

# **VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY**

## **Department of South Dakota**

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#### **#1 – July 2016**



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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA

General Orders Number 1 – July 2016

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**1.** Having been duly elected and installed as President of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, Department of South Dakota at the convention in Deadwood, SD, on June 12, 2016, I hereby assume the duties of this office. I pledge to uphold the principles of this organization and will do my very best to carry out the duties of the office in a prudent manner. Thank you for your confidence.

**2. Officers and Chairmen:** Officers and Chairmen elected and appointed on all levels for the 20162017 term of office shall assume the duties of their respective office immediately. All 2015-2016 appointments are null and void. Past Officers and Chairmen are requested to give your successor all books, papers and other items pertaining to your office. Please offer them your assistance and guidance. Thank you for accepting these positions.

**3. Auxiliary Secretary:** Please distribute the Program bulletins included with each General Orders to the respective chairmen prior to the meeting so she/he can study the bulletin and promote the program at your meeting. Please review Secretary Minutes – Booklet of Instructions pages 7 – 11 – and please note that under Item 9 that a copy of the Treasurer’s report shall be incorporated (not attached) in the minutes. A sample is given on pages 16 and 17 of the Booklet of Instructions.

**4. Auxiliary Treasurer:** Membership dues may be collected beginning July 1, 2016 for the 2017 year. Please send them to Department Treasurer, Carol Gross, PO Box 657, Huron, SD 57350 as soon as possible after you receive them. **PLEASE DO NOT WAIT TO SEND A LARGE TRANSMITTAL, once a week is preferred.** All Memberships must be into National Headquarters by the LAST working day of the month to be credited for that month. To allow Treasurer Carol to meet this deadline, your transmittal MUST be postmarked by the 20th of the month. **Any memberships not paid before June 30, 2017 (June 20<sup>th</sup> for transmittal purposes) will be dropped; member will need to reapply for membership and prove eligibility.** All checks are payable to the VFW Auxiliary, Department of South Dakota. Please earmark each check itemizing program or account to which the money is being sent. All checks are sent to the Department Treasurer and must be signed by the Auxiliary President and Treasurer.

**5. President and Treasurer Bonds for Auxiliaries and Districts:** The Bond Applications will be emailed in early July 2016 with a link to purchase these Bonds online. Those without email can find the Bond Applications in the Treasurer's Kit. Be sure to complete the applications and mail them with a check

(earmarked Bond) **IMMEDIATELY** to: Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary National Headquarters, 406 W. 34th Street 10th Floor, Kansas City, MO 64111. Remember President **and** Treasurers are **required** to be bonded per Section 814.

**6. Communication:** All General Orders from Department President are official and **must be read at the first meeting following receipt** before being filed for reference for one year. (Reference: Booklet of Instruction, page 6.) All other communications from National or Department Officers are also official and should be read at once. All Chairmen bulletins should be read in advance by the Program Chairman and **only a report** should be given on the Auxiliary floor.

**7. Correspondence:** 2016 Bylaws, Section 812. All communications of any nature whatsoever intended for the consideration of the National Body shall be signed by the President and forwarded by the Secretary of the Auxiliary to the Department President. All official communications to National Officers from the Auxiliary must also be forwarded through channels. See **Booklet of Instruction, as to how correspondence is to be handled.**

**8. Audit: The second quarter Audit is due July 30, 2016.** It shall be conducted during the month of July with both the outgoing and incoming Treasurer and Trustees present. Refer to 2016 Bylaws Section 814, Pages 95-96; Trustees, Duties of (All Levels). The President, Secretary and Treasurer should attend the Audit. The Trustees shall submit and read the written report during an Auxiliary meeting. A motion to accept the audit is required. A copy of the accepted audit shall be included in the minutes record book. It is recommended that the Senior Trustee send a signed copy of audit immediately to the Department Treasurer who will review it for accuracy and corrections.

**9. National Convention:** National Convention will be July 23 -- 27, 2016, in Charlotte, NC. The 2016-2017 National Program Book will be available on the National Auxiliary website ([vfwauxiliary.org](http://vfwauxiliary.org)) after convention. We are looking forward to having a good group at National.

**10. National President's Visit to South Dakota:** National President, Colette Bishop, will make her official visit on August 30 - 31, 2016. A block of rooms have been set aside at the AmericInn, Fort Pierre (605-223-2358) for \$89.99 plus tax. We are trying to get a day bus trip arranged to the Minuteman Missile site near Kadoka on August 30. We will meet her with the Aisle of Flags at the capitol building on August 31, and there will be a tour of the Governor's Mansion at 1:30 pm (CDT) on August 31<sup>st</sup>. Those planning to attend will need to preregister and submit their names and physical addresses. All events will be dutch treat and further details will be coming forthwith.

**11. Department and Auxiliary Roster:** The roster is included in this General Orders. Please review for accuracy and notify Department Secretary, Nancy Chester, with corrections. Nancy's email is: [nancysdvwfa@pie.midco.net](mailto:nancysdvwfa@pie.midco.net) and her mailing address is: PO Box 55, Fort Pierre, SD 57532.

**12. Make plans for:** Second Annual training retreat at the Roost in Grenville, noon, August 18 to noon August 21, 2016. We are hoping for a BIG turnout. Celebrate America's Freedom Even (CAFÉ) at Mt. Rushmore, September 17, 2016. This is a tremendous honor to have the CAFÉ in South Dakota. Please join us to extend South Dakota's hospitality. SD Fall Council of Administration with School of Instruction, which also includes Homecomings for State Commander and Department President, September 24 and 25, 2016, at Ramkota, Pierre, SD (605-224-6877). A block of rooms has been set aside for \$98.99 plus tax. Big Ten Conference is in Kalamazoo, MI, October 20 – 23, 2016.

**13. Congratulations:** Congratulations to Department Commander Dennis Sharp on your election and installation as Department Commander. All members of the South Dakota Auxiliary extend our best wishes to Dennis and his Officers and Chairmen for a most successful year.

**14. Thank you** to each and every SD Auxiliary member for all you do for Veterans and their families. Remember that this is our purpose and needs to be our emphasis. “NOW IS THE TIME” Family – Support – Serve – Honor and Respect

By Order of:

Attest:

Karen Sharp

Nancy Chester

Department President

Department Secretary



## **KAREN'S FLUTTERS**

### **July 2016**

Thank you for electing me as your 2016 – 2017 Department President. I am honored to serve you and our veterans and hope to make you proud. Always know that you can call or email me at any time with questions, suggestions or comments.

The former Membership Program is now Membership & Leadership – Circle of Excellence. If we meet the criteria, the Department will receive a cash award of \$1,000. This is significant and very important for our operating funds and to fulfill our support and service to our veterans. The number one criteria is that the Department have 100% Plus membership by June 30, 2017. This is a very attainable goal, and one we **must and will** achieve. We are currently at 54.19%.

Please review the Summary of Proposed Revisions to the National Bylaws in the July 2016 issue of the VFW Auxiliary magazine. Let your delegates whom will be attending the National Convention know your wishes. National Convention is July 23 – 28, 2017, in Charlotte, NC.

Please consider joining us the Second-Annual Retreat at the Roost in Grenville August 18 – 21, 2016. Lots of fun and a tremendous learning experience. I especially urge Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers to attend. If you can only join us for one day, that is great.

National President, Colette Bishop, will visit South Dakota August 30 and 31, 2016. She and her husband will be driving into Fort Pierre on August 29<sup>th</sup>. We are attempting to get a day bus trip to the Minuteman Missile site near Kadoka put together for August 30. August 31 will be Aisle of Flags at the capitol building with a tour, etc., and also a tour of the Governor's Mansion. Further information will be forthcoming.

September 17, 2016, is Celebrate America's Freedom Event at Mt. Rushmore. You can register on the National website ([vfwauxiliary.org](http://vfwauxiliary.org)) under events. If you do not wish to ride the bus, you need not pay the registration fee. A block of rooms is available at the Ramkota (605-343-8550) in Rapid City, for \$87.99 + tax. Let's give the rest of the nation's auxiliary members a tremendous show of South Dakota hospitality.

September 24 – 25, 2017, is Fall Council and Homecoming at the Ramkota in Pierre. A block of rooms is available at the Ramkota (605-224-6877) for \$98.99 plus tax.

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.**

*Karen*

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**Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary  
Department of South Dakota  
2016-2017 Roster**

Directory as of May 31, 2016 -- Auxiliaries in Blue possible surrender; Auxiliaries in Yellow not yet submitted

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		<b>Meeting: Public Library, 2:30pm, 3rd Tues.</b>			<b>Dues: \$17.00</b>	
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President	Kay Tjaden	Box 602	Freeman, SD 57029	605-661-9371		
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<b>Alcester Auxiliary 6149 - Dist. 1</b>		<b>Meeting: Sr. Citz Bldg., 7:30pm, 4th Monday</b>				<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>
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<b>Tomczak-Bartels Auxiliary 1776 - Dist. 6</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 7:00pm, 3rd Wed.</b>				<b>Dues: \$15.00</b>
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<b>Mobridge Auxiliary 2741 - Dist. 6</b>		<b>Meeting: River Ridge Apt. Social Room, 2:00pm, 2nd Tues.</b>				<b>Dues: \$15.00</b>
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<b>Paul A. Schieher Auxiliary 2755 - Dist. 6</b>		<b>Meeting: Knights of Columbus Hall, 7:00pm, 3rd Mon.</b>				<b>Dues: \$15.00</b>
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President	Verlena Mehlhoff	303 11th St.	Eureka, SD 57437	605-284-2835		
Secretary	Connie Jung	PO Box 554	Eureka, SD 57437-0554			<a href="mailto:bci@valleytel.net">bci@valleytel.net</a>
Treasurer	Gladys Busk	PO Box 642	Eureka, SD 57437-0642	605-284-2768		



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<b>Miles-Davis-Fortin Auxiliary 6481 - Dist. 6</b>		<b>Meeting: Community Center, 4:00pm, 2nd Wed.</b>			<b>Dues: \$15.00</b>	
President	Alina Becker	PO Box 223	Turton, SD 57477-0233	605-897-6649		<a href="mailto:aebecker@nvc.net">aebecker@nvc.net</a>
Secretary	Charlene Barrie	PO Box 111	Turton, SD 57477-0111	605-897-6676		
Treasurer	Kris Barrie	PO Box 111	Turton, SD 57477-0114	605-897-6637		
<b>Winston M. Toomey Auxiliary 8530 - Dist. 6</b>		<b>Meeting: Lucy's Bar &amp; Grill, 4:30pm, 3rd Wed.</b>			<b>Dues: \$16.00</b>	
President	Roseland Eldeen	106 S East St Apt 1	Gettysburg, SD 57442	605-765-2665	605-769-1871	
Secretary	Nota Berg	607 S Park St	Gettysburg, SD 57442	605-765-9522	605-222-6849	
Treasurer	Bev Thomas	301 E Garfield Ave	Gettysburg, SD 57442	605-765-9392	605-769-1759	<a href="mailto:dthomas@venturecomm.net">dthomas@venturecomm.net</a>
<b>District 7 Department of South Dakota</b>						
President	Leanne Payne	PO Box 126	Plankinton, SD 57368-0126	605-942-7568	605-999-2414	<a href="mailto:oldcripp@siouxvalley.net">oldcripp@siouxvalley.net</a>
Secretary	Gale Kurtenbach	301 Fourth St.	Parkston, SD 57366		605-928-3141	<a href="mailto:gmkurtenbach@hotmail.com">gmkurtenbach@hotmail.com</a>
Treasurer	Pamela Vissia	PO Box 371	Plankinton, SD 57368-0371	605-942-7145	605-770-5089	<a href="mailto:pvissia@siouxvalley.net">pvissia@siouxvalley.net</a>
<b>Corn Palace City Auxiliary 2750 - Dist. 7</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 1:30pm, 1st Tues.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Carol Schoenfelder	818 East 7th	Mitchell, SD 57301	605-996-2155		<a href="mailto:carol08-06@midco.net">carol08-06@midco.net</a>
Secretary	Margaret Weiland	1105 W. 3rd Ave.	Mitchell, SD 57301	605-996-3548		
Treasurer	Irene Wilson	3201 W Havens St	Mitchell, SD 57301	605-996-8833		
<b>Paul Grossheusch Auxiliary 2966 - Dist. 7</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 7:30pm, 2nd Thurs.</b>			<b>Dues: \$18.50</b>	
President	Neta Peterka	PO Box 64	Scotland, SD 57059	605-583-2791	605-464-47120	<a href="mailto:netneta9@goldenwest.net">netneta9@goldenwest.net</a>
Secretary	Emma Flynn	521 Fourth St.	Scotland, SD 57059		605-212-9885	<a href="mailto:rubyraker@hotmail.com">rubyraker@hotmail.com</a>
Treasurer	Mona Nelles	731 E 6th St	Scotland, SD 57059	605-583-4588	605-760-0739	<a href="mailto:dmnelles@goldenwest.net">dmnelles@goldenwest.net</a>
<b>Charles Mix Auxiliary 3239 - Dist. 7</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 7:00pm, 3rd Tues.</b>			<b>Dues: \$18.00</b>	
President	Carla Pesicka	238 N 8th Ave	Lake Andes, SD 57356	605-491-4192	605-491-4192	<a href="mailto:carlakay1@hotmail.com">carlakay1@hotmail.com</a>
Secretary	Carol Blaha	Box 727	Lake Andes, SD 57356	605-487-7468		
Treasurer	Susan Schultz	Box 23	Pickstown, SD 57367	605-487-7037	605-481-2388	<a href="mailto:sjschultz@charles-mix.com">sjschultz@charles-mix.com</a>
<b>Hutchinson County Auxiliary 3298 - Dist. 7</b>		<b>Meeting: Natl. Guard Armony, 7:00pm, 3rd Thurs.</b>			<b>Dues: \$15.00</b>	
President	Donna Nolz	115 S 2nd St	Parkston, SD 57366-2126	605-928-7176		
Secretary	Becky Hafner	301 West Cherry St.	Parkston, SD 57366-2126	605-928-7345		<a href="mailto:tbmhafner@santel.net">tbmhafner@santel.net</a>
Treasurer	Gale M. Kurtenbach	301 N 4th St.	Parkston, SD 57368-2033	605-928-3141		<a href="mailto:gmkurtenbach@hotmail.com">gmkurtenbach@hotmail.com</a>
<b>Aurora County Auxiliary 6554 - Dist. 7</b>		<b>Meeting: Plankinton School, 7:00pm, 3rd Tues.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Colleen Foland	404 South Kimball	Plankinton, SD 57368	605-999-3348		<a href="mailto:cdfoland@yahoo.com">cdfoland@yahoo.com</a>
Secretary	Jill Grohs	701 E State Street	Plankinton, SD 57368		605-933-0141	<a href="mailto:jgrohs@krohmeragency.com">jgrohs@krohmeragency.com</a>
Treasurer	Pam Vissia	Box 371	Plankinton, SD 57368	605-942-7145		<a href="mailto:pvissia@siouxvalley.net">pvissia@siouxvalley.net</a>

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<b>Simek-Ptak Auxiliary 6895 - Dist. 7</b>		<b>Meeting: member homes, 7:00pm, 1st Wed.</b>			<b>Dues: \$13.25</b>	
President	Darlene Tycz	30421 SD Hwy 37	Tyndall, SD 57066	605-589-3717		
Secretary	Dorothy Walkes	1811 Birch	Tyndall, SD 57066	605-589-3458		
Treasurer	Debbie Branaugh	Box 214	Tyndall, SD 57066	605-589-3981	605-464-0868	<a href="mailto:drbranaugh@gmail.com">drbranaugh@gmail.com</a>
<b>Rollie Bucholz Auxiliary 7319 - Dist. 7</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 6:00pm, 2nd Tues.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Velda Jerke	11 SE Sheridan Ave. SE	Wagner, SD 57380	605-384-4259		
Secretary	Carol Tolliver	PO Box 563	Wagner, SD 57380	605-384-3392		<a href="mailto:queenbee@hcinet.net">queenbee@hcinet.net</a>
Treasurer	Sandy Seiner	39396 288th St.	Armour, SD 57313		605-481-1339	<a href="mailto:sandy.seiner1@gmail.com">sandy.seiner1@gmail.com</a>
<b>District 8 Department of South Dakota</b>						
President	Connie Heggstad	PO Box 388	Winner, SD 57580	605-842-0530	605-840-9933	<a href="mailto:ajhegg@gwtc.net">ajhegg@gwtc.net</a>
Secretary	Jan Endes	26422 278th Ave.	White River, SD 57579	605-452-3270	605-830-8344	<a href="mailto:tendes@goldenwest.net">tendes@goldenwest.net</a>
Treasurer	Georgia Serr	PO Box 204	Burke, SD 57523	605-775-2929		<a href="mailto:georgiaserr@yahoo.com">georgiaserr@yahoo.com</a>
<b>Charles E. Thorne Auxiliary 2038 - Dist. 8</b>		<b>Meeting: Sr. Citizen Center - Ft. Pierre, 6:30pm, 2nd Mon.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Penny Galinat	1114 N Hwy 14 Apt 3	Pierre, SD 57501	605-224-9586		<a href="mailto:plgalinat@yahoo.com">plgalinat@yahoo.com</a>
Secretary	Deb Fahey	406 S. Polk	Pierre, SD 57501	605-224-6018	605-280-6572	<a href="mailto:proudanlgr@pie.midco.net">proudanlgr@pie.midco.net</a>
Treasurer	Dorinda Timmons	620 W. Pleasant Dr.	Pierre, SD 57501	605-224-7409	605-222-9548	<a href="mailto:davet259@pie.midco.net">davet259@pie.midco.net</a>
<b>Winner Auxiliary 4674 - Dist. 8</b>		<b>Meeting: Tripp Co. Library, 2:00pm, 2nd Sun.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Sandra Van Kekerix	PO Box 191	Witten, SD 57584-0191	605-879-2556	605-840-4961	<a href="mailto:svkank@yahoo.com">svkank@yahoo.com</a>
Secretary	Connie Heggstad	PO Box 388	Winner, SD 57580-0388	605-842-0530		<a href="mailto:ajhegg@gwtc.net">ajhegg@gwtc.net</a>
Treasurer	Norma Storms	PO Box 666	Winner, SD 57580-0666	605-842-2244		
<b>Burke Auxiliary 9950 - Dist. 8</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 8:00pm, 3rd Tues.</b>			<b>Dues: \$17.00</b>	
President	Elsie Forsch	29727 SD Hwy 47	Burke, SD 57523	605-775-2217		
Secretary	Deborah Serr	30047 336th Ave	Gregory, SD 57433	605-835-8222		
Treasurer	Georgia Serr	PO Box 204	Burke, SD 57523	605-775-2929	605-208-6088	<a href="mailto:georgiaserr@gmail.com">georgiaserr@gmail.com</a>
<b>District 10 Department of South Dakota</b>						
President	Nancy Worth	PO Box 47	Piedmont, SD 57769	605-721-9436	605-490-1220	<a href="mailto:nworth@rushmore.com">nworth@rushmore.com</a>
Secretary	Beth Hendricks	1031 Park Hill Dr.	Rapid City, SD 57701-5842	605-381-5176		<a href="mailto:walkusa@rushmore.com">walkusa@rushmore.com</a>
Treasurer	Jackie Dale	1716 Fulton St	Sturgis, SD 57785	605-720-1705		<a href="mailto:angler08@wowway.com">angler08@wowway.com</a>
<b>Rushmore Aux+A236:G239iliary 1273 - Dist. 10</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 7:00pm, 2nd Thurs.</b>			<b>Dues: \$25.00</b>	
President	Kay Rypinski	636 Cathedral Dr #502	Rapid City, SD 57701		605-381-9365	<a href="mailto:k_rypinski@hotmail.com">k_rypinski@hotmail.com</a>
Secretary	Beth Hendricks	1031 Park Hill Dr	Rapid City, SD 57701	605-718-0611	605-381-5176	<a href="mailto:walkusa@rushmore.com">walkusa@rushmore.com</a>
Treasurer	Lila Reindl	8199 Captain Soelzer St	Black Hawk, SD 57718	605-787-6492	605-484-5832	

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<b>Clayton VanHouten Auxiliary 1640 - Dist 10</b>		<b>Meeting: Canyon Cottage (State Vets Home), 5:00pm, 2nd Tues.</b>			<b>Dues: \$16.50</b>	
President	Caren M Howard	12198 Argyle Rd	Hot Springs, SD 57747	605-673-3602		
Secretary	Susan Knapp	PO Box 173	Hot Springs, SD 57747	605-745-4792		<a href="mailto:psknapp@gwtc.net">psknapp@gwtc.net</a>
Treasurer	Susan Knapp	PO Box 173	Hot Springs, SD 57747	605-745-4792		<a href="mailto:psknapp@gwtc.net">psknapp@gwtc.net</a>
<b>Paha Sapa Auxiliary 2730 - Dist. 10</b>		<b>Meeting: Veterans Club, 7:30pm, 1st Thurs.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Nancy Worth	PO Box 47	Piedmont, SD 57769	605-721-9436	605-490-1220	<a href="mailto:nworth@rushmore.com">nworth@rushmore.com</a>
Secretary	Carol M. Imhoff	2305 Colorado Dr.	Sturgis, SD 57785-2227	605-720-5462		<a href="mailto:imhoff@rushmore.com">imhoff@rushmore.com</a>
Treasurer	Jackie Dale	1716 Fulton St.	Sturgis, SD 57785	605-720-1750		<a href="mailto:angler08@vastbb.net">angler08@vastbb.net</a>
<b>Lemmon Auxiliary 2969 - Dist. 10</b>		<b>Meeting: Villa Brick HUD, 5:00pm, 2nd Mon.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Sharon Crevier	506 Third St. E	Lemmon, SD 57638	605-344-5645	605-939-5124	<a href="mailto:tduber@sdplains.com">tduber@sdplains.com</a>
Secretary	Toni Huber	608 1st Ave E	Lemmon, SD 57638	605-374-3217	605-430-7760	<a href="mailto:toni.huber@k12.sd.us">toni.huber@k12.sd.us</a>
Treasurer	Iona Baumeister	206 6th St. E #12	Lemmon, SD 57638	605-374-3549		
<b>Center of the Nation Auxiliary 3312 - Dist. 10</b>		<b>Meeting: Sr. Citizen Center, 7:00pm, 2nd Mon.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Carol Talkington	904 Edmund St.	Belle Fourche, SD 57717	605-723-2303		
Secretary	Rose Larson	10536 Hlousek Lane	Belle Fourche, SD 57717	605-892-0074	605-210-0394	
Treasurer	Patricia Ruzicka	19270 US Hwy 85	Belle Fourche, SD 57717	605-892-6235		<a href="mailto:lpruzicka@spe.midco.net">lpruzicka@spe.midco.net</a>
<b>Kenneth Kuper Auxiliary 3442 - Dist. 10</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 7:00pm, 3rd Thurs.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Kat Craig	25123 Harbach Lane	Custer, SD 57730	605-673-3198		<a href="mailto:katnappin7@gmail.com">katnappin7@gmail.com</a>
Secretary	Bonnie Schade	24956 Big Valley Trail	Custer, SD 57730	605-673-2663		<a href="mailto:bashlyn151@gmail.com">bashlyn151@gmail.com</a>
Treasurer	Jeanine Gould	25346 Beaver Lake Rd.	Custer, SD 57730	605-440-0611		<a href="mailto:pacerjeanine@gwtc.net">pacerjeanine@gwtc.net</a>
<b>Queen City Auxiliary 5860 - Dist. 10</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 7:30pm, 2nd Tues.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Carol Hess	2217 Windmill Drive	Spearfish, SD 57783	605-642-2857	605-645-7583	<a href="mailto:cahess@rushmore.com">cahess@rushmore.com</a>
Secretary	Sherry Burr	215 Evans Lane	Spearfish, SD 57783	307-290-0149		<a href="mailto:slburr2012@hotmail.com">slburr2012@hotmail.com</a>
Treasurer	Colleen Abernathy	3215 Lester Ln	Spearfish, SD 57783	605-642-3866	605-645-3908	<a href="mailto:cma3908@outlook.com">cma3908@outlook.com</a>
<b>Black Hills Auxiliary 5969 - Dist. 10</b>		<b>Meeting: VFW Post Home, 7:0pm, 2nd Thurs.</b>			<b>Dues: \$20.00</b>	
President	Betty Bender	122 Wall St	Lead, SD 57754	605-722-3408		<a href="mailto:bettysextonb@hotmail.com">bettysextonb@hotmail.com</a>
Secretary	Sheila Deserly	12194 Washington Loop	Sturgis, SD 57785	605-561-0124		<a href="mailto:progolfer53@yahoo.com">progolfer53@yahoo.com</a>
Treasurer	Mary Hammond	20785 Maitland	Lead, SD 57754	605-578-3415		<a href="mailto:maryhammond@wildblue.net">maryhammond@wildblue.net</a>
<b>F.J. Willuweit Auxiliary 9120 - Dist. 10</b>		<b>Meeting: Wall Community Center, 7:00pm, 2nd Wed.</b>			<b>Dues: \$13.00</b>	
President	Neva Hamann	23330 Sage Cr Rd	Wall, SD 57790	605-279-2477		<a href="mailto:wamhamann@gwtc.net">wamhamann@gwtc.net</a>
Secretary	Cindy Weaver	Box 254	Wall, SD 57790	605-279-2374		
Treasurer	Charlene Kjerstad	PO Box 368	Wall, SD 57790	605-279-2986		

SD Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary  
Council of Administration Minutes  
Deadwood, SD  
June 9, 2016

**Call to Order** by President Nancy Worth at 1:00 PM. Guard Donita Mullinix reported the membership cards were checked at the door.

**Roll Call** by Secretary Nancy Chester. All Council Members were present.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Mary Kirkvold and Pledge of Allegiance by Nelda Jorgensen.

**Introductions:** President Worth introduced National Representative, Jan Owens, National Treasurer with the appointment of National Secretary. National Councilmember #23 Vickie Rosse of our own South Dakota.

President Worth asked if there were any first timers. There were five in attendance.

**Minutes** from the previous Council of Administration were in General Orders. President Worth asked if there were any additions or corrections. None. Minutes were approved as printed.

**Communications:** A thank you from Regional Health Foundation was read. They were the recipient of the Cancer Aid and Research funds from 2014-2015.

Candidate letters were read for the 2016 – 2017 National Offices of:

President Colette Bishop; Senior Vice President Dee Guillory; Junior Vice President Sandi Kriebel; Treasurer Jan Owens; Chaplain Peggy Haake; Conductress Sandra Sue Onstwedder. For Guard there are four candidates: Janey Feher of Kentucky; Jean Hamil of Florida; Kim Lewis of Georgia and Lois Callahan of Arkansas.

**Financial Report:** Treasurer Carol Gross read the overages. Conductress Sandi Moss moved to accept the overages. District #4 President Sharon Wellnitz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Budget Report:** Janice Vreim read the minus balances in the report. Senior Vice President Karen Sharp motioned to accept Budget Report. Conductress Moss seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Audit Report:** Junior Vice President Carrie Alm read the Audit Report and motioned to accept the Audit. District #10 President Diane Ward seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business:** President Worth said the new Charters do have the old effective date, but she requested Auxiliaries to send her their Charter date.

**New Business:** Convention Agenda change – election of officers will take place on Sunday morning at 8:00 AM. National Bylaws require nominations on one day and elections on the following day.

**Changes to Standing Rules:** Mildred Ratigan explained the servicing difficulties and lack of veterans at the Redfield facility. Senior Vice President Sharp motioned to eliminate our funding to the facility. Conductress Moss seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**Announcements:** Officer March Practice will begin at 2:30 PM in this room followed by Ritual Practice. Past Department Presidents Dinner will take place in the Bullock Room at 5:00 PM. Award Presenters will meet with the Program Chairmen between 5 and 6:00 PM in Pine Crest A in preparation for the Joint Awards Presentations which begin at 7:00 PM in Pine Crest A & B.

Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> the Flag and Banner Practice begins tomorrow at 8:00 AM in this room. Joint Memorial Service begins at 9:15 AM in Pine Crest D. Gold Star Family and Recognition Luncheon will begin at 10:45 AM in Pine Crest A. Joint Opening Session begins at 12:30 PM.

Past Department President Connie Heggstad requests members who want to receive the Cares and Concerns to send her their email and if they switch email address to please send update to her.

**Closing** Prayer by Chaplain Kirkvold. Meeting closed at 2:00 PM. Next meeting will be Sunday June 12, 2016 after the Joint Installation at The Lodge in Deadwood, SD.

Respectfully submitted,

*Nancy*

Nancy Chester, Department Secretary

SD Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary  
Department of South Dakota  
Convention  
June 10, 2016

**Opening:** Flag and Banner presentation followed by the Officers March. State Convention Chairman Carrie Alm opened the Convention and meeting at 4:00 PM by presenting President Nancy Worth with the gavel to begin her convention.

**Call to Order:** Opening of meeting was done according to ritual.

**Roll Call:** 20 Officers were present. Pro-Tem Assistant Guard Marilyn Jensen and Color Bearer #3 Gerri Dahlin. 22 Past Department Presidents. 28 Auxiliaries were represented and 7 District Presidents. There were an additional three first time attendees in attendance. Adding them brought the first time attendees total to eight.

Membership cards were checked at the door.

**Introductions:** President Worth introduced National Representative, Jan Owens, National Treasurer with the appointment of National Secretary. National Councilmember #23 Vickie Rosse.

**Minutes** of previous meeting were printed in General Orders.

**Convention Rules:** Imogene Ellis had the rules distributed. Ellis motioned to accept. Chief of Staff Jan Endes seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**Introduction of Outstanding Presidents:** Membership Category #1 (10-50 membership): Runner-up was Carol Baer from Mobridge and first place was Clarice Paulson from Alcester. Membership Category #2 (51--110 membership): Runner-up was Colleen Foland from Plankinton and first place was Myrna Bell from Milbank. Membership Category #3 (111-225 membership): Runner-up was Zoe Yellin from Custer and first place was Wanda Mix from Brookings.. Membership Category #4 (226 & over membership): Runner-up was Norma Walters from Sioux Falls and first place was Sandy VanKekerix from Winner. The Captain and Co-Captain will be named at Banquet on Saturday night.

**Introduction of Convention Pages:** President Worth called the District Presidents to the podium and presented them with Page badges as she introduced them to the attendees.

**Registration Report:** Carrie Alm announced 89 Auxiliary members and 74 VFW members had registered.

**Announcements:** Officer and Chairman Report Books are available for each Auxiliary. Hospitality Night will be held at the Deadwood Post #5969 located at 10 Pine Street beginning at 6:30 PM. Wear your badges and have your second yellow ticket for a free beverage. Parking downtown is limited, but the Deadwood Trolley will be running until 2 AM, leaving the hotel every 10 minutes after the hour.. There is a Thinking of You card being passed around for Color Bearer #3 Ginger Koster.

**Ways and Means:** Marion Grant reported sales totaling \$184.70 for jewelry and \$72.00 for Ways and Means.

Chaplain Kirkvold closed the Bible. Meeting adjourned until 8 AM Saturday, June 11, 2016.

### **Saturday June 11, 2016 8 AM**

Chaplain Mary Kirkvold opened the Bible.

**Presentation of Membership Awards** by National Councilmember #23 Vickie Ross to Elk Point, Canton, Freeman, Sioux Falls, Brookings, Madison, Brandon, Milbank, Goodwin, Scotland, Plankinton, Winner, Burke, Belle Fourche, Custer, Deadwood and Quinn.

#### **Awards:**

##### **Veterans and Family Support** Patti Mitchell

Certificates to those who supported the Day County Coyote Hunt: Nancy Worth; Brookings; Canton; Beresford; Deadwood; Rapid City; Custer; Pierre; Sioux Falls; Goodwin.

Awards for Buddy Poppy drives were: 1<sup>st</sup> 3312 Belle Fourche; 2<sup>nd</sup> 6361 Goodwin and 3<sup>rd</sup> 6554 Plankinton

**Past Department President's Awards:** Sharon Mitchell for Evelyn Haines \$15 Best Overall Program – Aberdeen and Nelda Jorgenson Chairman

Janice Vriem cash award for Best Promotion of Unmet Needs – Faulkton and Beverly Hanson Chairman.

Pat Cerny and Mildred Ratigan cash award to Auxiliary Chairman with Best Overall Promotion of program by membership group

10 – 50 Goodwin Patti Mitchell

51 – 110 Milbank Murna Bell

111 – 225 Brookings Mary Wilberg

225+ Pierre Cathy Reedy

Emma King and Jan Cauley for Buddy Poppy distributions Belle Fourche.

**Past Department Presidents President** Neta Peterka presented President Worth \$50 in Memory of Past Department President Arlene Propst for her project of National Home and \$100 in Memory of Pat O'Neill for the VFW Park and Chapel. Jan Owens presented President Worth her monetary gift from the Past Department Presidents for the National Home fund.

##### **Americanism** Nelda Jorgenson

Award to Auxiliary and Chairman for Overall Patriotism Promotion

10 – 50 Eureka Chairman Connie Jung

51 – 110 Beresford Chairman Marion Newroth

111 – 225 Aberdeen Chairman Sheryl Ruckman and 2<sup>nd</sup> Spearfish Chairman Carol Hess

225+ Winner Chairman Jan Endes and 2<sup>nd</sup> Sioux Falls Chairman Norma Walters

##### **Past Department President's Awards:**

Sharon Mitchell, Evelyn Boortz and Carol Gross for Auxiliary with Best Promotion of Patriotism specializing in youth program to Beresford

Jan Endes and Nancy Fickbohm for Best Promotion of Overall Patriotism

10 – 50 Belle Fourche Chairman Pat Ruzicka

51 – 110 Plankinton Chairman Donna Shafer

111 – 225 Brookings Chairman Jan Olson

225+ Pierre Chairman Deb Fahey



**Hospital** Leanne Payne

Best Event sponsored for hospitalized Veterans - Winner Chairman Connie Heggestad

Best Promotion of Suicide Awareness – Winner Chairman Connie Heggestad

Best Activity in nursing home - Winner Chairman Connie Heggestad

**Past Department President's Awards:**

Marva Barg, Clara Wiedemer, Nancy Fickbohm and Arlene Propst with Vickie Williams taking Arlene Propst place. Award for Best Overall Hospital Program

10 – 50 Eureka

51 – 110 Britton

111 – 225 Faulkton

226+ Winner

**Scholarships** Sandi Moss

Announced Department winners:

3<sup>rd</sup> Place winning \$25 was sponsored by Brookings

2<sup>nd</sup> Place winning \$50 was sponsored by Madison

1<sup>st</sup> Place winning \$100 was sponsored by Winner

Starting this year Past Department Commander Jerry Heggestad and Past Department President Connie Heggestad are presenting the Young Creative Art winner a \$100 monetary award.

Award to Chairman in four membership categories for Best Promotion of the Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen program

10 – 50 Lemmon Sharon Crevier

51 – 110 Canton Sharon Mitchell

111 – 225 Redfield Mildred Ratigan

225+ Pierre Eileen Kramer

Award to Chairman in four membership categories for Best Promotion of the Young American Creative Art program

10 – 50 None qualified

51 – 110 Bereford Bernadine Field

110 – 225 None qualified

226+ Winner Rosemary Connot

Award to Chairman that had an entry in Young American Creative Art program

Winner Rosemary Connot

Brookings Lois Ladegaard

Custer Zoe Yellin

Madison Imogene Ellis

Award to the District that sent in a District Report

District #4 Gloria Fortin

District #10 Kay Rypinski

**Past Department President's Awards:**

Neva Jean Corlett – cash award for the Best Promotion of the Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen contest to Imogene Ellis – Madison

Nelda Jorgenson – cash award for Best Promotion of the Continuing Education Scholarship and Young American Creative Art contest to Lois Ladegaard – Brookings

Conductress Sandi Moss and Assistant Conductress Gloria Fortin escorted in VFW Members Department Commander Mike Mullen; Past National Commander in Chief Ed Banas, Sr; National District Councilmember 23 DD Couch; National Legislative Committee Russel Dramstad; VFW Department Chief of Staff Kenny Payne and Overseas Veteran Publisher Dick Pickering for their comments.

**Ways and Means:** Marion Grant reported new sales totaling \$421.75 for jewelry and \$186.00 for Ways and Means.

President Worth asked Senior Vice President Karen Sharp to continue the meeting while dignitaries of the Auxiliary visited the VFW meeting.

**Legislative** Tammy Chase

Most members communicating with legislators on Veterans issues – Rapid City

Most members subscribing to Check Point – Brookings

Best promotion of Legislative Goals – 2<sup>nd</sup> Yankton and 1<sup>st</sup> Rapid City

Best program for members communicating with legislators – 2<sup>nd</sup> Custer and 1<sup>st</sup> Brookings

**Past Department President's Awards:**

Imogene Ellis and Pat Cerny Best Overall Legislative program – Sandi Moss Rapid City.

**Youth** Mary Kirkvold

Best Promotions including youth

Scotland for giving 6 citations

Brookings for having great photos of projects

Winner for the great write ups

**Past Department President's Awards:**

Gloria Fortin, Nancy Chester, Diane Hickenbotham and Neta Peterka award to Auxiliary and Chairman in each category for the Best Youth Program

10 – 50 Eureka

51 – 110 Scotland

111 – 225 Brookings

226+ Winner

**Harry Moshier Painting** and State Farm Radio Flyer wagon – President Worth announced and presented \$568 for the General Fund earned in raffle tickets sold. Winners will be drawn at Saturday's Banquet.

**Chief of Staff/Extension** Jan Endes

National Certificate Award to Auxiliary in each Department who best used publicity informing their Auxiliary or revitalizing their Auxiliary – Brookings

National Keepsake Award for a member in each Department who assists in revitalizing her Auxiliary and who uses the Healthy Auxiliary materials - Brookings Auxiliary Chairman Lois Ladegaard.

**Membership** Carrie Alm

\$50 to Auxiliary with most numeric gain from now until 6/26/16 and \$50 to top 2 individuals helping to acquire membership goal.

Greatest Numerical increase to date awarded to Winner with +11

Greatest Percent Increase to date awarded to Goodwin with 113.7%

District with Greatest Percent to date awarded to District #2 with 110.0%

Auxiliary with most new Male Members was Custer with 8 members

**Past Department President's Awards:**

Imogene Ellis for Greatest Percentage in Membership in two categories

10 – 110 Patti Mitchell Goodwin with 113.79%

111 and up Sandra VanKekerix Winner 103.04%

Sharon Mitchell for Evelyn Haines for Auxiliary with Most Numerical Gain – Winner

**Gold Star Family** Christine Bestgen

She explained a Gold Star Family is a family who has lost a loved one in Active Duty Military Service to our country. They are selling Hostas as a fund raiser to purchase "Honor and Remember Flags" to Gold Star Families in South Dakota and Wyoming. For more information on their fund raisers and on Honor and Remember, visit [honorandremember.org](http://honorandremember.org) or email [sdgoldstarmother@gmail.com](mailto:sdgoldstarmother@gmail.com)

**Registration** Carrie Alm reported 99 Auxiliary members and 77 VFW members registered.

**Credentials** Mary Hammond reported credentials for 14 Past Department Presidents; 14 Department Officers; and total for Auxiliary delegates at 37.

Chaplain Kirkvold closed the Bible for lunch to convene at 1:30 PM.

**Buddy Poppy Apparel Parade** The members voted for the best apparel with results of:

1<sup>st</sup> Place Beresford

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Goodwin

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Faulkton

4<sup>th</sup> Place Sioux Falls

**Past Department Presidents Buddy Poppy Display Awards** Emma King, family of Marcella Albee and Jan Cauley Judges reviewed items and decided on these results:

Public Promotion to Korean War by Gerri Dahlin

Artistic and Decorative to Wreath by Connie Heggstad

Inspirational and Memorial to Cross by Connie Heggstad

Emma King cash award for Auxiliary with most advertised program – Belle Fourche

**Patrick Statue** Steve Dietz announced the donation of the desk size "Patrick" statue by Lee Leuning and Sherri Treeby being available to Posts and their Auxiliaries as a fund raiser.

Auxiliary members did a skit for President Worth to show appreciation of her work this year.

Chaplain Kirkvold opened the Bible

**National Awards for Department Chairman** President Worth and Representative Owens presented the awards to: Veterans & Family Support – Patti Mitchell; Americanism – Nelda Jorgenson; Hospital – Leanne Payne; Legislative – Tammy Chase; Scholarships – Sandi Moss; and Youth – Mary Kirkvold.

**Draping of the Charter and Memorial Service**

Address by National Treasurer Jan Owens

**Election of officers for the 2016 - 2017 term:** President Worth named Judge Nelda Jorgenson and Tellers Leanne Payne and Sharon Mitchell

**Office of President** Andy Sharp nominated Karen Sharp

**Senior Vice President** Kay Rypinski nominated Carrie Alm

**Junior Vice President** Donita Mullinix nominated Mark Kirkvold

**Treasurer** Sharon Mitchell nominated Carol Gross

**Chaplain** Connie Seymour nominated Sandi Moss

**Conductress** Pat Cerny nominated Donita Mullinix

**Guard** Vickie Rosse nominated Wanda Mix

Elections will stay open until tomorrow.

**National Representative** Jan Owens National Treasurer with the appointment of National Secretary brought us greetings from President Francisca and National Line Officers. She reviewed the proposed Bylaw changes being voted on at National Convention. Program books are now available online so will no longer be printed for mailing.

**South Dakota Veterans Cemetery Support Council** Kay Rypinski  
The Avenue of Flags is a council project so they maintain it, not the Black Hills National Cemetery. It takes approximately \$4,000 per year to maintain the flags, halyards and snaps. She thanked the Deadwood Auxiliary for their \$200 donation.

**Membership** Carrie Alm had drawing for a Diamond and Blue Topaz bracelet for the membership chairman of the Auxiliaries with 100% in membership by 12/31/15 – Jan Owens drew the winning name of Mona Ellis of Scotland.

**Announcements:** Officers to check in badges. Social begins at 5:30 PM in Pine Crest C & D and the Convention Banquet begins at 6:00 PM. Conclusion of Convention will begin at 8:00 AM tomorrow morning.

**Ways and Means:** Marion Grant reported new sales totaling \$448.70 for jewelry and \$226.00 for Ways and Means.

**Credential** total is 179.

Chaplain Kirkvold closed the Bible. Meeting adjourned until 8 AM Sunday, June 12, 2016

### **Sunday, June 12, 2016 8 AM**

Conductress Sandi Moss with the colors escorted President Worth into the meeting room.  
Assistant Soloist Dorinda Timmons sang:  
Nancy Nancy you gave your answer true.  
We're half crazy, all for the love of you.  
You brought us a timeless message.  
We won't forget your passage.  
Please continue your help,  
And we'll do the work  
For the Vets and the Red, White and Blue.

Chaplain Kirkvold opened the Bible.

Outstanding Auxiliary President Captain Sandy VanKekrix and Co-Captain Wanda Mix.  
Outstanding District President Sharon Wellnitz, District #4

President Worth announced the recipients of the Hospital Volunteer Hour Pins.

Patriots Pen and Voice of Democracy certificates were presented by Sandi Moss.

President Worth thanked the Convention Committee for the outstanding work they did for the convention.

## **Election**

Judge Nelda Jorgenson and tellers Leanne Payne and Sharon Mitchell

All Offices were elected by acclamation. Secretary Nancy Chester read acceptance letter from Guard Wanda Mix.

President Karen Sharp

Senior Vice President Carrie Alm

Junior Vice President Mark Kirkvold

Treasurer Carol Gross

Chaplain Sandi Moss

Conductress Donita Mullinix

Guard Wanda Mix

President Worth excused the Judge and Tellers.

VAVS Representative for Fort Meade VA Diane Ward announced she is stepping down. She thanked all the Auxiliaries for the help during her term.

Jackie Dale thanked everyone for the great award her sisters and she received at the banquet.

Jan Endes presented President Worth with her Department President's Jewel.

President Worth presented incoming President Karen Sharp with magnetic car signs.

**Announcements** Pages turn in badges. Photos of new officers is at 9:00 AM in Pine Crest D followed by Joint Installation. Council of Administration with new officers will begin at 11:00 AM in Pine Crest B.

Closed meeting according to Ritual at 8:45 AM. Next meeting June 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

*Nancy*

Nancy Chester, Department Secretary

SD Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary  
Council of Administration Minutes  
Deadwood, SD  
June 12, 2016

Meeting was called to order by President Karen Sharp at 11:15 AM. Guard Pro-Tem Laurel Sharp reported the membership cards were checked at the door. Roll Call by Secretary Nancy Chester. All Council Members were present except Guard Wanda Mix; PDP on Council Neta Peterka and District President #7 Leanne Payne.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Sandi Moss and Pledge of Allegiance by Pam Vissia.

President Sharp announced the minutes from the previous Council of Administration will be in the first General Orders.

Official and other communications: None at this time.

President Sharp recognized dignitaries Sandra VanKekerix, Captain of Auxiliary Presidents and Sharon Wellnitz, Susie Ratigan District Award winner representing District #4; and National Treasurer and Secretary Jan Owens. New to Council - Guard Wanda Mix; Past Department President Nancy Worth; and District President #8 Connie Heggstad.

Financial Report: Treasurer Carol Gross reported no change. Nita Gertenson presented Treasurer Gross with \$500 cash from Patti Mitchell, Veterans and Family Support Chairman, to be used in the General Fund. Patti wished to return the funds given to her as a love token when she was hospitalized.

Budget Report: Marilyn Jensen gave report. Senior Vice President Carrie Alm motioned to accept Proposed Budget Report. Seconded by Chaplain Moss. Motion carried.

Reports of Program Chairman: None given at this time.

Unfinished Business: President Sharp reminded members to turn in bills and convention expenses within the month.

New Business: Themes for the 2016-17 year - National "Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes" and Department "Now Is The Time" Family: Support – Serve – Honor and Respect

President Sharp reviewed upcoming events:

July 1 – Buffalo Flag Raising – 6:00 p.m. (MDT) – W. Gate of Ft. Meade Way

July 23 – 27 – National Convention, Charlotte, NC

July 28 – National President's Celebration (formerly National President's Homecoming)

Aug. 18 noon to Aug. 21 noon – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Retreat – Roost at Grenville – see Carrie Alm or Zoe Yellin

August 30 and 31, 2016 – National President's Visit – Pierre

August 31 Last Day to Bond President and Treasurer

September 1 – 5 – State Fair – Need Chairman

September 17 – Celebrate America's Freedom Event – Mt. Rushmore

September 23 – 25 – Fall Council and Homecoming

October 21 – 23 – Big Ten, Kalamazoo, MI

Big 10 Meeting delegates and alternates. Past President on the Council Nancy Worth motioned to accept a slate of delegates as: President Sharp; Senior Vice President Alm; Junior Vice President Mary Kirkvold; Chaplain Moss; and Conductress Donita Mullinix and alternates as: Past President on the Council and National Council Member #23 Vickie Rosse; Past President on the Council Nancy Worth and Jan Endes; Deb Fahey and Lois Knudson. Seconded by Junior Vice President Kirkvold. Motion Carried.

Chaplain Moss motioned to pay the bills. Seconded by District #4 President Wellnitz. Motion Carried.

Announcements: Senior Vice Alm said she lost her purse.

Past President on the Council Nancy Worth motioned we have the Alter Cloth cleaned; purchase items with the new emblem of the Alter Cloth; Secretaries stamp; and Memoriam. Second by Chaplain Moss. Motion Carried.

Closing Remarks: President Sharp announced the National Presidents shirt and jewelry are for sale and the SD Commander's and her President's shirts are also being sold. She distributed the SD Commander and President's pins.

Suggestions for the Good of the Order: None

Following the Closing Prayer by Chaplain Moss the meeting closed at 12:30 PM. Next meeting will be Fall Council of Administration and Homecoming September 23 - 25 at the Ramkota in Pierre, SD.

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Karen Sharp, President  
Department of SD AUX.

Nancy Chester, Secretary  
Department of SD AUX.

Date Approved:



**VFW OF THE US AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
DEPARTMENT TREASURERS' INFORMATION  
AUDIT REPORT FORM FOR SOUTH DAKOTA  
FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2015 THRU MAY 31, 2016**

**ROLL FORWARD BY FUND PER BOOKS**

**GENERAL FUND - CASH & INVESTMENTS**

Balance Last Audit	\$156,231.02	
+ Receipts	\$99,900.55	
- Disbursements	<u>\$84,036.51</u>	
Balance this Audit	\$172,095.06	(A)

**DUES RESERVE FUND:**

	\$	
Balance Last Audit	\$0.00	
+ Receipts	\$5,341.87	
- Disbursements	<u>\$0.00</u>	
Balance this Audit	\$5,341.87	(A)

**PASS THROUGH FUND:**

**CANCER AID & RESEARCH**

Balance Last Audit	\$0.00	
+ Receipts	\$12,504.80	
- Disbursements	<u>\$12,504.80</u>	
Balance this Audit	\$0.00	(A)

**RESTRICTED FUNDS:**

**HOSPITAL FUND**

Balance Last Audit	(\$1,704.75)	
+ Receipts	\$11,925.95	
- Disbursements	<u>\$10,619.24</u>	
Balance this Audit	(\$398.04)	(A)

**DEPARTMENT CONVENTION FUND**

Balance Last Audit	\$0.00	
+ Receipts	\$382.65	
- Disbursements	<u>\$0.00</u>	
Balance this Audit	\$382.65	(A)

**TOTAL ALL FUNDS**

\$177,421.54 (A's)  
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**CASH AND INVESTMENTS ON HAND**

**CHECKING ACCOUNT**

Balance per Bank Statement	\$61,772.24
Deposits in Transit (attach list)	\$0.00
- Outstanding Checks (attach list)	\$1,896.39
+ Interest	\$0.00
- Bank Service Charges	
Other Reconciling Items	
Balance per Books	<u>\$59,875.85</u>

**SAVINGS ACCOUNT**

Balance Last Audit	\$5.00
+ Deposits	\$0.00
- Withdrawals	\$0.00
+ Interest	\$0.00
Balance this Audit	<u>\$5.00</u>

**INVESTMENTS (attach list)**

(e.g. Certificates of Deposit,  
U.S. Treasury Bills/Notes, etc.)

Balance Last Audit	\$116,670.06
+ Purchases	\$870.63
Balance this Audit	<u>117,540.69</u>

**TOTAL CASH & INVESTMENTS**

\$177,421.54  
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*We certify that we have audited the Department's books including the books of the VAVS Representatives for the period referenced above and have found them to be correct.*

Chairman Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

OUTSTANDING CHECKS AS OF 5/31/2016

1/29/15 \$25.00

5/23/15 \$5.00

4/15/16 \$40.00

4/30/16 \$76.39

5/5/16 \$40.00

5/16/16 \$90.00

5/16/16 \$90.00

5/16/16 \$180.00

5/16/16 \$360.00

5/16/16 \$180.00

5/28/16 \$50.00

5/31/16 \$420.00

5/31/16 \$5.00

5/31/16 \$235.00

5/31/16 \$100.00

\$1896.39

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
**TREASURER'S REPORT**

JULY 1, 2015 TO ~~JUNE 30, 2016~~ *May 31*

31-May-16

FUNDS	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	DIS-BURSEMENTS	TRANSFERRED FUND	ENDING BALANCE
2016 DUES		\$5,341.87			\$5,341.87
LIFE MEMBER DUES RESERVE		\$7,751.80			\$7,751.80
DUES RESERVE		\$5,341.88			\$5,341.88
LIFE MEMBERSHIP		\$23,700.00	\$23,700.00		\$0.00
GENERAL FUND	\$47,837.58	\$14,719.23	\$34,136.16		\$28,420.65
HOSPITAL FUND	(\$1,704.75)	11,925.95	\$10,619.24		(\$398.04)
WAYS & MEANS		\$6,435.00	\$674.80		\$5,760.20
CANCER AID AND RESEARCH		\$12,504.80	\$12,504.80		\$0.00
AMERICANISM FUND	29.90	\$441.27		-	\$471.17
CANTEEN BOOKS	(\$31.65)	\$0.00			(\$31.65)
VFW PARK & CHAPEL	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	-	\$0.00
VETERANS & MILITARY SCHOLAR	\$4.20	\$341.27		-	\$345.47
DEPT. DELEGATE FEES		\$382.65			\$382.65
EXTENSION & EXPANSION				-	-
SPECIAL OLYMPICS		\$1,194.75			\$1,194.75
VETERANS & MILITARY SUPPORT		\$6,204.50	\$6,094.50		\$110.00
YOUTH ESSAY	-			-	-
PRES. SPECIAL PROJECT	\$196.50	\$3,161.48			\$3,357.98
NATIONAL HOME PINS				-	-
STATE FAIR	1,199.24	\$1,605.00	\$977.12		\$1,827.12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$47,556.02</b>	<b>\$101,076.45</b>	<b>\$88,756.62</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$59,875.85</b>

DAKOTALAND FEDERAL CR	\$61,772.24
OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS	\$0.00
DAKOTALAND OS CHECKS	\$1,896.39
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$59,875.85</b>

BALANCE LAST AUDIT	\$47,556.02
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$101,076.45
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT	\$88,756.62
TRANSFERRED FUNDS	
BOOK BALANCE 6-30-02	\$59,875.85

CHECKING & SAVINGS ACCOUNT	\$59,875.85
CD SHORT TERM GENERAL (4)	\$117,540.69
DAKOTALAND SAVINGS AC	\$5.00
ACCOUNTS TOTAL	\$ 177,421.54

TOTAL CD'S	\$ 116,670.06	\$870.63	\$ 117,540.69
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DATE: 6/2/16

Carol Gross  
DEPARTMENT TREASURER

**VFW AUX DEPT OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
BUDGET REPORT  
7/1/2015 to 5/31/2016**

**2015-5016 BUDGET COMMITTEE**

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Janice Vreim, Chairman

Karen Sharp, Carrie Alm, Mary Kirkvold

6/30/2016

Vickie Rosse

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Department dues transferred July 1 from Dues Reserve	\$5,369.50	\$5,341.87	\$27.63
Department dues (less 50% for dues reserve)	\$5,369.50	\$5,341.88	\$27.62
Life member dues Transferred July 1 from Dues Reserve	\$3,950.00	\$3,886.31	\$63.69
Life member dues (Less 50% for Dues Reserve)	\$3,950.00	\$3,886.32	\$63.68
Discount	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Awards	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Ways and Means	\$6,500.00	\$6,435.00	\$65.00
Transfer funds from previous years credit	\$3,426.28	\$0.00	\$3,426.28
Interest (checking)	\$30.00	\$29.90	\$0.10
Interest (savings)	\$5.00	\$0.00	\$5.00
Misc. Income	\$9,256.25	\$4,238.79	\$5,017.46
Interest (Short term CD's)	<u>\$1,233.97</u>	<u>\$1,144.43</u>	<u>\$89.54</u>
<b><u>TOTAL INCOME</u></b>	<b><u>\$40,240.50</u></b>	<b><u>\$31,304.50</u></b>	<b><u>\$8,936.00</u></b>
<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>USED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
<b>DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT</b>			
Stipend	\$599.95	\$550.00	\$49.95
Travel & Motel	2,600.00	\$2,938.62	(\$338.62)
Telephone	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Postage	\$90.00	\$7.35	\$82.65
Hospital Mileage/Motel	<u>\$350.00</u>	<u>\$623.46</u>	<u>(\$273.46)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$3,839.95</u></b>	<b><u>\$4,119.43</u></b>	<b><u>(\$279.48)</u></b>
<b>DEPARTMENT SECRETARY</b>			
Stipend	\$599.95	\$550.00	\$49.95
Dues Mailing	\$900.00	\$608.86	\$291.14
Postage and Printing GO's	\$812.00	\$599.84	\$212.16
Supplies	\$750.00	\$763.20	(\$13.20)
Printing Official Information	\$976.00	\$328.80	\$647.20
Telephone	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$4,062.95</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,850.70</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,212.25</u></b>
<b>DEPARTMENT TREASURER</b>			
Stipend	\$1,200.00	\$1,100.00	\$100.00
Telephone	\$240.00	\$200.00	\$40.00
Internet Connection	\$360.00	\$280.00	\$80.00
Supplies	\$850.00	\$543.72	\$306.28
Audit	\$500.00	\$575.80	(\$75.80)
Postage	\$250.00	\$176.90	\$73.10
Income Tax Service	\$450.50	\$371.00	\$79.50
Insurance	\$129.00	\$129.00	\$0.00
Bond	<u>\$625.00</u>	<u>\$624.00</u>	<u>\$1.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$4,604.50</u></b>	<b><u>\$4,000.42</u></b>	<b><u>\$604.08</u></b>

<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>USED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
<b>CHIEF OF STAFF</b>			
Travel	\$56.00	\$0.00	\$56.00
Postage & Telephone	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$81.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$81.00</u>
<b><u>NATIONAL CONVENTION</u></b>			
	<u>Pittsburgh</u>		
President Air Fare	\$572.00	\$572.00	\$0.00
Ground Travel	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Sr Vice President Air Fare	\$694.20	\$690.89	\$3.31
Ground Travel	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Immediate Past President Air Fair	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$0.00
Ground Travel	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$0.00
Expenses for the three	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$0.00
President's Hotel	\$372.50	\$339.72	\$32.78
National President's Love Token	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$2,768.70</u>	<u>\$2,712.61</u>	<u>\$56.09</u>
<b><u>BIG 10 CONFERENCE</u></b>			
	<u>Bettendorf</u>		
Dues	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
President's Air Fare	\$435.00	\$245.10	\$189.90
Ground Travel	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Sr Vice President's Air Fare	\$463.00	\$0.00	\$463.00
Ground Travel	\$0.00	\$408.00	(\$408.00)
Jr Vice President's Air Fare	\$435.00	\$0.00	\$435.00
Ground Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenses for five (\$200 each)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
President's Hotel	<u>\$208.00</u>	<u>\$144.48</u>	<u>\$63.52</u>
Total	<u>\$2,716.00</u>	<u>\$1,972.58</u>	<u>\$743.42</u>
<b><u>MIDWINTER CONFERENCE</u></b>			
	<u>Dominican Republic</u>		
President's Air Fare	\$765.70	\$739.70	\$26.00
Ground Travel	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Sr Vice President's Air Fare	\$765.70	\$743.05	\$22.65
Ground Travel	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Expenses for two (\$200 each)	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00
Hotel	<u>\$372.00</u>	<u>\$372.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total	<u>\$2,353.40</u>	<u>\$2,304.75</u>	<u>\$48.65</u>
<b><u>COMMUNITY SERVICE CONVENTION- VOD</u></b>			
President	<u>\$700.00</u>	<u>\$700.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total	<u>\$700.00</u>	<u>\$700.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
<b><u>CHAIRMEN EXPENSES</u></b>			
Membership Awards	\$300.00	\$30.00	\$270.00
Program Awards	\$225.00	\$100.00	\$125.00
Chairman Expenses	\$500.00	\$325.00	\$175.00
Gifts, Memorials, & Flowers	\$300.00	\$74.08	\$225.92
Contingency Fund - for President	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Contingency Fund - for Vice President	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
Contingency Fund - for Secretary	\$600.00	\$125.00	\$475.00
Contingency Fund - for Treasurer	\$1,800.00	\$940.00	\$860.00

Overseas Veteran		<u>\$400.00</u>	<u>\$400.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$5,325.00</u>	<u>\$3,194.08</u>	<u>\$2,130.92</u>

<u>EXPENSES</u>		<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>USED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Council & convention & Legislative Mileage		\$10,500.00	\$3,432.98	\$7,067.02
President's Hotel for two Council Meetings		\$210.00	\$0.00	\$210.00
Secretary's Hotel for two Council Meetings		\$210.00	\$0.00	\$210.00
Treasurer's Hotel for two Council Meetings		\$280.00	\$0.00	\$280.00
Four All-State President's Awards		\$140.00	\$140.00	\$0.00
National President's Visit		\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
Past President's Jewel		\$49.00	\$0.00	\$49.00
Department Storage		\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
VOD Awards		\$350.00	\$350.00	\$0.00
Trainer/Recruiter		\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Contingency Fund		<u>\$50.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>
	Total	<u>\$13,489.00</u>	<u>\$4,122.98</u>	<u>\$9,366.02</u>

**STATE CONVENTION**

President's Hotel		\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Secretary's Hotel		\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Treasurer's Hotel		<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
	Total	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>

	<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	<b><u>\$40,240.50</u></b>	<b><u>\$25,977.55</u></b>	<b><u>\$14,262.95</u></b>
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**RESTRICTED FUNDS**

<u>DEPARTMENT CONVENTION BUDGET</u>		<u>PROJECTED</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>				
Delegate Fees		<u>\$777.00</u>	<u>\$352.65</u>	<u>\$424.35</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$777.00</u>	<u>\$352.65</u>	<u>\$424.35</u>

**EXPENSES:**

		<u>USED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Registration National Rep	\$65.00	\$75.00	(\$10.00)
Registratin Department President	\$65.00	\$75.00	(\$10.00)
National Representative	\$16.00	\$20.00	(\$4.00)
Department President	\$16.00	\$20.00	(\$4.00)
Gold Star Mothers	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Assistant Secretary	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
Secretary Convention Minutes	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Musician-Asst Musician Token	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Soloist & Asst - love token	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Memorial Flowers	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Gift - National Representative	\$75.00	\$41.18	\$33.82
Gift - Pres., Sec., Treas.	\$90.00	\$0.00	\$90.00
Misc (Bylaws, Rituals, Etc)	\$175.00	\$173.50	\$1.50
Convention Booklets	<u>\$75.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$75.00</u>
	Total Expenses	<u>\$404.68</u>	<u>\$372.32</u>

**RESTRICTED FUNDS** (Continued)**HOSPITAL BUDGET****INCOME**

	<u>PROJECTED</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
<b>Donations from Auxiliaries</b>	<b><u>\$12,190.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$11,925.95</u></b>	<b><u>\$264.05</u></b>

**EXPENSES:**

		<u>USED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Monthly Allowances (6 Hospitals X 12 mos)	\$8,775.00	\$8,698.67	\$76.33
Stipends	\$915.00	\$900.00	\$15.00
VAVS Reps & Chairman's Travel Expenses	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Other Miscellaneous for the Hospitals	<u>\$2,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,104.99</u>	<u>\$895.01</u>
TOTAL	<b><u>\$12,190.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$10,703.66</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,486.34</u></b>

**AMERICANISM**

		<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
<b>Income</b>	<b><u>\$675.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$441.27</u></b>	<b><u>\$233.73</u></b>

**Expenses:**

		<u>USED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Youth Essay (Patriots Pen)	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00
Patriotic Art Contest	\$175.00	\$0.00	\$175.00
Promotion and Postage	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
TOTAL	<b><u>\$675.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$400.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$275.00</u></b>

**VETERANS & FAMILY SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIP****INCOME**

		<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Donations from Auxiliaries	\$350.00	\$332.05	\$17.95
TOTAL	<b><u>\$350.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$332.05</u></b>	<b><u>\$17.95</u></b>

**EXPENSES**

		<u>USED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Scholarship Awards	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
TOTAL	<b><u>\$350.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$350.00</u></b>

*Janice Vreim*  
Janice Vreim, Chmn.

*Karen Sharp*  
Karen Sharp, Member

*Carrie Alm*  
Carrie Alm, Member

*Mary Kirkvold*  
Mary Kirkvold, Member

*Vickie Rosse*  
Vickie Rosse, Member

**DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
PROPOSED BUDGET  
2016-2017**

**2016-2017 BUDGET COMMITTEE**  
Mildred Ratigan, Chairman;  
Carrie Alm, Mary Kirkvold, Sandi Moss  
Marilyn Jenson

<b><u>INCOME:</u></b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>RECEIVED AS</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>
	<b>2015-2016</b>	<b>OF FEB 29, 2016</b>	<b>BUDGET 2016-2017</b>
Department Dues Transferred July 1 from Dues Rese	\$ 5,369.50	\$ 5,199.37	\$ 5,369.50
Department Dues (Less 50% for Dues Reserve)	\$ 5,369.50	\$ 5,199.38	\$ 5,369.50
Life Members Dues Transferred July 1 from Dues Res	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 3,886.31	\$ 3,900.00
Life Members Dues (Less 50% for Dues Reserve)	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 3,886.32	\$ 3,900.00
Discount	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Awards	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Ways and Means	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,430.15	\$ 6,430.00
Transfer funds from previous years credit	\$ 3,426.28	\$ -	\$ 3,426.28
Interest (checking)	\$ 30.00	\$ 21.92	\$ 30.00
Interest (savings)	\$ 5.00	\$ -	\$ -
Misc Income	\$ 9,256.25	\$ 2,233.53	\$ 9,258.15
Interest (Short term CD's)	\$ <b>1,233.97</b>	\$ <b>870.63</b>	\$ <b>1,233.97</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 40,240.50</b>	<b>\$ 28,727.61</b>	<b>\$ 40,067.40</b>

	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>EXPENSES AS</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>
	<b>2015-2016</b>	<b>OF FEB 29, 2016</b>	<b>BUDGET 2016-2017</b>
<b><u>EXPENSES:</u></b>			
<b>DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT</b>			
ALLOTMENT	\$ 599.95	\$ 400.00	\$ 599.95
TRAVEL AND MOTEL	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 1,838.14	\$ 2,600.00
TELEPHONE	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00
POSTAGE	\$ 90.00	\$ 7.35	\$ 90.00
HOSPITAL MILEAGE/MOTEL	\$ 350.00	\$ 209.86	\$ 350.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,839.95</b>	<b>\$ 2,455.35</b>	<b>\$ 3,839.95</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT SECRETARY</b>			
ALLOTMENT	\$ 599.95	\$ 350.00	\$ 599.95
DUES MAILING	\$ 900.00	\$ 249.10	\$ 900.00
POSTAGE	\$ 812.00	\$ 452.84	\$ 812.00
SUPPLIES	\$ 750.00	\$ 541.74	\$ 750.00
COPIER & PRINTER MAINTENANCE	\$ 976.00	\$ 328.80	\$ 976.00
TELEPHONE	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,062.95</b>	<b>\$ 1,922.48</b>	<b>\$ 4,062.95</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT TREASURER</b>			
ALLOTMENT	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,200.00
TELEPHONE	\$ 240.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 240.00
INTERNET CONNECTION	\$ 360.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 360.00
SUPPLIES	\$ 850.00	\$ 342.34	\$ 850.00
AUDIT	\$ 500.00	\$ 575.80	\$ 500.00
POSTAGE	\$ 250.00	\$ 127.90	\$ 250.00



INCOME TAX SERVICE	\$ 450.50	\$ 371.00	\$ 450.50
INSURANCE	\$ 129.00	\$ 129.00	\$ 129.00
BOND	\$ 625.00	\$ 624.00	\$ 625.00
	<b>\$ 4,604.50</b>	<b>\$ 3,250.04</b>	<b>\$ 4,604.50</b>

**EXPENSES:**

<b>CHIEF OF STAFF TRAVEL</b>	\$ 56.00	\$ -	\$ 56.00
POSTAGE & TELEPHONE	\$ 25.00		\$ 25.00
	<b>\$ 81.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 81.00</b>

**NATIONAL CONVENTION**

	<u>Pittsburg</u>		<u>Charlotte</u>
President Air Fare	\$ 572.00	\$ 572.00	\$ 550.00
Ground Travel	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Sr. Vice President Air Fare	\$ 694.20	\$ 690.89	\$ 550.00
Ground Travel	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Immediate Past President Air Fare	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 550.00
Ground Travel	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Expenses for the Three	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
President's Hotel	\$ 372.50	\$ 339.72	\$ 500.00
National President's Love Token	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00
	<b>\$ 2,768.70</b>	<b>\$ 2,712.61</b>	<b>\$ 2,830.00</b>

**BIG TEN CONFERENCE**

	<u>Bettendorf</u>		<u>Kalamazoo</u>
Dues	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
President Air Fare	\$ 435.00	\$ 245.10	\$ 470.00
Ground Travel	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Sr. Vice President Air Fare	\$ 463.00	\$ -	\$ 470.00
Ground Travel	\$ -	\$ 408.00	\$ -
Jr. Vice President Air Fare	\$ 435.00	\$ -	\$ 470.00
Ground Travel	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Expenses for five (\$200 each)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
President's Hotel	\$ 208.00	\$ 144.48	\$ 250.00
	<b>\$ 2,716.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,972.58</b>	<b>\$ 2,835.00</b>

**MID WINTER CONFERENCE**

	<u>ominican Republic</u>		<u>Caribbean Cruise</u>
President Air Fare	\$ 765.70	\$ 739.70	\$ 575.00
Ground Travel	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Sr. Vice President Air Fare	\$ 765.70	\$ 743.05	\$ 575.00
Ground Travel	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Expenses for two (\$200 each)	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Hotel-President	\$ 372.00	\$ 372.00	\$ 400.00
	<b>\$ 2,353.40</b>	<b>\$ 2,304.75</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>

Washington, DC

\$ - Washington, DC

**COMMUNITY SERVICE CONVENTION - VOD**

Washington DC-President's Expense	\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ 700.00
	<b>\$ 700.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 700.00</b>

**CHAIRMEN EXPENSES**

Membership Awards	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Program Awards	\$ 225.00	\$ -	\$ 225.00
Chairmen Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 500.00
Gifts, Memorials, & Flowers	\$ 300.00	\$ 74.08	\$ 300.00
Contingency Fund - for President	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,000.00
Contingency Fund - for Sr. Vice President	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Contingency Fund - Secretary	\$ 600.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 600.00
Contingency Fund - Treasurer	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,800.00
Overseas Veteran	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
	<b>\$ 5,325.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,474.08</b>	<b>\$ 5,325.00</b>

**EXPENSES:**

**OTHER DEPARTMENT EXPENSES**

Council & Convention & Legislative Conference Mi	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 3,432.98	\$ 10,500.00
President's Hotel for two Council Meetings	\$ 210.00	\$ -	\$ 210.00
Secretary's Hotel for two Council Meetings	\$ 210.00	\$ -	\$ 210.00
Treasurer's Hotel for two Council Meetings	\$ 280.00	\$ -	\$ 280.00
Four All State Presidents Awards	\$ 140.00	\$ -	\$ 140.00
National President's Visit- President Expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Past President's Jewel	\$ 49.00	\$ -	\$ 49.00
Department Storage	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$ 800.00
Website Expense			\$ 400.00
VOD Awards	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
Trainer/Recruiter	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
<b>SD Veterans Support Council-Cemetery</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
	<b>\$ 13,489.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,982.98</b>	<b>\$ 13,489.00</b>

*Deadwood*

*Pierre*

**STATE CONVENTION**

President's Hotel	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Secretary's Hotel	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Treasurer's Hotel	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00

TOTAL

**\$ 300.00**

\$ -

**\$ 300.00**

**TOTAL EXPENSES**

**\$ 40,240.50**

**\$ 21,074.87**

**\$ 40,067.40**

**RESTRICTED FUNDS:**

**DEPARTMENT CONVENTION BUDGET**

**INCOME:**

DELEGATE FEES:	\$ 777.00	\$ -	\$ 777.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>	<b>\$ 777.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 777.00</b>

**EXPENSES:**

REGISTRATION NATIONAL REP	\$ 65.00	\$ -	\$ 65.00
REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT PRES.	\$ 65.00	\$ -	\$ 65.00
NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE (Gold Star)	\$ 16.00	\$ -	\$ 16.00

**PROPOSED**

**REC'D**

**BUDGET**

**BUDGET**

**2015-2016**

**2016-2017**

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT (Gold Star)	\$ 16.00	\$ -	\$ 16.00
GOLD STAR MOTHERS	\$ 40.00	\$ -	\$ 40.00
ASSISTANT SECRETARY	\$ 10.00	\$ -	\$ 10.00
SECRETARY CONVENTION MINUTES	\$ 30.00	\$ -	\$ 30.00
MUSICIAN-ASS'T MUSICIAN TOKEN	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
SOLOIST& ASS'T--LOVE TOKEN	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00
MEMORIAL FLOWERS	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00
GIFT--NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES	\$ 75.00	\$ 41.18	\$ 75.00
GIFT--PRES., SEC, TREAS	\$ 90.00	\$ -	\$ 90.00
MISC.(BY-LAWS, RITUALS, ETC.)	\$ 175.00	\$ 173.50	\$ 175.00
Convention Booklets	<u>\$ 75.00</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 75.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<u><b>\$ 777.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 214.68</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 777.00</b></u>

**INCOME:**

Donations from Auxiliaries	<u><b>\$ 12,190.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 11,159.70</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 12,190.00</b></u>
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**EXPENSES:**

Monthly allowances( 6 Hospitals X 12 months)	\$ 8,775.00	\$ 7,406.44	\$ 8,775.00
Stipends	\$ 915.00	\$ -	\$ 915.00
VAVS Representatives' & Chairman's' Travel E	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Other Miscellaneous for the Hospitals	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,000.00
	<u><b>\$ 12,190.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 7,906.44</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 12,190.00</b></u>

**REC'D**

**AMERICANISM**

<u>Income</u>	<u><b>\$ 675.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 314.12</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 675.00</b></u>
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**INCOME: Donations from Auxiliaries & VFW**

**EXPENSES:**

<b>Youth Essay (Patriots Pen)</b>	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Patriotic Art Contest	\$ 175.00	\$ -	\$ 175.00
Promotion and Postage	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
	<u><b>\$ 675.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 400.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 675.00</b></u>

**VETERANS & FAMILY SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIP**

<b>INCOME: Donations from Auxiliaries</b>	<u><b>\$ 350.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 331.90</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 350.00</b></u>
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**EXPENSES:**

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ 350.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>\$ 350.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$ -</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 350.00</b></u>

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**2016 VFW Auxiliary Retreat  
The Roost – Grenville, SD  
August 18 – 21, 2016**

A chance to learn new things and get to know your Auxiliary Sisters and Brothers!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Dates You will be Attending:    **All**    **Aug 18**    **Aug 19**    **Aug 20**    **Aug 21**  
(Circle all that apply)

Are you willing to share a:    **Bed**                      **Room**                      **Both**  
(Circle the one that applies best)

Do you have any allergies or food sensitivities:    **Yes**                      **No?**  
If so, please list: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any other needs that should be addressed before we arrive?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Will bring Item(s) # \_\_\_\_\_

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Detach and Take with you for Reference

**2016 VFW Auxiliary Retreat at The Roost in Grenville, SD  
August 18 – 21, 2016**

I am bringing: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Any questions or concerns or changes, please contact Carrie @ 605-517-0287

# SD VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS and AUXILIARY

## FALL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Friday, September 23 – Saturday, September 24 – Sunday, September 25, 2016

All events will be held at Ramkota Hotel, 920 W. Sioux Ave., Pierre, SD – 605-224-6877

(Hotel information on reverse)

Committee Meetings will be held on Friday, September 23, 2016, starting at 3:00 pm (CDT)

Membership 3:00 pm, Publication 3:30 pm, Budget 4:00 pm

(All meetings will start within 5 minutes of the previously scheduled meeting)

HOSTED BY Charles E. Thorne Post 2038 and Auxiliary

*(Auxiliary functions are in bold typeface)*

Friday -- Sept. 23	1:00 - 5:00 PM	Registration
<b>Friday -- Sept. 23</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>JOINT VFW &amp; VFWA Roundtable Meeting Re-Districting</b>
Saturday, Sept. 24	8:30 AM	VFW Annual Training
Meeting will include Post Service Officer Training, Membership Book and VFW Programs		
Saturday -- Sept. 24	8:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Registration
Saturday -- Sept. 24	10:00 AM	Military Order of Cooties
<b>Saturday -- Sept. 24</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Certified Trainer Recruiter Seminar</b>
<b>Saturday -- Sept. 24</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>District Presidents Meeting</b>
<b>Saturday -- Sept. 24</b>	<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>Dept. Aux. Line Officer Meeting and Luncheon</b>
<b>Saturday -- Sept. 24 -- 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM</b>		<b>Lunch Buffett</b>
Saturday -- Sept. 24	11:45 AM	Dist. Commander/Past State Commander Luncheon
<b>Saturday -- Sept. 24</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Auxiliary Workshops and School of Instruction</b>
<b>Saturday -- Sept. 24</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Continue VFW Training</b>
Saturday -- Sept. 24	5:30 PM	Social Hour/Cash Bar
Saturday -- Sept. 24	6:30 PM (Casual Attire)	Banquet – Entertainment – Games -- Dancing
Sunday -- Sept. 25	8:30 AM	VFW Council of Administration Meeting
<b>Sunday -- Sept. 25</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Auxiliary Council of Administration Meeting</b>

### \*\*\*\*\*REGISTRATION\*\*\*\*\*

**ADVANCE \$65.00 (Includes Breaks, Saturday Lunch and Banquet)**

**Deadline Date for Registration: Friday, September 16, 2016 -- Late Registration \$75.00**

**Deadline Date for Room Reservation Rates – August 23, 2016**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

VFW/AUX# \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Submitted \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Payable to: VFW Post #2038

**EARLY REGISTRATION IS APPRECIATED**

**\$25.00 Per Meal For Anyone Attending That Is Not Registered and Guests**

**MAIL TO:** VFW Post #2038 — Fall C of A  
Gary and Lois Knudson  
1415 East Dakota Avenue  
Pierre, SD 57501

**Please fill out a separate registration form for each individual.**  
**SD VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS & AUXILIARY**

## FALL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION and HOMECOMING

September 23 – 25, 2016

### HOTEL INFORMATION

Blocks of rooms under the name of Veterans of Foreign Wars have been set aside for the Fall Council/Homecoming. **To receive the listed rates, reservations need to be made by August 23, 2016.** There is going to be a 50-yr. End of Vietnam War Commemoration and 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Vietnam War Memorial the same weekend (VFW had reservations made 3 years ago), so rooms are limited.

Ramkota Best Western Hotel 920 W. Sioux Ave., Pierre	\$98.99	605-224-6877
Governors' Inn 700 W. Sioux Ave., Pierre	\$72.00	605-224-4200
Comfort Inn 410 W. Sioux Ave., Pierre	\$70.00	605-224-0377
River Lodge 713 W. Sioux Ave., Pierre	\$57 Single \$62 Double	605-224-4140

## SOUTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR – 2016

The dates for the South Dakota State Fair are September 1 – September 5, 2016.

Sue Jones, Chairman -- (605-461-2719 Home; 605-877-2665 Cell; Email: [sjones2727@yahoo.com](mailto:sjones2727@yahoo.com)) is the Chairman for the State Fair this year.

Please send your donations to: Auxiliary Treasurer Carol Gross, PO Box 657, Huron, SD 57350. If you would like to send gift cards to be given away during the Fair, those will be acceptable too. Please make your donations EARLY, so that we will know what we have for a budget.

Once again, we have assigned a day to each District. District Commanders and Presidents please, please contact your Post Commanders and Presidents to arrange your schedule for your District's assigned day. We recommend two (2) to four (4) hour shifts with two (2) people at the VFW table and two (2) people at the Auxiliary table. Please schedule for all day, and if possible, please let Sue Jones know what you have for a schedule. The daily time for the Veterans Building is to be determined by the Veterans Council on Wednesday, July 12, 2016. Look for the time in the August GO's.

DAY	DATE	DISTRICT
Thursday	September 1	2
Friday	September 2	1 and 7
Saturday	September 3	8 and 10
Sunday	September 4	4
Monday	September 6	6

**BIG TEN CONFERENCE ADVANCE REGISTRATION**  
*Department of Michigan Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary*  
*October 20-23, 2016*

**Location: Radisson Plaza Hotel, 100 Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI**

**Registration Fee: \$100**

**Late Registration Fee: \$110**

- Two (2) drink tickets for Welcome Party Friday evening
- Luncheon on Saturday
- Banquet ticket for Saturday evening

**Advance registration deadline: September 30, 2016**

**Checks payable to Michigan VFW and mail to:**

Department of Michigan VFW  
924 N. Washington  
Lansing, Michigan 48906  
Attn: Big Ten Conference

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**Registration Information – Please Print**

**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone # (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ Post/Aux \_\_\_\_\_ Dept: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Amt Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Airport Transportation Information**

**Arrival:     Airline/Flight# \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time \_\_\_\_\_**

**Departure: Airline/Flight# \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Rail or Bus Travel Information**

Please complete only if you will need assistance.

Rail \_\_\_\_\_ Bus \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Needs**

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



**Department of Michigan**  
**Veterans of Foreign Wars & Auxiliary**  
**BIG TEN CONFERENCE**  
**Radisson Plaza Hotel – 100 W. Michigan Ave. Kalamazoo, MI 49007**  
**October 20 – 23, 2016**

*The Group Rate will be available until September 29, 2016*  
*Or until the block fills. Whichever occurs first.*

**TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION CALL: 269-343-3333**

**DIRECTIONS**

- From Interstate 94 (if you are coming from west): Take exits 76B, Westnedge Avenue North; it will change to Park Street. Continue on Park Street until you come to Michigan Avenue, then turn right. Get into the left lane. The Radisson Plaza Hotel is located on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Rose Street.
- From Interstate 94 (if you are coming from east): Take the I-94 business loop into Kalamazoo. Turn left onto Rose Street. The Radisson Plaza Hotel is located on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Rose Street (to your left). The parking ramp will be across the street, on the right.
- From US 131: Take exit 38A (M-43/West Main) heading east. West Main will change to Michigan Avenue; the Radisson Plaza Hotel is located on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Rose Street.

**RESERVATIONS**

- Room reservations received after 9-29-16 will be subject to availability and higher room rate.
- To reserve your room, please call (269) 343-3333 or (800) 333-3333. Reservation must be guaranteed with deposit or major credit card.
- For suite prices & reservations call direct (269) 343-3333.
- To receive the group rate, you must identify yourself as a Department of Michigan VFW Big Ten Conference participant when calling to make your reservation.
- Quoted rates are subject to state and local taxes (11%).

<b><u>ROOM RATES:</u></b>	Single	Double	Triple	Quad
	\$109.00	\$109.00	\$109.00	\$109.00

**Manhattan Suites      \$159.00**

## VFW AUXILIARY DEPT OF SD

Dear Auxiliary Treasurers:

Welcome to our new auxiliary year. It is my honor to work with each of you in any way I can to help make your job more enjoyable.

I am having these instructions for filing your Income Taxes, which EVERY auxiliary is required to do. If this is not done, the IRS will be contacting you, and there will be consequences!

You will need to log on to the correct site:

Go to: <https://sa.www4.irs.gov/epostcard/>

The 3<sup>rd</sup> place down on the list will give you the Form 990-N Electronic Filing System (epostcard). You will be able to use this whether you are a 1<sup>st</sup> time filer, or have filed this way before. You will need to follow the instructions.

If further help is needed, you can scroll down to the IRS Form 990-N (e-postcard) User Guide which will give you step-by-step instructions.

\*\*\*\*\*Since our auxiliary year is from July 1, to June 30, you will need to enter the dates by entering July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, to file your taxes which will be due after July 1, 2016 but **before** November 15, 2016.

Once you get the initial part done by registering to file this way, the rest of the form is quite easy to fill out. It will ask you if your income is below \$50,000.00 (this includes all monies your auxiliary takes in). Since 99% of our auxiliaries are well below this amount, most (or all) of the auxiliaries are eligible to file this form. The only time you will not be able to file this way is if your auxiliary income is above \$50,000.

Please save these instructions, and USE them to file your taxes.

Carol Gross, Department Treasurer





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## IRS Form 990-N (e-Postcard) User Guide

Steps for using the Form 990-N Electronic Filing System (e-Postcard).

### Reminder

An organization cannot file Form 990-N until after the end of its tax year. For example: *July 1, 2015*

- **Calendar year:** If your organization wishes to file Form 990-N for tax year 2016 and uses a calendar year (Jan. through Dec.) as its tax year, it must wait until January 1, 2017, to file Form 990.
- **Fiscal year:** If your organization wishes to file Form 990-N for tax year 2016 and uses a fiscal year (for example, Oct. 1, 2015 through Sept. 30, 2016) as its tax year, it must wait until Oct. 1, 2016, to file Form 990.

The IRS determines the filing year using the beginning date of the organization's fiscal period.

### How to file

Open the electronic filing page at <https://sa.www4.irs.gov/epostcard/>.

- First-Time Users: Select GET STARTED.
- Returning Users: Enter User ID and select LOGIN. Skip to STEP 6 of this user guide.

### Registration: first-time users only

#### STEP 1

PERSONAL INFORMATION PAGE: Enter your contact information, then select SEND EMAIL CONFIRMATION CODE.

#### STEP 2

VERIFY IDENTITY PAGE: Enter the confirmation code found in your email, then select CONTINUE. If you don't receive an email, check your spam/junk email folder.

#### STEP 3A

SECURITY PROFILE PAGE: Choose a USER ID and PASSWORD on the Security Profile page.

#### STEP 3B

SECURITY PROFILE PAGE: Choose a SITE PHRASE. This phrase will appear on your login page before you input your password. When you see the phrase you created while logging in, you can be assured you're not on a scam/fake page.

#### STEP 3C

SECURITY PROFILE PAGE: Choose a SITE IMAGE. This image will appear on your login page – before you input your password. When you see your selected image while logging in, you can be assured you're not on a scam/fake page.

#### STEP 3D

SECURITY PROFILE PAGE: Choose four challenge questions. These questions may appear when you logon using a new computer or location. When you have selected and answered four questions, select CONTINUE.

#### STEP 4

The USER PROFILE SUCCESSFULLY CREATED page will appear. Select CONTINUE.

#### STEP 5

YOUR LOGIN HISTORY PAGE: Select CONTINUE on the "Online Services" page.

### File Form 990-N

#### STEP 6

ELECTRONICALLY FILE YOUR FORM 990-N PAGE: Under "e-Postcard Profile," select MANAGE E-POSTCARD PROFILE to create a new Form 990-N electronic filing submission.

#### STEP 7

E-POSTCARD PROFILE PAGE: From the drop down, select either Exempt Organization or Preparer in the "user type" field.

- Exempt Organization: Select this if you are only completing 990-N for your organization.
- Preparer: Select this if you expect to help multiple organizations.

**Example:** a preparer can be a paid preparer, such as a CPA, volunteer or someone aiding exempt organizations at a local library. By selecting Preparer, you can use your login to add as many organizations as you wish.

After selecting the user type, select CONTINUE.

#### STEP 8

E-POSTCARD PROFILE PAGE: Enter an EIN for the organization you're filing for, then click ADD EIN. You may also delete EINs already associated with your profile. To continue, select CREATE NEW FILING.

#### STEP 9

SELECT EIN PAGE: Select the EIN you wish to file for from the drop down menu. Once you have selected the EIN, select CONTINUE.

#### STEP 10

ORGANIZATION DETAILS PAGE: Complete the requested information. If you don't understand the request, click the question mark icon for an explanation. When you have completed each line, select CONTINUE.

#### STEP 11

Complete the CONTACT INFORMATION page. If you don't understand the request, click the question mark icon for an explanation. When you have completed each line, select one of the following:

- SAVE FILING button: Select this if you are missing any requested information. This will allow you to return to complete it later.
- SUBMIT FILING button: Select this when you are sure all required information has been input.

**NOTE WHEN REGISTERING OR FILING:** Text fields cannot exceed 35 characters and must only contain numbers, letters or hyphen characters. Periods, slash, etc. will not be accepted.

#### STEP 12

CONFIRMATION PAGE: The "Filing Status" field will display as PENDING.

Click on the word PRINT in the bottom paragraph to print a copy for your records. Once you leave the page, you won't be able to print this filing.

Select the MANAGE FORM 990-N SUBMISSIONS to view or submit additional filings.

#### Manage Form 990-N submissions

#### STEP 13

MANAGE FORM 990-N SUBMISSION PAGE: Your submission will show the status of PENDING.

- After seven minutes, refresh the page (F5 key). The GET UPDATED STATUS button should be visible.
- Select GET UPDATED STATUS to see if your submission was accepted or rejected.
- If your submission was rejected, select the submission ID hyperlink for additional details.

#### Technical assistance

If technical issues prevent you from registering or filing with the Form 990-N electronic filing system, try the suggestions below. If the problem still exists after trying all of the suggestions below, contact IRS Customer Account Services at 877-829-5500 (a toll-free number).

Take the following steps to prevent problems during the registration and filing processes:

- **Refer to the User Guide instructions (this page).**
- **Close multiple browsers when registering.**  
Errors may occur if you have additional Internet browsers open during the registration process. Please close other Internet browser windows.
- **Use correct text characters when registering and filing.**  
Ensure that you use only letters, numbers or a hyphen when entering text fields. This character limit does not apply to password fields.
- **Check your spam/junk email folders.**  
When registering or requesting a user-identification reminder, check your junk/spam email folders for a response. The email may have been filtered out by your email program.
- **If you've lost your User ID or Password, wait until April 25 to request a reminder email or register using a different email address.**  
The User ID and Password reminder process is being updated. You may request a User ID or Password reminder beginning April 25. If you must file before April 25, please register using a different email address or contact IRS Customer Account Services at 877-829-5500 (a toll-free number).
- **If the suggestions above don't resolve the issue, sign out of the filing system (if logged in), close all programs and shut down your computer.**  
Wait a minute, restart your computer and try again. This step is required before calling the Customer Account Services line (877-829-5500) for technical help.

#### Additional information

- [Annual electronic filing requirement for small exempt organizations](#) - Form 990-N (e-Postcard)
- [Form 990-N FAQs](#)

Dear Auxiliary Treasurer

**PLEASE USE THIS FORM TO SEND IN YOUR OBLIGATIONS THIS YEAR!**

Another year is past and I want to thank all of you for the great job you did in getting the dues in to me. These obligations are very important because of the many changes that are being made by National.

**OBLIGATIONS FOR 2016-2017**

Obligations are paid per membership as of June 30, 2016. I am enclosing this form for the obligations, please fill it out and send it in when you pay your Auxiliary Obligations. It is fine to write one check for the total amount, BUT please fill out the form so I know what amount you pay for each area.

AUXILIARY _____	MEMBERSHIP AS OF JUNE 30, 2016 _____
Cancer Aid & Research	\$2.00 X _____ = _____
Hospital	\$1.25 X _____ = _____
Ways & Means	\$1.00 X _____ = _____
Veterans & Family Support	.10 X _____ = _____
Americanism	.05 X _____ = _____
Veterans & Family Scholarship	.05X _____ = _____
TOTAL	X _____ = _____

Other Donations \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL DONATIONS \_\_\_\_\_

(Other Donations could be Special Olympics, Pres Project, or an extra Donation to any of the Department Projects.)

Remember the sooner you send in your obligations the more points your Auxiliary President receives in the Judging for Outstanding President. Any Auxiliary can send in more than the \$4.45 per member if they desire.

Obligations are to be sent to the Department Treas: Carol Gross  
PO Box 657  
Huron SD 57350

**!!!!!!!!!!!! Health and Happiness (.10 per member) is sent to the National Treasurer at:**

**Ladies Auxiliary VFW, 406 W 34 St Floor 10, Kansas City, Mo 64111**

**Any donations made to the National Home for Children are to be sent directly to them at**

**3573 S Waverly Rd**

**Eaton Rapids, MI 48827 (Please DO NOT send this to me).**

**District dues are to be paid to your District Treasurer! Please DO NOT send them to me.**

See you at Fall Council!

Carol Gross, Department Treasurer



Ladies Auxiliary  
VFW Department of South Dakota  
Carrie Alm, Sr. Vice  
July 2016 - Bulletin #1

Here we go again! Another exciting year ahead of us full of opportunities to support our veterans and their families! I look forward to assisting everyone with their goals as individuals, auxiliaries, districts and our Department. By the time you will be reading this, we will have returned from National Convention in Charlotte, NC full of new ideas and information to share with you at our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual VFW Auxiliary Retreat in Grenville, SD. We will be meeting at the Roost Resort from August 18-21, 2016. Arrival time on Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> is 12noon. (Please no early arrivals) Departure will be Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> mid-morning. Come for some of it, come for all of it, we would just love to have you join us when you can. Contact me to reserve your spot or with any questions you may have at 605-517-0287. All members are welcome to come to this retreat, you don't have to be an officer to attend. This year it is even co-ed due to our new membership! (We do have separate sleeping arrangements though! ☺ )

Let's get rolling on membership again. The Department has sent out dues announcements already, so no need to wait to get going. Start calling those unpaid members now so that we have a good jump on our membership this year. (Questions regarding membership and treasurer's duties, can and will be answered at the Retreat – another good reason to try and join us!)

The 2016-2017 Program Book is available online and has all the programs and goals laid out for everyone to read. I would encourage everyone to take a glance at it, but definitely if you are a program chairman they should offer you good information about your program. Also, make sure to watch for bulletins from Department Chairman in General Orders that will assist you with planning and keeping up with your year's activities.

Our youth really are our future. Whether they are the future of our military or the future of our Auxiliaries, they are who we need to rely on for future success. Please keep them in mind when organizing activities that would be good learning experiences for them and also when needing some volunteerism help. The only way they grow up learning true patriotism is by being a part of it in their formative years. I have been shown this over and over by the positive response we have from youth in my local auxiliary.

I look forward to our year ahead and continuing to positively support our Veterans and their families. I am here to assist you with any questions you may have, please call me at 605-517-0287.

Loyally,

Carrie Alm  
Department Senior Vice President

## VFW AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S Judging – 2016-2017

Our Department President Karen's theme is ***"Now Is The Time"*** with a tailgate of ***Family: Support – Serve – Honor and Respect***. National President Colette's theme is ***"Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes"***. Utilizing these ideas, you, as Auxiliary President, can forge your leadership goals for the coming year as you work with the community and support our troops and veterans.

Please read the following thoroughly. To make reporting much easier for you, we are **NOT** requesting paragraphs by the President on what was done to assist each program. **However**, we are requesting a one paragraph report as to what YOU did for Veterans' Day, Memorial Day, Make a Difference Day and Loyalty Day. We also want a **one** paragraph report as to what was done for Veterans and Family Support.

**ATTENTION:** There are could be changes in our Programs this year. Please read the Chairmen's Bulletins carefully to understand and respond accordingly , guiding your Auxiliary Chairmen throughout the year.

### **Membership Categories:**

The Auxiliary President's judging will be divided into four (4) membership categories. These categories are:

Category 1	10-50 members
Category 2	51-110 members
Category 3	111-225 members
Category 4	226 plus members

### **Awards**

- 1. The first place winner in each category will receive a \$25 cash award from Department**
- 2. The second place winner in each category will receive a \$10 cash award from Department**
- 3. The Schat-Hammond-Seymour Awards:**

Past Department Presidents Joyce Schat, Mary Hammond and Connie Seymour will present a \$75 Cash Award to the Outstanding Auxiliary President of the Year. The winner will be chosen from the four First Place Winners.

### **VFW AUXILIARY PRESIDENTS: PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY AND REVIEW IT OFTEN!!!**

Keep a record of what you are doing to complete programs to simplify your year-end report which is due on May 1, 2017.

**NOTE:** Check your report to make certain everything is reported. **DO NOT** send copies of your chairmen's report with your President's report form.

**JUDGING CRITERIA**

**Membership Criteria**

- A. Auxiliary Presidents will be judged on the following point system. The figure used for 100% membership will be based on June 30, 2016 membership in each of the four membership categories.

6 points if 100% in Category 1 by September 1, 2016  
6 points if 100% in Category 2 by October 1, 2016  
6 points if 100% in Category 3 by November 1, 2016  
6 points if 100% in Category 4 by December 1, 2016  
5 points if 100% one month later than listed date  
4 points if 100% two months later than listed date  
3 points if 100% three months later than listed date  
2 points if 100% four months or more later than listed date

- B. 1 point for each LIFE member by April 30, 2017 **IF** 100% membership is attained. The number of rejoined members in your auxiliary for 2017 will be used as a tiebreaker if needed. (Rejoined is any member who renews following a year or more lapse in membership)

**Reporting and Donation Criteria**

- C. One (1) point for each program chairman sending in year-end report to Department Chairman by listed deadline. This will be checked with the Department Program Chairman.
- D. Department Obligations are based on June 30, 2016 Membership  
5 points for quota if met in August  
4 points for quota if met in September  
3 points for quota if met in October  
2 points for quota if met in November  
1 point for quota if met in December
- E. 1 point for each audit report sent in on time
- F. 1 point for participating in each of the following: (**IF** as President you participate in the four 'special days' ie. Veterans Day. We are asking for a one paragraph written report)

**Veterans Day Activity**  
**Make a Difference Day**  
**Loyalty Day**  
**Memorial Day Activity**

**Participates in Department President's Project**

- G. Number of meetings you presided over (July through April – 10 maximum)



H. 1 point for each of the following projects that your Auxiliary completed.

- |             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| Americanism | Scholarships                |
| Hospital    | Youth Activities            |
| Legislative | Veterans and Family Support |

I. Department Projects—1 point for participation in each:

- State Fair (worked and/or your Auxiliary made a donation)
- Christmas Tree or any Veterans Christmas Activity

J. 1 point for President attending each of the following: Fall Council of Administration; Spring Council/Legislative Conference; and District Meetings.

**NOTE: Do Not** add your own points. The judges will do that for you. **DO Check** your report to make certain everything is reported.

READ ALL THE DEPARTMENT CHAIRMEN’S BULLETINS. KNOW WHAT IS REQUIRED OF YOUR AUXILIARY FOR EACH PROGRAM. Keep in close contact with your Chairmen to see that they understand their programs and are promoting and reporting them.

**National Program booklet:** We understand that National is **NOT** printing Program Books this year. President Karen has run a complete copy for each Auxiliary President. They will be delivered by your District President to save postage. This book is a wealth of information providing you and your Chairmen with the information needed to provide the leadership and assistance to make your year successful. So share this information with your Chairmen, PLEASE!

The success of your Auxiliary, the District and the Department starts with you – the President. To be the solid base needed, you must read and re-read your General Orders and bulletins so that you can assist your Chairmen in meeting the goals set forth. You, as Auxiliary President, are the most vital part of our great organization. We know you can and will meet the Challenge!!!!!!

**On behalf of our entire Organization, THANK YOU for you dedication and service.**

Pat Cerny, Chm.  
2916 Adkins Drive  
Yankton, SD 57078

Jan Walker  
508 Michigan St. M-24  
Spearfish, SD 57783

Connie Seymour  
2500 5<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Spearfish, SD 57783

605-830-1916

605-722-3911 Home

605-722-2004 Home

605-539-9416 Cell

605-645-6626 Cell

[bpcerny@gwtc.net](mailto:bpcerny@gwtc.net)

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[secjseymour@gmail.com](mailto:secjseymour@gmail.com)

## AUXILIARY PRESIDENTS' JUDGING –2016-2017 YEAR END REPORT

Auxiliary Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Auxiliary President's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of new Members \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Rejoined Members \_\_\_\_\_ (Used in case of tie)

1. Did you send all four audits to Department Treasurer on time? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Did all Year End reports get sent in on time? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Number of Auxiliary meetings that you presided over? \_\_\_\_\_ (July through April, **Maximum 10**)
4. What month did your Auxiliary send in your quota for Department donations? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Number of District Meetings you attended? \_\_\_\_\_ (Maximum 2 points)

### Please answer the following either Y or N

6. Did **you** attend Fall Council \_\_\_\_\_ Spring Council \_\_\_\_\_
7. Did **you** participate in or did Auxiliary donate to Department State Fair Program? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Did **your** Auxiliary participate in Auxiliary Capitol Christmas Tree Program or a Veterans Christmas Activity? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Did **you** actively participate (ceremony, program or activity) in the following?  
Veterans' Day \_\_\_\_\_ Make A Difference Day \_\_\_\_\_ Loyalty Day \_\_\_\_\_ Memorial Day \_\_\_\_\_  
(One paragraph on **each** of the above to be included in report)
10. Did **your** Auxiliary participate in the Department President's Project? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Did **your** Auxiliary complete the following projects? Americanism \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislative \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarships \_\_\_\_\_ Voice of Democracy \_\_\_\_\_ Patriot's Pen \_\_\_\_\_  
Patriotic Art \_\_\_\_\_ Veterans & Family Support \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Activities \_\_\_\_\_

(**ONE** paragraph report on Veterans & Family Support to be included)

Your assistance is vital in meeting President Karen's goal of 100% participation. You and your Auxiliary are the backbone of this organization. We wish you a most successful year—**your success** is the basis for a successful District and Department. God Bless You and God Bless America.

If you have any question, PLEASE contact me. Phone number is 605-830-1916. Email [bpcerny@gwtc.net](mailto:bpcerny@gwtc.net).

**DEADLINE: May 1, 2017. Your report must be postmarked before and in my hands by May 1, 2017, so mail a few days prior to deadline.**

Send to: Pat Cerny  
2916 Adkins Drive  
Yankton, SD 57078  
bpcerny@gwtc.net

UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES™



## VETERANS AND FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM 2016-2017

Patti Mitchell, Chairman

July 2016

**VFW / Auxiliary Makes a difference in military lives every day!**

**Adopt-a-Unit:** Who can Adopt-a-Unit? VFW Posts - VFW Auxiliaries - Joint effort of both organizations

**Why should you Adopt-a-Unit?** To support your local military members & families - To help connect military members with the network of resources the VFW has available - To help you recruit new members

**Free Call Days:** 736 - Virtual Pins: 420. June 2016, 3 Free Call Days, June. 5th, 19th & 26<sup>th</sup>, Sponsored by Sport Clips, Over 7.6 MILLION **service members have connected with their loved ones through Free Call Days since May 2006.** You can help support these calls home Text "CALL" to 90999 for a \$5.00 donation to *Operation Uplink*. **Your \$5 donation will provide 12 deployed service members a 10-minute phone call home to connect with their loved ones during Free Call Days.**

**Unmet Needs :** Can Help in a Crisis A soldier is serving on foreign soil, but the rent is due back home. A soldier is driving a tank on alert for IEDs, and the family car needs a new radiator at a cost the family cannot afford. These are the situations. Unmet Needs can address. Grants of up to \$2,500 payable to a creditor can bridge the gap to make a mortgage or rent payment or to fund home and auto repairs, insurance, utility costs, food and clothing.

**How can members best support the VFW Post with this program? :** Remember that our communities' can be involved in almost every aspect of our VFW and Ladies Auxiliary Program.

- Promote Buddy Poppies
- Assist with National Veterans Service and National Military Services
- Participate in Hospital volunteerism
- Participate in and receive VFW. Ask your local groups to help: ROTC and Sea Cadet groups can post colors, Scouting groups can conduct flag awareness programs, young people can assist veterans with Buddy Poppy drives and promotions, they can assist with patriotic holiday activities such as placing flags on gravesites or singing to or reading to veterans in nursing homes or hospitals. The possibilities for today's

youth are endless. We have available to us an endless resource of energy and activity. We have only to ask the youth of our community to get involved and we will reap the benefits.

**How can you involve families through this program?** :Our Veterans & Family Support Program should begin at home and involve the entire family. Here are just a few examples of how you can involve families in our Veterans & Family Support projects:• Soldiers still need care packages, cards and coupons. As a family you can work to collect and/or donate some of these items, as well as write cards and letters to be sent to our troops overseas.

**We must continue to focus our energies on veterans,** active-duty military and their families. We want to ensure that when our comrades answer their final call, they are afforded the honors they have earned, but the best way to honor these men and women is make a difference in their lives while they are still living. So many times, we wait too long to tell someone we care about them, to spend time with them, to show them that they are important. Don't wait until it's too late to show you care; take the time to make a difference in the life of an uncommon hero today.

#### **VETERANS AND FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM 2016-2017**

Patti Mitchell

888 Slowacki Avenue, Grenville. SD 57239

cell phone # 605-280-0777

e-mail [pattimitchell4@hotmail.com](mailto:pattimitchell4@hotmail.com)



## Americanism July 2016

Greetings:

Thank you, President Karen, for appointing me to serve as the Americanism and Patriotic Instructor for the upcoming year. I look forward to working and meeting everyone. It is going to be a learning experience for me and I look forward to the challenge. I have an open line for any suggestions or ideas that anyone may have to promote Americanism and Patriotism in our schools and communities.

Now is the time to be thinking of programs for the schools to promote Americanism and Patriotism. Does your school recite the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of the school day? Attend a school board meeting or ask your School Board member if this is being done. We need to educate our students and make them aware of the meaning of respect to our Flag.

If you are looking for ideas to promote Americanism try the Internet. It is a great tool for research and ideas.

The first Patriotic Holiday that we will be celebrating following State Convention is the 4<sup>th</sup> of July! Encourage everyone to Fly the American Flag with pride and decorate with the Red, White and Blue theme. What better way to show how proud we are to live in this great nation.

I am excited about the upcoming year and look forward to working with everyone and my phone line and email are always open. President Karen's theme for the upcoming year could not be more fitting for Americanism and Patriotism.

Now Is the Time      Family: Support-Serve-Honor and Respect

Pam Vissia, Americanism and Patriotic Instructor

Phone: 605-942-7145 or 605-770-5089

Email: [pvissia@siouxvalley.net](mailto:pvissia@siouxvalley.net)

Americanism and Patriotic Instructors: Please provide me with your name, address, email and phone number.

# VFW AUXILIARY

## DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA HOSPITAL AND VAVS

### Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes

### Now is the Time: Family-Support-Serve-Honor and Respect

### Bulletin #1, July 2016

Thank you President, Karen Sharp for asking to me to once again chair this position. Last year was truly a learning experience and I plan to use those skills and add to them, to make the Hospitals a better place for our Veterans.

The goal of the Hospital & VAVS program is to meet the needs of hospitalized patients in VA Medical Centers and other hospitals throughout this country. With the influx of this generation's veterans and the rise in long-term rehabilitative services, there is a greater need for volunteers. However, volunteering needs are changing. Be sure to speak with your local VAVS Representative to find out how you can serve these special veterans.

Ladies Auxiliary VFW members have been volunteering in the hospitals and medical facilities since the organization's inception in 1914. The Hospital Program was one of the first nationally adopted programs for the organization.

#### Who can serve?

Members

Non-members

Youth

Families

#### Where can we serve?

Members, non-members and youth can volunteer in many different types of facilities under this program.

Local hospitals

Veterans' homes

Nursing homes

Domiciliaries

Both VA and non-VA medical centers and clinics

#### What can we do?

Volunteer opportunities are different based on the facility in which you are volunteering. Some facilities will have a volunteer program in place with specific jobs, events, and needs. Many facilities will have varying types of opportunities with different ages and abilities. Be sure you follow all the guidelines given by the facility and regularly ask how you can assist them.

The Hospital program has always been very focused on the Veteran!

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I would like to thank President Karen for appointing me to serve as Legislative Chairman for the Department of South Dakota for the coming year. This is an election year and will be exciting. We must become educated about our candidates and vote for those that we feel have the best interests of our Nation, our Veterans and our Military in their hearts we must pay attention to the bills before Congress and make sure they are not undermining our Veterans. Keeping informed with the resources of the Veterans of Foreign Wars is not a hardship. Our Veterans have kept our Nation free for many generation and our Military continue the fight.

Our National President for 2016-2017, Colette Bishop's theme is: "Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes". President Karen's theme is: "NOW IS THE TIME" Family: Support, Serve, Honor & Respect. Great themes for a great year!!! With everyone working together, that is what we will have in South Dakota!! You were appointed Legislative Chairman for your Auxiliary by your President, your President has faith in you and so do I, let's work together to have an outstanding year!

To start off the year, please keep the addresses of these three people in a file where you can access them when they are needed. Our voices mean something – let's make them heard!

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Sen. John Thune - 511 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515  
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Sen. Mike Rounds – 502 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515  
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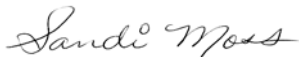
Rep. Kristi Noem – 2422 Rayburn House Office Bldg. Washington, D.C. 20515  
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We are starting the year off with an Action Alert, we need to contact our Congress people and tell them how we feel, the VA health care reform must be based on the needs and the preferences of our Veterans, not political rhetoric. Politically-motivated organizations, pundits and politicians are using the national crisis in access to care at the Department of Veterans Affairs as justification to dismantle and privatize the VA health care system. Some of them are proposing that Veterans be charged for **their service-connected care!!** The VFW says **NO!!**

Veterans, and those who care, must not stand idle as politicians who never served or use the VA health care system tell Veterans when and where they can receive care. We, as a Nation, owe our Veterans. For 117 years the VFW has protected our Veterans, protecting their benefits and identifying problems and fixing the problems they face. Veterans are speaking out through the VFWQ and telling the powers that be "improve, don't dismantle the VA health care System". We have a perfect example here in South Dakotas, the Hot Springs VA. Hot Springs is a Veterans Town, your voice can help motivate our politicians to do the right thing and keep the facilities open for our Veterans. **Take action now – contact our Congresswoman and Senators today!!**

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## Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes

Now is the Time Family: Support-Serve-Honor and Respect

### General Orders Bulletin #1 – July 2016

Membership Ambassador this year is Leona Mc Dermatt, she is from Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

National will be sending out the new Membership dues cards in July. It would be Great, if everyone would pay their dues, when they receive their notice.

National will be discussing raising Life Membership dues. The break down is in the May issue of VFW Auxiliary. For example, if you are age 31-35, currently the amount is \$ 190.00 , after January 1st, 2017, the amount will be, \$300.00. If you thinking of going Life, I would suggest doing so before January 1st.

As you know men are able to join our Auxiliary, as of August 21st, 2015 The same criteria as when we joined. You've read this before, however, I would like to bring it up again.

Must be a citizen of the United States or a United States National, and at least 16 years of age. Those eligible are:

Husband/Wife

Widower/Widow

Grandsons/Granddaughter

Sons/Daughters

Grandfather/Grandmother

Brother/Sister

Step-Siblings/Step-Parents/Step-Children

I went to my home town for the Memorial service, as they were laying poppy wreaths next to the white crosses, I wasn't aware of all the Veterans I had grown up with. I will be contacting their families in the near future, to join our Auxiliary. We are fortunate, at our VFW Post, the public is welcome. In other states or communities, you must be a member enter, or have someone sign you in.

Department Membership Chairman 2016-2017

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## SCHOLARSHIPS

### GENERAL ORDERS #1

DONITA MULLINIX, CHAIRMAN

I would like to thank President Karen for appointing me as this year's Scholarships Chairman. Each of our scholarships encourages patriotism, and assists students in attaining an education. We have four scholarships: Continuing Education, Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest, Voice of Democracy (VOD), and Patriot's Pen Essay (PP).

Continuing Education Scholarship is open to any Auxiliary member (who has belonged for at least one year), spouse, son or daughter with a financial need and at least 18 years old. Entrant must complete the application and submit an essay of 300 words or less. Deadline is February 15, 2017

Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest is open to all students, including home-schooled students in grades 9-12. No digital art will be accepted, and artwork must be on canvas or paper. Deadline is March 31, 2017.

Voice of Democracy Audio-Essay Contest is open to all students, including home-schooled students in grades 9-12. This year's theme is: **MY RESPONSIBILITY TO AMERICA**. The deadline is November 1, 2017.

The Patriot's Pen Essay Contest is open to all students including home-schooled students in grades 6-8. The theme for PP is: **THE AMERICA I BELIEVE IN** and the deadline is November 1, 2017.

For a complete list of rules and an entry form go to the VFW Programs Guide or log onto the VFW Auxiliaries Web site at [www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org). I will try to have more information on the awards in the next GO. The sooner we can get the information to the schools the easier it will be for the teachers to work it into her lesson plans. You can also run off a copy of the contests rules from the web site. If I can be of any further help, contact me at [do\\_mullinix@yahoo.com](mailto:do_mullinix@yahoo.com) or 605-763-5595.

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Donita Mullinix

Dept. Scholarship Chairman

## **YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

2016-2017

**Bulletin 1**

-Tammy Chase, Department Chairman

**July 2016**

I would like to thank President Karen for allowing me to be your "Youth Chairman" for the upcoming year. I do know that if we do not get our youth involved and teach them about patriotism and what we are about they may not learn. If they do not have a family that is active in the military or military organizations it seems a lot do not learn at home, because the parents do not know to pass it on.

The VFW Auxiliary is in a unique position to help teach our youth the skills to become responsible adults through serving our country, communities and veterans. We have a whole new generation of Veterans who need the support of family, friends and country as they serve overseas and when they come home from conflicts abroad. Today's youth are the future of our nation.

### **Youth Groups Supporting Our Veterans National Citations**

Through this national citation, youth groups can be recognized for their efforts and service projects honoring our Veterans and assisting active-duty military and their families.

Recognize a youth group in your community by visiting [www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org) and filling out a nomination form. Great traditions and good citizenship start at an early age. Recognize these bright young citizens for their good work to ensure these activities become a part of their daily lives.

### **Sponsoring and Working with Youth Groups**

Under the Auxiliary Youth activities Program, an Auxiliary can sponsor a youth group and engage youth in any one of our programs, including activities to honor our Veterans or assist our active-duty military and their families.

Take advantage of the service aspects some youth groups require. Many youth-focused organizations require various types of community service or activities to earn merits in their units. College-bound seniors earn merits in their units. College-bound seniors earn school credit for some of these same activities.

Remember that involving youth in service to Veterans in conjunction with our Auxiliary can bring new membership to your Auxiliary. When youth and the whole family are included, members feel more invested in your Auxiliary. Sponsorship of a youth group can create a bright future for your Auxiliary, Veterans and the community as a whole.



### **PROGRAM GOALS**

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Examples of Youth groups for VFW Auxiliary Sponsorship:

- Youth sports teams
- Church youth groups
- After-school programs
- Youth-focused organizations
- School clubs
- Home-school associations
- Youth community service groups
- Nonprofit organization youth advisory councils
- Service learning and civic engagement departments in high schools and colleges

### **Random Acts of Patriotism (R.A.P.)**

See a child thanking a Veterans? Witness a youth place their hand on their heart correctly? Give him or her a R.A.P. card and/or coin. The cards can be downloaded for free from the website and printed at home. Go to [www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org), then Programs and then click on the Youth Activities tab. The coins can be purchased from the VFW Store at 1-800-821-2606. Try this fun and unique way to engage today's youth and encourage their patriotism.

### **MAKE YOUR AUXILIARY ACCESSIBLE TO TODAY'S YOUTH**

It has never been so easy to communicate your cause and events to the world. Social media as teaching and information tools have natural collaborative elements allowing our youth to view and comment on each other's activities. They are tweeting on Twitter, posting on Facebook, instantly sending pictures on Instagram and "liking" the videos on YouTube. If you don't know what any of this is – **LEARN**

### **POPULAR SOCIAL MEDIA NETWORKS**

Facebook / Twitter / LinkedIn / YouTube / Pinterest / Instagram

Get online, and see what's new!

For helpful tips on maximizing your reach through social media, check out the Publicity Guide at [www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org)

Loyally,

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