



VFW AUXILIARY

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Dear VFW Auxiliary Members,

Can you believe that our Spring District 9 VFW Auxiliary Convention is right around the corner? Our thanks go out to VFW Post 6175 in Bloomer for hosting this event!

Our Spring Convention will be held on **Saturday, April 26, 2025** at the brand new Bloomer Area Veterans Center at 1206 Veterans Memorial Dr. in Bloomer. (It is located right next to the Bloomer Veterans Memorial.) Registration information is included with this letter. Auxiliary Presidents, please check with your members to see who can attend the April 26th Convention. It is important that all 14 of our Auxiliaries are represented! The deadline for sending in your reservation form and lunch payment is **Saturday, April 19, 2025**. (Mail your reservation and fee to Patty Jansky, but make the check out to VFW Post 6175.) Our District Auxiliary also charges a \$2.00 per person registration fee to help boost our Treasury. You can just bring and pay this \$2.00 fee on the day of the meeting. Thank you in advance for your help!

The Spring Convention is a very important meeting. Besides offering information and renewing friendships, we conduct a joint Memorial Service with the VFW, and elect our Officers and appoint our Chairmen for the coming year. Please consider stepping up to fill one of these important roles. They are not very difficult. Let us know in advance if you are interested. Speaking of our annual election, if you haven't already done so, please elect your District delegates at your next Auxiliary meeting and send the form to Patty Jansky as soon as possible. Your delegates will represent your Auxiliary in the voting at this Convention and throughout the following year. No delegates, no votes. (Also, don't forget to complete your Department delegate form in the near future for the Department Convention in June.)

District Chairmen, please prepare a Program Report (less than five minutes long) to share at the meeting. Try to make your report fun, interesting and original. Please do not just reread the Department Chairman's report included in the monthly General Orders. If you are unable to attend, have another Auxiliary member bring your report or send it to Patty Jansky in advance.

Because Bloomer VFW Post 6175 does not have an Auxiliary, the Post is allowing our District to hold a basket raffle to benefit our District 9 Auxiliary. If possible, please have your Auxiliary put together a basket for the raffle. Thank you!

Once again, we hope to see many of you at our District Convention. If you have any questions, please feel free to give us a shout.

Thank you,

Jody McKinney
VFW Auxiliary to District 9 President
715-651-8546
studebaker1971@gmail.com

Patty Jansky
VFW Auxiliary to District 9 Secretary/Treasurer
715-723-0408
pajansky@charter.net

VFW Auxiliary to District 9 Spring Convention Registration

Come and Join Us!



Saturday, April 26, 2025

Hosted by

Bloomer VFW 6175 and VFW District 9 Auxiliary

**District 9 VFW Auxiliary Convention will be held at the Bloomer Area Veterans Center
1206 Veterans Memorial Dr., Bloomer, WI 54724
(Right next to the Bloomer Veterans Memorial)**

Registration is from 8:30-9:30 a.m. / Meeting begins at 9:30 a.m.

Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon

Menu: Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Cheesy Potatoes, Cole Slaw, Beverage & Dessert

Cost: \$11.00 per meal

District 9 VFW Auxiliary Registration Fee: \$2.00

(Pay \$2.00 Registration Fee at the Meeting)

Please bring a basket from your Auxiliary for the District 9 Auxiliary Raffle

▶ ▶ Registration Deadline: Saturday, April 19, 2025 ◀ ◀

Note: Only those prepaid are guaranteed a noon meal.

**Send registration and meal payment to: Patty Jansky
12758 43rd Ave.
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729**

**Make checks
payable to
VFW Post
6175**

Questions? Contact VFW Auxiliary District 9 Secretary/Treasurer Patty Jansky at 715-723-0408.

Auxiliary Number: _____

Name	Position

_____ Total Number Attending x \$11.00 Per Meal = \$ _____

PLEASE RETURN LOWER PART OF FORM WITH PAYMENT BY APRIL 19, 2025

VFW AUXILIARY TO DISTRICT 9

Fall Meeting Minutes ~ September 7, 2024.

The VFW Auxiliary to District 9 met at Liberty Christian School in Chippewa Falls on Saturday, September 7, 2024. President Jody McKinney (Auxiliary 10331) called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Opening ceremonies were conducted according to the Ritual.

Opening Ceremonies:

- **Welcome:** This was extended by President Jody McKinney.
- **Roll Call:** Dues cards were checked at the registration table. Roll call found 1 Past Department President, 5 Past District Presidents, 14 officers, and 7 Chairmen present. There were 11 Auxiliaries (out of 15) with a total of 37 members in attendance.
- **Opening Prayer:** Pro tem Chaplain Jeanette Stabenow (Auxiliary 305) led the prayer.
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** This was recited by all members present.

Introduction of Department Officers:

- Past Department President Sherrie Rosenau was introduced and welcomed to our meeting. Other Department officers recognized were Past Department President Inez Semingson, Buddy Poppy/National Home Chairman Sue Carlson, VFW News Chairman Jody McKinney and Youth Activities Chairman Patty Jansky. One first time District Meeting attendee, Sally Boehmer from Auxiliary 8338, was also welcomed.

Presentation of Minutes:

- The April 20, 2024 meeting minutes were distributed by Secretary/Treasurer Patty Jansky (Auxiliary 1038). The minutes were approved as written.

Communications: None.

Treasurer's Report:

- Secretary/Treasurer Patty Jansky presented the finance report.
The starting balance as of March 31, 2024 was \$412.17.
There were \$751.60 in receipts and \$162.31 in disbursements.
The ending balance as of August 31, 2024 was \$1,001.46.
The Treasurer's report was approved and filed subject to audit (*see attached*).

Presentation of Bills: Secretary/Treasurer Patty Jansky presented a bill for \$58.00 (\$34.00 for 50 stamps and \$24.00 for copies). These bills were given to the Trustees for approval.

Chairmen Reports:

- **Veterans and Family Support/WI Veterans Assistance:** Terry Stiner (Auxiliary 6550)
- **Americanism:** Helen Beebe (Auxiliary 6550) – *Absent (read by Patty Jansky)*
- **Auxiliary Outreach:** Marge Breed (Auxiliary 10331)
- **Buddy Poppy/National Home:** Sharon Kamrowski (Auxiliary 10406)
- **Chief of Staff/Extension & Revitalization/Historian:** Sue Carlson (Auxiliary 1038)
- **Hospital:** Kim Beseler (Auxiliary 10406)
- **Legislative:** Gail Bensen (Auxiliary 1038)
- **Membership/Youth Activities:** Patty Jansky
- **National/Department Scholarships:** Barb Fischer (Auxiliary 6550) – *Absent (read by Patty Jansky)*
- **VFW News/Ways & Means:** Louise Engness (Auxiliary 2204) – *Absent (read by Patty Jansky)*
- **Credentials Report:** Patty Jansky
Past District Presidents – 2; District Officers – 4; Auxiliary Presidents – 9; Total Auxiliary Voting Strength – 47; Total Voting Strength – 62; Votes needed for Majority – 32
- **Audit Report:** One-year Trustee Kim Goss (10406) gave the Audit Report from March 31, 2024 to August 31, 2024. Kim Goss moved to accept the report; Sue Carlson seconded it. The motion passed (*see attached*).

Unfinished Business:

- President Jody McKinney handed out awards from the Department Convention to several Auxiliaries. Congratulations!
- We discussed if we would like Program Reports to be read by the Chairmen at the Spring Convention. Terry Stiner moved that we keep our reports in the spring but make them short and specific. If there is nothing new to report, a report is not needed. Joan Guenther (Auxiliary 6550) seconded it. The motion passed.

New Business:

- During our Fall Meeting, our District 9 Standing Rules are read and revised if needed. These were the changes that were addressed:
 - Under “**District President**”, Item 1E, “Host Auxiliary has the option to provide corsages for the Department Rep and District Line Officers”, has been removed.

- Under “**District Treasurer**”, Item 1 will now read that District dues will be “\$1.00 per member”.
 - Under “**District Treasurer**”, Item 5 will now read “If requested, have a check for the President’s mileage at 35 cents per mile.”
 - Under “**District Treasurer**”, Item 7 will now read “Each fall, purchase up to four (4) of the Department’s Calendar Raffle tickets for the District Auxiliary.”
 - Jeanette Stabenow moved that we approve all changes; Marge Breed seconded it. The motion carried.
- We discussed the joint Special Project of President Cheryl Woodards and Commander Ron Ramos. Inez Semingson (Auxiliary 6550) moved that we give \$100 to the “Journey to Healing Together” project; Terry Stiner seconded it. The motion passed.
 - We also discussed National President Brenda’s Special Project – “Operation Bottom Cover”. Sue Carlson moved that we donate \$100 to this project; Joyce Greye (Auxiliary 1038) seconded it. The motion carried.
 - Patty Jansky, Department Rep to the Veterans Home at Chippewa Falls, asked if our District would like to make a donation towards Christmas gifts for the veterans there. It was suggested that more money could be raised if we asked our individual Auxiliaries. Marge Breed moved that Patty Jansky inform our Auxiliaries of this project and any donations could be put in a special restricted account held by Auxiliary 1038. Becca Roth (Auxiliary 8338) seconded it. The motion passed.

Lunch: The Bible was closed at 11:55 a.m. and our District Auxiliary joined the VFW for lunch. During lunch, a check was presented to District 9 from the Menomonie Golf Outing – \$17,572 to District 9 Unmet Needs.

New Business (continued):

- When we returned from lunch, Extension & Revitalization Chairman Sue Carlson went through the answers to the Extension Word Scramble she had handed out before lunch. This sheet was put together by Department Chairman Linda Moran. Several Auxiliary members won prizes for the number of correct answers!
- We discussed once again holding our informal Winter Gathering (no business meeting or reports) at the same time the District VFW meets for its Winter Meeting (TBA). Sue Carlson moved that we hold this Get-Together featuring training, discussions and activities; Becca Roth seconded it. The motion passed.
- President Jody McKinney talked about the nominations for National Council Member. Auxiliaries need to get their vote to Jody before September 15, 2024.
- Patty Jansky distributed information and talked about the MALTA Profile and Department Log-In directions. She also went over the Auxiliary and District Achievement Award. This form lists important things for Auxiliaries to accomplish during the year; she encouraged each Auxiliary to give it a try.

Report of Trustees:

- Two-Year Trustee Jeanette Stabenow moved that we accept and pay the \$54.00 bill presented by Secretary/Treasurer Patty Jansky; Kim Beseler seconded it. The motion passed.

Memorial Service:

- A Draping of the Charter and Memorial Service was held for Past Department President Jean Hoium and all District 9 members who were reported as deceased since our last Fall Meeting on September 23, 2023.

Suggestions for the Good of the Order:

- PDP Sherrie Rosenau extended greetings from President Cheryl and the Department Line Officers. She said that Jody did a great job, and the Chairmen had informative and interesting reports. Sherrie congratulated our Auxiliaries that are at 100% (7232, 8478, 10424) and mentioned that two groups still needed to hand in audits. She reminded us to completely fill out Membership Applications and to be aware that our annual Program Donations sheet has some changes on it. She asked how many Auxiliaries were using National’s bookkeeping system (3). Sherrie noted that Jody was handling the collection of calendar raffles well. She talked about “Operation Bottom Cover”, President Cheryl’s Special Project, the National President’s visit (October 9-11), the Big Ten Conference (October 18-20), and the National Home Trip (October 25-27). She thanked each of us for all the things that we do – they do not go unnoticed.
- Cochrane will hold a Chicken Q at 4:00 p.m. on September 14, 2024.
- Sue Carlson donated \$75.00 to our District and Karen Green (Auxiliary 10818) donated back her raffle winnings of \$105.00. Thank you, ladies!
- A Sunshine collection was taken during the meeting, amounting to \$33.00 for our General Fund.

Closing Ceremonies:

- Closing ceremonies were conducted in accordance with the Ritual, after which President Jody McKinney adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m. Our next meeting date and location is not yet set.

Respectfully submitted,

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO DISTRICT CONVENTION
VFW AUXILIARY, DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

AUXILIARY SECRETARY: Immediately following election of Delegates and Alternates to the **DISTRICT** Convention, to be held in the Spring of 2025, please complete this form and it is **YOUR** duty to mail this form to your **DISTRICT SECRETARY.**

District Secretary Names and Addresses:

- District 1: Cheryl Woodards, 601 Malvern Hill Dr, Madison WI 53718-3133
- District 2: Lenore Otto, N62w37856 Wadebridge Rd., Oconomowoc WI 53066-1729
- District 3: Cheryl Woodards, 601 Malvern Hill Dr, Madison WI 53718-3133
- District 4: Susan Koehler, 8040 S 20th St., Oak Creek, WI 53154
- District 6: Mary Jo Grube, 111 S 1St St., Kiel WI 53042-1451
- District 7: Mary Kimmel, 2817 Center St, Stevens Point, WI 54481
- District 8: Judy Borg, 250 W Highland Park Ave, Apt. 720, Appleton, WI 54911
- District 9: Patty Jansky, 12758 43rd Ave., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
- District 10: Jackie Gregory, W5463 Apple Ave., Medford, WI 54451
- District 11: Kathryn M. Schmitz, 24447 Lambeth Rd., Cashton, WI 54619

**DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO DISTRICT MEETING
VFW AUXILIARY, DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN**

AUX. NAME: _____ NO.: _____ CITY: _____ DIST NO.: _____

AUXILIARY SECRETARY: Immediately following your election of Delegates and Alternates to the **DISTRICT** Meeting, to be held in the Spring of 2025, please complete this form. It is **YOUR** duty to mail this form to your **DISTRICT SECRETARY**. (NAMES AND ADDRESSES ON BACK OF THIS FORM)

Delegates and Alternates to the District Meeting shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Auxiliary held not less than ten (10) days prior to the District Meeting; 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. Sec. 302, page 33 of the 2025 Bylaws.

Date of Election _____ Number of Members dues paid on date of election _____

This is to certify that the Delegates and Alternates listed below have been duly elected to represent our Auxiliary at the 2025 District Meeting.

DELEGATES	Attending	ALTERNATES	Attending
1. _____	Yes No	1. _____	Yes No
2. _____	Yes No	2. _____	Yes No
3. _____	Yes No	3. _____	Yes No
4. _____	Yes No	4. _____	Yes No
5. _____	Yes No	5. _____	Yes No
6. _____	Yes No	6. _____	Yes No
7. _____	Yes No	7. _____	Yes No
8. _____	Yes No	8. _____	Yes No
9. _____	Yes No	9. _____	Yes No
10. _____	Yes No	10. _____	Yes No
11. _____	Yes No	11. _____	Yes No
12. _____	Yes No	12. _____	Yes No

(Auxiliary President)

(Auxiliary Secretary)

(Address)

(Address)

(City, State & Zip Code)

(City, State & Zip Code)

(Auxiliary Seal Here)



STANDING RULES
VFW Auxiliary to District 9
Department of Wisconsin
2024-2025



District President:

1. Visit host Auxiliary where meeting is to take place and make arrangements for the following:
 - A. A hall large enough for floor work and that will accommodate 50 to 75 people.
 - B. Tables for the President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sr. Vice, Jr. Vice, Chaplain and the Altar.
 - C. Table(s) for registration, badges and donations.
 - D. Host Auxiliary must provide a P.A. system and may provide technology needed for digital presentations and remote attendance.
2. At the fall meeting, conduct a Memorial Service.
3. At the spring meeting, hold election of Officers.
4. Make sure that the District has the current Podium Edition Bylaws and Ritual book.
5. Call an informational/organizational meeting of the District Chairmen and Officers following the July Department Council of Administration Meeting.

District Secretary:

1. Mail or email the District Meeting notice, Minutes, and Revised Standing Rules to the Department Line Officers, Past District Presidents, District Officers and Chairmen, and District 9 Auxiliary Presidents.
2. After the spring election, send a copy of the new roster to the Department Line Officers, Past District Presidents, District Officers and Chairmen, and District 9 Auxiliary Presidents.
3. Notify Department Line Officers of the date of the next District 9 Meeting. Also notify the VFW News Chairman and the Auxiliary Webmaster.
4. Notify District Officers and Chairmen and each District 9 Auxiliary of the informational/organizational meeting to be held following the July Department Council of Administration Meeting.
5. Send get well and sympathy cards to members whose names are submitted to the Secretary during the year and at meetings.
6. Have District Standing Rules ready to be read and revised at the fall meeting.

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District Treasurer:

1. Send post card or email, if known, to each Auxiliary Treasurer to pay District dues based on June 30th membership of \$1.00 per member. This is to be done in July with the dues sent to the District by August 31st.
2. Renew the Treasurer and President bond from our National Organization when due.
3. Annually reimburse the cost of a new Podium Edition Bylaws and Ritual Book for any District 9 Officer as requested.
4. At the spring meeting, have VOD checks for \$100 (first place), \$50 (second place), and \$30 (third place); Patriot's Pen checks for \$50 (first place), \$35 (second place) and \$20 (third place); and Teacher Award checks for \$50 each.
5. If requested, have a check for the President's mileage at 35 cents a mile.
6. Have a Love Gift check for the Department Rep of \$25.
7. Each fall, purchase up to four (4) of the Department's Calendar Raffle tickets for the District Auxiliary.
8. The District will allow \$50 each year for the President leaving office to buy a Past District President's pin.
9. Only the host Auxiliary can raise funds at a District Meeting.
10. A \$2.00 registration fee will be charged for District Meetings to be deposited into the District General Fund.
11. The District is responsible for the lunch and registration for the District President and guest and the Department Representative and guest.
12. The host Auxiliary should provide morning refreshments at a District Meeting.

District Chairmen:

1. District Chairmen should be ready with promotions of their programs at the District Meetings. Reports should be no longer than five (5) minutes long. Have a copy ready for the Secretary.

These rules were revised at the VFW Auxiliary to District 9 Meeting on September 7, 2024.

VFW AUXILIARY TO DISTRICT 9 FINANCIAL REPORT

March 31, 2024 to August 31, 2024

DATE	RECEIPTS/DEPOSITS	DISBURSEMENTS	GENERAL FUND
3-31-24	Beginning Balance		\$412.17
4-03-24		Check #226 to VFW Post 10406 <i>(Dist. Convention Meal Fee - S. Rosenau)</i>	- <u>\$15.00</u> \$397.17
4-20-24		Check #227 to Sherrie Rosenau <i>(Love Gift)</i>	- <u>\$25.00</u> \$372.17
4-20-24		Check #228 to Patty Jansky <i>(Postage)</i>	- <u>\$32.87</u> \$339.30
4-20-24		Check #229 to Jody McKinney <i>(Postage)</i>	- <u>\$26.44</u> \$312.86
4-20-24		Check #230 to VFW Post 10406 <i>(District Meal Fee – Aux. 2204)</i>	- <u>\$15.00</u> \$297.86
4-25-24	Deposit: \$216.10 <i>(\$74 District 9 Convention Registration, \$15 Meal, \$52.10 Sunshine Collection, \$75 Donation)</i>		+ <u>\$216.10</u> \$513.96
6-26-24	Deposit: \$25.00 <i>(Department Convention Award to District 9)</i>		+ <u>\$25.00</u> \$538.96
7-13-24		\$30.00 (Electronic Withdrawal) <i>(2024-2025 Bond)</i>	- <u>\$30.00</u> \$508.96
8-28-24	Deposit: \$20.00 <i>(Award check from 3-30-23 never cashed)</i>		+ <u>\$20.00</u> \$528.96
8-28-24	Deposit: \$490.50 <i>(2024-2025 District 9 Dues, Donations)</i> Aux. 305 Eau Claire \$83.50 ck #2425 Aux. 1038 Chippewa Falls \$40.50 ck #3518 Aux. 1039 Menomonie \$10.00 ck #2220 Aux. 1915 Trempealeau \$25.00 ck #3500 Aux. 2204 Rice Lake \$13.50 ck #1057 Aux. 6005 Cadott \$ 6.50 ck #1537 Aux. 6550 Strum \$18.00 ck #2901 Aux. 7232 Eau Claire \$23.00 ck #3358 Aux. 8338 Barron \$24.00 ck #1230 Aux. 8478 Augusta \$13.00 ck #1910 Aux. 8512 Almena \$36.00 ck #4503 Aux. 10331 Chetek \$16.50 ck #3145 Aux. 10406 Cochrane \$44.00 ck #3359 Aux. 10424 Wheeler \$11.00 ck #1555 Aux. 10818 New Richmond \$30.00 ck #2735 Donation: Auxiliary 1038 \$59.50 ck #3518 Donation: Auxiliary 6005 \$ 3.50 ck #1537 Donation: Auxiliary 8338 \$26.00 ck #1230 Donation: Auxiliary 8478 \$ 7.00 ck #1910		+ <u>\$490.50</u> \$1,019.46
8-30-24		Check #231 to VFW Post 1038 <i>(Dist. Meeting Meal Fee - Sherrie Rosenau)</i>	- <u>\$18.00</u> \$1,001.46
8-31-24	Receipts/Deposits TOTAL: \$751.60	Disbursements TOTAL: \$162.31	
8-31-24	Ending Balance		\$1,001.46

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
 DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN
 DISTRICT AUDIT REPORT

DISTRICT # 9 COVERING DATES: 3/31/24 - 8/31/24
 MAIL TO DEPARTMENT TREASURER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DISTRICT MEETING

FUND	CASH BALANCE LAST REPORT	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	CASH BALANCE THIS REPORT
AUX. GENERAL	412.19	751.60	1102.31	1001.46
ANY OTHER FUND				
SAVINGS				
TOTAL BALANCE	412.19	751.60	1102.31	1001.46

BANK BALANCE AS SHOWN ON BANK STATEMENT \$ 1019.46
 PLUS OUTSTANDING DEPOSIT \$ —
 LESS OUTSTANDING CHECKS \$ 18.00
 TOTAL ADJUSTED BANK BALANCE \$ 1001.46

This is to certify that the books and records of the Treasurer and Secretary have been audited, found correct, and all money accounted for

TRUSTEES SIGNATURES: (MUST BE AT LEAST 2)

#1 Kem Goss
 #2 Jacqueline Stappnow
 #3 Dennis Kellner

DATE AUDITED COMPLETED: 9/7/24 DATE AUDIT APPROVED: 9/7/24

DISTRIBUTION : ORGINIAL TO; DISTRICT SECRETARY AFTER THE SENIOR TRUSTEE HAS READ AND MOTION TO ACCEPT READ AUDIT.

COPY TO BE MAILED TO; DEPARTEMENT TREASURER
 LENORE OTTO
 1383 W WISCONSIN AVE
 OCONOMOWOC, WI 53066

Areni Roseman 9/7/24