## **DELEGATE INFORMATION**

Any member in good standing in his/her respective Auxiliary shall be eligible for election as a District, Department Delegate. Delegates and Alternates shall function at the Convention following their election. The term of office for which delegates are elected shall be for one year from the date of election.

Delegates and Alternates elected to District, Department and National Conventions shall be recognized only when Auxiliaries have conformed to the National Bylaws.

## **DISTRICT CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS**

Each District shall hold a District Convention. District Convention is to be held not less than ten (10) days and no more than seventy-five (75) calendar days prior to the convening of the Department Convention. Delegates assembled at a District Convention may assess annual dues NOT to exceed one dollar (\$1.00) per member – based on the June 30 membership of the preceding year. These dues are to be remitted to the District Treasurer by September 30 of the current Aux. year <u>or</u> as established by the District Standing Rules.

## **DEPARTMENT CONVENTION**

Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Auxiliary held not less than thirty (30) days prior to the Department Convention; one (1) Delegate and (1) Alternate for each fifteen (15) members or fraction thereof in good standing in the Auxiliary at the time of the election of Delegates, or as the Department Bylaws provide. The Auxiliary Secretary shall send the names of the Delegates and Alternates to the Department Secretary prior to the Department Convention on PROPER FORMS. These forms are mailed from Department on the last working day in April (or before).

Section 103 of the Department of Washington Bylaws states Delegates Fees are four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50) and shall be paid by each Auxiliary for every Delegate to which the Auxiliary is entitled. This fee must also be paid by each member included in the composition of the Department Convention to be allowed to vote. The Delegate fee shall be forwarded by each and every Auxiliary regardless of the number of Delegates present at the Annual Department Convention and must be in the hands of the Department Treasurer not later than 15 days before the convening of Department Convention each year. Auxiliaries failing to forward the full Delegate fee shall be considered delinquent and in arrears. However, all rights shall be restored promptly upon proper adjustment. Members entitled to individual votes may pay the Delegate fee at the Convention.

## **NATIONAL CONVENTION**

Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention shall be elected at the last regular meeting in April; one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate for each thirty-five (35) members or fraction thereof in good standing in the Auxiliary on the date of election of Delegates. The Auxiliary Secretary shall input Delegates and Alternates in MALTA; OR send the names of the Delegates and Alternates to the Department Secretary prior to the date listed on the form. No forms are to be mailed to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters!