show Membership Card to Guard to Attend.

ASAP After closing of Business Session

Special Meeting – 2022-2023 District Presidents W/Credentials Chairman, Jerry Miller

Richmond Hall

Re: Voting Instructions. **Back of room, attendance required**

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Joint VFW Auxiliary & VFW Memorial Services

Richmond Hall

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Joint Presentation of VFW and Auxiliary Awards

Richmond Hall

Friday, June 14, 2024

8:00 am - 11:00 am

Registration/Credentials Tables

Richmond Hall

Patriotic Art Displays 8 am - 5 pm. Questions, see PDP/Chairman Kathy Birch

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Past Department Presidents/Commanders Breakfast

TBA

9:00 am - 11:00 am

Joint VFW Auxiliary & VFW Opening Session

Richmond Hall

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Department President / Member's Luncheon

TBA

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Presentation of Presidents. Department President, PNP, PDP and Auxiliary and District Presidents.

Richmond Hall

(MUST Register with Patriotic Instructor, Karla Coker to be in parade)

Do not need to bring District/Auxiliary Flags and Banner

Department Color Bearer Flags will be used for presentation.

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Registration/Credentials Table **(note closing time of 10:30 a.m. on Saturday)**

Richmond Hall

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Auxiliary Business Session

Richmond Hall

District Presidents to pick up remaining Patriotic Art Displays

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm

2024-2025 Program Chairmen meeting with Dawn Kuhn

Back of room, attendance required.

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

MOCA Meeting

Petersburg A

Saturday, June 15

8:30 am - 10:30 am

Registration/Credential Tables (closes today at 10:30 am)

Richmond Hall

Buddy Poppy Contest Displays 8 am - 10:30 am. Questions, see Chairman Kathy Voss

8:30 – 1:00 p.m.

Auxiliary Business Session

Richmond Hall

Final Auxiliary Business Session (Special Project March, National Representative, Elections). Installation of Officers

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

2024-2025 Department Line Officers Meeting

TBA

District Presidents to pick up remaining Buddy Poppy Displays

Richmond Hall

5:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Reception/Dance: Centennial Celebration *for:*
Outgoing Commander Gary Adams & President Vicki Butler
Incoming Commander Mitch Rubenstein and President Dawn Kuhn.
(Must register on Eventbrite and print ticket)

Richmond Hall

Sunday, June 16

9:00 am - 9:30 am

Joint VFW & VFW Auxiliary Devotional Service

Amphitheater

Announcements will be made by the Secretary on any changes on schedule

NOTE: 2024-2025 Department President Shirts/Pins will be available in hallway

HOSPITALITY ROOMS:

Tentative Schedule

The agenda of this convention shall be at the discretion of the Department President.

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99TH ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION JUNE 2024 CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION OF A DEPARTMENT ELECTIVE OFFICE

The VFW Auxiliary's Department Officers are elected annually by Delegates at the Department Convention. They determine the direction of the VFW Auxiliary, run department meetings, and represent the membership at local, national, and international events. The following members have announced their candidacy for the following office at our 2024 Department Convention and desire your support.

President



Dawn Kuhn
Auxiliary 1994
District 12

Junior Vice President



Jennifer Winn
Auxiliary 392
District 2

Treasurer



Cathy Graham
Auxiliary 3150
District 10

Guard



Jamie Stewart
Auxiliary 12202
District 8

Any Member who would like to run for a Department Office will need to submit a letter of intent and a picture to the Department Secretary

by 3-15-2024.

for the VFW Convention Book

ellenstogsdill@cox.net

757-777-7194

Senior Vice President



Kelli Levitt
Auxiliary 1503
District 10

Chaplain



Susan Dinon
Auxiliary 621
District 7

Bettina Lane



Auxiliary 8947
District 13

Conductor



Cara Buckey
Auxiliary 637
District 3

Article VII OFFICERS:

Sec. 801 – Eligibility:

Any member in good standing shall be eligible to any office in the Auxiliary, County Council, District, Department, or the National Organization in which they are a member.

- No member shall hold two (2) elective offices on the same level at the same time.
- The member may hold one (1) elective and one (1) or more appointive offices on that level.
- The exception to this rule being that a Trustee may hold another elective or appointive office other than President, Secretary, or Treasurer.
- Officers, elective or appointive, may hold office in a higher or lower body and such offices may be held concurrently, (i.e., a District President could be elected as a Department Officer. This is not holding two (2) elective offices on the same level.)
- Any member who has been removed from office in accordance with Section 809B shall not be eligible for election to that office during the current Auxiliary year.

SEC. 802 – ELECTIVE OFFICERS.

Department elective officers shall include the District Presidents as elected by the districts.

Presidents Presentation 2024

June 2024 Convention

We are going to do the Flag Presentation differently this year in hopes more Auxiliaries will be able to participate. Presidents Presentation will be held on Friday, June 14, 2024, during the afternoon session.

- **Auxiliaries WILL NOT bring their flags for the Presentation.**
- **Practice for the Presidents Presentation will be Friday after the Presidents luncheon.**

During the business session, Patriotic Instructor Karla Coker will request the Department President, PNP, PDP, District and Auxiliary Presidents who are participating to line up for the Presidents Presentation.

District 8/Auxiliaries will be the first District after the PDP. Please **assemble quietly and line up according to your District number.**

A registration form is provided below. A form must be received in order to participate in the Presidents Presentation. You can mail it to me or email me. The form must be received by May 15, 2024, if you plan to participate.

All Presidents must fill out a form in order to participate.



Presidents Presentation Registration



District _____

Auxiliary Name & Number _____

Presidents Name & Phone # _____

PDP Name and year served: _____

PLEASE RETURN BY MAY 15, 2024 to:

Karla Coker
 13212 Trails End Ct
 Manassas, VA 20112-5504
 (571) 221-7350
kjcoker1503@gmail.com

DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA VFW AUXILIARY CONVENTION
JUNE 2024 “BUDDY”® POPPY DISPLAY CONTEST RULES

RULES

Displays will be presented and judged in three categories: Three awards in each category will be given, if eligible.

CATEGORY 1. Public Promotion of Poppy Campaign (Window, booth, parade, poster displays, campaign promotions, etc.)

- (a) Displays must be designed for public exposure and must bear a message soliciting a donation for and wearing of the VFW “Buddy”® Poppy.
- (b) At least one (1) of the Poppies used in the display must be in its original form and color, with label attached.

CATEGORY 2. Memorial or Inspirational Displays (Wreaths, memorial tablets or plaques, patriotic or devotional themes)

- (a) Displays must be designed to honor the dead, to inspire devotion to God and Country, or to dramatize the activities supported by the “Buddy”® Poppy.
- (b) At least one (1) of the Poppies used in the display must be in its original form and color, with label attached.

CATEGORY 3. Artistic or Decorative Use of Poppies (Post Home displays, table center-pieces, corsages, pictures, plaques, models, scenes, hats, novelty pieces, etc.)

- (a) Any display not meeting the qualifications for Categories 1 or 2 shall automatically be entered in Category 3.
- (b) At least one (1) of the Poppies used in the display must be in its original form and color, with a label attached.

- (1) Displays shall be set up in space provided in the convention facility by 8:00 a.m. on Saturday. Prior to setting up the display, the responsible person **must register** with the Buddy Poppy/National Home Chairman by completing an entry form which will be sent to the Chairman **no later than June 1, 2024**, which will show the category of competition, the number of Poppies used, the purpose of the display, the Post and/or Auxiliary number and location, and the name of the person who will dismantle and remove the display at the close of the convention. (Please be advised, **all displays must be removed BETWEEN 12:00 p. m. but NO LATER THAN 4:00 p.m. on SATURDAY, June 15, 2024 or it may be disposed of at the discretion of the Chairman.**)
- (2) Displays **may or may not** be accompanied by a white card, not to exceed 4 inches by 6 inches in size, on which is lettered in black ink an explanation of the theme for the display or other information of interest to the viewers or the judges.
- (3) Post name, number, city or state (including the shape of your state) may **not** be visible on the displays. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.

JUDGING

Judging of displays will be on the basis of effectiveness, purpose, clarity of theme, suitability, originality, beauty and number of Poppies used. Where a sample of a large number of identical items (such as corsages or wreaths) is entered, full credit shall be given for the total number of Poppies used. Judging will be completed by 11:30 a. m. on Saturday and the winning displays will have the appropriate ribbons placed on the display and will be announced during the Convention.

DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA VFW AUXILIARY CONVENTION
JUNE 2024 “BUDDY”® POPPY DISPLAY CONTEST ENTRY FORM

POST/AUXILIARY NAME: _____

AUXILIARY NUMBER: _____ DISTRICT NUMBER: _____

NAME OF CONTACT PERSON RESPONSIBLE: _____

PHONE NUMBER OF CONTACT PERSON: _____

CATEGORY OF ENTRY: _____

REASON/PURPOSE OF ENTRY: _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF POPPIES USED: _____

**Submit this Entry Form to Buddy Poppy/National Home
Chairman Kathy Voss
By June 1, 2024:
Via Mail to 80 Lake Knoll Road, Union Hall, Virginia 24176
Via email klvjwv83@gmail.com**

Entries must be received no later than June 1, 2024.

From the Desk of Senior-Vice President Dawn Kuhn

Happy St. Patrick's Day and Happy Easter, Hope everyone is doing well.

I wanted to remind everyone that if you are interested in a president's shirt the forms are **due by April 10, 2024**, to me and the check earmarked president's shirt to Department Treasurer Cathy Graham. **I will only be making one order for shirts.** There will not be any extra shirts for sale at the June 2024 convention.

Several comrades and auxiliary members inquired about larger sizes in the shirts. Unfortunately, the shirt that Sr. Vice Commander Mitch and I picked out comes in sizes small – 3x. Sr. Vice Commander Mitch found a men's shirt that comes in sizes 4x-6x that is very similar to the shirt I had on display at Winter Council.

Enclosed in this mailing are both order forms. Remember to specify if you are ordering a Men's or Ladies shirt on the form for sizes small- 3x.

I am doing a raffle to raise money for the Commander and President's homecoming. This event will be held at Winter Council 2025. The drawing for this raffle will be June 2024. If you are interested in a ticket, please reach out to me.

If any member is interested in being part of the 2024-2025 year, reach out to me. My goal is to continue to promote and support our organization and the work we do for our veterans, Families, and communities. I would appreciate everyone being considerate of President Vicki's year and to continue to support her in any way we can to ensure her year is perfect.

Thank you for everything you do to promote our organization,

Respectfully,

Dept. Sr. Vice Dawn Kuhn
18439 Whites Point Dr
Abingdon, VA 24211
804-909-5792
kuhn@comcast.net





Department of Virginia VFW Auxiliary
Department President Shirt
2024-2025



We will only be doing pre-orders for the presidents' shirt. Order forms must be sent to Dawn Kuhn and payment to Department Treasurer Cathy Graham no later than April 10, 2024. We will only be placing one order for this shirt.

Ladies' shirt is running a little small.

Men's Shirts are true to size.

Cost: Small – Extra Large \$35.00 2x \$36.00 3x \$37.00

There will not be extra shirts available at the June convention.

Name: _____ Auxiliary # _____ District # _____ Size _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Men's Shirt or Ladies shirt (please circle choice)

The shirts will be available at the June 2024 convention, if you are not attending and have not made prior arrangements with Dawn Kuhn to have a member pick up your shirt. Please add \$9.00 to ship your Shirt. Make Checks payable to: Dept. VA VFW AUX

Order form to: Dawn Kuhn, 18439 Whites Point Dr, Abingdon, VA 24211.
kuhn@comcast.net

Check ear marked Pres. Shirt: Cathy Graham 9691 Lindenbrook St. Fairfax, VA 22031



Department of Virginia Auxiliary
Department President Shirt 2024-2025



For anyone needing a shirt 4XL, 5XL, or 6XL, I am sorry but the shirt that was displayed at the Mid-Winter Council is not available in those sizes. However, we can order those sizes in this shirt. Sorry for the inconvenience.

We will only be doing pre-orders for the president's shirt. Order forms must be sent to Dawn Kuhn and payment to Dept. Treasurer Cathy Graham no later than **April 10, 2024.**

We will only be placing one order for this shirt.

This is a man's shirt

Cost: 4XL: \$38.00 5XL: \$39.00 6XL: \$40.00

Name: _____ Size: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Auxiliary # _____ District # _____

If you are unable to pick up your shirt at June 2024 Department Convention and have not made prior arrangements with Dawn Kuhn to have it picked up. Please add \$9.00 for shipping.

Make checks Payable to: Dept. VA VFW AUX Earmark: Pres. Shirt
Cathy Graham 9691 Lindenbrook St, Fairfax, VA 22031

Send Form to: Dawn Kuhn, 18439 Whites Point Dr, Abingdon, VA 24211

NOT ACCEPTED BEFORE APRIL 1, NOR AFTER MAY 31
of the Current Calendar Year



**NATIONAL CONVENTION
OFFICIAL DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES**

~~DO NOT SEND THIS FORM IN IF NAMES HAVE BEEN INPUT ONLINE~~

TO: National Secretary
VFW Auxiliary
406 West 34th Street, 10th Floor
Kansas City, Missouri 64111

FROM: AUXILIARY NO. _____ DEPARTMENT OF _____
AUXILIARY NAME _____
CITY AND STATE _____

Per Section 305 of the National Bylaws, "Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention shall be elected at the last regular meeting in April; one for each fifty (50) members or fraction thereof in good standing on March 31. The VFW Auxiliary Secretary shall provide the names of the Delegates and Alternates to the National Secretary, along with their membership ID number, within thirty (30) calendar days of the day of election" and no later than MAY 31. The Auxiliary Secretary is asked to input his or her Auxiliary's Delegate(s) and Alternate(s) online in MALTA via use of their respective membership ID number(s) and to print out a copy of the Delegate(s) and Alternate(s) for his or her records.

This is to certify that the Delegate(s) and Alternate(s) listed below were duly elected to represent our VFW Auxiliary at the upcoming National Convention on _____ based on the total VFW Auxiliary membership as of MARCH 31 in the MALTA System.

ID Number and Name ARE REQUIRED to complete this form.
TYPE or PRINT NEATLY each Delegate's or Alternate's ID NUMBER and NAME.

~DELEGATE CREDENTIALS WILL BE ISSUED AT CONVENTION SITE UPON CHECK-IN.~

DELEGATES		ALTERNATES	
ID NUMBER	MEMBER'S FIRST AND LAST NAME	ID NUMBER	MEMBER'S FIRST AND LAST NAME
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____

(Auxiliary Secretary) (Address) (City, State & Zip Code)

NOTE: This is a listing only. (NO CHECKS ARE TO BE INCLUDED WITH THIS FORM.)