

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY Department of Indiana

General Orders #8

January 2020

To be read at the first meeting following receipt and filed for reference

Item #1: All Officers/Members: If your dues are not paid as of January 1, 2020, you are no longer a member in good standing. Your officer position will be removed by National and you are no longer eligible for Canteen privileges in the Post. If you have not already done so, please pay your dues as soon as possible.

Item #2: New Auxiliary: The Department will be instituting a new Auxiliary #6841 in Lowell, Indiana, on January 19, 2020. All members are invited to attend to welcome these new members and to celebrate this new Auxiliary.

Item #3: Cancer Grants: National HQ has updated the Cancer Grant Applications. There is a hard copy in this mailing. You must use these or the application will be returned without processing. You can also find them on our website at www.vfwauxin.org

Item #4: District Meetings: Please make plans to attend your respective District Meeting this month. It is important that the President or his/her designee is at each District Meeting to bring back valuable information to the local Auxiliary.

Item #5: Spring Conference: The Department of Indiana Spring Conference is coming up on March 13-15, 2020. Please make your plans to attend. The schedule is included in this mailing, remember that it is subject to change by the order of the Department President. Our National Representative will be National Conductress, Carla Martinez, from the Department of Utah.

Item #6: Spring Conference Banquet: It is highly recommended that you attend the Spring Conference Banquet. This is the function where we celebrate all of the winners of

the Patriot's Pen and VOD. These kids deserve our praise for their hard work. Further, by attending the Banquet, you are supporting our Veterans and the VFW-which is the reason we all joined to begin with.

Item #7: District/Auxiliary Treasurers: Please see the Treasurer Tips page in this mailing for information about membership processing and audits. Presidents, please make sure to pass the Treasurer Tips page on to your treasurers.

Item #8: District/Auxiliary Trustees: Audits were due on November 30, 2019. If you have forgotten to send yours in, please do so ASAP.

Item #9: Roster Changes: If there is a change to the Offices of President, Secretary, or Treasurer as well as any change to your Meeting Date, Time, Location, or Dues, please notify the Dept. Secretary Kasey so that the new information will be included in the next month's mailing of General Orders. This is even if you put it in Malta. The Department Roster must be kept updated per National, and Kasey does not get notification if something changes in Malta.

It is also with great sadness that we report the passing of Past Department President, Norma Knauer. She was our Department President in 1988-1989.

By the Order of:

Jennifer Morris, Department President VFW Auxiliary, Department of Indiana

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Attest:

Kasey Osborn, Department Secretary/Treasurer

VFW Auxiliary, Department of Indiana



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY Department of Indiana

Greetings Indiana!

January 2020

Welcome to 2020! I hope you all had a great Holiday season surrounded by family and friends. I also hope you all brought in the New Year responsibly and to those of you who played designated driver-Thank You!

I've really enjoyed seeing and sharing all your Facebook posts of the Kid's Christmas parties, the visits to the VA's and to the nursing homes. I'd love to see more dedication like that year round. Your hard work doesn't go unnoticed!

Now that it is January, your unpaid members are going to show as lapsed in Malta. All this means is that they still need to pay-and they have lost their canteen privileges and the ability to attend meetings until they pay their dues. You can still processed lapsed members in Malta. Please work on these members, reach out to them, and see if they need help paying their dues. We can't afford to lose any members!

Thank you all for your hard work to our Veterans. I know they appreciate all your efforts, donations, and kindness.

If you have been ill, I wish you a speedy recovery. If you have lost a loved one, you have my deepest sympathy.

Living to Support our Veterans,

Jerufu Morris

Jennifer Morris, Department President VFW Auxiliary, Department of IN

Cancer Grant Application

Instructions:

- * Member must meet eligibility requirements below.
- * Member and Physician sections must be completed legibly and in their entirety. If member is unable to sign, a Power of Attorney (POA) may sign. If POA signs, then POA documentation must be submitted.
- * If the member is deceased, next of kin may submit application with documentation of proof of death such as obituary, doctor's letter, death certificate, etc. Application and proof of death must be received at VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters within 30 days of member's passing.
- * Grants will ONLY be made payable to the VFW Auxiliary member.
- * Do NOT send any other supporting documents, as it will not be considered.
- * Mail original, completed application to:

VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters Attn: Cancer Grants 406 West 34th Street, 10th Floor Kansas City, MO 64111



Eligibility Requirements:

- 1) Applicant must be a member of the VFW Auxiliary for one (1) full year and current dues must be paid.
- 2) After twelve (12) months have passed from date of diagnosis or last treatment, application will be rejected.
- 3) A member is allowed two grants during lifetime.

Twelve (12) months must elapse between new diagnosis and/or treatment from date of first grant. Continuous treatment which lasts beyond the twelve (12) month period may qualify for a second grant.

THIS SECTION IS TO BE FILLED OUT BY ATTENDING PHYSICIAN
Type of cancer diagnosed
Date diagnosed with this cancer (MM/DD/YYYY)
Last date of treatment for this cancer (MM/DD/YYYY)
Physician's Office / Hospital Name
Phone Number
Physician's Name
Street Address
City, State and ZIP Code
Date Physician Signed (MM/DD/YYYY)
Physician's Signature

Roster Changes, December 2019

District #	District Auxiliary Name	Name	Position	Type of	New Information
∞	3281	Bobbie Stelle	Treasurer	Address	4116 Morning Star Dr, Sellersburg, IN 47172
	2999	Patty Coley	President	New Officer	436 Lexington Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46203
PDP		Donna Williams		Winter Address	6875 Retirement Dr, Port Richey, FL 34668
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District	District Auxiliary	Location	Time	Date	Notes
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2		No meeting	2:00 EST		
3		9820 South Bend	1:00 EST	1/5/2020	
4		4717 Wolf Lake	3:00 EST	1/18/2020	1/18/2020 Lunch from 12:30-2:30
2		No Meeting	12:00 EST		
9		1431 Crawfordsville	11:00 EST	1/12/2020	
7	1111	1111 Mooresville	10:30 EST	1/26/2020	
8		3418 Boonville	10:00 CST	1/19/2020	
0	8302	8302 Paoli	1:30 EST	1/19/2020	
10	2693	2693 Greenfield	1:30 EST	1/19/2020	
11	98	98 Indy	10:30 EST	2/8/2020	

VFW Auxiliary, Department of Indiana Spring Conference Schedule March 13-15, 2020

Schedule subject to change by the order of the Department President

Friday, March 13, 2020

Registration:	2:30 pm – 7:00 pm
President's Meetings Department Line Officers Department Chairmen District Presidents/Chief of Staff's	3:00 pm - 3:30 pm 3:45 pm - 4:15 pm 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Dinner with National Rep/Membership Dinner	5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
Council of Administration Meeting	7:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Floor Practice with Dept. Conductress Gennie	8:30 pm
Reception for National Representative in Dept. President Suite Room	8:30 pm
Saturday, March 14, 2020	
Registration:	8:00 am – 11:00 am
Ritualistic Opening/Business Session Programs Begin	9:00 am – 11:30am
Lunch (on your own)	11:30 – 1:00 pm
Business Resumes National Representative's message Membership Close of Session	1:00 pm Close
Banquet (Honoring VOD)	6:00 pm



It's that time again! It's time to donate a love gift to our Department President for all the hard work and leadership she has shown us this year.

PLEASE SEND YOUR DONATIONS TO (MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO ANNA MAUK, DEPT. SR-VICE PRESIDENT)

ANNA MAUK
2587 S STATE ROAD 39
BROWNSTOWN, IN 47720

DONATIONS NEED TO BE RECEIVED BEFORE MAY 15, 2020.

LET'S SHOW JENNIFER HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE HER EFFORTS FOR US!

Hello Treasurers!!

January 2020

Welcome to 2020! The Auxiliary year is half over. Yes!!! Now, the hard part begins...unfortunately. All those members on your list who haven't paid are now considered "lapsed." That means, they cannot attend meetings or be involved in Canteen functions until they pay. It is up to you and the Auxiliary Membership Chairman (if that isn't you) to get these members to pay.

On the bright side, your obligations are paid, your audits should be turned in, and its smooth sailing for a couple of months. Your next audit isn't due until February 28, 2020. Relax-you got this!

Please note that in the first week of April, and I will remind you often, you will be getting a bill from me. It will have an instruction sheet and forms for the Delegates for District, Department, and National. Your District may charge a delegate fee, each district does things differently. You MUST pay the Department Delegate Fees or you are not eligible for awards or voting. There is no fee for National Delegates! The packet will come directly to each Auxiliary Treasurer. So, make sure your information is correct in Malta so it doesn't get lost in the mail.

Thank you for everything that you do. I know that you work hard with little credit. Please know that I appreciate everything you do, every goal you set, and every achievement reached.

Loyally,

Kasey (260) 273-9571 osborn.kassandra@gmail.com



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY Department of Indiana

YOU'RE INVITED

Let's welcome our newest Auxiliary #6841 Lowell (Lowell Memorial) 17401 Morse St Lowell, IN 46356

> January 19, 2020 1:00 PM Chicago time

Department Line Officers, please wear the Official Look. Any others that come to welcome to this newest Auxiliary may wear their State shirts

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

Department of Indiana 2019-2020 Chaplain Report

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	rds 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:
	Aux #:
District:	Telephone #:

Chief of Staff/Extension
Jill Wilson, Department Chief of Staff
540 Lane 250 C Lake Pleasant
Orland, IN 46776
Jilwil2929@yahoo.com
(260) 433-2637

January 2020

Hello! I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and fantastic New Year. By now, you should be pushing Membership, trying to find those members who have slipped through the cracks, and gearing up for reports. Don't forget, if you haven't sent me a Healthy Auxiliary Report, it will be in the next two months of General Orders. Please send one to me, there is no excuse for not reporting!

I'd like to give a huge shout out Pam Zander, District 1 Chief of Staff, and Nancy Shaver, District 1 President. Thanks to their hard work and dedication, we will be opening up an Auxiliary at Post #6841 in Lowell, Indiana. The ceremony will be on January 19, 2020, at 1:00 pm Chicago Time. If you can make the trip, please come up and welcome these new members to our organization.

Thank you for all that you do,

Jill Wilson

Hospital and VAVs

January 2020

Gennie Pickens, 56589 Pine Road, South Bend, IN 46619

Dept. Hospital Chairman (574) 210-8310 genniepic1951@yahoo.com

Auxiliary Brother and Sisters,

I do hope all of you had a very Merry Christmas and wish blessings for a great New Year. Thank you for all you do for our Veterans. I enjoy seeing all the pictures of what you have been doing. We are not yet 100% reported. I will be sending a list to your District and Auxiliary President.

Remember our priority goals:

- Promote **volunteerism** of members, non-members, youth and families in local hospitals, veterans' homes, nursing homes, domiciliaries and both VA and non-VA medical centers and clinics. Opportunities vary based on the facility and age and abilities of the volunteer.
- Promote Veterans Voices Writing Project. The project provides a way for every veteran to express themselves by utilizing therapeutic writing to rehabilitate veterans. Therapeutic writing has been shown to help with managing Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) symptoms and reducing the risk of suicide.
- Promote Veteran and Military Suicide Awareness and Prevention
- The <u>Veterans Crisis Line</u> connects veterans in crisis and their families and friends with qualified, caring Department of Veterans Affairs responders through a confidential toll-free hotline, online chat, or text. Veterans and their loved ones can call 1-800-273-8255 and Press 1, chat online, or send a text message to 838255 to receive confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Support for deaf and hard of hearing individuals is available.

Check out the National website for awards that you can receive. The form can be found on the National website under resources. https://vfwauxiliary.org

Spring Conference – Districts 1-5 the even # Auxiliaries in those Districts please bring an item to raffle. Thank you again for all you do!

Gennie Pickens, Dept. IN Hosp. Chairman 2019 - 2020

2019-2020 MEMBERSHIP #6

DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA MEMBERSHIP, BARBARA CAVIN

As of this report we have 22 Auxiliaries that are 100% and 5 Districts over 90% NATIONAL AWARD-- Auxiliaries that reach 100% PLUS by JANUARY 31,2020 will each get \$50.00

Don't forget the pin awards for recruiting 5,10 and 20 members. Between July 1,2019 through April 30,2020.

Keep sending me what you do for membership if you sent out letters,notes emails,phone calls or personal contacts I want to know how many people you contacted and if you got any membership.

Each Auxiliary should have a plan to work membership:

- 1. Contact current members.
- 2. Out reach to former members, they may want to join again but waiting to be asked.
- 3. Have recruiting events for new members.
- 4. Pick a mentor for your new members.
- 5. Make it as easy as possible for members to pay dues, introduce them to Malta.

GET YOUR ASK IN GEAR, INVITE, INCLUDE, INVEST AND MENTOR AN AUXILIARY MEMBER.

INDIANA as of now needs around 2948 dues it sounds like a lot but we have already collected over 22,000 we are a big state for membership. But we got to BELIEVE we can do this for our state, for all those that have worked so hard towards getting these dues in . Do this For your AUXILIARY. It is a great feeling knowing your Auxiliary is 100%..I want to give out all of the membership pins at Spring Conference.

When we get that 100% we will have a celebration at convention.

Don't forget send me the names of those you have recruited since Fall Conference make sure you put your name and Auxiliary number on paper. If I can help in any way please contact me.

Barbara Cavin ,Membership Chairman 2533 N Dianne Dr Michigan City,In 46360 219-214-6090 bcavin1130@yahoo.com Mentoring for Leadership Guide Sheet

January 2020

Hi Gang! Welcome to 2020! I hope you've had a much-needed fun break with family and friends over the Holiday season. Now, it's time to get back to work. Our Auxiliaries and our Heroes need us.

Some quick housekeeping:

- Reports for the Department will be due April 1, 2020
- Report forms will be in the Feb and March mailings and always available on our website at www.vfwauxin.org
- There are two NATIONAL awards-(1) for an individual and (1) for an Auxiliary.
 Those report forms will be in General orders and always available on our website.
 Those are due to ME by March 31, 2020. I can submit up to 3 individual and every Auxiliary, so get them to me.

Let's get real:

One of the biggest problems Auxiliaries face is its people. Strife, rumor, gossip, and you know the drill. An effective Mentor can combat this problem effective solutions:

- Be an ACTIVE listener. Make sure to really listen to the concerns.
- Be positive. Make sure to focus on what is working, distract from the negative.
- Be an effective communicator. Use flyers, texts, emails, monthly newsletters and etc. to communicate the goals-not the bad stuff.
- Set goals. People that have a common goal tend to work together.

Keep working together, keep mentoring each other, and keep on being YOU! Don't forget our FISH philosophy...Play, Make Their Day, Choose Your Attitude, and BE THERE!

Loyally,

Kasey Osborn, Department Mentoring Chairman

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Bluffton, IN 46714

(260) 273-9571 or osborn.kassandra@gmail.com

JAMES KNELLER 441 ZAHN ST. HUNTINGTON, IN 46750 hoosier46750@gmail.co

LEGISLATIVE GUIDE SHEET January 2020 2019-2020

Here is hoping all had a very Merry Christmas and brought in 2020 on a good note.

If you have not heard or read, Federal Law now requires the POW/MIA flag to be displayed whenever the American flag is displayed on prominent federal properties including and great recognition for our troops missing in action. This is a historic victory for every man and woman who courageously defended this nation and remain unaccounted for.

The mid-point is fast approaching for this program year and we have been unwaveringly advocating for our veterans. Today is a great time to submit your legislative successes.

Keep up the great legislative work you are all doing on behalf of America's veterans, service members and their families!

Remember the 2nd word search puzzle "State & Local Government" terms is due by March 1, 2020.

Cordially,

James Kneller VFW Department of Indiana Auxiliary Legislative Chairman hoosier46750@gmail.com

President's Special Project Pins Quilts of Valor



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 for 10 pins or \$7.50 for 25 pins.

Pin sales have slowed down and we need to get busy again getting them out to everyone. We have less than 400 remaining and I would like to be sold out by Spring Conference. Give me a call with any questions. Anyone still owing me money please contact me so I will know where we are. Hope everyone has a wonderful New Year. Let's get busy and get the pins sold. Report form to come next month.

Karen Muston Department In. VFW Auxiliary Pin Chairman

Quilts of Valor Please send completed forms to:

Patrice Pruitt 5823 Hollister Dr. Speedway, IN 46224

President's Special Project Report Form 2019-2020 Due April 1st

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	Yes / No How much?	
2	Did you hold a fundraiser/raffles for this project? Yes / No	
3	How much did your Aux. donate at S.O.I. Parade of Checks? How much did your Aux. donate at the Fall Parade of Checks? How much did your Aux. donate at the Spring Parade of Checks? How much does your Aux. plan to donate at the Dept. Convention	
4	Did you or Auxiliary submit a person(s) who would be willing to be "presenter" of the Quilts of Valor? Yes/ No# of peop	
5	Were the guide sheets read at your monthly Aux. meetings? Yes	/ No
6	Did you or a group make a quilt(s) Yes /No How Did you enter a name to receive a Quilt of Valor? Yes / No	
7	Did you or your Auxiliary purchase pins? Yes / No If so, how many? When	
8	Did your Aux. donate an item for the SOI Raffle Table_ Yes / No_ Did your Aux. donate an item for the Fall raffle Table_ Yes / No _ Did your Aux. donate an item for the Spring Raffle Table_ Yes / No_	
	Do you plan to donate an item for Dept. Convention?Yes / No	

Dept. PSP-QOV Chairman: Patrice Pruitt

For help with questions call 317-487-2185 DO NOT TEXT!

or e-mail: speedwaypatrice@yahoo.com



Scholarship Programs for the 2019 - 2020 Year

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

The Holidays are over for another year. I hope you all enjoyed them.

By now, judging for the VOD and Patriot's Pen Essays should have been completed by the Districts and the winners forwarded to Department. The deadline for that is Jan 10, 2020.

Also, the Continuing Education Scholarship application and essay is due to National by February 15.

Finally, the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest submissions are due to me by March 15th, no exceptions. Now is a good time to contact the schools again to see if any students are planning to participate and remind them of the deadline. Only one submission per Post please and please be sure to send them to the address listed below. As I stated in my November letter, I will not be responsible for items lost or damaged in the mail. Also, make sure a copy of the Application and Post information is included with the Artwork.

Hope you all have a Wonderful New Year!!!

Jim McGlynn

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

Mailing Address: James McGlynn 1351 Bolton Road, West Terre Haute, IN 47885

Department President's Shirt Order Form 2019-2020

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

Name:		Phone Number: ()
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Sign:		
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