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Department President
Debbie Fox



Forever "Mindful" Of Our Veterans

West Virginia Shinning GEMS,

As I sit down in front of my computer the realization of how quickly this year has gone by. It's so very evident to me since I've been working on our convention for a few weeks.

All of the Spring Conferences are over and I'm sure that the new District officers are ready to get to work for our veterans, their families and our programs.

I understand that all the unit Girls State Chairmen have really been working extremely hard on our program this year. It almost sounds like we may have a record attendance for the 2014 RGS session.

Remember a reception will be held on Saturday June 7, 2014 6-8 PM. for CDNVP Donna Ray at Wheeling Jesuit University. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Our membership team has done an amazing job this year. We've been holding our own on the Divisional and National standings. We are 7th in Central Division and 25th on the National standings. Both we are less than 4% out of first place. I want to thank everyone for working so hard on our membership this year. Of course you remember Foxy and all of her collars with the gemstones. If you need a reminder for each target that we met she received a gem for collar. As of May 15, 2014 she has so many collars and gems she can hardly hold up her head. Poor poor little thing, I'll get her a pillow to rest her weary head; keep those targets coming.

In our May 2014 ALA Magazine West Virginia is mentioned several times. First on page 36 in the Junior Activities section, again on page 46 Junior Member Pledges at School and finally on page 26 and 27 three members from the Department of West Virginia appear in that wonderful crazy mess.

One last thing be sure to make your reservations for our State Convention July 11-12 in Huntington, WV.

Forever Mindful of Our Veterans,
Department President
Debbie Fox AKA "Diamond Debbie"



Department Officers 2013-2014

President—Debbie Fox
1st Vice President—Paula Booth
2nd Vice President—Susan Wade
Sec/Treas.—Paulette Anderson
Chaplain—Tammy Workman
Historian—Ramona Westfall

District Presidents 2013-2014

1st District—Donna Leek
3rd District—Kathy Hogue
4th District—Nancy Sundstrom
5th District—Beth Kilgore
6th District—Peggy Swartz
8th District—Mary Bess
9th District—Danielle Hedrick
10th District—Lisa Turner

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1st District—Carolyn Yoho
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4th District—Donna Underwood
5th District—Mary Waybright
6th District—Rita Alley
8th District—Rose Reese
9th District—Jeanie Phares
10th District—Michelle Hart

Endorsements for Department Officers

President—Paula Booth
1st Vice Pres.—Susan Wade
2nd Vice Pres.—Tammy Workman
Secretary/Treasurer—Paulette Anderson
Chaplain—Ramona Westfall
Historian—

Endorsements for District Officers

1st Dist. Pres.—Donna Leek—elected
Vice Pres.—Marlene Stansberry—elected
3rd Dist. Pres.—Connie Bailey—elected
Vice Pres.—Carla Wilfong—elected
4th Dist. Pres.—Nancy Sundstrom—elected
Vice Pres.—Cathy Post—elected
5th Dist. Pres.—Beth Kilgore—elected
Vice Pres.—JoAnn Hastings—elected
6th Dist. Pres.—Peggy Swartz—elected
Vice Pres.—Rita Alley—elected
8th Dist. Pres.—Mary Bess—elected
Vice Pres.—Rose Reese—elected
9th Dist. Pres.—Marion Gregory—elected
Vice Pres.—Jeanie Phares—elected
10th Dist. Pres.—Lisa Turner—elected
Vice Pres.—Sharon Glassford—elected

Department Headquarters — “Emerald”



Mandatory Funds are Bonding, Department Scholarship, Girls State Project, Veterans 1st Fund, Poppy Order & 10% Poppy Proceeds. Make check payable to Department Treasurer, ALA. **DUE into Department Headquarters by June 10th to be a Delegate for Department Convention, if attending, or July 31st to be a Unit in good standing.**

Processing Membership:

Make sure your membership is into Department Headquarters by the **15th** to be counted for Targets.

Membership:

All applications must have signature of a **Post Officer** and if they are a **Junior member a Birthdate**. **Unit Membership Chairman** should check each application to make sure it is filled out **completely including City, Post #, State and zip code if eligibility is under a Veteran living** before processing into Department Headquarters. If a veteran is living they **must** hold membership in The American Legion.

Update on Female Veterans Joining Auxiliary:

If a female veteran wishes to join the Auxiliary under herself, she doesn't need to belong to the Legion, and the Unit Secretary may sign application, if eligibility falls under the same war era as The American Legion eligibility. But if members of her family wish to join the Auxiliary under her, she then must be a member of The American Legion and the Post Adj. needs to sign the application.

MAKE SURE THE POST OFFICER SIGNS APPLICATIONS.

UNIT CONTACTS: If you don't print Spirit off for the Unit President, then in order for her to receive the Spirit, your Unit need to pay \$16.00 for a year's subscription, starting with the August Issue.

Department Convention:

Remember: you **register** through the Auxiliary by credentials for Dept. Convention. **DON'T SEND INTO LEGION HEADQUARTERS UNLESS YOU ARE A GUEST.**

Directory Updates: page 11: Ramona Westfall new email-
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Dates To Remember: 2014 Dates

**Mandatory Funds Due
June 10th**

**Girls State Week:
June 8-13th WJU**

**Department Convention:
July 10, 11, 12th**

**National Convention:
August 22-28, Charlotte NC**

**Dept. Membership Workshop:
September 13th at Days Inn**

Membership Challenges:

10th to 1st: Highest % of NEW members by June 15th. Loser donates \$25.00 to Presidents' Special Project "Bonnie's Bus" in winning District's name.

6th to 8th: Highest % of REJOIN members by Spring Conference. \$20.00 to Presidents Special Project "Bonnie's Bus". NO ONE WON CHALLENGE

3rd to 9th: Highest % members by June 15th. \$10.00 to President's Special Project "Bonnie's Bus".

Remember Our Friends

Janice Gamerdinger's daughter Lori had a stroke and at this time Janice is with her until she is better. Lori is a member of Chester Unit #121. Will keep you posted on any updates

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TARGET DATES: “MINING FOR GEMS”

August 15—35%
September 15—45%
October 15—55%
November 15—60%
December 15—65%
January 15—70%
February 15—75%
March 15—80%
April 15—85%
May 15—90%
June 15—95%
July 15—100%

2013-2014 Honorary Junior Officers

President—Carlie McCoy #16
1st V. P.. Katie Beth Caudill #16
2nd V. P.—Taylor Bush #16
Secretary—VACANT
Chaplain—Mary Grace Bannon #16
Historian—Brandee Fernandez #15
Sgt. At Arms—Ryleigh Shears #15



Mining For Gems

"Foreman"

Hello Everyone

Well, the weather is great now. I hope it is heads in right direction. Because it will be just the **MEMBERSHIP MOVING UP!** Thank you all so very much; we are at **91.09%** just a little bit more to reach for 100%. We are on the way to make Dept. of West Virginia a **GOAL Dept.** We all can do this. **THIS IS REACHABLE FOR US.** "PASS IT ON" Spirit of Service not self for Veterans, god and country. The picture of the puzzle is almost clear.

SAPPHIRES YOU ARE IN THE LEAD; WITH 92.24% OVER RUBIES 92.19%. So now, what district will get us to 100% first. Let's go Dept. and District Vices.

"**MINING FOR GEMS**" lets finish with a bucket of **GEMS!!!!** President Debbie may have to bring Foxy in a backhoe; her collar is going to be so heavy. Picture Pres. Debbie; coming into Huntington driving a **BACKHOE** with Foxy on board! **LOL**

NATIONAL GOAL #3 is May 17, 2014 at 85% we are there!!!! I want to share some comments from our Central Division National Vice President, **Donna Ray.** She sends out e-mails very often to The Membership Team. "I know that you are not going to give up, because of your belief in The American Legion Auxiliary and what it stands for." "Keep in mind you are the best of the best, let's do it." **CDNVP Donna,** always say in her message. "DON'T GIVE UP" and "Great Job".

We are still working with the puzzle pieces "**MINING FOR GEMS**". Those pieces are becoming fewer and fewer. The future belongs to our Junior's. Let's make sure they have something to continue and build stronger for our Veterans. Always, remember why you joined. A love one fought for us, so you can live in peace. **Okay, we can get it done we need to reach out a little further to get those GEMS to become a member!!!! YES YOU CAN.**

Thank you very much for the hard work and keep it up. **Keep the memberships coming in. Please do not hold them. I know you are working tirelessly to get members.**

Thank You,
Sharon Glassford
Department Membership Chairman
"PASS IT ON"
Spirit of Service Not Self for Veterans, God and Country

"Silver"

Hello Rubies!

I want to Thank the ladies from 1st and 6th Districts for the great hospitality and food at their respective Spring Conferences! It is always a pleasure to spend time with our Auxiliary Sisters!

I want to Thank all Units for working so hard on Membership! We are now a little Sapphires but not by much! Working together we can jump ahead again, Ladies!!

Congratulations to the following Units for reaching Goal: McMechen #5; Wellsburg #34; Pine Grove #81; Newell #114; Williamstown #159; Beckley #32; Gary #38; and Belington #96!! Great job ladies!! I want to thank the following Units for reaching 90% - Target #10: Moundsville #3; McMechen #5; Weirton #10; New Martinsville #28; Wellsburg #34; Follansbee #45; Pine Grove #81; Paden City #86; Wheeling #89; Newell #114; Parkersburg #15; Pt. Pleasant #23; Sistersville #67; New Haven #140; Williamstown #159; Welch #8; Beckley #32; Gary #38; Elkins #29; Lewisburg #69; Belington #96; and Richwood #97.

Please continue to get ahold of members who have not paid! There are a variety of reasons, maybe they forgot or maybe they are waiting to hear from the Unit! We need to let these members know that their membership means a lot to us and that by paying their dues, they are supporting our Veterans and that is why we are in this organization!!!

Susan Wade—AKA "Prospector Silver"

Department 2nd Vice President



"Gold"

Hey, Sapphires!

Look at you shining away!! Department made Target 10, the Sapphires made Target 10, one Sapphire District made Target 10 and we now have a total of 14 Sapphire Units that made Target 10 with 11 of those having already made **GOAL!!!!!!** Plus, you have now squeaked ahead of the Rubies by a tiny, tiny margin!! Good, good job to one and all.

District 3—Two of your Units that have been racing neck and neck all year have both hit **GOAL.** Congratulations to **CLARKSBURG 13** and **SHINNSTON 31**—you have joined **JANE LEW 166** in the Goal Category!

District 5—Good jump in membership by **Ceredo-Kenova 93**—keep up the good work. Congratulations again to your Goal Units, **MILTON 139** and **BARBOURSVILLE 177** (who is still climbing!).

District 8—Congratulations to **SOUTH CHARLESTON 94** for making Target 10! Let's go, District 8.

District 10—What can I say? Congratulations to **BERKELEY SPRINGS 60, MOOREFIELD 64, PAW PAW 128,** and **DISTRICT 10** for making Target 10! Congratulations again to **PIEDMONT 52, CHARLES TOWN 71** (still climbing!), **PETERSBURG 78, CAPON BRIDGE 137, AND KEYSER 152** for being **GOAL!!**

Diamond Debbie wants us all to shine and sparkle! So.....remember—**GOAL is GOLD!!!**

Paula Booth
Department 1st Vice President,
AKA "Gold Prospector"





Rubies

First District President

Hello 1st District

I like to thank Benton M. Low Unit 81 for being such a Welcoming Host for the 1st District Spring Conference. The hospitality was great and the food served was delicious. Also like to thank Jessica Dailey, Girls Scout troop # 303 for their help.

I like to thank all of the Department Offices, and Chairman, all of the Unit's of 1st District who attended our Spring Conference, who traveled on such a beautiful full day. The ones that didn't make it miss a good time.

If your Post is having anything for Memorial Day ceremonies, take the time to remember our Fallen Heroes.

Remember, the sacrifices of all our Veterans. If nothing else take a few min. to look around and see what we have because of the man and woman who has give us the freedoms..

I like to thank all the Units for reelected me as your 1st District President for another year. I will do my best. I look forward to working with 1st District Vice President Marlene Stansberry

God Bless You All
1st District President
Donna K. Leek

Ninth District President

Hello ladies of 9th District!

This cold snap has really thrown me for a loop. We had our 9th District Spring Conference in Pickens. It was a good time, as always. We had members from Elkins, Cowen, Belington, and Pickens. President Debbie, 1st Vice Paula, Ann, and Roxie joined us as well. Roxie came to tell us that there was a scholarship recipient from right there in Helvetia! That was pretty exciting news since she was chosen out of Central Division. The young lady read her essay to us and it was very nice.

Congratulations to Belington Unit for making Goal!!! The rest of us are so close to making goal. A couple units just need 2 -3 more to make goal. Come on ladies we can do this!

We had elections as well. Marion Gregory aka Dimples, was chosen as the incoming District President. She will be installed in July. And for Vice President we have Jeanie Phares. Congratulations ladies!

Until next month....
Danielle Hedrick
9th District President

Fourth District Vice President

Hello ladies and Hello spring!

Finally some good temps to help flag the cemeteries.

Units #21, #140 and #104 need to dig harder, it's kind of at a stand still. Unit # 48 lets go; you need at least 2 more to maintain status. All others appear to be gaining steadily.

I imagine everyone's elections are over now, so congratulations to all the new officers for 2014-15. Don't forget email me your installation pictures for our new 4th District Facebook page.

As we approach Memorial Day let everyone know it's more than just a BBQ, thank a Veteran and please attend and show your support at the services held in your communities.

Good luck with your Poppy Days.

For God and Country
Cathy Post
4th District Vice President
cathy_1@frontier.com

Recipient of Central Division Children of Warriors Scholarship Clarrysa Marie Kelly from Helvetia WV



***Department President Debra Fox
Education Chairman
Roxie Nicholson
Scholarship Winner
Clarrysa Marie Kelly
President Pickens Unit #122
Thomasa Kelley***





Sapphires

Third District Vice President

Hello Sapphires

Hope you are having a great Spring! While out digging flower beds and gardens I hope everyone is still looking for "gems".

Take a few minutes out of your busy day to make a phone call or write a note to invite a prospective gem to your meeting.

Remember we are the individuals that make this great organization function - "it works because we work".

Yours in service,
Connie Bailey
3rd District Vice President
crb1940@3wlogic.net

Fifth District President

I would like to thank everyone who attended the 5th District Spring Conference. It was good to see you and I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did. If you were unable to join us, know that you were missed.

I would like to thank WV Department President Debbie Fox for attending our meeting. Thanks for making the long trip, Debbie.

There were three Past Department Presidents and several Department Chairmen in attendance and I appreciate all of the valuable information you gave us.



I know we are on the downside of the year but keep those memberships coming in.

A big congratulations to Milton #139 and Barboursville #177 for being GOAL Units. 5th District is proud of you.

I hope you are making plans to attend the Department Convention in July. Once again, it will be held at the Pullman Plaza in Huntington, so I would like to have a strong turn out from the 5th District. There will be Awards, elections, installations and a lot of fun and fellowship. Mark your calendar now!!

Beth Kilgore
5th District President

Tenth District President

Hello Ladies,

We are now well into spring, and both flowers and Legion activities are growing rapidly. All of you have had or are soon having you meetings and unit elections. I want congratulate everyone who has been voted into an office and urge everyone who did not make it to keep working hard to support your auxiliary.

We are heavily into the 2014 Girls' State program in June. Although most candidates have been selected and money has been raised, this program always needs some help. Please contact your local Girls State coordinator and see what you can do.

I wish to thank everyone who voted me in as District President for another year. Starting in June I will be dropping by each post to say hello.

Don't forget that in a little over a month – early July, we will be having our State Convention in Huntington, WV. The District will once again be hosting a non-smoking hospitality room. If anyone wants to make cookies and brownies we could use the help.

Quote of the Month: "Kindness is more important than wisdom, and the recognition of this is the beginning of wisdom." Theodore Issac Rubin

Lisa Turner
10th District President

Membership!!

Membership!!!

Go Membership!!!



Chaplain

Hello Ladies,

I wish to thank everyone who has contributed to the Department President's prayer book. I've been working on it and it's filling up nicely. I still have some room, but please try to mail your collections out before June 15th so I can have time to finish it before convention.

I would like to also remind you to report any deceased members so they may be included in the Department memorial service during the summer convention. This is for members who have passed during the current 2013-2014 year. Please include your unit number and report to Department Secretary Paulette. She will forward the end of year list to me for the program.

I just received a notice from the MIAP for West Virginia. They tell me there is a severe lack of volunteers in this area and until they can find help we are at a stand- still. This means that the cremated remains of hundreds of veterans, just in this state, are still waiting for a final resting place. They have too few volunteering to do Identification checks on the cremains, and do the next of kin searches, once identifications are done. If anyone has the time to help please contact me and I can connect you to the Missing In America Project representative.

Be forever mindful of our veterans
Tammy Workman
Chaplain



Historian

Hello Precious Gems:

I really apologize to 9th District and Department for not making it to the Conference, was already to go the night before, then got up sicker than a dog. I am truly sorry.

The end of this year is so close, my history to National deadline is July 10th. I need to mail it at least by July 5th. So I will take your history up to July 3rd. I want to thank all the Units that have sent me their history. Your Units have been very busy. Thank You!

There a lot of viruses out there right now, Ladies please be careful. Stay well.

God Bless You and God Bless Our
Veterans.
Ramona Westfall
Dept. Historian

Leadership

Ladies, we are so close to the end of the year. It has been a good year and we have seen lots of successes. Let us start planning for more successes in our future. As a leader, we need to be aware that others see us as role models and we should always put forth a positive attitude toward our organization and our members. We need to support those we have put into office and show that we are true supporters of our organization and its goals and purposes.

I want to thank all those members that completed the Leadership Course (both Juniors and Seniors). It shows that you want to know about the American Legion Auxiliary and that you are willing to give a little time to take the course. I will have both wallet size cards and certificates for all those that successfully completed the course. For those who did not take the course this year, please consider taking it next year. There is always a way to gain more knowledge.

Thank you to President Debbie for the opportunity to serve as Leadership Chairman this year. I have truly enjoyed being a part of the 2013-2014 successful year.

I hope to see many of you at Department Convention in July.

We have such an enormous task in serving our veterans who have served or are presently serving. Please take the time to do something for a veteran this month. Be a LEADER to those around you for they will see what you do.

Ann Buchanan
Leadership Chairman

Junior Activities

The Juniors will be
selling candles at the
Department Meeting for
their yearly Fundraiser



Community Service

Hello Ladies

I know with all the warm weather everyone is quite busy with community services. I'm sure you're all out in your communities doing Poppy Days. By the time you get this Spirit Armed Forces Day will have passed but we still have lots to do for Memorial Day on May 26th and Flag Day in June... Keep up the great work!!! And remember to try to wear something that shows who you are even if it is just your auxiliary pin and carry plenty of membership applications.

As something extra besides the Department awards, I'd like to remind you of the special gift you could win at summer convention for the best over-all narrative, which includes at least one photo, and tells how you or your unit promoted awareness of President Debbie's special project, The Bonnie's Bus Mobile Mammography program. You can also earn a "pink ribbon award" certificate. If you've already submitted your end of year reports but forgot to include this activity, that's okay, you still have until June 15th to mail it to me.

Tamala Workman
Community Service

Education

Ladies, as I write this article, I am so excited, I can't sit still!

West Virginia has had a winner in the National President's, Children of Warriors Scholarship awards; Clarrysa Marie Kelley of Helvetia, WV, She won 1st place, a scholarship worth \$3,500.00.

This young lady goes to a one room school in Pickens, WV, and there are 2 in the Senior class. Both of her parents are in the military, and she is living with her Grandparents. She lives very much in the country, so has no Internet and no cell phone. I know she is just as excited as I am, and am sure she can use this.

We have had a wonderful year and most all of you worked really hard on your reports, I am proud of you, and thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you have done. Now, next year, we need to do it again.

A special thanks to Lisa Cadwallader and to Linda Crumm for all of their help, and a big thanks to President Debbie for this appointment.

God Bless All
Roxie Nicholson

VA Medical Center Recognizes Volunteers for Their Service



Staff photo by Jim Davis

Roberta Hinerman, left, and Dortha Parsons enjoy a moment Friday at the Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center's 63rd annual volunteer recognition ceremony at the Bridgeport Conference Center. Parsons was recognized for chalking up the most hours as a volunteer, while Hinerman has been a volunteer for 10 years.

VA Med Center volunteers recognized for their service

'Doing something for the veterans for all they gave us'

by Jim Davis
STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT — The volunteers at the Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center were treated like a million bucks Friday at the Bridgeport Conference Center.

That is only fitting, as the volunteers' combined 60,092 hours of selfless service to patients translates into more than \$1 million, said Wesley Walls, the medical center's interim chief of voluntary services.

"This is our way to recognize all of the efforts of the 451 volunteers who serve the VA Medical Center and the four community-based out-patient clinics in Monon-

golis, Wood, Tucker and Braxton counties," Walls said.

Walls was referring to the medical center's 63rd annual volunteer recognition ceremony.

Some 160 volunteers enjoyed a meal while listening to big band music provided by the Bridgeport High School Jazz Band.

Several volunteers were singled out for reaching milestones in hours of service.

Dortha Parsons, who has racked up the most hours at 22,500, was among them.

Parsons, who started volunteering in November 1977, said she serves as a receptionist for medical services.

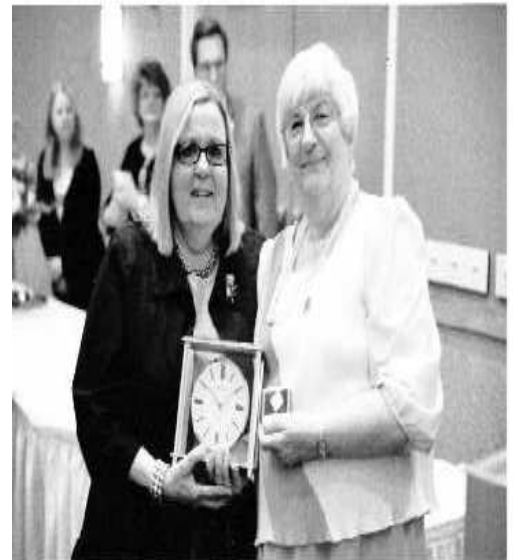
"I love my veterans," she said. "I had two brothers in the service — one in Korea and one in Vietnam. I want to thank the veterans for what they've done for us."

Parsons, of Clarksburg, said she is also active with several veterans organizations, including the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Disabled American Veterans and Military Order of Purple Heart.

"I enjoy it (volunteering), and I've made a lot of friends," Parsons added.

Roberta Hinerman, seated next to Parsons, said she has been a volunteer for 10 years.

See VA, A10



Poppy

The Sun has been shining, Primary Elections are over. Hope no one got caught in any hard rain storms Tuesday night. I did and driving was not fun.

I would like to thank all the Units that sent a Poppy report. There was 24 out of the 65 Units in the State. That was not bad but it could have been better. I hope every one is having a successful Poppy Day this month.

This year we ordered over 14,050 Poppies, an increase of 3,500 over last year. We had a total of \$10,016.16 in contributions this past year. We should do better this year. Keep up the good work and keep handing out and using the Poppy in all your projects.

I would like to see all Units in the State order Poppies and do a nice Poppy Project this coming year.

If you need my help please feel free to call me at 304-592-0247 or e-mail me at carlajwilfong@yahoo.com

Carla Wilfong
Poppy Chairman



American Legion Auxiliary

VA

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Hinerman said she started volunteering with her husband, James, a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

She became more involved after her husband died.

"I don't call it a job. I call it a privilege," said Hinerman, who volunteers with hospice. "I feel like I'm doing something for the veterans for all they gave us."

Wanda Russell and Liddie Freeman said they volunteer in the supply unit on the sixth floor of the medical center.

Russell, of Lumberport, was recognized for 10,000 hours of service.

Russell said she started volunteering 21 years ago while her husband, Glenn,

was at the medical center for dialysis treatments.

"I just continued after he passed away" in 1994, she said. "Some of them don't have anybody to visit them. It's just a way to help."

Freeman said she has been a volunteer for 17 years.

"I like to help the veterans," Freeman said. "My husband, John, was a Korean War veteran, and they really took good care of him when he was here."

Her husband died in 2000, Freeman said.

Beth Brown, the medical center's director, said the volunteers are invaluable.

Their efforts complement the services the medical center provides to the 22,000 veterans it sees a year, Brown said.

"Our volunteers really help to support the activities of our VA," she said. "With-

out them, there are a lot of activities we would not be able to do."

The medical center is always looking for more volunteers, Brown said.

Volunteers have to be at least 15 years old, although some volunteers are in their 90s, Brown said.

Bill Chaapel of Philippi is among the latter group.

Chaapel, who served in the U.S. Army during World War II, said volunteering is his way of giving back for the medical treatments he has received at the VA over the years.

"They've been wonderful," said Chaapel, who wheels patients from their bedrooms to other parts of the medical center. "We can't do enough for them."

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Public Relations

I just want to thank all the chairman and units who have sent me information on Public Relations this year. Did not really get enough for a press book but thanks for what was sent. I will display what I have received at the Department Convention.

Thanks for the good reports as well.

I just want to emphasize again the importance of **PASSING IT ON**. That is just not among the Unit or the Department it is about Passing it on to those who do not know what we DO. Put yourselves out there please. Let everyone know who The American Legion Auxiliary is and Who We Are and What We Do.

We are one but we are many and together we can make a difference. All we do and everything we do can make a difference.

I have been so impressed this year how the National President and the National Organization has organized to make The American Legion Auxiliary Stand Out and be Noticed. The National American Legion Auxiliary Magazine has been the best I have ever seen as a member this year.

Attending the National American Legion Auxiliary meeting in Washington, DC this year has been one of the best and most important things I have done as a member of the American Legion Auxiliary. Ladies sometimes we just need to step outside the box and do something different that can make a difference in the our lives and in the life of a veteran. Do something that makes you feel good about yourself as a member of the greatest organization of women in the world, The American Legion Auxiliary.

Thanks,
Public Relations Chairman
Vickie Luttrell
See You in the News!!!!!!!!!!!!

Legislative

Sorry, this is kind of short, sweet and to the point this month but I needed to turn this month's article in early since I will be out of town when they are normally due.

When I accepted this appointment, I really wasn't sure, had some concerns about if I would receive many reports at the end of the year, what I would report to National if I didn't receive much and so on. Well when I received the Unit reports in the mail, I opened them up and started to do a quick review. Ladies, I'm impressed and want to say THANK YOU to those units that submitted reports and narratives. You should be really proud of your units!! I'm sure once I start my report to National, West Virginia should have a very nice report. And I think I might have a tough time selecting a winner, which is a very good thing. This committee and reports for all committees is actually what helps the American Legion with their fight for benefits and veterans rights.

Thank You and Please, please keep up the good work you do!!
Lisa Cadwallader
Legislative Chairman

Children and Youth



National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day

When is Awareness Day?

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. Awareness Day is determined by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) in May, during National Children's Mental Health Awareness Week.

But the date can be flexible! Some groups have held events at other, more convenient times for the organization or community – throughout May, in late April, or on the weekend before or after the official Awareness Day.

What is National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day?

National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day, often shortened to "Awareness Day," is a time to spread the word about the mental health and wellness of children.

For the American Legion Auxiliary, Awareness Day is also an opportunity to pay special attention to military children to ensure their unique challenges and strengths are supported by the community.

The overall goals of Awareness Day are to:

- ***Raise awareness of effective programs for children's mental health needs
- ***Demonstrate how children's mental health initiatives promote positive youth development, recovery, and resilience
- ***Show how children with mental health needs thrive in their communities

Why should we get involved?

Military children are strong and resilient, but they, too, make sacrifices and experience hardships associated with military life. Pre-deployment preparations, prolonged separation and changes in family roles during deployment, and readjustment following deployment place stress and uncertainty on the whole military family, but children often have a harder time than adults understanding the complexities of their circumstances.

During the month of May, Units can use this time to pay special attention to mental health and wellness of military children. By providing materials, hosting activities, and starting discussions about mental wellness in conjunction with other Month of the Military Child projects, and raise awareness about what it means to be a military child today.

Finally, Awareness Day is a great opportunity to spread the word about all the great things the American Legion Auxiliary does for military families.

How can I get involved?

1. There are two main ways to get your unit involved in Awareness Day:
Host your own event, either with your own unit or in collaboration with community partners
2. Participate as a supporter of another organization's established events

Hosting Your Event

The advantage of Awareness Day is that there are very few rules or constraints on what type of event you can plan; you are free to do almost anything! The challenge of this freedom, however, is narrowing down your options and organizing an event that works for you and for the community in which you live.



Beth Kilgore,
Children & Youth, Chairman

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." --Gandhi

Rhododendron Girls State

Rhododendron Girls State program is in place as well as are our deadlines. Please follow up with your citizens that they have received their registration information, completed their online orientation and submitted their forms **online** (Pledge, Media Release, Health Form and Parent Consent form).

Utilize your local press with the girls selected, representing what high school, sponsors and include the name of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Many, many hours of planning have gone into this program but with your help you make it successful.

Please make sure that your citizens are orientated and if you have any questions please contact your District representative or I will be glad to help you.

Thank you all you do!!!
Lynda Lancaster
Chairman
Rhododendron Girls State

Girls State Registrar

Girls State Unit Chairman please check with your girls and make sure they have received the email and have completed their Online Registration. Please remind them that the five (5) forms are to be attached to their Online Registration Form. We are processing the girls on the day that Paulette receives their fees. All girls have been sent an email with needed information, but some have not responded. If they did not get the email, please have them email me at AnnBuch@aol.com immediately. We will start on May 25 contacting those that have not responded, please save us some work.

Thank you for all your work – without you we would not be able to reach so many girls.

Ann Buchanan
RGS Registrar

Rhododendron Girls State Representatives

1st Dist. — Jill McCallister
205 Grant Ave
Moundsville WV 26041
845-5928

3rd Dist. — Mary Jo Thomas
RR6 Box 232
Fairmont WV 26554
304-366-2912

4th Dist. — Nancy Sundstrom
1307 23rd Street
Parkersburg WV 26101
304-422-1263

5th Dist.— Katena Karnes
721 10th Ave
Huntington WV 25701
525-5634

6th Dist. — Peggy Swartz
P O Box 124
Gary, WV 24836
448-2394

8th Dist. — Mary Bess
215 N. Pinch Road
Elkview, WV 25071
965-3192

9th Dist. — Paula Booth
RR1 Box 222
Belington WV 26250
823-3251

10th Dist.— Lynda Lancaster
PO Box 1037
Ranson WV 25438
676-3979

Rhododendron Girls State Week

June 8-13, 2014

Wheeling Jesuit University

Wheeling WV

Central Division

National Vice President Donna Ray

Will be visiting Girls State June 7th to 10th.

**Reception at Girls State Saturday June 7th
6:00pm-8:00pm**



2014 Ways & Means Winners

| NAME | LOCATION | WINNING # | DATE | AMT PAID |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------|----------|
| | | 196 | 4/1/14 | |
| | | 784 | 4/2/14 | |
| Kellie Immel | Martinsburg, WV | 776 | 4/3/14 | \$25.00 |
| Michelle Ilovar | Wheeling, WV | 929 | 4/4/14 | \$25.00 |
| | | 038 | 4/5/14 | |
| | | 963 | 4/7/14 | |
| Darlene Ramsay | Augusta, WV | 331 | 4/8/14 | \$25.00 |
| James Dimarino | Reisterstown, MD | 086 | 4/9/14 | \$25.00 |
| | | 066 | 4/10/14 | |
| | | 091 | 4/11/14 | |
| | | 995 | 4/12/14 | |
| | | 148 | 4/14/14 | |
| John Lantz | Wheeling, WV | 267 | 4/15/14 | \$25.00 |
| Karen Yeager | Parkersburg, WV | 108 | 4/16/14 | \$200.00 |
| Anna Saturfield | Parkersburg, WV | 958 | 4/17/14 | \$25.00 |
| | | 298 | 4/18/14 | |
| | | 557 | 4/19/14 | |
| | | 762 | 4/21/14 | |
| Bev Young | Lumberport, WV | 284 | 4/22/14 | \$25.00 |
| Keith Fridley | Harpers Ferry, WV | 645 | 4/23/14 | \$25.00 |
| | | 167 | 4/24/14 | |
| | | 888 | 4/25/14 | |
| Tim & Wendy NcNemar | Clarksburg, WV | 088 | 4/26/14 | \$25.00 |
| Tim Young | Lumberport, WV | 097 | 4/28/14 | \$25.00 |
| Jeff Bess | | 025 | 4/29/14 | \$25.00 |
| | | 210 | 4/30/14 | |

Convention Chairman

**HELP WANTED
FOR REGISTRATION**

In order for the Convention to work we must get everyone registered and checked in so please send in your credentials. Please send credentials and check to Paulette Anderson.

Please send in your members who will be attending the Past Presidents Luncheon and send those to me Vickie Luttrell @ 205 Merrywoods Drive, Berkeley Springs, WV 25411. Paying in advance is the best way so send your checks for the Luncheon to me. Along with the names of those attending.

I still have not heard from anyone who wants to help with registration. I need at least 3 people for Thursday afternoon, Friday all day and Saturday till noon.

It is a great position, you get to meet and greet every Auxiliary member who attends. You can register them, give them their badge, Auxiliary packet, door prize ticket sell them chances on 50/50. Call me at 304-676-8543.

Remember Units to bring or send a Door Prize. Everyone attending loves to win a nice door prize.

Thanks,
Convention Chairman
Vickie Luttrell



MEMBERSHIP 2013-2014

"MINING FOR GEMS"

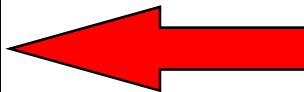
Target #10 May 15th—90%
 Total to Date — 7113 (91.09%)
 2014 National Goal — 7809
 Headquarters Unit #200 — 90

May
 15th

| District 1 | Unit | 2014 Goal | 2014 | % of Goal |
|---------------|----------------------|-----------|------|-----------|
| | Wheeling #1 | 13 | NEW | |
| | Moundsville #3 | 308 | 292 | 94.81% |
| | McMechen #5 | 52 | 53 | 101.92% |
| | Weirton #10 | 77 | 75 | 97.40% |
| | Cameron #18 | 212 | 185 | 87.26% |
| | New Martinsville #28 | 141 | 134 | 95.05% |
| | Wellsburg #34 | 25 | 27 | 108.00% |
| | Follansbee #45 | 53 | 50 | 94.34% |
| | Benwood #46 | 107 | 93 | 86.92% |
| | Pine Grove #81 | 79 | 84 | 106.33% |
| | Paden City #86 | 114 | 108 | 94.74% |
| | Wheeling #89 | 30 | 27 | 90.00% |
| | Newell #114 | 43 | 43 | 100.00% |
| | Hundred #120 | 109 | 72 | 66.06% |
| | Chester #121 | 170 | 145 | 85.29% |
| TOTALS | | 1533 | 1388 | 89.41% |



Goal—4059
 To Date—3742
 (92.19%)



| District 3 | Unit | 2014 Goal | 2014 | % of Goal |
|---------------|------------------|-----------|------|-----------|
| | Buckhannon #7 | 66 | 56 | 84.85% |
| | Grafton #12 | 25 | 21 | 84.00% |
| | Clarksburg #13 | 134 | 135 | 100.75% |
| | Shinnston #31 | 302 | 302 | 100.00% |
| | Braxton Cty. #33 | 33 | 27 | 81.82% |
| | Mannington #40 | 21 | 18 | 85.71% |
| | Philippi #44 | 49 | 29 | 59.18% |
| | Bridgeport #68 | 59 | 42 | 71.19% |
| | Jane Lew #166 | 41 | 47 | 114.63% |
| | Morgantown #174 | 17 | NEW | |
| TOTALS | | 747 | 677 | 85.68% |

| District 5 | Unit | 2014 Goal | 2014 | % of Goal |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------|------|-----------|
| | Huntington #16 | 295 | 255 | 86.44% |
| | Logan #19 | 19 | 11 | 57.89% |
| | Ceredo-Kenova #93 | 460 | 413 | 89.78% |
| | Hamlin #111 | 53 | 47 | 88.68% |
| | Milton #139 | 83 | 83 | 100.00% |
| | Barboursville #177 | 151 | 160 | 105.96% |
| TOTALS | | 1061 | 969 | 86.15% |

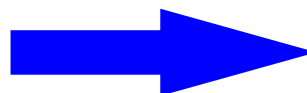
| District 4 | Unit | 2014 Goal | 2014 | % of Goal |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------|------|-----------|
| | Parkersburg #15 | 901 | 848 | 94.12% |
| | Spencer #21 | 64 | 53 | 82.81% |
| | Pt Pleasant #23 | 352 | 339 | 96.31% |
| | Tyler County #48 | 16 | 8 | 50.00% |
| | Sistersville #67 | 193 | 175 | 90.67% |
| | Parkersburg #104 | 21 | 10 | 47.62% |
| | New Haven #140 | 166 | 154 | 92.77% |
| | Williamstown #159 | 172 | 175 | 101.74% |
| TOTALS | | 1885 | 1752 | 90.50% |



| District 6 | Unit | 2014 Goal | 2014 | % of Goal |
|---------------|--------------|-----------|------|-----------|
| | Welch #8 | 85 | 77 | 90.59% |
| | Bluefield #9 | 34 | 29 | 85.29% |
| | Beckley #32 | 31 | 34 | 109.68% |
| | Gary #38 | 71 | 71 | 100.00% |
| | Beckley #70 | 12 | 1 | 8.33% |
| TOTALS | | 233 | 212 | 87.55% |



Goal—3557
 To Date—3281
 (92.24%)



| District 9 | Unit | 2014 Goal | 2014 | % of Goal |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|------|-----------|
| | Elkins #29 | 206 | 197 | 95.63% |
| | Cowen #62 | 61 | 44 | 72.13% |
| | Lewisburg #69 | 76 | 74 | 97.37% |
| | Belington #96 | 30 | 30 | 100.00% |
| | Richwood #97 | 24 | 22 | 91.67% |
| | Pickens #122 | 26 | 23 | 88.46% |
| TOTALS | | 423 | 390 | 88.65% |

| District 8 | Unit | 2014 Goal | 2014 | % of Goal |
|---------------|----------------------|-----------|------|-----------|
| | Charleston #20 | 55 | 44 | 80.00% |
| | St Albans #73 | 91 | 65 | 71.43% |
| | South Charleston #94 | 21 | 21 | 100.00% |
| TOTALS | | 167 | 130 | 76.05% |

| District 10 | Unit | 2014 Goal | 2014 | % of Goal |
|---------------|----------------------|-----------|------|-----------|
| | Martinsburg #14 | 161 | 143 | 88.82% |
| | Franklin #30 | 19 | 9 | 47.37% |
| | Piedmont #52 | 44 | 55 | 125.00% |
| | Berkeley Springs #60 | 250 | 229 | 91.60% |
| | Moorefield #64 | 125 | 117 | 93.60% |
| | Charles Town #71 | 230 | 239 | 103.91% |
| | Petersburg #78 | 79 | 89 | 112.66% |
| | Romney #91 | 276 | 245 | 88.77% |
| | Charles Town #102 | 19 | 15 | 78.95% |
| | Paw Paw #128 | 71 | 66 | 92.98% |
| | Kirby #134 | 52 | 45 | 86.54% |
| | Ridgeley #136 | 108 | 93 | 86.11% |
| | Capon Bridge #137 | 114 | 114 | 100.00% |
| | Keyser #152 | 40 | 46 | 115.00% |
| TOTALS | | 1587 | 1505 | 92.57% |



American Legion Auxiliary Department of West Virginia



June 2014

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--|-----|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--|
| 1 | 2 Mail Call | 3 | 4 | 5 Leave for Girls State | 6 | 7 | |
| 8 Girls State Week | 9 Office Closed | 10 Mandatory Funds Due | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | |
| 15 Father's Day | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 Mail Call | 21 Summer | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 Credentials Due | 28 | |
| 29 | 30 | Program of Month Rhododendron Girls State | | | | | |

**CALL FOR
NINETY-SECOND ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION
OF THE
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA, INC.**

The Ninety-Second Department Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary is hereby called and, in conformity with Article IX, Section 1 of the Department Constitution and Bylaws which provides, "That the Department Convention be held annually concurrent with the Convention of The American Legion, Department of West Virginia." The Convention will meet in Huntington, West Virginia on July 10, 11, 12, 2014 at the Pullman Plaza.

PURPOSE

The Convention is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, amending the Department Constitution, receiving reports of Department Officers and Chairmen, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

REPRESENTATIVES

Representation at the Convention shall be by Units. Each Unit shall be entitled to two delegates, and one additional delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, whose dues have been paid and received by the Department Headquarters one month prior to the Convention for which they were elected. Each delegate shall be entitled to one vote. **No Unit unrepresented shall have a proxy vote.** The elective officers, all Past Department Presidents in good standing shall be delegates-at-large to the Department Convention, with vote to be exercised with their Units, provided said officers are present at the Convention.

ALTERNATES

Each Unit is entitled to one alternate for each delegate. The alternate will have power to vote **ONLY** in the absence of the regular delegate.

CREDENTIALS

Membership cards must be presented by delegates and alternates. Certification of the election of the delegates and alternates **MUST** be mailed to Department Headquarters no less than two weeks prior to the Convention, and **SHALL BE** accompanied by the Convention fee of \$15.00 for each accredited delegates so certified.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Pre-Convention Executive Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 10, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at Pullman Plaza in the Virginia-Maryland Room. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Department Elective Officers, NEC, the Eight District Presidents, all Past Department Presidents, and Chairmen of all standing committees. All members of standing committees, exclusive of the chairman, may attend the Executive Committee Meeting with the privilege of discussion but without vote. Any member in good standing may attend the Executive Committee Meeting with the privilege of discussion but NO vote.

DEPARTMENT FINANCE COMMITTEE

This committee will meet on July 10, 2014 at 1:00 P.M. in the Virginia Room. Those to attend this meeting are the three (3) members of the Finance Committee and the Department President and Department Secretary/Treasurer who are ex-officio members without vote.

POST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Post Executive Committee will meet immediately following the Church Service on July 13, 2014 in the Virginia-Maryland Room.

Debra Fox
Department President

Paulette R. Anderson
Department Secretary/Treasurer

2014 Department Convention Committee

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| Convention Chairman | Vickie Luttrell, Berkeley Springs Unit #60 |
| Convention Recorder | Dede Kelly, Clarksburg Unit #13 |
| Sergeants – At- Arms | Katena Karnes, Huntington Unit #16 Rontina McCann, Morgantown Unit #174 |
| Personal Pages | Lynda Lancaster, PDP, Charles Town Unit #71 Sharon Glassford, PDP, Charles Town Unit #71 |
| Floor Pages | Kathy Hogue, Clarksburg Unit #13 Rhonda Best, Moundsville Unit #3 |
| Distinguished Guest Committee | Nancy Sundstom, NEC, Chairman, Parkersburg Unit #15 Dortha Parsons, PDP, Clarksburg Unit #13 Sharon Glassford, PDP, Charles Town Unit #71 |
| Rules & Order of Business | Dede Kelly, Constitution & Bylaws Chairman, Clarksburg Unit #13 |
| Credential Committee | Mary Waybright, Chairman, Huntington Unit #16 Michelle Hart, Charles Town Unit #71 Margaret Yost, Shinnston Unit #31 |
| Election Committee | Ann Buchanan, PDP, Chairman, Huntington Unit #16 Connie Bailey, Buckhannon Unit #7 Drema Goolsby, Barboursville Unit #177 |
| Standing Rules | Janice Gamerdinger, PDP Chairman, Chester Unit #121 Rhonda Best, Moundsville Unit #3 Connie Bailey, Buckhannon Unit #16 |
| Judging Committee | Betty Rea, PDP, Follansbee Unit #45 Juanita Reynolds, Clarksburg Unit #13 Marion Gregory, Cowen Unit #62 |
| Policy & Procedures | Paula Booth, Belington Unit #96 Susan Wade, Paden City Unit #86 Tammy Workman, New Martinsville Unit #28 |
| Resolutions | Rita Alley, Welch Unit #8 Cindy Chucci, Bridgeport Unit #68 Karen “Jean” Thomas, Cowen Unit #62 |
| Constitution & Bylaws | Dede Kelly, Chairman, Clarksburg Unit #13 Michelle Hart, Charles Town Unit #71 Mary Rose Yoho, New Martinsville Unit #28 |
| Courtesy Resolutions..... | Beth Kilgore, Chairman, Huntington Unit #16 Linda Crumm, Benwood Unit #46 |
| Parliamentarian | Susan Brown, PDP, Moundsville Unit #3 |
| Ways & Means | Rhonda Best, Chairman, Moundsville Unit #3 Susan Brown, PDP, Moundsville Unit #3 |



92nd ANNUAL CONVENTION

Tentative Program American Legion Auxiliary

Thursday, July 10, 2014

| | | |
|--------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| 8:30-9:00 A.M. | Registration for Juniors | Pennsylvania Room |
| 9 AM—2 P.M. | Junior Meeting Sessions | Pennsylvania Room |
| 3 P.M.—3:45 P.M. | Junior Installation of 2014-2015 Officers | Pennsylvania Room |
| 12 P.M. - 6. P.M. | Registration - - - | Outside Virginia Room |
| 1:00 P.M. | Department Finance Committee - | Virginia/Maryland Room |
| 2:30 - 5P.M. | Convention Committee Meetings - | Virginia/Maryland Room |
| | Constitution & Bylaws Committee | Dede Kelly, Chairman |
| | Standing Rules Committee | Janice Gamerdinger, Chairman |
| | Policy & Procedures Committee | Paula Booth, Chairman |
| | Resolutions Committee | Rita Alley, Chairman |
| | Courtesy Resolutions | Beth Kilgore, Chairman |
| | Credentials Committee | Mary Waybright, Chairman |
| 7:00 P.M. | Department Executive Committee - | Virginia/Maryland Room |

Friday, July 11, 2014

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|---------------------------|--|---|
| 8:00 A.M. - 4 P.M. | Registration - - - | Outside Virginia Room |
| 8:30 A.M. | Opening Session - - - | Virginia/Maryland Room |
| | Processional - - - | Vicki Luttrell, Convention Chairman |
| | District Vice Presidents | |
| | District Presidents | |
| | Past Department Officers | |
| | Department Officers | |
| | Presentation of Gavel to - - | Debra Fox, Department President |
| | By - - - - | Vicki Luttrell, Convention Chairman |
| | Call to Order - - - | Debra Fox Department President |
| | Advancement of Colors - - | Katena Karnes, Sergeant-At-Arms |
| | | Rontina McCann Sergeant-At-Arm |
| | Invocation - - - | Tammy Workman, Department Chaplain |
| | Moment of Silence | |
| | Pledge of Allegiance - - | Rita Alley, Americanism Chairman |
| | National Anthem - - - | JoAnn Hastings, Music Chairman |
| | Preamble of the Constitution of American Legion Auxiliary | Dede Kelly, Constitution & Bylaws Chrm. |
| | Presentation of Convention Committees | Debra Fox, Department President |
| | Draping of Charter | Tammy Workman, Department Chaplain |
| | | Debra Fox, Department President |

Ina Polsinelli, Past Department President
Marlene Bonar, Past Department President

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|-----------------------------------|--|
| Roll Call - - - | Paulette Anderson, Dept. Secretary/Treasurer |
| Rules & Order of Business - - | Dede Kelly, Constitution & Bylaws Chairman |
| Constitution & Bylaws - - | Dede Kelly, Department Chairman |
| Report of Credentials Committee - | Mary Waybright, Chairman |
| Report of Resolutions Committee— | Rita Alley, Chairman |
| Standing Rules - - - | Janice Gamerdinger, Department Chairman |
| Presentation: | Nancy Sundstrom, NEC, Past Presidents Parley |

“WV Auxiliary Unit Member of the Year”

Friday , July 11, 2014 (Cont.)

Membership Citations and Awards

Sharon Glassford, PDP, Membership Chairman
Paula Booth & Susan Wade, Membership Committee

Presentation of Trophies & Awards

| | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Americanism | Junior Activities | Scrapbook |
| Auxiliary Emergency Fund | Leadership | Unit President's Award |
| Chaplain | Legislative | V A & R |
| Children & Youth | Music | Total Participation |
| Community Service | National Security | |
| Education | Past Presidents Parley | |
| History | Poppy | |
| Girls State | Public Relations | |

11:30 - 12:45 P.M. PAST PRESIDENTS' LUNCHEON ————— Pennsylvania/Ohio Room
Presentation of "Timeless Award" Nancy Sundstrom, NEC, PPP Chairman

1:00 P.M. Joint Session with American Legion - Grand Theatre
2:00 P.M. Reconvene - - - Virginia/Maryland Room

Complete Trophies & Awards Presentations

4:00 P.M. Recess
9:00 P.M. Karaoke by Pam Grand Ballroom

Saturday, July 12, 2014

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|-----------------------|--|--|
| 8:00 A.M.—Noon | Registration - - - | Out Side Virginia Room |
| 8: A.M. | Opening Session - - - | Virginia/Maryland Room |
| | Call to Order - - - | Debra Fox, Department President |
| | Invocation - - - | Tammy Workman, Department Chaplain |
| | Pledge of Allegiance - - | Rita Alley Americanism Chairman |
| | National Anthem - - - | JoAnn Hastings, Music Chairman |
| | Preamble - - - | Dede Kelly, Constitution & Bylaws Chrm. |
| 8:15 A.M. | Recess For Joint Session | Grand Theatre |
| 9:00 A.M. | Memorial Service - - | Tammy Workman Department Chaplain |
| | | Eight District Presidents |
| 9:30 A.M. | Greetings - - - - - | Frank Nicholson Department Commander |
| | | Rocky Fox, SAL Commander |
| 945 A.M. | Roll Call - - - | Paulette Anderson, Dept. Secretary/Treasurer |
| | Final Report of Resolutions Committee | Rita Alley Chairman |
| | Final Report of Constitution & Bylaws | Dede Kelly, Chairman |
| | Report of Credentials Committee - | Mary Waybright, Chairman |
| | Report of Courtesy Resolutions | Peggy Swartz, Chairman |
| | Nomination & Election of Officers for 2014-2015 | |
| | Election of Delegates & Alternates to National Convention | |
| | Ratification of District Presidents & District Vice Presidents | |
| 12:00 Noon | Recess | |
| 1:00 P.M. | Reconvene | |
| | Installation of Officers for 2014-2015 | |
| | Closing Remarks - - - | Debra Fox, Department President |
| | Retirement of Department Colors | |
| 3:00 P.M. | Convention Adjourned | |
| | Post Everlasting Service | |
| 4:00 P.M. | Auxiliary Post Executive Board Meeting | Virginia/ Maryland Room |
| 7:00 P.M. | Department Commander & Department President's Banquet | |
| 9:30 P.M. | Karaoke by Pam | Grand Ballroom |

7th Annual
Department of West Virginia
Junior American Legion Auxiliary
Meeting

Agenda

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|-----------------|--|
| 8:30- 9:00 am | Registration |
| 9:00-9:45 am | Icebreaker Team Building |
| 9:45- 10:15 | Call to Order Invocation Pledge of Allegiance National Anthem Preamble Special Guests |
| 10:15- 10:45 am | Junior Activity & Craft |
| 10:45- 11:15 am | Election of Honorary Officers |
| 11:15- 12:00 pm | 2014 Plan of Works Department Junior Auxiliary Member of the Year |
| 12:00- 1:00 pm | LUNCH and Door Prizes |
| 1:00- 2:00 pm | Department Special Project |
| 3:00-3:45 pm | Installation of 2014-2015 Honorary Junior Officers |

Past President Luncheon

Friday July 11, 2014

Pullman Plaza Hotel Huntington

Cost—\$17.00

Menu

Boneless Southern Fried Chicken Breast
Chef's Selection of Vegetables
Salad Dessert
Coffee Iced Tea Water

Reservation Deadline _____ July 1, 2014

Make checks payable to: ALA Department Treasurer

Mail reservations and check to: Vickie Luttrell
Department Convention Chairman
205 Merrywood Drive
Berkeley Springs WV 25411

Unit Name and Number _____

Number Attending (include list of names) _____ Amount Enclosed _____

Name _____

Allergies: Please List beside Name

You may add more names on a separate list of paper if necessary.

State Newsletter "Auxiliary SPIRIT"

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The American Legion Auxiliary
Department of West Virginia
HC 60 Box 17
New Martinsville WV 26155

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Make check payable to:
Dept. Treasurer, ALA

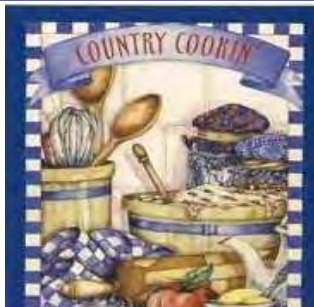
NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS OR PO BOX: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS (FREE ISSUE) _____

WHO RECEIVES SPIRIT: Emailed to all **Unit Contacts** and any **Unit Officers** with an email address. It is emailed to **All Department Officers, Department Chairmen, District Presidents/Vice Presidents, Past Department Presidents** with emails. Spirits are posted monthly on the website: www.wvaux.org Unit Presidents **with no email contact** will receive a free copy.



Cookbook sales are an ongoing project that will continue to put much needed dollars into the Veteran's Fund. Get your cookbooks today! Buy some as gifts! The recipes are the best kind – Tried & True!

I want to purchase ___ cookbooks and have the cookbooks mailed to the recipients! ___ Cookbooks X \$15.00 = \$ _____ + appropriate postage (see below) \$ _____ = total of \$ _____ enclosed

I want ___ Cookbooks mailed to me ! (1 cookbook = \$5.00 postage. 2 to 6 cookbooks = \$11.00 total postage) ___ Cookbooks X \$15.00 = \$ _____ + appropriate postage (see above) \$ _____ = total of \$ _____ enclosed

Make checks payable to:

Department Treasurer, ALA HC 60 Box 17 New Martinsville WV 26155

Questions? Contact Department Headquarters 1-888-604-2242 or email alawvsec@frontier.com

Ordered by: Name _____

Address _____

Phone: _____ **Email** _____