



**102ND DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
98TH DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK AUXILIARY
STATE CONVENTION
ALBANY, NEW YORK JUNE 7, 8, 9, 10, & 11, 2023**



Dear Comrades and Auxiliary Members:

The 102nd Annual Department of New York Convention, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW charter date is 11/27/1920) and 98th Annual Auxiliary Convention (4/30/1925) will be held in Albany, New York on June 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, 2023. The Headquarters Hotel for both the VFW and Auxiliary will be at the Albany Marriott Hotel, located at 189 Wolf Rd., Albany, NY 12205. *All VFW and Auxiliary activities will be held at the Headquarters Hotel.* Convention information and forms may also be found on the VFW Department website (www.vfwny.com).

Joint Opening & Memorial Service: Presentation of VFW and Auxiliary Colors and Memorial Service is scheduled for 1:00 PM on Thursday, June 8, 2023, in the Main Ballroom of the Albany Marriott. (Units presenting colors will assemble at 12:00 noon outside of the Ballroom for line up).

Arrivals and Registration: Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 10:00 am.

Auxiliary Opening Meeting: Thursday, June 8, 2023, at 8:00 am.

VFW Committee Meetings: Thursday, June 8, 2023, at 10:00 am.

VFW and Aux. Memorial Service Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 1:00 pm.

VFW Opening Meeting: Friday, June 9, 2023 at 8:00 am.

VIP Housing: Chairman Robert Barnhart: VFW and Auxiliary State Officers, VIPs, Special Guests and Vendors. Hotel Room rate is \$122.00 per night.

VIP room reservations will open on April 19, 2023. VIP housing deadline is April 28, 2023. All VIP reservations received after that date will be processed as a General Housing Request. VIPs must make their reservations by phone or mail only. VIP Room Reservation form is enclosed.

General Housing: Adjutant Bob Mitchell: VFW and Auxiliary: Hotel Room rate is \$122.00 per night.

General Housing reservations will open on April 26, 2023 and remain open until May 20, 2023. Reservations must be made by phone, mail or online. Room Reservation form is enclosed. Reservation Code is **2023 VFW State Convention**.

Hospitality Rooms: Chairman Robert Barnhart: Hospitality rooms are \$150.00 per night plus the cost of a sleeping room. Please contact Chairman Barnhart directly if you require a hospitality room. Please note: The number of Hospitality Rooms is limited. **The Hotel will not accept direct reservations for Hospitality Rooms.**

VFW Convention and Post Delegate Registration:

Department of New York By-Laws, Article VIII, Composition of Department Convention, Sec. 3 requires each Post will pay, in advance to the Department of New York, a Department Delegate registration fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) which shall entitle the Post to one identified registered delegate for the Department Convention. Each additional delegate attending the Department Convention will pay an additional five dollars (\$5.00) delegate fee. You may register at the Convention Site until the registration desk closes at 9:00 am on Saturday in preparation for elections.



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VFW Convention Advance Delegate Registration: Must be received at Department Headquarters by COB June 1, 2023. Delegate registration fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) which shall entitle the Post to one identified registered delegate for the Department Convention. Each additional delegate attending the Department Convention will pay an additional five dollars (\$5.00) delegate fee (form is enclosed).

Delegates registering in advance will not have to register at the Convention and will only need to pick up their delegate cards and lanyards which will be printed and ready for pick up at the registration table. Pre-registration will save you time and not require you to stand in line to complete the registration process.

Auxiliary Convention Registration: Kim White, Chairman

The Auxiliary Pre-Registration fee is ten dollars (\$10.00) and twelve dollars (\$12.00) for on-site registration at the Convention. The fee includes Convention Badge and Program Book. (Auxiliary Registration form is enclosed). Make checks payable to VFW Aux Dept. of NY earmarked "Convention Registration." **Mail check and form to: Registration Chairman Kim White, 1799 Fred Road, Schenectady, NY 12303.**

Program Ad Book & Booster Sheets: The Advertising Contract and Layout Sheet are enclosed. Please mail ads flat and do not fold. A check must accompany your copy-ready Ad and contract. Please make your check payable to the Department of New York VFW. Ad deadline is **May 31, 2023.**

State Commander and State President Dinner: The State Commander and State President's dinner is scheduled for Thursday June 8, 2023, at 6:00 pm. There will be a cash bar cocktail hour from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Dinner tickets are \$50.00 per person. A dinner reservation form is enclosed. Tickets must be prepaid by check or credit card. **Dinner Tickets will not be available for purchase at the Convention.** Dinner reservation deadline is **May 31, 2023.** The dinner dress code is business attire.

Please complete the enclosed dinner form and make your check payable to the Department of New York VFW. Mail completed forms to VFW Headquarters, 69 Sand Creek Road, Albany, NY 12205.

Auxiliary President's Luncheon: The State President's Luncheon is scheduled for Friday, June 9, 2023, at 12:00 pm. Cost is \$42.00 per person – information and reservation form is enclosed. Deadline is **May 26, 2023.** Make checks payable to the **VFW Auxiliary Department of NY earmarked luncheon** and **mail to: Auxiliary Luncheon Chairman Nina Lafrois, Chairman 1085 Webster-Fairport Road, Webster, NY 14580.**

2023-24 State Commander and State President's Reception: Newly elected State Commander Dan Kell and State President Rosalie Cooper will host a reception on Saturday evening, June 10, 2023, the time, and location to be announced.

2023-24 District Commander's Orientation Meeting: The State Commander will be hosting a Breakfast Meeting on Sunday Morning, June 11, 2023, at 8:00 am for the 2023-24 District Commanders and selected Department Officers (By invitation only).

We are looking forward to providing you with an exciting and enjoyable State Convention.

Sincerely,

Robert Barnhart

Robert Barnhart, Chairman Convention Committee
Department of New York, Veterans of Foreign Wars



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ROOM RESERVATION FORM

Department of New York Annual State Convention			
Dates: June 7, 8, 9, 10, & 11, 2023		Reservation Cut Off date May 20, 2023	
Rate Per Room Per Night: \$122.00			
Check In 4 pm. Check Out 12 noon			
Due to the overwhelming amount of requests for particular room types, rooms close to elevators and certain floors, the hotel is unable to guarantee your request. We will honor your request on a first come, first served basis. Above rates are subject to applicable taxes unless Tax Exempt.			
We are pleased to honor all major credit cards.			
Reservations must be accompanied by one night's deposit or valid credit card number and signature.			
A limited number of Rollaway Beds/Cots are available at no charge.			
THE ALBANY MARRIOTT HOTEL IS A NON SMOKING HOTEL. A CHARGE OF \$250 WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR BILL IF THERE IS SMOKING IN YOUR ROOM.			
Room Type Check One	King Bed Room	Double Bed Room	
Name			
Arrival Date		Rewards Number	
Departure Date			
Street Address/PO Box			
City		State	
Zip Code		Phone	
Credit Card Number		Expiration Date	
Deposit Enclosed			
Signature		E-Mail Address	
Additional Guests in Room			
Name		Name	
Street Address/PO Box		Street Address/PO Box	
City/State/Zip		City/State/Zip	

Mail to:
Albany Marriott Hotel
189 Wolf Rd
Albany, New York 12205

Call for Reservations: 518-458-8444
Fax Reservations: 518-437-6306
Reservation Code – 2023 VFW State Convention



**DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK, VFW
102nd ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION**
Albany Marriott Hotel
189 Wolf Rd
Albany, New York 12205

SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

10:00 AM	Registration Opens
1:00 PM	Dinner Tickets and National Convention Shirts

Thursday, June 8, 2023

8:00 AM	Registration Opens
	Dinner Tickets and National Convention Shirts
10:00 AM	Committee Meetings
1:00 PM	Joint Opening/Memorial Service
½ Hour Following the Memorial Service	Steering Committee Meeting – invitation only
5:00 PM	Cocktail Hour with Cash Bar
6:00 PM	State Commander and President's Banquet

Friday, June 9, 2023

8:00 AM	Registration Opens
	General Business Session, Awards
	By-Laws, Nomination of Officers
10:00 AM	National Convention Shirts

Saturday, June 10, 2023

7:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Registration
9:00 AM	General Business Session, Awards
	Nomination/Election/Installation of Officers
½ Hour Following the Conclusion of the Convention	C of A Meeting
4:00 PM	Church Service
6:00 PM	State Commander and President's Reception

Sunday, June 11, 2023

8:00 AM	2023-24 District Commanders Leadership Meeting - Invitation Only
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Departure - Safe Travels Home



**STATE COMMANDER'S
AND
STATE PRESIDENT'S
TESTIMONIAL DINNER**

THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2023

Albany Marriott, 189 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12205

Cocktails (Cash Bar): 5:00-6:00 PM

Dinner: 6:00 PM

Roast turkey dinner served with Cranberry Sauce, Mashed Potatoes,

Stuffing, Mixed Vegetables, Gravy, Salad and Rolls

Dessert and Coffee/Tea

\$50.00 per person



**DINNER RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
MAY 26, 2023**



(Order form on other side)

Please print clearly

Post/Aux #	District	Name	Title

Number of Dinner Tickets: _____ @ \$50.00 each _____ TOTAL

PAYMENT IS EITHER BY CHECK OR CREDIT CARD

If paying by credit card please fill out all fields:

Name on Card _____

Email address _____ Phone _____

Credit Card Number _ _ _ _ _

Expiration Date: __ / ____

CRV Code on Back _ _ _ Last 3 Numbers on back of card ,for AMEX, 4 numbers on the front

There is a 3.00% convenience Fee for Credit Card Processing

If paying by credit card you may email completed form to: JTreadway@vfwny.com

If paying by check please make checks payable to Department of New York VFW and mail with completed form to:

Department of New York VFW, 69 Sand Creek Road, Albany, NY 12205



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As with every VFW Convention, the Ad Book is critical to its success.

(Please check one per page)

- _____ Full Page Inside Cover: ___ Front ___ Back
- _____ Convention Sponsor (\$250.00)
- _____ Full Page Ad @\$90.00
- _____ Half Page Ad @ 65.00
- _____ Quarter Page Ad @ \$45.00
- _____ Ad enclosed – camera ready
- _____ Use previous year's Ad
- _____ Create our Ad

Full Page
\$90.00

(Sample Page Not to Size)

4.5" X 7"

Half Page
\$65.00

(Sample Page Not to Size)

4.5" X 3.5"

Quarter Page \$45.00
(Sample Page Not to Size)

4.5" X 2"

Payment may be made by check, money order or credit card,
Make all checks or money orders payable to:
DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK VFW

Mail your ad and payment to:
Department of New York VFW
ATTN: Convention Ads
69 Sand Creek Road
Albany, NY 12205

For additional information contact Jody Treadway at 518-436-7427 or
at JTreadway@vfwny.com.

Please mail all ads flat—do not fold

ALL ADS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: MAY 30, 2023

POST: _____

CONTACT PERSON _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

*Name	*Phone:	*Billing Address:
*Credit Card Number:		
*Exp. Date	*CRV Code on Back <small>(3 Digit Code)</small>	*Email: <input type="checkbox"/> (Email Receipt Requested)
*** 3.00% Convenience Fee For Credit Card Processing ***		



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

Department of New York Headquarters | 69 Sand Creek Road | Albany, New York 12205
518-463-7427 | 518-426-8904 FAX | www.vfwny.com

**2023 CONVENTION POST ADVANCE
REGISTRATION INVOICE
DUE UPON RECEIPT**

DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK, VFW

Department By-Laws ARTICLE VIII – Composition of Department Convention

Sec. 3.00 Each Post will pay a delegate registration fee to the Department of NY. The delegate registration fee of ten dollars (\$10) shall entitle the Post to one identified registered delegate for the Department Convention. Each additional delegate attending the Department Convention will pay a five-dollar (\$5) delegate registration fee. The number of a Post’s delegates are listed on the Department Web Site on the Memstats page.

Please type or print each member’s information below and designate as delegate, alternate or attendee
(Any change to a delegate’s status shall be reported to the State Quartermaster)

Delegate	Membership Number	Member Name	Member Phone Number	E-Mail	Amount
<input type="radio"/> Delegate					\$10.00
<input type="radio"/> Delegate <input type="radio"/> Alternate <input type="radio"/> Attendee	CHOOSE ONLY ONE REGISTRATION TYPE PER LINE				
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Post Delegate Registration Fee **\$10.00**

Add \$5.00 each additional Delegate/Alternate _____

Check # _____ Total Enclosed _____

Print Post Quartermaster’s Name _____

Membership Number _____

Signature of Post Quartermaster _____

District No. _____ Post _____

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: THE DEPARTMENT OF
NEW YORK, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS**

Mail Completed form check to:

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of New York
ATTN: **2023 Convention Delegate Registration**
69 Sand Creek Road
Albany, New York 12205

**Advance Convention Delegate
Registrations Must Be Received at
Department Headquarters by COB June
1, 2023.**



**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK**

**98TH DEPARTMENT
CONVENTION**

**MARRIOTT HOTEL
ALBANY, NEW YORK**

JUNE 7 – 11, 2023

**United to Win the Race for Our Veterans
and Their Families**



VFW AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK
98TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION – JUNE 7 – 11, 2023



To be read at the first meeting following receipt before being filed for reference.

April 2023

Dear VFW Auxiliary Members:

The 98th VFW Auxiliary Department of New York Convention will be held June 7 to 11, 2023 at the **Marriott Hotel, 189 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12205**. On behalf of President Lisa Raplee, her officers and chairmen, all members are encouraged to attend! ***Please follow instructions and adhere to all deadlines!***

Be sure to read the cover letter included in this 2023 Convention packet. Follow the directions as indicated on all forms. All deadlines ***must*** be strictly adhered to!

Make room reservations directly with the hotel. Reservation code is **2023 VFW State Convention**. To avoid paying sales tax, members must present their Auxiliary tax-exempt forms (ST-119.5 and ST-119.1) upon checking in. The room rate is \$122 per night. Refer to the VFW cover letter for housing deadlines.

Convention Registration for Auxiliary members will be open on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM, continuing on Thursday, June 8th from 7 AM to Noon, and again on Friday, June 9th from 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Elected delegates ***must*** register at the Credentials table in order to vote! Advance Registration, paid by May 26, 2023, is \$10.00 per person (form is enclosed in this packet). Kim White is Registration Chairman. The cost to register on-site is \$12.00 per person.

There will be a Council of Administration meeting on Wednesday, June 7th at 7:30 PM. All Auxiliary members in good standing are welcome *and encouraged* to attend. Prior to the C of A meeting, there will be a dinner for C of A members and PDP's. This invitation only dinner will be held at the hotel at 5:30 PM.

There will be floor work for this Convention as the Department of New York proudly hosts National President Jane Reape as our National Auxiliary Representative. Line officers and floor officers should be prepared for floor work rehearsal on Wednesday, June 7th at 3:00 PM. All those involved will receive specific details prior to the convention from Department Conductress Belinda Cole.

The Auxiliary opening session will be Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 8 AM. The opening session will include Convention Rules and Appointments, 45+ year Member Recognition, Presentation to PDP's and Program Awards (if time allows). Please refer to the VFW Convention packet cover letter for time and details concerning the joint VFW and Auxiliary Opening and Memorial Service to be held Thursday afternoon.

On Thursday evening the Department VFW will host a dinner honoring Commander Pete Pennelle and President Lisa Raplee at 7 PM. Refer to the VFW dinner reservation form included in this packet. The cost is \$50 per person. Dinner reservation deadline is May 31, 2023. The requested dress code is Business Attire.

The Friday Auxiliary session will commence at 8:00 AM. The Department Auxiliary Memorial Service will be held during this session. The names of deceased members published in the bulletin are those entered in Malta from May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023. Contact Department Secretary Chris Leavor if you need assistance recording names. Nina LeFrois is Chairman for President Lisa's Awards (sit-down) Luncheon that will begin at Noon (reservation form enclosed). The cost is **\$42.00** per person. VFW members, Auxiliary members and guests are invited to attend. Luncheon tickets may be picked up at the Registration table. The Friday afternoon Auxiliary session will commence following lunch and includes election of 2023-2024 officers.

Saturday's Convention session commences at 8:00 AM. Installation of 2023-2024 Officers is scheduled to begin at approximately 10:30 AM. We look forward to welcoming our National President Jane Reape, State Commander Pete Pennelle, Department President Lisa Raplee and ALL our Members and Comrades to Albany for a great Convention! Hope to see you in Albany in June!

Loyally,
Kim White, Chairman

“United to Win the Race for Our Veterans and Their Families”



**VFW AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK
98TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION – JUNE 7 – 11, 2023**



**ADVANCE REGISTRATION: \$10.00 PER PERSON ~ \$12.00 ON SITE
ADVANCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MAY 26, 2023**

<u>Aux</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>County Council</u>	<u>Name (Print)</u>	<u>Title</u>
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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7. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

No. of Advance Registrations: _____ @ \$10.00 per person = Total \$ _____ Check # _____

Make Checks Payable to VFW Aux Dept. of NY earmarked "Convention Registration."

Mail check and form to:

Registration Chairman Kim White – 1799 Fred Rd.– Schenectady, NY 12303

**VFW AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK – 98TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION
PRESIDENT LISA'S (SIT-DOWN) AWARDS LUNCHEON**

FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2023 ~ 12 NOON

MARRIOTT HOTEL, 189 WOLF ROAD, ALBANY, NY 12205

COST: \$42.00 PER PERSON ~ LUNCHEON RESERVATION DEADLINE IS MAY 26, 2023

Luncheon Menu

Salad – Mixed Baby Field Greens Salad with choice of Vinaigrette or Ranch dressing

Entrée – Harvest Chicken-Grilled Chicken Breast topped with Caramelized Onion and Cranberry Demi Glaze

Served with Potato – Green Beans – Rolls and Butter – Dessert – Carrot Cake

Beverages – Water, Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Tea

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

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Name: _____

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Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

per person = Total \$ _____ Check # _____

Total No. of Luncheons _____ @ \$42.00

Aux./Post # _____ Dist. # _____ County Council _____

Make checks payable to VFW Aux Dept. of NY earmarked "Luncheon."

Mail check and Luncheon Reservation Form to:

Luncheon Chairman Nina LeFrois – 1085 Webster-Fairport Rd. – Webster, NY 14580

****Please notify the Luncheon Chairman if you have any food allergies or special dietary needs.****

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**CORSAGE / BOUTONNIERE ORDER FORM
(For Auxiliary Installation – Saturday, June 10, 2023)**

Please Note: Auxiliary District Deputy Chiefs of Staff will NOT be installed

**WRIST CORSAGE – Choose Fresh or Silk flowers – Cost \$15.00 each
Two (2) WHITE CARNATIONS with appropriate filler and patriotic ribbon**

**BOUTONNIERE – Choose Fresh or Silk flower – Cost \$5.00 each
One (1) WHITE CARNATION with appropriate filler and patriotic ribbon**

AUX No.	Indicate Wrist Corsage or Boutonniere	Indicate Fresh or Silk	DIST No.	NAME of OFFICER BEING INSTALLED	TITLE of OFFICER BEING INSTALLED

Total Wrist Corsages Ordered _____ @ \$15.00 = _____

Total Boutonnieres Ordered _____ @ \$ 5.00 = _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____ Check No. _____

**Make Checks Payable to VFW Auxiliary Dept. of NY
Earmarked “Flower order”**

Mail Check and Order Form to:

**Kim White, Convention Chairman
1799 Fred Rd. – Schenectady, NY 12303**

Corsage / Boutonniere Orders Must be Received by May 26, 2023!