



Sheila Lee Eiler

Sisters and brothers,

This is our last Pinpoints for the 2019-2020 year. The experience of representing the State of Arizona as your Department President has been unforgettable. The old saying comes to mind that “you are never too old to learn something new”.

The year started out with many challenges in our Auxiliaries here in Az. However, what helped us move forward, was listening to you the members. Thank you for sharing your thoughts with us.

The dedicated sisters and brothers in our Arizona VFW Auxiliary organization helped bring order to the struggling Auxiliaries. By following all the Bylaws. And not just the Bylaws that suited them. Thank you to those members for keeping the Auxiliaries on track or bringing them back to the track. Without you, we would not have been successful. We thank you!

To the Department line officers, committee chairman, program chairmen, District officers and members. Thank-You! Your unwavering support and dedication to our programs, members and I will never be forgotten.

The last few weeks have been unnerving to say the least. Growing up in Los Angeles, I have lived through earthquakes and civil unrests. So, I’m used to seeing empty food shelves. However, a lot of us have never lived through a pandemic. Our Governor Ducey, has put out an Executive Order instituting a “Stay Home, Stay Healthy, Stay Connected” policy. Please try to follow this order. Be safe, stay well and as always,



Ann Panteleakos

National Secretary-Treasurer

2019-2020

Appointed by National President Peggy Haake and elected National Treasurer at the 106th National Convention in Orlando, Florida, Ann is responsible for supervising the daily operation of the organization at the National Headquarters office in Kansas City. This includes administering financial affairs, clarifying Auxiliary policy and supervising nine staff members. She also serves as a liaison for the National Officers.

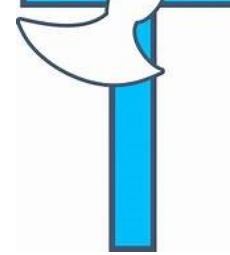


She is a Life Member of Albert J. Breault Auxiliary 1523 in Putnam, Conn. She has been actively involved in the organization since joining on the eligibility of her father, who served in the U.S. Navy from 1953 to 1957.

She has served this organization at the Auxiliary, District, Department and National level. As 2014-2015 National President, she led the membership under her theme ***"Patriotism Begins at Home."*** Ann encouraged members to increase membership recruitment and retention efforts and partnered with then-VFW National Commander-in-Chief John W. Stroud to raise nearly \$1 million for the VFW's National Veterans Service program.

In 2005-2006 she was elected Department President, when she was named Outstanding Runner-Up President of the Year for her membership group. She has also served this organization as National Eastern Conference Chairman for the Mentoring and Publicity programs and as Director for the Young American Creative Patriotic Art/Voice of Democracy program.

Ann is a Life Member of the VFW National Home for Children, the Military Order of the Cooties Auxiliary (MOCA) and is an ancillary member of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary. She serves on the Board of Trustees for the VFW National Home for Children, the Board of Directors for the VFW

**LOST MEMBERS:**

549- Carol House
9401- Marie Anderson
9401- John Wentz

Sympathy:

549- Lori Schaeffler
549- Paulette Wilmes
1433- Hope Blood
3578- Julie Ellis
3632- Michelle Colby
6739- Savio & Frances Garcia
7400- Charlotte Gorman
9401- Robert Dumont
9401- Lee Anderson
9972- Rhonda Follett
9972- Charlotte Reynolds
9972- Sarah Elkins
11014- Donna O'Callaghan

Get Well:

549- Lori Schaeffler
549- Carol House
1796- Lola Nelson
3632- Becky French
3632- Jan Votroubek
6739- Joy Bork
6790- Phil Schaffer
7400- Charlotte Gorman
7400- Betty Amolsch
9401- Charlene Flyer
9401- Gloriann Barton
9401- Janice Molenrich
9972- Janis Farley
9972- Charlene Kozakiewicz
9972- Sonya Schultz

Thinking of You:

549- Francis Gilpin

3632- Amy Bennett
3632- Kathy Herren
3632- Rosa Rodriguez
3632- Eileen Hughbanks
3632- Wayne Whipple
3632- Cowboy Charlie Jean
6739- Lynda Wesley
6739- Cathy Dalbeck
6739- Brian Casey
7400- Christine Rekow
8987- Diane Christensen
8987- Mary Ashworth
8987- Betty Murdock
8987- Stephanie Finch
8987- Shirley Hill
8987- Jeannette Lowell
9933- Linda Hoschouer
9933- Amy Timbes
9972- Shirley Larson
9972- Nancy Griffin
9972- Jennifer Venola
11014- Allen Follett
11014- Randy Schultz

Happy Birthdays:

285- Teresa Repp
285- Martha Hearon
285- Lt. C.I. James "Maggie"
Megellas
720- Diane R.
720- Debbie W.
720- Dorothy B.
720- Liz W

1433- Mary Donahoe
1433- Michelle Garza
1433- Velma Gentry
1433- Imogene Ida
1433- Amy Lenox
1433- Alison Prevendar
1433- Susie Schwoegler
1796- James Maggie Megellas
2357- Brenda Crowell
2357- Kathy Beasley
2357- Emily Stone
2357- Eileen Hines
2357- Sandy Kelso
2357- Marlin McCurdy
2357- Laura Bowman
2357- Maureen Harter
3632- Maria A Keller
3632- Dawn Waldren
3632- Becky French
3632- Eileen Hughbanks
3715- Linda Kepler
3715- Commander Robert
Trujillo III
3715- Molly Jara
3715- Neala Prendergast
3715- P-Commander Rickey
Mindt
3715- P-Commander Mike
Wilkins
6739- Christina Vess
6739- Melody Turner
7400- James Maggie Megelas
7400- Sara Frieson

7400- Gay Martin
7400- Dale Williams
7400- Nicole Florisi
7400- Travis Nestor
7400- Shanenor Nolte
7400- Victoria Migdaline
7400- Marice Contreroos
7400- Karen Soholowski
8987- Hercel Norton
8987- Stormy Palmer
8987- Janice S.
8987- Carol Ann C.
8987- Janice R.
8987- Della Matthews
8987- Janice M.
8987- Pamela E.
9401- Suzie Gleason
9907- Anna Mae Stafford
9907- Rose H.
9907- Faye K.
9907- Alexis T.
9972- Loucinda DeLacy
9972- Catherine Weidermann
9972- Karen Plew
9972- Mary Windler
9972- Donald Bear
9972- Mary Naimo
9972- Margery Sherwood
9972- Brenda McCormick
9972- Stephanie Ahrens
9972- Dora Martinez
9972- Mary Skelton
9972- Nancy Bate
9972- Linda Ozier
9972- Marilyn Taney
9972- Dan Thrasher
9972- Coletta Wood
9972- Julie Brinker
9972- Judith Mills
9972- Sue Mitchell
9972- Lorenda Lowe

9972- Cecilia Warren
9972- Tamera McCorquodale
9972- Diane Menser
9972- Gloria Nettles
9972- Janette Schebel
9972- Tina Baca
9972- Angie Cain
9972- Terry Taylor
9972- Suzanne Danna
9972- Mildred Morgan
9972- Janet Smith
9972- Helen Hansen
9972- Victoria Showalter
9972- Yvonne Souliere
9972- Danielle Brown
9972- Alice Hines
9972- Barbara Sisneros
9972- Helen Patterson
9972- Lauri Rhoades
9972- Victoria Yarbrough
9972- Renay Carnes
9972- Barbara Shuke
9972- Katherine Cox
9972- Judy Gignac
9972- Petra Troutman
9972- Christal Adams
9972- Kaitlyn Davis
9972- Lillian Earl
9972- Beatrice Ferguson
9972- Jennifer Sackett
9972- Tina Mallory
9972- Sharon Upchurch
9972- Sharon Campbell
9972- Theresa Denoyer
9972- Cindy Jo Ferguson
9972- Kum Kremer
9972- Katherine Williams
9972- Penny Yan Farris
9972- Dixie Billings
9972- Leigh Jennings
9972- Minnie Davidson

9972- Lee Roukas
9972- Corey Nadeau
9972- Mark Spear
9972- Karen Ellingson
9972- Barry Miller
11014- Helen McKinney
11014- Crystal McKinnon
11014- Dianna Moyes
11014- Jody Groth
11014- Karrine Hoover
11014- Joyce Handyside
11014- Veronica Patterson
11014- Patty Hudson
11014- J. R. Frush
11014- Suz Wood
11014- Steve Berg
12128- Kymberlee Roberts

We Miss You Cards:

3632- Donna Halstead
3632- Karen Cherast
3632- Eileen Hughbanks
3632- Sandra Hurley

Congratulations:

3632- Carol Hogan

Thank You Cards:

3632- James W"Bill" Oxford

Anniversary:

9401- Marie Woodruff



Auxiliary	April	May	June	July	August	Sept	October	Nov	Dec	January	Feb
769			X					X	X		
1763			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2357	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
6790	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
7061									X		X
8242	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X
541											
6739		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7400	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10227		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
12128	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
40		X									
285		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
1433	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
3715	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X
12098		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
720	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1760											
1796	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3513											
3632	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	
9400	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
549	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	
3578	X	X	X	X	X		X			X	X
4903							X			X	
5990	X	X								X	
10254			X								



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

SPECIAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 21, 2020

FROM: Department President Sheila Lee-Eiler
Department Scholarships Chairman Brenda Kinghorn
Department Youth Activities Chairman Dani Greene

TO: Department Officers
District Presidents and Secretaries
Auxiliary Presidents and Secretaries
Past Department Presidents

RE: YOUNG AMERICAN PATRIOTIC ART SCHOLARSHIP
And
ILLUSTRATING AMERICA CONTEST

Earlier this month National Headquarters staff sent out an email regarding deadlines for entries in the Young American Patriotic Art Contest and the Illustrating America contests. While the National deadline for both contests remains the same (May 5, 2020), the Departments were given the option of extending the Auxiliary and Department deadlines. The Department President has agreed to extend the deadlines as follows:

**YOUNG AMERICAN CREATIVE
PATRIOTIC ART**

Student Entries to Local Auxiliary –
April 17, 2020

First Place Auxiliary Winner to
VFW Auxiliary Department
Headquarters -
April 27, 2020

**MAIL OR DELIVER FIRST PLACE
WINNER TO**

VFW Auxiliary Dept. of AZ
326 E. Burrows St.
Tucson, AZ 85704

**DO NOT SEND TO THE DEPARTMENT
CHAIRMAN BRENDA KINGHORN**

ILLUSTRATING AMERICA

Student Entries to Local Auxiliary –
April 17, 2020

First Place Auxiliary Winner to
Department Chairman -
April 27, 2020

**MAIL OR DELIVER FIRST PLACE
WINNER TO**

Department Youth Activities Chrm.
Dani Greene
947 S. Phelps Dr.
Apache Junction, AZ 85120



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

SPECIAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 30, 2020

FROM: Department President Sheila Lee-Eiler

TO: Department Officers
District Presidents and Secretaries
Auxiliary Presidents and Secretaries
Past Department Presidents
Department Program Chairmen

RE: Cancellation of April Meetings

The current governmental reaction to the COVID-19 pandemic is to ask everyone but essential personnel to stay indoors and limit the potential exposure to the virus for another 30 days – through the end of April.

MEETING CANCELLATIONS

We strongly suggest the cancellation of all meetings that were to be held in April - Auxiliary Business Meetings and District Meetings. The Department VFW Auxiliary leadership has discussed this matter at length. The VFW Department Commander agrees with this assessment and is considering options for the VFW Posts. We realize that the Auxiliaries tried to put plans in place to keep their members safe (safe distances, telecommunicating, etc.) but those measures may not be enough. Our Auxiliary members need to set the example asked of them by our government leaders. Let's set the example for other organizations, businesses and the general public. We need to practice being good citizens.

DEPARTMENT CIRCLE OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The Growth in Membership requirement for the Department Circle of Excellence: 100% plus by April 30, 2020 has been extended to May 15, 2020. Those Auxiliaries that are close to 100% plus but cannot approve new/rejoin members due to the April meeting cancellation will have the extra time to hold their May meeting or to call a special meeting to approve new/rejoin members.

DPARTMENT PROGRAM SUMMARIES

The Program Summary deadline to the Department Chairmen has not changed and remains April 20, 2020. We anticipate that the Auxiliary leadership will be able to coordinate completing those reports by phone or email. Should you have any questions regarding program summaries, please contact the appropriate Department Chairman.

As we wind down 2019-2020, and you complete End of Year (EOY) reports, please make sure to answer each question as best you can. The Chief of Staff EOY questions 1 and 2 require multiple answers. I look forward to receiving and reading the reports. Please stay safe and healthy.

Auxiliary	3.28.20	Delegates	Comp Mbrs	Del/Reg Fees
40	41	5	1	\$ 24.00
285	20	2	1	\$ 12.00
404	186	19	2	\$ 84.00
541	137	14	1	\$ 60.00
549	392	40	4	\$ 176.00
720	75	8	2	\$ 40.00
769	305	31	1	\$ 128.00
1433	225	23	3	\$ 104.00
1677	153	16	2	\$ 72.00
1704	57	6	1	\$ 28.00
1760	107	11	1	\$ 48.00
1763	154	16	2	\$ 72.00
1796	65	7	2	\$ 36.00
2190	47	5	1	\$ 24.00
2357	117	12	1	\$ 52.00
2364	29	3	3	\$ 24.00
2555	137	14	1	\$ 60.00
3513	131	14	1	\$ 60.00
3578	78	8	1	\$ 36.00
3584	85	9	1	\$ 40.00
3632	141	15	1	\$ 64.00
3713	122	13	2	\$ 60.00
3715	51	6	1	\$ 28.00
4903	138	14	2	\$ 64.00
5990	142	15	2	\$ 68.00
6271	107	11	2	\$ 52.00
6306	160	16	1	\$ 68.00
6739	173	18	3	\$ 84.00
6790	259	26	2	\$ 112.00
7061	111	12	2	\$ 56.00
7400	166	17	1	\$ 72.00
7968	914	92	3	\$ 380.00
8053	111	12	2	\$ 56.00
8242	339	34	1	\$ 140.00

9907	271	28	3	\$ 124.00
9972	794	80	5	\$ 340.00
9977	102	11	1	\$ 48.00
10005	403	41	3	\$ 176.00
10227	67	7	1	\$ 32.00
10254	86	9	1	\$ 40.00
10385	53	6	1	\$ 28.00
10386	196	20	1	\$ 84.00
10726	126	13	1	\$ 56.00
11014	200	20	2	\$ 88.00
12043	29	3	1	\$ 16.00
12098	20	2	1	\$ 12.00
12128	30	3	1	\$ 16.00

District 3

Auxiliary Presidents within District 3 have cancelled all planned activities due to COVID-19. However, we are planning to have virtual meetings to hold elections.

District 5

549 Tucson

April 3, 2020 We will be collecting food for Esperanza En Escalante Home. Car Hop Dinners from Mondays through Fridays from 4 to 7. Each day a different meal. Other activities canceled due to Coronavirus

4903 Tucson

Spruce Up and other activities canceled due to Coronavirus

5990 Marana

Grab and go meals dates to be determined. Activities canceled due to Coronavirus.

10254 Three Points

No Activities due to Coronavirus

3578 Ajo

No activities due to Corona virus



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Here we are in April already and your year-end reports are due to me by April 20th. If you have any questions or need help filling them out, please don't hesitate to call me. I am here to help you. You did the work so please report it. Some have said to me "we don't need recognition" or "we don't have the wall space for more plaques". Well, we as a whole auxiliary do need the recognition to keep our not for profit status. If you don't have the wall space for another plaque, remove the older ones and replace them with new ones. Why store the older ones? Ask those chairmen if they would like them. Maybe the president at the time or another member may like to have them. You won't know unless you ask. Speaking of asking, I am asking each Auxiliary to send me 2-3 pictures of your Family Freedom Event. Send them by text, e-mail or snail mail. If you email them, please put your auxiliary number in the subject line. I am asking to receive them by April 10th so I can make a photo collage for our National Americanism Ambassador. I am also extending the collage I asked for in the August pinpoints to that date as well. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Please take the necessary precautions to keep you and yours safe and

“BUDDY POPPY®”/NATIONAL HOME

Every Poppy purchased by Post/Auxiliary sends money to the National Home

Don't forget to “gift” Life Memberships to folks and to your local newspaper as associate members – it helps to Get the word out!

Easter and Spring are upon us! Decorate with Poppies! We can do centerpieces, wreaths and wall décor.

For those of you who create your own greeting cards, consider a Poppy display with the “Buddy Poppy” ® Story on the back!

What a great way to get the story out! Perhaps you do special Thank You's or Thinking of You greetings. Whatever the thought, the Poppy can and should be utilized.

Hopefully everyone has had their display judged by now and will be showing them to many in their Community to further education.



Spring and Easter decorating is still fun and attractive with Poppies!

The VFW National Home has sent out a huge thank you to all who helped raise funds for their kitchen renovation last year. It looks awesome now, as attached pictures show. They are so proud to be able to serve our veterans and their families with an up to date kitchen in the



PDP SHEILA SHUTTS CHAIRPERSON

EMAIL: shutts@citlink.net



Why volunteer to become the 2020-21 Auxiliary Historian/Media Relations Chair?

This is without a doubt the best way to learn what the Auxiliary is about!

Prepares you for District & Department Chairmanships.

Allows you to learn about all the programs.

Increases written/verbal communication skills.

Enhances computer software knowledge.

Provides opportunities to work closely with other Auxiliary members.

Improves photography skills.

I am always available to help!

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Email: brenprice86@gmail.com

SPRING IS HERE, and with that comes a refreshing renewal of our spirits.

Volunteer or Donate

Check out the Volunteer Recruitment Awards for Members:

- Citation to one member in each Program Division who recruits the most Hospital (VA and non-VA) Volunteers from July 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.
- "Hospital Volunteer Recruiter of the Year" plaque awarded to one member in the nation who recruits the most Hospital (VA and non-VA) Volunteers from July 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.
- Serving Our Veterans with Aloha Keepsake to one member in the nation for the most unique method of promoting veteran and military suicide prevention or mental health awareness.

The above awards will be presented at the National Convention in July, if it is held. Hope you got your nominations in for these awards to recognize your volunteers.

Year-end reports are due to me not later than April 20, 2020. You have worked hard this year - you did the work so please report all you have done.

Each VA Medical Center has a VA Voluntary Service Committee comprised of representatives from community organizations whose members participate in the VAVS program. This committee recruits new volunteers and communicates patient needs to the community.

Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (AKA- Tucson VA) benefits from the services of over 1,200 individual volunteers each year. An average of 100 volunteers are on duty each day helping to make SAVAHCS a health care center of excellence. The mission of the Southern AZ VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS) Volunteer Program is to be recognized as a leader in the utilization of volunteers and charitable donations and to enhance Veteran satisfaction through the delivery of compassionate, high quality care. For additional information on the Tucson VA, please contact (520) 629-1822.

The Phoenix VA Health Care System benefits from the services of more than 1,500 individual volunteers each year. Our volunteers provide assistance each day to ensure this remains a health care center of excellence. Our volunteers encompass all ages and experiences from the young to the seasoned senior citizen who bring with them a wealth of life experiences. These volunteers strive to be recognized as leaders in the community and enhance Veteran satisfaction through the delivery of compassionate, high quality care and services. Volunteer Office in Bldg. 23, NE corner of property 650 E. Indian School Road, Phoenix, AZ 85012 602-222-6419

Northern Arizona VA Health Care System (AKA – Prescott VA) benefits from the services of over 500 individual volunteers each year. Over 40 volunteers are on duty each day helping to make this a health care center of excellence. Volunteers of all ages and life experiences serve in many capacities at NAVAHCS. Patricia Aljets Voluntary Services Manager Bldg. 15 – Theater 928-776-6083 Patricia.Aljets@va.gov or Paul Flack Voluntary Services Specialist 928-776-6013 Paul.Flack@va.gov

[Veterans Crisis Line](https://www.veteranscrisisline.net) (1.800.273.8255) REMEMBER 20 a Day is 2 Many

Do you KNOW the number?

sitting on Senate Veterans Committee desks. I think that the grease needed to move it through channels is US!

My husband is a Tet Offensive veteran. He watched the dropping of Agent Orange as a young Marine. Navigating the system for medical assistance and disability pay is mind-blowing. Generally, our military receives little, if any, information during discharge on navigating a bureaucracy that seems to be dedicated to denying claims. Very often, young veterans feel daunted by the forms, the time involved and the employees who have little, if any frame of reference to their issues. Their response is to give up what is due them by law.

We as citizens need to join the game. It is up to us to make Congress push Veterans' legislation through the House and Senate. One of the best ways to do this is to join forces with likeminded citizens. Cooperation is the key for a positive outcome. I can assure you that the VFW is not the only veteran's organization in the fight. Check with your neighbors, civic groups, family members and the random stranger in the store. You'd be surprised how big a response you will receive.

Go online and check for the legislation that resonates with you. Be vocal! Write or call your legislators' offices. Express your thoughts—politely, of course—be sure to say please and thank you. I'd say remind them that you vote and you are active in the community where you live. This will remind them that YOU are their boss and not the other way around.

Stay active. Stay involved. Try to help where you can or direct them to service officers. Always say thank you for your service. They need to know we appreciate them. To our Auxiliary Veterans, I say thank you for your service. You are so vital to this organization.

Have a great month!! Don't forget to work on your legislative reports and get them to me not later than April 20, 2020. Well, we made it through another month. Unfortunately, the legislation that I shared with you last month is still sitting on Senate Veterans Committee desks. I think that the grease needed to move it through channels is US!

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The program year in review...how did you do? If every month you have been recording your activities on your monthly PAR you are ahead of the game! Our program year ends on March 31st and your Summary for each program is due to the Dept. Chairman by April 20th.

If you haven't gotten together to work on your summaries now is a great time to bring your members together to work on those Summaries. Utilize member communication such as text messaging and email to ask your members to bring any photos they have of your events to this get together. You don't need to have an encyclopedia of information and photos for each program, so pick the items that best illustrate how you fulfilled the items in each program.



The link to the Membership page is <https://azvfwaux.org/membership-program> with the Year End Summary link is shown in **red** just below my picture and you have the option of either filling it out in Word format or print a PDF version.

Although the program year is ended on March 31st for you to complete the items on the summary, our membership year is far from over. Membership numbers will continue until the end of the Auxiliary year on June 30th. Keep calling your annual members for their renewal and keep recruiting! The goal of every Auxiliary is not to have the highest number of members but to keep the enthusiasm of the members of the organization and grow community awareness for our cause.



Please call, text or email me for any assistance you may desire regarding your Year End Summary. You have all been doing so much for the organization throughout the year and we would like to see



Arizona VFW Auxiliary Member

Tiki is at **100.01%**

Congratulations!

**Fantastic Job of both Recruiting and
Retaining Members!**

Arizona Aloha Membership Team Starters

Awesome Job on Recruiting 1 to 4 New or Re-join Members! You are well on your way to the Red, White and Blue Lei Page! Happy Recruiting!

Alison Prevendar	Charles Holt	Evelyn Riegle	Ken White Cotton	Olivia Collins
Allan Connell	Charlotte Gorman	Gary Drysdale	Keirstin Parker Kimberly Baldwin	Pamela Baker
Amy Bennett	Christine Forrester	George Bayer	Kirk Lane	Pat Navarro
Andrew Sage	Chuck Williams	Glorianna Hamlin	Kristy Burke	Patricia Emery
Anita Martin	Connie Hargreaves	Greg Harrell	Laure Bennett	Patrick O Connell
Annette Williams	Conrad Welch	Helena Gage	Leslie Farnsworth	Paula Walter
Arlys Gowen	Constance Zawacki	Hugues Byrne	Linda Page	Raomna Aarnold
Autumn Gleave	Darlene Hitchcock	Jacqueline Hayden	Lisa McCluney	Ray Gerving
Bambi Johnson	David Degard	James Carpenter	Lisa Slamin	Reba Dermody
Barbara Walls	David Hixon	James Jonas	Loretta Lauer	Rhonda Heggs
Betty Amolsch	David Price	James Manley	Lorna Lindert	Rhonda Rakes Brown
Beverly Hinds	Deanna Heilman	Jane Miles Janice Hunsaker	Luis Beltran	Robert Dumont
Bill McArthur	Deanna Pesek	Janice Robertson	Lynn Pierre	Robert Hyde Jr
Bobby DeBoard	Delores Hatfield	Jann Wood	Margaret Robison	Roger Gowen
Brandy Sabala	Denis Sommerfield	Jean Braa	Marie Woodruff	Rose Hoagland
Brenda Kinghorn	Derek Hulsebus	Jean Wendt	Marlayne Ponteccroi	Roxanna Payntar
Brenda Lloyd	Diane Gouge	Judy James	Mary Darr	Ruth Coak
Brenda McCulla	Diane Patrick	Jeanne Koenig	Mary Mason	Ruth Malick
Candace Andrews	Don Wood	Jennifer Goss	Matthew Dion	Sally Sandiford
Carol Gerving	Doug Downey	Jennifer Higby	Mike Kemery	Sandra Mills
Carol Gregory	EJ Granado	Jim Tyrus	Mike Myers	Sandra Shuman
Carol Hogan	Elaine Lehman	JoDelle Soderquist	Mike Sward	Sarah Elkins
Carol Schwinn	Elizabeth Adams	Jody Pitcher	Mimia Miknaitis	Shanda Leffelman
Caroline Murray	Elizabeth Wolfenbarger	Jolene McDonald	Nicholas Root	Sharon Eichelberger
Carolyn Hurt	Elvin Propst	Joseph Krysiak	Nicole Atkinson	Sharon Gilfoil Sharon Lee
Carolyn Wuinton	Emilie Newman	Kathryn Lambert	Nicole Beck	Sharon Powell

Sheila Eiler	Vince Mitchell	Gabriel Forsberg
Sherri Dailey	Weezie Burrell	Gerri Khalaf
Sidney Rice	William Pessaro	James Mohler
Sonya Schults	Wilson Copeland	John Gillis
Sonya Schultz	Yvonne Cox	Kathy Mitchell
Spencer Labady	Bobby Trujillo	Kim Sloan
Stachia Clark	Christopher Sztuk	Londell Benner
Stefanie Horlacher	Cindy Duteuple	Louise Burrell
Stella Baker	Dennis Skaar	Marcia Daniels
Stephanie Gregory	Don Christensen	Mary Ahonen
Susan Kane	Eva Marie	Patricia Roberts
Terri Heitstuman	Jacquilyn Miller	Randall Ferderico
Terri Novak	Jamie Risedorf	Richard Mills
Therese Hixson	Jeannette Bush	Rick Parks
Therese Olsen	Linda Verstraet	Robert Myres
Thomas Obryant	Maneta Lathrop	Robyn Hubbard
Tom Hunter	Marlene Pacheco	Rose Wahlrab
Toni Johnson	Nyla Romero	Rosemarie Morris
Torie Miller	patricia Thomas	Sandra Linquist
Velvet Stucker	Ronald Peo	Signe Williams
Vickey Robertson	Sheila Meyer	Teresa Wright
Vicki Rippel	Shirley Whitacre	Theresa Degard
Vince Mitchell	Brenda Bender	Thomas Jones
Weezie Burrell	Amber Thompson	Wendy Morine
William Pessaro	Anita Hess	Wes Coleman
Wilson Copeland	Bob Hysko	

5 or more New or Rejoins for 2019-2020



Kerry Strand 22	David Price 7	Dani Greene 26
	Pamela Van Winkle 5	
Liz Wolfenbarger 9		Verla Fish 7
	Jan Snyder 19	
Michael Miller 5	Gayle Holt 16	Russ Parnell 7
Daniel Greene 30		Becky Kent 11
	Kim Harney 16	Bambi Johnson 5
Hugues Byrne 5	Thomas Loebach 11	Jim Johnson 11
Marie Thomas 9	Linnie Romero 15	Debi Rankin 8
		Jane Miles 5
Lynn Pierre 6	Mark Schrand 6	
		Carol Pickering 15
MJ Bonnell 27	Johnette DeBoard 12	
	Wendy Moore 12	Kristina White Cotton 7
Jean Braa 7	Virginia Ingram 5	
Rhonda Monroe 7		Jeanne Hampton 5
	David Moeller Jr 12	Kathryn Doran 13
Melissa Martin 10	Kristie Purnell 13	Claire Crawford 5
		Janae Kemery 22
Jason Walker 28	Rose Hoagland 5	Yvonne Cox 7
		Joanne Pooley 12
Chris Jones 5		Joy Fleming 9
Vicki Roberson 13	Nancy Horlacher 7	

Mentors Should Be Enthusiastic About the Role

When you are looking for a mentor. They need to be enthusiastic—almost to the point of being too enthusiastic.

A Mentor Should Fit You

A good mentor will create a strategy that fits your needs, talents, skills, and desires and push you towards a better you—not towards a clone of themselves.

Mentors Value Learning

Good mentors are life-long learners, excited to share their knowledge and should want to pass that desire on to everyone they come in contact with. They should realize that while they are experts, they cannot possibly know everything.

Mentors Encourage You to Step Out of Your Comfort Zone

All people have a zone in which they operate and live in. They are comfortable and able to excel in this zone. This is called a comfort zone.

They Are Active Listeners

A mentor needs to be able to listen without distractions to what you are saying. They should be involved in the conversation, prompting you for clarity or more information.

Mentors Know How to Provide Feedback

Everyone can benefit from feedback it is essential. Even the most skilled and knowledgeable person is a beginner at something, requiring feedback to continue to grow in their new skills.

They Treat Others Respectfully

Respect and tactful and not judgmental for others are not limited to mentors, but it should be on your list of requirements for yours.

They Are Experts in Their Field

Mentors are not just respectful, enthusiastic people. They should be considered an expert in their field, and be in the same field you are hoping to become an expert in. It is possible for a mentor to not be an expert in the field you work in and provide excellent guidance.

Pessimist: A person who says that O is the last letter of ZERO, instead of the first letter in the word OPPORTUNITY.” – *Anonymous*

Happy Easter



Program Summary

“Continuing Our Service to Veterans and Their Families”

Auxiliary _____ Number of Members _____

Reporting Period for Summary: April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020
Due Date to the Department Chairman - **April 20, 2020**

1. How many of your members became mentors within your Auxiliary.
2. How did your Auxiliary promote the “*Mentoring for Leadership Program*”.
3. Describe how your Auxiliary used “*Mentoring at the VFW Auxiliary-Relationship Building for the Future*” materials.
4. Describe how your Auxiliary used any mentoring resources available from the National Website under resources.

Are you going to continue to implement mentoring and use these tools in your Auxiliary?
Y N

5. Did you submit any of your member mentors for the Mentoring Citation award to the Department Chairman? **Y N**

Did you submit your OWN Auxiliary for the “*Mentoring for Leadership Program*” Citation? **Y N**

6. How did your Auxiliary promote the Mentoring Leadership Program during your Family Freedom Festival event(s)



Chairperson BRENDA KINGHORN Email: breadfriends@msn.com

The VFW announced winners of its 2019-2020 Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen scholarship contests on March 2 during the Parade of Winners at the 2020 VFW Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C.

Congratulations to our Department of Arizona VOD winner, Genevieve Hayes From Casa Grande, District 10. Genevieve was awarded the \$2,000 Fridley VFW Post and Auxiliary Scholarship (MN) & Department of Michigan and Auxiliary Scholarship (combined).

Department of Arizona Patriot's Pen winner, Casseus Rhodes, from Apache Junction, District 10, came in 2nd in Nationals. He received a \$4,000, in VFW Award Scholarship, congratulations!

The 2020-2021 themes will be announced in the coming months and entry forms will be available on the VFW and VFW Auxiliary websites.

Good luck to the Department of Arizona VFW Auxiliaries that sent in:

Continuing Education Scholarship – National
Arizona VFW Auxiliary Merit Scholarship
Arizona VFW Auxiliary Educational Grant

Please Note Changes to Patriotic Art Deadlines and submission of artwork:

Student Entries to Local Auxiliary – April 17, 2020

First Place Auxiliary Winner to VFW Auxiliary Department Headquarters - April 27, 2020

MAIL OR DELIVER FIRST PLACE WINNER TO:

VFW Auxiliary Dept. of AZ
326 E. Burrows St.
Tucson, AZ 85704

DO NOT SEND TO THE DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN BRENDA KINGHORN

Veterans and Family Support - Chairperson Janae Kemery

Email: janaetrout@yahoo.com

Awards Available by National

National gives a citation to every Department Chairman for participation supporting veterans and their families.

A citation to every Auxiliary that supports families of veterans and sent in the form, Veterans & Family Support Award for Auxiliaries #1 2019-2020 Program [Year](#) . I will be forwarding these forms to National. Besides the citation that every Auxiliary gets there is a citation and \$50 to one Auxiliary in the nation with the most outstanding support of families of veterans.

As I was traveling around the state this year, I heard about many good events that your Auxiliaries have done for veterans and families. I will be excited with all of the entries that I received on the 31st. They will be forward to our National Ambassador Wendy by April 30, 2020 for judging. The winning entry will be announced at the 2020 National Convention in Reno, Nevada.

For National judging the states will be split into ten divisions (five in each division).

Reminder End of Year Summaries are due to me NLT April 20th.

April is here...

We are coming to the end of our year & unfortunately this has been a tough month for our Country, and our community. I pray this all passes quickly. With that being said, I know some of you have had some concerns regarding schools, libraries and most youth activity programs being closed for the time being. It can make it hard to carry out some of your programs & awards asked of you. Hopefully most of you got them done, and it's not a worry. For the ones that were last minute nellies, here is what to do. Document in your YER the things you did to start the ball rolling, reach out to contacts you have and let them know that even though social distancing is in effect we are still following through with our programs. There might not be an awards banquet for it, but you can send them the certificates and any awards that your Auxiliary decided to give. Take pictures of them for your chairman book. Document everything you did in your report.

Remember I need your end of the year report no later than April 20th, 2020. There has been an extension to the student entries submission of Illustrating America to your Auxiliary of April 17th & the Illustrating America First Place Auxiliary Winner submission to me no later than April 27th. I understand that these are hard times for us all, but we need to let our youth know that we are diligent on carrying out these programs regardless. Consistency is key for our youth.

Questions 9 & 10 on your Program Summary –

Question 9 - Describe how you "TEAMED UP" with your Auxiliary and Post for a Youth Activities event – did you split a sponsorship, hold a special event. explain how you did this with your Comrades. One Team, One Fight!

Describing how your Auxiliary & Post teamed up, just give a brief description of a project you worked on together, remember it does not have to be your Post, it can be any Post. A picture would be great of all of you together, if you have one.

Question 10 - Did your Auxiliary hold a Family Freedom Festival, how did you promote your Youth Activities Program at the event?

Well that's self-explanatory by now you all know what Family Freedom Festivals are, briefly describe what you did for the youth program. The who, what, why, where and a picture. If you run into a roadblock, please call me and let me help you or give you some pointers and or ideas as to how we can fix it together. I'm here to help!

My contact information and links are listed below if you have questions....

Reminder: Patriotism through Literacy & Illustrating America need to get completed and put into your Program Summary.

Go to the website for further mentoring - www.vfwauxiliary.org/resources

<https://www.azvfwaux.org/youth-activities-program> . National VFW Auxiliary website <https://vfwauxiliary.org> or the AZ VFW Auxiliary website <https://www.azvfwaux.org>



vider for food insecurity in the State of Arizona, is down by 70% workforce and seeing a 200% increase in need of food at this time.

We are putting forth a challenge, for the entire State of Arizona, calling into duty our magnificent volunteer corps to volunteer a 2 hour shift (or more), helping to pack emergency food boxes.

“Be a ray of sunshine in a moment of hardship”

Individual VFW Posts and VFW Auxiliaries are

welcome to volunteer as individuals, Posts or Districts.

We need your help! This fulfills so much of our commitment to Veterans, to Active Military families, to our community and to the call of the National VFW to address food insecurity.

To pack Emergency Food Boxes register at: <https://volunteer.firstfoodbank.org/>

Click “Volunteer Now” (top left corner)

Click “Opportunity Calendar” (after registering)

Scroll down to April 15th

Click “Emergency Food Box Packing – Spring “20”

Scroll to Wednesday April 15th from 9:00am – 11:00am

Click the “+” sign

Follow the instructions from there.

Wednesday April 15

9:00 AM – 11:00AM

LOCATION:

St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance

Del Webb Warehouse

2831 N. 31 Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85009 (Thomas & 31st Ave.)

St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance Volunteer Coordinator:

Elizabeth Sotelo (602) 343 3135 esotelo@firstfoodbank.org

Thank you for answering this call to duty,

Tom Judd,

VFW Commander, Department of Arizona

NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS



No One Rides Alone

Department President Shirt 2020 – 2021

The shirt is a blue denim button up shirt with a pocket on the left with the emblem above the pocket..
 Women's shirts are short sleeved. Men's shirts come in both short and long sleeve.

ONE SHIRT ORDER PER FORM

Ladies Size		Quantity	Size	Price
Small to XL	\$30	_____	_____	_____
2X – 4X	\$35	_____	_____	_____

Men's Size		Quantity	Size	Price
Small to XL	\$30	_____	_____	_____
XXL – 4X	\$35	_____	_____	_____

Men's Short Sleeve _____ Men's Long Sleeve _____

Totals \$ _____

Name: _____ Post / Auxiliary # _____

Email address: _____ Phone: _____

Paid Check #: _____

Send the completed form with payment to:

Melody Judd
 381 N. 3rd Avenue
 Show Low, AZ 85901

CONVENTION 2020

Scottsdale Plaza Resort

7200 N. Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85253

Tuesday June 2 thru Sunday June 7, 2020

Phone reservations 800-832-2025 Code "VFW Conference"

Request special considerations at this time (handicap, first floor etc...)

Room Rates: Deluxe King/Double Queen \$89.00 + tax

Deadline for Reservations is May 2, 2020

Commander & Presidents Reception Saturday June 6, 4:00 pm

\$35⁰⁰ea For reservations: (you must make a reservation by May 2, 2020)

Tickets will not be mailed. Pick up your tickets at the VFW registration table at convention.

Send Checks to: Veterans of Foreign Wars

6423 S. Ash Ave

Tempe, AZ 85283

Payable to: "VFW Dept of AZ"

For more info: Ski Kuczynski 480-941-5258

email - azvfw3@gmail.com

Please note on check: "Convention Banquet"

Table reservations can ONLY be made for tables of ten (10). \$350 must be on ONE check and noted "Convention Table of 10". All others are first come, first served.

Service Office Opens in Tempe at 6423 S. Ash Ave, Tempe, AZ 85283

As the largest organization of combat veterans, we understand the frustrations that can arise when filing a claim with the Department of Veterans Affairs. The claims process can be confusing and one that service members and veterans shouldn't try to navigate alone. That's why the AZ VFW established an office in Tempe to help all veterans, service members and their families. VFW Service Officers are with America's veterans every step of the way once they're ready to file a claim. This is a service the VFW is proud to offer--free of charge--to anyone seeking assistance with the claims process.

At this time we only have one Service Officer servicing the Tempe location every Tuesday from 10:00am to 2:00pm. We are looking for volunteers to serve as a Service Officer at the Tempe location so that we will have the most efficient and helpful service possible. If you are interested in becoming a Service Officer, please call 480-941-5258 (Mon-Fri 8 to 3pm) for an appointment.

We have service officers who are experts in dealing with the VA and are the key to your success. Our cadre of highly-trained and professional advocates help veterans cut through bureaucratic red tape. In 2016 alone, VA reports veterans represented by the VFW received more than \$7.2 billion in earned benefits. VFW Service Officers are trained experts, helping veterans develop their case with ease by reviewing and applying current law, pertinent legislation, regulations and medical histories. As skilled professionals, we assist in filing for disability compensation, rehabilitation and education programs, pension and death benefits, and employment and training programs. Furthermore, we won't hesitate to request hearings before the VA and the Board of Veterans' Appeals.



NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.

Take this opportunity to promote your business, candidate, publicize a Post/District or just say hello, happy birthday etc... in the 2019-20 convention program.

All participants of the 100th annual convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Arizona, will receive this book. We are expecting over 1500 people again this year. This program book lists all scheduled activities and is used as a guide book. Advertising rates are listed to the right. Simply complete this form and mail it along with a CAMERA READY AD COPY or email PDF. If you have any questions or need help submitting, please call me. 480-941-5258

Materials must arrive at the Arizona VFW state office by May 1, 2020 to be included in this book. Payment must accompany the ad copy. We have the right to refuse ads not conforming with VFW viewpoints and values.

**VFW Dept. of AZ is a 501(c)(19) tax exempt organization. #86-0076886. A receipt will be mailed to your address listed below upon request.*

Questions may be directed to Ski Kuczynski, at the state office 480-941-5258 azvfw3@gmail.com

DETACH AND RETURN WITH AD COPY AND PAYMENT

(email ad copy if possible to azvfw3@gmail.com)

- ☐ One-half page (\$40.00)
- ☐ Full page ad (\$75.00)
- ☐ Vendor Table \$150.00 (3 days May 30, 31, & June 1)
Limited number of tables available (Thurs, Fri & Sat)

Name

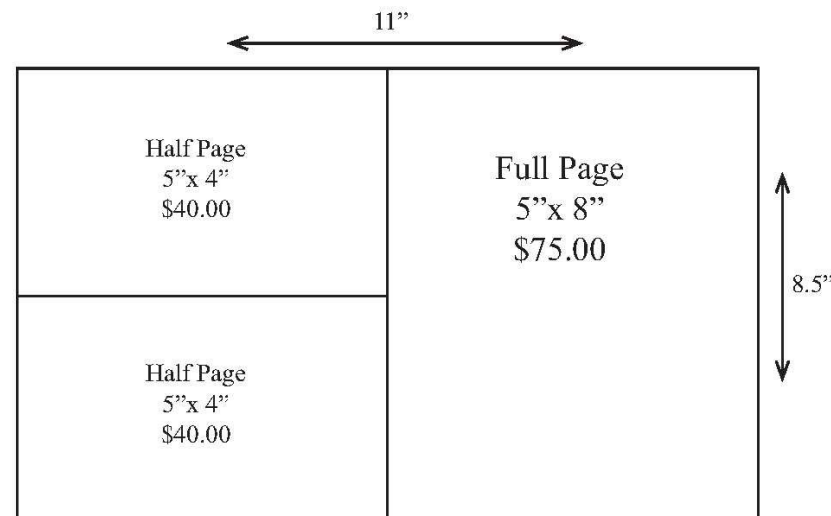
Address

2019-2020
 Arizona Veterans of Foreign Wars
 State Convention June 3- June 7, 2020

Scottsdale Plaza

7200 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale AZ 85253
 800-306-0059 • Fax: 480-948-0513 www.scottsdaleplaza.com

Convention Book Advertising Opportunity



**All ads will be printed in black & white*

Checks should be made payable to:

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