



# The Auxiliary Spirit



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Department President  
Paula Booth



**Upward and Onward  
For Veterans**

### Department Officers 2014-2015

- President—Paula Booth
- 1st Vice President—Susan Wade
- 2nd Vice President—Tammy Workman
- Sec/Treas.—Paulette Anderson
- Chaplain—Ramona Westfall
- Historian—Rhonda Best
- District Presidents 2014-2015
- 1st District—Donna Leek
- 3rd District—Connie Bailey
- 4th District—Nancy Sundstrom
- 5th District—Beth Kilgore
- 6th District—Peggy Swartz
- 8th District—Mary Bess
- 9th District—Marion Gregory
- 10th District—Lisa Turner

### District Vice Presidents 2014-2015

- 1st District—Marlene Stansberry
- 3rd District—Carla Wilfong
- 4th District—Cathy Post
- 5th District—JoAnn Hastings
- 6th District—Rita Alley
- 8th District—Rose Reese
- 9th District—Jeanie Phares
- 10th District—Sharon Glassford

### Remember Our Friends

*Past Department President Betty Burton's husband Glenwood, passed away Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at his home. Glen was Past Department Commander 1992-1993 and was a 33 year member of Capon Bridge Post #137.*

*Cards mailed be mailed to:  
Mrs. Betty Burton  
7291 Cold Stream Road  
Capon Bridge, WV 26711*

Hello Ladies!

It's hard to believe that another year is almost gone by! I want to thank all of you for your support and dedication to our great organization! We have 2 more Goal Units!! Congratulations to Pt. Pleasant Unit #23 and Ridgeley Unit #136!! Great job ladies!! We have some Units that are close, so with a little extra effort, I know we will have other Units reaching Goal by this years end!

I had the privilege of attending Memorial Day Services at the two National Cemeteries at Grafton and being a part of the wonderful parade. I want to thank everyone in Grafton for the wonderful hospitality that was shown to me. The people of Grafton sure know how to show their Patriotism!!

I am looking forward to Girls State next week and being able to extend Greetings on behalf of our Great Department of West Virginia!

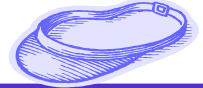
I hope everyone is planning on attending our Department Convention in Morgantown. It will be a busy but very rewarding Convention on many levels! I hope many of you will be attending the Past Department Presidents luncheon. This is one way we have to thank the ladies that committed a year of service to our great organization!

Please continue to keep Paula and Ramona in your thoughts and prayers!!

Susan Wade  
Department President



## Department Headquarters— "Ticket Taker"



**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 July 31st to be a Unit in good standing.

**Units that need to pay Mandatory Funds** are: McMechen Unit #5 (only ordered poppies), Mannington Unit #40, Parkersburg Unit #104, (only ordered poppies), Bluefield Unit #9, Lewisburg Unit #69, Richwood Unit #97, (owes Bonding \$5.00), Franklin Unit #30, Charles Town Unit #102.

**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 all information must be filled out before processing into Department Headquarters.** If a veteran is living they must hold membership in The American Legion. **All unfinished applications will be returned this year.** Please check the Birthdates of your Juniors renewing this year. If they will turn 18 years old by December 31, 2014 they are considered a Senior Member. **Remember:** if a Woman Veteran joins the Auxiliary under herself you must put on the application at the top **"Honor Our Women Veterans"** to get the discount from National. Unit Secretary can sign these applications **ONLY.** **This will continue through the next administrative year.**

### PLEASE—PLEASE—PLEASE:

If someone is paying dues and they haven't paid since 2012 they are to be marked:

**REINSTATE.** If they have married since last dues paid, put old name to pay and new name under "change of name". Too many mistakes each month, and it takes time to straighten them out.

**New This Next Year:** No back dues will be paid for a member if 2016 dues aren't paid by January 2016. It will be processed after January 1, 2016 as paid member for 2016. National Organization ruling.

Next month will be the Spirit for the new year. All members who receives a paid subscription must renew ASAP to continue receiving Spirit by mail.

**Unit Officers forms are due into office ASAP**

**Unit Data Forms are due into office ASAP**

**The Toll Free # is down. Please use 304-455-5007 direct line. Do Not Call Cell-phone!!**

### Dates To Remember:

**Credentials Deadline for Convention  
Thursday June 25, 2014**

**Department Convention  
Morgantown WV  
July 9-12, 2015**

**National Convention  
Baltimore Maryland  
August 28-September 3, 2015**

**Labor Day Office Closed**

**Fall Workshop/Executive Board  
Days Inn Bridgeport WV  
September 11-12, 2015  
Fall Conferences will be published  
when available**

### DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

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**9:00-4:00**

Answering Machine and Fax

available 24 Hours

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FAX: (304) 455 5825

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**New Martinsville WV 26155-7808**

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### Rhododendron Girls State Website:

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

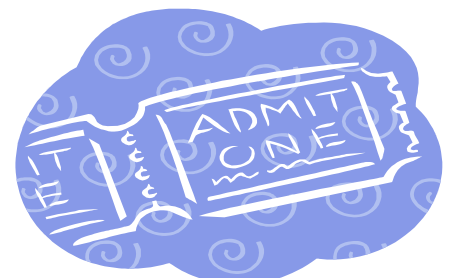
### The American Legion

**Department Email:**

[wvlegion@suddenlinkmail.com](mailto:wvlegion@suddenlinkmail.com)

### National Auxiliary website:

[alaforveterans.org](http://alaforveterans.org)



# "WELCOMING OUR MEMBERSHIP"

## Membership Chairman

Hello Ladies:

Well, we are 94% for Dept. Membership. Job well done. Still there is time for 100%. You can do this. 100% plus are the following units: Pine Grove, Paden City, Hundred, Chester this is District 1. Pt. Pleasant; District 4; Beckley; District 6. Clarksburg, Morgantown; District 3. Ridgeley; District 10. Congratulations.

Come on Team! You keep up on your good work for membership. Just keep pushing and treading forward.

"You are the Torch Lighters" and the "Tablet Writers". Let the torches Shine brighter; and keep those tablets keep signing those applications. For National we are 84.45 %.

There are 22 units that are at 90% plus. So I know you can do this. No doubt in my mind. I have all the confidence in you.

I thank you for all your volunteer work, the great job you are doing; as well as the last Push for Membership. You can Win It.

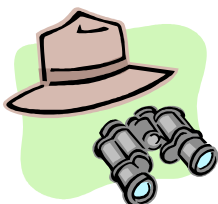
Our Veterans need your continuing support. So with us maintaining our membership we can continue with our programs.

Again keep on and continue the race forward. You can do this.

Remember to always thank a Veteran. You are able to live free in America.

Again, THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK THIS YEAR.

Sharon Glassford  
Membership Chairman



## 1st Vice President

Aloha Ladies,

A little greeting for both hello and goodbye since this is the last article until after summer convention. I hope you've all enjoyed PDP Paula's membership theme this year and I hope you'll keep the eagle flying upward and onward for our veterans.

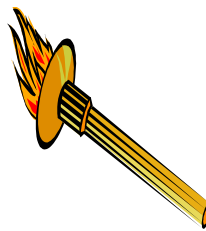
With all the craziness happening in and around our communities our Auxiliary is needed now more than ever, so even though we are closing in on the 2015 year Please don't stop working your membership. I'm asking ALL District Vice Presidents to please call your units and see if they are contacting members who haven't renewed for 2015. We cannot afford to leave any member behind. There are several units still floating in the 70% and 80% range. As always please do not hold dues. Membership is a TEAM effort not just the membership chairman's duty so ask what you can do to help.

We are currently at Target 11 and should have 98% or higher. We have one Goal District, First District with 112%, Fantastic job. We have nine Goal Units. Congratulations go to Pine Grove #81, Paden City #86, Hundred # 120, Chester #121, Pt. Pleasant #23, Beckley #32, Clarksburg #13, Morgantown #174, and Ridgeley #136 Awesome work ladies!!!!

We have two units who met Target 11 at 98% or higher, Congratulations to Gary #38 and Charles Town #71.

The Flames are 98% and the Wigs are 87%, in total we need 537 members to reach our overall goal. We have 65 units so I think we can do this. We don't want to rack up another year of losing 500 members so let's gather our resources and get busy so we can be another step closer to our million member mark.

For God and Country  
Vice President Tammy Workman



Happy 4th of July!

### Third District Vice President

Well it is winding down for this year. I hope all Units are still doing their best in collecting dues from present members and getting new members.

We have several Units that need only a few more members so please contact these members and get their dues paid.

I hope all Units sent in their Mandatory Funds they were due by the 10th of June. This is to be seated and able to elect new Officers for the year 2016.

If you need my help, please call me at 304-592-0247 or you can e-mail me at: [carlajwilfong@yahoo.com](mailto:carlajwilfong@yahoo.com)

Hope to see everyone at Summer Convention in July.

For God and Country.  
Carla Wilfong

### Fifth District Vice President

Hello Ladies,

I know all the ladies of the Fifth District are working hard trying to get new members in and to get older members back. We still have a month to gain new members and meet goals.

Thank you so much for working for the veterans, they really need our help.

I hope you are planning on attending the conventions in Morgantown. The convention always proves to be informative and an exciting time.

Joann Hastings  
Fifth District  
Vice President

### Fifth District President

State Convention is less than a month away and hope you are planning on attending in Morgantown, July 9-12.

Each unit should have received their credentials that need to be returned to the Department office prior to Convention.



Attending Department meetings is a great to meet members from your sister units and share ideas on projects, problems, and ideas to help our veterans.

Please do not hold any memberships you may receive during June. Send them in and help the Department meet their membership goals.

See you in Morgantown!  
Beth Kilgore  
5thn District President

*I don't have to tell you how fragile this precious gift of freedom is. Every time we hear, watch, or read the news, we are reminded that liberty is a rare commodity in this world.*

Ronald Regan - 5/26/1983

### Tenth District President

Hello Ladies,

It's been two years since I wrote my first article, and this is my last. I must be getting older because it seems that the first one was just a week ago.

During the past two years I have visited most of the units in my area and made a lot of good friends. I have seen both controversy and camaraderie. But I have to say that more than anything else I have seen teamwork – not only between auxiliary members but also between all the components of the American Legion Family – Post, SAL, Riders and Auxiliary.

As we continue to struggle with membership – our numbers will probably not pick up until the Iraq/Afghanistan veterans and their wives have established their lives – we have to remind ourselves that our strength lies not only in numbers but in deeds. And in that area we are outstanding.

Again, thanks to each of you for allowing me the honor of being your District 10 President, and I look forward to many more years of friendship with each of you.

Lisa Turner  
10th District President

Quote of the Month: *“What a long, strange trip it's been.” Grateful Dead*



## Chaplain

This is my last article for this Spirit. I would like to thank Paula for asking me to finish the year for Ramona Westfall. It has been my honor to do so. Ramona I hope I've done you proud. You are still and always will be in our prayers.

I received 21 Chaplain Reports out of 65 units with 4 narrative reports.

Each unit Chaplain stated that they were turning in a prayer for Paula's prayer book, so where are they? As of this date I have not receive very many prayers, poems, or songs. There is still time – Please send! You can email them to me at wabssb@aol.com or mail to Susan Brown, 2172 Grandview Road, Moundsville, WV 26041.

Also, remember Betty Burton in your prayers at her time of sorrow. Betty – Glenwood was a wonderful man. I will miss him.

### *Prayer of Peace*

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace*

*Where there is hated – let me sow love.*

*Where there is injury – pardon.*

*Where there is doubt – faith.*

*Where there is despair – hope.*

*Where there is darkest – light.*

*Where there is sadness – joy.*

*Divine master, grant I may not so much seek*

*To be consoled ... as to console.*

*To be understood...as to understand.*

*To be loved...as to love,*

*For*

*It is in giving...that we receive.*

*It is in pardoning, that we are pardoned.*

*It is in dying...that we are born to eternal life.*

*“St Gracie”*

Thanks everyone  
Susan Brown  
Dept. Chaplain



## Historian

Hello Ladies,

Please continue to write all of the events and meetings each of your units participate in. It is very important to show what our state does for our Veterans and their families as well as our children and the community.

I hope to see a lot of Auxiliary members at Summer Convention.

God Bless,

Rhonda Best

Department Historian

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## Child Welfare Fund

State Convention is less than a month away. The Veterinarian says I need to loose some. Bring your piggy banks of the Department Convention and let's see if we can beat our Mid Winter Total.

Beth Kilgore, Chairman  
Child Welfare Foundation



## Public Relations

Hello Ladies,

Let me start by thanking Paula Booth for this appointment. I wasn't real sure going into this and over the year had some concerns. I now know we will have a nice press book for Paula. Some concerns were if there were going to be enough to create a press book but however, at the end of the year more were sent in and some can be taken directly from the reports.

Other concerns were related to not hearing from many of you, I wasn't sure West Virginia would have a good end of year report but we did, Thanks to all of you!!!

Keep up the great work as we move into the new year.

Lisa Cadwallader, Public Relations

## Leadership

I am a little sad that this is my last article as Leadership Chairman. I have enjoyed this year very much and want to say “Thank you” to President Paula for the opportunity to serve the Department of West Virginia this year. I hope to see many of you at Department Convention in July. I hope that some of you have gained some knowledge this year that will enable you and your unit to find success. We should never stop trying to do our best and get a little better each year.

AS a Member – I encourage you to prepare for the coming year by:

- Take the “Auxiliary Basics” course.
- Take The American Legion Leadership Course.
- Attend district/department training sessions/workshops.
- Volunteer to be a trainer/course leader.
- Ask questions.
- Share past experiences.
- Prepare a personal history of your involvement in the organization; refer to the “Auxiliary Basics” course to “discover from national happenings” what may have influenced the personal history.

You are all leaders to someone, try to be a good example for all that follow and always be KIND to each other.

Ann Buchanan

Leadership Chairman

## 2014-2015 Honorary Junior Officers

*President—Katie Beth Caudill*

*1st V P— Taylor Bush*

*2nd V P— Despena O'Neill*

*Secretary— Lexie Nelson*

*Chaplain— Courtney King*

*Historian— Mary Grace Bannon*

## *Children and Youth*

This current year is winding down but I hope each of you is thinking about the different projects and activities you can be doing for our children. Consider the back to school projects that will help them, from clothing to backpacks. You might want to think about a summer reading program for the children of your community.

Don't forget our military kids. They need your presence in their lives while their parent is deployed. They face a whole different set of problems in addition to the problems that go along with being a kid. Take care of them and let them know you are there for them. See you next month at the State Convention.

Beth Kilgore, Chairman  
Children & Youth



## *Community Service*

I want to take this time to thank our Auxiliary Units for all of your work you have done in your Communities. We are a very hard working and generous group of Ladies.

I received reports from 25 units for our Annual Community Service Reports for the year. Among these reports there were 9 with narratives they were all very good.

I'm proud to say that I submitted 1 of them to National for judging to receive a National Unit Award. GOOD LUCK!!

Thanks Ladies for every thing you do for your Communities and Our Veterans.

Nancy Sundstrom  
Community Service Chairman

## *Convention Chairman*

Just some reminders since time is close. Credentials to Paulette by June 25th.

**\*\*Bring Door Prizes.**

**\*\*Registration opens Thursday at noon till 6:00 PM. Friday 8:00-4:00, Sat 8:00 – 12:00.**

**\*\*Past Presidents Luncheon Tickets**  
Send your Form to Paulette and pick up tickets at registration.

I still need help with registration, call me or email.

See you in Morgantown where a fun time is planned for all.

“Carry on and be blessed in all good works.”

Convention Chairman  
Vickie Luttrell  
304-676-8543  
victorialuttrell@msn.com

**All Incoming Department and District Officers, Escorts, and Installing Team please wear white for inauguration.**  
**Incoming Department Officers for 2015-2016: Bring a picture and give to Vickie Luttrell, Convention Chairman, no later than Friday morning.**

## *2015-2016 Candidates for Offices*

*Dept. President-Susan Wade Unit #86*

*Dept. 1st V.P.-Tammy Workman Unit #28*

*Dept. 2nd V.P.-*

*Dept. Sec/Treas.-Paulette Anderson #86*

*Dept. Chaplain-Rhonda Best-Unit #3*

*Dept. Historian-*

## *2015-2016 District Candidates*

*1st Dist. Pres.— Donna Freeland #81*

*Vice Pres.— Donna Leek #81*

*3rd Dist. Pres.—Carla Wilfong #31*

*Vice Pres.-Roxie Nicholson #31*

*4th Dist. Pres.—Cathy Post Unit #67*

*Vice Pres.—Nancy Sundstrom #15*

*5th Dist. Pres.—Beth Kilgore #16*

*Vice Pres.—JoAnn Hastings #16*

*6th Dist. Pres.—Peggy Swartz #8*

*Vice Pres.—Rita Alley #8*

*8th Dist. Pres.—Mary Bess #20*

*Vice. Pres.—Rose Reese #73*

*9th Dist. Pres.—No Name Given*

*Vice Pres.—No Name Given*

*10th Dist. Pres.—Sharon Glassford #71*

*Vice Pres. —Sharon Kauffman #14*

## *National Security*

Hello Fellow Auxiliary Members, All reports are in and sent to National for all Judging.

I hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather. It is hot Summer Weather and we are enjoying the Air Conditioner. What are all our Homeless Veterans doing to keep cool? This is a question we all need to ask ourselves.

If you see a Homeless person whether it be a Veteran or not, please make sure they have a nice cold bottle of water to drink. Point them to a homeless shelter so they can be in out of the heat and other weather.

Keep up the good work and please honor our Veterans because they have sacrificed a lot so we can be free.

For God and Country, Carla Wilfong



# American Legion Auxiliary WV Rhododendron Girls State

## *Girls State Representatives*

1st Dist. — Susan Brown  
2172 Grandview Rd.  
Moundsville WV 26041  
845-5122

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

4th Dist. — Nancy Sundstrom  
1307 23rd Street  
Parkersburg WV 26101  
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  
2013 River Road  
Belington WV 26250  
823-3251

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



## Department Ways & Means

Hello Ladies,

First I would like to give a revision to March's Report. I overlooked a winner for 3/18/15. It was Karen Nice and she was the \$200.00 winner for the 3rd Wednesday of the month. I apologize for the inconvenience and mistake.

Second I want to let everyone know that we still have over 6 months left in the year 2015 and there are remaining Ways-n-Means tickets available. So please continue to participate and sell any tickets that you are able to do so.

Congratulations to all winners so far this year and Good Luck to all in the coming days.

Thank you and God Bless  
Rhonda Best,  
Ways-n-Means Chairman



## May 2015 Ways & Means Winners

| NAME                     | LOCATION               | WINNING # | DATE    | AMT PAID |
|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------|---------|----------|
|                          |                        | 751       | 5/1/15  |          |
| <b>Kenneth Voit</b>      | <b>Romney, WV</b>      | 484       | 5/2/15  | \$25.00  |
|                          |                        | 592       | 5/4/15  |          |
|                          |                        | 825       | 5/5/15  |          |
| <b>Sidney Moore</b>      | <b>Romney, WV</b>      | 354       | 5/6/15  | \$25.00  |
|                          |                        | 464       | 5/7/15  |          |
|                          |                        | 650       | 5/8/15  |          |
| <b>Bill Estep</b>        | <b>Clarksburg, WV</b>  | 319       | 5/9/15  | \$25.00  |
|                          |                        | 120       | 5/11/15 |          |
|                          |                        | 772       | 5/12/15 |          |
| <b>Dale Householder</b>  | <b>Augusta, WV</b>     | 343       | 5/13/15 | \$25.00  |
|                          |                        | 238       | 5/14/15 |          |
|                          |                        | 749       | 5/15/15 |          |
|                          |                        | 895       | 5/16/15 |          |
| <b>Sally Kirykendall</b> | <b>Romney, WV</b>      | 385       | 5/18/15 | \$25.00  |
| <b>Pat Calain</b>        | <b>Elkins, WV</b>      | 631       | 5/19/15 | \$25.00  |
| <b>Mike Gunto</b>        | <b>Moundsville, WV</b> | 909       | 5/20/15 | \$200.00 |
| <b>Patsy Plummer</b>     | <b>Delray, WV</b>      | 430       | 5/21/15 | \$25.00  |
| <b>Dow Phillips</b>      | <b>Beckley, WV</b>     | 958       | 5/22/15 | \$25.00  |
| <b>Pat Shrout</b>        | <b>Romney, WV</b>      | 519       | 5/23/15 | \$25.00  |
| <b>Katrina Myers</b>     | <b>Rock Cave, WV</b>   | 627       | 5/25/15 | \$25.00  |
| <b>Elizabeth Davis</b>   | <b>Parkersburg, WV</b> | 160       | 5/26/15 | \$25.00  |
|                          |                        | 980       | 5/27/15 |          |
|                          |                        | 980       | 5/28/15 |          |
|                          |                        | 714       | 5/29/15 |          |
|                          |                        | 144       | 5/30/15 |          |



THE AMERICAN LEGION **FAMILY**



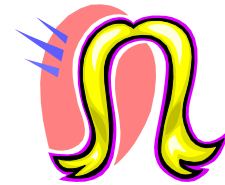


# MEMBERSHIP 2014-2015 “Welcoming Our Members”



## Target 11—June 15th—98%

Department Goal— 7271 National Goal—8083  
 Department Membership to Date— 6822 ( 94.00 %)  
 Unit #200— 91 Active Units in Department—65  
 (National 8083 = (84.40 %))



| District 1           |             |             |                |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Unit                 | 2015 Goal   | 2015        | % of Goal      |
| Wheeling #1          | 21          | 19          | 90.47%         |
| Moundsville #3       | 305         | 293         | 96.07%         |
| McMechen #5          | 58          | 55          | 94.83%         |
| Weirton #10          | 80          | 65          | 81.25%         |
| Cameron #18          | 200         | 185         | 93.00%         |
| New Martinsville #28 | 140         | 134         | 96.00%         |
| Wellsburg #34        | 32          | 26          | 81.25          |
| Follansbee #45       | 58          | 45          | 78.00%         |
| Benwood #46          | 99          | 91          | 92.00%         |
| Pine Grove #81       | 90          | <b>90</b>   | <b>100.00%</b> |
| Paden City #86       | 113         | <b>117</b>  | <b>104.00%</b> |
| Wheeling #89         | 36          | 29          | 81.00%         |
| Newell #114          | 49          | 40          | 82.00%         |
| Hundred #120         | 77          | <b>86</b>   | <b>112.00%</b> |
| Chester #121         | 150         | <b>157</b>  | <b>105.00%</b> |
| <b>TOTALS</b>        | <b>1280</b> | <b>1432</b> | <b>112.00%</b> |

| District 4        |             |             |                |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Unit              | 2015 Goal   | 2015        | % of Goal      |
| Parkersburg #15   | 859         | 820         | 95.45%         |
| Spencer #21       | 59          | 53          | 90.00%         |
| Pt. Pleasant #23  | 345         | <b>346</b>  | <b>100.29%</b> |
| Sistersville #67  | 184         | 135         | 88.00%         |
| Parkersburg #104  | 15          | 11          | 73.33%         |
| New Haven #140    | 159         | 141         | 89.00%         |
| Williamstown #159 | 180         | 163         | 91.00%         |
| <b>TOTALS</b>     | <b>1801</b> | <b>1669</b> | <b>93.00%</b>  |

| District 6    |            |            |                |
|---------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Unit          | 2015 Goal  | 2015       | % of Goal      |
| Welch #8      | 82         | 71         | 87.00%         |
| Bluefield #9  | 34         | 26         | 76.47%         |
| Beckley #32   | 39         | <b>40</b>  | <b>103.00%</b> |
| Gary #38      | 76         | 75         | 99.00%         |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>231</b> | <b>212</b> | <b>92.00%</b>  |

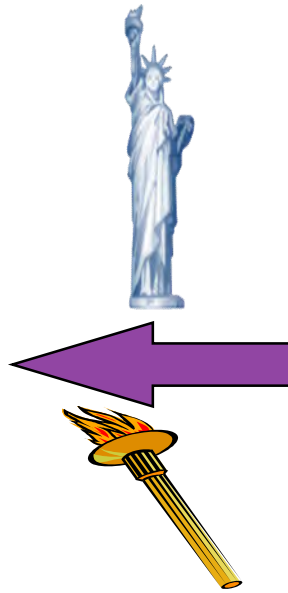
| District 9    |            |            |               |
|---------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Unit          | 2015 Goal  | 2015       | % of Goal     |
| Elkins #29    | 206        | 172        | 84.00%        |
| Cowen #62     | 50         | 42         | 84.00%        |
| Lewisburg #69 | 79         | 61         | 72.22%        |
| Belington #96 | 35         | 34         | 97.14%        |
| Richwood #97  | 27         | 19         | 70.37%        |
| Pickens #122  | 28         | 22         | 78.00%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>425</b> | <b>348</b> | <b>81.89%</b> |

| District 3      |            |            |                |
|-----------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Unit            | 2015 Goal  | 2015       | % of Goal      |
| Buckhannon #7   | 61         | 52         | 85.25%         |
| Grafton #12     | 26         | 21         | 81.00%         |
| Clarksburg #13  | 143        | <b>145</b> | <b>101.39%</b> |
| Shinnston #31   | 307        | 289        | 94.13%         |
| Braxton Co. #33 | 31         | 26         | 84.00%         |
| Mannington #40  | 23         | 18         | 78.26%         |
| Philippi #44    | 34         | 29         | 85.29%         |
| Bridgeport #68  | 47         | 44         | 94.00%         |
| Jane Lew #166   | 52         | 37         | 71.15%         |
| Morgantown #174 | 23         | <b>27</b>  | <b>117.39%</b> |
| <b>TOTALS</b>   | <b>747</b> | <b>688</b> | <b>92.10%</b>  |

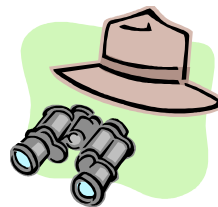
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|--------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| Unit               | 2015 Goal   | 2015       | % of Goal     |
| Huntington #16     | 264         | 246        | 93.18%        |
| Logan #19          | 16          | 15         | 94.00%        |
| Ceredo-Kenova #93  | 418         | 319        | 76.32%        |
| Hamlin #111        | 54          | 51         | 94.94%        |
| Milton #139        | 84          | 68         | 81.00%        |
| Barboursville #177 | 167         | 135        | 81.00%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>      | <b>1003</b> | <b>834</b> | <b>83.15%</b> |

| District 8           |            |            |               |
|----------------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Unit                 | 2015 Goal  | 2015       | % of Goal     |
| Charleston #20       | 49         | 26         | 53.06%        |
| St Albans #73        | 70         | 62         | 89.00%        |
| South Charleston #94 | 26         | 19         | 73.08%        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>        | <b>145</b> | <b>107</b> | <b>74.00%</b> |

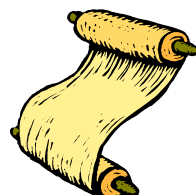
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|----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Unit                 | 2015        | 2015        | % of Goal      |
| Martinsburg #14      | 155         | 128         | 83.00%         |
| Franklin #30         | 22          | 18          | 82.00%         |
| Piedmont #52         | 60          | 26          | 43.33%         |
| Berkeley Springs #60 | 255         | 202         | 79.22%         |
| Moorefield #64       | 124         | 104         | 84.00%         |
| Charles Town #71     | 250         | 247         | 99.00%         |
| Petersburg #78       | 95          | 89          | 94.00%         |
| Romney #91           | 259         | 243         | 94.00%         |
| Charles Town #102    | 20          | 18          | 90.00%         |
| Paw Paw #128         | 74          | 57          | 77.02%         |
| Kirby #134           | 50          | 44          | 88.00%         |
| Ridgeley #136        | 99          | <b>99</b>   | <b>100.00%</b> |
| Capon Bridge #137    | 130         | 117         | 90.00%         |
| Keyser #152          | 51          | 47          | 92.16%         |
| <b>TOTALS</b>        | <b>1644</b> | <b>1441</b> | <b>88.00%</b>  |



“Torch Lighter”  
 Goal—3737  
 To Date—3661  
 (98.00 %)



“Tablet Writer”  
 Goal—3534  
 To Date—3070  
 ( 87.00 %)






# American Legion Auxiliary

## Department of West Virginia



# July

## Department Convention

| Sun | Mon | Tue                            | Wed                | Thu                   | Fri                               | Sat   |
|-----|-----|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
|     |     |                                | 1                  | 2                     | 3                                 | 4   |
|     |     |                                |                    | Mail Call             | Office Closed                     | <br>Independence Day |
| 5   | 6   | 7                              | 8                  | 9                     | 10                                | 11  |
|     |     |                                | Office Closed      | Department Convention |                                   |   |
| 12  | 13  | 14                             | 15                 | 16                    | 17                                | 18  |
|     |     |                                | Target #12<br>100% |                       | Spirit Articles Due               |   |
| 19  | 20  | 21                             | 22                 | 23                    | 24                                | 25  |
|     |     | Spirit Out<br>VA Checks Mailed |                    |                       | Mail Call                         |   |
| 26  | 27  | 28                             | 29                 | 30                    | 31                                |   |
|     |     |                                |                    |                       | Closing of Books for 2014-15 year |   |

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

The Ninety-Third 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 Morgantown Wes Virginia on July 9, 10, 11, 2015 at the Ramada Inn.

**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 by Units. Each Unit shall be entitled to two delegates, and one additional delegate for each fifty (50) members or a major fraction thereof, whose dues have been paid and received by the Department Headquarters on 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 alternate **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 9, 2015, at 7:00 pm at Ramada Inn in \_\_\_\_\_  
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 chairmen, may attend the Executive Committee Meeting with the privilege of discussion but NO vote.

**DEPARTMENT FINANCE COMMITTEE**

This committee will meet on July 9, 2015 at 2:00 pm in the \_\_\_\_\_. 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 MEETING**

The Post Executive Committee will meet immediately following the Church Service on July 12, 2015 in the \_\_\_\_\_.

*Susan Wade*  
Department President

*Paulette Anderson*  
Department Secretary/Treasurer



## 93RD ANNUAL CONVENTION

Tentative Program  
American Legion Auxiliary

**Thursday July 9, 2015**

|              |   |                |
|--------------|---|----------------|
| 8:30-9:00 am | Registration for Juniors                  | Seminar Room   |
| 9:00-2:00 pm | Junior Meeting Sessions                   | Seminar Room   |
| 3:00-3:45 pm | Junior Installation of 2015-2016 Officers |                |
| 12:00-6:00   | Registration                              | Upstairs Foyer |
| 2:00         | Department Finance Committee Meeting      | Ballroom       |
| 3:00-5:00    | Convention Committee Meetings             | Ballroom       |
|              | Constitution & Bylaws                     |                |
|              | Standing Rules                            |                |
|              | Policy & Procedures                       |                |
|              | Resolutions                               |                |
|              | Courtesy                                  |                |
|              | Credentials                               |                |
| 7:00 pm      | Department Executive Board Meeting        | Ballroom       |

**FRIDAY JULY 10, 2015**

|           |                                       |  |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 8:00-4:00 | Registration                          | Upstairs Foyer                                 |
| 8:30 am   | Opening Session                       | Ballroom                                       |
|           | Processional                          |  |
|           | District Vice Presidents              |  |
|           | District Presidents                   |  |
|           | Past Department Officers              |  |
|           | Department Officers                   |  |
|           | Presentation of Gavel to              |  |
|           | By                                    | Susan Wade, Department President               |
|           | Call To Order                         | Victoria Luttrell, Convention Chairman         |
|           | Advancement of Colors                 | Susan Wade, Department President               |
|           |                                       | Katena Karnes, Sergeant at Arms                |
|           |                                       | Lisa Turner, Sergeant at Arms                  |
|           |                                       | Susan Brown, Department Chaplain               |
|           | Invocation                            |  |
|           | Moment of Silence                     |  |
|           | Pledge of Allegiance                  |  |
|           | National Anthem                       | Patricia Moore, Americanism Chairman           |
|           | Preamble to the Constitution of       | Kitty Kelly-Smoot, Music Chairman              |
|           | American Legion Auxiliary             | Teresa "Betty" Rea Constitution & Bylaws Ch.   |
|           | Presentation of Convention Committees |  |
|           | Roll Call of Units                    | Susan Wade, Department President               |
|           | Rules & Order of Business             | Paulette Anderson, Depart. Secretary/Treasurer |
|           | Constitution & Bylaws                 | Paulette Anderson, Depart. Secretary/Treasurer |
|           | Report of Credentials Committee       | Teresa "Betty" Rea, Department Chairman        |
|           | Report of Resolutions Committee       | Mary Waybright, Chairman                       |
|           | Standing Rules                        | Roxie Nicholson, Chairman                      |
|           | Presentation                          | Janice Gamerdinger, Department Chairman        |
|           |                                       | Debra Fox, NEC, Past President's Parley Chrm.  |

"West Virginia Auxiliary Unit Member of the Year"

**Friday July 10, 2015 (Cont.)**

Membership Citations & Awards

Sharon Glassford, Membership Chairman  
Tammy Workman, Department Vice President

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 President's Parley |                        |
| History                  | Poppy                   |                        |
| Girls State              | Public Relations        |                        |

11:30-12:45

PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON  
Presentation of "Timeless Award" Debra Fox, NEC, PPP Chairman

1:00 pm Joint Session with the American Legion

2:00 pm Reconvene

Complete Trophies & Awards Presentation

4:00 pm Recess

Rehearsal for Installation

**Saturday July 11, 2015**

8:00-Noon Registration

8:00am Opening Session

Call to Order

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

National Anthem

Preamble

8:15am Memorial Service

8:45am Greetings

9:00am Roll Call

Final Report of Resolutions Committee

Final Report of Constitution & Bylaws

Report of Credentials Committee

Report of Courtesy Resolutions

Nomination & Elections of Officers 2015-2016

Election of Delegates & Alternates to National Convention

Ratification of District Presidents & Vice Presidents

12:00pm Recess

1:00pm Installation of Officers for 2015-2016

Closing Remarks

Retirement of Department Colors

2:00 pm Post Executive Board Meeting

3:00pm Post Everlasting

7:00pm Department Commanders' and Presidents' Banquet

9:00pm Karaoke

Susan Wade, Department President  
Susan Brown, Department Chaplain  
Patricia Moore, Americanism Chairman  
Kitty Kelly-Smoot, Music Chairman  
Betty Rea, Constitution & Bylaws Chairman  
Susan Brown, Chaplain  
Eight District Chaplains  
Fred Buchanan, Department Commander  
Rocky Fox, Detachment Commander  
Paulette Anderson, Depart. Secretary/Treasurer  
Roxie Nicholson, Chairman  
Betty Rea, Chairman  
Mary Waybright, Chairman  
Linda Crumm, Chairman

Susan Wade, Department President

*Have A Safe Trip Home!!*

8th Annual  
Department of West Virginia  
American Legion Auxiliary  
Junior Convention  
Agenda

- 8:30-9:00 am..... Registration
- 9:00 am—9:45 am.....Ice Breaker  
Team Building
- 9:45 am—10:15 am.....Call To Order  
Invocation  
Pledge of Allegiance  
National Anthem  
Preamble  
Special Guests
- 10:15 am—10:45 am.....Junior Activity & Craft
- 10:45 am—11:15 am.....Election of Honorary Officers
- 11:15 am—12:00 pm.....2015 Plan of Works
- 12:00 pm—1:00 pm.....LUNCH AND DOOR PRIZES
- 1:00 pm—2:00 pm.....Department Special Project
- 3:00 pm—3:45 pm.....Installation of 2015-2016  
Honorary Junior Officers

**Past Department Presidents Luncheon**

**Friday July 10, 2015**

**11:30 am-12:45 am**

**Ramada Inn Morgantown**

**Cost \$19.00**

**Menu:**

**Chicken Picatta**

**(Roasted chicken breast with lemon caper butter  
over jasmine rice and seasonal vegetables and chef's choice of dessert)**

**Deadline for Reservations:**

**Monday June 29, 2015**

*I am sending in \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ members for PDP Luncheon.*

*Attached List if Needed: \_\_\_\_\_*

*List Allergies*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

*Send Reservations and Check to:  
ALA Department Treasurer  
1251 Doolin Run Road  
New Martinsville WV 26155-7808*

***Check must accompany reservations  
No refunds after June 29th***

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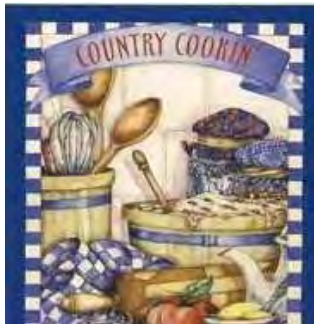
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E-MAIL ADDRESS (FREE ISSUE) \_\_\_\_\_

**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](http://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!

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