# AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

# 2016 FALL BULLETINS



CANDACE CLEMENS
PRESIDENT



### Department of New York, Inc.

#### President's Report FALL BULLETIN 2016

September, 2016

Greetings from your sister and newly elected President. Wow! It has been a crazy and busy beginning for my presidential year. I have just returned from Sparks, Nevada where I attended our National Convention. I had the opportunity of meeting some new friends from all over the US and also getting reacquainted with some old friends. I had the pleasure of working with our newly elected National President Evelyn McElvin on her Membership committee. President Evelyn's theme this year is Together We'll Rock The Nation. Her project is the John Tracy Clinic Preschool Program.

I also attended the National Hospital and VAVS committee meeting where I shared our Dept. Bags For Babies project. Our National Hospital Chairman asked me to share with the entire auxiliary body when she gave her report. That was exciting as I never expected to do that.

I'd like to welcome our newest Auxiliary from Potsdam #282. Some of the officers were able to travel there in July to present their charter and to do a training on service reports. We met a great bunch of ladies, had some wonderful food, and hopefully made some lasting friendships. I personally had a super time and was even more excited when I arrived home. Potsdam's energy was catchy!

My President's project this year is the Women Veteran's at the Bath VA. My theme is: She is WOMAN. She is STRONG. She is a VETERAN! Out of this theme grew our Fall SEC Department Project, Bags For Babies. Please accept my invitation to all of you to attend a baby shower in honor of all these Veteran moms.

I am here to assist all of you. Just ask. I am really excited about coming to visit auxiliaries this year. Please let me know what your auxiliary is doing and when. If I am able I just may come and help at an event.

Together as a Department we are looking forward to a SUPER AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary year! Together as an AMVET Family, let's make it happen.

Your AMVETS Sister,

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## **HONORING**

NEW VETERAN MOMS AT N.Y. VA HOSPITALS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2016

**FALL SEC** 

2:00-3:00

**ALL INVITED!** 

REFRESHMENTS, FUN AND MORE

**BRING YOUR BAGS FOR BABIES ITEMS** 

GIVEN BY AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY DEPT. OF N.Y.



# Department of New York, Inc.

August 2016

Fall 2016 Bulletin

Greetings Ladies,

I hope everyone had a fun, safe and healthy summer. I want to once again thank you for electing me to the office of AMVVETS Department of N.Y. Ladies Auxiliary 1st Vice President.

I look forward this year to seeing how each Auxiliary weaves membership into each and every program and function they do. Membership should be a part of everything we do as Auxiliary members and is one of the surest ways to strengthen and revive our organization. Gaining new members, while staying attractive to renewing members promises new ideas, fresh perspectives and allows us to better be able to serve our veterans and communities. Please always keep an AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary and an AMVETS application in your purse or wallet.

As the year winds down, please be reaching out to annual members and advertising why they will want to renew their dues for 2017. Seek to include them in your functions and show them how integral they are to the fabric of your Auxiliary. Also think about reaching out to past annual members who have not renewed in the last year or so. Demonstrate to them that they are missed and thought about. The best way to recruit and keep members is by asking!

When completing D&R forms please type if possible, or print legibly, listing members' names alphabetically. Include the ID number and list renewals first, then skip a line and list new members. Remind your members that to be considered a renewal they must have their dues paid before 12/31/2016, and that life membership can also make a great Christmas gift, a one time payment of \$300.

Please if you have any questions about membership reach out to me. If you are having a program or function and you need an extra hand, or you would like to set up a membership table, please feel free to contact me and I will do all I can to assist you. To all the Auxiliaries thank you for all that you do, I am so very proud of being a member of the AMVETS Department of N.Y. Ladies Auxiliary.

Yours in AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary,

Laura Rose Bugaj

Laura Rose Bugaj, 1st Vice AMVETS Department of NY Ladies Auxiliary 2016-2017

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# AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Department of New York, Inc.

#### 2016 FALL BULLETIN

#### CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM

Well summer is over and the fall weather and winter is upon us. In my intro letter I said that the future of the world lies in the hands of our children. As your Child Welfare Chairman my goal is to promote TEAM Together Everyone Can Achieve More!!!! There unlimited projects providing for the wellbeing of children just waiting for you to open the door and become an active participant. Any project that involves only children is considered Child Welfare.

With the new school year approaching we know some of the difficulties our children will be facing. Let your children know that they can come to you with any and all situations. Sometimes we forget that we were children too and experienced many of the same situations children face daily, but in today world they are much worse. Remember to give them time, respect, understanding and listen to what they have to say. Together we can weather the storm and form a bond that will last forever. Please consider making a donation of supplies to your local school to help out a child in need.

As I mentioned in my intro letter a John Tracy Clinic project that we all can "Bear" some of the burden to help, love, protect, and educate our children is a project that one of our National 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice brought forth in 1999. In Oriental Trading, Amazon and in some Walmart store you can purchase a signature bear for less than \$8.00. Take the bear with you everywhere and ask for a dollar donation per name. Bring the bears and report of their travels to the convention in June so we can display them for everyone to enjoy. Then you can send your bears to any local foster care unit in your area. The money you collected would be your donation to the John Tracy Clinic.

If we Believe it, We will Achieve It.

My Chairman's award will be announced at the fall SEC. Any questions please contact me. My info is at the bottom of the page.

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Department of NY AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary

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# AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY Department of New York

# FALL S.E.C., OCTOBER 2016 3RD VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Greetings Auxiliary Sisters,

I'm hoping everyone is enjoying their summer and are looking forward to all the festivities of the fall and winter season. I know it's hard to think of the fall when it's still so warm, not that I'm complaining.

Our new National 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President is Dee Naggett and the National Theme is Reach Out, Make a Difference. I have included a few reminders for you, please take a minute to look them over. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the SEC in October and hearing all the new ideas you have come up with for your programs.

### Things to Remember - Community Service is:

- 1. "Any activity or project that benefits Adults or both Children and Adults in the community is considered Community Service and is reported as such. It is important that AMVETS Ladies Auxiliaries become involved in the community it serves by contributing towards the welfare of all its people. Groups are recognized for what they do become known and recognized in your community through the service work of the Auxiliary". (Taken directly from the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Manual)
- 2. March is Paws with a Cause Month.
- 3. Mid-year reports are due to me by October 25th, 2016. Also, remember Locals must submit mid-year and year end reports to be eligible for any awards.



### Department of New York, Inc.

Fall 2016

To: Hospital Officers, Local Presidents and Members:

I hope this bulletin finds all Auxiliaries working together to remember our hospitalized Veterans, who are the focus of this program

Currently, all local Auxiliaries should be working on the "Bags for Babies" project. This is a wonderful project that will benefit so many in need. Remember to report all hours, mileage, volunteers & donations on your hospital service report. All donations should be brought to the Fall SEC to be distributed.

This year President Clemens theme is "SHE IS WOMEN, SHE IS STRONG, SHE IS A VETERAN" and her Presidents project is "THE WOMEN VETERANS AT THE BATH V.A. HOSPITAL". (Cash donations should be sent to our Dept. Secretary, Rose Mary Blachowski) Please consider these topics when planning your next Hospital project.

Remember to send 3 copies of your Hospital Service Report to me by the October 25<sup>th</sup> deadline. These reports should include any activity or project that benefit a hospital or medically staffed facility. To make filling out your service report easier keep records of each activity as they are done. As always, to be eligible for an award at the June convention, you MUST submit BOTH a mid-year & end-of-year Hospital report. You are doing the work - REPORT IT!

I wish you all a very successful & rewarding Auxiliary year. As always, if you have any questions on your Hospital Reports please do not hesitate to contact me anytime.

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# AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Department of New York. Inc.

## **AMERICANISM FALL 2016**



Karen Kemp, AMERCANISM Officer, Dept. of NY

Greetings Ladies,

I recently sent a letter to auxiliary Americanism Officers or Presidents. If you did not get communication from me, please let me know and give me your contact information.

I will be sending you the information as I receive it from National for the upcoming contests for students. I would like to encourage auxiliaries to try to involve your community schools to participate in our contests for cash prizes. Many of you have already experienced good results from these contests in past years, but we want more of you to get involved.

The National Theme this year is "Why is it important to vote?"

The deadline to get your entries to me is no later than May 15, 2017.

Kindest Regards,

Karen Kemp, VAVS Batavia
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# Department of New York

2016 Fall Scholarship Bulletin

Congratulations on your appointment to the position of Scholarship Officer. As Scholarship Officer you will certainly find the job before you, filled with many challenges and responsibilities. Remember, nonetheless, to rely on people In the AMVETS Auxiliary Department of New York to help you along.

With the students back in school it becomes a busy time. Filling out applications for college and scholarships can sometimes be a nightmare. Scholarships have become so essential to the majority of students who want to graduate with a college degree but, also can be very vital to a student's post-college success.

The AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary has established a Department Scholarship in memory of PDP Rose Baldwin- the original founder of the Department Scholarship, to high school seniors in furthering their education. The applications are judged at the Departments June Convention and announced at the auxiliary luncheon.

The Rose Baldwin memorial Scholarship applications must be posted marked by May 1st. As Scholarship Officer, you are responsible to report on Scholarship projects and to Chair or Co-Chair activities promoting Scholarship programs,

Last year scholarship officer Deborah Stondell did an excellent job providing each auxiliary with a complete packet of all scholarships available through the AMVETS and the Auxiliaries Rose Baldwin scholarship. I will have extra copies of the Rose Baldwin Scholarship applications available at the fall SEC. If your auxiliary will not be present, contact me and I will send you applications. I would advise all auxiliaries to copy the application for the applicants and keep a hard copy in your file for further use.

Scholarship service reports are due (Post marked 10/25/2016) and 3 copies must be sent to me. In order to qualify for year- end awards, mid -year reports must be sent in as well as the annual report.

Let's make this a record breaking year for applications to this scholarship. Let us all remember, "Education is the most powerful weapon to change the world."

Yours in the AMVETS AUXILIARY

Doris Allen Scholarship Officer

# AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

# POSTMARK DATES: 10/25/2016 MID YEAR 04/25/2017 ANNUAL

WHO AND ADDRESS: RECEIVES WHAT SERVICE REPORT

#### **CHILD WELFARE**

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## Department of New York, Inc.

#### 2016 Fall Bulletin

Congratulations on being elected or appointed to the Office of Secretary. As you read on I hope you will realize that this office has many duties that are vital to the operation of the Local Auxiliary. The Department Secretary's duties differ in some ways from that of your duties as the Local Auxiliary Secretary. However, they are vital on both levels of AMVETS Auxiliary (and we do share many of the same duties.)

#### **LOCAL SECRETARY DUTIES**

Send notices of general body, committee, and special meetings to the members.

Record the minutes of all Auxiliary meetings. The minutes are to be kept in a binder for future reference.

Record the MOTIONS including name of motion maker, name of who seconded the motion and whether the motion was carried or defeated.

Read all correspondence at meetings and note in minutes.

Count and record all monies prior turning the funds to the Treasurer.

Have a supply of all forms required by Department and National and give a supply to the Officers prior to the deadline dates. (GO ON AMVETSAUX.ORG AND DOWNLOAD FORMS).

Correspondence: Keep a file on in-coming and out-going correspondence. Making copies when necessary. Correspondence needing response should be made within 5-7 days.

Keep a list of names and addresses of National and Department Officers and Chairmen

Keep a binder of all current Department and National minutes.

Keep a copy of the National Constitution, By-laws and Manual. Also a copy of Department By-Laws, and Standing Rules and Local By-Laws and Standing Rules.

Rose Mary blochowski.

And other duties that may be customary in your local auxiliary.



# AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY Department of New York, Inc.

#### **2016 FALL BULLETIN**

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT TRAINING COMMITTEE

A REMINDER TO ALL LOCAL AUXILIARIES:

IT IS A **<u>REQUIREMENT</u>** OF ALL LOCAL AUXILIARIES

IN THE DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

TO HAVE A LOCAL AUXILIARY TRAINING SESSION

**EVERY TWO YEARS BEGINNING IN** 

2017 MEMBERSHIP YEAR.

AUXILIARIES CLÚSTERED IN NEW YORK STATE AREAS

MAY JOIN TOGETHER FOR THE TRAINING.

PLEASE CALL:

ROSE MARY BLACHOWSKI TRAINING CHAIRFMAN 716-681-2156 TO ARRANGE DATE (SATURDAYS PREFERRED)



Department of New York, Inc.

#### Fall SEC 2016

Greetings Ladies,

Thank you for allowing me to continue as your treasurer. This is a very important part of auxiliary. With this in mind there are a few things I would like you to remember:

- File your 990-E Postcard with two copies sent to the Department Secretary.
- Always two signature checks
- Do regular audits
- Make all checks to Department made out to;
  - O AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK
- When making donations remember to put them on the proper form.
  - o There is a separate form for Department and one for National
- Give a thorough financial report at each meeting to keep members updated and make the report available.

Last but not least...Congratulations to the Department of New York for becoming Department of the Year. Can there be any better ending to our 2015-16 year? It took every one of our Auxiliaries to make this happen. Give yourselves a round of applause and take pride in what WE have accomplished as an organization.

Yours in AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary,

Shirley M. Sochia

Shirley M. Sochia, Treasurer 315-244-6070/315-262-2856 Ssochia45@gmail.com

Life is full of endless possibilities. Embrace them!!!



September 1, 2016

**Auxiliary Sisters:** 

Congratulations once again to our new President Candy, all of our newly elected officers, and I wish you all a great 2016-17, year. As your Sergeant-at-Arms, the flags are my main responsibility but I would like to let everyone know that I am available to assist our Department Auxiliary in any way I can.

There are many occasions when our flag is the main focus of our attention, such as the Fourth of July, Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Perhaps we should consider giving the flag our utmost attention every day. We have flag folding ceremonies, we fly our flag at half staff on occasion, have Flag Day ceremonies and certainly say the Pledge of Allegiance at our meetings and sporting events. Our National Sergeant at Arms main focus is Flag Etiquette so please keep this in mind as you are out in the community. A reminder to all those who are flying a tattered flag to replace it with a new one will go a long way. There is nothing more noticeable or depressing than to see the United States Flag flying in such poor condition. A Code of Flag Etiquette can be found on the internet should you wish to familiarize yourself and your auxiliary with proper flag rules.

The AMVETS National Ladies Auxiliary recognizes the official uniform as an a-line forest green dress, an a-line forest green skirt, or tailored forest green slacks. The dress shall have a jewel neckline. White or gold jewel neckline blouse may be worn with either the skirt or slacks. The dress and skirt should be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee and no longer than 4 inches below the knee. The blazer must be white with a large Auxiliary patch on the left breast. Black or white shoes with a closed heel and toe are allowed. I hope to offer you an official website where the uniform may be purchased at the Fall SEC.

If I can be of any assistance to you or your auxiliary, please feel to contact me anytime. I remain,

Yours in AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary,

Cindy Queyor

Sergeant-at-Arms Department of New York

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# AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY Department of New York

#### 2016 FALL BULLETIN

Ladies.

Well the summer is over and the beauty of the fall is upon us. Our sympathies are with all the auxiliaries who have lost members since our June Convention.

With that said it is time to get back into the business at hand. As the newly elected Chaplain you shall offer prayers at all meetings and represent the Auxiliary in all religious services as may be necessary; serve as spiritual leader, familiarizing yourself with the rituals of the organization; discharge other duties incidental to the office and as provided in the policy and procedure book.

As a reminder all deceased members are to be reported by the local chaplain. The chaplain should prepare six copies of the deceased member notification form. These forms can be found on the National Ladies Auxiliary website www.amvetsaux.org. Send three copies to me the Department Chaplain. I in turn will send one to the National Chaplain and one to National Headquarters. Three copies go to the Department Secretary for membership purposes.

Please fill out the section indicating the next of kin so we can send a sympathy card to the family. Most important, SEND THE FORMS IN IMMEDIATELY!!! This will assure proper recognition at the Memorial service held at the June Convention.

We've all heard the phrase "All gave some and some gave all" about the incredible sacrifice our soldiers give in service of our country. In closing I am asking that as our troops endure the hardship of being away from home and the constant threat of danger let's remember to send them and their families our thoughts and prayers.

Yours in the AMVETS AUXILIARY

DORIS ALLEN Chaplain Department of New York



### Department of New York, Inc.

#### Fall 2016 PRO/Historian Bulletin

Greetings to all President Candy, my fellow Department Officers, PRO/Historians and my Auxiliary Sisters,

I hope you all enjoyed the summer and are ready to get back to work on your auxiliary programs. Those of you who have stepped up to the plate as local (Public Relations Officer) PRO/Historians should become acquainted with your duties, which you can find in the Auxiliary Manual online at the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary National website. As the deadline for my bulletin was in August, the current National Auxiliary Manual is being updated and is not available online; however, it will be available to download, or order from the Quartermaster, by October 1, 2016.

The most important part of your office is to keep your auxiliary activities in the news, which will help to make your fundraisers more profitable. These contacts will include your local newspaper, radio stations, local television stations, Penny Saver papers and other local free newspaper offerings. Most, if not all, of these venues will place your announcements at no cost. Always try to include photographs about your fundraising events. Remember to post your activities in the **Empire AMVET** quarterly, and if you are ambitious, you may be able to promote your local Post and/or Auxiliary activities in the **American Veteran** magazine. Pay attention to all publishing deadlines, and be sure to get your information into these venues in plenty of time for your fundraising events to make them successful. Getting your auxiliary noticed locally will also promote membership—an important plus.

Here is the information for reaching the Empire AMVET Editor:

Philip M. Levy, 115 Smithtown Blvd., Apt 9 Nesconset, NY 11767 Home Phone (631) 619-6188 Cell Phone (631) 804-3788 phildrakes@optonline.

As your Department PRO/Historian, I need your help in creating President Clemens' History Book. If Madam President is invited to visit your local auxiliary, please take photos and send them to me, identifying the individuals in the photos, and providing me with information about the visit and the event(s) taking place during her visit.

I will pass on to you any information I obtain from the National History and Scrapbook Chairman. I look forward to hearing from you if you have any questions for me. I can be reached at home at 716-487-1689, cell 716-485-3040, or e-mail at <a href="https://kreater.org/k

Sincerely,

Katherine Ballard, 114 Francis Street, Jamestown, NY 14701-6412 cc: President, 1st Vice, Secretary, NEC, Parliamentarian, mentor, file



# AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY Department of New York, Inc.

#### 2016 FALL BULLETIN

Dear Department President Candy, Department and Local Officers and Guest:

To begin, I must apologize for not being able to be with you at the Fall SEC but because of the change in dates I have a family doing that I felt I should attend. I want to congratulate each and every one of you for doing such a tremendous job making us the Department of the Year. We should be proud of our accomplishments.

Please be reminded that the Auxiliaries that have Bylaw revisions in 2016 are as follows: #13, #14, #48, #72, #219, #265, #726 and #8113. Please contact me if you need any help. If I do not know the answer I will get it for you.

We have a few changes in our manual - Constitution Article VI, Section 5: add after three years in the first sentence "with notification to national." It will now read "In the event of the surrender, cancellation or forfeiture of an Auxiliary Charter, all money, official records and property shall be surrendered to the Department to be held in trust for a period of no longer than (3) three years with notification to national Headquarters. Article XIII, Section 1a: after the word Gavaliers add Board of Trustees, Article VII, Section 2b: Change \$5 to \$6 and \$50 to \$75; Page 5, Article IV: Membership: Section 1 (this is not a change, but a clarification, After stepdaughters, add: A step-daughter must have been a dependent of an AMVET or deceased veteran prior to their eighteenth birthday to be eligible; Page 8: Article V, Section 1g: change triplicate to duplicate and add: Including a separate page indication where the changes are within the Bylaws. This will now read: "Department Bylaws shall be reviewed every three (3) years. Any amendments to the Bylaws, including a separate page indication where the changes are within the Bylaws, shall be submitted in duplicate to the National Parliamentarian by July 15 after adoption for approval, at which time they shall be effective. Bylaws that are updates to conform to National Bylaw changes need not be submitted to the National Parliamentarian for approval (Note- this will be the Parliamentarian to review the Bylaws and to ensure the Department is in good standing prior to National Convention. Page 10: Article V, Section 3 C: delete but not serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms. It would read: A Department President may be re-elected. All other officers may be re-elected or re-appointed, as provided in Department Bylaws. (Note: This match your Department Bylaws and the reason for this change is because many Departments are having a difficult time filling offices.) Remove Betty Crocker coupons and add milk caps at \$.05 per item. A Resolution that did not pass was the change of green pants to black pants as it did not meet the 2/3 vote. This resolution will not be able to be brought to the floor for 3 years.

If you would like to order a new manual, they will be ready in September, but when ordered you will have to buy your own binder to save the cost of reprinting the manual and shipping. Also, there is now a revised version of Robert's Rules of Order. You can also get a cd online. In closing if you like traveling, check the veteransholidays.com. Your membership gives you access to a variety of vacation options.

Yours in AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Resales Waid

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# AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Department of New York. Inc.

# FALL BULLETIN OCTOBER 2016 NEC REPORT

# CONGRATULATIONS!!!!! DEPT OF New York as DEPT AUX OF THE YEAR

What an honor to be the winner of this award.....this was attained through the efforts of EVERY Auxiliary in this Dept.

NEXT, our newly elected National AMVETS Commander is Harold Chapman..... Congratulations to Harold and wife, Barbara.

Local Auxs-Mid year reports due to Dept Officers Oct 25<sup>th</sup>.....take note that this is before our Fall SEC this year....Very important they receive these on time, so they can send their totals to me, to send to National. We all have deadlines to meet. Remember, that's what helped us win Dept of the Year.

National Convention in Reno, was fun, informative...... There were resolutions brought to the floor, that will be passed on to you at Fall SEC. Too much info to be put in this bulletin.....Any information from Dept or National needs to be shared with your Auxiliaries as soon as possible.

Our National Aux President, Evelyn McElven, has served AMVETS Ladies Aux for many years, clinbing the Chairs, and brings much knowledge, and that burst of energy with new ideas. Please go to the National website and read her bio.

FALL SEC....I will be passing out the awards, certificates given out at National Convention.... Again, great job New York!!!!!

Any questions/concerns...please notify me any of the following ways....

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Yours in AMVETS Ladies Aux Mary A Lanphere, PDP, NEC



# Department of New York, Inc.

#### BATH VAVS FALL BULLETIN 2016

September, 2016

Great news for the Bath VA! The Bath VA's Voluntary Services 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter stats showed 460 regular volunteers donated a total of 34,292 hours equating to 24 regular staff positions. These volunteers included AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary and youth members. Now ladies let's make those numbers soar for the next quarter. Get out there and volunteer!

September brings our AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary annual joint reviews. The National VAVS chairman is asking all of the VAVS representatives to forward a copy of our review and a copy of our attendance at the VAVS meetings to our state Hospital chairman, Debi Feary and also send a copy to her. Some of the voluntary service offices have not been faithful in sending the reports.

I was very happy to announce our Dept. Bags For Babies project for Fall SEC at the August VAVS meeting. The Bath Voluntary services is very excited about this project. They can hardly wait until items are brought to them for the women Veterans.

### Upcoming Events at the Bath VA include for September- October:

- \* September 16- POW/ MIA ceremony and luncheon
- \*October 1- Ithaca College Football game and dinner trip
- \*October 10- Columbus Day/ gift shop registration
- \* October 20- VAVS Meeting

### Volunteer Services has announced for the Veterans the following needs:

- Sewing volunteers
- 2. Perennials for the greenhouse
- Bike shop needs tubes, tires, rims, and cables
- Car models and acrylic paint and glue

Let's work together this year to up our donations of time, money and smiles for these Veterans. Let them know that they matter.

Your AMVETS Sister,

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Department of New York, Inc.

#### **GREETINGS FROM AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY #18**

#### 2016 FALL VAVS PROJECTS

We continue to do our monthly Ward Parties: Pizza/soda/BINGO and a little Sing-A Long.

We purchased "sun shirts" and other supplies for the Women's Veterans Retreat to be held August 21-25.

Donated 16 large lap robes to the VAMC during August.

On September 18<sup>th</sup> we will sponsor our Annual Senior Ms. New York State Musical Review.

We will be participating in the Northport VAMC Annual Fall Festival on September 21st.

At the up-coming "STAND DOWN" held at the VAMC #18 will sponsor two tables. Our tables will include warm hats and gloves along with socks and a large variety of personal care items.

MARIE CURR, PDP HONORARY VAVS NORTHPORT VAMC



Department of New York, Inc.

## TO WESTERN NEW YORK AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARIES

HERE'S A LIST OF ITEMS THAT SAY

"THANK YOU"

TO THE VETERANS AT THE

"BUFFALO VA HOSPITAL"

ART THERAPY SUPPLIES
BUS PASSES (NFTA)
COMPING COUPONS

BIRTHDAY CARDS BREAD MIXES DVD'S

GIFT CARDS

BABIES "R" US

TARGET

TOPS

WALMART

WEGMANS

ROLLS OF QUARTERS FOR DAILY NEWSPAPERS

PHONE CARDS
POSTAGE STAMPS
TRAVEL DOLLARS

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SNACK PACKS STATIONERY

#### TICKETS

# BUFFALO BILLS BUFFALO SABERS OTHER RECREATIONAL OUTLETS

#### VETERAN CLOTHING ITEMS

Combs, diabetic socks, large nail clippers, sweatpants, sweat shirts, t-shirts, men's and women's undergarments (check sizes needed (716/862-8667), socks, as well as new clothing.

#### HOMELESS PROGRAM

716/881-5855

New Socks, undergarments all sizes, personal care items, new seasonal clothing, small basic apt. appliances, and items can be dropped off at the Buffalo Hospital 3495 Bailey Avenue.

Please Note: Before purchasing any new item, please contact the Volunteer Program Office to determine that the items has not been already purchased (716/862-8667 or 716/862-7981).

FOR EVENING ACTIVITIES: Such as BINGO or other entertainment contact Ralph at 716/682-8643 after 12:30 pm.

WOMEN'S WELLNESS CENTER: JILL, MSN, RN 862-8891 WILLOW LODGE (LONG TERM CARE, HOSPICE) Nancy 716/862-3237

> Rose Mary Blachowski, VAVS 716/681-2156 ERBSKI@AOL.COM

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(Corrects Dept. President's Project)

# AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

# 2017 PROGRAM DONATIONS (Deadline June 01, 2017)

AUXILIARY	DATE
SENT BY	
OFFICE HELD	
Rose Bladwin, PDP Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$
Dept. President's Project Women Veterans at Bath VA	\$
TOTAL	\$

Send 2 copies of form and check to:

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