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Geraldine Rimpley
State VFW
Commander

2022 - 2023



Ron Boone
State VFW Auxiliary
President

2022 - 2023

Hello Comrades! I want to thank everyone that helped make our 102nd Department of Colorado State Convention, such a major success! Too many names to mention but I would be remiss, if I didn't use this space to personally thank Post 4061 Commander Josh Caverzagie and staff for the numerous hours of hard work coordinating a great event.



I was blessed to have six of my family members fly in, to celebrate my achievement with many of you welcoming them with open arms! The vase I am receiving in the photo is a "special award" my family passes on to each of us when we have a special event, to be displayed prominently until passed on to another family member. Trust me, it's pretty obnoxious, but fun!

We have much to do for this upcoming year that I hope to assist with to ensure each and every post is tremendously successful. We will continue to have the same programs as before, but my hopes are that with the input from the Department staff, and assistance along the way, we can work together as a team to help every post achieve 100% in every category.

My project for this year is to assist every Veteran and/or family member get a service animal, so they may return to the standards of living that they once experienced before disabilities. To accomplish this, I am doing research to find local programs that provide training and animals with minimal cost. Additionally, I have started at the VA level and will continue to find programs that will help financially with the cost of maintaining service animals. From experience, I know that Katy, my service dog, has allowed me to participate in more public activities and also has helped me successfully achieve a dream I have had since I joined the VFW ranks, that is to be elected as the Department Commander.

I look forward to meeting those that were not able to attend the state convention in my travels to post/district meetings and continue to enjoy the comradery we shared during that hectic but fun weekend!

VFW: Where Anything is Pawsible!

In Memoriam

J. Larry Mitchell

3/5/1943 - 6/3/2022

Past Department Commander
2000 - 2001

You Will Be Missed - Rest In Peace

As I stand here today in front of all of you, I stop to think of what a journey this has been for the Auxiliary over the years that I have been running up the chairs to this office, including the 2 dreadful years of Covid 19 restrictions, but this last year I'm so proud how we as an Auxiliary are coming out of all the restrictions and are becoming stronger than we were before Covid 19.

I would like to thank my family for the support they have given me, My Daughter Shannon Boone Ragsdale (life member), my son Ryan Boone, and my Son Christopher Stewart (life Member) to all my grandkids that I have missed so many of their birthday parties and other special events, my sister Pauline Patrick, my brothers Roy, and Robert Boone. My Brother Robert Boone and his wife Cathy are here today, Bob and I started this journey thru life as he joined the Army in December 1969, I joined the Army Reserve in January 1970, Bob served for 38 years retiring as a Command Sergeant Major and is a Life member of the VFW in Minnesota, he sponsored me as I joined the Auxiliary.

Special Thank you goes out to my installing officer Caroline Gelatt, the installing Secretary Gayle Stockwell and Ray Moelder installing conductor for supporting me on this day.

Thank again to our National Representative JR Vice President Carla Martinez for her mentoring and advice she gave me this weekend.

I also need to say thanks to Auxiliary 2121, District 3 Auxiliary, The Department of Colorado Auxiliary and of course all the Auxiliary members throughout the state that have become very special to me, I have made so many close and some very special friends, who have supported and mentored me over the years.

Also need to say thanks to the VFW members that have also worked so hard to support the Auxiliary in my years especially the following Past Department Commanders, Steve Kjonaas, Dave Stone, Robert Kidd, and Barbara Green. I'm looking forward to continuing this great working relationship with this year Commander Geraldine Rimpley.

As we go forward as an Auxiliary, we will continue all the hard work that our now new PDP Lucille Chavez has accomplish in her 16 months as our President, yes 16 months as she stepped up for a president that quit and then served her own year with her theme of Batting for Veterans and included national goals to make all of us aware of bullying and how to respect and work with each other, thank you Lucille.

My theme for this next year will be WE ARE FAMILY, the better we all can get along with each other the better we can perform our major responsibility which is to take care of our veterans and their families, and to go out in our communities to help those in need.

With that said, my Presidents Special Project for next year will be the Fisher House of Colorado, this facility provides housing for the families of our veterans that our going thru treatment and care at the VA hospital, by providing free housing for those families that are 50 miles or more from the hospital, and all the money we raise will stay in Colorado to help support our veterans and families.

I also hope this year we can start to return to the VA hospitals and nursing home to help bring cheer and support to our veterans in these facilities, as the country is coming out of the Covid years.

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I look forward to working this year with our new Department Commander Geraldine Rimpley and her line officers, Auxiliary Department new line officers, council members, program chairmen, VAVS reps, Districts, and Auxiliaries throughout the state and all Auxiliary members to do a great job for our Veterans and Families.

Thank all of you for the support and trust you have put in me to be your 2022-2023 Department of Colorado Auxiliary President.
Stay safe and well till we all meet again

AUGUST DISTRICT MEETINGS

- | | | | |
|----|---------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 8 | 8/27/22
Saturday | Post No. 1166
Buena Vista | 12:00 Noon Lunch
Meeting to follow |
| 11 | 8/06/22
Saturday | Post No. 1247
Grand Junction | 10:00 AM Registration
11:30 AM Joint Mtg
12:00 Noon Lunch
Meeting to follow |

SEPTEMBER DISTRICT MEETINGS

- | | | | |
|----|---------------------|------------------------------|--|
| 1 | NO SCHEDULE | | |
| 2 | 9/10/22
Saturday | Post No. 5812
Pueblo West | 11:30 AM Joint
12:00 Noon Lunch
Meeting to follow |
| 3 | 9/18/22
Sunday | Post 2585
Johnstown | 11:00 AM Training
12:00 Noon Lunch
Meeting to follow |
| 4 | NO SCHEDULE | | |
| 5 | 09/11/22
Sunday | Post No. 5221
Calhan | 12:00 PM Lunch
Meeting to follow |
| 6 | NO SCHEDULE | | |
| 7 | NO SCHEDULE | | |
| 9 | NO SCHEDULE | | |
| 10 | 9/18/22
Sunday | Post No. 322
Englewood | 12:00 Noon Lunch
Meeting to follow |
| 12 | NO SCHEDULE | | |
| 13 | 9/18/22
Sunday | Post No. 6491
Burlington | 2:30 PM Meeting
Snack to follow |

COLORADO VFW FOUNDATION

First and as always THANK YOU to the VFW Posts, Auxiliaries, members, and family members for your donations. Your continued support and contributions are greatly appreciated not only from us but from the Veterans and their families we are able to assist.

We are accepting and processing applications for Eligible Veterans and their Families in the State of Colorado. All complete applications are processed in the order received.

We have been approved for the Veterans Trust Fund Grant of \$40,000.00. With cost-of-living increase and the state

of our economy, we anticipate being out of funds around December if not sooner.

The Grant Application is available on the Department Website to download; follow the requirements and submit the application to our office. Please call our office with any questions.

We are asking you our members and your family and friends to donate to the Colorado VFW Foundation. All donations made to the Colorado VFW Foundation are Tax Deductible. Please Make your checks payable to Colorado VFW Foundation and mail to 1400 Carr Street, Lakewood, CO 80214.

**Thank You for Supporting
the
Colorado VFW Foundation**

**Chaplain Column
Kevin Reinhold**



Comrades, Auxiliary, Family, and Friends;
Colossians 3:17, And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,

giving thanks to God the Father through Jesus.

We want to thank our Lord for this year's National Chaplain, Deb Halter. During the last eight years she has served as the Department Chaplain for the State of Missouri, and the Big Ten Conference for the past three years. She served in the US Army from 1978 to 1986, and the US Army Reserve from 1986 to her retirement in 1996, earning her VFW eligibility serving in Operation Desert Storm. National Chaplain Halter will be having Chaplain training in September. We welcome her and look forward to serving with her.

At the Department Convention Chaplain Edward Williamson was awarded the 2021-22 Department of Colorado Chaplain of the Year Award. Chaplain Williamson is a member of District 2, Post 4061, and is very active in serving the Lord, his District, Post and Community. May our Lord continue to bless you as you serve Him and your community.

I would like to invite all Post and Department Chaplains to the Department of Colorado Council of Administration, hosted by: Ralph Frank Janousek VFW Post 2788 & Auxiliary in Penrose, on August 20-21. This is a time when we can meet and talk about the upcoming

year, things you would like to see happen to improve your ministry to our veterans, family and community. Introduce yourself to me if you can make it, I look forward to meeting you.

Pastoral care is one of the most important parts of a ministry. Members of your post and community need to be aware of your Chaplains concern for them and know that your Chaplain is there for their spiritual and other needs. If your post or community is having an event and you want your Chaplain involved to support the events. They are able to order Bibles, Bible Sticks (listing to the Bible) and other materials at no cost to your post or District. If you are interested contact me for more information. I pray that I get flooded with emails from your Chaplains.

As a veterans organization we do have a lot of loss of life. There is a ministry that we talked about several times. GriefShare, is a grief ministry that helps people through their grief journey. If you want more information please contact me. Love and pray for the loved ones of the departed.

With Gods help, I look forward to serving and working with you. I am here if you need an ear to listen, I am here as a servant of God.

Our service to the Lord is for both VFW and Auxiliary.

In faith with God,

Kevin Reinhold
State Chaplain

TAPS

Please send in all Deceased VFW members to
ann@vfwco.org or vfw@vfwco.org.
They will be saved for the Joint Memorial State Convention Book.
Our deadline is May 20, 2023
You still need to notify National Headquarters

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POST & AUXILIARY CHANGE OF E-MAIL FORM

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE MOVED OR WILL BE MOVING

NAME: _____

NEW ADDRESS _____

TOWN _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

MEMBERSHIP NO. _____ VFW POST NO. _____

CURRENT E-MAIL: _____

MAIL TO: DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO VFW,
1400 CARR STREET, LAKEWOOD, CO 80214

EDITOR

Sr. Vice Column John Keene



Comrades,
Thank you for allowing me to serve this year as your Department Senior Vice Commander. The convention in Cañon City was

fantastic and it was a pleasure to see so many of you there.

In an effort to support Commander Rimpley and ensure our Department has a successful year, I plan to help as many Posts and Auxiliaries as possible receive #StillServing grants from our National organization.

Want to start the year off with a bang? I encourage every Post AND Auxiliary in the State to immediately apply for a \$1000 [Community Support Grant](#).

Check with your membership and ask who in the community would appreciate some unexpected financial support. Is there an animal shelter nearby that needs help? What about a charity in the area that collects school supplies for needy kids? How about a senior center? All you need to do is identify a non-profit within 25 miles of your Post and you can provide that organization with up to \$2000. Or, since every Post and Auxiliary can apply individually, the Post can support one charity while the Auxiliary helps another.

You can also utilize the Community Support Grant to bolster your programs. Use the funds to thank the school where your essays typically come from. Or, if you are having a hard time getting into your local schools to promote VOD, Patriots Pen, Americanism, or the Patriotic Art Contest, use this grant to break the ice.

Maybe use the grant funds to sponsor an event for local student vets, a first responder event, or support another nearby organization that appeals to younger veterans, as a way to recruit. Strategic use of this grant to build relationships within your community will only help to grow our organization.

If you have questions about this or any other grants, including the Uniting To Combat Hunger or the Military Assistance Program (MAP) grants, you can find me at a District meeting, a COA, or give me a call at 303-547-7578.

Finally, I want to recognize Post 4171 in Golden and Post 11411 and their Auxiliary in Florissant for taking advantage of this grant last year. Golden held a children's Halloween party, whereas Florissant gave \$1000 each to a local historic building and a senior home.

Semper Fi,
John Keene
Department Sr. Vice Commander

Surgeon Column Fredric Scheck



Greeting Comrades,
I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for electing me to serve as your Department Surgeon.

As summer is in full swing and your are busy with your activities, take a moment and call or visit fellow Veterans.

Coordinate with your Chaplin to see if there are Veterans or Family members that could use a friendly visit from you. If there is a member of your Post you haven't seen for awhile give them a call and check in on them.

I look forward to the challenges of this next year.

Fred Scheck
Department Surgeon



Duane Sarmiento

Sr Vice Commander-in-Chief

Duane Sarmiento was elected Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. on July 21, 2022, at the 123rd VFW National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

He served in the United States Navy from 1988 to 1997, and the United States Naval Reserve from 2002 to 2006, earning his VFW eligibility by serving in Operations Desert Shield/Storm. In recognition of his service, he received the Navy Achievement Medal, Navy Combat Action Ribbon, Navy Good Conduct Medal, the Southwest Asia Service Medal with three campaign stars, the Saudi Arabian Medal for the Liberation of Kuwait, Kuwait Medal for the Liberation of Kuwait and numerous other medals and ribbons. In 2003, he earned the title of the Naval Reserve Center Sailor of the Year at Fort Dix.

Duane joined the VFW in 1990 at Post 5579 in Gibbstown, New Jersey, where he maintains his Gold Legacy Life mem-

bership. He has served in elected and appointed positions at the Post, District and Department levels, culminating with his election as the VFW Department of New Jersey Commander from 2018 to 2019. On the national level, he served as the VFW Inspector General from 2019 to 2020, and served on the National Security and Foreign Affairs Committee, General Resolutions Committee, and as Special Aide-de-Camp.

He retired as a police officer with the Greenwich Township Police Department and Gloucester County Sheriff's Department in New Jersey. Duane was the director of Veterans Affairs in Gloucester County, New Jersey, retiring after 10 years of service.

He is a life member of the Military Order of the Cootie, at Ky-Yi Pup Tent #1 in Delaware, and a member of the Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 57.

Duane and his wife, Ellen, reside in Gibbstown, New Jersey

Quartermaster's Column Bruce Dolan



Greetings,
I hope this finds everyone well and ready for winter. (Just kidding)

Just a reminder, election reports must be submitted to National by June 1st of every year, or the Post or District will be suspended. This happened this year with 2 Post being suspended.

Audits are coming sort of slow, but I'm sure everyone will come up to speed as we go. Speaking of Audits, 2 things. Under FUNDS, line 5, Dues reserve. This is no longer required. Several years ago National did away with this fund. So nothing is required any more.

When totaling your balances, Box 15 MUST match with the Total Cash and Investments in Box 17. If you need instructions on properly filling out the form, please visit the National web site and go to the Quartermasters instruction book.

If any of the Officers are have problems, please contact Department Headquarters at 303-421-1630 and we will help work things out.

Hope to see everyone at the August COA in Penrose.

Bruce R. Dolan
State Adjutant/Quartermaster

Jr. Vice Column Carol Thomas



Comrades!
Like to speak with you regarding the VFW National Home for Children.

The VFW National Home assists military, veterans, and their families with children, by creating a foundation of services and resources to achieve their personal and family goals to move forward in a positive, safe, and healthy environment. They offer: Case management services to help them set up your family's plan and goals, educa-

tion, recreation, and enrichment opportunities for them and their children, access to community resources and counseling, free housing, and daycare. Life membership is a one-time fee of \$50. You can fill out an application which will be available at the August COA in Penrose or you go to <https://vfwnationalhome.org/you-can-help/membership/>. Reminder, to be eligible for All State Team, posts will need to perform a fundraiser or donate \$25.

Carol Thomas
Department Jr. Vice Commander

Timothy Borland

Commander-in-Chief



Timothy M. Borland was elected Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. on July 21, 2022, at the 123rd VFW National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

Tim served in the United States Army from 1979 to 2007, last serving with the 101st Airborne Division, earning his VFW eligibility serving in Korea and Iraq. In recognition of his service, he received four Meritorious Service Medals, four Army Commendation Medals, eight Army Achievement Medals, seven Good Conduct Medals, two National Defense Service Medals, the Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Korea Defense Service Medal, four Overseas Service Ribbons, and Drill Sergeant Identification Badge, among numerous other medals and ribbons.

He became a Life member of the VFW in 2000, and currently maintains his Gold Legacy Life membership at VFW Post 9972 in Sierra Vista, Arizona. Tim has received 19 consecutive Century Awards for recruiting 100 or more comrades into

the VFW. He has served in elected and appointed positions at the Post, District and Department levels, culminating with his election as the VFW Department of Arizona Commander from 2011 to 2012, in which he earned the distinction of All-American status and also received the distinguished Triple Crown Award. On the national level, Tim has served on several committees, including the National Council of Administration from 2012 to 2016, Vice Chairman of the National Legislative Committee from 2017 to 2018, Chairman of the National Programs Committee from 2018 to 2019, National Security and Foreign Affairs Committee, Bylaws and Resolution Committee, Time and Place Committee, and numerous other committees.

Tim received his Bachelor of Business Administration and Master of Business Administration from Touro University in Cypress, California. Tim is retired.

He is also a member of AMVETS, American Legion, and a life member of Disabled American Veterans.

Tim and his wife, Shannon, reside in Benson, Arizona.

**DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
1400 CARR STREET
LAKEWOOD, COLORADO 80214**

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1
June 11, 2022 SERIES: 2022-2023

1. Having been duly elected and installed into the office of Commander, Department of Colorado, according to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, I hereby assume command of the Department of Colorado. All previously appointed officers and committeemen's term of office is hereby declared expired and now ineffective.

The following officers have been duly elected and installed at the 102nd Annual Convention held June 08-11, 2022, Canon City, CO., and will have full authority to act and shall be obeyed accordingly:

COMMANDER:

Geraldine Rimpley, #2788
1221 Q Street
Penrose 81240

SR. VICE COMMANDER:

John Keene, #1
3496 Ulster St.
Denver 80238

JR. VICE COMMANDER:

Carol Thomas, #2551
32 Lake St.
Hillrose 80733

QUARTERMASTER:

Bruce Dolan, #7945
1400 Carr St.
Lakewood 80214

CHAPLAIN:

Kevin Reinhold, #6461
9705 Bar B Rd.
Fountain 80817

JUDGE ADVOCATE:

Kirk Rosa, #12009
416 S Pine Dr.
Bailey 80421

SURGEON:

Fredric Scheck, #6624
110 Juneberry
Milliken 80543

ADJUTANT:

Bruce Dolan, #7945
1400 Carr St.
Lakewood 80214

CHIEF OF STAFF:

James Sheridan, #2788
1385 7th Street
Penrose 81240

INSPECTOR:

Eric Hutchins, #101
2713 Ferber Dr.
Colorado Spgs 80916

PAST DEPT. COMMANDER:

Barbara Green, #4051
9025 Tuscany Way
Colorado Springs 80921

SERVICE OFFICER:

Steve Drummond, #4171
155 Van Gordon Ste. 205
Denver 80225

ASST SERVICE OFFICER:

Mathew Cummings, #7563
155 Van Gordon Ste. 205
Denver 80225

DISTRICT 1 COMMANDER:

James Kruse, #5061
2442 S Chase Ln.
Lakewood 80227

DISTRICT 2 COMMANDER:

Raul Montano, #8898
2428 California St.
Pueblo 81004

DISTRICT 3 COMMANDER:

Leon Bartholomay, #2601
988 Glenararbor Cir.
Longmont 80504

DISTRICT 4 COMMANDER:

Michael Stevens, #3541
200 Villa Vista St.
Sterling 80751

DISTRICT 5 COMMANDER:

James Ragsdale, #5221
10993 Caverhill Dr.
Peyton 80831

DISTRICT 6 COMMANDER:

Jesus Garcia, #2411
P O Box 423
Las Animas 81054

DISTRICT 7 COMMANDER:

William Flores, #899
6039 State Hwy 15
La Jara 81140

DISTRICT 8 COMMANDER:

Kirk Rosa, #12009
416 S Pine Dr.
Bailey 80421

DISTRICT 9 COMMANDER:

Ronald Epplin, #4265
138 Tinyon Cir
Rangely 81648

DISTRICT 10 COMMANDER:

Scott Evans, #7945
1181 Niver Ave
Northglenn 80260

DISTRICT 11 COMMANDER:

Leonard Ladue, #3981
648 Grand View Dr.
Grand Jct 81506

DISTRICT 12 COMMANDER:

Jerry Sallee, #5181
HC 63 Box 101
Monticello, UT 84535

DISTRICT 13 COMMANDER:

Rod Houser, #3411
P O Box 11
Kit Carson 80825

1. COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION:

The next Council of Administration meeting will be Sunday, August 21, 2022. Joint Opening will be at 8:30 A.M. SHARP. VFW and VFW Auxiliary will be at Penrose VFW Post #2788,

Training Sessions will be on Saturday August 20, 2022 at VFW Post #2788 Penrose.

ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS OR THEIR PROPER REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT.

Any and all District and Post Officers and members are invited to attend. Uniform of the day will be black and white. All attending Officers must sign the roster with the Department Adjutant to record your presence at Council of Administration meeting and workshops.

2. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY:

All Department Officers are instructed to comply with Sec. 515, Paragraph (c) "Proof of Eligibility". Such proof must be on file at Department Headquarters prior to August 20, 2022. Failure to comply will disqualify Council Members from participation in the Council of Administration and District Commanders for reimbursement of expenses.

3. 2022 SPRING SWEEPSTAKES:

Prize winners of the Spring Sweepstakes are listed in this Colorado Veteran.

4. SUBSCRIPTION DUES

notices will be mailed to the membership by National Headquarters. Call Department Headquarters with any questions.

5. NATIONAL CONVENTION:

The 123rd National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. was held in Kansas City, MO.

6. NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEE:

All Posts are reminded of the provision of the National By-Laws, which requires at least one registration from each Post. The registration fee of \$25.00 for the first Delegate and \$10.00 for the rest of the Delegates and a completed registration form must be sent to the Quartermaster General, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S., 406 West 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111.

7. 2022-2023 POST OFFICERS:

Posts that have not submitted Report of Election forms will do so immediately. Posts that have not submitted their Election Report to Department will not be listed in the Department roster.

Posts who did not properly report elected officers by July 1, 2022, were suspended for a period of ninety (90) days by the Department Commander. This suspension will automatically terminate when a properly completed Report of Election of officers is received at National Headquarters.

At the end of ninety (90) days, the Commander-in-Chief may cancel the charter of any Post not properly submitting a list of officers to National Headquarters.

Please also send a copy of the Report of Election of officers to Department Headquarters.

8. QUARTERMASTER BONDS - AUDITS:

It is the duty of Commander to see that the office of the Quartermaster is bonded and that Trustees Reports of Audits are completed, signed by the Commander, Trustees, and Quartermaster and mailed to Department Headquarters no later than 25 days following the close of each quarter. All Quartermaster bonds carried through Department expire **August 31, 2022. The foregoing is a requirement of the National By-Laws.** Bond Applications have been mailed to the Post Quartermaster and District Commander.

9. DEPARTMENT COLOR GUARD:

All requests for the State Color Guard Units or Ritual Teams will be directed by the State Commander to Jerry Sallee and will be handled in order of priority established by the Commander and recommendations from the District being considered. All requests will be submitted in writing to the State Commander, and it is requested that a copy be sent to Captain Jerry Sallee.

10. COMMUNITY SERVICE and PROGRAM REPORTS:

All VFW Posts & Members are encouraged to utilize the Online Program Reports submission forms for the specific categories. Paper Version of the Program reports are available on the Dept. Website vfwco.org. **SEND PAPER REPORTS DIRECTLY** to Department Headquarters, 1400 Carr Street, Lakewood CO 80214. Department Headquarters will scan and distribute to VFW State Chairmen.

The reporting year commences April 1, 2022. Do not report programs complet-

ed prior to that date for the reporting year 2022-2023. Please make a copy of these forms for your Post files. **THERE WILL BE NEW FORMS FOR 2022-2023 REPORTING ON THE VFW DEPT. WEB SITE.**

11. VFW CAPS, OFFICIAL: All personnel are advised that there is only one official cap of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, namely, a cap of the overseas type, lettered with VFW initials, Post numerals, State, rank of office (when applicable), and bearing the Cross of Malta emblem. The color shall be regulation Army Shade 51 or Suntan, tropical worsted. Organizational echelons will be designated by the appropriate color of the braid and lettering on the cap. **Caps will not be worn while eating or seated during meals.**

All other types of headgear, i.e., baseball types, western types, sporting types, are not official headgear and will not be worn at meetings of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

12. 2021-2022 AWARDS: Posts or individuals who have not received the appropriate awards they earned from the Department of Colorado in the 2021-2022 year, please notify Department, in writing, within Thirty (30) Days by applying for the appropriate awards.

13. MEMBERSHIP: The new membership year has started. Sign up a new and/or reinstated members and earn awards from Department.

14. To VFW Auxiliary President Ron Boone, Department Officers and Auxiliary, I hereby pledge the continued support of all the members of the Department of Colorado Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

ATTESTED BY:

ls\ Bruce R. Dolan
Bruce R. Dolan
Department Adjutant

BY COMMAND OF:

ls\ Geraldine Rimpley
Geraldine Rimpley
Department Commander



VFW Post Membership by District as of June 30, 2022

Number/ City	2021	2022	%	Number/City	2021	2022	%				
DISTRICT #1											
1 Denver	945	960	102*	859 Leadville	32	32	100*				
501 Denver	280	282	101*	1166 Buena Vista	125	123	98				
2461 Denver	113	122	108*	3820 Salida	71	69	97				
5061 Denver	255	253	99	8661 Bailey	118	118	100*				
TOTAL	1593	1617	101.5%*	10721 Minturn	138	113	82				
DISTRICT #2											
2788 Penrose	97	99	102*	11411 Lake George	40	41	103*				
3641 Pueblo	103	96	93	12009 Conifer	119	114	96				
4061 Canon City	263	266	101*	TOTAL	643	610	95%				
5812 Pueblo West	201	215	107*	DISTRICT #9							
7305 Colo. City	45	49	109*	4264 Steamt Spgs	93	94	101*				
8898 Boone	40	38	95	4265 Craig	113	107	95				
12063 Westcliffe	48	51	106*	5261 Rangely	27	18	67				
TOTAL	797	814	102%*	5843 Meeker	46	45	98				
DISTRICT #3											
41 Loveland	295	288	98	9374 Kremmling	30	28	93				
807 Boulder	39	33	85	TOTAL	309	292	94%				
1771 Lafayette	246	242	98	DISTRICT #10							
1781 Ft. Collins	309	309	100*	322 Englewood	104	106	102*				
2121 Greeley	186	168	90	3471 Morrison	67	69	103*				
2585 Johnstown	185	178	96	3631 Aurora	293	295	101*				
2601 Longmont	320	299	93	4171 Golden	410	382	93				
4334 Ault	64	79	123*	4266 Parker	74	75	101*				
6624 Evans	229	213	93	4331 Arvada	257	245	95				
9565 Broomfield	107	100	93	4444 Cmmrc Cty	165	172	104*				
12174 Brighton	33	34	103*	4666 Littleton	117	119	102*				
12189 Berthoud	40	39	98	7563 Black Hawk	28	26	93				
TOTAL	2053	1982	97%	7945 Thornton	312	312	100*				
DISTRICT #4											
2551 Ft. Morgan	166	157	95	8449 Bennett	52	56	108*				
3378 Yuma	57	56	98	9644 Fort Logan	403	420	104*				
3541 Sterling	90	87	97	TOTAL	2282	2277	99.8%				
3551 Brush	33	37	112*	DISTRICT #11							
4671 Wray	52	51	98	784 Montrose	125	125	100*				
6482 Holyoke	42	42	100*	1247 Grnd Jcnctn	249	232	93				
7153 Fleming	18	16	89	3571 Delta	54	52	96				
8064 Akron	58	55	95	3981 Grnd Jcnctn	176	157	89				
TOTAL	516	501	97%	4663 Clifton	59	55	93				
DISTRICT #5											
101 Colo. Spgs.	474	476	100*	5485 Parachute	37	37	100*				
3917 Security	574	551	96	9221 Cedaredge	95	94	99				
4051 Colo. Spgs	556	533	96	9304 Rifle	31	25	81				
5221 Calhan	98	90	92	TOTAL	826	777	94%				
6051 Wldnd Park	51	45	88	DISTRICT #12							
6461 Fountain	317	352	111*	4031 Durango	221	234	106*				
7829 Monument	149	150	101*	4181 Dove Creek	46	45	98				
10649 Elizabeth	41	35	85	5231 Mancos	143	164	115*				
TOTAL	2260	2232	99 %	9058 Nucla	32	32	100*				
DISTRICT #6											
336 Ordway	81	79	98	TOTAL	442	475	107%*				
2411 LasAnimas	71	69	97	DISTRICT #13							
4001 Springfield	32	31	97	3411 Kit Carson	19	19	100*				
4281 Holly	23	21	91	6491 Burlington	59	59	100*				
TOTAL	207	200	97%	6612 Hugo	31	29	94				
DISTRICT #7											
899 Alamosa	85	78	92	9700 Chynn Wlls	24	24	100*				
4849 La Jara	44	46	105*	TOTAL	133	131	98%				
6101 San Luis	55	53	98	15006 MAL	2787	2675	96%				
8121 Del Norte	39	42	108*	TOTAL DEPT	15071	14803	98%				
TOTAL	223	220	99%	2023 dues are now DUE							
Be 100% +1 in 2022-2023											
Help Colorado be 100%+											

Spring Sweepstake Winners

1st Place	Randal Parsley	Lakewood	\$2,500
2nd Place	Stephen Stafford	Westcliffe	\$1,000
3rd Place	Geoege Gruber	La Junta	\$ 500
4th Place	Ronald Geurts	Centennial	\$ 300
5th Place	Darrell Fisher	Lakewood	\$ 200
6th Place	Daryl Hobbs	Colorado Springs	\$ 100
7th Place	Marlin Wagner	Colorado Springs	\$ 100
8th Place	Sylvester Walorski	Englewood	\$ 100
9th Place	David Gelatt	Evans	\$ 100
10th Place	Richard Gandolf	Colorado Springs	\$ 100

CONGRATULATIONS



John E. Hamilton
Past Commander-in-Chief
National Representative
for
Summer Conference
Penrose, CO



John E. Hamilton was elected Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars on July 25, 2012, at the 113th VFW National Convention in Reno, Nevada.

In July 2013 he was appointed Adjutant General of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a position he held until his retirement in 2016.

John served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1968 to 1970, including a tour in Vietnam. His decorations include three Purple Hearts, Combat Action Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation Gallantry Cross Color, Republic of Vietnam Unit Citation Civil Actions Color (First Class), and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

He joined the VFW in 1974 at Post 7909 in Jacksonville, Florida, later transferring to Post 5450 in Crestview, Florida, where he maintains his Gold Legacy Life membership. He has served the VFW in many leadership positions, including the National Council of Administration from 1989 to 1991, and as Florida's Department Commander from 1987 to 1988. He served on the board of the VFW National Home from



Alfred J. "Al" Lipphardt
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief

Alfred J. "Al" Lipphardt was elected Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. on July 21, 2022, at the 123rd VFW National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

Al served in the United States Army from 1965 to 1979, earning his VFW eligibility by serving in Vietnam from 1967 to 1968, and from 1970 to 1971. In recognition of his service, he received the Combat Infantryman Badge, Bronze Star with Valor device, Bronze Star Medal for Meritorious Service, Purple Heart Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal with Silver Star and two Bronze Stars, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm Medal, and the Vietnam Staff Service Medal First Class.

He joined the VFW in 2002 at Post 12002 in North Fulton, Georgia, where he maintains his Gold Legacy Life membership. He has served in elected and ap-

pointed positions at the Post, District and Department Levels, culminating with his election as the VFW Department of Georgia Commander from 2014 to 2015, in which he achieved Triple Crown All-American Commander status. On the national level, he has served on the Legislative Committee, the National Security and Foreign Affairs Committee, and the Council of Administration.

Al is retired. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from Pacific Western University in 1990.

He was named Florida's Young Veteran of the Year in 1981. John served as a commissioner on the United States World War I Centennial Commission board located in Washington, D.C., from 2014 to 2016, and served on the board of the World War I Museum located in Kansas City, Missouri., from 2011 to 2016. He has been honored by Presidents Jimmy Carter and George H. W. Bush for his outstanding community service and leadership.

John is a member of the Military Order of the Cootie, Military Order of the Purple Heart, Disabled American Veterans, American Legion, AMVETS, Fleet Reserve Association, and the Semper Fidelis Society.

He resides in Crestview, Florida.

He is a member of the Rotary Club of Stone Mountain, Georgia, American Legion, and life member of the Disabled American Veterans, Military Order of the Purple Heart, the VFW National Home for Children, the 196th Light Infantry Brigade, and an inductee to the United States Army Officer Candidate School Alumni Association Hall of Fame.

Al and his wife, Carol were married on Feb. 24, 1967, and reside in Stone Mountain, Georgia

Legislative Program

Greetings Auxiliary Sisters & Brothers!
I am so excited to be back for the 2022-2023 Program Year! The 2021-2022 Program Year was amazing, and I loved learning about everything that each auxiliary does to promote this program and bring awareness to the issues that our veteran's face. I can't wait to see what everyone has in store for this year!

Below are just a few of the ways that we can all start to increase awareness and bring light to the issues that our veterans face and inform our communities about how to reach out to our legislators.

VFW Action Corps:

Have you joined the VFW Action Corps? I know I had many of you do this during the 2021-2022 program year, but if you have not, take a minute and visit the site below:
vfw.org/advocacy/grassroots-efforts and click on the Action Corps image.

Doing so will subscribe you to the VFW Action Corps Weekly newsletter, which you will receive in your inbox and keep you updated on all things legislative. Want to know something awesome about the VFW Action Corps Weekly newsletter? You don't have to be a VFW or VFW Auxiliary member to sign up for it! You can invite friends, family members, colleagues, neighbors, teachers, and students to become an advocate as well.

VFW Priority Goals:

The VFW Priority Goals are crucial in helping to bring awareness to the issues that our veterans face and in making sure that the VA system is continually strengthened and adequate for the many veterans in our country. Below are the links to learn what the VFW Priority Goals are and how we, as auxiliary members, can assist the VFW in helping with forming the legislation to help our veterans.

vfw.org/advocacy/national-legislative-service

Vfwauxiliary.org/what-we-do/legislative

The VFW has done a great amount of work to keep our veterans ever present in the hearts and minds of our elected officials in Washington D.C., and for this, the VFW is a well-respected organization. We, as auxiliary members, and individuals, cannot let that hard work rest on the shoulders of a few, we must also carry that burden amongst our own shoulders and continue to show our veterans our thanks and our love for them.

Advocate:

Advocacy and informing our family, friends, neighbors, and communities is one of the best ways to promote the legislative program. It does not take much to print off a few fliers explaining the VFW Priority Goals and having them at your next membership drive or community event, and it takes just a few minutes of time to subscribe to the VFW's Action Corps Weekly newsletter and read it each week. Knowing the issues being brought before the legislation, whether in your hometown, the state level, or the national level, will keep you prepared to continue advocating for our veterans.

Our voices being united will continue to make the change that is necessary for our veterans to continue living fulfilling lives, in both a happy and healthy manner. It is our duty, now, as a nation, to take care of those who were so willing to put their lives on the line for our freedoms. Advocacy is the number one way that we, as members and individuals, can continue to make those changes.

I leave you with this quote and I can't wait to see what this year has in store for us!

"No voice is too soft when that voice speaks for others." - Janna Cachola.

Warmest Regards,
Nadia Flores
Legislative Chairman



CELEBRATION OF FLAG DAY
By Kathleen Tomlin
June 19, 2022

VFW Day of Service was celebrated this past week with Flag Day activities. The Las Animas, McClave, and Hasty Avenue of Flags flew proudly on Flag Day, which was Tuesday, June 14th. We thank the many volunteers that make this project happen. Friday, June 17th, the Post and Auxiliary held a Hamburger Fry and a Community Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Post. Steve Bourne grilled up some delicious burgers/hot dogs provided by the Post; and Auxiliary members donated yummy salads and desserts. We were thankful for the many donations that the community offered for the dinner with 80 dinners sold. These donations will be used to support veterans' needs in the community. Fort Lyon Coalition Veterans and friends were of-

fered a free lunch, and always come faithfully to help us with the Avenue and maintain the flag holes – their dedication is truly appreciated.

This year we were especially proud to assist with hanging the Fort Lyon National Cemetery Avenue of Flags for Memorial Day. Following lunch, we conducted a Community Flag Retirement Service. We taught the youth that attended (12 and under girls' baseball team), how to properly fold flags; we narrated the meaning of each of the thirteen folds as they folded the flags; and then respectfully retired them. We weren't able to actually burn the 70 retired flags that were donated due to windy conditions and a fire ban, but we plan to do this as soon as weather permits. God bless our Veterans and God Bless America!

Youth Program

Greetings all my Auxiliary friends!

First of all, I would like to thank President Ron Boone for having faith in me by allowing me the opportunity to serve as your Youth Activities Chairman again this year. Hopefully, I learned a lot last year and will do a better job this year.

This year, they have added a program for our youth to work with our local cemetery committees and clean and repair Veteran's graves. This past Memorial Day, I noticed that many of our past Veteran's graves didn't have flags on them. I was told that there was no way for those placing the flags to know unless the graves are marked. At that time, I made a promise to myself to work on identifying and marking the graves of the Veterans that I know. So, I was really excited to see that **Grave Beautification** is one of the programs this year. Also, most cemeteries have a limited budget and staff, so this is a great opportunity for our youth to get involved and remember our Veterans.

We have all heard the saying – our youth are our future! Not only our future, but they are our present, today. This is our opportunity to help them choose the right path in becoming patriotic citizens of our society. It is our responsibility to guide and mentor them. And if we listen close, we might even learn something from them.

Youth Activities includes both working with the youth and also rewarding them, helping form a strong bond between our Auxiliaries and our youth.

Witness a youth or youth group doing something patriotic? Award them with a **Random Acts of Patriotism (aka R.A.P)** coin. A great way to make them feel special and to see their faces

light up. The Auxiliary might also purchase some other patriotic items, that the youth could "buy" from the Auxiliary after achieving several of the coins. A little competition between their friends to see what they can achieve?

Illustrating America is a patriotic art contest that the students in K-8 will be eligible to enter. The deadline is March, so we need to get into the schools as soon as they open back up.

Do you have a student that loves to read? *The more you read, the more you learn and the more you learn, the more places you will go* – says Dr. Seuss. **Patriotism through Literacy** is a perfect opportunity to introduce and expand our youth to the knowledge of American history.

Get Excited for the Red, White and Blue, is a musical contest for our youth to showcase their musical talent while performing our national anthem.

Our youth love our Veterans, especially our Boy Scouts, Girls Scouts and 4-H groups. There is a **Youth Groups Supporting Veterans National Citation** that can be awarded to them.

More information and deadlines will be forthcoming in future articles and at COA. Watch for it.

I am sooooo excited to engage with our youth and help them become patriotic citizens and help shape them to become leaders in our organization. I look forward to working with each of you to make this an exciting and creative year. Please reach out to me if you have any questions, suggestions or ideas.

Sincerely,
Queenie Barz
Department Youth Activities Chairman



\$25,000 was donated from Western Slope VFW Post 3981 to OMU Foundation Veteran's Scholarships.
L-R: District 11 Commander Len Ladue, #3981, and Past State Commander Barbara Green.

Reenactor Tim Grabin of Royal Gorge VFW Post 4061, Canon City, playing Taps at Memorial Day Ceremonies at Greenwood Cemetery, May 21, 2022.



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All State Achievement Program

Thank you Department President Ron for appointing me the All State Achievement Program Chairman. The All State Achievement Program has been reviewed for changes to improve the program. It will still allow all Auxiliaries and District Auxiliaries to have the opportunity to qualify for the award. Please join us at the Council of Administration hosted by Penrose Post 2788 & Auxiliary on August 20 - 21, 2022, where we will announce the revised requirements for the Auxiliary and District Auxiliary to earn this award. A lot of time and thought has gone into the changes of the current requirements. The All State Achievement Committee members that have been appointed to the program are Lucille Chavez, Lennie Dolan and Barbara Green. The changes that have been made are meant to reward all Auxiliaries and Districts that are completing tasks that are required in the VFW Auxiliary By-laws. Examples are completing these tasks on time, Installation reports, audits, purchasing bonds, filing the IRS 990 form and Officer dues paid. Other tasks that are on the report that we feel will help improve the Auxiliary or District is attending the Council of Administration weekends to share program information/updates and other Department informa-

tion. The form will remain a one-page report that has been used the last couple years. Those Auxiliaries and Districts will earn All State Achievement that:

- 1) Reach the minimum points required.
- 2) Have submitted All State Report by the deadline.
- 3) Report is signed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer, not a computer generated signature.

The new forms will be available on the Department website, vfwco.org and in the Colorado Program Book. The minimum points needed for an Auxiliary or District to earn All State Achievement will also be announced at the August Council of Administration. The President, Secretary and Treasurer of each Auxiliary or District that earns All State Achievement will receive an All State Achievement pin and medallion. The Auxiliary or District will receive a certificate of All State Achievement Recognition. If you, your Auxiliary and/or District has questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. So come on Colorado, "We Are Family" with "Hands that Serve, Hearts That Care".

Hugs
Patsy Gilmore
All State Achievement Chairman

Historian and Social Media

To All Auxiliary VFW Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to the Department of Colorado VFW Auxiliary "We are Family". I would like to thank Department President Ron Boone for appointing me as the new Historian/Media Relations Chairmen for the 2022-2023 program year. I am truly honored to hold this position and will give it my ALL!

The Historian & Media Relations captures the narrative of the program year. We get the word out about the Auxiliary to our communities. The program encompasses memory keeping and collecting the five W's: the who-what-where-when and why of an Auxiliary.

- Using media to share and brag on Auxiliaries at all levels.
- Reaching out to your local community - and beyond.
- Connecting through traditional and social media.
- Communicating your message through video to engage your members and your community.
- Use media to communicate with your Department, District and local Auxiliaries.

It is our job as local Auxiliaries, District, and Department to be prepared when the opportunity arises, to share who we are and what we do to serve our communities. As your chairmen, it is my duty to guide you on how to do just that and provide you the resources to be successful. You can also check out the National website for more resources.

This year we will continue to make a

Digital Scrapbook. Per National they will continue to accept and encourage digital scrapbooks. If your Auxiliary chooses to make a hard book/binder scrapbook, that is perfectly fine. So, get your cameras out and snap away! But wait! Let's talk about photo etiquette before posting your photos (or videos) to social media.

- Avoid closed eyes
 - Avoid mouth open or full of food
 - Avoid distracting objects
 - Avoid offensive language on clothing
- Everyone Loves Awards!*

Awards For Auxiliaries

- Citation to every Auxiliary that submits a Historian and Media Relations report to their Department Historian and Media Relations chairmen by March 31st, 2023.

Awards for Departments and Department Chairmen

- Citation will be presented at the 2023 Department Convention

Let us Inspire all our Auxiliaries, to get our purpose and "Why" out to our communities.

We are a not just a team of volunteers for our veterans, "We are Family."

I am available to all Auxiliaries for help, suggestions, questions or concerns. My contact information is 970-313-6960 and email is kgrizzell@live.com

Sincerely,
Karrie Grizzell
Department Historian/ Media Relations

Veterans and Family Support

Greeting Auxiliary Sisters and Brothers,

I am so pleased and excited that I am your 2022-2023 Veterans & Family Support Chairman. I would like to thank Department President Ron Boone, for asking me to be the chairman this year and I know we can all work together to help our Veterans in every possible way. We know that the Department Presidents theme is "We are Family", and I feel we are Family, and we enjoy getting together for anything no matter where.

We have many programs under Veteran & Family Support to promote and support:

- National Veterans Service (NVS)
- Military Assistance Program (MAP)
- Veterans and Family Caregivers
- VFW Veterans and Military Support Program
- Unmet Needs

VFW "Sports Clips Help a Hero Scholarship" Veteran & Military Suicide Preventions Mental Health Awareness Support and Resources

I will be focusing on at least 3 of these at each Parade of Programs this year. I have many ideas to how we can all work together for these programs, why you ask? Because "We are Family!"

At the August Parade of Programs, I will have a Challenge for our Districts and their Auxiliary's that are in that District. What is my Challenge you ask? Attend the August Parade of Programs and let's find out together.

We have 3 COA's meetings, which we

VFW Buddy Poppy - National Home for Children

BUDDY POPPY: I want to thank Department President Ron Boone for asking me to be program chairman for the Buddy Poppy-National Home for Children for the 2022-2023 year. This, like all the programs that the VFW Auxiliary does throughout the year, supports our veterans in many ways.

That little red flower, the one known as the Buddy Poppy, is a very powerful flower. It got its beginning in 1922, and in 1923 it was assembled by disabled and needy veterans who would be paid for their work to provide them with financial assistance. In 1924, we registered the name Buddy Poppy with the U.S. Patent Office, and on May 20, 1924, we were granted all trademark rights in the name Buddy under the classification of artificial flowers.

The VFW Buddy Program provide a compensation to the veterans who assemble the poppies, and provide assistance to many other programs as follows:

- 1.5 cents goes to Department Veterans Service Funds
- 1 cent goes to National Home For Children
- 1 cent goes to VFW National Headquarters Service Fund

The money we raise also goes to the Auxiliary Relief Fund. This fund is for helping our members who are in need of financial assistance, sending monetary gifts to National Auxiliary Cancer Aid and Research, and to foster true patrio-

do our Parade of Programs, that I will be promoting all these essentials programs and we have almost a whole year to be sure that all our Districts, Auxiliaries and members are PROMOTING AND REPORTING EVERYTHING you do for our Veterans.

We this year, need to take time to reach out to our Homeless Veterans at soup kitchens, or at your Standdown, or wherever it may be and support them and help them, whether with food, clothing, hygiene items etc.

We also need to focus on our Veterans & Military Suicide Prevention program, where we see and hear of all that happens to our Veterans. We can make a difference if we just try a little harder.

I look forward to working with each of you and to help in every way for you to understand all that we need to understand on Veterans & Family Support. To be able to take any program and utilize it for our Veterans and for our members.

If you need to reach out to me for anything, please feel free to email me at: myboysmokey2020@gmail.com, and my phone number will be listed in the roster so that you will be able to call me if needed.

Thank you and we have a lot of work ahead of us, but we can do it! Why? Because "We are Family" and we are COLORADO!!

Lucille Chavez
Dept. Veterans & Family Support Chairman

tism through historical and educational programs.

NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN

The National Home For Children has been a place for veterans and their families to recover from hardships. They started out with nothing but a single farmhouse but over the years have now evolved into a sprawling 42 home campus. On this campus have a gymnasium, playground, library, free daycare, counseling, and much, much more.

The National Home relies strictly on donations with no other funding. So, besides our Buddy Poppy money, there are other ways that we can help support the National Home.

- By a membership which is only \$50.00
- Buy a memory brick which is \$100.00
- Purchase products through Amazon smiles-choose them as you charity-0.5% of purchases goes to the Home
- Do a monthly donation, whatever you're comfortable with

For more information on National Home for Children visit their website: vfnationalhome.org

My goals this year are to promote these two programs to the best of my ability, and to raise awareness of the Buddy Poppy and National Home for Children but have fun doing both programs.

Patty Rowley-Wilson
Buddy Poppy-National Home for Children

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO
GENERAL ORDERS #1

June 11, 2022

All General Orders from the Department President are official and need to be read at the first meeting following receipt before being filed for reference.

1. Having been duly elected and installed into the office of President, Department of Colorado, according to the Constitution and ByLaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary, I hereby assume command on June 11, 2022. All previously elected, appointed and committeemen's term of office is hereby declared expired and now ineffective. The following officers have been duly elected and installed at the 98th Annual Convention held in Canon City, CO on June 8-11, 2022, and will have full authority to act and shall be obeyed accordingly:

PRESIDENT:

Ron Boone (2121)
2906 57th Ave, Greeley, CO 80634

SR. VICE PRESIDENT:

Phil Reinpold (5812)
834 W. El Portal Dr.,
Pueblo West, CO 81007

JR. VICE PRESIDENT

Nadia Flores (899)
20024 County Road 6,
La Jara, CO 81140

SECRETARY:

Linda Reinpold (5812)
834 W. El Portal Dr.,
Pueblo West, CO 81007

TREASURER:

Arline "Lennie" Dolan (7945)
1170 Fulton St, Aurora, CO 80010

CHAPLAIN:

Heidi Bishop (3917)
4321 County Road 114 S,
Alamosa, CO 81101

CONDUCTRESS:

Rena Cales (6461)
7461 Fortman Ave.,
Fountain, CO 80817

GUARD:

Pat Cooper (3917)
4321 County Road 114 S,
Alamosa, CO 81101

2. Department Officers, Department Chairmen, District Presidents and Auxiliary Presidents:

All communications must be answered promptly, using the proper channels as listed on page 15 of the Booklet of Instructions.

3. Following are the Program Chairs for the 2022-23 year:

Program Coordinator – Brigitte Dolan (7945), 2314 S Fundy Way, Aurora, CO 80013
All State Achievement – Patsy Gilmore (3917), 1719 Ascot Rd, Colorado Springs, CO 80906
Americanism – Marilyn Peters (2121), P.O. Box 740, Kersey, CO 80644

Auxiliary News/Colorado Veteran Ann Mauck (2601), 2583 W 82nd Way Unit A, Westminster, CO 80031

Auxiliary Outreach – Pat Garcia (7945), 11299 E 159th St, Brighton, CO 80602

Auxiliary Website – Rita Fama (4171), 1415 S Newton St., Denver, CO 80219

Buddy Poppy/National Home – Patricia Rowley-Wilson (2601), 406 S Francis St, Longmont, CO 80501

Chief of Staff - Ext/Revitalization Shelley Schlieman (7945), 10001 Alcott St, Federal Heights, CO 80260

Courtesy – Heidi Bishop (3917), 4321 County Road 114 S, Alamosa, CO 81101

Historian/Media Relations – Karrie Grizzell, (2121), 3114 58th Ave, Greeley, CO 80634

Hospital – Brandi Dolan (7945), 16439 E Center Dr, Aurora, CO 80017

Legislative – Nadia Flores (899), 20024 County Road 6, La Jara, CO 81140

Membership /Recruitment – Raymond Moelder (2121), 3201 Claremont, Evans, CO 80620

Mentoring for Leadership – Victoria Nevins (1), 1858 S Downing St, Denver, CO 80210

President's Project – Queenie Barz (5231), P. O. Box 533, Mancos, CO 81328

Scholarships – Patsy Gilmore (3917), 1719 Ascot Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80906

Veterans/Family Support – Lucille Chavez (4171), 1710 Pierce St, Unit 206, Lakewood, CO 80214

Youth Activities – Ellen "Queenie" Barz (5231), P.O. Box 533, Mancos, CO 81328

Ways & Means – Alice Smith (4171), 4592 S. Devinney St, Morrison, CO 80465

4. Department Officers, Department Chairmen, District Presidents and Auxiliary Presidents:

Please place the names of Ron Boone, Department President and Linda Reinpold, Department Secretary on your mailing list so all activities will be report to this office.

5. All Auxiliary Presidents, District Presidents and Treasurers: In accordance with the Bylaws, all Presidents and Treasurers must be bonded no later than August 31, 2022.

6. Auxiliary Presidents and Treasurers: IN accordance with the change to Department Standing Rules dues notices will be sent by the Department Treasurer to all unpaid annual members and the cost of postage billed to the Auxiliary unless the Auxiliary Treasurer has

notified the Department Treasurer in advance that they have sent out their own Auxiliary Dues Notices.

7. Auxiliary Secretary and District Secretary: Please send the names and addresses of the Auxiliary and District Chairmen to the corresponding Department Chairman and Department Secretary using the 2022-2023 Form provided on the VFW Department website.

8. District Presidents: Please send a complete schedule of your District meetings including dates, time and location to Department Secretary Linda Reinpold, 834 W. El Portal Dr, Pueblo West, CO 81007. Please do not schedule any District Meetings during Western Conference to be held November 3-6, Portland, Oregon.

9. District Presidents: Annual Official Visits are very important and must be conducted. The Visiting Official should sign the Secretary's and Treasurer's books only if they are kept according to the procedures outlined in the Booklet of Instructions. Every question on the Official Visit Report should be answered. A copy of the W-9 sent to National Headquarters and a copy of the filed 990 or 990-N should be provided to the Visiting Official. Inspections should be completed by December 31, 2022.

10. Auxiliary Treasurers: Membership dues should be processed promptly through Malta or sent to the Department Treasurer for processing. Do not hold dues. A copy of the application for all new and re-joined members should be sent to the Department Treasurer for processing.

11. Auxiliary and District Trustees: Audits for the quarter ends of June, September, December, and March must be sent to the Department Treasurer. Audits must be accepted by vote of the Auxiliary before being placed on file with the Department Treasurer within 60 days after the end of the quarter.

12. Auxiliary Presidents and District Presidents: Within 30 days after induction into office, the President shall submit to the Commander of the respective District or Post a copy of the last quarterly audit, membership status report and such additional reports as may be required by the liaison committee as soon as it has been accepted by the membership. See Section 810.

13. Hospital Reporting: When filling out the Hospital Section of the Program Report forms, you must indicate if volunteer hours are provided by a VFW or Auxiliary member.

14. Minutes of the 98th Department Convention held in Canon City, CO, June 8-11, 2022 will be mailed or emailed to the members of the Convention Composition, except for the Delegates. See Section 812B.

15. Fall Council of Administration Meeting and Parade of Programs: Are scheduled for August 20-21 at Penrose Post #2788. The full schedule will be posted on the Colorado Department website. Workshops will be held on August 20 beginning at 10 AM.

The Parade of Programs will begin at 1:30 PM on Saturday August 20.

The Joint Meeting will be held on Sunday, August 21 starting at 8:30 at Post2788. Separatemeetingstofollow.

Meals will be on your own.

ALL AUXILIARY MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND ALL FUNCTIONS.

16. Council of Administration members please try to attend the Council of Administration meeting. We must have a majority of the Council present to have a quorum and be able to conduct any business.

17. Joint Homecoming will be held August 20, 2022 with dinner at 5:00 PM. Everyone is invited to attend.

18. To Department Commander Geraldine Rimpley, Department Officers and VFW, I hereby pledge the continued support of all the members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary, Department of Colorado.

BY ORDER OF:
Ron Boone
Department President

ATTESTED TO:
Linda K. Reinpold
Department Secretary



Membership 2022-2023

I am excited to be your membership chairman for the upcoming year. We have some exciting plans for the coming year. Our auxiliaries should create a membership plan. It is essential for our success in reaching our membership goals. I am looking for teamwork on this. Brainstorm and be creative with your recruitment strategy. Seek out help from other members who have been successful in signing new members. Each Auxiliary needs to have at least four membership events this year. If you are actively recruiting new members at your regularly scheduled events, then this should be easy. Document and report, I want to hear about your successes and challenges.

Chief of Staff and Extension

I would like to thank Department President, Ron, for asking me to be Chief of Staff. I look forward to working with the District Presidents, Deputy Chief of Staffs, and all our Auxiliaries to assure that this year is productive and fun for everyone. The duties of Chief of Staff include extension. Extension means working with Posts to form new Auxiliaries and revitalizing and rejuvenating struggling Auxiliaries. Our National Ambassador for Chief of Staff and Extension says her focus is on revitalizing and rejuvenating as, in her words, "It doesn't do any good, on many levels, to bring a new Auxiliary in the front door, only to have one go out the back." District Presidents will visit each

Community Outreach Program

The new year of reporting started April 1st and I hope everyone is writing down their activities. This year the emphasis is on partnering with other organizations and groups. Reaching out to your community to assess the needs of others is key to a successful Outreach Project. Remember these steps:

1. Find local groups and organizations in need of assistance.
2. Ask what your Auxiliary can do to partner with them.
3. Vote on the Auxiliary floor to accept the challenge to volunteer
4. Execute the partnership
5. Record the details and report your success

Places to look for groups needing help are the Local Community Centers,

Mentoring for Leadership

Sisters and Brothers,

I am in awe of your accomplishments. As an auxiliary newbie (5 years), though a senior citizen (ancient), I face many firsts this year. My first national convention. My first Department position as Chairman of Mentoring for Leadership. I'm counting on my auxiliary friends to help me with both. We all need mentoring no matter how long we've been a member.

Mentor Auxiliaries Statewide I've seen a lot of awards for programs and what I really want to see in the coming year are the winning projects shared statewide in videos at COA and District meetings, on your Facebook pages, etc. Even a project scrapbook is a valuable tool for sharing the hows and whys, even the pitfalls, and help us all succeed.

Embrace Newbies They are the future leaders. First and foremost, give

Our national ambassador is looking for recruitment videos made by our members. They need to be no more than a minute long and include a personal testimony on what the VFW Auxiliary means to you. Contact me for the National Ambassadors video guidelines that will help you be successful. I need to hear from each auxiliary membership chairman so that I can forward essential dates and goals for the coming year. Please email me so that we can stay in touch. Wishing each of you the greatest success for the coming year.

Raymond Moelder
Department Membership Chairman
(raymond.moelder@gmail.com)

Auxiliary in their District and work on any problems, questions, needs of the Auxiliaries. I will be doing a workshop at our August or October COA on how to identify unhealthy Auxiliaries and look forward to visiting with all of you in concert with the District Presidents, the Department President and I will help to assure that your Auxiliaries are places of good business, sister and brotherhood, working together for our Veterans, active duty and communities. Remember, "We are Family" with "Hands that Serve, Hearts that care."

Loyally,
Shelley Schlieman
Department Chief of Staff

Schools, Food or Shelter Programs, First Responders, Animal Shelters and Adoption Events. Remember you must be partnered with the other Organization for your time to count. Please remember to record hours and how many volunteers were working with you.

The cash you spend does not count on the reports. Donations are not counted! Please wear something to let others know you are an Auxiliary member. It can be your clothing, hat or pin or anything that tells who we are.

Thank you for all you do as an Auxiliary member and let's have fun while helping others.

Pat Garcia
Auxiliary Outreach Chairman

new members the keys to the kingdom... help them sign on to MALTA. If you have access to a computer at the meeting, set aside a few minutes to do it. If they don't have access to a computer at home, there are other ways to explore this wonderful world of the VFW. I'm happy to help.

Encourage Leadership Growth Invite a recalcitrant member to co-chair a program. Partner with a new member for several meetings to translate the VFW acronyms, explain the protocols. Yes, all is explained in handbooks, articles online, and other resources. But nothing beats a friend showing you the ropes.

Don't hesitate to contact me with your ideas and suggestions.

Victoria A. Nevins
Department Mentoring for Leadership
vicnevs@gmail.com

Auxiliary Membership by District as of June 30, 2022

Number	City	2021	2022	%	Number	City	2021	2022	%
DISTRICT #1					DISTRICT #8				
I	Denver	185	194	105*	859	Leadville	21	21	100*
501	Denver	143	166	116*	11411	Lake George	47	48	102*
72461	Denver	103	102	99	12009	Conifer	32	36	113*
5061	Denver	151	150	99		TOTAL	100	105	105%*
	TOTAL	582	612	105%*	DISTRICT #9				
DISTRICT #2					4264	Stmbt Spgs	28	28	100*
2788	Penrose	35	42	120*	4265	Craig	42	37	88
3641	Pueblo	78	74	95	5843	Meeker	32	31	97
4061	Canon City	127	125	98	9374	Kremmling	22	23	105*
5812	Pueblo West	45	40	89		TOTAL	124	119	96%
7305	Colo. City	20	23	115*	DISTRICT #10				
	TOTAL	305	304	99.7%	322	Englewood	80	75	94
DISTRICT #3					3471	Morrison	46	40	87
41	Loveland	125	123	98	3631	Aurora	98	102	104*
1771	Lafayette	267	267	100*	4171	Golden	298	300	101*
1781	Ft. Collins	113	113	100*	4331	Arvada	133	135	102*
2121	Greeley	101	110	109*	4444	Cmmrc City	173	173	100*
2585	Johnstown	69	73	106*	7945	Thornton	270	273	101*
2601	Longmont	198	200	101*	9644	Fort Logan	326	334	102*
4334	Ault	39	46	118*		TOTAL	1424	1432	101%*
6624	Evans	208	205	99	DISTRICT #11				
12189	Berthoud	23	20	87	1247	Grnd Jcnctn	79	82	104*
	TOTAL	1143	1157	101%*	3571	Delta	54	51	94
DISTRICT #4					3981	Grnd Jcnctn	43	46	107*
2551	Ft. Morgan	124	0	0	9221	Cedaredge	53	53	100*
3541	Sterling	56	61	109*	9333	Hotchkiss	18	0	0
4671	Wray	26	23	88		TOTAL	247	232	94%
	TOTAL	206	84	40%	DISTRICT #12				
DISTRICT #5					4031	Durango	110	113	103*
101	Colo. Spgs.	77	75	97	5181	Dove Creek	36	36	100*
3917	Security	193	201	104*	5231	Mancos	62	63	102*
4051	Colo. Spgs	234	234	100*		TOTAL	208	212	102%*
5221	Calhan	26	26	100*	DISTRICT #13				
6461	Fountain	140	143	102*	3411	Kit Carson	22	22	100*
7829	Monument	68	60	88	6612	Hugo	39	40	103*
	TOTAL	738	739	100%*		TOTAL	61	62	102%*
DISTRICT #6					15006	At Large	614	728	119%*
336	Ordway	72	72	100*	=				
2411	LasAnimas	111	109	98	TOTAL DEPT.	6,130	6,163	101%*	
	TOTAL	183	181	99%	Time to send in your 2023 Dues!				
DISTRICT #7					OR GO LIFE				
899	Alamosa	47	46	97	Be 100% in 2022 - 2023				
4849	La Jara	41	42	102*	Americanism				
8121	So Fork	107	108	101*	To all VFW Auxiliary Brothers and Sisters,				
	TOTAL	195	196	101%*	Our Dept. President, Ron Boone, asked me to be this year's Dept. Americanism Chairman. Wow, what an honor, and I thank you, Ron.				

Americanism

To all VFW Auxiliary Brothers and Sisters,

Our Dept. President, Ron Boone, asked me to be this year's Dept. Americanism Chairman. Wow, what an honor, and I thank you, Ron.

What do you think of when you hear Americanism? I see the United States flag. This year let's put that flag in as many places as we can, pass out to as many hands who reach for it. Every auxiliary knows it's community and what events take place in their town.

Our job and goal is to be at those places educating and sharing the meaning of, and how to honor our flag at those events.

Your 2022-2023 mission, should you choose to accept it is:

Find places and events to share this devotion to our flag to places and events not yet attended by your auxiliary.

Schools, civic organizations, scouting

events, gatherings where Americanism is highlighted need you there! Celebrating the national holidays and military remembrance days need you! Recognizing members of your communities who honor our flag need you!

What will you do during 2022-2023 VFW Auxiliary year?

Our National Americanism Ambassador, Stephen E. Doherty, Sr., is encouraging us to continue to use the #AuxiliaryPatriotism on all of our postings on all social media. What a great way to share your work. I hope more auxiliaries in Colorado do this in 2022-2023.

I pledge to be available to all auxiliaries for questions, suggestions, encouragement, and celebrate how we do Americanism in Colorado this year!

Marilyn Peters
Department Americanism Chairman



Scholarship

I would like to thank Department President Ron for appointing me as the Scholarship Chairman for the 2022-2023 program year. I am honored and so excited to see what this year brings in the Scholarship Program. Some of the information I will be tracking for the year-end report is promoting, supporting and participating by submitting applications for the Continuing Education Scholarship, the Young American Creative Patriotic Art and the 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contests. I will also be tracking the Auxiliaries that are assisting their Posts in the Patriot's Pen & Voice of Democracy contests, hosting/ co-hosting awards ceremonies and also those Auxiliaries that make donations to any of the contests. Thanks for all your hard work in these programs. I will be announcing the promotions that I will be doing for the different Scholarship programs at the Council of Administrations weekend on August 20-21, 2022, in Penrose, CO, hosted by VFW Post & Auxiliary 2788. Below is a list of the contests, including their deadlines, that will be more successful with your help. I would also like to encourage all Auxiliaries to REPORT activities that are done for the Scholarship programs, including the support, promotions, participation and donations by your Auxiliary and members.

Continuing Education Scholarship Contest

Open to any Auxiliary member (who has been a member for at least a year), their spouse, son or daughter with a financial need. Entrant must be at least 18 years old, complete the application and submit an essay of 300 words or less.

Deadline:

Due to National Headquarters by February 15, 2023: Program Awards Administrator VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters 406 W. 34th Street, 10th Floor Kansas City, MO 64111 Or email it to:

info@vfwauxiliary.org

Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest

This contest is open to all students, including home - schooled students, in grades 9-12. Student must be a resident of the state where entered. One Department winner will be forwarded to VFW National Headquarters.

Deadlines:

Entries to Local Auxiliary – March 31, 2023
Entries to Department – April 15, 2023
Department Winner to National Headquarters – May 5, 2023

3-Dimensional Creative Patriotic Art Contest

This is the newest Auxiliary contest. Art entries may be paper, papier-mache, pottery, sculpture, fabric, wood, metalwork, etc. It may NOT be larger than 18" in any direction, weigh more than 5 lbs., be digital art, photography or jewelry. This contest is open to all students, in-

cluding home - schooled students, in grades 9-12. Student must be a resident of the state where entered. One Department winner will be forwarded to VFW National Headquarters.

Deadlines:

Entries to Local Auxiliary – March 31, 2023

Entries to Department – April 15, 2023
Department Winner to National Headquarters – May 5, 2023

2022-2023 Patriot's Pen Essay Contest

Theme: *"My Pledge to Our Veterans."*

This contest is open to all students, including home -schooled students, in grades 6-8. Student must be a resident of the state where entered. One Department winner will be forwarded to VFW National Headquarters.

Deadlines:

Entries to VFW Post – Midnight, October 31, 2022

Post Judging Complete – November 15, 2022

District Judging Complete – December 15, 2022

Department Judging Complete – January 10, 2023

Department Winner to VFW National Headquarters – January 15, 2023

2022-2023 Voice of Democracy Audio-Essay Contest

Theme: *"Why Is The Veteran Important?"*

This contest is open to all students, including home - schooled students, in grades 9-12. Student must be a resident of the state where entered. One Department winner will be forwarded to VFW National Headquarters.

Deadlines:

Entries to VFW Post – Midnight, October 31, 2022

Post Judging Complete – November 15, 2022

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Applications and brochures with more information/ requirements for each contest are also available at: vfwauxiliary.org/scholarships. For more information or questions about each contest's rules/ regulations, please feel free to contact me.

So, please join me in promoting our Scholarship programs and supporting our youth as they compete in the different contests. Remember.... today's youth are tomorrow's leaders. I would like to encourage all Auxiliaries to share what they are doing by sending in program reports. So come on Colorado, "We Are Family" with "Hands That Serve, Hearts That Care".

Hugs,
Patsy Gilmore
Scholarship Chairman

Hospital Program

Greetings Brothers and Sisters!

Welcome to the start of a new year! I would like to thank President Ron for asking me to be his Hospital Chair. I am very excited to take on this chair, which I have never done but hear it is both challenging and rewarding. I am looking forward to working with all of you, learning, and making this a very special year! Following are four main areas, among other things, which we will work on this year –

Volunteer Recruitment, Recognition and Support

– As we all know, volunteers are vital to the success of everything that we do in the auxiliary. This year let us not only go out and try to find more people interested in serving veterans, but once we have them let us give them the recognition and support they deserve. This also goes the volunteers we already have, whether they've been volunteering for a year or 30 years.

Valentine's for Veterans – I love, love, love sending cards to people and am so excited about this program. Start thinking about it now – you can buy cards, make cards, recruit some neighborhood kids who might love making cards – the possibilities are endless! The possibilities are also endless on ways you can do this – it doesn't just have to be sending cards. Another thought – what if we are also able to bring them some cheer on all the other holidays too?

Women Veterans Health Care – Are you aware of all of the resources that are

available for women veterans when it comes to receiving health care tailored specifically to them? I know I'm not, and I'd ask that if you are, please share your knowledge with all of us! If you are not, please join me in fully researching and understanding this important issue so we will be well equipped to assist in any way possible.

Honors Escort – From the National Program Book – "The Honors Escort Program is an opportunity to honor each veteran in a respectful and open manner and provides an opportunity for a veteran's family and friends, other veterans and medical facility staff to participate in a display of high regard and reverence for the individual at the time of death". This is another area that I will be researching and participating in this year.

While these are four of the goals we've been provided, please get creative, think outside of the box, and know that supporting our veterans through the hospital program has no limits! I look forward to working with you to come up with new ways to help bring a little light to someone's day. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, concerns, ideas or just need an ear to listen. My email is purpleseals@com-cast.net and my phone number is 720-495-7773.

Loyally,
Brandi Dolan
Hospital Chairman

President's Special Project Rocky Mountain Regional VA Fisher House

Greetings!

A huge thank you to President Ron Boone for entrusting me with the honor of serving as his Special Project Chairman. Ron has chosen the Rocky Mountain Regional Fisher House as his special project.

The Rocky Mountain Regional Fisher House is located behind the Rocky Mountain Regional VA Medical Center in Aurora, Colorado at 1700 N. Wheeling Street, Building R. They are conveniently located near the VA, so that our families can easily visit their loved ones. At the local Fisher House they believe "a family's love is good medicine." That is why they provide a FREE "home-away-from-home" for families of active duty military and veterans getting medical care. This service also provides transportation if the patient is receiving care at a facility other than the VA Clinic.

Our local Fisher House has 16 suites and can accommodate 16 to 32 family members. It features a large kitchen, laundry facilities, a spacious dining room and an inviting living room with a library. Our local home also has an elevator to easily access the second floor.

My main focus is ensuring every Post

and Auxiliary member purchase a special project pin. The proceeds from these pins goes towards Ron's special project. The money that is raised this year will go to help our military and veterans in their time of need.

You can purchase these beautiful red, white and blue pins, with Ron's theme "WE ARE FAMILY", and sporting the Auxiliary emblem surrounded by our beautiful Rocky Mountains by mailing an order (located in this Veteran) along with the monies to pay for the requested number of pins. Once I receive the order form, I will send your requested number of pins to you via USPS. The cost per pin is \$3 and you are allowed to resell the pins for \$3. **If you resell the pins at a higher cost, you are required to send the extra monies into Department of Colorado VFW Auxiliary.** All monies raised from this pin are to go to the Rocky Mountain Regional Fisher House.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at our Parade of Programs in Penrose, CO on August 20, 2022. We will be discussing all of the Auxiliary programs and I will have more information on the Fisher House.

Queenie Barz
President's Special Project Chairman



TAPS

Aux 1771: Betty Dean
Aux 2411: Lillian Malouff

Please send in all Deceased VFW Auxiliary members to ann@vfwco.org or vfw@vfwco.org.

They will be saved for the Joint Memorial State Convention Book.

Our deadline is May 20, 2023

You still need to notify National and that can be done on MALTA.

2022—2023 Veterans Pin Order Form This year's Department of Colorado Auxiliary Presidents Special Project:

Colorado Fisher House

Post or Auxiliary Name and Number: _____

Ship to (Name of a Person) _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Quantity: _____ Pins x \$3.00 each = \$ _____ Total money enclosed

You can pay via check or money order — please do not send cash

Make check payable to **Department of Colorado VFW Auxiliary**

Mail Veteran's Pin order to:
Queenie Barz
P.O. Box 533
Mancos, CO 81328
970-749-9320

