

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY Department of Indiana

General Orders #2

July 2019

THIS YEAR IS DEDICATED TO MIKE TURNER, OUR DEPARTED BROTHER. MIKE WAS AUXILIARY PRESIDENT OF 1157, PAST DEPARTMENT HISTORIAN, AND WOULD HAVE BEEN 7TH DISTRICT PRESIDENT AND DEPARTMENT LEGISLATIVE CHAIRMAN THIS YEAR.

Item # 1: Past National President Passing: Past National President Rosemary Mazer, who served the Organization as National President has passed away. All Auxiliaries are so ordered by National Headquarters to drape their Charters in memory of Rosemary for 30 days.

Item #2: Election Results: Congratulations to Past District 3 President Gennie Pickens (and current Hospital Chairman) on her recent win by acclamation for Department Guard. We also congratulate Past Department President Sharron Barger on her election as Indiana's National District Council Member Area C!

Item #3: Installation Reports: If you have not yet submitted your Installation Report into Malta OR send it to Kasey (you have the option to do either method), you must get it in ASAP. National requires the Installation reports to be submitted by June 30. Without the Installation report, your Auxiliary will be subject to suspension per the Bylaws.

Item #4: Malta: Malta will be closed until at least July 8, 2019, for the year-end processing by National Headquarters. It will be posted to our social media and on the website when it reopens.

Item #5: District Meetings: District Meetings will be held in July. Please note the schedule in this mailing. Many Districts have changed their meeting days to accommodate the National Convention.

Item #6: National Convention: The VFW and VFW Auxiliary National Convention will be held July 20-24 in Orlando, Florida. We hope to see many members from Indiana at this special event. Please note that the Department Office for the Auxiliary will be closed from July 18-27, 2019 due to National Convention.

Item #7: All Auxiliary Officers: Please pay your membership dues if you are an annual member as soon as possible. This is just a simple reminder as National requires your membership to be paid to maintain your office.

Items #8: Bonds: Bonds will expire on August 31, 2019. Please renew your bond as soon as possible via Malta. If you do not use Malta, the Bond applications will be sent out in August's mailing of General Orders (as soon as we have it available from National HQ).

Item #9: School of Instruction: The dates for School of Instruction are August 16 and 17 at the Indianapolis Marriott East. Please see this mailing for the schedule of events. There will be important seminars for all members, but special attention will be paid to Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Trustees, and of course, the programs for the year.

Item #10: Auxiliary Treasurers: Do not hold dues. Please utilize MALTA for dues transmittals. This is important not only for the effective and efficient processing of dues but to also have real time stats for your membership. If you do not use Malta, please send your dues to Kasey Osborn. As always, please remember that there is a newsletter included in this General Orders specifically for you.

Item #11: Audits: Audits are technically due by July 31. As always, a grace period will be allowed into August to allow you to have time to vote on them in a meeting.

Item #12: Roster Books and Changes: Roster books should be distributed at the School of Instructions. Please send any roster changes to Kasey Osborn for the next month's mailing of General Orders.

Item #13: Auxiliary Presidents: By now, you should have appointed all your program chairmen. If you have not done so, please do this immediately so that you can begin to be successful with programs this year.

Item #14: Electronic Communications: If you receive General Orders via US Mail in hard copy format and are able to receive them electronically instead, please notify Kasey ASAP. Also, please note that General Orders are posted to our website at www.vfwauxin.org under resources. The electronic format is posted instantly the same day the hard copy goes out in the US Mail. You can also sign up for General Orders to be emailed to you even if you are not an Officer. Further, all guide sheets and report forms as they become available will be posted under the programs section of the website. Feel free to check the website often for new information!

Item #15: T-shirts, Hats, and Pins: The 2019-2020 shirts, hats, and pins are now available for purchase. Please use the T-Shirt Order Form in this mailing to order your shirts and hats. Find the enclosed pin flyer for pin orders to pick up at School of Instruction. At the Department Convention, the C of A voted to allow us to accept Credit Card payments for shirts and hats from individual members. There will be a \$3.00 fee added to your total transaction if you use a Credit/Debit card.

By Order Of:



Jennifer Morris, Department President
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary
Department of Indiana

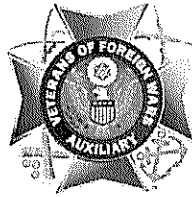
Attested By:



Kasey Osborn, Secretary
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary
Department of Indiana

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UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY Department of Indiana

Hello Auxiliary Members,

July, 2019

Well, our first month is behind us! It was a great month to regroup, finish year-end requirements, and to get everyone geared up for this year! By the time some of you read this, the 4th of July Holiday will have come and gone. I hope you remembered to celebrate Patriotism and as always, remember to report it!

The Department Team has been busy working on all their information to be given to the Auxiliaries at the School of Instruction. This General Orders has guide sheets and in some cases, introductory letters from the Department Chairmen for the 2019-2020 year.

July means a few things: (1) Audits will be due, (2) District meetings, and (3) National Convention. Make your plans to attend your District Meeting, remember that some Districts moved their dates to accomdate the National Convention. Be sure to go to your District Meeting and support your District. If you are planning on attending the National Convention in Orlando, Florida, I am requesting that you wear Jr. Past Department President Pete's shirt on Monday, July 22, 2019. That is the day they give out awards based on Pete's year. Let's hope Indiana brings back tons of awards!

Don't forget, School of Instruction is August 16 and 17, 2019. I hope that every Auxiliary sends a representative to this informative and fun event. Also, as a friendly reminder, check the Department website often as many of the Guide Sheets and other materials from the Department Chairmen will be placed on it. In some cases, the information is put on it before being sent out in General Orders. We have also changed the Department Membership Facebook Page, to a Program page. Feel free to check it out often too!

We have had quite a few illnesses and we wish everyone a speedy recovery. To those that have lost a loved one, you have my deepest sympathy.

Living to Support our Veterans,

Jennier Morris, Department President
VFW Auxiliary, Department of Indiana



VFW AUXILIARY

Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes TM

MEMO

Date: June 7, 2019

To: National Officers
 Past National Presidents
 National District Council Members
 Ambassadors
 Department Presidents
 Department Secretaries
 Kevin Jones, Adj. General, VFW

From: Ann Panteleakos, National Secretary-Treasurer

NOTICE OF DEATH

ROSEMARY MAZER
PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENT
1986-1987

Rosemary Mazer, who served as National President of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States during 1986-1987, went to her Heavenly home on June 5, 2019 in Paulsboro, New Jersey. Rosemary also served the Organization as National Secretary – Treasurer from 1991-1996.

At the time of this memo, funeral arrangements have not been made. Once the arrangements are set, a second memo with that information will be sent.

Please keep Rosemary's family in your thoughts and prayers.

Due to the death of Past National President Rosemary Mazer, all VFW Auxiliary Charters shall be draped for a period of thirty (30) days.

Roster Changes

July 2019

Past Department Presidents:

Betsy Buchanan

802 Cottage Ave

Columbus, IN 47201

(812) 371-2393

Barbara Lawson

2448 Meadowlark Way Apt D

Plainfield, IN 46168

PDP/Americanism Chairman

Jean Haggard-Corrected Phone Number (317) 902-6143

Attention Auxiliary Presidents: Please make sure to give this to your Treasurer. Thanks~Kasey

Hello Treasurers~

Welcome to a new and exciting year! June was pretty calm, like the calm before the storm. Let's hit this head on! You can begin to send me new member apps and such on July 1, 2019. When Malta opens back up, you can start to enter your 2020 dues for continuous members. I can't wait to watch your numbers grow!

Here's some tips to start the year:

1. Go into Malta as soon as it opens and purchase your bond. Once the money processes in a few days, you will be able to print your bond.
2. Put up a flyer, send it in your Auxiliary newsletter, or however you communicate with your members: Ask them to remember that if they change any of their contact information to get it to you or the Secretary so that Malta can be updated. Members often forget to notify the Auxiliary of any changes when the move.
3. When Malta reopens, download your roster. Make sure that it is correct. Also, verify that your dues amount is correct.
4. Don't forget, when sending memberships to me, I do NOT have the authorization to ACH your bank. You must send me a check for the dues amount.
5. Please make sure that any apps you send me are legible. If they are not, I will send them back to you for clarification. I have had to purchase too many cards out of my own pocket because I had to guess on names (and guessed wrong) and many times the Treasurer didn't know for sure either.
6. If you are a new Treasurer, please make sure you fill out the IRS form 8822-B that was sent out in last month's mailing. If you did not get it, forms will be available at School of Instruction and on the IRS website.
7. Please be at School of Instruction on August 16 and 17. We will begin training at 7:15 for the Treasurers and Trustees. We will do Trustees from 7:15 to around 7:45.

Feel free to contact me with questions, concerns, or suggestions!

Audit Report

VFW Auxiliary # _____ District # _____ Date: _____

Quarter _____ Please Mark Which: _____ Send Audit To: _____

January 1-March 31	4/30/2020
April 1-June 30	7/31/2019
July 1-September 30	10/31/2019
October 1-December 31	1/31/2020

Kasey Osborn, Dept. Treasurer
 410 E Dustmen Rd
 Bluffton, IN 46714
 osborn.kassandra@gmail.com (260) 273-9571

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Balance Last Report</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance This Report</u>
General Fund	\$	\$	\$	\$
Dept & National Dues	\$	\$	\$	\$
Relief	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other Funds	\$	\$	\$	\$
Provide Names of fund	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Funds Total:	\$	\$	\$	\$
Savings & CD's	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total All Funds	\$	\$	\$	\$
Checking Bank Statement Balance This Report:				\$
Deposits in Transit:				\$
Less Outstanding Checks This Report:				\$
Total Checking Balance This Report:				\$

Funds Total & Total Checking Balance This Report MUST Match**List Outstanding Checks:**

<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total Outstanding</u>
				\$

This is to certify that the books and records of the Treasurer and Secretary have been audited and all money is properly accounted for. Audited Date: _____

Trustee #1 _____

Trustee #2 _____

Trustee #3 _____

Items to be Audited: Treasurer's Ledger/Computer Records, All Bank Statements, Cancelled Checks, Checkbook, Secretary's Minutes. Please sign those items. Make 4 copies of this Audit and give to President, Secretary, Treasurer, and #1 Trustee. **Send Original to Department Treasurer**

In case of error, please return to:

Name: _____ PH# _____

Address: _____

City, ST, Zip: _____

District Meeting Schedule					
District	Auxiliary	Location	Time	Date	Notes
1	9323	Lake Station	12:00 CST	7/14/2019	
2	988	Valparaiso	2:00 EST	7/14/2019	Aux will meet at Legion
3	6919	Culver	1:00 EST	7/17/2019	
4	2457	New Haven	3:00 EST	7/13/2019	Lunch from 12:30-2:30
5	2689	Huntington	4:00 EST	7/13/2019	
6	972	Terre Haute	11:00 EST	7/14/2019	
7	2714	Fort Branch	10:30 EST	7/14/2019	
8	2953	Evansville	10:00 EST	8/4/2019	
9	6234	Milan	1:30 EST	7/14/2019	Lunch at noon
10	1282	New Castle	1:30 EST	7/28/2019	
11	2839	Speedway	10:30 EST	7/13/2019	

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

Department of Indiana

School of Instruction Schedule

August 16-17, 2019

Friday, August 16, 2019

****All meetings will take place in Veterans Hall (in the tower section)****

Registration	2:00pm-7:00pm
Department Line Officers Meeting	3:00pm-3:30pm
Department Chairmen Meeting	3:45pm-4:15pm
District President w/ Chief of Staff's	4:30pm-5:30pm
Dinner (on your own)	5:30pm-6:30pm
President's Training	6:30pm-7:00pm
Secretary Training	6:30pm-7:00pm
Treasurer and MALTA Membership Training	7:15pm-9:00pm

Saturday, August 17, 2019

Registration	8:00am-11:00am
C of A Meeting	9:00am-10:00am
School of Instruction (PROGRAMS)	10:15am-11:45am
Lunch (with Comrades or on your own)	11:45am-1:00pm
School of Instruction Resumes	1:00pm until finished

Schedule subject to change by order of the Department President

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION
HOTEL INFORMATION
AUGUST 16-17, 2019

Marriott East

\$119.00 + Tax/Night

7202 E 21st St

Indianapolis, IN 46219

(317) 352-1231

Delta Hotel

ATTACHED TO THE MARRIOTT

\$89.00 + Tax/Night

7304 E 21st St

Indianapolis, IN 46219

(317) 352-1231



The St. Joseph Cemetery is proud to announce that it been selected to be a host of *The Wall That Heals*, a $\frac{3}{4}$ scaled replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. The Wall will be on display at the Cemetery (25751 Grant Road, South Bend, IN 46619) along with the mobile Education Center September 19th through September 22, 2019.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial is one of the most visited memorials in our nation's capital, however, many Americans have not been able to visit what has become known to many as "The Wall." The Wall shall be on display at **no cost** to the public and is **open 24 hours a day**. The exhibit includes The Wall replica and a mobile Education Center.

The estimated total cost to bring The Wall to our area is \$46,000 (\$10,000 display fee plus \$36,000 for operation supplies, such as event insurance, utilities, additional equipment, equipment rentals, safety and support items, volunteer refreshments, etc.). We are asking all local businesses and community organizations for volunteers, support with donations, or in-kind items or services to offset the cost of this event.

While any amount is welcome, extremely appreciated, and needed, major sponsors will be formally recognized throughout the event. Any money raised in excess of direct expenses for this event shall be donated to establishing a monument and park area dedicated to Vietnam Veterans within the cemetery. *St. Joseph Cemetery will not be keeping any money raised for this event for any other purpose.*

For more information on how to donate in-kind items, your time or financial support please visit our website www.sjfh.net, our Facebook page, email Kathleen@sjfh.net, or contact St. Joseph Funeral Home directly at (574) 288-4685. You may also mail your donation to:

SJFH "The Wall"
824 South Mayflower Road
South Bend, IN 46619

We thank you in advance for any support you can provide for this project and hope to see you, your family, friends and neighbors at the event.

Respectfully yours,

Kathleen Matuszak, MPA
General Manager St. Joseph Funeral Home & Cemetery
824 South Mayflower Road
South Bend, IN 46619
574-288-4685

501 (c) (13) {Not-For Profit} Federal Tax ID # 35-6059252
Indiana Tax ID # 000-313-8364-00
Cemetery License # CM40700005

Harriet Figg
7757 N. Mt. Tabor Road
Ellettsville, IN 47429

Department of Indiana 2019-2020
Chaplain Report

harrfig@yahoo.com
812-325-3082
812-876-5797

GET WELL CARDS;

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, St _____
Zip: _____ Aux # _____

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, St _____
Zip: _____ Aux # _____

THINKING OF YOU CARDS:

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, St _____
Zip: _____ Aux. #: _____

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, St _____
Zip: _____ Aux. #: _____

SYMPATHY CARDS:

Name of Deceased: _____
Send card to: _____
Address: _____
City, St _____
Zip: _____ Aux. #: _____

Name of Deceased: _____
Send Card To: _____
Address: _____
City, St _____
Zip: _____ Aux. #: _____

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City, St _____
Zip: _____ Aux. #: _____

Please print clearly and be sure all information is correct. A lot of cards were returned last year so please give correct information and timely! Don't wait a month to request a card. I will also accept email notices. If you have a deceased member, please give the name of the person and the address where the sympathy card should be sent. My goal is to send the cards out as soon as I receive the information so our members know that we are here to support them. In case of questions, please include:

Name of Auxiliary Chaplain: _____ Aux #: _____
District: _____ Telephone #: _____



All State President Program 2019-2020

July 1, 2019

Welcome District Presidents & Auxiliary Presidents!

My name is Donna Popovic and I am your Department Chairman for the All State President Program this year. I am honored to accept this Chairmanship as I have been entitled to have received this award 5 times: 2010-2012 VFW 1954 Auxiliary President and 2016-2018 VFW District 3 President.

Please use the report forms for your office: Auxiliary President or District President. I only need 1 report that will be due between April 1 and May 1, 2020.

About the reports:

- They are the guidelines for what you, and your Auxiliary, have accomplished
- Keep in compliance with the National Bylaws and/or over and above
- Keep a log of your activities
- Keep it simple and easy
- Make it fun! Details, pictures, other items can be included
- Awards will be given at the 2020 State Convention

If you need any help, or have further questions, please feel free to contact me. I am so looking forward to reading your reports! Come on, you can do it!

To make each day count for Veterans,

Donna Popovic

Donna M Popovic
VFW Department of Indiana
All State President Chairman

Remit to:

64489 State Road 23
North Liberty, IN 46554
Email: tdpop72@embarqmail.com
Home: 574.656.8248
Cell: 574.220.4981

AMERICANISM

For those who are **NEW** and may not know me I am Jean Haggard. I joined the Auxiliary in 1966 at the age of 17 in the now defunct Auxiliary of Post 2552 in Franklin under my brother David Lee Rogers. Even before I joined my step-father was commander of the Post and he believed it was our patriotic duty to support our servicemen, our community and our family. We traveled to many district meetings (back then they were held on Saturday and we could party afterwards), marched in parades for the community, attended dances at other Posts and met with many others who felt the same way. One of my fondest memories was at the Ernie Pyle Post in Indianapolis. They had a spoon dance for kids on Friday ("Tiny" was my partner) and then Saturday was meant for the adults. Every Sunday we spent hours cleaning our Post. This is from The American Heritage Dictionary:

AMERICAN – Of, relating to or characteristic of the United State of America, its people, culture. Government or its history.

AMERICANISM – A custom, trait, or tradition originating in the United States; Allegiance to the United States and its customs and institutions.

PATRIOTIC – Feeling, devotion, expressing or inspired by love for one's country.

(From our Bylaws and Ritual) **PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR** – A person who is meant to teach patriotism and good citizenship to the people of our country; to assist in the floor work ceremonies and perform such other duties as the Ritual may require.

PATRIOTISM – Love and devotion to one's country.

This year I believe we need to see that **Americanism** and **Patriotism** should be conducted in all of our programs, in our churches, schools, hospitals and throughout our communities to every man, woman, child, serviceman, servicewoman, community and State events that seek our help when, where, and if we can. I am asking for your help to do this. I would like to know what YOU think we can do to make this a better program for the Department of Indiana in Americanism. Good – positive suggestions are always needed. I will not accept anything by e-mail or text. **Snail mail only as it is my written confirmation and dated information from you.** I seldom get on the computer. I don't do facebook.

Your First assignment is this – send me the following form before School of Instruction. Prizes will be awarded:

Auxiliary # _____ District # _____ Division _____ (if known)

Auxiliary Chairman's Name

Auxiliary Chairman's Street Address

City, State and Zip code

Auxiliary Chairman's Phone # _____

Living to Support Our Veterans
Department of Indiana
Americanism Chairman 2019-2020

Jean Haggard
329 Victory Avenue
Greenwood, Indiana 46142

AMERICANISM - LET'S HAVE FUN – LET'S WORK TOGETHER

Loyally submitted June 17, 2019,
For July General Orders - Jean

JULY/2019 GUIDE SHEET

DEPT. CHIEF OF STAFF

JILL WILSON

Auxiliary Members,

At your July District meeting, your District Chief of Staff will be handing out copies of the Healthy Checkup Questionnaire. Please fill them out and return to your Chief of Staff A.S.A.P. or mail to me. I need at least one from every Auxiliary. If you report in July, I will not have to bug you for this report the rest of the year.

NEXT: I'm asking if you will send me questions you feel that you think will make an Auxiliary a Healthy Auxiliary. After I receive them, I would like to put together a Questionnaire of what Indiana would ask to make an Auxiliary Healthy.

(form included)

RESOURCES: Valuable tools to help your Auxiliary to be more productive: Online Academy and the Program & Publicity page of the National website: www.vfwauxiliary.org/resources.

1. The Healthy Auxiliary Tool Kit includes 7 resources to assist Auxiliaries in identifying and solving issues.
2. Building on the VFW Auxiliary Foundation makes every effort to educate members on duties of Officers. Duties of Chairman and why reporting is important.

JILL Wilson

Dept. Chief of Staff

540 lane 250 C Lake Pleasant

Orland, In 46776

Jilwil2929@yahoo.com

Due on or before

Oct. 1, 2019

Aux. _____

Dist. _____

Div. _____



Health Checkup for Your Auxiliary

Member Questionnaire

What Question would you ask on the Health Checkup for Your Auxiliary Member Questionnaire?

Send me question(s) that you feel should be asked on the
Healthy Auxiliary Questionnaire

HEY BUDDIES! Barb Barger here with the latest stories.....

VFW National Home for Children NEWS FLASH!

The National VFW Commander, William "Doc" Schmitz and the National VFW Auxiliary President, Peggy Haake have announced their joint project for National Home this year is to extend the walking path in the TRIBUTE PARK. During these monthly track updates, we will be racing around that track.

To get those motors started, at **School of Instructions!**

- **Auxiliaries in Districts 1-5** with an Aux # that are **ODD #s**, please bring a raffle prize to **School of Instructions**. Be sure to include your Auxiliary# & District #, along with a Buddy Poppy on your raffle item. Race Points will be awarded to all Auxiliaries in those Districts that participate!!
- Meanwhile, back at the garage, I mean, POST, Auxiliaries, please send in your \$.10 per member (as of 6/30/19 quota) for your Health and Happiness donation! Or take the faster route, pay on MALTA! To receive a citation from National Headquarters, increase the amount to \$.25 per member as of 6/30/19 quota! Extra points will be awarded if your obligation is paid by Fall Conference!!

Be a frontrunner of the race, not just back in the pack, be proactive and take the lead to get the word out!

- INDIANA DAY AT VFW NATIONAL HOME IS SEPTEMBER 29, 2019! Make plans now to attend and bring your friends and family!
- Hold an extra fundraising event for National Home in your Districts and/or your Auxiliaries. Remember: National Home is fully funded from donations!
- Research and Educate your VFW Auxiliary members and VFW comrades as well as the public on what National Home is and what all it has to offer our veterans and their family members. Someone right there in your POST might just need their help, but doesn't know it is available to them or how to get the help they need! VFW National Home Helpline # 800-313-4200 is just a call away!
- Visit vfnationalhome.org to learn more!

AND ONCE YOU DO, it is GO time.....**FALL CONFERENCE CONTEST!!!**

- Make a display board or bulletin board at your POST to get the word out on National Home!
- Bring your display board OR a clear picture of your display &/or bulletin board in your POST and bring it to Fall Conference for judging.
- Include a short note, explaining the use and purpose your display, where it is located and any feedback from your members. Winners will earn a sweet reward and all Auxiliaries that enter will earn race points! Extra points for entries promoting any of the other 10 Programs along with National Home as part of their displays!

Remember Buddies help each other !

See you at the races!

HEY BUDDIES me again Barb Barger.....this just in!

First let me introduce myself. I am, Barb Barger, your Dept of IN, Buddy Poppy/National Home chairperson. You can contact me with any questions regarding either program on the phone #812-498-2686 (leave a message) or email at bbarger@seymourin.org for now.

My address to send reports to : 932 N. Elm St., Seymour, IN 47274.

Most all of you know about the Buddy Poppywhere it started, who makes them, who benefits from the sale of them and the distribution of them.... And so on....*but does your fellow VFW Comrades, VFW Auxiliary members or the general public????* The focus of Buddy Poppy program this year is to educate others about the Buddy Poppy and the work that little crepe paper flower does to help so many !

For starters, you need supplies:

1. Auxiliaries can order Buddy Poppies direct from VFW Dept of Indiana Headquarters. You do not have to order them through your POST. Allow enough time, 6-8 weeks, before you need them for your event or Buddy Poppy drives. An order form can be obtained on their website www.vfw.in.org.
2. Buddy Poppy supplies such as pamphlets, posters, bookmarks, etc. can be ordered from the VFW Store for distribution with the actual flower itself .

Buddy Poppies are trademarked as the official Memorial Flower of the VFW to remember the fallen by honoring the living. *Why trademark Buddy ? From the VFW webpage: The VFW made that trademark a guarantee that all poppies bearing that name and the VFW label are genuine products of the work of disabled and needy veterans. No other organization, firm or individual can legally use the name Buddy Poppy. Still today, our Buddy Poppies are still assembled by disabled and needy veterans in VA Hospitals.*

Do you know, that for every Buddy Poppy sold by the VFW:

- Part goes to VFW National Headquarters Veteran Service Fund
- Part goes to VFW Department of IN Veteran Service Funds
 - Part goes to the VFW National Home for Children

Buddy Poppies should be visible throughout the community all year long. Be sure to incorporate them in all of the other 10 VFW Auxiliary programs. Don't forget to report using them especially on your BUDDY POPPY report!!!

Fall Conference Buddy Poppy Display Contest

The theme is: "Take a little ride with me" by land, sea, sky! **In your entry:**

- Be creative as you can and have fun!!! Try to make it as *portable* as you can ...We be rolling....
- Always include at least ONE original Buddy Poppy with the white tag attached in your display.
- Incorporate at least one steering device image. Such as but not limited to.....Steering wheel, wagon wheel, airplane control wheel, etc.
- Please have your entry at conference no later than opening ceremonies Saturday morning. Each entry should have an entry form attached to it!! They will be available at School of Instruction and also at Fall Conference.

Guide Sheet for Historian 2019-2020

As the Historian of your Auxiliary, you will be the memory keeper and collector of your Auxiliary's year.

Try to attend as many events as possible to take pictures, invite the media to cover your events, turn a story into your local newspaper. Clip news articles and save digital copies of news stations covering your events. Please remember to get press/media release forms signed and give a Communication Award to your newspapers and news stations for covering your events. You can find both of these online at www.vfwauxiliary.org/resources.

Help your Auxiliary stand out by setting up a Facebook page or set up a website. Send a monthly newsletter to your members to keep them updated on your activities, it might surprise you how much help you will receive if members know what's going on.

REPORT, REPORT, REPORT! I will only ask for you to send me one report this year and it will be **due April 1, 2020**.

I will hold a contest at Department Convention only, rules as follows:

- Scrapbooks- photo albums or digital copies from Auxiliary or Districts.
- Publicity- Scrapbooks of newsletters, news articles, copies of communication awards you gave media. These are required to be in order and placed in a 3 ring binder or make a booklet with Clear sleeves.
- These are due to me **no later than April 30th, 2020**.

— I will be looking for creativity, how active you were, did you use the media.

— I will be holding a Media Relations Training at School of Instruction August 16-17, 2019. Please plan to attend for great information.

If you attend events that our Department President, Jennifer Morris is at, please send me all pictures you take at that event via email at tracylmcglynn@gmail.com or tag me on Facebook as I may be unable to attend all events due to my full time job. I will take some of your photos to add to my compilation to record Jennifer's amazing year.

Tracy McGlynn, Historian 2019-2020

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Gennie Pickens,
 Dept. Hospital Chairman
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Hospital and VAVs Report Form

July 2019

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It is an honor to be the Dept. Hospital Chairman again. I have learned a lot and plan to do more than last year. This year we are going to focus on volunteering again. There are many ways to volunteer in the Hospital program. You can volunteer in a VA hospital by contacting the Hospital rep or the hospital itself. Your hours need to be charted so that you will be able to apply for you service pin. You will need a minimum of 150 hours. (Non-members can receive a onetime service award for completing 100 hours). You also can volunteer in non-VA hospitals or Nursing Homes. **On the report form please tell me who the recruiters are.**

School of Instructions-Auxiliary donating items from Districts 1-5, the odd numbers. As in, the ODD # Auxiliaries in those Districts I am asking to bring raffle items to that event. Fall Conference-Districts 6-11-the even # Auxiliaries in those Districts. Spring Conference-Districts 1-5 the even # Auxiliaries in those Districts. Convention-Districts 6-11 the odd # Auxiliaries in those Districts

Do you know a Veteran that is home bound? Call and offer to give the caregiver a break. It may even be the Veteran that is taking care of a spouse. You can call a local Nursing Home to see if there is anything that you can do to assist. (Send out cards, have a party, or plan a visit to the hospital or Nursing Home)

Programs Goals:

Volunteer – Recruitment, Recognition and Support

Veterans Voices Writing Project – helping Veterans to express themselves by writing, recording or typing.

Spotlight Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Issues.

Educate the Community on Service in VA Research and Development promotion. www.research.va.gov

- Citation in each Division for the most Auxiliary members volunteering in any VA/non VA facility (Citation to the one member that recruits the most volunteers)
- Citation in each Division for the most NEW volunteers recruited (Citation to the one member that recruits the most new volunteers)
- Award in each Division for the best promotion of Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness
- Award in each Division for the best promotion of Veterans Voices Writing Project
- Award in each Division for the best promotion of the VA Office of Research and Development
- Plaque to one member in the nation who recruits the most Hospital volunteers. Official form is required and available at www.vfwauxiliary.org/resources. Winner will be announced at the 2020 National Convention.
- Serving Our Veterans with Aloha Keepsake to one member in the nation for the most unique method of promoting Veteran and Military Suicide Prevention or Mental Health Awareness. Official form required and available at www.vfwauxiliary.org/resources. Winner will be announced at the 2020 National Convention.
- Citation to the Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year in each Division. Official form required and available at www.vfwauxiliary.org/resources. Citation will be presented at the Department Convention.

Send me pictures or ideas of what you are doing so we can share it with others that may need ideas. Thank you again for all you do for our Veterans

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LEGISLATIVE GUIDE SHEET

2019-2020

Reports Due By:
Oct. 1, 2019
&
May 1, 2020

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The Legislative program works hand in hand with the VFW! Our goals for the year will include VFW Priority Goals, Action Corps Weekly, and Community Legislative Involvement. Which means...

Study the VFW Priority Goals. They can be found on the VFW National website at: www.vfw.org. These do tend to change, so check back often. I will also have them linked to our Department website: www.vfwauxin.org under programs>Legislative.

The priority goals are grouped into six areas of concern:

Budget,

Healthcare,

Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs,

Education, Employment and Transition Assistance,

Military Quality of Life and

National Security, Foreign Affairs and POW/MIA.

Get your membership to sign up for **Action Corps Weekly**. At every Conference, the Representative always asks how many people receive this emailed newsletter. Only about half the members in attendance raise their hand. That means we have a long way to go. Also, did you know, that National can actually tell if we opened the newsletter once we get it?? I highly encourage participation of this informative newsletter.

VFW Auxiliary members can also track Legislative Bills by visiting:

www.congress.gov where you find a specific bill by its number or by a key word or phrase.

We are also going to strive to get you the correct information for your State and Federal representatives. One of our goals is to reach out to each legislative member and get them to work for our Veterans! You have several methods to reach out to them...go visit them, email, phone, or snail mail to name a few.

All Auxiliary Chairmen are asked to go the extra mile and talk to your Auxiliary members to obtain information for accurate reporting.

James Kneller

VFW Department of Indiana Auxiliary
Legislative Chairman

2019-2020 – MEMBERSHIP # 1

Department of Indiana Membership Chairman: Barbara Cavin, 219-214-6090

This year we are going to Invite, Include and Invest In our Organization.

Invite Others to Join,

Include current membership to participate .

Invest in the future.

Our Membership year starts July 1 to June 30th. Get those dues reminders out as soon as you can , because before you know it the holidays will be approaching and it is hard to get those dues. You will receive your membership book at your district meeting the district President has it. There will be one book per auxiliary. Auxiliary President give to your membership chairman. Feel free to make copies.

Please read the book there are awards for School of Instructions, Fall Conference, Spring conference, Round up, State convention. You do the work so report it and possibly win some awards.

MEMBERSHIP is not just the Membership Chairman 's duty all auxiliary members should work on membership. If each member invited one person to join, Indiana's membership would be doubled.

Send me a copy of your dues notice when you send them out ,let me know how many you sent. And how many dues you received from those notices. I will have an award at Fall conference for this.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me .Let's have a great year and fun along the way.

Barbara Cavin

Membership Chairman

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Welcome to our new program for the 2019-2020 year! Mentoring for Leadership combines new elements of engagement, communication, and mentoring with several aspects from our existing programs. We have several goals this year in this program:

1. Encourage members to become mentors.
2. Determine the best mentor in your Auxiliary.
3. Build upon the strengths of individual members to create cohesive team.
4. Create a Mentoring for Leadership program within your Auxiliary.
5. Engage members through communication pathways to enhance our membership abilities, reporting goals, and most importantly, our goals to assist our Heroes.

The tools needed to be successful in this program include the most updated version of the *National Bylaws*, the *Building on the Auxiliary Foundation*, *Mentoring at VFW Auxiliary: Relationship Building for the Future*, and the 2019-2020 Program Book. The updated version of the *National Bylaws* will be available in the Fall, and the other tools are on the following website in July 2019:
www.vfwauxiliary.org/resources

We will get more involved with this program at our School of Instructions on August 16 and 17th, 2019. Please come prepared to have fun and to catch some FISH!

"There is always a choice about the way you do your work, even if there is not a choice about the work itself." CHOOSE YOUR ATTITUDE!

-Quote from FISH! By Stephen Lundin, Harry Paul, and John Christensen

Remember, while we all joined this organization because of a Veteran, we stayed on as active members because someone special took the time to become a mentor to us!

General Orders July 2019

President's Special Project: Quilts of Valor

Hello Everyone!

My name is Patrice Pruitt and I have been chosen by Department President Jennifer Morris to be her Special Project Chairman for the ensuing year. Her Special Project is "Quilts of Valor".

The mission of the Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. Christine Hurley is the Indiana Coordinator for the Quilts of Valor Foundation. For more information, please visit www.qovf.org.

At this time there are over 200 names on the Indiana list to receive a Quilt of Valor. In order for a service member or veteran to receive a Quilt of Valor they must not have received a quilt from any other organization honoring them for their sacrifice and services.

This year my top two priorities are to raise money and get "Presenters" for the Quilts of Valor. All the money raised will go towards material for making quilts, Quilts of Valor coins which are presented to the veterans at the ceremony and Quilts of Valor brochures. Everything raised will go to the Indiana Chapter. "Presenters" are in high demand and play a very crucial part in carrying out the Quilts of Valor purpose.

Many quilts have been made by sewing groups using a 10 person production line. I'll provide anyone who is interested in making quilt(s) with the necessary information. Only those who make a quilt can enter a name to receive a Quilt of Valor.

I would like for each Auxiliary in the state to hold at least two fund raisers which can be a raffle, 50/50 drawing, bake sales, spaghetti dinner or whatever you would like to do.

There will be two reports which are due by October 1st and April 1st.

Please note that there will be a raffle table at School of Instruction to start fund raising for this important project. Districts 1-5 odd numbers are requested to bring an item to donate.

Please be sure to pick up the Quilts of Valor information at the sign in table.

Respectfully,

Patrice Pruitt

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317-487-2185

President's Special Project

Pins

Quilts of Valor



Pins are now available, you can contact me by phone, text, or internet.

Pins are \$3.00 each and can be sold to anyone, not just members, this is a fund raiser for President's Special Project.

CONTACT ME AT THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS: Karen Muston

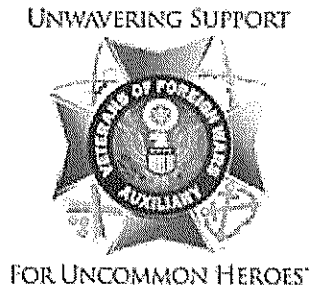
Cell Phone: 812-760-6909 Home Phone 812-402-3182 NO TEXT

e-mail address: rkmuston@yahoo.com

I will mail you pins for an additional cost of \$5.00.

PLEASE CONTACT ME WITH ANY QUESTIONS!!!

Karen Muston Dept. In. Pin Chairman



Scholarship Programs for the 2019 – 2020 Year

Continuing Education Scholarship

- Open to any Auxiliary member (with a minimum one year of membership), their spouse or child with financial need. Must be at least 18 years old, complete application and submit essay of 300 words or less. Due to National Headquarters by February 15, 2020
- \$1000 awarded to an applicant in each of the four Conferences

Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest

- Open to all students in grades 9 – 12 including home-schooled students no older than 18 years of age at time of entry. US Citizens and US Nationals only.
- Entry must be received by Local Auxiliary by Mar 15, Dept. by Apr 15 and National by May 5, 2020.
- Top eight entries will receive a scholarship ranging from \$15,000 (1st Place) to \$500 (5th thru 8th Place)
- Criteria for entries can be found on MALTA under "Resources".

Voice of Democracy Audio-Essay Contest (Theme: *What Makes America Great*)

- Open to all students in grades 9 – 12 including home-schooled students. Student must be a resident of the State where entered. One Department winner sent to VFW National Headquarters.
- Entry due to VFW Post by Midnight Oct 31, 2020
- Judging to be completed by VFW Post by Nov 15, District by Dec 15 and Department by Jan 10, 2020. Department Winner must be to VFW National Headquarters by Jan 15, 2020.
- National Awards range from \$30,000 (1st Place) to \$1000 (37th thru 54th Place)
- All Department winners will enjoy and all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. where their essay will compete in the final competition.

Patriot's Pen Essay Contest (Theme: *What Makes America Great*)

- Open to all students in grades 6 – 8 including home-schooled students. Student must be a resident of the State where entered. One Department winner sent to VFW National Headquarters.
- Entry due to VFW Post by Midnight Oct 31, 2020
- Judging to be completed by VFW Post by Nov 15, District by Dec 15 and Department by Jan 10, 2020. Department Winner must be to VFW National Headquarters by Jan 15, 2020.
- National Awards range from \$5,000 (1st Place) to \$2,750 to \$500 (4th thru 54th Place).

Jim McGlynn Dept. Scholarship Chairman Email: stymiejames@gmail.com Call or Text: 765-505-1691



Veteran & Family Support Guide Sheet July 2019

Tammie Reynolds
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Greetings Brothers and Sisters

I would like to introduce myself, my name is Tammie Reynolds and I will be the Department Chairman for Veterans and Family Support. Our focus this year will be to **Target and Impact**. The District Presidents each will receive a folder with all information for this program at S of I. Ask them any questions or contact me.

Target: Your Auxiliary will be targeting Reports for the following programs:

1. Auxiliary, host or co-host with your VFW Post fundraising activities for **(NVS) National Veterans Service**. (For example: PTSD, Suicide Awareness, TBI, MST, etc.).
2. Auxiliary, host or co-host with your VFW Post fundraising activities for **Veterans and Military Support Programs**: (For example: Unmet Needs, VFW's "Sport Clips Help a Hero Scholarship and Operation Uplink.).
3. Auxiliary, participate in and/or sponsor events or projects for **the homeless Veterans**: (For example: Stand Down, clothing drive, etc.).
- 4 Auxiliary provide **direct aid to Veterans, Active-duty Service Members and or their Families**. (For example: meals, transportation, cards, gift packages, donations, etc.).
5. **USO Indianapolis Airport - Deploy or Return wish list:**
Auxiliary goal - earn a Gift of kindness Citation Award Cert. for a donation \$20.00 or Auxiliary goal - earn a Gift of Kindness Citation Award Cert. for a donation of \$50.00
6. **Camp Atterbury Center wish list:**
Auxiliary goal - earn a Care and Comfort Citation Award Cert. for a donation \$20.00 or Auxiliary goal - earn a Comfort and Care/Above and Beyond Citation Award Cert. for a donation of \$50.00
7. **Muscatatack wish list:**
Auxiliary goal - earn a Veterans connected to Family, Home and Country Citation Award Cert. for a donation \$20.00 or Auxiliary goal - earn a Veterans connected to Family, Home and Country/Circle of Excellence Citation Award Cert. for a donation of \$50.00
8. **Desert Storm/Desert Shield Memorial:**

Auxiliary goal - earn a Pathfinder Citation Award Cert. for a donation \$20.00 or Auxiliary goal - earn a Squad Leader Citation Award Cert. for a donation of \$50.00

Impact: For every program above an Auxiliary report the **Impact = a Love Arrow (Spreading the Love)**. Your Auxiliary will be accumulating Love Arrows throughout the year. **Two full reports are needed:** First report will have **April thru September** and is **Due October 1, 2019**. Final report will have **October thru March** and is **Due April 1, 2020**. (Hint: keep track monthly as you spread the love and acts of kindness, the race for most Arrows is with your Auxiliary.

More details to follow in General Orders.

(Please read at meetings as this will count as a report)

Remember: The Family of a Veteran. A Veteran was either drafted or enlisted on his or her own, but the Family was drafted or enlisted too. They were, and are sacrificing time for our freedom, taking care of or waiting, there with our Veterans every day; during boot camp, combat, on a ship on the other side of the world. It's time to support our Heroes!

Department President's Shirt Order Form 2019-2020

All shirts are Royal Blue with state design embroidery on them.

Name: _____

Phone Number: () _____

AUX #: _____ District #: _____

Address: _____

Who Picked up: _____

Sign: _____

T-Shirts prices are XS-XL \$13.00 and 2XL-6XL \$15.00

X-small _____ XL _____ 5-XL _____

Small _____ 2-XL _____ 6-XL _____

Med _____ 3-XL _____

Large _____ 4-XL _____

T-Shirts With Pocket prices are XS-XL \$15.00 and 2XL-6XL \$17.00 PRE-ORDER ONLY

X-small _____ XL _____ 5-XL _____

Small _____ 2-XL _____ 6-XL _____

Med _____ 3-XL _____

Large _____ 4-XL _____

Long Sleeve T-Shirts prices are S-XL \$16.00 and 2XL-6XL \$18.

Small _____ 2-XL _____ 6-XL _____

Med _____ 3-XL _____

Large _____ 4-XL _____

XL _____ 5-XL _____

Ladies Polo (runs small) prices are XS-XL \$26.00 2XL - 4XL \$28.00 PRE-ORDER ONLY

X-small _____ XL _____

Small _____ 2-XL _____

Med _____ 3-XL _____

Large _____ 4-XL _____

Men's Polo prices are XS-XL \$26.00 2XL - 6XL \$28.00 PRE-ORDER ONLY

X-small _____ XL _____ 5-XL _____

Small _____ 2-XL _____ 6-XL _____

Med _____ 3-XL _____

Large _____ 4-XL _____

Men's Polo with pocket prices are XS-XL \$27.00 2XL - 4XL \$29.00 PRE-ORDER ONLY

X-small _____	XL _____
Small _____	2-XL _____
Med _____	3-XL _____
Large _____	4-XL _____

Sweatshirts prices are XS-XL \$20.00 and 2XL-5XL \$22.00

X-small _____	XL _____	5-XL _____
Small _____	2-XL _____	
Med _____	3-XL _____	
Large _____	4-XL _____	

Pullover Hoodie prices are XS-XL \$25.00 and 2XL-5XL \$28.00 PRE-ORDER ONLY

X-small _____	XL _____	5-XL _____
Small _____	2-XL _____	
Med _____	3-XL _____	
Large _____	4-XL _____	

Zip-Up Hoodie prices are XS-XL \$25.00 and 2XL-5XL \$28.00 PRE-ORDER ONLY

X-small _____	XL _____	5-XL _____
Small _____	2-XL _____	
Med _____	3-XL _____	
Large _____	4-XL _____	

Name on right chest is additional \$3.00 for 1 Line \$5.00 for 2 Line \$8.00 for 3 Lines (please print name)

Total number of Shirts: _____ **Total Amount of order:** _____

Shipping Amount: _____

Make Checks Payable to VFW AUXILIARY Dept of Indiana & earmark as shirts

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Delivery: (please mark one) State Convention _____ School of Instructions _____ Fall Conference _____ Spring Conference _____