



Hundredth Annual Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary - Department of Pennsylvania



Auxiliary Program Agenda

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025

8:00AM - 4:00PM	Registration.....	Aspire Lobby
9:00AM	Floor Practice..... (Joyce Reece & Sandy Brenner w/line officers, floor appointments and musician only)	Aspire Ballroom
12:00PM	Past Commanders/Presidents Luncheon.....	Longstreet
2:00PM	Pre-meeting with District Presidents.....	Aspire Ballroom
3:00PM	Council of Administration Meeting.....	Aspire Ballroom
5:00PM	Memorial Service Rehearsal.....	Eisenhower Ballroom
7:00PM	Memorial Service - VFW/Auxiliary Joint Service.....	Eisenhower Ballroom

NOTE: This is a tentative schedule and subject to change. Speakers and Award Presentations may not be in the order they will appear at the session. Announcement will be made of any change in the schedule as soon as it is brought to the attention of the Convention Committee.

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025

8:00AM - 4:00PM Registration.....Aspire Ballroom

8:00AM - 11:00AM Joint Opening with VFW and VFW Auxiliary.....Eisenhower Ballroom
Auxiliary All State & Outstanding District Presidents

11:30AM Past District Presidents & 25yr Club Luncheon..... Longstreet

1:30PM Seating of the Officers.....Aspire Ballroom

Official Opening of the 2025 Department Convention.....Sandy Brenner
2025 Convention Chairman

Call to Order by Department President.....Andrea Meintel

Roll Call of Officers & Chairmen.....Jodie Hollinger

Ritualistic Opening

Escort of National Representative

Escort of National Council Member

Action taken of Minutes of Previous Convention

Report of Convention Rules Committee.....Sandy Brenner
(Printed in Officer's & Chairmen's Book)

Treasurer's Report.....Jodie Hollinger
(Printed in Officer's & Chairmen's Book)

Official Communications.....Jodie Hollinger

Bylaws & Resolutions Committee..... Robin Kohler

Presentation of Pages..... Tracy Tunstall

Recognition of Gold Star Families..... Carolyn Hook

Draping of the Charter

Presentation of Past Department Presidents.....Kathe DeCarlo

Presentation of 40 year & over Members..... Joey Diehl

Presentation of Hospital Reps/Deps..... Linda Dilling

Report from Credentials Committee.....Jeanne Ludwig

Announcements.....Jodie Hollinger

2025-2026 Department Leadership photos Stillwell
Photo session will start 15 minutes after the VFW session ends & last for one hour

4:00PM 2nd Annual PA State Convention Motorcycle Ride Leaving from Eisenhower Hotel
Walk for Suicide Awareness Aspire Hotel

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2025

7:00AM Practice for Presentation of District Presidents

Joyce Reece & Sandy Brenner

8:00AM - 12:00PM Registration..... Aspire Lobby

PLEASE NOTE: NO FURTHER REGISTRATION OF DELEGATES

AFTER 12:00 NOON

8:30AM Presentation of District Presidents with Colors

Call to Order.....Marsha Fuhrman

Escort of VFW National Sr. Vice Commander Whitmore and State Commander Loncar

Presentation of Department Chairmen..... Joan Faddis

Program Coordinator

Presentation of Outstanding Department Chairman..... Depart. President
& Program Coordinator

PROGRAM AWARDS:

Veterans & Family Support..... Stacey Miller

Americanism..... Tim Altman

Auxiliary Outreach..... Jency Mercado

"Buddy" Poppy/National Home.....Cindy Utter Peters

Extension, Revitalization & Mentoring..... Kathy Altoff

Historian.....Kristin DiGiacomo

Hospital..... Linda Dilling

Legislative..... Karen Mooney

Scholarships..... Pam Sopher

Youth Activities..... Jeanna Leydic

Membership..... Amy Peterson

Presentation of 2025-2026 Membership..... Amy Peterson

Presentation of Gift Fund..... Robin Kohler

Nominations of Officers

Guest Speakers:

Karen Hoover, National Council Member Area A

Lois Callahan, VFW Auxiliary Sr. Vice President, National Representative

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6:00PM Line Up - Past State Commanders & Past Department Presidents, District Commanders &
District Presidents, Line Officers and National Reps

6:30PM Welcome by State Commander Loncar & Department President Meintel
Results of the Special Project Collection - With a Pie in the Face!

7:00PM Patriotic Rally - Entertainment by First Capital Brass

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025

8:00AM	Welcome Home	District 21
	Presentation by Department Line Officers	
	Escort of Department President.....	Jim Meintel
	Call to Order.....	Jim Meintel
	Final Report of Credential Committee.....	Jeanne Ludwig
	Appointment of Judge & Tellers:	
	Judge.....	Kathy Jo Reinsmith
	Teller.....	Becky Heberling
	Teller.....	Faye Rush
	New Business, Election of Officers	
	Roll Call.....	2040 ne Ludwig
	Announcement of Dept. Appointed Officers (2025-2026).....	Jodie Hollinger
	Presentation of Past Department President's Pin.....	Jim Meintel
	Installation of the 2024-2025 VFW Auxiliary Officers	
	Closing Ceremonies	

**2025-2026 COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING WILL BE HELD IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE INSTALLATION. THIS WILL BE TO APPROVE THE
2025-2026 PROPOSED BUDGET ONLY.**

6:00PM	Reception for State Commander Bill Roland & President Robin Kohler	Eisenhower Ballroom
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Credentials Committee

Jeanne Ludwig	Chairman	1586
Janet Albin	Co-Chairman	5265
Peg Rogal	Member	1586
Jency Mercado	Member	1785
Deb Wade	Member	7377

Department Officers' Pages

Tracy Tunstall	Chairman	5956
Terry Rohrer	Co-Chairman	5956
Penny West	Co-Chairman	5956
Jim Meintel	President	5265
Dale Lepore	Sr. Vice President	6704
Linda Mankey	Jr. Vice President	2754
Marie Mannella	Secretary-Treasurer	2754
Robin Hawthorne	Chaplain	1338
Jennifer Handke	Conductor	764
Kayla Giblin	Guard	1690
Kathe DeCarlo	Musician	8896
Debbie Smith	National Council Member	7293
Guyette Calles	National Sr. Vice President	509