



**Department North Carolina  
VFW Auxiliary  
2024-2025**



**National Theme:**

**“From Our Roots to Our Branches, Extending Service To Our Veterans”**

**Department Theme:**

**“Serving Those Who Have Served With Love”**

Happy Thanksgiving Brothers & Sisters:

Relief is coming from all around the Nation, and we are very thankful for all the love and support of our neighboring States that continue to reach out to support us. Please continue to support those less fortunate especially during this holiday season. Monetary donations are currently needed.

Kudo to all auxiliaries that have meet the deadlines by submitting your contributions, filling out 990 forms, and the paying of membership dues. It is not too late to reach 101+ membership. Our upcoming set of district meetings will start in January please make sure that you have completed your audits, reported on all national programs, and started the selection of your Teacher of the Year, VOD & Patriot’s Pen winners. The February Council Meeting will be held January 31-February 2, 2025, at the Embassy Suites in Greensboro, NC. The Military Order of the Cootie Grand will also be held in conjunction with the Council Meeting we will have great training and informative workshops. I will forward more details once they become available. The link to reserve your room and to pay for your banquet and hospitality ticket can be found on [www.vfwncc.com](http://www.vfwncc.com) website.

During the last month, I have made trips to 3 of the local VA Medical facilities in NC (Salisbury, Fayetteville & Durham) and the education has been wonderful. If you have never toured, please but it on your schedule and make yourself available. Each facility has a closet full of supplies they just don’t stay full so donations of supplies are always needed but so are volunteer hours.

Membership is looking great and our chairman and I are looking for Membership Angels. We are asking that you help Western Area members with their continuous membership. If you purchase a membership for \$18.00 and submit the check to Department Treasurer, Sandra Johnson-Leu, your name will be entered into drawing for \$250.00 Amazon gift card. Deadline for entry will be December 16, 2024

South Carolina has challenged North Carolina that they can beat our membership to the VFW National Home as centennial members. Yes, I accepted the challenge and I know that we can beat them. Currently, the cost is \$100.00 to help represent the 100 years the VFW National Home has been in existence. If you are not already a member this is a great time to join. Here is the Link [www.vfwnationalhome.com](http://www.vfwnationalhome.com) where you can find the membership application. North Carolina rules!!!!

At the council meeting another auction for the Special Project will be held all donations are greatly appreciated. Also, there will be Silent Auction full of wreaths from all over NC. I am asking all Districts to provide a decorative wreath. All proceeds will benefit the Department of NC Ways & Means.

In closing, I am so thankful for my great team. Each and everyone of you are unique and are needed to continue to help make this organization great. Personalities may be different, but we all have the same common goal and that is to “Serve Those That Have Served With Love”.

Loyally Serving Our Veterans,



Sandra Jeffries, President 2024-2025

October 23, 2024

Dear Friends,

On behalf of everyone at the VFW National Home, we are keeping the residents of North Carolina, including your VFW/Auxiliary members and all our military and veteran families, in our thoughts and prayers during this challenging time.

In light of the devastating flooding and mudslides that has impacted North Carolina, we want to remind military and veteran families—and families of VFW/Auxiliary members—about the support available through the VFW National Home. If your family or someone you know has been permanently displaced by this disaster, our community can offer a transitional solution to help families start afresh and rebuild their lives.

The National Home offers a safe, supportive environment to military and veteran families in need, providing access to essential services, education, and the stability necessary to recover and thrive. We encourage any family impacted by the recent floods to consider applying to join our community and begin the process of healing and rebuilding.

**If you or someone you know could benefit from our assistance, please visit <http://www.vfwnationalhome.org/help> or contact our Helpline at 800-313-4200 for more information. Let's work together to ensure that North Carolina's veteran families receive the support they need during this time of recovery.**

We kindly ask for your help in spreading the word. Please share this information on your Facebook page or website or forward it to your email contacts. Together, we can ensure that those who need us can find us.

As North Carolina begins rebuilding in the days, weeks, and months ahead, please remember the incredible resource you have in the VFW National Home. We stand ready to help the families who need us most.

We extend our best wishes to you as you work to recover and rebuild. We are here to support you every step of the way.

Sincerely,

**Brian Daniels**  
Community Development Manager  
VFW National Home



DEPARTMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA AUXILIARY TO THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

AUXILIARY MEMBER REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

AUXILIARY MEMBER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

AUXILIARY NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF INCIDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DAMAGE/LOSS: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please submit pictures of your loss.

Did you receive any monetary relief from the Dept of NC VFW? \_\_\_\_\_

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SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

Once this form is completed, please send this form to:

Department President Sandra Jeffries  
2058 Paisley Dr.  
Haw River, NC 27289  
sajeffries2001@yahoo.com

DATE	DISTRICT	POST	START TIME	CONTACT	ADDRESS	VFW REP	AUX REP
11 Jan	1	6060	11:00 am	Graham Leaver 757-580-8261	1433 N Road St Elizabeth City 27909	Mickey Biggs	Wendy Rachels
12 Jan	2	7032	1:00 pm	Robert Brock 252-413-8287	1108 Mumford Rd Greenville 27834	Edward Beard	Sandra Jeffries
25 Jan	3	4096	12:00 pm	Jimmy Baugham 252-374-4902	425 Hwy 158 East Norlina 27563	Allen Payne	Theresa Billips
19 Jan	4	9810	12:00 pm	David Burger 910-320-3430	354 Bruce Costin Rd Warsaw 28398	Edward Beard	Deborah Crowder
18 Jan	5	9983	10:00 am	Nicolas Conrad 319-217-8395	188 Hines Stump Sound Church Rd Holly Ridge 28455	Jenn Hutt	Sandra Jeffries
25 Jan	6	10607	9:00 am	Christopher Brown 919-869-0611	634 Webb Ave Burlington 27217	Edward Beard	Farres Upton
25 Jan	7	6722	11:00 am	Robert Kennedy 540-630-1071	409 S. Main St Lillington 27546	Tim Woods	Tracy Armstrong
25 Jan	8	6018	11:00 am	Jerry Moser 910-818-3577	116 Chance St Fayetteville 28301	Mickey Biggs	Lin Moore
11 Jan	9	5631	9:30 am	Craig Armstrong 910-585-1245	1500 Billy Ray Cameron Dr Sanford 27330	Edward Beard	Julia Stancil Warren
18 Jan	10	2087	9:30 am	John Marion 336-259-2913	2605 S. Elm- Eugene St Greensboro	Alecia Judd	Theresa Billips
4 Jan	11	5352	10:00 am	Eric Brown 336-978-0164	618 Edgewood Kernersville 27284	Annie Cummings	Sandra Jeffries
5 Jan	12	3006	1:00 pm	Bobbi Sheets 704-840-6733	1200 Brenner Ave Salisbury 2814	Annie Cummings	Lin Moore
12 Jan	13	2423	2:00 pm	Nathaniel Drisker 757-675-8909	100 VFW Ln Indian Trail 28079	Annie Cummings	Sandra Jeffries
11 Jan	14	1706	11:00 am	Art Gordon 864-884-5496	1306 Country Club Rd Lincolnton	Annie Cummings	Anna Holms
19 Jan	15	1142	11:00 am	Kevin Ross 757-575-6822	802 Veterans Dr North Wilkesboro	Annie Cummings	Wendy Rachels
18 Jan	16	9175	12:00 pm	David Collins 864-230-9806	165 Cragmont Rd Black Mountain	Tim Woods	Anna Holms
18 Jan	17	7339	11:00 am	Robert Morrow 864-449-2548	60 W. Palmer St Franklin 28743	Annie Cummings	Lin Moore



A Message from the Department Treasurer  
December 2024  
Vfwauxnc.org



*Brothers and Sisters,*

I hope each of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

All officers and elected positions of each level must have their dues paid in time to reach National no later than 12.30.24. National will not be open on 12.31 to process dues. If you are an officer and have not paid your 2024-25, please do so immediately. Or consider converting your annual membership to a Life membership and never have to worry about this again. Any officer who has not paid their dues by this date will be removed from the office. In order to regain that position, you will have to be re-elected. You will not automatically be reinstated when you pay your dues. (as of the writing of this message on 11.14, there were 72 District and Auxiliary officers and elected positions, including some Presidents and treasurers who had not paid their dues. I hope this number is ZERO when I check again in December.)

Annual members should also pay their dues prior to 12.30. Any member who has not paid their dues will be considered "a member not in good standing". This means the member cannot attend meetings, participate in voting on Auxiliary decisions, etc., until their dues have been paid. Once they pay their dues, they may once again participate in all Auxiliary business. The Auxiliary treasurer or the Auxiliary membership committee should be contacting any member who has not paid their dues to get them collected. The Auxiliary could also consider paying the dues of any member who may be experiencing a difficult time right now. You would only need to pay the \$18 for the Department and National dues. This can come from your relief fund, your general fund, or allow a member to pay this on behalf of another member. Think how much it would mean to someone who has been a member for several years that their Auxiliary would care enough to pay their membership for them. And after you do it, send them a little note letting them know you have taken care of this. They will appreciate it even more.

I am still receiving audits from several Auxiliaries that are not on the Audit form for the Department of North Carolina. Some of the ones I receive don't have a place in the lower half for you to put the balance of your savings account, if your Auxiliary has one. This will cause your Audit to be out of balance and cannot be accepted. The other space these forms do not have is a place for you to indicate on which date the audit was presented to and accepted by the Auxiliary. Per section 814 A-3 in the Bylaws, this is a requirement. If this date is not present on your audit, I have to contact the Auxiliary treasurer to get this information. It will save a lot of time if each Auxiliary uses the same Audit form (which can be found on the Department website under Auxiliary forms) and provides the required information.

I urge all Trustees to open the Bylaws to section 814 and read what their responsibilities and duties are in conducting the audit. What records, financial statements, secretary minutes, everything you are to review and inspect during the audit. Which documents you are required to initial to show you actually reviewed them. If you are just signing an audit the treasurer completed without completing the audit yourself, and verifying the figures, then you are not honoring the obligation you took when you accepted this very important position.

I wish each of you a wonderful (and stress free) holiday season. Find time to spend with family and friends. Just breathe and relax.

As always, I am just a phone call or email away if there is anything I can assist you with.

Sandra Johnson-Leu,  
VFWA Department Treasurer 2024-2025 Department of NC 919-906-7592 [ctrysun@embarqmail.com](mailto:ctrysun@embarqmail.com)  
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**EVERYTHING YOU DO IS BASED ON THE CHOICES YOU MAKE. IT'S NOT YOUR PARENTS, YOUR PAST RELATIONSHIPS, YOUR JOB, THE ECONOMY, THE WEATHER, AN ARGUMENT OR YOUR AGE THAT IS TO BLAME. YOU AND ONLY YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR EVERY DECISION AND CHOICE YOU MAKE. PERIOD.**

## *The Chaplain's Chat*

*December 2024*

Wendy Dorsey Rachels, Scholarship Chairperson

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Please text or call me at the number above or send me an email with information to send cards to members for any reason: Special birthdays, get well, sympathy or if anyone needs a simple pick me up card.



### **One is Better Than One**

Marvel Comic's Avengers featuring Iron Man, Captain America, the Hulk and Thor does not just inspire comic book and superhero movie fans, but they bring hope with an important lesson about teamwork that you may never have considered. Not just teamwork, but the value of teams themselves.

The Avenger's lesson is that ONE is better than one. This means that one team is better than one person. It is universally different from five people versus one person. A group of five can probably accomplish more than one person alone, but it is when those five people work together as a team when superhero magic happens.

The hardest part is making those five individual people put their egos aside, trust each other and act as a team. Captain America and Iron Man have a different view of the world and compromising doesn't come easy for either. But they respect and trust one another despite their differences and disagreements. They can see the value that each brings to the team. Letting go of their egos is what allows them to become part of a whole that is greater than the sum of its parts. (Credit: Unknown)

Think about it! Are you allowing differences and disagreements to negatively impact your local auxiliary and/or the Department? Let your ego go! When you are part of the team, a truly cohesive unit that functions with a single purpose, the auxiliary can accomplish wonders.

Think hard about it! Think about it again! Think it doesn't apply to you? Think again. We all can do better!

# Veterans and Family Support

## December 2024



**Hello once again sisters and brothers, I hope everyone is taking this time during the holiday season to enjoy their family. But at the same time think of those Veterans and their family that are less fortunate. The Unmet Needs Program is indeed a fantastic initiative that provides much-needed support to Veterans and their families during tough times. The grants of up to \$2,500 can make a significant difference in covering essential expenses without the burden of repayment.**

**Here are some of the expenses that the Unmet Needs Program can assist with:**

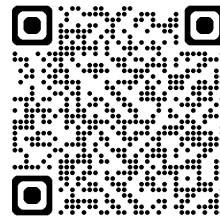
- Household expenses such as mortgage, rent, repairs, and insurance.
- Vehicle expenses including payments, repairs, and insurance.
- Utilities and primary phone bills.
- Childcare expenses.
- Medical bills for necessary or emergency medical care.

**It's truly heartwarming to see such support for Veterans and their families, especially during the holiday season when the sense of community and care is so important. If you know any Veterans who might benefit from this program, encouraging them to apply, this could make a significant difference in their lives.**

[Unmet Needs Eligibility Criteria](#)



[Unmet Needs Resources](#)



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[#WE CAN AND WE WILL](#)





# AMERICANISM

## DECEMBER 2024

This is the month that we celebrate the Holidays with friends and family. While we enjoy this time, there are hundreds of military men and women that will not be home for Christmas. Throughout our country's history there have been battles and wars going on in the month of December. Many men and women were fighting for their lives while we celebrate and are home with our families. Think about that as you gather with your family. Part of Americanism is sharing our country's history. The month of December is filled with military history. Teach your family and friends about these events. Just a few ideas for December: Look up together- 1776: Washington's Famous Crossing of the Delaware, 1864: The First Battle of Fort Fisher, 1972: Operation Linebacker II in North Vietnam, the famous Christmas Truce of 1914, a moment in time of peace, in the middle of WWI.

**As Patriotic instructor you have an important role in your Auxiliary. Here are a few things you should keep in mind**

Practice and learn Our VFE Auxiliary Rituals and Traditions.

See that the room is in Keeping with Ritual.

Teach members about giving the proper salute to the American flag.

Educate members on the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Understand the Federal Flag Code.

### History to Reflect on for the month of December

- 5<sup>th</sup>- **Somalia Campaign Began 1992**
- 7<sup>th</sup>-**National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**
- 8<sup>th</sup>-**War Declared on Japan 1941**
- 11<sup>th</sup>-**Germany and Italy Declared War on U.S. 1941**
- 15<sup>th</sup>-**Iraq War Ended 2011**
- 20<sup>th</sup>-**Panama Campaign began 1989**
- 31<sup>st</sup>-**Official End of WWII 1946**
- Kosovo Campaign ended 2013**



### Birthdays in December

- 1<sup>st</sup> – **U.S. Civil Air Patrol USFA Auxiliary founded in 1941**
- 13<sup>th</sup> - **National Guard 1636**
- 20<sup>th</sup> – **U.S. Space Force Established 2019**

### Other Days not to Forget in December:

- 10<sup>th</sup> **Human Rights Day**
- 15<sup>th</sup> **Bill of Rights Day**
- 17<sup>th</sup> **National Wreaths Across America Day**
- 25<sup>th</sup> **Christmas Day**



Participate in Wreaths Across America and while you are there reflect on the dates and the history that have been listed here. Don't let Our History be forgotten. If there are places with no wreaths, add a flag in remembrance. Celebrate the Birthdays in your Post and Community.

**Wishing You and Your Family a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!**

Respectfully,  
Theresa Billips  
Dept. NC  
Americanism Chairman  
Sistertnc@aol.com





# Auxiliary Outreach

Hannukah, Christmas and Kwanzaa are all celebrated in December. On December 21 or 22, the winter solstice has the least daylight in the Northern Hemisphere and the most daylight in the Southern. December 7 is the anniversary of the Attack on Pearl Harbor. December 13 is the anniversary of the first flight at our own Kill Devil Hills, NC by the Wright brothers. Turquoise, tanzanite, or zircons are all December birthstones and either narcissus or holly is the flower. The first recorded celebration of December 25th, Christmas dates to 336 AD in Rome.



If your Auxiliary is looking for a charity to support this December, Google December Charities. I found the “Top 8 Charity Organizations that Help Low Income Families” very interesting. It has information on the following charities: Toys for Tots, Salvation Army, Make-A-Wish, Angel Tree, United Way, Samaritan’s Purse, Trees for Troops, and One Simple Wish. There are also many other wonderful charities. All you must do is look for them.

It is important to remember that only the gift of time is eligible for this program and any other types of contribution, funds or good are only reportable on the Community Service report that should be given to the Post.

It is also important to remember that the hurricane victims in western North Carolina are still in need of assistance. You can volunteer your time to assist with securing and getting much needed items to the affected area. If you have the time, think about traveling to that area and assisting with distribution of donated items.



Please continue to volunteer in shelters, food pantries, church organizations. Get out there and look for where you can provide any assistance. Time is the most precious commodity you can give. Keep a smile on your face and in your voice. It can do wonders.

My National Ambassador, Bambi Johnson, would like to share the most outstanding projects at the Mid-Year Conference.

March 31 is the deadline for when the collages of work this year must be to me. I’m really looking forward to seeing some wonderful pictures.

Reports have been received from the following Auxiliaries – November 4, 2024

Dist. 1	10950		Dist. 8	670, 6018		Dist. 14	1706, 5305
Dist. 4	7315, 7547		Dist. 9	4203, 10403		Dist. 15	1142, 7034
Dist. 5	7288, 9983, 12196		Dist. 11	5352, 7794, 9010, 9436		Dist. 16	5206
Dist. 6	10607		Dist. 12	2908, 8989, 9134		Dist. 17	5205, 6812, 7339
Dist. 7	7383, 10225		Dist. 13	1160, 2423			

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.**

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# “Buddy”® Poppy



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NATIONAL HOME

## “Buddy”® Poppy

The “Buddy”® Poppy King & Queen and the Prince and Princess Contest are due to either Department Chairman by Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025. All forms can be found on the Department website.

Angi Hardy-  
Chairman

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910-322-6478

**Military & Veteran  
Family  
Help Line  
800-313-4200**

As we get into our Holiday season, let us remember our Veteran’s who are in hospitals, nursing homes and are shut ins! A great idea is to make “Buddy”® Poppy cards to deliver to them.

Remember after all of your “Buddy”® Poppy events to report them in the Department reporting system and also fill out a National Program Award form and send that to me. Please do not wait until the last minute!

## National Home-Celebrating 100 Years!!!

[www.VFWNationalHome.org](http://www.VFWNationalHome.org)

[www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org)

Reporting Website  
<http://vfwauxnc.org>

## Here are a few reminders:

- **Send a Birthday Card to the National Home by the end of January**
  - Become a Centennial Member!
  - Become a Home Front Hero
- Purchase an 8x8 Centennial Garden Brick
  - Purchase a 4x8 Tribute Brick

**“From Our Roots To Our Branches” National Presidents Theme 2024/2025**

**“Serving Those Who Have Served With Love” NC Department Presidents Theme 2024/2025**

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**Department**  
**Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary**  
**Chief – of – Staff**  
**JULIA STANCIL-WARREN**

**Mentoring For Leadership**  
**December**

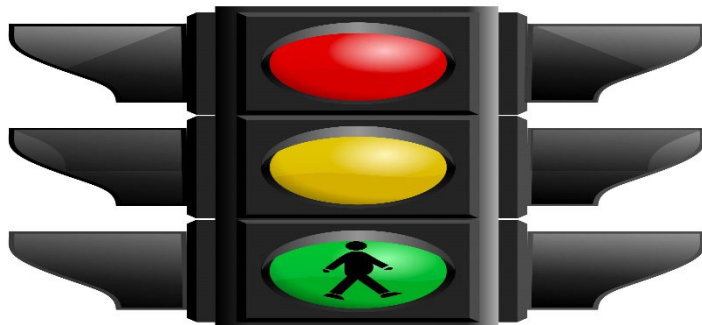
**Extension and Revitalization**

Please join me in welcoming the following auxiliaries:

The consolidation of Midway-Monroeton Post No. 8297, Reidsville North Carolina, and North West Guildford Memorial Post No. 7999 North West Guildford, North Carolina. The consolidated Post shall be known as – VFW Auxiliary Midway-Monroeton Post No. 8297, Midway-Monroeton, North Carolina. As of September 13, 2024.

Secondly, I extend a hearty thank you to Sandra Johnson-Lue, Treasurer and Eileen Lavevnick, District 4 President, for getting Auxiliary 2514 Dixon-Conderman, Officers elected and back aboard.

**Mentoring for Leadership**



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Auxiliary President and District President are we all at the Green Light and moving forward successfully?

Thank you, Diane, for your report, keep up the good work.

# VFW Auxiliary Dept of NC Historian/Media Relations



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**Submit your Auxiliary Historian & Media Relations National Program Award Entry Form now. See link below to access the form.**

<https://vfwauxnc.org/uploads/documents/HistorianMediaRelationsAwardforAuxiliaries2024-25.pdf>

## Great Christmas Activities for Your Auxiliary

- ◇ Donate supplies to your VA Medical Center (hats, gloves, puzzle books, puzzles, socks, etc)
- ◇ Fulfill the Christmas Wishlist of veterans in the nursing home
- ◇ Partner with youth groups to make Christmas cards and gift bags for Veterans
- ◇ Invite a youth group to assist with Wreaths Across America
- ◇ Host a Christmas Party for youths in the Community
- ◇ Visit sick and shut in Veterans and/or family members and take them a gift

## #HASHTAGS Q & A

- What are hashtags?
    - Short keywords or phrases after the pound sign, no spaces
  - How are hashtags used?
    - To make it easy to find similar content
  - How can they help National, Departments, Auxiliaries and/or Chairmen?
    - Keep connected with members, keep track of specific types of posts, organize pictures
- ⇒ **#VFW, #VFWaux & #vfwauxiliary** = content from/about the VFW and/or VFW Auxiliary
- ⇒ **#vfwauxtbt** = Throwback Thursday pictures from our past
- ⇒ **#auxinaction, #auxiliariesinaction** = Auxiliaries in Action
- ⇒ **#vfwrepost, #repost** = content reposted from the VFW or other organizations/users
- ⇒ **#Yacpac** = used annually with year for Young American Creative Patriotic Art winners
- ⇒ **Program-specific:** #vfwauxyouth, #vfwauxmembership, #vfwauxmentoring, etc.

## **Hospital Program – December 2024**

Dianne Sellers, Chairman

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### **? Have you reported under Hospital the number and hours of medical facility volunteers from your Auxiliary?**

Only report the volunteer 1 time, not every time they go to a medical facility, **BUT keep a list of total hours committed to volunteering.** Be sure to designate if they are a

*\*Regularly Scheduled Volunteer (RS):* participates in the VAVS Prog. on a regularly scheduled assignment under VA supervision.

*\*Occasional Volunteer:* serves under the VAVS Prog. who does not meet the requirements of RS volunteers. Individuals who frequently volunteer with a group on an occasional basis.

*\*Sponsored Volunteers:* non-members of the VFW Aux. who wish to serve under the Aux. sponsorship & supervision at VA and non-VA facilities.

*\*Student Volunteers:* under the age of 18 & must have written parental/guardian approval to participate in the VAVS Program. Minimum age for volunteers is determined by the facility.

***\*\* I have to report this information on the National Year-End Report.***

### **? Has your Auxiliary Recognized, Retained and Recruited volunteers?**

Volunteers need to be *Recognized, Retained* and *Recruited* for their time and commitment for wanting to help our Veterans and their families. Remember that many members cannot physically go to a facility, but they can knit, crochet, make tray favors and more – this is great volunteering! A personal “thank you”, phone calls, a note with a candy kiss attached are suggestions. Certificates are available in Malta (go to Programs & click on Hospital. Two available certificates will be found at end of list.) for all volunteers.

### **? Have you thought about inviting President Sandra to attend your Quarterly VAVS Meeting and taking a tour of your VA hospital?**

As of this writing, I know she has attended two VA Quarterly VAVS Meetings and was impressed with the valuable information that was provided to not only the VFW and Auxiliaries, but also other organizations who attend and volunteer at the hospitals. When she tours the VA hospitals, she looks forward to presenting a \$500 check from the NC VFW State Auxiliary. Be sure to report your \$20 required contribution under Hospital.

**Donations for the holidays** are so important for Veterans whose home is the VA hospital or nursing homes. Always check what your VAVS Rep provides in our *Auxiliary Monthly Newsletter* for suggestions and guidelines. “A ray of sunshine” can brighten a Veteran’s day!



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Merry Christmas and Happy holidays DURHAM VA Supporters!

WHOO WHO!!! I am so excited this month. And so proud of everything you have done to support the Veterans served by the Durham VA

On 18 November the VAVS Deputy Reps, Dianne Sellers, Betty Bradsher and myself met with Kendra Mondren to go over the support records from the past year. And to say the least, we were amazed. The support year goes from October until September. In the 2022-23 year we had monetary donations of \$750. In 2023-24 year we your donations increased to **\$3740.32!** I was blown away. The in-kind donations of actual supplies did drop from \$5734.66 to \$2421.19. But that is not to worry, as the items were able to be purchased for the veterans. The volunteer hours went up from 195 to 294!!!! Both the VA and I are so very appreciative of everything you have done. Now let's work to bring these numbers up for the new year. More volunteer hours would be great!!! But here is a huge THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart.

One item we were told about during our tour of the VA is the need for throw pillows for the CLC unit. The outside patio area and the family visiting area are beautiful, peaceful settings and the throw pillows add to this. Please order these from Amazon and have them shipped directly to the VA. Or send Amazon gift cards. Do not send monies for the VA to purchase these. It is a difficult process for them to make these purchases.

Another option is to purchase gift cards from the Veteran Canteen Service, the Patriot Store, located at the VA. This store contains many of the items needed by the veterans, including clothing, shoes, personal hygiene, snacks for the units, etc. Your Auxiliary or personal donation will be given credit for any donation made through the Patriot Store. With these gift cards, if Kendra receives a request for items for a Veteran, she will be able to contact the store, and they will use the gift cards to purchase the items. Please contact Nancy Roach, the manager at 929-286-6965 for more information.

Please don't forget about the Veterans Christmas tree project. Gift cards may be purchased for amounts of at least \$25 to purchase the items on the wish list for the Veterans name on the Christmas tree. Or you may reach out to Kendra to get the name or names of the Veterans and purchase the items directly. Again, please do not send money for the VA to do the shopping. It needs to be in the form of a gift card. For more information, please contact Kendra at [Kendra.Monden@va.gov](mailto:Kendra.Monden@va.gov).

As always, thank you for everything you do to support our Veterans through the Durham VA. Every donation, no matter how small makes a difference.

*Sandra Johnson-Leu*  
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[ctrysun@embarqmail.com](mailto:ctrysun@embarqmail.com)

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**Julia Stancil-Warren**

**V.A.V.S**

**Veterans Affairs Voluntary Services**

**Fayetteville VA Center**

**We want to extend a hearty thank you to Madam Department President Sandra Jefferies for making her official visit on Friday, November 15, 2024, and presenting the hospital with its annual funds donated from the NC Department VFWA.**

**Christmas is fast approaching please remember to complete your Christmas Cards that can be distributed to our veterans and their families as visits are being made.**

**Please do not forget to make contributions to the VA Hospital (make sure you are specific and who is making the contribution).**

**Please remember you can go to Fayetteville VA and check the items you can bring to the VA for our veterans.**

**Our next VAVS meeting will be January 15, 2024 @ 11:00a.m.**

Fayetteville Healthcare Center – 7300 S. Reaford Road – Fayetteville, NC

Fayetteville VA Medical Facility  
Coastal Health Care System  
Attn: CDCE (Formerly Voluntary Services) (565-135)  
2300 Ramsey St, Fayetteville, NC 28301  
Phone: 910-822-7027  
Email: [VHAFNCCDCEVolSvc@va.gov](mailto:VHAFNCCDCEVolSvc@va.gov)

Here is list of items needed for Winter Months:

20 Men's Sweatpants & Sweatshirts (LG)  
20 Men's Sweatpants & Sweatshirts (X-LG)  
50 Men's Sweatpants & Sweatshirts (Med)  
20 Ladies Long sleeve T-shirts (Med to 5XL)  
20 Ladies Sweatpants (Med to 5XL)  
50 Men's T-Shirts {M-XL}

Thank you for supporting our Veterans! All donation drop offs should be scheduled in advance to ensure we are available to receive them. Contact the Center for Development & Civic Engagement (CDCE) (formerly Voluntary Service) office to schedule a donation time. All items must be new and not expired.

You may also donate securely online at: <https://www.pay.gov/public/form/start/50810087/>

Julia Stancil-Warren (VAWS Rep)



**SALISBURY VA MEDICAL CENTER  
1601 BRENNER AVE.,  
SALISBURY, NC 28144**

December 25<sup>th</sup>, brings many memories to our Veterans, as they think about **Christmas** family traditions. Let us strive to make **Christmas** memorable for our Veterans.

**SUGGESTIONS:**

- \*Visit with them, and take a **Christmas** goody bag.
- \***Christmas** door decorations are appreciated.
- \*A small **Christmas** tree for their room would put a smile on their face.
- \*Blanket or Throw for their bed is a needed item.
- \*Our Veterans love to receive **Christmas** cards. THE MORE, THE MERRIER. Involve youth, Veterans love their homemade cards. Another suggestion for our youth, is to make tray favors for our Veterans, which they enjoy.
- \*Order **Christmas Dinner**, from their favorite restaurant. If needed, the staff will assist. Our Staff at Salisbury VA, are a blessing, remember them during the **Holidays**.

With winter approaching warmer clothing is needed, such as sweat suites, (all sizes except small) gloves, warm hats, heavier socks, and etc. Also, crossword puzzles, word search books, handheld games, craft kits or anything that will help them during the cold winter days.

It is necessary to call and make an appointment when you have donated items to deliver, phone number is 704-638-3409.

Thank you for all you do for "SERVING THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED WITH LOVE", our hospitalized Veterans.

Wishing you and your family a Happy, Healthy **MERRY CHRISTMAS**.

Loyally,

Farres Upton  
Salisbury VAVS Representative



## LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM—DECEMBER 2024



*From Our Roots to Our Branches,  
**Extend Service to Our Veterans.**  
REMEMBER OUR VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES AS YOU  
ENJOY THE HOLIDAY SEASON!*

*As I write this, there are a few Congressional races still to be decided and a probable recount race here in NC!  
**See the results of the election.***

**NC PASSES CITIZEN-ONLY VOTING AMENDMENT:** *The citizens-only voting amendment to the state constitution of NC passed on election night with 77 percent in favor and almost 23 percent against. This amendment allows only citizens to vote in an election in the state of North Carolina. Earlier this year, Speaker Tim Moore, R-Cleveland, introduced HB 1074 to amend the language in the state constitution to clarify that only citizens can vote in any election in the state. The bill passed in the House 99-12 and in the Senate 40-4 in June. Following the bill's passage in the General Assembly, the amendment was put on the ballot.*

**WATCH OUT FOR THOSE LAME DUCKS!** *What it is: an elected official or group (Congress & the President) continuing to hold political office during the period between the election and the inauguration of a successor.*

*Congress has a short but important to-do list as lawmakers, now that they have returned to Washington for what is known as a lame-duck session. Such as keeping the federal government open; providing more disaster aid; passing a defense policy bill; and for Senate Democrats, confirming more judges.*

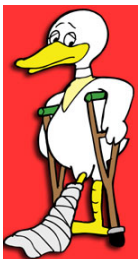
**THE 119th CONGRESS MEETS JANUARY 3, 2025, AT NOON.** *Republicans will control the Senate, with a 53-47 majority, and the House. Senator John Thune (R-SD) will be the new majority leader in the Senate and Speaker Mike Johnson (R-LA) plans to run again for his post, which will be the first order of business when the House meets in January. Senator Chuck Schumer (D-NY) and Rep. Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY) will serve as minority leader in their respective chambers.*

**REPUBLICANS ARE ALREADY MAKING BIG PLANS FOR THE 119<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS,** *many of which center on using a legislative maneuver called **reconciliation**. GOP leaders have suggested they are planning a mammoth-sized bill to implement President-elect Trump's tax policies, lower the federal deficit and enact conservative policies early next year. **Reconciliation** is a way to fast-track legislation on issues like taxes, the debt limit and federal spending by bypassing the Senate's 60-vote threshold for passage, instead lowering it to a simple 51-vote majority. Two big legislative priorities for their conference – secure the border and unleash American energy.*

**REMEMBER, AS I SAID LAST MONTH, KEEP OUR MOMENTUM GOING!** *Reach out to newly elected officials and introduce yourself. Keep in contact with current representatives. Know where they stand on veterans' rights and issues and then let our voices be heard! Don't forget our local elected officials, including NC State and House members in the General Assembly! Write letters, make phone calls and send emails. Invite them to you post for special events or patriotic celebrations so that you and your members can speak to them personally!*

**CONTINUE WORKING ON THE BASICS:** *study the VFW Legislative Priority Goals; read and RESPOND to the VFW Action Corps Weekly; stay up to date on pending legislation, both state and federal. USE the VFW Legislative Resource webpage: <https://www.vfw.org/advocacy/national-legislative-service>*

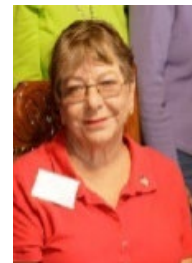
### LAME DUCK!



Visit our Facebook Page, Dept of NC VFW Auxiliary Legislative Program to keep up with Legislative News and Action Alerts!

Contact info: Lynn Childs, 252-528-0500. Email: [lynn.ccta@gmail.com](mailto:lynn.ccta@gmail.com), 1476A Northside Rd, Elizabeth City, NC 27909

*“Without Freedom of Thought there can be no such Thing as Wisdom; and no such Thing as Public Liberty, without Freedom of Speech.”*





## *Erline Mayberry Scholarship*

December 2024

As you gather with your families this holiday season, please remind those high school seniors to apply for the Erline Mayberry Scholarship!

The Erline Mayberry Scholarship was established June 1, 1977, to honor Erline Mayberry who served as the 1969-1970 VFW Auxiliary National President. Erline was an active member of VFW Auxiliary 7794 Elkin.

The deadline for the completed application is April 15, 2025. Everything the student needs to know about the Mayberry Scholarship may be found on the Department website: [vfwauxnc.org](http://vfwauxnc.org). **The information is found under "Resources."** (You will need to scroll down the drop-down menu.)

Please report what your Auxiliary does to promote the Mayberry Scholarship under NC Scholarship on the reporting website: [vfwauxnc.org](http://vfwauxnc.org). You can also report any contributions made to the Mayberry Scholarship.



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# Department of North Carolina - Membership

From Our Roots to Our Branches, Extending Service to Our Veterans  
Serving those who have served with love.

December 2024

**We are shooting for the stars, and going to 103% in membership!**



## How do I become a Membership Angel?!

Take a look at the attached flyer. You have until December 16<sup>th</sup> to send in all donations to our treasurer. Every increment of \$18 gets you one ticket into the drawing for a \$250 Amazon Gift Card!



### Need a good Christmas / Holiday Gift? Give them a membership!

Benefits of being a member include:

- VFW Auxiliary Digital Magazine
- Insurance Benefits (discounts for life, health, accident, long-term care, dental along with many other plans)
- Discount Shopping (access to discounts on products and services)
- Access to the VFW Store, Financial Services (Credit Cards and certain financial services through USAA)

### Help them get the right information to JOIN!

To join the Auxiliary proof of service to establish eligibility for membership rests with the applicant. You can help them by giving them ways to obtain the information and documents.

Information on a veteran's service record can be obtained by contacting the National Archives and Records Administration Phone: 1-866-272-6272 or online [www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/](http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/)



### NC Membership

**87.96%**

We need 830 renewals or new members to hit 100%,  
1,036 more to hit 103%

**\*\*PLEASE... Record deaths in Malta right away as they effect the totals. \*\***

Have a new prospect scan this QR Code!  
Open your camera and point at this QR code. A website link will appear and will take you to really good information on the VFW!



## Auxiliaries at 100%+!! / District in GREEN is at 100%

|                                           |                                        |                                   |                                   |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>District 1</b><br>7312 & 10950         | <b>District 4</b><br>7547, 8986 & 9810 | <b>District 5</b><br>8866 & 10226 | <b>District 6</b><br>10607        |
| <b>District 7</b><br>6722, 10225, & 10999 | <b>District 11</b><br>1119             | <b>District 12</b><br>6365        | <b>District 13</b><br>6724 & 9736 |
| <b>District 15</b><br>1142 & 7946         | <b>District 17</b><br>6812             |                                   |                                   |

**Reporting!** A friendly reminder: The goal this year, is to have EVERY Auxiliary reporting at least 4 times during the year! That's 1 per quarter. Send out or call for dues renewals – check in on your members! **All Auxiliaries should have already reported they sent out membership renewal letters at least 2 times already! Have you had a recruiting event? Have you talked to others about how to join? Know your Why – why you joined, why they should join, and why it's important for Veterans!**

#### NC Membership Chairman:

Lyndsey Bowlus

[Nikh96@aol.com](mailto:Nikh96@aol.com) 443.655.4570

#### National Membership Ambassador:

Linda Roloff

[Roloff3@outlook.com](mailto:Roloff3@outlook.com) 205.637.0612

#### Southern States Chairman:

Beth West

[bethvfwaux@gmail.com](mailto:bethvfwaux@gmail.com) 512.848.0093

# Become a Membership Angel

**You could win a \$250  
Amazon Gift Card!**

**Let's help our  
Western NC  
Auxiliary members!**

Donate money to help cover membership costs for those affected in Districts 14 -17 by Hurricane Helene. They don't need another financial thing to think about.

## How do I become a Membership Angel?

Donate any dollar amount to help us pay membership dues for those affected in WNC. Donations in increments of \$18, will receive 1 ticket to be entered into a drawing for a \$250 Amazon Gift Card!

*Ex. If Mary or an Auxiliary donates \$54, they would receive 3 tickets for the gift card drawing!*

## What to do...

Send all donations by **December 16th** to Sandra Johnson-Leu (Checks made payable to NC VFW Auxiliary)  
103 Covered Bridge Rd., Clayton, NC 27520



## Drawings...

The amount of money raised will determine how many membership dues we can cover. On December 20th, I will randomly pull names of members from Districts 14-17 to pay their dues for 2025. (One less thing for them to worry about!)

*\*Members must be in good-standing.*

Membership Angels who donated will be placed in a drawing for a \$250 Amazon Gift Card that will be drawn at the February C of A!

Questions call Lyndsey at 443-655-4570 or email [nikh96@aol.com](mailto:nikh96@aol.com)

Hello Sisters & Brothers:

Just wanted to send this notice to make you aware that each auxiliary should be reporting for Mentoring For Leadership. It has been reported that National will not be giving an award away for this program but they will for Extension & Revitalization. North Carolina will still continue to give away department awards for this program so the online reporting has been updated to include the following questions to be answered when reporting.

Have you made contact with your members who are not attending the local meetings to find out why they do not attend?

Do you assist unaffiliated posts with activities within your district since they do not have an auxiliary?

Have you promoted the CARE Concept to your members?

C-Catch the member when they first join.

A-Ask them to participate.

R-Remember what it felt like to be new.

E-Engage them in a Program that fits them.

## **Scholarship Programs December 2024**

National Auxiliary President Brenda Bryant's theme: "From Our Roots to Our Branches Extending Service to Our Veterans."

Department Auxiliary President Sandra Jeffries's theme:

"Serving Those Who Have Served with Love"

Wendy Dorsey Rachels, Scholarship Chairperson

PO Box 635 Badin NC 28009

704-984-2259

[wdrachels@gmail.com](mailto:wdrachels@gmail.com)



*Student Participation \* Recipient Recognition \* Community Awareness \* Increasing the Fund*

### **Continuing Education Scholarship Information**

- Applicants must be 21 years old or older by 2/15/2025
- Current VFW Auxiliary member, spouse of a current Auxiliary member, son/daughter of a current Auxiliary member
- Four \$1250 scholarships will be awarded annually, one in each of the four VFW Conferences
- Applicants must complete the application form answering all questions and write a brief essay (no more than 300 words) describing their commitment to their goals and how this scholarship will help them attain these goals.
- Application deadline: Submitted to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters (required deadline) by 2/15/2025!

### **Patriotic Art – Start Planning Now How to Encourage Participation**

#### **Young American Creative Art Patriotic Art Contest (2-Dimensional)**

- 2 – Dimensional unframed art on paper or canvas.
- This year there are 19 National Awards with the National first-place winner receiving a \$15,000 scholarship. The first-place winner from each Department competes for national awards from \$500 to \$15,000.
- Auxiliary Deadline is 3/31/2025. Department Deadline is 4/15/2025.

### **3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest**

- 3- Dimensional art less than 18 inches in any direction and no more than 5 lbs. in weight made of paper, paper mâché, pottery, clay, metal work, fabric, etc.
- This year there are 4 National Awards with the National first place winner receiving a \$2500 scholarship.
- Auxiliary Deadline is 3/31/2025. Department Deadline is 4/15/2025.

Read the criteria here and download applications for all 3 contests using the QR code below or [www.vfwauxiliary.org/scholarships](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org/scholarships)



### **Awards for Auxiliaries**

- National Award: Citation and \$25 to one VFW Auxiliary in each of the 10 Program Divisions that hosts the most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community about the scholarship opportunities in the VFW and the VFW Auxiliary.
- Department Chairman Drawing: For each Auxiliary that submits a completed award form according to the deadline detailing an activity and/or event educating the community about the scholarship opportunities will be entered into a drawing to win \$20 cash to be given at the Department Convention in June 2025. Use the QR code below to view the award form:



**Report! Report! Report!**





## Youth Activities Program **DECEMBER 2024**

### **Ho! Ho! Ho! It's Christmas Time of year! Bells are now ringing for all to hear.**

What better way to celebrate, than to give Veterans in Nursing homes or Hospitals the Gift of hearing a Youth Read a Patriotic Book to them.

Contact your local High School Senior or Junior High Guidance counselor and ask if there are students at this school who need to complete community service hours. Coordinate with the hospital or nursing home a date and time for the group to visit. Send Citations to the students and the school. Report your project in reporting and send your explanation, pictures of project and application for auxiliary awards to me for signature and a possible gift from National for an outstanding project. **Coming Soon Video on Facebook re :Aux Awards STAY TUNED**

### **R.A.P. Cards**

Use these as rewards that can be collected and turned into treats or surprises. (contact places of business for gift cards or coupons you can give as incentives for Youth showing Patriotism)

**Sponsoring and Working With Youth Groups** Children can help and assist at events. The **Youth Groups supporting our Veterans Citation** is one way for Auxiliaries to recognize various groups for volunteering and assisting Veterans in their communities. You can find this citation in Member resources under Youth Activities. REPORT> REPORT>REPORT

**Illustrating America:** Is an art competition open to any student in grades k-8 who is enrolled in a public private, home school. The deadline for this is in March. See Member Resources under Youth Activities

Genevieve "Genny" Price: **Youth Activities Program Chairman, Dept NC** 803 N Weldon Street Gastonia, NC 28052 [pricegenevieve961@gmail.com](mailto:pricegenevieve961@gmail.com) 7045244434 Dominique Garcia: **Youth Activities Ambassador** 8308 Waverly Drive NW



Albuquerque, NM 871208 [dcgarcia.1121@gmail.com](mailto:dcgarcia.1121@gmail.com)  
505 974 0008

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President Sandra Jefferies

Chairman Lyndsey Bowlus

Date: 11.20.24

East-- Wendy Doubles

| District 1 Pres Brittney Phillips |                |            |            |            |               |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                          | Aux. Name      | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 6060                              | Elizabeth City | 243        | 203        | 169        | 83.54%        |
| 7312                              | Sunbury        | 24         | 24         | 19         | 100.00%       |
| 10950                             | Outer Banks    | 39         | 38         | 37         | 100.00%       |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                     |                | <b>306</b> | <b>265</b> | <b>225</b> | <b>86.93%</b> |

| District 4 Pre.Eileen Lazenvick |              |            |            |            |               |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                        | Aux. Name    | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 7315                            | Havelock     | 192        | 181        | 168        | 94.27%        |
| 7547                            | Clinton      | 56         | 55         | 54         | 98.21%        |
| 8986                            | Newport      | 62         | 64         | 52         | 103.23%       |
| 9133                            | Jacksonville | 192        | 166        | 158        | 86.46%        |
| 9810                            | Warsaw       | 29         | 29         | 29         | 100.00%       |
| 9960                            | Swansboro    | 276        | 255        | 232        | 92.39%        |
| 11119                           | West Craven  | 34         | 30         | 29         | 88.24%        |
|                                 |              | 0          |            |            |               |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                   |              | <b>841</b> | <b>796</b> | <b>726</b> | <b>94.65%</b> |

| District 2 Pres. Violet Saviak |             |            |            |            |               |
|--------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                       | Aux. Name   | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 2615                           | Goldsboro   | 44         | 41         | 30         | 93.18%        |
| 2771                           | Kinston     | 18         | 12         | 9          | 66.67%        |
| 7032                           | Greenville  | 44         | 39         | 26         | 88.64%        |
| 9959                           | Mount Olive | 50         | 40         | 32         | 80.00%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                  |             | <b>156</b> | <b>132</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>84.62%</b> |

| District 5 Pres Deborah Crowder |                |            |            |            |               |
|---------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                        | Aux. Name      | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 7288                            | Calabash       | 298        | 228        | 204        | 76.51%        |
| 8866                            | Holden Beach   | 104        | 105        | 103        | 100.96%       |
| 9983                            | Holly Ridge    | 158        | 146        | 131        | 89.24%        |
| 10226                           | Oak Island     | 90         | 93         | 86         | 103.33%       |
| 10400                           | B Spring Lakes | 84         | 67         | 46         | 60.71%        |
| 121966                          | Leland         | 17         | 5          | 5          | 29.41%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                   |                | <b>751</b> | <b>644</b> | <b>573</b> | <b>85.75%</b> |

| District 3 Pres Mary Lewis |             |            |            |            |               |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                   | Aux. Name   | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 2057                       | Rocky Mount | 68         | 62         | 50         | 91.18%        |
| 4147                       | Bailey      | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0.00%         |
| <b>TOTALS</b>              |             | <b>68</b>  | <b>62</b>  | <b>50</b>  | <b>69.66%</b> |

| District 7 Pres Tina Szafarski |             |            |            |            |               |
|--------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                       | Aux. Name   | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 6983                           | Angier      | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0.00%         |
| 6722                           | Lillington  | 20         | 20         | 19         | 100.00%       |
| 7383                           | Cary        | 155        | 141        | 128        | 90.97%        |
| 9103                           | Spring Lake | 100        | 97         | 94         | 97.00%        |
| 10225                          | Garner      | 108        | 110        | 91         | 101.85%       |
| 10999                          | Raleigh     | 41         | 41         | 32         | 100.00%       |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                  |             | <b>424</b> | <b>409</b> | <b>364</b> | <b>92.95%</b> |

| EASTERN       | 2024 Mbrs.  | 2025 Mbrs.  | Life Mbrs.  | Percent       |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>2546</b> | <b>2308</b> | <b>2035</b> | <b>93.47%</b> |

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Central - Mary Zanders

| District 6 Pres Emily Ball |            |            |            |            |                |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Aux. No.                   | Aux. Name  | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent        |
| 1920                       | Mebane     | 47         | 45         | 25         | 95.74%         |
| 10607                      | Burlington | 33         | 35         | 26         | 106.06%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>              |            | <b>80</b>  | <b>80</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>100.00%</b> |

| District 10 Pres Carsonia Whitmore |                |            |            |            |               |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                           | Aux. Name      | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 2087                               | Greensboro     | 20         | 20         | 6          | 100.00%       |
| 2972                               | Gibsonville    | 36         | 34         | 31         | 94.44%        |
| 3074                               | Lexington      | 41         | 39         | 15         | 95.12%        |
| 8297                               | Mway Monroeton | 58         | 56         | 50         | 96.55%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                      |                | <b>155</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>102</b> | <b>96.13%</b> |

| District 8 Pres Mary Zanders |              |            |            |            |               |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                     | Aux. Name    | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 670                          | Fayetteville | 157        | 151        | 109        | 96.18%        |
| 6018                         | Fayetteville | 195        | 178        | 158        | 91.28%        |
| 10,630                       | Hope Mills   | 34         | 28         | 26         | 82.35%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                |              | <b>386</b> | <b>357</b> | <b>293</b> | <b>92.49%</b> |

| District 12 Pres Theresa Billips |            |            |            |            |          |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Aux. No.                         | Aux. Name  | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent  |
| 2908                             | Albemarle  | 92         | 54         | 38         | 58.70%   |
| 3006                             | Salisbury  | 95         | 75         | 52         | 78.95%   |
| 6365                             | Locust     | 18         | 19         | 4          | 105.56%  |
| 8989                             | Kannapolis | 135        | 96         | 60         | 71.11%   |
| 9134                             | Rockwell   | 32         | 30         | 22         | 93.75%   |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                    |            | <b>372</b> | <b>276</b> | <b>176</b> | <b>;</b> |

| District 9 Pres Angi Hardy |                |            |            |            |               |
|----------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                   | Aux. Name      | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 4203                       | Rockingham     | 60         | 34         | 34         | 56.67%        |
| 5631                       | Sanford        | 121        | 108        | 105        | 89.26%        |
| 7318                       | Southern Pines | 349        | 337        | 317        | 96.56%        |
| 10,403                     | Wadesboro      | 44         | 28         | 23         | 63.64%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>              |                | <b>574</b> | <b>500</b> | <b>479</b> | <b>88.33%</b> |

| CENTRAL       | 2023 Mbrs.  | 2024 Mbrs.  | Life Mbrs.  | Percent       |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>1567</b> | <b>1362</b> | <b>1101</b> | <b>86.92%</b> |

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| District 11 Pres Nancy Raborn |                |            |            |            |               |
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| Aux. No.                      | Aux. Name      | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 1119                          | Cooleemee      | 28         | 29         | 10         | 103.57%       |
| 5352                          | Kernersville   | 151        | 108        | 73         | 71.52%        |
| 7794                          | Elkin          | 37         | 33         | 14         | 89.19%        |
| 9010                          | Clemmons       | 54         | 53         | 48         | 98.15%        |
| 9436                          | Pilot Mountain | 67         | 62         | 26         | 92.54%        |
| 11173                         | Walnut Cove    | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0.00%         |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                 |                | <b>337</b> | <b>285</b> | <b>171</b> | <b>79.61%</b> |

| District 15 Pres Sherry Brooks |               |            |            |            |               |
|--------------------------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                       | Aux. Name     | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 1142                           | N. Wilkesboro | 84         | 84         | 70         | 100.00%       |
| 4286                           | Newland       | 35         | 33         | 23         | 94.29%        |
| 7031                           | Boone         | 45         | 22         | 21         | 48.89%        |
| 7034                           | Sparta        | 61         | 57         | 48         | 93.44%        |
| 7946                           | Jefferson     | 30         | 30         | 10         | 100.00%       |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                  |               | <b>255</b> | <b>226</b> | <b>172</b> | <b>88.63%</b> |

| District 13 Pres Becky Rowe |              |            |            |            |               |
|-----------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                    | Aux. Name    | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 1160                        | Charlotte    | 139        | 132        | 127        | 94.96%        |
| 2423                        | Indian Trail | 104        | 99         | 91         | 95.19%        |
| 5464                        | Monroe       | 46         | 40         | 34         | 86.96%        |
| 6724                        | Paw Creek    | 37         | 35         | 29         | 94.59%        |
| 7775                        | Charlotte    | 20         | 18         | 18         | 90.00%        |
| 9337                        | Gastonia     | 68         | 43         | 27         | 63.24%        |
| 9736                        | Croft        | 16         | 5          | 5          | 31.25%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>               |              | <b>430</b> | <b>347</b> | <b>331</b> | <b>80.70%</b> |

| District 16 Pres Joyce Preston |                |            |            |            |               |
|--------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                       | Aux. Name      | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 891                            | Asheville      | 82         | 76         | 68         | 92.68%        |
| 5206                           | Hendersonville | 73         | 61         | 59         | 83.56%        |
| 9116                           | Columbus       | 25         | 22         | 18         | 88.00%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                  |                | <b>180</b> | <b>159</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>88.33%</b> |

| District 14 Pres Linda Owens |             |            |            |            |               |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                     | Aux. Name   | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 1706                         | Lincolnton  | 73         | 54         | 48         | 73.97%        |
| 2031                         | Statesville | 71         | 64         | 59         | 90.14%        |
| 4066                         | Shelby      | 19         | 16         | 16         | 84.21%        |
| 5305                         | Newton      | 40         | 23         | 14         | 57.50%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                |             | <b>203</b> | <b>157</b> | <b>137</b> | <b>77.34%</b> |

| District 17 Pres Niki Paganelli |             |            |            |            |               |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Aux. No.                        | Aux. Name   | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
| 4309                            | Brevard     | 165        | 140        | 122        | 84.85%        |
| 5202                            | Waynesville | 221        | 123        | 121        | 55.66%        |
| 6812                            | Hayesville  | 52         | 53         | 41         | 101.92%       |
| 7339                            | Franklin    | 68         | 63         | 39         | 92.65%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                   |             | <b>506</b> | <b>379</b> | <b>323</b> | <b>74.90%</b> |

| WESTERN       | 2024 Mbrs.  | 2025 Mbrs.  | Life Mbrs.  | Percent       |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>1911</b> | <b>1553</b> | <b>1279</b> | <b>81.27%</b> |

| DEPT          | 2024 Mbrs.  | 2025 Mbrs.  | Life Mbrs.  | Percent       |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>6891</b> | <b>6078</b> | <b>5187</b> | <b>88.20%</b> |

| NC At-Large   | 2024 Mbrs. | 2025 Mbrs. | Life Mbrs. | Percent       |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>809</b> | <b>793</b> | <b>770</b> | <b>98.02%</b> |

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