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"Together Everyone Achieves More For Our Veterans"

"Hands That Serve, Hearts That Care"



Department President Jeanenne Lumpkin

December is a month where we are busy doing a million things! It is important that we continue to help our veterans and their families during the holiday season. Also doing special things for our surviving spouses during December can truly make a difference in their lives. Things you can do to make their holidays more meaningful are:

- Treat them to a Christmas luncheon at your Post.
- Give them a gift card to help with their holiday expenses.
- Surprise them with a basket of food items or goodies.
- A simple phone card or Christmas card can mean the world to them.

Let's put our surviving spouses first on our list when we are thinking of those we care about during this season.

I want to thank Districts 9 and 12 for the hospitality at their District meetings. It is always great to get to see the members I know and meet new members. You are all doing a great job!!

This month I want to thank our Auxiliary Presidents and officers for the time and work you put into your Auxiliaries. As I have visited Districts, it makes me smile when I see how you are working together in a friendly and fun manner. When you connect as a team, members want to engage and be a part of helping to make your Auxiliary a success. Keep up the good work!!

<u>Auxiliary Presidents</u>, your reports are due to your District Presidents by December 10 so that they can get them into their Department Chairman by their deadline. Postmarks do not count. It would be very helpful if you would submit them early. Working together as a TEAM on reporting makes it easier for everyone.

At the Southern Conference the Department of Texas was recognized as the #1 Department for Membership (out of 14 Departments). It was so exciting to hear Donna James' and Ramona Henson's names announced as our Membership Chairmen. Thank you, Auxiliary members for making our Department shine!

Mid-Winter is just around the corner. We are expecting a great turnout! Make sure you send your reservation form back with your meal choice and your check as soon as possible. Reservations are in advance and not sold at the door.

The Department office will close for the Christmas holiday Friday, December 23 and reopen Tuesday, December 27 and for the New Year Holiday will close Friday, December 30 and reopen Tuesday, January 3.

I want to wish you and your families a most Blessed Christmas! May your New Year be filled with love and prosperity.

Love and Belief, Jeanenne



CHAPLAIN CORNER Irma Solis – Dept. Chaplain

Tis the season for love and sharing. Remember those that have struggled with health, family or death. Keep them in thoughts and prayers.

Some duties of an Auxiliary or District Chaplain, perform opening and closing prayers, participate in Memorial Service. Calls and visits to hospitals, nursing homes when allowed to.

Please send the Auxiliary/District Mid-Year Reports directly to me by December 10. Please do not text the reports. Any reports received after December 10, will be considered late.

Please remember to send me names and addresses of those that need cards sent or calls made.

Merry Christmas, Feliz Navidad to all



VETERANS & FAMILY SUPPORT Sally Jarrett – Chairman Yolanda Chambers – Co-Chairman

Season Greetings to my sisters and brothers of the Department of Texas VFW Auxiliary.

Can you believe that it is December already? It is a pleasure reading the last reports of the year.

You all deserve big applause for your generosity and your dedication to our Veterans and their families. I have received many amazing reports and I am so impressed with how hard everyone has worked. I appreciate everyone that sent their reports in PDF with pictures and donation photos.

Once again, I want to thank you for all your time, energy and outstanding dedication.

Best Wishes for this Joyful Season. Take care of each other and do not forget our Auxiliary's Mission is to support our Veterans and their families.

Hope to see you all at Mid-Winter

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BUDDY® POPPY/NATIONAL HOME

Carol Brietzke – Chairman Merlene Peters – Co-Chairman

This year's goal of the National Ambassador for "Buddy"® Poppy and National Home is to unite the "Buddy"® Poppy and National Home; when we promote one, we can promote the other. "Buddy"® Poppy + National Home = Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes.

Please send all reports and pictures of your involvement with the distribution of "Buddy" Poppies and remember to send a copy of your check.

Don't forget to start working on your State Project with "Buddy" ® Poppies on a picture for judging at Mid-Winter. It will be here before we know it. I have had questions sent to me asking if pictures on posters must be framed? The poster does not have to be framed. Just follow the size requirements for the display.

Be sure and go to the VFW Auxiliary Website and check out the Ambassador's info on her project. Ambassador Cathy Farley has a lot of good suggestions sent in from different chairmen.

Last, we want to say it does not matter the size of your Auxiliary; each one of you are important to this organization. Without you and your support with the programs the VFW Auxiliary would not survive. Great job to you all.

Have a Blessed Christmas with your families and remember all our servicemen that cannot be home and say a prayer for them.

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HISTORIAN/MEDIA RELATIONS Bernadette "Bernie" Adams

I want to thank everyone who has sent me updates on their VFW Auxiliary. Those that are trying to find information on the first Commander, here are a few suggestions. Go to the Historical Office in your town, the library or his name should be on the original Charter. Remember you will be telling your story about your past Post Commander.

Reach out to members in the Auxiliary and ask everyone to take pictures of the projects they are working on at home or in small groups. All the pictures will show that your Auxiliary is actively supporting your community.

Capture what the organization is doing in the present, as the present quickly becomes the past. Have Auxiliary members look at previous historian pictures to get a sense of what was done in the past.

The who, what, when, where and why of an event are important to the story and the history of the VFW Auxiliary.

Keep newspaper articles, take pictures, all make up the basis and history of the Auxiliary.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. See you in Corpus for Mid-Winter.

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES Karen Jeffrey – Chairman Kathy Marrelli – Co-Chairman

A joyous time for giving, showing kindness and love for each other. As parties and events are planned, think outside the box. Flip a coin so to speak. On one side is the community youth and the other side of the coin is hospitalized youth.

What better way to promote National Youth Ambassador Henson's By Youth For Youth than to have the youth from the Post plan, organize and hold a Christmas Party for the youth of the community. Small craft items or cards could be made and handed out to the youth in attendance as party favors.

On the flip side of that coin, hospitalized youth seem to be over looked – but they are still youth within the community. Check with the hospitals, make sure it can be done, then plan and make small craft items to be taken and distributed, make tray favors and have cards for them.

While planning, keep the Nurses taking care of those hospitalized youth in mind and the importance they play. Treat them to snacks and Christmas cards.

In a world that is crazy, the youth coming up need to know that their existence and progression in life, whatever they do is important and does matter. Thank you for the reports and I look forward to many more.

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PROGRAM COORDINATOR Mona Benotti

REPORTING

Mid-Year Reports are due to District Presidents by 12/10. Go to https://www.texasvfwauxiliary.org/

Click "Programs" and "Forms".

You can print and manually fill in OR you it can be used as a fillable form. To use as fillable, download to your computer. Open a form and click on the T (it's inside a box); then move your cursor to the place you want to complete and type.

Every auxiliary is supposed to do the following Mid-Year Reports: Chaplain – Auxiliary Level, Auxiliary Outreach, Americanism, Patriotic Instructor, Buddy Poppy/National Home, Outstanding Auxiliary President, Nursing, Hospital, Legislative, Membership, Mentoring, President's Special Project, Scholarship, Veterans & Family Support, Youth

That is <u>fifteen</u> reports to be done and to District President by 12/10! If you have nothing to report, still send the paper and put your aux name and number. It is best if you scan and email the reports. Postal mail does not always arrive on time. Your District President must review, organize and send to each Department Chairperson by 12/20.



MEMBERSHIP Donna James – Chairman Ramona Henson – Co-Chairman

Please renew membership before December 31, 2022. If sending membership to Department, must be received by December 29 or it will not be entered until Treasurer is back in office after New Year's. December 31 is last date to renew membership. A member who has paid their dues by December 31 is in good standing.

A member ceases to be in good standing on January 1 immediately following the year for which dues have been paid. A member shall not again be in good standing until dues are paid for the current year.

Continuous membership begins again upon receipt of payment. Dues must be paid by June 30 to remain a continuous member. Prior year's dues may not be paid after July 1.

After July 1, you have to fill out an application and be accepted as a new member. Your rejoin date starts new continuous membership timeline. This is found in Podium Book on Sec. 104, page 15. Members cannot hold an office after December 31 if not in good standing. They will be removed per National.

Please get membership paid and recruit new members. Our Auxiliary growth depends on members. Keep Texas growing! Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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SCHOLARSHIPS Robin Swain - Chairman

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. As we wind down the year and Christmas not too far away, I want to thank everyone for your hard work regarding the Voice of Democracy and the Patriots Pen. I can't wait to see who the winners will be. Now is time to concentrate on the Continuing Education Scholarship. This needs to be sent directly to National by February 15^{th,} 2023; you can find the address in the Program Book. Please do not send them to me. There are four \$1,000.00 scholarships awarded each year, one for each of the four VFW Auxiliary Conferences.

Also, the Young American Patriotic Art Contest deadline is March 31, 2023. Remember, there are two separate contests, 2D and 3D. The art needs to be sent directly to me for judging. Remember to pack the artwork carefully so it will not be damaged in the mail. I do want to clear up a little confusion regarding scholarships. Only send me the Young American Patriotic Art entries, not the Illustrating America contest or the Red, White and Blue Singing Contest. These two projects go to the Youth Chairman. I wouldn't want anyone to miss out on the contest by mailing it to the wrong program. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. Have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. I look forward to seeing you at the Mid-Year Conference in Corpus Christi.

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HOSPITAL/VAVS Pamela Fintel - Chairman

Please remember our Hospitalized Veterans during the Christmas season. This can be a lonely time for them. You can send Christmas cards or make a little stocking, even a puzzle or a book can mean so much to them.

Don't forget those Volunteers that are always there to help out. A card with a big "THANK YOU" on it or how about those Volunteer Appreciation Certificates with a little candle or a crocheted cross just to say thank you for all their work for our Veterans.

As we plan on our Christmas Parties or make plans to attend a party, don't forget the Nurses and Hospital staff. Put a little basket together with prepackaged snacks, box of cookies, fruit and a thank you card.

A big "THANK YOU" to all of you who have sent in reports, pictures, receipts, copies of checks for all the work that your Auxiliaries have done for our Hospital Programs. Texas is amazing and has a **BIG, BIG HEART**.

Congratulations to Districts 3, 6, 9, 18, 25 and 29 – 100% for Hospital Pledges and Cancer Grants. I wish each and every one a very **MERRY CHRISTMAS** and a safe and **HAPPY NEW YEAR**.

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LEGISLATIVE Tammie Mosby – Chairman

Wow! This year is almost over. I am so proud of the work all of you have done. But, our work is not over. We must keep fighting for our veterans rights.

One of the bills that the VFW supports is the **H.R.** 1585: Mark Takai Atomic Veterans Healthcare Parity Act. This bill includes veterans who participated in the cleanup of Enewetak Atoll in the Marshall Islands between January 1, 1977, and December 31, 1980, as radiation-exposed veterans for purposes of the Department of Veterans Affairs presumption of serviceconnection for specified cancers. Under a presumption of service-connection, specific conditions diagnosed in certain veterans are presumed to have been caused by the circumstances of their military service. Health care benefits and disability compensation may then be awarded. H.R. 6165: Department of Veterans Affairs Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Processing Claims Improvement Act of 2021 is another bill that the VFW supports. This bill requires the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) within the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to update an ongoing national training program for claims processors who review compensation claims for service-connected posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Such claims processors will be required to participate in the training at least once a year starting in their second year of being a VA claims processor. The training program must be standardized at regional offices of the VBA and include instruction on stressor development and verification. The VBA must establish a formal process to annually analyze training needs based on identified processing error trends. Additionally, the VBA must establish a formal process to conduct annual studies to help guide the national training program for claims processors. Finally, the VBA must evaluate the guidance relating to PTSD to determine if updates are warranted to provide claims processors with better resources regarding best practices for claims processing, including specific guidance regarding development of claims involving compensation for service-connected PTSD.

I am here to help you in any way I can. You can email me at tipurplerose@yahoo.com or by cell phone at 936-414-5293. I just want to remind everyone that **Together Everyone Achieves More For Our Veterans** with Hands That Serve, Hearts That Care.



AMERICANISM Annie Nickerson - Chairman

As the holiday season approaches, remember our veterans and active-duty personnel. While it's easy during the holidays, keep in mind that we need to show that same respect in January and the rest of the year.

Now is the time to keep momentum going by handing out certificates for businesses' flying flags and youth groups for their participation in patriotic events. Set up flag retirements as a year-round event.

Keep working with your local newspapers and radio stations. As they switch to more seasonal programming, more people are listening. You have a great chance to give patriotic facts and encourage all to remember our veterans.

Even though the time is short before the holidays, see if you can get into classrooms to teach the Pledge of Allegiance or hand out some patriotic pencils or some patriotic coloring books or word searches. If the time is too short, make an appointment for right after the holidays to meet with those youngsters.

If you did not already include Blue, Silver and White Star families in your programs, consider having a separate program for them. Remember their specific needs in planning. A potluck dinner with fellowship could go a long way.

Last but not least, remember to report your activities. I'm only a phone call or email away

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As Patriotic Instructor, you should take approximately 5 minutes each meeting (usually during Good of the Order) to inform, enlighten and revitalize your auxiliary

This month explain and demonstrate how to properly fold the flag and how to retire it. Mention various groups around town that routinely hold flag retirement ceremonies such as the Boy Scouts.

Conductress/Conductor to describe or Ask the explain the duties and obligations of being Conductress/Conductor. Ask the Mentoring Chairman to explain his/her program.

Your patriotic dates this month are December 7 - Pearl Harbor Day; December 13 - U.S. National Guard Birthday (1636); December 17 - Wreaths Across America; December 20 - U.S. Space Force Birthday (2019). Discuss these days, possibly plan programs, and always take pictures. Not only is this good for our program, but we can also assist our Posts with their VPR's.

Brainstorm opportunities honoring local merchants, youth groups, JROTC units, sponsored sports teams, etc. RAP (Random Acts of Patriotism) coins and/or certificates - even radio spots – reinforce patriotic actions in the community. And they act like a snowball, continuing and growing!

Last but not least, I'm only a phone call or email away. Remember to report. I love hearing all about the amazing things you are doing! Feel free to contact me with questions or for more material.

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WAYS AND MEANS **Laurie Haves Wiley – Chairman** Ronnie Wiley - Co-Chairman

We celebrate this land that is free and the blessings it provides. God Bless our Troops, you and yours this Holiday season.

Mid-Winter Roundup Wavs & Means promotions:

Lotto Calendars: Calendars are \$20 each. Auxiliary and District President received (5) calendars. The Auxiliary can purchase or sell.

Mid-Winter/ State Convention Raffle

\$1 each or 6 for \$5.

List of Prizes: Yellow Tickets Drawn & given @ MID-WINTER 2023

Men's Leather Jacket Pamper Me Basket w/Quilt Margarita pitcher & 4 glasses VFW Travel Roller Bag Kendra Scott Jewelry (2 Drawings)

Drawn & given @ CONVENTION 2023

Picnic Basket Filled

7-pc Travel Set

Patriotic Picture w/ Handmade Quilt

Remington .22 Caliber Air Rifle

Montana West 3-pc Set (2 bags and a wallet)

BASKET RAFFLE

Each District is to make a raffle basket (valued at \$100.00)

Raffle or auction this basket at your district meeting before Mid-Winter.

Bring a check in amount raised to Mid-Winter or mail to VFW Aux Dept of Texas.

Quarter Auction

Friday- January 20, 2023, starts at 6:00 until 10:00 pm Nueces Ballroom M-W

<u>Each Auxiliary</u> is asked to bring 5 grab bags valued at \$5 each to Mid-Winter.

Each Auxiliary bring a new auction item (valued at \$20) for the Quarter Auction.

<u>President's Special Raffle:</u> \$5 each or 6 for \$25. **Green Tickets**

Prizes given away at the State Convention 2023

Prizes: First Prize -\$1,000.00 Cash

Second Prize - Cedar Chest

Third Prize – 20 qt RTIC Cooler/Wagon

filled with wine and spirits. Fourth Prize – **Handmade Quilt**

Fifth Prize – Anne Klein Handbag (\$89)

Deadline for all Ways and Means 2022-2023 items - due by Mid-Winter.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



CHIEF OF STAFF EXTENSION & REVITALIZATION Denise DuBois

Here it is the end of 2022. The Department of Texas has great auxiliaries and doing great things for our veterans and their families. We are excited about the new auxiliaries being established and will be encouraging for all to be supportive. We need to SHARE ideas and learn from one another. Continue to use all the resources available. Please encourage all members to report ALL they do. Reporting is keeping a record of your Auxiliaries events and history. Reporting is also a requirement from the IRS. The IRS will request these reports and other documentation to prove that the auxiliary is completing the requirements of the mission of our organization. Each auxiliary has to prove their IRS non-profit status.

Keep up the good work and I look forward to seeing each of you at Mid-Winter.

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MENTORING FOR LEADERSHIP Denise DuBois-Chairman

We have been busy the past few months. It has been exciting to hear the stories from the mentors and new leaders. We have learned that communication is the biggest tool that we can use. Getting to know our members and learning what they enjoy doing will provide strength within our auxiliaries, districts and department.

The fun activities at the meetings have proven to be great way to get each one connected. We all enjoy having fun and getting things done as a group.

Keep up the good work. See you in Corpus for Mid-Winter.

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OUTSTANDING DISTRICT PRESIDENT Janet Brown - Chairman

Listen closely! Do you hear the shrill sound of a whistle? A whistle is to get a team's attention. So, attention District Presidents and in fact all Auxiliary Presidents. Be mindful of what you need to be doing, have done and still need to get done for the Outstanding District President Award.

We all want the TEAM to win, but don't you want your District President to be the MVP in the division? Just like a team needs to keep referring to the playbook, you need to refer to the President's book to see what should be done by when. Remember, a game is not over until there are no more minutes on the clock. So, get back in there and give it your all because Together Everyone Achieves More for our Veterans.

Have a wonderful holiday season! Merry Christmas.

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PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT Beth West - Chairman

Have you done it yet? Have you raised funds to support Texas veterans and their surviving spouses? Have you assisted a surviving spouse in your community?

Those are the questions you will need to answer on your Mid-Year reporting. While I am very thankful and absolutely love reading what you are doing, the program does not require monthly reports. Make sure to put all of these wonderful things in your Mid-Year report. Do not leave a single thing out. I want to read it all!!

The holidays are especially hard on surviving spouses. They are going through the motions of cooking and shopping and decorating and hugs and travel and visits and all those things that make the holidays special, but there is a part of their heart missing. Promote the program: let them know they are not alone and there is someone to turn to if on top of it all, they are struggling financially. Fundraise: Help us help them.

This is the season of giving, giving of our time, our talents and our treasurers. Our veterans, our heroes, are our reason. Honor them by "passing the ammo" to another veteran and/or taking care of their loved ones. It's what we do because..." Together Everyone Achieves More For Our Veterans" and is how we show "Hands That Serve, Hearts That Care".

"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another." – Charles Dickens

Peace, Blessings and Merry Christmas!



AUXILIARY OUTREACH Rene Batson - Chairman

I'd like to start out by saying Merry Christmas to everyone. It's hard to believe that the year is half way over already.

I continue to receive your reports daily and enjoy seeing what everyone is doing to help your communities. Reaching out to help our communities is so important and needed, especially this time of year. This is our chance to help in so many ways. Things that we see as being such small things could mean so much more to others. If you're having trouble finding places to volunteer, reach out to your local churches, schools, community centers, chamber of commerce, etc.... These places usually know where the needs are

throughout communities and can help lead you to those places.

Once again Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year to you all. Safe travels to you who will be traveling.

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NURSING Brenda Whited – Chairman

We are already halfway through our year. The reports are amazing and I thank you all for your response where our nurses are concerned. Please keep in mind our scholarships have increased so let's get the applications out.

Happy Holidays and Blessings to our Veterans and their families.

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OUTSTANDING AUXILIARY PRESIDENT Candice Baines - Chairman

Hello, Auxiliary Presidents, as we approach the halfway mark, you should have several points due to your check off list. I am receiving reports but would like to see where everyone is on their progress. Maybe I can be of assistance or can get you pointed in the right direction. I know some of you have already had your fun in the process, but don't stop there.

Continue bringing your members together and getting projects done to help our Veterans and their families. I will see you at Mid-Winter and will be happy to visit in person to help you check off all your boxes. I want each of you to be outstanding and make my decision making very difficult.

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MID-YEAR REPORTS

DECEMBER 10TH – TO DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

DECEMBER 20TH – DISTRICT PRESIDENTS SEND TO DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN

> SEE PROGRAM ARTICLE



HOLIDAY HOURS DEPARTMENT OFFICE

Closed - Monday December 26 Closed - Monday January 2



Laurie Hayes-Wiley

Candidate for Department of Texas VFW Auxiliary Guard

Endorsed by VFW Auxiliary District 17

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT CHRISTMAS

- 1. Tallest Christmas Tree on display Seattle Washington, 221 feet.
- 2. 1 in 3 men wait until Christmas Eve to do their shopping.
- 3. Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer got his start as an advertising gimmick for Montgomery Ward in 1839.
- 4. Original location for 1947 Miracle on 34th Street was the New York City Macy's in Herald Square.
- 5. Bing Crosby's White Christmas is the highest selling song of all time.
- 6. Charles Dickens took only six (6) weeks to write a Christmas Carol.
- 7. American purchase 1.6 billion Christmas Cards each year.



Merry Christmas and a happy holiday season from the Department Line Officers and the Department Staff.



President Luncheon Mid-Winter January 20, 2023

Deadline: January 5, 2023

Send Reservation to:VFW AUXILIARY Department of Texas PO Box 15285
Austin, TX 78761

Mid-Winter will be at the Omni Hotel, 900 N Shoreline Dr, Corpus Christi, TX

Meal—to be determined

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL DEPARTMENT AT 512-834-9190 ENCLOSE CHECK FOR \$40.00 PER LUNCHEON TICKET

PLEASE MAKE CHECK TO: VFW AUXILIARY, DEPT OF TEXAS - EARMARKED LUNCHEON

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2022-2023 Mid-Winter Round Up Omni Hotel, Corpus Christi, Texas

Wednesday - January 18, 2023

1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Registration – Omni Hotel, Corpus Christi, Texas - Laguna Madre 6:00 p.m. Dinner with the National Rep, C of A, Line Officers & Past Department Presidents (Dutch Treat)

Thursday – January 19, 2023

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Registration and Booths Laguna Madre
10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Floor Practice TBA

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Council of Administration Meeting (Jeanenne's DP Blue Shirt)

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. (Invitation Only)

Friday – January 20, 2023

8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.	Registration and Booths	Laguna Madre
8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Joint Memorial	CC Ballroom
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	Joint Opening Session	CC Ballroom
12:00 – 4:00 p.m.	President's Luncheon	Nueces Ballroom
	(pre purchase tickets)	
	Presentation of Past Department Presidents	Nueces Ballroom
	Presentation of District Presidents	Nueces Ballroom
	Programs: Program Coordinator and Drawings	Nueces Ballroom
6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Quarter Auction – Ways and Means	Nueces Ballroom

Saturday – January 21, 2023

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8:00 – 10:00 a.m.	Registration & Booths	Laguna Madre
8:00 - 8:30 a.m.	POW/MIA Ceremony	Nueces Ballroom
9:00 – 11:30 a.m.	Programs and National Representative	
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch	Free Time
1:00 p.m. − 4:00 p.m.	Programs Completion	
6:00 p.m.	VOD/Patriots Pen Banquet (pre purchase)	CC Ballroom

Sunday – January 22, 2023 – Safe Travels