

Michigan Department VFW Auxiliary MICHIGAN CONNECTION #1 June/July, 2025

<u>www.vfwauxmi.org</u> Facebook Page: Auxiliary VFW – Michigan

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National Theme: From Sea to Shining Sea Honoring Veterans Who Keep Us Free Department Theme: We Don't Know Them All, But We Owe Them All

Congratulations to the newly elected Department Officers. Since this is published before the Convention, watch our Department's Facebook page for election results.

Reminder that the Department Staff have posted business hours of Monday-Thursday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. The Department Office is closed on Fridays.

Debbie's Corner

I cannot believe the time has finally come- to serve as your Department President. I am happy that you had confidence in me all these years to make it this far. I have put a great team in place to help all of you have a successful year. We have a great group of officers that are willing to work together to have a positive year and get the job done.

In case you are unaware, we are downsizing our space at the office in Lansing. As you should know, Cathy (Treasurer) is mainly working from home. She goes into the office when needed. Cindy (Secretary) works from home and in the office. We still have an office area for both women to go in and work in the office. We still have storage areas and can use the building for small meetings, etc when needed. This is a cost savings benefit to us, and we are working closely with the VFW to make it work. If you have any questions about this please reach out, we want to be transparent about our intentions of doing this.

Congratulations to all the incoming officers at all levels of this organization. We need to work together as a team to do the best job possible to serve our Veterans and their families. Remember my theme this year is We don't know them all, but we owe them all. My personal pin reminds us to Love our Veterans for Infinity!

Healthy Auxiliary Reminders

If you have not done so, **Department is requesting that Reports of Installation be entered into MALTA by June 15 and copies sent to Department and your District President.**

The President at all levels is reminded to submit to their respective Commanders, within thirty (30) days after installation into office, the last quarterly audit and membership status report.

Bonds will not be available to purchase in MALTA until after July 1 and purchased by August 31. The cost of the bond and the amount covered by the bond must be approved by the body and

entered in the Secretary's minutes. Bonds are to be completed by August 31, or the Auxiliary will be subjected to a Suspension.

The second quarterly audit report for April, May, June, is to be completed by July 31, approved by the Auxiliary vote, and submitted to Department by August 31.

The Road Show Trainings are back!!! Keep watch on our Department's website and Facebook page for locations and dates.

Upcoming Events

June 28 National Home 100th Birthday Party Celebration at the National Home

July 4 Department Office closed

July 27 Michigan Day at the National Home

August 2 Camp Trotter Family Day

August 9-14 National Convention in Columbus, OH

By Order of:

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