



# SUNSHINE E-NEWS

DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

## Florida Brings Home Awards

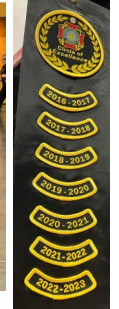
At the 110th National Chairman Roger Ingall—1st Chairman Natalie Dolan. Convention of the VFW Place Best promotion of support for Auxiliary, Florida brings home Youth Activities Chairman veteran, military and family many awards: Sandi Hendriks—1st place caregivers Division 10 received by Chairman Roger Ingall.

For the 7th year in a row, Auxiliaries received some special awards. These awards Best promotion of support to increase awareness of Florida's Department President were given one per conference homeless veterans Division 10 attains the high honor of Circle of Excellence! Congratulations so the competition was still. received by Chaiman Roger Cindy! Most outstanding event that demonstrated how the "Buddy" Ingall.

The Program Chairmen did wonderful jobs bringing home Poppy and the VFW National Most outstanding veteran 1st Place or 2nd Place Home impact each other grave beautification activity by Outstanding Performance Southern Conference award an Auxiliary involving youth Award: received by Hardin-Mulkey Southern Conference received Americanism Chairman Debra Auxiliary 8182. by Harold E. Waldron Auxiliary Gates—2nd Place A member who assisted the 1590.

Auxiliary Outreach Chairman Department Chief of Staff in Best promotion of an activity Jackie Bruder—2nd Place nurturing/strengthening/ by youth for youth Division 10 Buddy Poppy—Betty Baily—2nd revitalizing a struggling received by Chairman Sandi Place Auxiliary Southern Conference Hendriks.

Extension Chairman Tela award received by Mike Yates We had 15 members who Harbold—2nd Place Most outstanding consistent received the National Legislative Chairman Margaret partnership and/or Membership Achievement Rementer—2nd Place communication with young Award for recruiting 20 Membership Chairman Jeanne adult civic and/or political members. Florida's Young American Laurine—1st Place groups Southern Conference Patriotic Art Contest entry by Mentoring for Leadership received by John C. Gainous Kathia Petri Fraticelli from Post Chairman Debbie McCollum— 10069 Auxiliary. Haynes-Hendrick Auxiliary 1st Place Best promotion of ways to 4289 won 6th place in the Scholarships Chairman Natalie increase student participation in the Scholarship Program contest! Dolan—2nd Place Veterans and Family Support Division 10 received by



Florida 6th Place Winner  
Kathia Petri Fraticelli of  
Haynes-Hendrick 4289



# Want to be Seen?

Using hashtags (#) can be helpful to both Auxiliary program, you can type more members and than one hashtag.

Chairman. When Chairmen To access your hashtag on create a hashtag, they are face book, go to the search creating a photo book, or a icon, and type your hashtag, book of records. then search. You will be able

Imagine having to search to see what everyone has through all the Auxiliary face posted.

book pages for the entire State of Florida, looking to see which Any Auxiliary member can Auxiliaries are actively involved snapshot their face book post with your program. That would and send it in their take a lot of time and effort. report. Listed below are the

The Auxiliary members look to be acknowledged for their hard work with something as simple as a "like" on their posts. When they see their Auxiliary officers or Department Chairmen noticing them, they feel valued in their work. This is what we want.

The hashtag is a means by which every Auxiliary member can send their face book post directly to the chairman so they don't have to go searching for posts pertaining to their chairmanship.

National also has hashtags which you can use to get your posts noticed by National.

To get your post on the hashtag or photo book, simply type the hashtag in the description of the post. If a

Membership

#deptflmembership

Mentor for Leadership

#vfwflauxleadership

President's Special Project

#vfwafpsproj

Scholarship

#auxfldiploma

Veterans and Family

#vfwauxflvfs

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You are invited to call questions call Historian Karen Heikkila at 386-453-6513.

Americanism

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Auxiliary Outreach

#vfwflauxoutreach

Buddy Poppy

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Historian

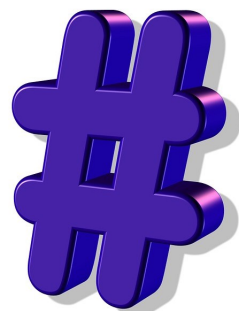
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Hospital

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Legislative

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# Auxiliaries at Work

Friday, July 7, 2023

## Winners



Photo courtesy of Karen Heikkila

VFW Post 1590 Auxiliary of Daytona Beach worked with students of Basilica of St. Paul School this past year, including helping them with art and essay contests, and making cards for veterans in nursing homes and hospitals. They entered a contest singing the national anthem and cleaned the grave markers of veterans, with Youth helping Youth. Winners of the art contest, "Illustrating America," with Ektemal Francis, art teacher, were, from left, kindergarten, Gabriel Villanueva-Meyer; third to fifth grade, Mia Ramirez-solvers and second grade, Skhyler Carigara. Not pictured was sixth to eighth grade winner Sa'riah Henry.



Hernando Beach Auxiliary 9236 has started the Back To School drive. They donated 150 backpacks and \$500 to a member who is a teacher for her students. And additional 150 backpacks were donated to Hernando County Sheriff's Deputies to distribute to children in need. The remaining 525 backpacks to Publix's "Stuff the Bus" drive. All backpacks were donated to the Auxiliary by Fosters Roofing.



VFW Auxiliary 10087 delivered 20 chemo bags to the Gainesville

## "Boot Camp" School of Instructions

Friday April 11, 2023

Department Chairman Meeting  
Council of Administration Meeting

Auxiliary President Training  
Roles/Duties of Auxiliary Officers

Trustees Workshop



Saturday April 12, 2023

Department Program Fair

Leadership Workshop

Secretary Workshop

Treasure Workshop

New Department Website

Program Advisor

Sunday, April 13, 2023

District President's Meeting