VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES AUXILIARY DISTRICT 8



To: District 8 Line Officers, VFW Auxiliary Presidents, Program Chairmen,

District 8 Past Department Presidents

From: Tina Roberts, District 8 President

Date: April 25, 2025

Subject: May District 8 Newsletter

The District 8 Convention meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, May 4, 2025 at Waterloo Memorial Post 6433,** 29 West Elisha Street, Waterloo. The Audit will be held at 1 PM; and the meeting will begin at **2:00 PM**. Each Auxiliary is encouraged to have a least one representative to attend the District meeting. Each Auxiliary Delegate will be asked to pay .50 as the Registration fee for the District Convention.

Immediately following the District Convention Meeting and Installation of Officers, there will be a light dinner at the Waterloo Post. The District 8 VFW will provide meat and cheese trays, rolls and condiments. The Waterloo Memorial Auxiliary will provide drinks and desserts. There will be no cost for the light dinner.

All Auxiliaries are asked to bring a dish to pass. If your Auxiliary has not already done so, please contact District President Tina by May 1st via telephone or email with your dish to pass selection. Thank you for your attention to this request.

A reminder to share with all Auxiliaries from the Department:

- 1. **1**st **Quarter Audit** The January, February, March Quarterly Audit is due to the Department Treasurer by **May 30, 2025** or sooner. Audits may be sent through the USPS mail, scanned via email or faxed to the Dept. Treasurer. Please do not **TEXT** the Audit.
- 2. Save the Dates -- Department Convention is scheduled for Wednesday, 6/11 − 6/14/2025 at the Albany, Marriott Hotel. Hotel Reservations due by May 16, 2025. Advance Registration \$10.00 per member and President's Luncheon Reservation \$48.50 per member and both are due by May 22nd to the respective Chairmen. Commander and President's Dinner Reservation of \$55.00 per person is due by May 20th to the VFW. All information can be found on the Department Auxiliary website (www.vfwauxny.org) under News → Department Convention.
- 3. OTI July 25-26, 2025, Doubletree by Hilton, Binghamton NY. Complete details and Registration form can be found on the Department Auxiliary website (www.vfwauxny.org) under **Home** and it is the third slider page. If you have questions, please contact Dean Ruth Huber at 716-801-2003 or email: poofalina@yahoo.com. Registration form due before **July 1st**. Hotel Reservations must be confirmed prior to **July 1st**.

<u>District Corner</u>

 April was the month of Auxiliary Elections. Completed Installation Reports are due to Dept. Secretary, Chris Leavor before June 1, 2025. Completed Department Delegate forms are due by May 1st.

- District Delegate forms are to be mailed to District 8 Secretary, Karen Dotson, 19 Calgary Ln., Binghamton, NY 13901. Forms need to be received by May 1st in order for the new Delegates to vote at the District Convention.
- 3. National Delegate forms need to be input into MALTA before **May 31**st. If you need assistance, please contact Department Secretary, Chris Leavor.

<u>District Programs</u>

<u>Veterans and Family Support – Chairman Brittany Tierson</u>

Chairman Brittany Tierson is requesting all Auxiliaries and/or members to bring non-perishable food and personal care items to the May 4th District meeting in support of the Rochester Veterans Outreach Center.



Americanism Program - May Holidays - Reminders from District Chairman, Ardell Garland

- May 1 Loyalty Day
- April 11 Mother's Days
- May 17 Armed Forces Day Day to pay tribute to men and women currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.
- May 26 Memorial Day Day to honor the men and women who died while serving in the military
- May 30 Three years after the Civil War, the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) established Decoration Day as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers. Maj. Gen. John A. Logan declared it should be May 30.

Hospital Program

Hospital Chairman, Helen Weeks requested for the **May 4th** District meeting that Auxiliaries/members bring the following items in support of our female veterans at Canandaigua VA:

• Baby Diapers, Diaper Bags, Gender neutral clothing





I appreciate all that each of you do for our veterans and their families. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 315-694-0326 or email <u>tinaroberts@frontiernet.net</u>. I encourage you to share this information with your Auxiliary members.

Loyally, *Tina Roberts*Tina Roberts, District 8 President

Auxiliary Events Happening in District 8

Auxiliary 2883 – Arcadia Memorial Location: 225 E. Union St. Newark

• Sunday, May 4th – Chicken BBQ with 4 sides, roll, butter, and dessert. Starts at 11:30 AM – Tickets are available after April 14th. Cost is \$16

Auxiliary 4658 – Francis Hibbard Post Location: 344 Dorsey Road, Rochester

• Friday, May 2^{nd} – Sponsored by the Sons of the American Legion, Happy Hours – 4 – 7 PM

Auxiliary 6200 – Arthur G. Depew Memorial

Location: 7068 State Route 96, Ovid

- "Depew Chow Hall" Open Monday Friday 7 AM 2 PM
- Breakfast Served from 7 AM until 10:30 AM
- Lunch Served from 10:30 AM 2 PM

Auxiliary 6433 – Waterloo Memorial Post Location: 29 West Elisha St., Waterloo

Auxiliary 8649 – Goodrich-Smith Post

Location: 125 Seneca St Ext., Dundee

- **Friday, May 2nd** Fish Fry 4 PM 8 PM (eat in or take out service available) Serving fried or broiled Haddock or breaded Shrimp dinners Cost \$15.00
- Saturday, May 17th Annual Hunters Banquet \$20.00 donation. Ticket includes 20 items or cash value prizes on ticket to win, Chicken BBQ dinner and drinks. 50/50 raffles and additional raffles during the banquet.

Contact person - President Tina Roberts for tickets.

- **Current Raffles:** Contact person Tina Roberts for tickets
 - Meat Raffle \$500.00 gift card for any kind of meat at Morgan's Grocery in Penn Yan NY \$2.00 a chance.
 - Raffle Gas Patio Heater, 60 qt cooler and items in the cooler. \$5.00 a chance.

Auxiliary 8726 – James R. Moore Memorial Post

Location: 7811 Rt. 21, Naples

• Friday, May 2nd – Fish Fry – Doors Open 5PM - Cost \$15.00 at the door

Auxiliary 9251 – Pennington-Moye- All Aboard for a Casino Trip – Sold Out

Auxiliary 9251 is sponsoring a bus trip to Seneca Niagara Casino on Saturday, **May 17, 2025**. The Bus Trip is sold out so thank you to those members who are attending. Have a great time!