



VFW & Ladies Auxiliary
District I Dep't of Washington
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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

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Upcoming Events for the 2014-15 Year

If you have changes or additions, please contact
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April 17th	Commanders' only meeting-1830 hours-Post 2100
May 9th	District Convention—Post 2100
June 4-6th	Department Convention-Yakima

Post 8870 Moves Date & Time of Meeting

Post 8870 voted to move its monthly meeting from noon on the second Friday of the month to a 6PM meeting on the third Tuesday of the month. The meetings will continue to be held at the American Legion Hall. A light meal will be served at 5:15PM and the business meeting will commence at 6PM. The reason for the move is to allow the younger veterans (and a lot of older veterans, too) who are still working to attend the meetings. Arrangements will be made to assist those comrades who cannot drive in the dark .

Election Reports

As soon as your elections are concluded, please prepare and submit your election reports online to National with copies to District. Election reports online are forwarded directly to Department by National. If you are old school and prepare the reports manually, then copies must be submitted both to Department and District.

Delegate Fees

There are a couple of fees each Post has to pay in the next month. First, Department will be sending you a State Delegate Fee based on your Post membership on April 15th. The fee is \$6 per delegate and delegates are computed on one per thirty member plus one for the Commander.

Installation of Officers

There is a requirement that the installing officer review the DD-214's of the incoming officers. Over the years there have been several instances where individuals were installed and later found to be ineligible. Had procedures been followed, that would have never happened. Bottom line, please have a folder available for the installing officer to review prior to the meeting.

The second fee is for the National Convention. A minimum of one delegate fee of \$25 must be paid plus an additional \$10 for each delegate attending the Convention. Please make sure your QM is on top of these payments.

Gold Bar Auxiliary Changing May's Meeting Date

Here is a note I received from Arden

"we are postponing our meeting from the first Thursday to the third Thursday, May 21st. I'm going to be on vacation and the ladies don't want to have our installation without me. How nice!!!! Hope to see you at the breakfast on the 21st of March."

Hope your vacation is a good one.

Please note that that is the May meeting—Not April.

2016 Essay Themes

Department announced that next year's youth essay theme will be

"Why is America My Favorite Country?"

National has also announced their themes. They are:

Themes for Voice of Democracy are "My Vision for America" while the Patriots Pen theme will be

"What Freedom Means to Me".

It's not too early to let your teachers and schools know the themes so they can build them into their curriculum for next year.

Auxiliary Membership Statistics

<u>Auxiliary</u>	<u>Life</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Reinstate</u>	<u>Continuous</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Prior Year</u>	<u>%</u>
921	26	3	0	6	35	38	92.11%
1040	24	0	0	16	40	52	76.92%
1561	29	1	0	35	65	71	91.55%
2100	111	7	6	50	174	169	102.96%
2554	9	0	0	14	23	24	95.83%
7511	13	0	0	0	13	20	65.00%
8870	21	5	0	7	33	32	103.13%
9417	24	0	0	11	35	43	81.40%
	257	16	6	139	418	449	93.10%

Post Membership Statistics

<u>Post</u>	<u>Life</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Reinst</u>	<u>Cont</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Adjusted Prior Yr.</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>N/R LM</u>	<u>Prior Annual</u>	<u>Retention</u>
921	58	2	0	6	66	63	104.76%	0	6	66.67%
1040	196	8	2	63	269	291	92.43%	1	90	68.89%
1561	108	2	0	33	143	155	92.25%	0	53	75.47%
2100	697	11	4	56	768	792	96.96%	6	81	75.31%
2554	31	5	0	6	42	34	123.52%	0	9	55.56%
7511	33	0	1	4	38	38	100.00%	0	6	66.67%
8870	145	6	1	38	190	211	90.04%	1	58	70.69%
9417	51	2	1	14	68	67	101.49%	0	14	100.00%
	1319	36	9	220	1584	1651	95.94%	8		

Post & Auxiliary Meetings (same time and place unless otherwise indicated)

If you change the date or time of your meeting, please let both District and Department know of the change.

Gay Jones Post #921

Meeting Place: Snohomish Boys and Girls Club
402-2nd Street
Snohomish, WA 98290-3097

Meeting Date: 2nd Saturday - 1:00 P.M.

Walter A. Deebach Post #1040

Meeting Place: Alderwood Boys & Girls Club
19719—24th Ave. W.
Lynnwood, WA 98036

Meeting Date: 1st Thursday - 7:00 PM

Boyer Daniel Post #1561

Meeting Place: Arlington High School ROTC portable. That is at 18821 Crown Ridge Blvd Arlington, WA 98223

Meeting Date: 1st Tuesday—7:00PM

Old Guard Post #2100

Meeting Place: Everett Post Home
2711 Oakes Ave.
Everett, WA 98201
425-252-2100

Meeting Date: Third Tuesday -6:30PM - Auxiliary 2nd Monday—6:30PM

Stoehr Glidden Post #2554

Meeting Place: United Methodist Church
211 Birch Ave.
Sultan, WA 98294

Meeting Date: 2nd Thursday -7:00 PM

Monroe #7511

Meeting Place: I.O.O.F. Hall
610 So. Lewis St.
Monroe, WA 98272

Meeting Date: 2nd Thursday - 7:00PM - Auxiliary 2nd Thursday—12:00PM

Edmonds Post #8870

Meeting Place: American Legion Post 66
117 6th Ave. S.
Edmonds, WA 98020

Meeting Date: 3rd Tuesday— 6:00 PM (Dinner at 5:15PM); Auxiliary will continue to meet the 2nd Friday at the Edmonds Senior Center-Lunch 11:45AM-Meeting at 12:30

Martin-Osterholtz Post #9417

Meeting Place: Gold Bar Post Home
301-3rd St. P.O. Box 663
Gold Bar, WA 98251

Meeting Date: 1st Thursday - 6:00 PM - Auxiliary 3:00 PM (Auxiliary May meeting moved to 5/21)