



# **91<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention June 2023**

## **Elected and Appointed Officer Reports**



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June 1, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR: 91st Department Convention  
FROM: Francis Mitchell / Department Commander  
Subject: Report of the Commander

This report is for the period March 18th, through June 5, 2023

It has been again a pleasure thus far to be the Commander and face of the Department of Virginia. I have been a part of several key decisions of the Board of Directors, watched the successful accomplishments of the various department committees, traveled across Virginia to do elections and installations, attended the Disabled Veterans Winter Sports Clinic and of course enjoyed the successes of Chapters across the board.

As always, our Thrift Stores have been doing outstanding. The leadership of the Stores hosted a fun-filled breakfast and awards ceremony for the management of the stores. I had the opportunity to attend and meet a lot of super individuals that are doing everything they can to ensure the success of the DAV.

After the Spring Conference, I had the opportunity to travel out to Aspen to attend the National Disabled Veteran Winter Sports Clinic. What an outstanding venue to support Disabled and Injured veterans. I had the opportunity to watch blind veterans ski, snow mobile and have the time of their lives. I also took the time to volunteer myself to serve the attendees lunch and dinner each day I was there. What a joy to see the come in from the events all excited and ready to go again. This is definitely one event, I plan to attend for years to come.

Being the Commander was a joy during the month of April. I had the opportunity to conduct the elections and installations for Chapters 7, 22, 28, and 50. A little zig-zagging around the state, but what a great opportunity to meet the members of the chapters and spend time with the leadership.

As many of you know, I am about getting department communications to every DAV member in every corner of the department. I have been using Constant Contact to get the word out for several years. This year has been a great success as many of the communications we receive from DAV National are forwarded out and items we generate within the Department are reaching those distant corners.

Support for Just-Be-Kids was highlighted during this period. I don't have the final numbers, but I know several Chapters were doing great work in volunteering to raise funds to send the kids to Camp. I do want to recognize Chapter 28 for all the miles they drive to support Golden Corral and Just-Be-Kids.

On a sad note, we lost a friend, leader and warrior. The passing of PDC John W. King II brought the Department together to support Mrs. Linda and the family. To those who attended the funeral (DAV filled one side and the back of the church) thank you and I have heard back from Linda King that she is very appreciative of the number of DAV members that attended the funeral and also the assistance to the family by PDC/4th National Junior Vice Madison.

Respectfully submitted,

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Francis Mitchell

Commander

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June 5, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR: 91<sup>st</sup> Department Convention

FROM: Wilton King, Department of Virginia Senior Vice Commander

Subject: Report of the Senior Vice Commander

Greetings,

This report is for the period March 18, through June 5, 2023

I will detail activities with the following DAV Chapters: 3, 9, 19, 23, 24, 29, 31, 35, 40, 45, 52, 56, 57 & 60. An after-action report for Golden Corral, Fall 2022 will be attached as a separate document. Additional activities will be detailed as well.

Communication with the Chapters in the Southwest (SW) Region is same as last reported. Currently, Chapters 3, 9, 19, 35, 56 and 57 are the most interactive. I am unable to reach anyone from Chapters 23 and 45. Phone calls made, voicemails left, and emails sent with no response.

Ch. 3: Completed a special election on June 5<sup>th</sup>. PDC David Cuff and I held a meeting with chapter regarding bylaws. Reminded all present that it is the responsibility of the entire chapter to know what is contained within.

Ch. 9: Visited with the chapter on 06/07/2023. New Commander Christian Nelson is working hard to re-energize the chapter operations. We remain in contact to guide him with obtainable goals. He and two others are planning to attend the entire summer convention which is a first for Chapter 9 in years. The Commander and Adjutant are both new at their positions but I see an opportunity to provide the proper guidance to watch this chapter grow. There are several resources in the area as Martinsburg, WV VAMC is nearby. The Chapter is already working with a homeless veteran council in the area.

Ch. 19: Commander Roberson is a full-time professor and caregiver. Communication can be slow, but the Commander will respond accordingly. My visit with their Chapter on March 6, 2023 was productive, Chapter 28 is nearest chapter. Commander Watkins, Adjutant Bagley and Assistant Department Chaplain Moore attended. My intent was for the two chapters to meet and form a relationship while letting Ch. 19 know that we are here to support them. Commanders Roberson and Watkins remain in touch and are looking to plan a joint event this summer.

Ch. 23: Still no communication, PDC Steve Perkins is unable to reach anyone as well.

Ch. 24: I met with Chapter 24 during their May meeting. We conducted an election which saw one new officer with the rest of the leadership staying in place. A good group of comrades that are looking for more resources. They assisted a homeless veteran move into a brand new senior living facility and are looking to conduct more outreach at the facility. I plan to visit again in June and assist the members with more of the department programs. There

are two chapter service officers that will likely attend the November online training. This chapter would benefit in finding a new location to meet that's closer in the city.

Ch. 29: Charter revoked.

Ch. 31: Spoke with the Commander in March. He is recovering well from his health concerns. I would like to see a more consistent communication from this chapter. I was unable to meet with them in person this year but do remain in contact.

Ch. 35: Communication with Adjutant Robbins continues. I was unable to make it out in May due to attending PDC King's funeral. This chapter needs fundraising assistance and more DAV program awareness.

Ch. 40: Adjutant McGuire is the lone person that responds. Since I met with Ch. 40 in September, have not seen much activity other than on Facebook Messenger. Chapter 40 has plenty of resources in Bristol but I don't see much activity from them.

Ch. 45: No communication with this chapter.

Ch. 52: I continue to remain in contact with Adjutant Hayzlett. The continuing challenge for this chapter is low interest by membership. Adjutant Hayzlett is the only Chapter Service Officer (CSO) and member actively engaging the community. He is interested in learning more ways to engage the community but we have to work on the entire membership as well.

Ch. 56: A good commander hampered by geographical restrictions and aging membership. This chapter makes every effort to not only be compliant but active in the area. This chapter needs immediate support by our membership committee and fundraising assistance.

Ch. 57: Most active CSO in the area is Commander Wilson. Ch. 57 owns their own building but maintenance and utilities create financial issues. Fundraising is low due to an economically depressed area which is still impacted by COVID. Health of line officers and overall membership are of the most concern. Commander Wilson works hard but needs more help from his memberships in engaging the community. Very strong relationship with Golden Corral.

Ch. 60: Continues to be compliant with Department requirements. PDC Cuff is willing to assist any Department Officer when working with another chapter.

#### Year in Review

This past year, I focused on improving chapter operations, recruiting, membership awareness, fundraising for all chapters I made contact with.

Wrote a fundraising guide for the Department that will serve as a foundation for the chapters. A brief presentation was delivered during 2023 Department Spring Conference.

I made contact with or visited all but two of the chapters. In total, I visited 21 chapters throughout the and contacted 33 chapters via phone communications.

The Department Golden Corral, raised over \$82,000.00. An after-action report (AAR) highlighted key areas to focus on for the 2023 fundraising campaign season. Several lessons learned were identified and will assist the department next year.

During the Golden Corral Military Appreciation Night, a celebration of the 23-year partnership between DAV and Golden Corral. Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Golden Corral Lance Trenary and DAV National Commander Joseph Parsetich were in attendance. This was a high-profile event with a local newspaper, a local television station and

DAV media personnel. Commander Mitchell, fresh off knee replacement surgery did an outstanding job of hosting the event. The success of this one night strengthened our relationship with Both Inc.

I was invited to participate in the Golden Corral Convention on behalf of Past Department Commander (PDC) John Simmons to accept the first ever Kraft-Odom Freedom Award. At the following Spring Conference, Vice President of Operations for Both Inc. Mrs. Bernice Edgerton, attended the Joint Opening Ceremony. She surprised PDC John Simmons by presenting him the award in-person.

As the Senior Vice Commander, I reviewed 35 Chapter fundraising requests, approving 34 and placing one (1) on hold awaiting further details. Assisted the Virginia State Department DAV Auxiliary at the Spring Conference in organizing a Bingo event during Friday Fun Night.

We learned that Camp Corral and our Just 'B' Kids fundraiser needs fine-tuning. We need to work with DAV National in finding a solution to ensure Golden Corral franchise's are aware of our donations. This will be addressed by the attendees at the Commanders and Adjutant's Association seminar in June.

Overall, this past year was an excellent opportunity to learn and grow as a DAV member. Communication, leadership and mentoring are important for any department line officer. The biggest lesson I learned is that we really must separate the military mindset from the volunteer mindset. I understand why we do not use a Standard Operating Procedure. The more effective route is working with Chapter leadership to better engage their volunteers.

Messaging is important, we need to move on from Pre-COVID mindset. The world is different now, living on past accomplishments will not keep a chapter open in the future. Modernizing chapters with social media, websites and visibly engaging local communities in-person are key for growth.

Adjutant Mark Burgess mentioned to me that every activity needs local media attention. I strive to remind chapters every event is a membership drive. Be creative and not live within the confines of a geometric shape. We are moving towards a digital landscape where going cashless is becoming the new norm.

It's been a great year, I thank all the Department elected and appointed Officers for their patience and working with me to become a better leader. Most important, I thank the Chapters for their continued support and open door invitation to return anytime.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilton King

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June 6, 2023

**MEMORANDUM**

FROM: Richard Lehmann, First Junior Vice Commander  
Subject: Report for Dept Convention 2023

This report is for the period March 20, 2022 through June 7, 2023. I will detail activities with the DAV Chapters in the Tidewater Region: 2, 5, 6, 13, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 34, 58, and 61.

April 5 – emailed the Candidate for Department Office form to Vincent Remson, James Smith and Marcia Stewart.

April 8 – attended funeral services for Morris Hardy Jr. – Past Commander of Chapter 28

April 18 – attended Chapter 7 installation and celebration dinner in Fredericksburg.

April 22 – attended Chapter 34 new member event in Williamsburg.

April 28 – attended Department leadership meeting in Roanoke.

May 2 – attended Chapter 28 election, installation, and celebration dinner in Blackstone.

May 5 – assisted Chapter 28 Adjutant with IRS and State paperwork.

May 10 – attended funeral for PDC John King in Suffolk.

May 29 – attended Memorial Day Ceremony at the Virginia War Memorial, presented the DAV wreath along with Chapter 50 1JVC David Alexander.

**Year in Review**

I've always believed that a huge part of being a leader is building and maintaining relationships. I've been fortunate enough to get to know some of the leadership from Chapters 2, 7, 10, 13, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 30, 33, 34, 48, 58 and 61. This is the essential work of any organization. Getting to know the people, breaking down barriers, building trust, so that the free flow of information and ideas can take place.

I've also thoroughly enjoyed working with and learning from Adjutant Bob Cox, Asst Adjutant Lisa Gregory, CDR Mitchell, SVC King, and 2JVC Ramey and look forward to continuing the journey.

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard Lehmann

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June 5, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR: 91<sup>st</sup> Department Convention  
FROM: Dwayne Ramey, Department Second Junior Vice Commander  
Subject: Report of the Second Junior Vice Commander

This report is for the period March 18<sup>th</sup> through June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Greetings,

This report is for the period March 18<sup>th</sup> through June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

This report is for the I-95 Chapters, 7, 10, 11, 15, 17, 27, 28, 30, 33, 47, 48 and 50

Chapter 7: Running well, new chapter leadership, all reports completed and received. Chapter 7 has gone through a lot of changes but appear to be coping steady.

Chapter 10: Running smoothly, elections held and all reports received. Chapter 10 runs under its own power. They don't really participate in many activities, no ER and no Golden Corral involvement. Commander is very busy and takes time for her to respond to emails or other communications.

Chapter 11: Chapter 11 voted to combine with Chapter 48, Chapter 48 met and voted to accept Chapter 11. The Department has this on hold until after the Convention and further guidance from National.

Chapter 15: Going strong, elections conducted and all reports submitted. There will be chapter representation at the Convention. Chapter supports each other with events to include an outstanding season at Golden Corral and Camp Corral.

Chapter 17: Communications have improved substantially. Elections held and all reports received. There will be chapter representation at the Convention. This chapter is located in a location with outstanding opportunities for membership and community engagement.

Chapter 28: Commander Watson has a strong team working together. Elections were held and all reports submitted. The chapter will have representation at the Convention. Their elections were officiated by Department Commander Mitchel. I attended as an invited guest. This chapter exhibits the qualities of a



regular family with their challenges and their victories. Working together they have the potential to grow their membership and be a greater presence in their community.

Chapter 30: Working to get new members, older membership. Elections held, completing all reports. The chapter will have representation at the Convention. This chapter is in a very challenging area for membership. For this chapter to maintain its function they are going to have to find a way to get members more involved. They have to find a way to engage the local community which I believe could have them grow.

Chapter 33: All new officers, challenged after election because elected commander resigned within a week. Special elections were held and all positions were filled. All reports have been submitted. I was able to officiate their Special Election. There were challenges getting members to take leadership roles. It took comrades transferring into the chapter to fill all elected positions. The new officers are motivated and have the chemistry to be a leading chapter within the Department.

Chapter 48: Elections pending as of this report. Elections are scheduled for June 10th. Chapter 48 is experiencing a common problem with most of the chapters. People willing to stand up and take leadership roles within the chapter. Chapter 48 is also witnessing an issue with younger members and that is most of them still have full time jobs with children which affects their availability and willingness to take on more responsibility.

Chapter 50: Elections complete, all reports submitted. The chapter will have representation at the Convention. Chapter is a leader in community involvement and innovative ideas to partner with other entities in raising money in unconventional and exciting new arenas. I believe they are showing a way for the future that any chapter could mimic with a little adjustments. I believe some of these events will produce a younger chapter with unlimited potential.

This has been a year of working with various types of leadership at the Department and Chapter level. It was a good experience working with chapters to help them connect with other chapters and encouraging them to work together to do events and fundraisers. Hosted a joint information session with chapters in the same geographic area. We were able to provide some face to face hands on demonstration and guidance to chapters who went to the Conference but still wanted more direct contact and the ability to ask questions as they were learning how to use tools that they heard or read about during the Conferences or support material available on the Department and or National websites.

I had the opportunity to work with local High Schools during Golden Corral celebration with top leadership from Golden Corral, our National Commander and Department Commander hosting this event. It gave DAV great face time and free publicity in our local community.

Totally enjoyed visiting, zooming and speaking to our chapter leaders and community organizations. This allowed me to gain a better insight into how effective DAV is in supporting and working with the local communities and law makers. I have learned a great deal from our Department leadership team, Past Department Commanders, Adjutant and others involved in shaping and making the Department of Virginia better.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwayne Ramey

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2nd Junior Vice Commander



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June 5, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR: 91<sup>st</sup> Department Convention  
FROM: Department Judge Advocate  
Subject: Report of the Department Judge Advocate

This report is for the period March 18<sup>th</sup> through June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Greetings,

During this reporting period I have received, reviewed, and submitted requests for Constitution and Bylaws changes for Chapters 13, 15, and 28, and have also spoken to questions posed by several other chapters. By now I would expect that Chapters 13, 15, and 28 have all heard back from the National Judge Advocate. If not, or if they have additional questions please approach me at the upcoming Department Convention for further discussion.

I have also been actively assisting my home Chapter, George Washington #7, with its resolutions for the year, and am excited to let the Department review and discuss those resolutions, along with those that the rest of the Chapters and Committees put forth this year.

I look forward to seeing all of the various chapter delegations and DEC's in Roanoke.

Respectfully submitted

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June 2, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR: 91<sup>st</sup> Department Convention  
FROM: Patricia E. Coker-Bell, Chaplain  
Subject: Report of the Chaplain

This report is for the period of March 18<sup>th</sup> through June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The Chaplain and the Assistant Chaplain have endeavored to carry out the mission of DAV. *We are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high quality lives with respect and dignity.*

The following is a snapshot of our active ways of caring for comrades and their families:

- Monthly meetings were held to discuss, plan, and implement goals and objectives based on the duties of the Chaplain as outlined in the DAV Constitution and Bylaws along with the DAV Ritual manual.
- A monthly DAV Virginia Chaplains C.A.R.E. flyer continues to be sent to Department officers, Chapters, Auxiliary State Commander/Chaplain, and the National Chaplain via email. The flyers were also sent via US mail to chapters with no email addresses.
- The Chaplain and Assistant Chaplain made monthly "Courtesy Chaplains CARE" phone calls to Chapters. The purpose of these calls were to offer friendly check-ins and take an opportunity to connect.
- The Chaplain participated in the following:
  - Attended and in some instances, officiated at three Celebration of Life Services/Funerals. The Chaplain, at the request of Mrs. Linda King, delivered the Eulogy at the Celebration of Life Service for PDC John Wesley King, II.
  - Attended the Retirement Ceremony for Beverly Wyche Reid. She is the National President of Kappa Epsilon Psi Military Sorority.
  - Volunteered at a "Diapers with Love" Drive at Grove Church, Portsmouth. Eighty boxes of diapers and wipes were donated to the Women's Health Program at the VA Medical Center in Hampton.
  - Sent thirty greeting cards and/or letters to comrades and family members which included sympathy, get well and thinking about you cards.

The Chaplain and Assistant Chaplain continue to care for comrades and their families. We pray, encourage, and continue to seek other ways to show that we care. We care, because you matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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June 7, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR: 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention 2023  
FROM: Robert D. Cox, PDC  
Subject: Report of the Adjutant/Executive Director and Treasurer/Finance

This report is for the period March 20, 2022 through June 7, 2023

The department implemented a process several years ago which assigns each line officer as the liaison for chapters. This process has worked very well so it is important that the chapters go through their point of liaison before contacting the department headquarters. Your assigned liaison will advise you and the department if any issue, concern, question, etc., needs to be addressed by the department. The liaison for your chapter will be in contact shortly after the convention. Get to know your liaison as he/she is a wealth of information. It also helps keep the department abreast of how your chapter is doing.

Unfortunately, I continue to hear a few chapters making the comment that the department "needs to stay out of the chapter business". I would be remiss if I did not remind those chapters that "all chapters" fall under purview of the Department and are accountable to the Department. All chapters hold "their charter" at the pleasure of the Department and the Department Executive Committee. The Department will not tolerate this mindset/belief. If a chapter does not want to comply with requirements or requests by the Department as well as the National Organization action can be taken to have the chapter charter suspended or revoked. This would be the last course of action but will be taken if necessary.

The department continues to successfully use electronic mail for all mailings except when otherwise required. To continue this means of communication it is extremely important that the department has accurate information from **ALL** chapters. The department depends on information provided on the Officers Report for many tasks. Remember, in accordance with the bylaws, chapters have ten (10) days to submit the initial and/or revised Officer Report. Not submitting the report ten (10) days after officer installation or changes to the Officer Report is a violation of the National bylaws. Article 1, Section 1-4, Para 3(d) of the Department Bylaws states "Chapter Officers shall be elected and installed prior to the convening of the Department Annual Convention" which means that Chapter Office Reports should be submitted to the Department prior to the convening of the convention. Please make sure the Chapter Officer Report is accurate, legible and has been sent to the department within the specified timeframe.

To continue our efforts to reduce administrative costs the department we will continue our practice of posting Officer and Committee reports and minutes on the website prior to the conference/convention. It is the responsibility of the DEC and/or Alternate DEC to print the reports or read the reports online. This also allows the general membership the opportunity to read the various reports.

The Department website has been very successful and looks great. I don't think people realize how much work it is to maintain a website Kudo's to Jim Proconier who continues to take the lead and works hard to make sure we have an up-to-date quality website. The chat feature he added has been well received and utilized. Check out the site so you can become comfortable navigating the site and gain an acknowledge of the reports and other information provided on the site. As we approach the convention all the reports required to be completed are on the site. If you have any feedback, positive or negative, please let the department know so concerns can be addressed. Since changes are made to the site to make it better and friendlier you may find brief times when the site is not accessible.

Also, chapters who have websites, check the site frequently so see if changes and/or updates need to be made. The social media committee is willing to help ANY chapter who wants to improve or start using the various social media modalities.

Please note that the website will be the ONLY source of information for future events and activities. Appoint a chapter member to check the site frequently and disseminate information. We have been able to get conference and convention information on the site prior to the event. Do not go through the national website to get to the department website. The department website is:

[www.viriniadav.org](http://www.viriniadav.org)

Make sure you have the correct email address for the department, [davadjutantva@gmail.com](mailto:davadjutantva@gmail.com). Please be selective when sending emails to the department and use the site for DAV business only. Since the department has an Office Manager all reports and administrative forms should be sent to [VAdavom22@gmail.com](mailto:VAdavom22@gmail.com). All information related to finances should be sent to the department treasurer at [davtreasurerva@gmail.com](mailto:davtreasurerva@gmail.com). The department office phone number is 540-206-2575 and the fax number is 540-206-2925. The mailing address is:

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In conclusion, I would like to remind all DAV members of our mission and the purpose for which this organization was chartered by Congress to do: **"Building better lives for all of our nation's disabled veterans and their families"**. Personal agendas and personality conflicts within chapters and the organization only distract from our mission. I challenge everyone to find ways to work together so you/we can move forward and serve the purpose for which this organization was chartered. It is also the chapter's responsibility to protect DAV assets from theft or conversion. This requires good/sound financial management of DAV funds.

I hope the 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention will be productive and enjoyable for everyone.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert D. Cox, PDC

**Disabled American Veterans  
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Treasurer/Financial Report  
July 1, 2022 thru June 7, 2023**

**Income**

Item	Budget	Received as of 6/7/23	Balance as of 6/7/23
0100 - Membership Dues	\$70,000.00	\$39,976.00	\$30,024.00
0200 - National Fund Raising	\$150,000.00	\$141,605.31	\$8,394.69
0300 - Thrift Store	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00
0400 - Earned Interest	\$150.00	\$1,465.07	-\$1,315.07
0600 - Conference/Convention Receipts	\$31,000.00	\$29,795.00	\$1,205.00
0800 - Donations	\$25,150.00	\$112,795.00	-\$87,645.00
1100 - Natl. Disabled Vet Sports Clinic	\$60,000.00	\$44,585.00	\$15,415.00
1200 - Chapter Funds	\$85,000.00	\$119,619.13	-\$34,619.13
1300 - Transfer from Savings	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	-\$25,000.00
1400 - Transportation Network	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1500 - Special Projects	\$10,000.00	\$236,803.07	-\$226,803.07
1600 - Miscellaneous Income	\$59,000.00	\$21,369.03	\$37,630.97
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$530,300.00</b>	<b>\$773,012.61</b>	<b>-\$242,712.61</b>

**Expenditures Service**

Item	Budget	Expended as of 6/7/23	Balance as of 2/2/01
101 - Department Service Commission	\$85,000	\$32,407.62	\$52,592.38
102 - VAVS Programs	\$30,000	\$30,000.00	\$0.00
103 - VAVS Activities	\$2,500	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
104 - State VAVS Chairman	\$2,500	\$727.10	\$1,772.90
105 - NSO Roanoke	\$5,000	\$2,672.10	\$2,327.90
107 - Membership Incentives	\$1,000	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
108 - DAV National Service Foundation	\$20,000	\$20,000.00	\$0.00
110 - Virginia Veterans Care Center	\$1,000	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
111 - Virginia War Memorial Fund	\$500	\$500.00	\$0.00
112 - Emergency Relief	\$1,500	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
113 - General Services Donations	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00
114 - Social Media	\$4,500	\$4,631.86	-\$131.86
115 - Homeless Veterans	\$2,500	\$264.90	\$2,235.10
116 - Natl. Disabled Vet Sports Clinic	\$60,000	\$60,000.00	\$0.00
120 - Transportation Network	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00
121 - Special Projects	\$28,000	\$218,532.94	-\$190,532.94
122 - D-Day Memorial	\$500	\$500.00	\$0.00
123 - Womens Committee	\$2,500	\$1,374.20	\$1,125.80
124 - Incarcerated Vet Asst. Committee	\$2,500	\$1,311.20	\$1,188.80
<b>Total Expenditures - Service</b>	<b>\$249,500</b>	<b>\$373,921.92</b>	<b>-\$124,421.92</b>

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Item	Budget	Expended as of 6/7/23	Balance as of 6/7/23
201 - Commander	\$5,000	\$2,723.92	\$2,276.08
202 - Senior Vice Commander	\$3,500	\$3,880.17	-\$380.17
203 - 1st Junior Vice Commander	\$3,000	\$1,587.36	\$1,412.64
204 - 2nd Junior Vice Commander	\$3,000	\$1,504.20	\$1,495.80
205 - Judge Advocate	\$2,500	\$1,721.19	\$778.81
206 - Chaplain	\$2,500	\$1,843.36	\$656.64
207 - Immediate Past Commander	\$2,500	\$509.40	\$1,990.60
208 - Inspector	\$2,500	\$688.40	\$1,811.60
209 - Finance Committee	\$3,000	\$2,208.30	\$791.70
210 - Time and Place Committee	\$3,800	\$2,830.16	\$969.84
211 - Legislative Committee	\$2,500	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
212 - Benefits Protection	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00
213 - Employment Committee	\$2,500	\$1,715.74	\$784.26
214 - Audit Committee	\$3,000	\$239.92	\$2,760.08
215 - Commanders Appointments	\$10,200	\$6,066.49	\$4,133.51
216 - General Travel	\$1,500	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
217 - National Convention	\$10,000	\$2,452.07	\$7,547.93
218 - Mid-Winter Conference	\$15,000	\$5,256.07	\$9,743.93
219 - 6th District	\$6,000	\$1,676.46	\$4,323.54
221 - C&A Orientation	\$9,000	\$2,430.50	\$6,569.50
<b>Total Expenditures - Officers/Committees</b>	<b>\$91,000</b>	<b>\$39,333.71</b>	<b>\$51,666.29</b>

**Expenditures - Administration**

Item	Budget	Expended as of 6/7/23	Balance as of 6/7/23
301 - Administration	\$55,000	\$39,292.32	\$15,707.68
302 - Dept. HQ Rent/Expenses	\$18,000	\$18,970.88	-\$970.88
303 - Awards	\$1,000	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
304 - Adjutant Compensation	\$40,000	\$33,595.78	\$6,404.22
305 - Adjutant Travel	\$5,000	\$2,007.85	\$2,992.15
306 - Office Manager Compensation	\$22,800	\$7,657.76	\$15,142.24
308 - Treasurer Compensation/Travel	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00
309 - Conference/Convention	\$40,000	\$45,870.98	-\$5,870.98
310 - National Convention Activities	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00
311 - Special Projects	\$5,000	\$26,926.97	-\$21,926.97
312 - Investments/CD	\$0	\$250,005.00	-\$250,005.00
313 - National Office Candidate	\$3,000	\$1,226.20	\$1,773.80
<b>Total Expenditures - Administration</b>	<b>\$189,800</b>	<b>\$425,553.74</b>	<b>-\$235,753.74</b>



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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY AS OF 6/7/2023**

	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Balance as of 6/7/23</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$773,012.61</b>	<b>\$242,712.61</b>
Total Expenditures - Service	\$373,921.92	\$124,421.92
Total Expenditures - Officers/Committees	\$39,333.71	\$51,666.29
Total Expenditures - Administration	\$425,553.74	\$236,553.74
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$838,809.37</b>	<b>-\$309,309.37</b>

<b>Bank Accounts</b>	<b>Bank</b>	<b>Type of Account</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Statement Date</b>
	Atlantic UnionBank	General Operating	\$42,615.65	5/12/2023
	Atlantic UnionBank	Dept Service Comm	\$14,953.44	5/12/2023
	Atlantic UnionBank	Money Market	\$265,600.14	4/30/2023
		<b>Total Bank Accts</b>	<b>\$323,169.23</b>	
Investments				
United Income	Market Value	Corporate Acct.	\$1,520,627.60	5/31/2023
	Market Value	TS Account	\$326,720.70	5/31/2023
	Freedom First	CD Account	\$250,000.00	
		<b>Total (Investments)</b>	<b>\$2,097,348.30</b>	



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June 1, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR: 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention 2023  
FROM: Ana Alicea, Department Inspector  
Subject: Report of the Department Inspector

This report is for the period March 20 – June 7, 2023

At the present time there are no Chapters under suspension or otherwise.

This is the best time of the year when newly elected and appointed officers come on board at the Chapters, to ensure all newly and appointed officers read and become familiar not only with their respective Chapter Bylaws but those of the Department and National. All newly elected and appointed officers need to read the Chapter Officer Guide (the Bylaws in some Chapters indicate duties as well) so as to know their responsibilities in their elected and/or appointed positions. The Robert's Rules of Order is another publication elected and appointed officers should be familiar with.

One of the easiest ways for a Chapter to find themselves in suspension is by mishandling funds. All newly elected Commanders and their budget committees should meet with their newly elected or appointed Treasurer to ensure funds are being handled accordingly and that there is accountability for all the funds coming in and out of the Chapter. Ensure vouchers are being submitted, signed and accompanied by receipts for all expenditures and that members are voting on expenditures when required and documented in the Chapter meeting minutes.

In an effort to safe guard the Chapter's property, all newly elected Commanders should take a 100% inventory of all property within the facility for purposes of accountability. This includes accountability of all keys to the facility.

Respectfully submitted,

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June 5, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR: 91<sup>st</sup> Department Convention  
FROM: Christopher S. Cheney, Chair  
Subject: Report of the Department Voluntary Services

This report is for the period March 18<sup>th</sup> through June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Greetings,

This past year, as like several recent years past, it has been a difficult time for the Voluntary Services Representatives at the VA Medical Centers located in Virginia.

I had sent out an email to the respective representatives asking them to respond with the status of the Transportation Network at the various locations. However, the only one who responded advised the Voluntary Services Director at their facility was waiting for DAV to hire a new Transportation Coordinator prior to starting to pick up veterans for their appointments. To date, there have been no interviews for this position, which I am aware of.

I am hopeful the other facilities will be restarting their transportation programs soon, if they haven't already. I hope the other VAVS Representatives, or their Deputies will be attending the State Convention so more information can be gleaned from them directly.

On April 26, 2023, the Department of Virginia lost an amazing advocate for veterans and their families. Department of Virginia Service Commission Chair John W. King passed away after a lengthy illness. He will be sorely missed, and our condolences go out to John's family.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher S. Cheney, VAVS Chair