



Hello Brothers & Sisters,

We had a wonderful representation of Department of Maryland members at the VFW Auxiliary National Convention, July 22 -27 in Phoenix, Arizona.

Proudly, we brought home many awards;

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AWARDS

- **Veterans & Family Support** – 1st Place to Chairman Felicia Weeks, PDP
- **Americanism** – 2nd Place to Chairman Betty Ann Johnson
- **Auxiliary Outreach** – 1st Place to Chairman Cynthia Davis, PDP
- **Historian & Media Relations** – 1st Place to Chairman Karen Rooker, PDP
- **Membership** – 2nd Place to Chairman Debbie Sturgis

AWARDS FOR MEMBERS

- **Chief of Staff/Extension Award #1:** \$25 VFW Store Gift Certificate to one member in each of the four Conferences who assisted the Department Chief of Staff in nurturing/strengthening a struggling Auxiliary and utilized Building on the VFW Auxiliary Foundation in their efforts. **Eastern Conference winner – VaNette Jones**
- **Hospital Award #1:** Citation to one member in each of the ten (10) Program Divisions who recruits the most Hospital (VA & non-VA facilities) volunteers from July 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023. **Division #8 winner – Dee Russo**
- **Hospital Award #3:** Citation to the Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year in each of the (ten) 10 Program Divisions. **Division #8 winner – Cynthia Davis**
- **Membership Award #2:** National Membership Achievement Award to each VFW & VFW Auxiliary member who recruits twenty (20) new members to the VFW Auxiliary from July 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023. **Winners: Carolyn Walker, Aux.#6918 & Patricia Sebrell, Aux.#9619,**
VFW Winner: James Holland, Post #9619

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Other Awards for Departments and Department Chairmen

- Award #2 – For the “Most effective promotion of the Auxiliary Outreach Program awarded to Chairman **Cynthia Davis, PDP**.
- Award #2 – For the most creative promotion of “How the “Buddy”® Poppy VFW National Home Program makes a difference” awarded to Chairman **Paul Olivares**.
- Award #2 - \$25.00 Gift Certificate for best “Mentoring activity or training how to mentor future leaders for a specific Auxiliary position” awarded to **Mary Cardinal-Vogt, PDP**.

2023 Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest

Eleventh Place

\$500 Scholarship



Department of Maryland

The Storyteller

Medium: Acrylic

Artist: Piper Stankiewicz

12th Grade | South Carroll High School

Sponsored by VFW Auxiliary 10076 | Mount Airy, Maryland

Mark your calendar:

VFW & Auxiliary Dept. Family Freedom Festival

Yingling-Ridgely VFW Post No. 7472
4225 VFW Lane – Ellicott City, Maryland
September 9, 2023
11:00 am – 3:00 pm

National President Carla Martinez visits Maryland

September 9th – 11th, 2023

For more activities, please see the 2023-2024 Calendar of Events included in this mailing.

Changes, updates, and corrections to the Directory.

District 2 President Michelle Hebert email - michelle.hebert1221@gmail.com

Phillips-Kleiner VFW Auxiliary No. 5627 new Secretary-

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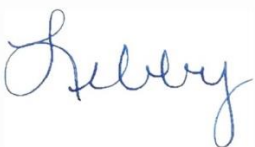
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Libby DallaTezza, Secretary
VFW Auxiliary Department of Maryland



2023-2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
September 9	Department Family Freedom Festival	Yingling-Ridgely VFW Post 7472 4225 VFW Lane Ellicott City, MD	11:00 am – 3:00 pm
Sept. 9- 11	National President's Visit to MD	TBA	
September 10	National President's Dinner	Lt Peter G Zouck VFW Post 521 214 Tollgate Road Owings Mills, MD	Program – 5:00 pm Dinner – 6:00 pm
September 16	Council of Administration Meeting	Aberdeen VFW Post 10028 821 Old Philadelphia Road Aberdeen, MD	1:00 pm
September 18	Celebrating America's Freedom Event	Golden Spike National Historical Park Salt Lake City, UT	
September 24	District 3 Official Visit	Henry Hart VFW Post 1411 205 East Union Street Cumberland, MD	12:00 Noon
September 30	District 2 Official Visit	Silver Springs Memorial Post 2562 11316 Fern Street Wheaton, MD	12:00 Noon
October 1	District 1 Official Visit	Scott-Johnson-Collins VFW Post 9619 6527 Suitland Road Morningside, MD	12:00 Noon
October 7	District 14 Official Visit	Wells-McComas VFW Post 2678 6521 North Point Road Baltimore, MD	10:00 am
October 14	District 5 Official Visit	Harford Co Memorial VFW Post #5337 3705 Pulaski Hwy Abingdon, MD	1:00 pm
October 15	District 6 Official Visit	Colonel Harry L. Cooper VFW Post #160 2597 Dorsey Rd Glen Burnie, MD	2:00 pm
October 20-22	Eastern Conference	Resorts Casino Hotel 1133 Boardwalk Atlantic City, NJ	
October 28	District 11 Official Visit	Sheridan Hood VFW Post #3065 1202 Union Avenue Baltimore, MD	12:00 Noon
November 12	District 7 Official Visit	Lt. Peter G. Zouck Post 521 214 Tollgate Road Owings Mills, MD	11:00 am
November 19	District 10 Official Visit	Chesapeake City Mem. VFW Post 7687 304 Basil Avenue Chesapeake City, MD	1:00 pm
December 2	District 16 Official Visit	TBA	TBA

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December 3	District 4 Official Visit	Federalburg Memorial VFW Post 5246 2630 Veterans Drive Federalburg, MD	12:00 Noon
December 9	Auxiliary Christmas Conference	Chesapeake City Memorial VFW 7687 304 Basil Avenue Chesapeake City, MD	
2024			
January	VOD & Patriot's Pen Department Awards		
February 12 - 17	2024 Mid-Year Conference	5 Night Royal Caribbean Cruise	
March 2	Commander & President's Testimonial	Scott-Johnson-Collins VFW Post 9619 6527 Suitland Road Morningside, MD	6:00 pm social hour 7:00 pm dinner & program
March 3	Council of Administration Meeting	Scott-Johnson-Collins VFW Post 9619 6527 Suitland Road Morningside, MD	12:00 noon
April 6	Dept. Commander & President's Homecoming	Wicomico Co. Mem. VFW Post 10159 821 West Main Street Salisbury, MD 21801	
May 27 - 30	VFW & Auxiliary MD 97th Department Convention		
July 27 – Aug 1	VFW & Auxiliary National Convention	Louisville, Kentucky	