

**MICHIGAN VFW AUXILIARY  
98th ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION  
Radisson Hotel, Kalamazoo  
May 28 – June 1, 2025  
**TENTATIVE as of 4/02/25****

**Wednesday, May 28**

VFW Golf Outing

**Thursday, May 29**

**(Dress code – Jane’s Pink Shirt)**

8:00 am – 11:00 am

Registration

12:30 pm – 5:00 pm

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10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Auxiliary Council of Administration Meeting

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Lunch on your own

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Hospital Booth /Camp Trotter

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Joint Opening

\*Welcome by Commander Napoleon and President Dady

\*National Home Representative and Presentation

\*Allied Organizations

\*Presentations to: Fisher House, Heroes to Hives, FoxHole, and Gold Star Mothers Memorial

\*Parliamentary Training

\*Comments by National VFW Representative Glenn Umberger and National Auxiliary Representative Janey Feher

4:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Instruction to Pages

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Floor Practice

5:00 pm

**Mandatory practice for Memorial Service**

**(All Officers, District Presidents and anyone that is part of the service, if unable to attend, please contact the Dept. President)**

7:30 pm – 8:30 pm

2025-2026 Pre Council of Administration Meeting

6:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Department Hospitality Room

**Friday, May 30**

**(Dress code - Official look blouse/shirt and black pants/slacks)**

7:30 am – 11:00 am

Registration

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Hospital Booth/Camp Trotter

8:30 am – 5:00 pm

**2025-2026 Auxiliary Program Pins available for pick up**

8:00 am – Noon	Auxiliary Business Session Opens *Rules Committee *Resolutions *Introduction of Convention Committee and Pages *Program Awards
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm	Lunch on your own
12:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Registration
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	Presentation of District and Auxiliary Achievement Awards
2:15 pm – 2:45 pm	VAVS Representatives Meeting
2:15 pm – 3:00 pm	District Jr Vice Presidents meeting with Department Jr. Vice President Jason Manke
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Joint Memorial Service
5:45 pm	Joint Testimonial for Commander Napoleon and President Jane Dady <b>Dress Code: suit/tie for men; cocktail attire for women</b>

**Saturday, May 31**

**(Dress code is official look blouse/shirt and black pants/slacks)**

8:00 am – 10:00 am	Registration <b><i>(REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE PROMPTLY AT 10:00 am)</i></b>
8:00 am – 11:30 am	Photo Room
8:00 am – Noon	Hospital Booth/ Camp Trotter
8:00 am – Noon	<b>2025-2026 Auxiliary Program Pins available pick up</b>
8:00 am – Noon	Auxiliary Business Session Resumes *Flag Presentation *Presentation of Past Department Presidents *Recognition of 45-year plus *Presentation of Patriotic Art Winner *Chapel of Four Chaplains Award *Comments from National VFW Auxiliary Representative *Nominations *Candidates Question and Answer Session
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Lunch on your own/Caucus
12:00 – 1:30 pm	Past State Commanders/Past State Presidents Luncheon
1:30 pm	Auxiliary Business Session Resumes *2026 Membership Kickoff * <b>ELECTION OF OFFICERS</b> * <b>INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS</b> *Closing Ceremonies of Auxiliary Convention

**2025-26 C of A Meeting promptly after close of Convention**

6:30 pm – 10:00 pm

Celebration with Commander Reinhold Yanka and Department President Debbie Scheetz at Hotel. **(Dress code is casual and light hors d'oeuvres will be served at 7:00 pm)**

**Sunday, June 1**

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

2025-2026 Program Kickoff by Program Chairmen  
(This will count as a School of Instruction)