

The Jerry Skrivanek VFW Post 8185 Auxiliary

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"A newsy newsletter to promote the events and activities at VFW Post 8185"

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Mini-Newsletter Fall 2025

Hello Autumn!

Rake all the leaves!

Hello members and friends of VFW Post 8185! Several members attended the Dept. of MD Convention in Ocean City, MD at the end of May. Anne Gibson, Stephanie Gibson, and JoAnne Bierly attended the National Convention in Columbus, Ohio in August. Plus, we recently accepted 3 new members: Leah Rogers, Tammy Heidinger, and Kyro Everly. Welcome to you all!

Thanks for your support and dedication!

Post 8185 Entertained Our Veterans

Auxiliary Members of Post 8185 gathered up pizzas, sodas, and Bingo cards and hauled them over to the Veterans in Ward 364 at Perry Point Veterans Hospital in May, July, September, and October. Stephanie Gibson and her crew served up slices of pizza and cups of sodas, and she followed that up by playing several games of bingo. Thanks to Stephanie Gibson, Anne Gibson, Tim Gibson, Trish Fitzgerald, Carrie McCall, Myranda Ambrose, and Donna White.

BINGO AT VFW POST 8185

Come and play cash bingo on the 2nd Thursday of each month! Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the games begin at 6:30 p.m. Progressive jackpot of \$300. Food available for purchase. Call Anne at 410-378-3338 for details. Workers and donors needed!

Newsletter Topics:

Welcome New Members
National Awards for Maryland
Convert to Life

2025-2026 VFW Post 8185 Officers

President: Ebony Sexton
Sr. Vice President: Anne Gibson
Jr. Vice President: Shiela Malatesta
Secretary-Treasurer: JoAnne Bierly
Chaplain: Theresa Sordiff
Conductress: Andrea Everly
Guard: Michael Slayman
Patriotic Instructor: Carrie McCall
Historian: Stephanie Gibson
Trustees: Tara Burke
Jenn McCamant
Rebecca Angelucci-Webb

2025 - 2026 Dues

Annual membership dues are payable now, as of July 1, 2025. VFWA Post 8185 is approaching 100% in Membership, with 129 paid out of 134 members = **96.27%**. Please consider converting your **Annual** membership to a **Life** membership and never have to pay dues again. So far, 12 annual members have converted to Life. Also, President Sexton drew a name from those members who paid their dues by August 31 and the winner was...**Gloria Crothers**, whose membership was converted to Life. Congrats to Gloria! Plus, several members have been adopted" and calls are being made to encourage the last few members to pay their dues.

2025-2026 Program Chairmen

Thanks to all the Program Chairmen!

Americanism: Myranda Ambrose
Buddy Poppy/National Home: Ebony Sexton
Community Outreach: Shiela Malatesta
Historian: Stephanie Gibson
Hospital: Anne Gibson
Legislative: Theresa Sordiff
Membership: JoAnne Bierly
President's Special Project: Shiela Malatesta
Scholarship: Shiela Malatesta
Veterans & Family Support: Stephanie Gibson
Youth: Ebony Sexton

Maryland's Winners at 2025 National Convention

Americanism – Cheri Brown

Auxiliary Outreach – Karen Rooker

Chief of Staff/Extension – Betty Ann
Johnson

Historian – Cathy Gistedt

Hospital – Cynthia Davis

Legislative – Bill Siperek

Membership – Felicia Weeks

Scholarship - JoAnne Bierly

Youth – Crystal Hallen

National Conference Coaches Award:

Eastern Conference - Libby DallaTezza

Congratulations to all our winners!

Upcoming events

11-5 8185 Aux meeting at 7 pm
11-9 Flag Retirement at 4 pm
11-13 Monthly bingo at 6:30 pm
11-27 Thanksgiving - time TBD
12-3 8185 Aux meeting at 7 pm
12-6 Aux Christmas Conference at 8185
12-11 Monthly bingo at 6:30 pm
12-13 Breakfast with Santa 9 - noon
12-14 Christmas with the Vets - TBD
12-20 Christmas Party at 8185 - 1-4 pm
1-18 Scholarship Banquet 1 pm

Join us! Attend our monthly meetings, play or work at our bingos, support our activities!

Life Member rates: by age

Up to 20	\$253	21 - 25	\$242	26 - 30	\$230
31 - 35	\$219	36 - 40	\$213	41 - 45	\$201
46 - 50	\$196	51 - 55	\$184	56 - 60	\$173
61 - 65	\$161	66 - 70	\$150	71 - 75	\$132
76 - 80	\$109	81 - 85	\$86	86 - 90	\$69
Over 90	\$58				

Think about converting your Annual Membership to a Life Membership. Contact Membership Chairman JoAnne Bierly at jobierly69@aol.com or return your dues renewal slip!

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