



LADIES OF VIRGINIA FORMATION

- July 1983 Jim Foreso asked if Eve Neary would gather information on a State Ladies Auxiliary. Jim appointed Don Kehoe as liaison.
- Don wrote to Missouri State Council (his home state) and received the name of the Chairperson in Missouri.
- Aug. 1983 Don and Eve met with the Chairpersons (a couple) at the Supreme Convention in St. Louis, MO to discuss the "How to Get Started" information they had sent to Don and Eve.
- Oct. 1983 Eve received additional information from the Missouri Couple. Don Kehoe sent each Virginia Council a letter to see if any were interested in having a meeting. Some of the Councils that already had a Ladies auxiliary responded affirmatively.
- Aug. 1984 Eve met with the President of the Colorado State Ladies Auxiliary and received information on possible programs.
- Jan. 1985 Continued to send letters and also asked District Deputies to send information to Auxiliaries already in existence.
- Set up first meeting in Roanoke for the State Convention. Letters sent to each Council and known Auxiliary.
- Apr. 1985 First interest meeting held during the State Convention in Roanoke, VA on Sunday morning to see if group should officially form. Eve Neary was acting Chairperson. She set up for the next interest meeting to be held during the State Organizational meeting scheduled to be held in Manassas, VA in July 1985.
- July 1985 Second interest meeting held at the Holiday Inn, Manassas, VA. Discussed logistics of Sate Auxiliary Meetings. It was decided to hold them on a quarterly basis to coincide with the State Council meetings. A Steering committee was selected.
- Eve Neary suggested that the name of the State Auxiliary be L.O.V for Ladies of Virginia – Also discussed ideas for a logo.

- July 1985 (con't) Compiled list of existing Auxiliaries and collected samples of By-laws from them. Set up third committee meeting at Agnes Aleksy's house to form State By-laws.
- Sep. 1985 Worked on By-laws at Agnes Aleksy's house with representatives from several auxiliaries.
- Nov. 1985 Steering committee met at a restaurant in Woodbridge to discuss the upcoming January meeting.
- An agenda was drawn up and the main purpose for forming was discussed i.e. understand more about what the men are doing and provide an avenue for the Ladies to meet one another.
- Continued to work on draft of the By-laws.
- Jan 1986 Meeting at All Saints, Richmond, VA (little chairs) Don Kehoe, liaison, spoke on "Tax Exempt Status." Nita Samulevich designed our Logo. Nominating committee was formed. Slate and three trustees were announced. By-laws were discussed and revised. A motion was made by Kathy Hadnagy and seconded by Virginia Beach to accept revised By-laws.
- Mar 1986 Meeting in Richmond, VA. Read resolution proposed by Don Kehoe, Fr. Diamond that the Virginia State Council recognize the formation of a State Ladies Auxiliary.
- Applications for charter were distributed to all local auxiliary representatives. Logo was accepted from Nita.
- May 1986 Convention in Williamsburg, VA. Received Charter Application from seven (7) Auxiliaries. Tax exempt info distributed. Nominating committee read the charter slate of officers, and all were unanimously elected. President: Eve Neary; Vice President: Agnes Aleksy; Secretary Jeri Trudeau; and Treasurer Claire Dionne; 3-year Trustee Charley Spiyak; 2-year Trustee Cathy Godfrey; 1-year Trustee Nita Samulevich ; and Parliamentarian Cathy Hadnagy.
- July 1986 First Organizational Meeting, Norfolk Council. First charters were given to auxiliaries. Requested that "larger chairs" be provided at the next meeting in Richmond. Installation "charges" i.e. officer duties were discussed. First installation was conducted at Mass following the men's installation.
- We were on our way.