



**Michigan Department VFW Auxiliary**  
**MICHIGAN CONNECTION #3**  
**October/November, 2024**

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*National Theme: From Our Roots to Our Branches*

*Extending Service to Our Veterans*

*Department Theme: Aspire to Inspire*

## **Jane's Corner**

Greeting Members!

Huge thank you to Mt Pleasant #3033 and Clio #1492 for their hospitality, fantastic food and love shown for our National President Brenda Bryant's visit to Michigan. You helped make it an enjoyable and successful visit.

Thank you to everyone who attended and made the Fall Conference fun and successful. Please share with your auxiliaries all the valuable information you received. The Friday night Bingo fundraiser raised \$3,000 and the Camp Trotter table raised \$240! We appreciate all of you who participated and generously donated items.

Continue your fantastic work on membership! Currently we are at 86.37%. **IMPORTANT REMINDER:** National raised their dues to \$10. Please send \$17 to the Department when submitting dues. Our next deadline goal is that Officers must have their dues paid by **December 31st**. Don't wait till the last minute to get this done.

Per Bylaws Section 102 Letter "I" a-f.

The investigating committee needs to review and be responsible for the eligibility and filling out the applications properly. Improperly filled out applications, or ones with missing information will be returned.

Our goal is to begin adding on the Website, under Calendar, Auxiliary and Post events. If you wish to have your event listed, please submit your information to the Department Secretary at [misec@asiserve.net](mailto:misec@asiserve.net).

Thank you for continuing to recognize our "unsung heroes". **All** members are deeply appreciated!

## **Chief of Staff (Extension and Revitalization)**

### **Healthy Auxiliary Due Dates/Reminders by Chief of Staff Jan Passmore**

October is the month in which your Auxiliary is to audit the books of the Secretary and Treasurer. Once completed it must be read on the Auxiliary floor and approved before submitting to the Department Treasurer by November 30<sup>th</sup>. If you need assistance please contact the Department Treasurer, Cathy Sasse at 517-420-9342.

Mentoring – “Great mentors don’t just impart wisdom from their own experiences. They allow the time to understand another person’s perspective and the space needed for them to uncover the wisdom residing within.” We need to listen to all the voices of our members in order to grow our organization and keep it moving forward.

The 990’s are due [November 15th](#). Please call the Treasurer Cathy if you need any help and remember to send in a copy to Department.

### **VFW Community Service Reporting form for Auxiliaries**

It has come to our attention, that many of the Auxiliaries are not aware of this form or have chosen not to complete it. A copy is included in the packet, and, also can be found on our website under Resources/Department Forms. Please make this a priority so that we can assist our posts.

### **Upcoming Events**

Big 10 Conference in Indianapolis, IN, October 18-20

Veterans Day, November 11 and the office is closed

Thanksgiving, November 28, and the office is closed the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>



**By Order of:**

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