

EXTENSION AND REVITALIZATION



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AUXILIARY NUMBER _____

DISTRICT NUMBER _____

By using our Department President’s Rose’s theme, we will “Light the Flame of Hope for our Veterans” as we begin another Auxiliary year in the Department of New York.

My duty as your Chief of Staff is to assist our District Presidents, Auxiliary Presidents, and Chairman to be sure we function in a Healthy Manner. We want to be sure we are assisting them in a Healthy Manner that works for them.

Remember, District President’s, your Inspectors need to be honest in their comments on the Inspection Form. Our Department President and her Staff can’t help if we don’t know an Auxiliary needs assistance.

We need our members to be informed on all aspects of our organization. This enables them to be prepared to take on leadership roles within the Auxiliary. Malta and Building on the VFW Foundation along with the Online Academy has all the resources needed to educate all our members.

Extension and Revitalization go hand in hand. We want to grow new Auxiliaries; but even more important is to maintain our existing Auxiliaries.

Once again, I will reach out to our Bachelor Posts and with the help of our District Presidents and Deputy Chiefs of Staff we will assist them in forming their Auxiliary. Remember it takes a 2/3 vote by the VFW to begin this process.

Reviewing the Seven Items of the Healthy Tool Kit along with the Five Requirements National requires being an Auxiliary will guide you as we procedure though the 2023-24 Auxiliary Year.

Five Essentials of an Auxiliary required by our National Organization:

1. Your Auxiliary should hold at least Ten Meetings a Year and have a quorum of five.
2. Dues must be paid by ten members on or before February 1st of the current year.
3. Quarterly Audits by Trustees must be submitted to the Department Treasurer.
4. Officers must be elected, installed, and reported to National no later than June 30th.
5. The offices of President and Treasurer must be bonded by August 31st.



The Items of a Healthy Auxiliary Tool Kit:

1. Auxiliary Sample Meeting Agenda and a Checklist
2. Communication Phone/Text List
3. Auxiliary To Do and Deadlines
4. Auxiliary Meeting Challenges and Solutions
5. Auxiliary Member Questionnaire
6. Auxiliary Healthy Certificate

You can find all this information at: www.vfwauxiliary.org. Go to Resources and explore all the information needed to be informed.

National Award: **The Outstanding Performance Award:**

\$200.00 goes to the one Outstanding Department in each of 10 Program Divisions

A Citation and Keepsake to Department Chairman of the one Outstanding Department in each of ten Program Divisions.

Second-Place Outstanding Performance Award:

\$100.00 goes to the one Outstanding Department in each of the 10 Program Divisions.

A Citation goes to the Department Chairman of the one Outstanding Department in each of 10 Program Divisions.

Department Award For Auxiliaries and Members

Organizer Award- Citation and \$25.00 to member who organizes a New Auxiliary with the approval of the Department President between July 1, 2023, and February 28, 2024.

Member Award—Citation and \$25.00 to the Auxiliary Member appointed by Department President who reactivates an Auxiliary that has been disbanded within the previous 12 months.

Remember that being put on Suspension by your Department President is not a negative situation. It just means your Auxiliary needs to work on issues and bring it back to a Healthy Auxiliary. We will be there to help you....

So, let's **"Band Together For Our Veterans"** under our National President Carla's and Department President Rose's Leadership as we **"Light the Flame of Hope for Our Veterans."**