


**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN**

GENERAL ORDERS NO.8 (MUST BE READ AT MEETING)

March 2024

1. The Mid-Winter Conference was a great success! Congratulations to those that won awards and thank you to all those who attended.
2. The Registration/Meals form for the Dept. Convention June 12-15th in Green Bay is included. Please call the hotel directly to make room reservations. The theme for the Department Convention Banquet will be "Military Ball".

3. You all met my membership challenge, so I did get a chocolate pie to the face at Mid-Winter thanks to membership chairman, Linda Schluter. Linda has put forth an additional membership challenge. If we can reach 100% by April 1, **she** will let **me** give **her** a pie in the face. **I know we can do this!!!**
4. I attended the **National Mid-Winter Conference** from February 12-17.
5. I will be attending the **Legislative Conference** in Washington, D.C. the first part of March. Commander Ramos and I will be placing a wreath on the tomb of the unknown soldier at **Arlington National Cemetery** on **March 2nd**.
6. The Cancer Fund is in need of donations if you're able.
7. Just a reminder, elections need to be held in April with installation in May.
8. **Elections** at the Department level will be held at the Convention in Green Bay June 12th-15th. Consider stepping up and becoming part of the Department.
9. **Donations:** Have you made all the suggested donations for this year? Please check the form on our website (vfwauxwi.org) for the list.
10. Make sure you fill out your **Delegates and Alternates forms** properly. The District form was included in last month's General Orders and the Department form is included in the March General Orders.
11. Don't forget to check out this month's question for the **Journey to 100 Years** contest. Several winners were picked at the Mid-Winter Conference. Winners with the correct answer receive \$25.

Our condolences to the family of Past Department President, Madge Murphy and to everyone else who has suffered a loss recently. May God wrap you in his loving arms.

For those of you who are having health issues, we will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

To all of you, thank you for all that you do! Please continue to **"Bee the Change"** while **"Banding Together for our Veterans"**!

Sherrie Rosenau
Department of WI President
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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
Achievement Awards
March 2024



Achievement Awards Update –

By now you should have most of your achievement award report filled out and almost ready to send to me by the deadline. I am looking forward to seeing what you have accomplished.

Auxiliary Member

CALLING FOR YOUR MOST OUTSTANDING AUXILIARY MEMBER TO FORWARD ON TO NATIONAL. I NEED THESE NO LATER THAN **APRIL 10, 2024**. PLEASE USE THE FORM FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE.



Cheryl L Woodards, Dept. Sr. Vice President

Achievement Award Chair - Member of Year Chair

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

AUXILIARY OUTREACH

MARCH 2023 BULLETIN

What is Auxiliary Outreach?

Halfway through the program year, however this still gives us plenty of time to give of yourself and help others. It seems many members have forgotten what auxiliary outreach actually is. As a refresher we will review this program.

The VFW Auxiliary Outreach Program is your Auxiliary volunteering to partner with and help other organizations or local groups. Outreach is about TIME given, NOT the money spent. It is a partnership where one or more members assist another organization or group make their program successful. I cannot stress enough this program is about TIME NOT MONEY! Be performed by people of any age, skill set or ability level.

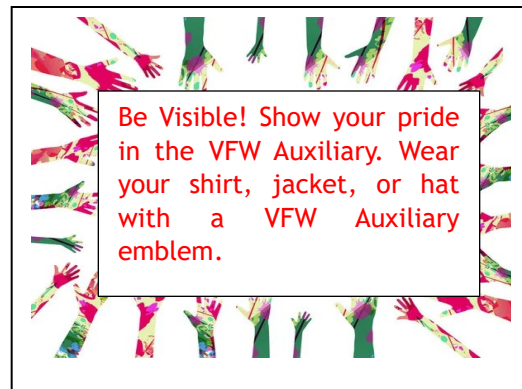
FIVE STEPS IN MAKING YOUR VOLUNTEERING SUCCESSFUL

- Find the organization that needs help
- Ask your auxiliary to approve the activity and vote on it
- One or more of your members participate in the activity
- Wear your VFW Auxiliary name tag, shirt, hat
- Report back to your Auxiliary the number of participants hours volunteered.

Auxiliary Outreach must be reported to your department chairman AND your VFW Adjutant. Please keep me informed of your outreach activities throughout this Auxiliary Year, don't wait until year end reports. A picture is worth a Thousand Words! (Hint)

Benefits of the outreach program:

- Helping others Personal Growth
- Learning new skills
- Meeting new people
- Personal growth
- Developing a sense of purpose



A few suggestions that do qualify

- First Responders
- Recreational Departments
- Roadside Clean Up
- REMEMBER - It is about Time

NOT MONEY



“Bee the “Change” “Make It Happen”

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EXTENSION & REVITALIZATION

CALLING ALL MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN AUXILIARY

MARCH 2024

YOUR TOWN

PURPOSE OF MEETING: ELECTION OF OFFICERS



Dear Members of the VFW Auxiliary,

As a member of the VFW Auxiliary, we feel that it is important that you have the opportunity to know first-hand what is happening at the Auxiliary the next few months.

Do you know that your Auxiliary has the ability to be the best in the Department for helping veterans? It is hoped that your love of and for America's heroes—our Veterans— is so strong that you will want to know about the opportunity to “BEE THE CHANGE” for these heroes-our veterans by coming to the meeting and stepping forward to become an officer or chairman!

There can be no doubt that supporting veterans and our community takes members with a caring heart.

We ask that you show you do CARE by attending this “Important Auxiliary Meeting” so that you and your fellow members can be an instrumental part in the revitalization of the organization and pledge to do its part in our community to make sure that America's finest are revered.

Take part in keeping your Auxiliary healthy.

Who is it that protects our freedoms—why it is those soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines on land, on sea and in the air whose sacrifices we cherish! Are we doing all that we can to preserve our country—do we advocate for the entitlements veterans are due because they put themselves in harm's way for YOU?!

YOU CAN “BEE THE CHANGE” BY TAKING A LEADERSHIP ROLE!

Vicki Newbauer

Chief of Staff/Extension

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www.vfwauxwi.org

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
CREDENTIALS INSTRUCTIONS FOR DEPARTMENT CONVENTION
MARCH 2024

Credentials is the Committee that verifies each member's eligibility for voting at Department Convention. Delegates and Alternates are elected at a regular meeting not less than 30 days prior to Convention, one Delegate and one Alternate for each 30 members or fraction thereof in good standing at the time of election. **The number of members and date of election are to be filled in on the Delegates and Alternates form before it is sent in.** We suggest you elect those who are already planning to attend Convention. You should also list the auxiliary president as a delegate, so that person may vote the full Auxiliary strength. The Auxiliary Secretary sends the names of Delegates and Alternates to the Department Secretary prior to Convention.

For an Auxiliary to be eligible to vote, all **AUDITS must** be mailed to the Department Treasurer before Convention. **NO AUDITS – NO VOTE.** If Auxiliary audits are not in to the Department Treasurer, no one can vote for that Auxiliary – not the President, Delegate, or Alternate. However, if a member is eligible to vote as PDP, District or Department Officer, she/he may do so; just no one can cast Auxiliary votes.

It is the responsibility of each member who expects to vote to make sure that:

ALL AUDITS have been sent to Department Treasurer.

Member is listed on the **DELEGATE LIST**.

DELEGATE LIST has been sent to the Department Secretary.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP DUES CARD is in one's possession.

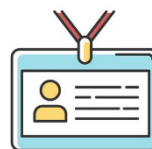
Begin at the Registration Table to get your badge. Then proceed to Credentials to have your badge marked.

- First we check your membership card to see that it is current.
- Then we check your Auxiliary's Delegate sheet to see if you are listed as a Delegate or Alternate. We also look to see who else from your Auxiliary is expected to attend.
- If you are President, listed as such, and others are expected, we'll send you through as President.
- If no others are expected and you are listed as a Delegate or Alternate, we'll send you through as Delegate or Alternate so you can vote the full strength of your Auxiliary rather than only the one President's vote.
- If you are also a Department Officer, District President, or PDP, we'll try to make sure your Auxiliary is covered. If so, then you have your choice as to how you wish to vote.
- Your badge will be marked with the appropriate color, and your sheets will be marked as to your choice.

Dolores Sorensen, Credentials Chairman

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920-434-1523



2024 WISCONSIN STATE CONVENTION



June 12th—June 15th, 2024



Tundra Lodge Resort Waterpark & Conference Center

865 Lombardi Ave, Green Bay, WI 54304 (920) 405-8700



Member: _____

Post # _____ Title: _____

☐ Check Here Amount: \$20.00

All registrations \$20/Advance; \$25/After May 24th



Member: _____

Aux #: _____ Title: _____

☐ Check Here Amount: \$15.00

All registrations \$15/Advance; \$20/After May 24th

Past Commanders Lunch

Thursday, June 13th - Noon

Aux Dutch Treat Lunch

South of the Border Buffet

\$30

BBQ Ribs and Pulled Pork, Coleslaw,
Baked Beans or Buttered Corn, Roasted
Baby Red Potatoes, Macaroni & Cheese,
Cornbread Muffins



Seasoned Rice, Tequila Lime Chicken &
Seasoned Ground Beef, Beef, Chicken or
Cheese Enchilada, Soft Tortillas and
toppings

\$27



Thursday, June 13th ~ Past Presidents Dinner - 5:00 pm



\$25

BBQ Ribs and BBQ Chicken Drumsticks, Coleslaw, Baked Beans or Buttered Corn, Roasted Baby Red Potatoes, Macaroni & Cheese, Cornbread Muffins



Friday, June 14th ~ Aux 25 Year Club Lunch - Noon



\$20

Loaded Potato Soup and Tuna Salad

\$40



Friday, June 14th ~ Convention Banquet



\$40

Cocktails 5:30 pm, Dinner 6:30 pm

☐ Family Style: Sirloin Tips and Maple Glazed Ham, Yukon Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Gravy,
Seasonal Vegetables, Coleslaw, Dinner Rolls/Butter, Assorted Dessert Bars

Saturday, June 15th, 7:30 am ~ Past Dept. Presidents Breakfast: ☐ Yes ☐ No **AUX**

VFW Reg: _____ P/C Lunch: _____ Banquet: _____ **VFW Subtotal:** _____

Aux Reg: _____ Aux Lunch: _____ P/P Meal: _____ Aux 25 YR: _____ Banquet: _____ **AUX Subtotal:** _____

Total Payment Due & Enclosed: _____ **Phone #:** _____ **Contact:** _____

REGISTRATION & RESERVATION POLICY

- ◆ This form accommodates up to 1 VFW Member and 1 Auxiliary Member, for a total of TWO registrations.
- ◆ Use additional forms for more registrations.
- ◆ Cut-off date for meal registrations is May 24, 2023.
- ◆ Registration and payment MUST reach Dept Headquarters by the **May 24th Deadline** to avoid higher registration fee.
- ◆ **No Refunds.**
- ◆ *Late meal reservations, if accepted, are subject to \$5.00 surcharge per meal.*
- ◆ Special dietary needs? Please let us know in advance.

Make all checks payable to:

VFW DEPT OF WISCONSIN

Earmark: 2024 Convention.

Mail to:

VFW OF WISCONSIN

P.O. BOX 6128

MONONA, WI 53716-0128



Scan the QR Code to register online

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

DIST #: _____ AUX#: _____ AUX. NAME: _____ CITY: _____

AUXILIARY SECRETARY: Immediately following your election of Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention, to be held June 12–15, 2024 in Green Bay, WI, please complete this form. It is **YOUR** duty to mail this form to the **DEPARTMENT SECRETARY, Jackie Gregory, W5463 Apple Ave., Medford, WI 54451.**

PLEASE NOTE: NO CREDENTIALS will be mailed to your Auxiliary. **ONLY THOSE** Presidents, Delegates and Alternates attending the Convention will receive credentials at the convention. Please elect those people who plan on going to the convention first....and then fill in with ones that are undecided.

NOTICE: Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Auxiliary held not less than thirty (30) days prior to the Department Convention; 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. Sec. 303 page 33.

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

DELEGATES

1. _____
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ALTERNATES

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President

(Auxiliary Secretary)

Sr. Vice President

(Secretary's Address)

Jr. Vice President

(City, State & Zip Code)

Veteran of Foreign Wars Auxiliary
Hospital Report
March 2024

Department of WI Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year 2023-2024

Fill out the VFW Auxiliary National Outstanding Volunteer of the Year nomination form 2023-2024. This form is in this mailing. If you have anyone that is a volunteer, please think about nominating them. Fill out form, have the Auxiliary Hospital chairman sign it and send it to me, the Department Hospital Chairman, by March 31, 2024. As Department Hospital Chairman I will select ONE Outstanding Hospital volunteer and forward it on to the National Hospital Ambassador by April 30, 2024. The one that is sent to National will be our Department of Wisconsin Volunteer of the Year. Please think about nominating someone.

Karen Johnson
Department Hospital Chairman
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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.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN



Journey to 100 Years



March 2024 – Journey to 100 Years question:

The Department of Wisconsin Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars was Instituted and Installed during the 4th Annual Encampment of the Department of Wisconsin on June 20, 1925 in Manitowoc, WI. The Charter closed on July 30, 1925. **List the original Auxiliaries that formed the Department of Wisconsin.** (Note: Only two are still Auxiliaries today.)

Send your answer **NOT LATER THAN March 31st** to: Rita Byers at rabyers66@gmail.com for a chance to win the \$25.00 monthly cash prize.

No entries will be accepted after the deadline. All entries with correct, complete answer will be put into the drawing for the month. This month will be drawn at the Council of Administration meeting in June.

The 100th Anniversary Committee

BEE the Change



National Legislative Representative Dan West recently sent out information that we have 1.4 million members between the VFW and Auxiliary. Stating we cannot be ignored on Capitol Hill in our continued fight for veterans and their families.

Always review the VFW priority goals to keep up to date. With our new priority goals Congress must do the following.

- Reform the dysfunctional federal budget process.
- Improve educational benefits through increased online student housing allowances, childcare stipends, parity for Guard and Reserve members, and elimination of delimiting dates.
- Crack down on unaccredited claims consultants known as Claim Sharks
- Eliminate service member and veteran suicide by addressing both clinical and non-clinical needs.
- End the military retirement pay and VA disability compensation onset.
- Ensure DPAA is fully funded to perform its personnel recovery mission and much more.

Thank you to all have already turned in the puzzle. The winner of the drawing for the puzzle will be announced in the April edition.

Thank you to everyone the signed up for WI Voter Voice while at the Mid-Winter Convention. We must start with our own Legislation at the state level so we can make more of an impact at the Federal level. Be sure to share WI VOTER VOICE with your friends, neighbors, family and

I am looking forward to attending the Legislative Conference in Washington D.C. with President Sherry this week.

Remember, even if you did not do anything regarding legislative this year to complete and send in your End of Year reports. There is a \$20 award for educating our youth.

Kim McWilliams

Legislative Chairman

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UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES™

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
MEMBERSHIP REPORT
MARCH 2024**



IMPORTANT: At Mid-Winter, there was some confusion about how members should have applied for the Recruitment Award, **"Recruit 3 new or reinstated members by January 15, 2024."** Because of this, these 2 awards have been **delayed** until I have more information. I will contact Michael Maruszak, the Membership Director of the Big Ten Conference and our Dept. Treasurer, Lenore Otto, to assist with this problem. District Membership Chairs will be given information to share with their Auxiliaries ASAP. **STAY TUNED!**

DISTRICT RACE

***AS OF FEBRUARY 5, 2024**

DISTRICT	PLACE	PAID %
D-9	1ST	104.40%
D-4	2 ND	101.33%
D-2	3 RD	101.16%
D-6	4 TH	100.57%
D-8	5 TH	99.10%
D-7	6 TH	98.42%
D-11	7 TH	94.72%
D-10	8 th	94.55%
D-1	9 th	84.52%

DEPT AWARDS FOR MOVING UP TO 100%

1. Auxiliaries 100% by April 30th 10(\$15) Awards
2. Districts 100% by May 15th 2(\$25) Awards

NATIONAL AWARDS FOR AUXILIARIES

1. \$25 each Auxiliary that reaches 98% Plus in Membership by March 31, 2024.
2. \$25 to each Auxiliary that reaches 100% Plus in Membership by June 30, 2024.
3. Lights, Camera, Action! VFW Auxiliary Drawing. Each VFW Auxiliary that reaches 101% Plus by June 30, 2024, will be entered into a onetime drawing to receive \$500.

National Awards for Departments: We can still achieve the Silver, Gold, and Platinum Awards to bring in \$950 for our Department! Check it out on Page 44 in the Program Book found in Resources.

"Bee the Change" as we "Band Together for our Veterans."

Linda Schluter, Membership Chair
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MARCH MENTORING IN LEADERSHIP 2024



We are now in the second half of our program year. Mentoring is the responsibility of all of us. With elections around the corner, WE need to find our replacements and train them to be better than we are. WE need to share our knowledge. What good does it do anyone for us to keep the information to ourselves. How does that make for a successful organization?

Remember the awards from National for this program. Entry forms are to be sent to me by March 31st, 2024. You, can find these on our Aux. Website under programs—check Mentoring or in MALTA under resources. I know you all have some amazing person who mentored you in some way. Please consider them for these awards.

I'm offering a repeat challenge for a treat basket on my trivia posts for St. Patrick's Day, April Fool's Day and Memorial Day. Send answers to me by June 1st to be entered in this drawing.

Thank you for everything you have done thus far to help keep your Auxiliaries strong and healthy this year. God Bless and let's continue to have a great year for President Sherri.

ST PATRICK'S DAY TRIVIA

1. What's the tagline for the breakfast cereal Lucky Charms?
2. According to the legend, what animal did St. Patrick drive out of Ireland?
3. What are the three colors of the Irish Flag?
4. According to folklore what's a leprechauns' occupation?
5. Which Irish actor starred in the 1962 movie "Lawrence of Arabia"?
6. According to Irish folklore, what will you find at the end of a rainbow?
7. True or False—First known St. Patrick's Day Parade occurred in Ireland.
8. What year did the first known St. Patrick's Day celebration happen in the U.S.?
9. True or False—St. Patrick was known to wear the color green.
10. What's a "curragh"?

Answers to me by June 1st, 2024.

Loopylin1950@gmail.com



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

Department of Wisconsin

National Scholarships

March 2024

These are the top 3 Department winners in Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen contests. The 1st Place winners will advance to the National judging. Good luck and congratulations to all the winners. The VFW Voice of Democracy Washington D.C. trip is coming up, March 2-6, 2024, and you can watch the **"Parade of Winners"** LIVE on Monday, **March 4, 2024**. It is set to start at 6 p.m. EST. Log on to www.vfw.org and watch as Wisconsin is represented.

Voice of Democracy

- 1st** - Porter Tiedt 201 Schemmer St, Burlington, WI 53105 Post 2823
2nd - Aidan Olson 230 100th Ave, Clayton, WI 54004 Post 5828
3rd - Henry Pahlow 10610 Oliver's Way, Maribel, WI 54227 Post 6705



Patriot's Pen

- 1st** - Nora Elliott 8535 S Cathlynn Ct, Oak Creek, WI 53154 Post 8482
2nd - Olivia Zimmerman E 11265 N. Poplar Rd, Baraboo, WI 53913 Post 987
3rd - Fiona Giese N1411 Norell Dr Merrill, WI 54452 Post 1638



YOUNG AMERICAN CREATIVE PATRIOTIC ART

This contest is open to students in Grades 9-12 by the March 31 deadline who are enrolled in a public, private, parochial, or home school program. Student does not have to be related to a VFW or VFW Auxiliary member to participate. There is still time to get your entry in. Entry forms and complete rules can be found on MALTA under Member Resources. You can also find information and links to all information needed on our Wisconsin website – www.vfwauxwi.org including the Judges score sheet and Common Mistakes and Helpful Hints. The **Department Awards** for this contest are: 1st Place-\$1500; 2nd Place-\$1000; 3rd Place \$750.

3-DIMENSIONAL PATRIOTIC ART

This contest is open to students in Grades 9-12 by the March 31 deadline who are enrolled in a public, private, parochial, or home school program. Student does not have to be related to a VFW or VFW Auxiliary member to participate. Entry forms and complete rules can be found on MALTA under Member Resources. You can also find information and links to all information needed on our Wisconsin website – www.vfwauxwi.org including the Judges score sheet. **The Department Award** is \$500 for the 1st Place winner.

VFW AUXILIARY JUDGING AND DEADLINES

- ❖ **March 31:** Student entries must be submitted to a participating VFW Auxiliary.
- ❖ **April 15:** One winner from each VFW Auxiliary advances to the VFW Auxiliary Department.
- ❖ **May 5:** VFW Auxiliary Department (state) winners due to VFW National Headquarters.

Send your Auxiliary winning art entry to Dept. Scholarship Chairman, **Jackie Gregory, W5463 Apple Ave., Medford, WI 54451**. Winning student entries must be received by **April 15, 2024** for Department judging.

Donations to these Scholarships are needed and appreciated. If your Auxiliary hasn't donated yet, please do it now so we can reward these talented artists. Thank you!

"Bee the Change" while "Banding Together for Veterans"

Jackie Gregory, Chairman
W5463 Apple Ave., Medford, WI 54451
jackie.g@tds.net
(715) 748-5373





EXTRA! EXTRA!

Read all about it!

WI VFW NEWS

March 2024

LAST CALL!

For donations to the VFW NEWS

THANK YOU to the **73 Auxiliaries** that sent in their \$.50 per member donation as of January 31, 2024. If your Auxiliary is one of the 33 that has not yet sent their contribution to Dept. Treasurer Lenore Otto, **PLEASE do so by March 31, 2024!**

Your per capita donation helps support our Auxiliary presence in the VFW NEWS and it also assists the VFW with the overall costs of that paper. It has been some time since we have reached our budgeted income for the NEWS, let's make this the year we meet – OR EXCEED – our goal of \$4,000.

REMEMBER: All Auxiliaries that ROUND UP their donation to **\$1.00 per member** will be entered in a drawing for one of two, \$5.00 awards presented at the State Convention in June 2024.

THANK YOU again to those Auxiliaries that have donated and **SPECIAL THANKS** to those who “rounded up”!

Marla J. Morgan

Editor/VFW NEWS Chairman

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(Auxiliary business only; use wivfweditor@gmail.com for photos, etc.)

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
WAYS AND MEANS PROGRAM GOALS

March 2024



Our main goal is to increase our funds. We are open to new ideas.

PIE IN THE FACE was held at the Mid-Winter Conference. This raised approximately \$450. Chief of Staff Vicki and Commander Ron were great sports about getting pied. If you're lucky, you might see the videos on Facebook. Thank you to everyone who donated and to our awesome members that were willing to literally take one for the team.

Our next event that we need raffles baskets for is State Convention. State Convention will be held June 12th - 15th in Green Bay. We are looking for already made baskets. We appreciate any donations! Considering giving a gift card and we can have a gift card tree as a prize.

WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF CASH (CHECKS) FOR SPECIAL RAFFLES AT CONVENTIONS. CHECKS CAN BE SENT TO LENORE OTTO, EARMARKED "W & M SPECIAL RAFFLE". DONATIONS CAN BE MADE BY INDIVIDUALS OR AUXILIARIES.



Alicia Weix & Barbara Stillman

Ways and Means Co Chairs

Mid-winter Convention fundraising (approximate):

Pie in the Face \$450

Basket Raffles: \$795

Quilt Raffle: \$165

50/50 Raffles: \$262

Refreshments (donuts/water): \$115



YOUTH ACTIVITIES

March 2024

VFW Auxiliary – Department of Wisconsin
Patty Jansky, Chairman / pajansky@charter.net



Deadlines for Youth Activities Contests are Coming Up!

It's not too late! Get your contest entries in on time!

- **Illustrating America** patriotic artwork and applications are due to your local Auxiliary by March 31st. Send in your Auxiliary's first-place winner in each grade division (K-2, 3-5, and 6-8) by **April 15th!**
- **Get Excited for the Red, White and Blue!** National Anthem singing videos (MP4 format) and applications must reach your Auxiliary by March 31st. Send in your first-place winner in each grade division (K-8 and 9-12) by **April 15th!**
- **National Youth Activities Award for Auxiliaries** is for the most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community about Patriotism through Literacy and utilizing the Random Act of Patriotism card (R.A.P.). **This Auxiliary award application is due by March 31st!**

Please mail or email (if applicable) your entries to me:
Patty Jansky, 12758 43rd Ave., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-723-0408 / pajansky@charter.net



***Questions?
Give me a call!***



Youth Activities Awards for Auxiliaries **Department of Wisconsin**



1. Outstanding Recognition of Youth with "Youth Groups Supporting Our Veterans" Citations, Individual "Patriotic Youth Awards", and "Random Act of Patriotism Cards" (R.A.P.) – \$5.00
2. Outstanding Participation in "Patriotism through Literacy" – \$5.00
3. Outstanding Participation in "Get Excited for the Red, White and Blue!" – \$5.00
4. Outstanding Participation in "Illustrating America" – \$5.00

Will YOUR Auxiliary earn one of these awards at our June Convention?



"Bee the Change" while "Banding Together for Our Veterans".



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
Roster Changes
March 2024

Meeting Place Change:

District 9- Aux. 1039, Pg. 83

New Meeting Place:

Moose Lodge

3014 Wilson St, Lot 201

Menomonie, WI 54751

Meeting Day and Time Change:

District 9- Aux. 1039, Pg. 83

New Day & Time:

2nd Monday @ 6 p.m.

Phone Number Correction:

Jennifer Mauritz, Pg. 9

Phone # Should be:

715-383-8628

Aux. # Change:

Jane Bynum, Pg. 56, 57, 58

Change to: Aux. # 6007

Officer Change:

District 1 President, Pg. 24

Remove: President Marie Severson

Add New President:

Cathy Hinds (608) 756-0884

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Officer Change:

District 6 – Aux. 9202 Pg. 55

Remove: Secretary Rebecca Yarbrough

Add New Secretary:

Linda Boguszewski (262) 628-2163

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Officer Changes:

District 9 – Aux. 8512, Pg. 87

Remove: President Glennis Lynch

Add New President:

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