



# DEPT. OF PA VFW State Convention

**June 11, 2025 - June 14, 2025**  
**Eisenhower Hotel and Conference Center**  
**2634 Emmitsburg Road**  
**Gettysburg, PA 17325**

## AGENDA



- **ROLL CALLS MAY BE TAKEN ANYTIME. THOSE WHO RECEIVE PER DIEM MUST BE PRESENT TO RECEIVE PER DIEM. IF YOU ARE NOT PRESENT FOR A ROLL CALL, THEN YOUR TRAVEL EXPENSES WILL NOT BE REIMBURSED**

**ALL HOSPITALITY ROOMS MUST BE CLOSED DURING BUSINESS SESSIONS**

## **Tuesday, June 10, 2025**

<b>3:00</b>	<b>VETERANS SERVICE MEETING</b>	<b>STILLWELL ROOM</b>
<b>4:30</b>	<b>VFW FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING</b>	<b>STILLWELL ROOM</b>

## **Wednesday, June 11, 2025**

<b>8:00AM-4:00PM</b>	<b>EXHIBITORS</b>	<b>HALLWAY OUTSIDE BALLROOM</b>
<b>8:00 AM-4:00 PM</b>	<b>VFW REGISTRATION</b>	<b>EDWARDIAN</b>
<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> COA MEETING</b>	<b>BALLROOM</b>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>REHEARSAL FOR MEMORIAL SERVICE</b>	<b>BALLROOM</b>
<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>MEMORIAL SERVICE</b>	<b>BALLROOM</b>
<b>8:00 PM</b>	<b>RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEES: BY-LAWS &amp; RITUAL COMMITTEE NATIONAL SECURITY/ FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE VETERANS SERVICE COMMITTEE COA MINUTES AND CONVENTION RULES</b>	<b>BALLROOM</b>

## **Thursday, June 12, 2025**

<b>8:00AM-4:00PM</b>	<b>EXHIBITORS</b>	<b>HALLWAY OUTSIDE BALLROOM</b>
<b>2:00 PM-4:00 PM</b>	<b>VFW RIDER REGISTRATION</b>	<b>EISENHOWER HOTEL LOBBY</b>
<b>8:00AM-4:00PM</b>	<b>VFW REGISTRATION</b>	<b>EDWARDIAN</b>
<b>8:00-11:00 AM</b>	<b>VFW &amp; AUXILIARY JOINT OPENING SESSION</b>	<b>BALLROOM</b>

### **PRESENTATION OF COLORS**

CALL TO ORDER  
OPENING PRAYER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
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STATE COMMANDER BARB LONCAR  
STATE CHAPLAIN REV. DAVID BRADY  
STATE SGT-AT-ARMS DAVE SWANSON  
KATHY DECARLO

## **WELCOME:**

STATE COMMANDER  
STATE SR. VICE COMMANDER  
STATE JR. VICE COMMANDER  
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT  
DEPARTMENT SR. VICE PRESIDENT  
DEPARTMENT JR. VICE PRESIDENT

BARBARA “BARB” LONCAR  
WILLIAM “BILL” ROLAND  
JAMES “JIM” BROWN  
ANDREA MEINTEL  
ROBIN KOHLER  
CEIL COOK

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS**

NATIONAL SR. VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF  
NATIONAL SR. VICE PRESIDENT

CAROL WHITMORE  
LOIS CALLAHAN

## **2024-2025 DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP AWARDS**

ALL STATE DISTRICT COMMANDERS  
CAPTAINS ALL STATE POST COMMANDERS / QUARTERMASTERS  
ALL STATE POST COMMANDERS / QUARTERMASTERS  
SALVO AWARD  
CHOSNYK AWARD  
ROBERT MUSSER MEMORIAL AWARD  
VAN ZANDT AWARD  
SAFETY AWARD  
CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION TEACHER AWARD  
BUDDY POPPY AWARDS  
HEALTH CARE AWARDS  
YOUTH ACTIVITIES & SCOUTING AWARDS  
COMMUNICATIONS AWARD

## **2024-2025 DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP AWARDS**

ALL STATE AUXILIARIES  
OUTSTANDING DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

## **1<sup>ST</sup> BUSINESS SESSION**

CALL TO ORDER:  
CONVENTION RULES:  
CREDENTIALS REPORT:  
BYLAWS-PROPOSED CHANGES  
NATIONAL SECURITY/ FOREIGN AFFAIRS/POW/MIA  
VETERANS SERVICE RESOLUTIONS  
FINANCE REPORT

STATE COMMANDER BARB LONCAR  
LARRY N. REECE AND THOMAS “ACE” HANZES  
BARB KOLLER  
BOB EILER  
BENJAMIN MASTRIDGE  
JESSICA KING  
BOB EILER

**ALL CHAIRMEN WILL PROVIDE THEIR REPORTS**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STATE ADJUTANT JOHN GETZ

2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL PA CONVENTION MOTORCYCLE RIDE-VFW RIDERS

JUNE 12, 2025

RIDER CHECK-IN: 2:00-4:00 PM (RIDER AND PASSENGER FEE: \$10.00)

KICK STANDS UP: 4:00 PM

~~~END OF GENERAL SESSION~~~

• **2025-2026 VFW STATE LEADERSHIP PHOTOS:**  
**PHOTO SESSION WILL START 15 MINUTES AFTER THE SESSION ENDS AND LAST FOR ONE HOUR.**

**Friday June 13, 2025**

**8:00AM-4:00PM**

EXHIBITORS

8:00AM-4:00PM

VFW REGISTRATION

**EDWARDIAN**

**2<sup>ND</sup> BUSINESS SESSION**

8:00 AM

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STATE SGT-AT-ARMS DAVE SWANSON

BARBARA KOLLAR

**SPEAKERS:** 10:00

HOLLY MADDAM'S-ARTHRITIS CHECK PRESENTATION

DANA NEELY-PA ATTORNEY GENERAL OFFICE

DAVE JACKEL-PITTSBURGH WARRIORS DISABLED VETERAN HOCKEY  
(BILL ROLAND'S-COMMANDER SPECIAL PROJECT)

VFW LIFETIME MEMBER-KEVIN MACOMBER-BOOK  
(WALKING FROM THE SHADOWS)

11:00 AM

GENERAL PIPPY (DMVA)

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**\*\*\*NOMINATION OF 2025-2026 OFFICERS\*\*\***

**(NOTE: ALL CANDIDATES MUST FILL OUT OFFICER CANDIDATE FORM)**

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

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### **• 2025-2026 VFW STATE LEADERSHIP PHOTOS**

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**6:15 PM**

VFW OFFICERS LINE UP

**7:00 PM**

**PATRIOTIC RALLY**

PATRIOTIC RALLY (DRESS CODE: PATRIOTIC)

(PROCESSION WITH STATE LINE OFFICERS, DISTRICT COMMANDERS & PRESIDENTS)

**Saturday June 14, 2025**

**8:00AM-3:00PM**

EXHIBITOR

**6:30 AM-8:00 AM**

VFW REGISTRATION

### **FINAL BUSINESS SESSION**

**9:00 AM**

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BARB KOLLAR

### **FINAL NOMINATION, ELECTION & INSTALLATION OF 2025-2026- VFW**

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

STATE ADJUTANT JOHN GETZ

CLOSING OF CONVENTION:

IPS STATE COMMANDER BARB LONCAR

**THE NEW 2025-2026 COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION WILL MEET IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE INSTALLATION**

**2025-2026 NEW COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION GROUP PHOTO WILL BE TAKEN BEFORE MEETING BEGINS IN THE \*TBD\***

RECEPTION

HOSTED BY: STATE COMMANDER WILLIAM "BILL" ROLAND  
AND DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT ROBIN KOHLER  
**LINE OFFICERS-SUITS AND BUSINESS CASUAL FOR ATTENDEES**



## 2025-2026 OTI

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| <b>Sunday, July 13</b>   | Post 4129 Captain Phillips<br>603 Lower Main St Saxton, PA 16678<br>814-635-3079                  | District 30 | 9:00am |
| <b>Monday, July 14</b>   | Post 7294 Millersville Manor<br>210 Walnut Hill Road Millersville, PA 17551<br>717-874-5742       | District 9  | 6:00pm |
| <b>Saturday, July 19</b> | Post 7069 Abington Memorial<br>402 Winola Road Clarks Summit, PA 18411<br>570-586-9821            | District 10 | 9:00am |
| <b>Sunday, July 20</b>   | Post 6493 Harry C Wilson II Memorial<br>645 Lousi Drive Warminster, PA 18974<br>215-773-0693      | District 8  | 9:00am |
| <b>Saturday, July 26</b> | Post 7842 SSG Albert E Moss Jr Memorial<br>6913 Gehrton Road Linesville, PA 16424<br>814-683-5405 | District 28 | 9:00am |
| <b>Sunday, July 27</b>   | Post 894 Natrona Heights<br>894 Veterans Lane Natrona Heights, PA 150655<br>724-904-7649          | District 29 | 9:00am |

All morning trainings will have coffee and doughnuts served at 8:00am  
Evening trainings will have a light meal served at 5:00pm

**Thank you for attending the 2025 PA State Convention**  
**Safe travels home!!**