

Do Unto Veterans As They Have Done Unto You

VFW Auxiliary

Department of Nebraska

May 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The month of May will be busy with installing your elected and appointed officers for the upcoming year. The officers will take over their office on July 1, 2019, and will serve until June 30, 2020. Congratulations to the newly elected officers!

A reminder to please fill out the Department Convention Delegates and Alternates form and send it to Jean Barton, 8100 Regent Drive, Lincoln, NE 68507-3366. This form needs to be sent not less than 30 days of the Department Convention. Delegate fees need to be sent to Sandee Bellows, 745 K Street, Pawnee City 68420. This form was sent to each Auxiliary in April's newsletter. Our June Convention will be held on Saturday, June 8 and Sunday, June 9, 2019 at the Comfort Inn and Suites in Omaha, Nebraska. We will be honoring our Gold Star members and 40+ year members with a special luncheon on Sunday, June 9, 2019. A form for this luncheon was sent in our April mailing. Agenda for the Convention will be sent with this newsletter.

I enjoyed my visit to Western Nebraska. I was able to take a visit two other Auxiliaries while attending District #1 meeting. I took in the splendor of God's beautiful country as I traveled Veterans Homes in Nebraska. I feel like Nebraska is taking good care of our veterans with the good facilities we have available. My special project funds will be divided amongst the four homes in Nebraska for their memory loss units. I thank everyone that has sent in funds for my Special Project for this year.

I also want to thank everyone that helped contribute funds, food, and goods for the flood victims. I was one of the fortunate ones that only had to evacuate from my home but our town dike held the high waters. Many in flood areas weren't that fortunate. They say over 70% of Nebraska counties were affected with flood waters. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they recover from this disaster. Your Auxiliary is able to use Relief Funds for helping flood victims.

Put the dates of our upcoming Department Convention on your calendar or in your phone, and I look forward in visiting with each of you in June!

Loyally,

Linda Vogel

CHIEF OF STAFF

We believed.... "We Can Do It." We can and must continue as this year closes and another new year is coming soon, the work we have put in to our Auxiliaries with using the VFW Foundation will help us build STRONG members and Auxiliaries.

As we move on to a new year please continue the mentoring with new officers and members. Give them a great start, guide them, and show them our rituals and traditions.

As Department Chief of Staff, I would like to thank each and every one of you for ALL your help and dedication shown to our veterans, military, and VFW families.

Loyally,

Donna Fenske

AMERICANISM

On May 1, we observe Loyalty Day, a day when all American citizens should publicly reaffirm their loyalty to the United States. As a child I remember it as May Day, making May tour of the Western Nebraska Veteran's Home and traveled to baskets, taking to a friend's house, knocking on the door and hiding so they did not know who it was from. However, today we know it as Loyalty Day. This is a time to remember our through Nebraska. I have been able to visit each of our four teachers, public officials, our youth, and citizens as being loyal to our country.

> On May 12, Mother's Day, we remember the love and care that our mothers gave us. Remember her with a visit, card, phone call, or personal visit to say, "thank you for being my mother." There are many mothers who have made sacrifices when a family member was in the armed service of our country. Let's not forget the mothers of a veteran; they need to be remembered with a "Thinking of you and thanks."

> May 27, we observe Memorial Day. All veterans are remembered on this day by the placing of flags at their grave. Each flag lets everyone know or remember a veteran that was in the service who gave us freedom. Many observances are held on this day, plan to participate or attend an observance.

Fly your flag every day or on the following special days:

May 1 - Loyalty Day

May 12 - Mother's Day

May 18 - Armed Forces Day

May 27 - Memorial Day (at half-staff until

noon, then full staff)

Eleanor Pacas

Department of Nebraska VFW Auxiliary Memstats as of 4/14/19

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VFW AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA JUNE 7 – 9, 2019

Comfort Inn and Suites 7007 Grover Street Omaha, Nebraska

All Auxiliary meetings will be held in Ballroom B & C unless otherwise noted. All joint meetings will be held in Ballroom D

FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2019 3:00 p.m.	Audit in Board Room
SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019 7:30 a.m.	Dress is red polos and black slacks Line officers meet with President Linda
7:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m.	District Presidents to meet with Chief of Staff Donna Convention Registration
8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m.	Convention Credentials Registration opens Council of Administration Meeting
9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Auxiliary Opening Lunch on your own (Incoming and Outgoing District Presidents and Line Officers will have lunch together in the Board Room. Secret Sisters will be revealed.) Joint Opening
2: 45 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Meeting reconvenes Credential Report No Host Cocktails Banquet
SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019	Dress is blue shirt and black slacks (or white and black if you don't have the blue shirt.)
8:00 a.m.	Joint Memorial Service (All District Presidents are asked to be there at 7:45 a.m. for instructions. Wear black slacks & blue shirt or black & white if you don't have blue.)
8:00 a.m 11:00 a.m.	Auxiliary Credential Registration continues

This agenda may change at the discretion of the Department President.

Gold Star and Membership Luncheon in Ballroom A

Election, Installation, and new Council Meeting

General Session continues

Auxiliary Memorial Service

Credential Registration closes

General Session Reconvenes

Reception in Ballroom A

8:45 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

11:30 p.m.

1:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m.



Announcing the 2019-2020

monthly mailings for the VFW Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska.

Please read carefully!

All Auxiliary Presidents, Auxiliary Secretaries, Department Officers (elected and appointed), Chairmen, Hospital Representatives, and Past

Department Presidents are automatically on the mailing list and will receive each monthly mailing free of charge. The Secretaries will be receiving the monthly mailing only (no program book or roster.)

If you are not entitled to the mailings through one of the above categories or your Auxiliary would like to an extra copy of each mailing to take apart and give to the individual chairmen, please fill out the form below and return it along with your check for the amount indicated as soon as possible. You can also contact me at jeanbarton@windstream.net to let me know.

	Please add the following name to the mailing list for 2019-2020 monthly mailings for the VFW Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska.										
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