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Dear Amazing District 6 Auxiliary Members,

# Report!

Where has the summer gone? It seems like just yesterday that 23 Auxiliaries were represented at the re-organizational meeting in Mayville. I hope all those who attended learned a great deal and have shared the information with their Auxiliary. And remember to report ... report ... report ... your activities to the respective Department Program Chairmen.

Our next District meeting will be **Saturday, September 14 at Hamburg Township VFW Post 1419 at 11 AM**. Auxiliaries are expected to send at least one representative to District meetings. Refer to National Bylaws Sec. 810A—**Auxiliary President—J. Assure that the President or their representative attend all properly called District Conventions or meetings**. Program Chairmen should send a copy of their report to District Secretary Debbie Cenni (bigbear2102@fairpoint.net) prior to the meeting.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Send Auxiliary activities to Secretary Debbie Cenni to be included on the District 6 calendar. The calendar is emailed to Auxiliaries and is also available on the Department website: [vfwauxny.org](http://vfwauxny.org). Continue to post your events and activities on your Auxiliary Facebook page and on the District 6 Facebook page!

Please submit your Donation Report Form (page 5 in Program Guidebook) and check to Department Treasurer by September 30, 2024. Be sure to indicate Yes or No to have annual member dues renewal notices sent by Department.



• **District 6 OTI** – Saturday, September 21 at Little Valley VFW from 9 AM to 2 PM. There is NO COST for this event but reservations are required to ensure there are enough classroom materials. RSVP to Secretary Debbie Cenni by September 16<sup>th</sup>. Email: [bigbear2102@fairpoint.net](mailto:bigbear2102@fairpoint.net); telephone: (716) 753-3757. A light lunch will be served.

- **Department of NY Fall Conference** will be October 11 and 12 at the Albany Marriott. Packets with hotel and conference reservation information should arrive in the near future.
- **District 6 Spring Meeting** will be held March 8 in Salamanca at 11 AM. The Auxiliary will meet at the American Legion.
- The **2025 District 6 Convention** to be held **April 25 and 26** at the VFW Post in Mayville. Convention packets will be emailed in the near future. Adhere to deadlines.
- **Department Spring Conference** will be **April 11 and 12** in Corning (Radisson Hotel).



• **National President Brenda Bryant makes her Official Visit to the Department of New York September 16 – 19, 2024** A copy of the agenda was recently emailed to all District 6 Auxiliaries. District President Dee asks that all Auxiliaries participate in the Aisle of Honor at the Buffalo Airport on Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. Set up at 12:30 PM. Please bring a Color Bearer flag. RSVP to President Dee.

As of this writing, District Historian Phyllis Stokke and I have visited 14 auxiliaries from Grand Island to Wellsville. It has been so enjoyable to visit and meet our members, many of whom are not able to attend District meetings. Looking forward to visiting the other ten Auxiliaries in September and October. Keep up your great work for our veterans and their families. See you all soon! **YOU** are **ALL** doing amazing things to serve our veterans and families. Keep up your great work!

Loyally, Dee Ippolito, District 6 President



SAVE POSTAGE! For those Auxiliaries that have not paid their District 6 Dues ... bring your Auxiliary check with you to the Fall District meeting. **District 6 dues are \$.25 per member based on June 30<sup>th</sup> membership**. Auxiliaries received a dues reminder from District Secretary Debbie Cenni. Contact Debbie if you are not sure about the correct dues amount.



**FILE A  
 990N(E-POSTCARD)  
 FOR  
 YOUR NONPROFIT**

**VERY IMPORTANT!!!** There are only a few Auxiliaries that have not yet filed their 990-n. **PLEASE** file this required form with the IRS as soon as possible and before your Inspection.

District President Dee's goal is to have all inspections completed by October 15th. Inspection materials were distributed at the re-organization meeting in July. If you have not already been inspected, your inspector will be contacting you soon! Please be ready!



**Auxiliaries must have a copy of the 990-n (e-postcard) acceptance for the Inspector. Print three (3) copies of the ACCEPTANCE** (Secretary, Treasurer, Inspector). Your inspector will be asking for one of those copies! Contact Dee Ippolito if you have any questions.

## Membership Dues

**Annual member dues increased effective July 1, 2024.** Your Auxiliary Treasurer must send \$20 to Department Treasurer Kim White when submitting dues for new annual members or renewing annual member dues. Treasurers may process \$20 renewals (and convert to life) directly in Malta.

Auxiliaries received a printed copy of their membership, as of June 30, 2024, at the District 6 re-organization Meeting.

**PLEASE review this roster and make necessary changes.** (Update member address and/or contact information, remove members who have passed away, etc.). Auxiliary President, Secretary and Treasurer may enter changes directly in Malta or they can be sent to Department Secretary Chris Leavor.



District 6 Auxiliary is sponsoring a Holiday & Christmas Food, Clothing and Toy Drive in conjunction with the local chapter of Gold Star Mothers. We will work with Ann Davis on this project. The District 6 goal is to

provide a **magical** Christmas this year for 25 local Veterans and their Families.

All donations will stay local and support 25 local veterans and their families. Bring **UNWRAPPED NEW** toys, cash, check (payable to VFW Aux to District 6) and/or gift card donations to the Fall meeting on September 14<sup>th</sup> in Hamburg. Auxiliaries and Posts received an informational flyer about this project. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

*Department President Darlene Baker's motto: "Soaring Into the Next Century of Service With Our Veterans and Their Families"*  
*National President Brenda Bryant's motto: "From Our Roots to Our Branches Extending Service to Our Veterans"*



Reminder! There are no Department Cancer Fund tickets this year! NO cancer quota! However, donations greatly appreciated. **Auxiliaries may donate through Malta to the National Auxiliary Cancer Fund.** (Report donations made to Department Cancer Fund Chairman Phyllis Roseboom.)

**Health and Happiness donation for VFW National Home may be made through Malta.** Requested donation is \$25 **or more** per member based on June 30<sup>th</sup> membership. The VFW National Home receives **NO** government assistance and depends on generous people like you! The Department of New York supports two homes.



**National President Brenda Bryant's Special Project – Operation Bottom Cover** – raising funds that will help



**Donate New Packages of Diapers & Baby Wipes**

active duty military families overseas to purchase diapers for their children. They struggle to make ends meet and diapers are **VERY** expensive overseas.

**THANK YOU to all District 6 Auxiliaries for processing their bond by July 31<sup>st</sup>!**



**AUXILIARY NEWS – Here's how to receive a copy**



- Emailed copy – email your contact information to Department Secretary **Chris Leavor** CAL2027@hotmail.com
- Electronic Copy – Available on the Dept of New York Auxiliary website: **VFWAUXNY.COM**

• **Printed USPS mailed copy:** Cost is \$15 for six issues. Complete a subscription form found in the President's packet – Make check payable to VFW Aux. Dept of NY. USPS check and subscription form to: Editor DeeDee Guyette – 43 High St – Carthage, NY 13619



**The first paragraph of meeting minutes should contain the following:**

1. Name and number of the Auxiliary.
2. Date and place of meeting.
3. Time called to order.
4. Name of Presiding Officer.
5. Whether regular or special meeting.

(If a special meeting, the purpose for which it was called.)

6. Number of members present.
7. Names of visitors, if there are any present.