

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY TO DISTRICT 6 DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK
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Dear District 6 VFW Auxiliary Members,

Happy Summer and very special congratulations and best wishes to President-elect Aurelia Taylor and all of her Officers and chairmen! It is such a pleasure to know that Aurelia and her team will carry on the successes of the Great VFW Auxiliary to District 6 Department of New York!



As I write the June edition of the District 6 newsletter, I am reflecting on all of the visits to our amazing Auxiliaries, all of the events that have been held for our veterans and families and all of the hard work that you have done to make our Sixth District stand out among the other New York Districts so well this past year.

The 2024-2025 Auxiliary year has seen us:

- ...lead the Department in activities in every National Program,
- ...lead the way in providing services to our veterans through our donations to the programs and
- ...lead the way in "being there" for our veterans and families.

We have:

- ...cared the sick,
- ...administered to the needy veterans and families and
- ...given all that we could to make our veterans and families know that our mission to help all Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Families!

It is with joy and thanks for everything this past year and sadness that I say "au revoir" to you as Sixth District President. You have made my life and all those around you richer and fuller. I shall never forget you and all your amazing support. You are the best and I know you will continue to make all veterans' and their families' lives better under President Aurelia's leadership and mentorship in 2025-2026!

God bless each and all of you! God bless America!



Loyally,

Dee Ippolito, President

P.S. Report. Report. Report!

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• **District 6 Delegate Forms** There are a few Auxiliaries that have not submitted 2025 – 2026 District 6 Delegates to Secretary Debbie Cenni. Please USPS mail or email as soon as possible!



District 6 Organizational Meeting for 2025-26 will be held at Post 8647 in Mayville on Saturday, June 28 from 9 AM to noon. Light lunch will be provided.

13th Annual Evans Aux. Baby Shower, May 18th was a huge success. More than \$10,000 in value of baby items was donated to the Buffalo VA Maternity Ward.

• **45+ Year Member Recognition** Auxiliaries may print a 45+ certificate for members not attending Dept Convention. The template is found on the Department website (vfwauxny.org)

▣Resources ▣Secretary Notes ▣45+.

Auxiliary Memorial Service and Celebration of life for PDP Donna Emo will be Saturday, July 5 at Post 8647 in Mayville. Details will be announced when available. Contact Debbie Cenni (716) 753-3757.

Department Officers and Members Training Institute (OTI) – July 26 – 26, Binghamton, NY
The annual Department OTI will be hosted by PDP Ruth Huber. Details available on the Dept website (vfwauxny.org). **Reservation deadline is July 1.**

Voluntary Services Wish List for the Buffalo VA from Hospital Chairman Dee Ippolito!

All donations must be NEW items Please bring items to any District 6 meeting.

- NEW men's summer clothes all sizes, colors and types (No socks needed)

- 3-IN-1 men's body wash; - Men's deodorant

- Shaving cream; - Toothpaste

- NEW women's t-shirts, yoga pants, and slacks (No socks or undergarments needed)

- Women's deodorant

- Women's body wash, shampoo, and conditioner

- Pens; - Crossword puzzle books

- Puzzles 500 pieces and smaller

- Reading books/magazines

- Gift cards for Walmart, Target. Save-a-Lot, or Aldi's for smaller denominations (\$10-15)

- Store bought packaged cookies i.e. Oreos or Fig Newtons

- K-Cups, tea bags, and hot chocolate packets

Thank you for your continued support for our Veterans! Questions? Contact Faith Domowicz at 716-862-8671 or Nick LaMarca 716-862-7981.

• **Membership Rosters and Deceased Members** There are a few Auxiliaries that have deceased members on their current roster. Please update your membership roster on a regular basis and make contact changes as necessary and enter the names of deceased members before June 30th. **Entering a deceased member does NOT affect your auxiliary Paid member percentage and it is the right thing to do!** Deceased members may be entered directly into Malta by the Auxiliary president, secretary or treasurer **or** you can submit names, with date of death, to Dept Secretary Chris Leavor who will enter them for you. Below is the Comprehensive Membership Report as of June 2nd.

Aux	Male	Female	Cont.	New	Rejoin	Convert	Deceased	Cancelled	Paid Total	Prior	Current %	Paid %
416	4	43	38	2	0	4	7	0	47	45	88.89 %	104.44 %
557	152	121	254	12	0	5	7	0	273	262	101.53 %	104.20 %
898	15	63	78	0	0	3	0	0	78	85	91.76 %	91.76 %
1017	16	50	62	3	0	1	1	0	66	65	100.00 %	101.54 %
1419	83	145	211	11	2	5	4	0	228	222	100.90 %	102.70 %
1619	23	38	58	2	1	1	0	0	61	61	100.00 %	100.00 %
2522	25	172	177	4	1	3	15	0	197	193	94.30 %	102.07 %
2530	77	144	200	13	1	10	7	0	221	250	85.60 %	88.40 %
2721	51	128	173	2	0	1	4	0	179	180	97.22 %	99.44 %
5007	45	85	123	4	0	1	3	0	130	133	95.49 %	97.74 %
5260	29	87	110	2	0	0	3	1	116	117	95.73 %	99.15 %
5296	96	154	235	6	0	2	9	0	250	249	96.79 %	100.40 %
5798	1	37	31	2	0	1	5	0	38	37	89.19 %	102.70 %
5861	1	22	23	0	0	2	0	0	23	27	85.19 %	85.19 %
6251	1	108	72	0	0	0	37	0	109	110	65.45 %	99.09 %
6390	2	44	43	1	0	0	2	0	46	45	97.78 %	102.22 %
6472	1	33	29	2	0	0	3	0	34	32	96.88 %	106.25 %
6533	85	138	196	22	1	9	4	0	223	203	107.88 %	109.85 %
6764	53	73	104	15	0	2	7	0	126	114	104.39 %	110.53 %
7545	15	96	102	3	0	1	6	0	111	114	92.11 %	97.37 %
8647	134	275	378	22	2	15	7	0	409	393	102.29 %	104.07 %
8734	82	94	160	11	0	4	5	0	176	172	99.42 %	102.33 %
9249	68	167	215	16	0	10	4	0	235	221	104.52 %	106.33 %
9487	63	159	214	4	0	1	4	0	222	218	100.00 %	101.83 %