

V.F.W. Auxiliary
Department of Washington
General Orders No. 1 September-October 2017

1. VFW National Auxiliary has announced that the new MALTA portal for local Auxiliaries is now up and available for use. Due to long delays, the deadline for submitting your Treasurer's Bond Application and Payment has been extended until September 30, 2017. DO NOT DELAY.
2. SPECIAL NOTE: Dues reminder notices for Annual dues paying members will NOT be mailed out from National Headquarters. Auxiliaries are responsible for mailing reminders to their members. Dues cards will be mailed from National after dues is processed. Members now have the option to pay their dues online through the new MALTA website portal. Please inform your members when you send dues notices they have this option and how to access the website.
3. Auxiliary Treasurers / Presidents, as stated in the State Standing Rules, the Hospital donation per member based on your June 30, 2017 membership is \$3.00 per member. This donation funds our Washington State Auxiliary Hospital budget for our local VA Hospitals and Veterans homes. Mail checks with check summary to State Treasurer Cindy Burkey.
4. The VFW Auxiliary Cancer Grant Program is available to all members in good standing per the guidelines. This National Grant Fund is self-sustaining and is not requesting funds at this time. At the WA State Council Administration meeting 8/11/17 in Everett, the Standing Rules were amended to add a suggested contribution to the Cancer Grant Program of \$1.00 per member. (The State no longer receives funds back to donate to a local cancer facility)
5. Quarterly Audits: Auxiliary 3rd Quarter Audits are due to Dept. Treasurer Cindy Burkey by September 30, 2017
6. State Rosters and Program information was distributed to Auxiliaries at the School of Instruction on 8/12/17 or your District President if your Auxiliary could not attend. Contact your Dist. President if you have not received this packet.
7. The Annual Leavenworth Autumn Leaf Festival Parade is Saturday, September 23rd. The VFW and Auxiliary are proud to lead the parade. Those able to march are all invited to meet at the (start of the parade route about 11am. The Parade steps off at noon. As it tends to be warm in Leavenworth we recommend wearing our Department shirts if you have one, or the Auxiliary blouse/shirt or something patriotic.
8. The VFW Auxiliary National CAFÉ event is October 19, 2017 in Yorktown Virginia. Registration deadline is Sept. 10, 2017 More information is on the VFW Aux. National Website
9. Western Conference Meeting is Nov. 2-5, 2017 in San Diego CA. Registration deadline Oct. 11, 2017. Contact Virginia Carman at Dept. HQ for a registration packet.
10. National President Dee Guillory will make her official visit to our state Nov 30 – Dec 3, 2017, more information will be available at a later date. (Tea in Toutle is scheduled)
11. Washington State Mid-year conference is January 19-20, 2018, Spokane WA
12. Notices and information for WA State Facebook page can be sent to: vfwwauxfb@gmail.com
Rose Green is the moderator.