

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 Winter 2025 - 2026

Hello Winter!

Shovel all the snow!

Hello members and friends of VFW Post 8185! Your post hosted the Department of Maryland VFW Auxiliary Christmas conference on December 6, 2025 and the Department of Maryland Scholarship Awards Banquet on January 18, 2026. Plus, we accepted 2 new members: Robert and Barbara Everly. Welcome to the Everly's!

Thanks for your support and dedication!

Post 8185 Entertained Our Veterans

Auxiliary Members of Post 8185 welcomed the Veterans from Ward 364 at Perry Point Veterans Hospital on Sunday, December 14 at the post home. After enjoying a luscious Fish Fry prepared by Past Commander Albert Owens and Mike and Shannon Slayman, the Veterans played bingo and left with stuffed bellies and stuffed backpacks. Stephanie Gibson and her crew (Anne Gibson, Tim Gibson, Liz Blackburn, Carrie McCall, Trish Fitzgerald, and Ebony Sexton) worked hard to ensure a successful Christmas Party for our Veterans.

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:

Membership reaches 100%
10 Converted to Life
8185's Scholarship Entrants

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

Our Auxiliary reached 100% on November 13, 2025. Thanks to you all! This past year, all auxiliary members in the nation were encouraged to convert their Annual memberships to Life...and at 8185, ten Annual members were converted to Life. Kudos to Carl Anderson, Catherine Bradley, Tara Burke, Gloria Crothers, Shirley Eller, Mark Fry, Amy Lipka, Kitty Price, Matther Saylor, and Kathleen Wolfe. Plus, our auxiliary gained 4 new Life members: Barbara Everly, Kyro Everly, Robert Everly, and Leah Rogers. New Annual members include Tammy Heidinger. Sadly, we lost our oldest member and last Charter member, Dorothy Miller as well as Life member Gary Tennis.

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

8185's Scholarship Program Entrants

VFW Post 8185 Commander Travis Steffen and VFW Post 8185 Auxiliary President Ebony Sexton and VFW Post 8185 Auxiliary Scholarship Program Chairman Shiela Malatesta presented awards to the following students and civil servant on January 11, 2026 at VFW Post 8175.

Voice of Democracy:

Kylie Ameen

Gianna Allen

Carson Way

Patriot's Pen:

Nevaeh Godfrey

May Sumo

Zachary Allen

Civil Servant of the Year:

Michael Slayman

Congratulations to all our winners!

Upcoming events

- 2-4 8185 Aux meeting at 7 pm
- 2-8 Super Bowl Party
- 2-12 Monthly bingo at 6:30 pm
- 2-13 Valentine's Buck and Shuck 5:30 pm
- 2-15 Visit PPVAH with Pizza & Bingo 1 pm
- 3-4 8185 Aux meeting at 7 pm
- 3-8 Visit PPVAH with Pizza & bingo 1 pm
- 3-12 Monthly bingo at 6:30 pm
- 3-13 Variety Quarter Auction 7 pm
- 3-14 Testimonial at VFW Post 6027
- 3-28 Breakfast w/Easter Bunny 11 am
- 4-1 8185 Aux meeting at 7 pm
- 4-9 Monthly bingo at 6:30 pm
- 4-12 Entertain Vets at 4 pm
- 5-6 8185 Aux meeting at 7 pm
- 5-14 Monthly bingo at 6:30 pm
- 5-17 Entertain Vets at 4 pm
- 6-3 8185 Aux meeting at 7 pm
- 6-11 Monthly bingo at 6:30
- 6-14 Entertain Vets at 4 pm

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

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V&FS Chair: Stephanie Gibson stephanie7468@aol.com