



103RD DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
99TH DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK AUXILIARY
STATE CONVENTION
ALBANY, NEW YORK JUNE 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9, 2024



Dear Comrades and Auxiliary Members:

The 103rd Annual Department of New York Convention, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW charter date is 11/27/1920) and 99th Annual Auxiliary Convention (4/30/1925) will be held in Albany, New York on June 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9, 2024. 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 this 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 6, 2024, 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 5, 2024 at 10:00 am.

Auxiliary Opening Meeting: Thursday, June 6, 2024 at 8:00 am.

VFW Committee Meetings: Thursday, June 6, 2024 at 10:00 am.

VFW and Aux. Memorial Service: Thursday, June 6, 2024 at 1:00 pm.

VFW Opening Meeting: Friday, June 7, 2024 at 8:00 am.

VIP Housing: Chairman Robert Barnhart: VFW and Auxiliary State Officers, VIPs, Special Guests, and Vendors. Hotel Room rate is \$129.00 per night.

VIP room reservations will open on April 1, 2024. VIP housing deadline is April 7, 2024. All VIP reservations received after that date will be processed as a General Housing Reservation (see below). VIPs must make their reservations by phone directly with the Albany Marriott at (518) 458-8444 (ask for VFW rate).

General Housing: Adjutant Bob Mitchell: VFW and Auxiliary: Hotel Room daily rate is \$129.00 per night.

General Housing reservations will open on April 8, 2024 and remain open until Friday, May 10, 2024. Reservations must be made by phone directly with the Albany Marriott at (518) 458-8444 (ask for VFW rate).

****Housing Deadline:** Due to other major events scheduled in the Albany area during the same time as the Department Convention, the Albany Marriott expects the hotel will sell out quickly following the housing deadline of May 10, 2024. Make your reservations promptly!

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



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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.

VFW Convention Advance Delegate Registration: Must be received at Department Headquarters by COB May 31, 2024. 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: Jane Reape

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 Jane Reape, 108 Bridge Street, Carthage, NY 13619. Pre-registration deadline is May 22, 2024.**

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 24, 2024.**

State Commander and State President Dinner: The State Commander and State President's dinner is scheduled for Thursday June 6, 2024, at 6:00 pm. There will be a cash bar cocktail hour from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Dinner tickets are \$55.00 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 24, 2024.** 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 7, 2024, at 12:00 pm. Cost is \$45.00 per person – information and reservation form is enclosed. Deadline is **May 22, 2024.** Make checks payable to the **VFW Auxiliary Department of NY earmarked luncheon** and mail to: **Auxiliary Luncheon Chairman Karen Dotson, 19 Calgary Lane, Binghamton, NY 13901.**

2024-25 District Commander's Orientation Meeting: The State Commander will be hosting a Breakfast Meeting on Sunday Morning, June 9, 2024, at 8:00 am for the 2024-25 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

**102nd Department of New York Veterans of Foreign Wars
State Convention
MARRIOTT HOTEL
ALBANY, NEW YORK**

Friday, June 7, 2024

SCHEDULE

8:00 AM	Registration Opens	
8:00 AM	General Business Session	Call to Order – Posting of the Colors
	Opening	Daniel Kell, State Commander
	Prayer	Rev. Edward R.P. Kane, State Chaplain
	Pledge of Allegiance	Danny Williams, Patriotic Instructor
	Roll Call	Robert J. Mitchell, State Adjutant
	Parliamentarian	Mel Garrett, PSC
	Convention Rules	Ben Thompson, Judge Advocate
	Credential Report	Don Mackey, Chairman
	Report of Committees	
	Budget & Finance	Dan McMahon
	Investments	William Schwappacher
	Membership	Michael Burke, PSC
	Bylaws	Harold Burke, PSC
	Legislative	Ann Marie Hogancamp,
	Officer Reports	Dennis Sullivan, PSC
	General Resolutions	Mel Garrett, PSC
	National Security	Ben Thompson, PSC
	Community Activities	Ronald Sorrentino
	Scouting	Ron Jubis
	Safety	Marcello Rotunda
	POW/MIA	Pat Iuliucci
	Commanders Special Project	Gene Ratigliano, NCM
	Hospital Report	Jon Michael
	Inspections	James Brooks
	State Steering	Robert Barnhart, PSC
	Veterans Service	Tom Todaro, PSC
	Military Assistance Program	Dan O'Brien
	Student Veterans Association	John Wenig



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

**2024 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: 2024 Convention Delegate Registration
 69 Sand Creek Road
 Albany, New York 12205

**Advance Convention Delegate
 Registrations Must Be Received at
 Department Headquarters by COB May
 31, 2024.**



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Post: _____ District: _____ Contact Person: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Please accept our Ad inclusion in the 2024 State VFW Convention Book.

_____ Full Page Ad @ \$90.00

_____ Half Page Ad @ \$65.00

_____ Quarter Page Ad @ \$45.00

_____ Ad enclosed—Camera ready

_____ Ad will be emailed to JTreadway@vfwny.com

_____ Create our Ad for us

Please Note: Your Ad will be placed in the program book as close to the layout submitted for publication. If your Ad includes any clip art other than the VFW or Auxiliary logo, please e-mail your clip art in a jpeg picture format to JTreadway@vfwny.com clearly stating which Ad the clip art is for, the Post number and your phone number and /or email address. ALL Ads should be camera ready.

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 Book Ads
69 Sand Creek Road
Albany, NY 12205

For additional information contact Jody Treadway at 518-463-7427 or at JTreadway@vfwny.com.

Please mail all ads flat—do not fold or fax

All Ads Must Be Received By: May 24, 2024

<p align="center">\$90.00 Full Page Ad</p> <p align="center">Size of ad 4.5" X 7"</p>
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<p align="center">\$65.00 Half Page Ad</p> <p align="center">Size of ad 4.5" X 3.5"</p>
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<p align="center">\$45.00 Quarter Page Ad</p> <p align="center">Size of ad 4.5" X 1.75"</p>
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<u>To Pay By Credit Card</u>	
Name on Card _____	Expiration date: ____ / ____
Credit Card Number: _____	CRV Code: _____



**YOU ARE INVITED TO
ATTEND
STATE COMMANDER'S
AND
STATE PRESIDENT'S
TESTIMONIAL DINNER**

THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 2024

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

\$55.00 per person



**DINNER RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
FRIDAY MAY 24, 2024**

(Order form on other side)



Please print clearly

Check # _____

Post/Aux #	District	Name	Title

Number of Dinner Tickets: _____ @ \$55.00 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

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, ATTN: Dinner Reservations,

69 Sand Creek Road, Albany, NY 12205

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Due to the Belmont Race taking place at Saratoga Racetrack on June 8, 2024, hotel availability in the Albany area will be severely limited June 2-9, 2024.

If you are planning on attending the Department of New York VFW State Convention and staying at the Albany Marriott Hotel, your Hotel Reservations for the State Convention must be made by **Friday May 10, 2024** by calling the Albany Marriott at

518- 458-8444

Requests for Convention Rooms at the \$129.00 per night rate will not be available after May 10, 2024.

