



# Mid-Winter

# Conference Agenda

January 15, 2026 – January 18, 2026

Eisenhower Hotel and Conference Center  
2634 Emmitsburg Road Gettysburg, PA. 17325  
717-334-2755



**“Teach, Coach, Mentorship**

**Hospitality Rooms Must Be Closed During Business Sessions**

## VFW DEPARTMENT

<b>Bill Roland</b>	<b>State Commander</b>
<b>Jim Brown</b>	<b>Sr. Vice Commander</b>
<b>Glenn Owen</b>	<b>Jr. Vice Commander</b>
<b>John B. Getz Jr.</b>	<b>Adjutant/Quartermaster</b>
<b>Christopher Haynes</b>	<b>National Inspector General</b>

## VFW AUXILIARY

<b>Robin Kohler</b>	<b>Department President</b>
<b>Ceil Cook</b>	<b>Sr. Vice President</b>
<b>Becky Fox</b>	<b>Jr. Vice President</b>
<b>Jodie Hollinger</b>	<b>Secretary-Treasurer</b>
<b>Bonnie Drake</b>	<b>Nat'l Council Member</b>

### Thursday, January 15, 2026

<b>2:00 PM</b>	Veterans Service Meeting	Stillwell Room
<b>3:00 PM</b>	Finance Committee Meeting	Stillwell Room

### Friday, January 16, 2026

<b>9:00 AM</b>	Convention Corporation Meeting	Stillwell Room
	Exhibits - Vendors	Hallway of Ballroom
<b>10:00 AM-5:00 PM</b>	VFW Registration / Banquet Tickets	Lobby of Eisenhower
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>General Session-VFW/AUXILIARY</b> Bill Roland-State Commander Christopher Haynes—National Inspector General Robin Kohler—Auxiliary President Bonnie Drake—National Council Member and Representative Vincent Gavin—Voice of Democracy Chairman Bill Lamond—Patriot's Pen Chairman David Sunday---PA Attorney General Roxanne Shearer—Barger Scholarship Check Presentation Sandy Brenner & Roger Miller—Diabetes Walk Chek Presentation	Ballroom

<b>7:00 PM</b>	VFW Training Session—Suicide Prevention VA Representative	Ballroom
<b>7:00 PM – 8:00 PM</b>	VFW Auxiliary Team Building	Aspire Ballroom
<b>8:00 PM- 9:00 PM</b>	Auxiliary Hospital Representatives and Deputies Meeting	TBD
<b>8:00 PM</b>	Floor Practice (Conductor and Dept floor team only)	TBD

**Saturday, January 17, 2026**

<b>7:30 AM – 12:00 PM</b>	VFW Registration / Banquet Tickets	Lobby/Eisenhower
<b>8:00 AM – 11:00 AM</b>	VFW SO Benefits Training—Jessica King VFW Membership Training—Tom Sally Home Associations—Bill Stellfox Disciplinary Actions—John Getz	Eisenhower Ballroom
<b>8:30 AM – 9:15 AM</b>	Auxiliary District President’s Meeting	Aspire Ballroom
<b>9:30 AM – 11:00 AM</b>	VFW Auxiliary Council of Administration Including Jeff Patackis, CPA, Campton Patackis, LLC	Aspire Ballroom
<b>12:00 PM – 4:00 PM</b>	Auxiliary Last Chance On the Road Training	Aspire Ballroom
<b>2:00 PM</b>	VFW Council of Administration	Aspire Ballroom
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Voice of Democracy District Winners District Commanders and Auxiliary Presidents	Eisenhower Lobby (Group Photos)
<b>6:00 PM</b>	VOD-Patriot’s Pen Banquet Reception/Cash Bar	Eisenhower Ballroom
<b>6:30 PM</b>	VFW/Auxiliary Lineup with students	Ballroom Hallway
<b>6:45 PM</b>	Color Guard for VOD Banquet By JROTC Chambersburg Senior High School	

**Dress Code**  
**Meetings-Commander’s Shirt**  
**VOD Banquet-Blues/Grays, Suit or Dress**

Sunday, January 18, 2026

**DEPART FOR HOME  
SAFE TRAVELS**



**Thank you for attending the VFW Mid-Winter Conference.  
We hope that you had an enjoyable time and also received  
valuable information to take back to your Posts and Districts.**

**Department Headquarters is here to help you.**

**We want to help your Posts succeed!  
God Bless each of you on your travels home!**

**Department State Commander William "Bill" Roland**

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