



The Auxiliary Spirit



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American Legion Auxiliary
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Department President
Susan Wade



Our Veterans
"Depend" on You

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10th District—Sharon Kauffman

Remember Our Friends

I would like to thank everyone for the love, prayers, phone calls and cards I received during my recovery from surgery.

I am still on the mend but each day is better than the one before. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Workshop in Bridgeport.

*Blessings,
Beth Kilgore*

Hello Ladies!!!

I am so thankful for all you ladies that have been so supportive of me!! I am looking forward to attending National Convention next week!

I hope many of you are planning on attending our Workshop on September 12th. There is an awesome program planned on Membership, table breakouts and new Unit and District Officers. If anyone has any questions about Membership or any of the programs, this is a great time to get the answers. If you have not made your hotel reservations, you need to do so now.

There will be tickets for my Homecoming at the Workshop. Paulette will have them at the registration table.

The 2016 Ways and Means tickets will also be available at the Workshop!

My special project is Rhododendron Girls State. We will have a purse auction again this year at Workshop to support this program. I hope to see many purses! Please make sure to put something in them!!

Fall Conferences are coming up. I am planning on attending them all, unless there is more than one scheduled for the same day. There WILL be a representative from Department at all Conferences.

Thank you all for working so hard for our Veterans and all our Auxiliary Programs!

God Bless our Veterans
God Bless Each of You
Susan Wade
Department President



Department Headquarters—Juggler



Mandatory Funds: Bonding, Education, Girls State, Veterans 1st Fund, Poppy Order, and 10% Poppies Proceeds. They are due each year by July 31st to be a Unit in good year. Make checks payable to **“Department Treasurer, ALA”** Units that haven’t paid their 2015 Mandatory Funds are: McMechen Unit #5 (ordered Poppies), Mannington Unit #40, Parkersburg Unit #104 (ordered Poppies), Bluefield Unit #9, Lewisburg Unit #69.

Membership Remember to put Junior Birthdates on new applications. All applications must be signed by Post Adj. NOT MEMBER OR SECRETARY). Only exception is if a female veteran is joining the Auxiliary under herself. THEN the Secretary may sign the application. National is waiving the \$9.00 fee again this year for New Female Veterans. You must put “Honor Our Women Veterans” at top of application to get the credit for your Unit.

Do not send in anymore 2015 transmittals. Put 2015 dues as “Back Dues”.

If you send in PUFL’s with your membership they will be counted. No new members will be counted until September 1st.

Deadline for Spirit Articles: This year I am extending the deadline for all articles to the 18th. I mail/email the Spirit on the 21st (unless a weekend), then either the Friday before or Monday after. This should give you plenty of time to get your article in. **I will not be reminding you with this new deadline.** Target Sheet will be sent to the Membership Chairmen on the date of the Target. Remember this year they are different so a target sheet won’t be done by the 15th of month.

Workshop Registration beginning this year is \$15.00 for seniors, and \$10.00 for juniors.

Directory Updates:

Page 20: Fourth District:
Sec. Alice Fought, 4114 Spring Valley Way, Elizabeth WV 26143, 304-615-8586.
Chap. Malinda Roush, 32 Ashwood Place, Vienna WV 26105, 304-482-2354
Amer. Chrm.: Patty Parks, 319 Friendly Landing Rd., Sistersville WV 26175, 304-482-6977.

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Fifth District: Sec. Ann Buchanan, 105 Cheyenne Trail, Ona WV 25545, 304-654-9932. Chaplain: Mary Waybright, 1137 Norway Ave. Huntington WV 25705, 304-638-7665. Amer. Chrm.: Kitty Kelly-Smoot, 4378 Green Valley Rd. Huntington WV 25701, 304-525-4242. C & Y: Drema Goolsby, 6 Cloucester Ct. Barboursville WV 25504, 304-521-5229. Natl. Sec. Nancy Duvall, 3614 Race St. Catlettsburg Ky. 41129, 606-739-6484. VA & R: Mary Waybright, 1137 Norway Ave. Huntington WV 25705, 304-638-7665.

Sixth District: Chap. Reba Honaker, 1436 Stewart St. Welch WV 24801, 304-436-4042. Chap. Marsha Riffe, 1295 1295 Orchard Rd. Ballard WV 24918, 304-753-5951. Amer. Chrm. Leigh Ann Felton, PO Box 605, Fairdale WV 25839. C & Y: Ann Cooley, PO Box 792 Welch WV 24801, 304-436-2465. VA & R: Sandra Music, PO Box 135 Bolt WV 25817, 681-238-0116.

Pres. Peggy Swartz last 4 numbers of her phone is: 2394.

Page 25: Roane County is misspelled. Add the “e” to the end of Roane. Shinnston Unit #32 Presidents number is: 304-641-8114.

Page 29: Paw Paw #128 Pres. Lisa Gloyd, 168 York Ln, Great Cacapon WV 25422, 304-258-8927. Sec: Rosella Waish, 17800 Dailey Rd. SE, Oldtown MD, 21555, 301-478-5489.

Page 30: Morgantown #174 meetings: Last Wednesday of Month, Post Home.

****National Convention
Baltimore Maryland
Aug. 28th-Sept. 3rd
Office Closed Aug. 27th to Sept. 8th**

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National Auxiliary Website
alaforveterans.org

****Labor Day Closed**
****Fall Workshop /Executive Board
September 11-12, 2015
Days Inn Bridgeport**
****8th District Fall Conference
St. Albans Unit #73
September 19, 2015
Details To Follow**
****3rd District Fall Conference (Joint)
Clarksburg Post #13
September 26, 2015**
****9th District Fall Conference (Joint)
Richwood Post #97 Reg. 10:00
September 26, 2015**
****5th District Conference (Joint)
Huntington Post #16
Commander’s Homecoming
Barboursville Post #177**
****6th District Conference
Beckley Unit #32
October 10, 2015 Details To Follow**
****4th District Fall Conference (Joint)
New Haven Post #140
October 11, 2015**
****10th District Fall Conference (Joint)
Romney Post #91 (Joint)
October 17, 2015**
**** President’s Homecoming
October 24, 2015 Paden City**
****1st District Conference
October 25, 2015
Benwood Unit #46**

Filling The Big Top With Members



1st District Vice President

Hi Ladies

It is nice to see that there are Units working on their membership. Keep up the good work. I am going to have to get busy on our unit. 1st District was first last year so let all work together and see if we can do it a again this year.

Don't forget the Workshop in Bridgeport next month. Hope to see a lot of new members there.

If there is anything I can help with let me know. September 7th Target is 25%.

Donna K. Leek
1st District Vice President

Membership Chairman

By now everyone has seen what National has set each unit's membership goal at. The smaller units did not see a large jump with their membership, but the larger units I'm sorry to say saw an increase that could be unreachable. All I ask is for each unit to do the best that they can. National based unit goals on a percentage that added up to the overall department goal that was determined by national beginning with the 2014 membership year.

Does your unit have an early bird program for dues? If not you might want to think about doing that. Example, if you dues are \$20.00 decrease that amount by \$2 to \$3 dollars and make this available up to a date that the unit would set. You could use a date like November 1st for their last chance to pay. Think about this.

The membership workshop in September will be here before you know it. Have you made your plans to attend? District Vice-Presidents have your **challenges** ready for Friday night. **Saturday I'm asking you to clown around, dress up a little or dress up a lot, it up to you.**

These dates to remember – September 7th first target date – “I promise to pay my dues early”, and September 15th first dues notice being sent out by National.

Until next month
Susan Brown, PDP
Membership Chairman
“I'm just a swing”

1st Vice President

Hello everyone, I hope you've been able to enjoy a little bit of the summer. We're back to work for 2016 membership and have new target dates, themes, and everything.

I really hope to see all units represented at the Fall workshop September 11th and 12th. This workshop is a wonderful place to learn more about the ALA, membership, and leadership. You do not have to be an officer to attend.

Our first Target date is September 7th at 25%. If all units can get the officers paid and sent in to Department before September 7th we won't have a single Zero across the board. Once those zeros are gone it makes our work a little easier. So work on getting your unit officers, past officers, and chairman all paid up by our first target. This is not just a good plan to make the zeroes vanish it's a good form of leadership and team work. If your unit offers an early bird discount for dues be sure to send out notices to your members and remember to include those who still haven't renewed for 2015.

Tammy Workman 1st Vice President
The Lion Keeper



3rd District President

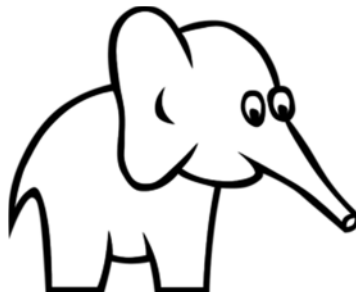
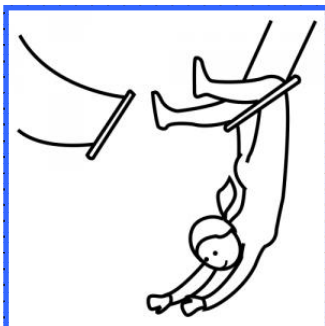
Good Morning Ladies I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather. I know this is a busy time of the year for everyone that has a garden. I know our little garden is doing really good.

I hope all the Units are taking this time and working on Membership. We need to work really hard this year. I hope to see all Units from Third District attend the Membership Workshop this September. There will be lots of information and this is also the time to ask questions if you have any.

Remember also, September 26th is Third District Fall Conference, to be held at Clarksburg 13. You will be receiving information on this thru the mail.

Remember is you need my help, please call me at 304-592-0247, this is my cell and I have it on me at all times. Or you can e-mail me at:
carlajwilfong@yahoo.com

For God and Country
Carla Wilfong,
3rd District President



4th District President

Sweet end to Summer, as our vacations wind down we look forward to digging in on our programs. Your slate of officers for 2015-16 are as follows, President: Cathy Post, Vice President: Nancy Sundstrom, Secretary: Alice Fought, Chaplin: Malinda Roush, Americanism: Patty Parks, National Security: Patty Wyatt and V A & R: Helen Leasure. I am still looking for a Chairman for Children and & Youth Committee, this is a fun and much needed position, as the Children are the future. If anyone is interested in this committee, please contact me at 304-758-5114.

Plans are being made for a meet and greet with all units in the district. This will help me and all others get to know each other. It will be at Post 15, which is central for all of us. No cost other than what you want to eat, nothing formal just have lunch together, talk over the programs and exchange ideas. Look for a letter sent to your Post in the next few weeks, as soon as I can get everything together.

Hope to see everyone at Workshop in Bridgeport on Sept. 11-12. Make your reservations as soon as possible. See you there and don't forget to stuff a purse for auction.

Thank a Veteran every chance you get. For God and Country,
Cathy Post

Legislative

Hello Ladies.

It is such a beautiful and hot day today. I know everyone is busy, but we need to start thinking of our Programs.

The Legislative Programs has many different aspects to it. I promised you in last months Spirit that I would have names and addresses of the State Senators and House of Representative members I do not have them now but they will be in my Plan of Action, to be handed out in September.

Have your VAMC Chairman report any information that she receives when she attends all meetings at the Veterans Hospital. Contact City Officials and discuss with them how you along with the them help any Veteran in your Area that needs help. More in next months Spirit. Use your Plan of Action when you receive it.

For God and Country
Carla J Wilfong Legislative Chairman

4th District Vice President

Hello Elephants in 4th District:

Hope this message finds all members in good health and enjoying your Summer.

Membership chairman please don't hold your paid membership dues. 4th District has 7 units and only 4 units has sent in dues to Department Secretary Paulette for processing too National. All units should at least collected dues from their unit officers by now.

Hope to see several of 4th District Elephants in September at the Fall Workshop in Bridgeport on September 12, 2015. We have several units in 4th District that have not attended the Fall Workshop in several years. You will learn a lot of information on membership and other Auxiliary programs so please try to attend.

Come on Elephants of 4th District let's make President Susan proud of our District and be the first one to make GOAL we can do it.
Until Next Month
God Bless America
Nancy Sundstrom
4th District Vice President

Community Service

Hello Ladies,

Last month we touched on ideas for members to brand themselves when doing Community Service. This month we'll touch on Units:

**Purchase shirts with the American Legion Auxiliary name or emblem for member to wear while they volunteer

**Organize and participate in service projects

**Register service projects on websites, community forums and social media

**Join a Community Forces Alliance or Community Blueprint coalition

**Volunteer for local service projects and causes

**Sponsor and participate in activities at local libraries, senior citizen centers, nursing homes, etc.

Next month we will touch on some more ideas.

Thank you ladies.
Margaret Yost
Community Service Chairman

5th District President

Membership renewals should be coming in and they should be processed as they are received and sent to Department on a timely basis. **Please do not hold dues in your unit.**

I hope the 5th District will be well represented at the Leadership Conference in Bridgeport on September 12th. There will be lots of valuable information from the Department chairmen on the various ways your unit can benefit from the many programs offered by the American Legion Auxiliary.

As fall approaches, your unit should be gearing up for all the activities the holidays afford us. From children to homeless veterans, all can use our help and we should to everything we can to see their needs are taken care of. If I can help your unit, in any way, please do not hesitate to give me a call at 304-654-7750.

Beth Kilgore,
5th District President

5th District Vice President

Hello Ladies,

We are still working on membership in the units. If a member hasn't paid her 2015 dues, they are "previous" members and can't pay their 2016 dues until 2015 is paid so please try as hard as you can.

Ladies, the fall workshop will be held September 11 and 12, 2015 in Bridgeport WV. I hope to see all the districts there. We will learn so much about memberships and what we need to bring members in, and to try to get the older members back. So please try to come.

JoAnn Hastings
Fifth District Vice President



10th District President

Hi Ladies:

REMEMBER: SEPTEMBER 11TH AND 12TH IS THE WORKSHOP. Days Inn at Bridgeport. There is a reservation form in the SPIRIT.

REMEMBER: SATURDAY OCTOBER 17th will be FALL CONFERENCE at ROMNEY.

Both of these are very important. There are a lot of changes that will be given at National Convention. The one Big item is that National is setting our unit goals. We are the Lions so let us ROAR for membership.

I would like for us to learn and rediscover some of things in Back to Basic. Which more information will be discussed at Fall Conference, which is a Learning Conference. So if there is a item that you would like more information, please e-mail me: scoobysharon@frontiernet.net

Sharon Kauffman will be covering your membership. Once the directory comes out Sharon and I will be making arrangement to visit. But should there be a situation that you need assistance on please call. Some units have already contacted me.

Again thank you for supporting our Veterans; for they have done miracle's for you. Which works very well with Leading Candidate for National President, Sharon Conaster, "Keeping the Promise." and President Susan "Our Veterans Depend on You!"

Thank you for all you do as a volunteer. The job you do doesn't go unnoticed.

God Bless the USA and our Flag.
Sharon Glassford
Tenth District President

10th District Vice President

Thank you for electing me Vice President of 10th District. I look forward to working together with President Sharon. We will be working on Membership together. I will be making phone calls to the membership person in the units. I need for you to e-mail the contact person skauf01@yahoo.com

President's Susan Dept. theme is: Our Veterans "Depends" On You. The membership theme: "Filling The Big Top With Members". Ringmaster: President Susan, Trapeze Artist: Susan Brown who is Membership Chairman, Juggler: Sec./Treas. Paulette Anderson, Trainers: Past Department Presidents, Acrobats: Junior Members, Lion Keeper: Department 1st Vice Tammy Workman, Elephant Keeper: 2nd Vice President. 8 District Vice Presidents are clowns; yes that is me. Our district is Lions w/ Tammy Workman. So that will give you the overall theme is circus. Along with us as Lions will be District 3, 5, 8. Elephants are Districts 1,4,6,9.

Please remember to turn in the applications completed with proper signatures; and money as soon as you receive. There are dates that have to be met. I will check with Paulette from time to time to see if the proper procedure is being followed.

There will be much more to come regarding Membership. Should there be any questions please feel free to call. Better to ask questions then not.

Again, I look forward to working with you and your membership chairman this coming year.

Thank you,
Sharon Kauffman
10th District Vice Pres.

Leadership

Hi Ladies

Hope you are having a great summer. The new Leadership Program and the Centennial Strategic Plan, which is Goal number Three (3): This year no different than from prior years. We need to continue to encourage members to be leaders. To do this, we need to further our mentoring to our members. We need to you attend the workshops, that our Department provides during September and Mid-Winter. They are filled with great information. Things are changing all the time, so to help you become a leader we need your attendance. So the FIRST WORKSHOP IS September 11 & 12 at Days Inn at Bridgeport. PLEASE ATTEND. Some of us will be returning from National Convention; with new information that you will need to be aware of, so that all units can be on the same page.

Mid-Winter we will be taking Welcome to the Junior American Auxiliary Legion Course. This is a Excellence Course. Lots of information about the Organization and what to Know to Grow as a Member. Remember, no questions that you do not know the answer to; is not a dumb question. I have the 2015 – 2016 Plan of Action. I will have more information from the National Chairman after the National Convention at the end of August. Just in time for the September Workshop. I will also have my Plan of Action to give to give out at Workshop. I hope to see a lot of you at the September Workshop.

Remember, Thank the Veteran's for what you have today. " Our Veterans DEPENDS on YOU
Sharon Glassford
Leadership Chairman



Auxiliary Emergency Fund

AEF Chairmen are encouraged to help locate other forms of help to members in need. One resource for information and support is www.wv211.org. They provide information and support whether it's financial, domestic, health or disaster. They can help with food, housing and employment to name a few. 2-1-1 is a free, confidential referral and information hotline that connects people from all communities and of all ages to essential health and human services they need, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. When you select the find help button, it directs you to

<http://mycommunitypt.com/wv211/> where there are a number of links to different assistance. You may contact them on line or at West Virginia 2-1-1, PO Box 211, Mannington, WV 26582, 304-376-3102.

While helping locate help or filling out the AEF forms to apply, remember to also work on fundraising for this program. As more and more disasters occur, it takes more money to help Auxiliary sisters in need. As the months go on, I will touch of difference resources and some fundraising activities. But most importantly get the word out about this program and if your not sure if a member may be eligible to apply, please just ask.

Lisa Cadwallader
LisaC.ALA71@gmail.com
240-271-8385 (c) or 304-725-1170 (h)

Children and Youth

I would like to thank Department President, Susan Wade for this 2015-16 appointment.

As your unit begins to plan for the upcoming year remember nearly each month of the year a Children and Youth program can be incorporated with other programs. Such as:

August/September- Back to school program

October-Halloween

November-Veteran's Day

December-Christmas party

January-Cabin fever party

February-Valentine or President Day party

March- St Patrick's Day party

April- Easter

May-Memorial Day

June- End of school party

July-July 4th party

Also to keep with American Legion Auxiliary mission, this program should be focused on veteran's children, military children, and families. When we go outside of our organization the program may be Community Service and not Children and Youth. There is nothing wrong with that just remember when reporting at end of year your event is reported on the correct program.

I hope everyone is planning to attend Fall Workshop. By then I'll have information from the National Convention and a plan of action prepared.

Debbie Fox
Children & Youth Chairman

Junior Activities

Hello Ladies,
Calling ALL Junior Auxiliary members !!!!!

We will be electing Department Honorary Officers and holding a simple installation at our Bridgeport meeting on Saturday, September 12, 2015. I encourage as many juniors to attend as possible. We have several fun projects to work on. We will also be planning our activities for the year.

The Honorary offices that we will be electing are:

President – You will be responsible for leading the meetings, planning two additional meetings this year (mid-winter and summer convention), and help with carrying out any projects the group plans.

1st Vice- You will be responsible for assisting the President in her duties and stand in her place in her absence.

2nd Vice - You will be responsible for assisting the President and 1st Vice.

Secretary – You will record the happenings at the meets and keep the records of the year.

Chaplain – You are responsible to say the opening and closing prayer for the meetings.

Historian- Take photos and keep a record of what the Department juniors are doing through the year. Submit a history book at the end of the year.

We as senior members will be there to assist and guide the officers to a successful year.

For the installation please bring a plan solid color dress or skirt.

I look forward to working with all of you to make this year a great one.

Hope to see you in September at Bridgeport.

Michelle Hart
Junior Activities Chair

Poppy

Ladies, I have been looking over my plan of works for the Poppy poster, and it is way to long to put in the Spirit, so I will give each one a copy at the workshop in September. Please read this carefully, as I would like to send some posters in for National judging.

You can go to www.ALAforveterans.org. for a lot of ideas on what to do with your poppies, and how to increase your income from your Poppy Days. And don't forget your Miss Poppy contest. We have 2 categories: Little Miss Poppy (ages 6-12) Miss Poppy (ages 12-18)

They must be a Junior member in good standing, and should learn the Poppy story. Please have them do a Miss Poppy Scrapbook, (8 1/2x11", Containing photographs and clippings illustrating how she promoted the American Legion Auxiliary poppy. I will put more about this in your papers In September. If we have a winner in National, she will be invited to the 2016 National Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio.



Thanks for taking the time to read this, until next month,
Roxie Nicholson



Education

Ladies,

The purpose of the Education program is "to promote the American Legion Auxiliary's role in providing quality education for children and adults through classroom activities, literacy programs, scholarship promotion and support of education beyond high school, especially for military children." The Plan of Action has suggestions on what to do and how to accomplish these goals. The Committee will relate many of these goals and ideas for you.

Last month focused on "Give 10." Two more suggestions are to focus attention on American Education Week (November 16-20) and Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2-6). Promote the Auxiliary scholarships during American Education Week through local and social media and contacting school guidance counselors. Recognize all school personnel by sending a card thanking them for the work they do. You can use the sample card found at www.alaforveterans.org

Promote Teacher Appreciation Week also by sending cards to your local schools' teachers. Ask teachers how you can enhance the school curriculum. Find out if there are any needy children and determine what you can provide. Educate school administrators on how the ALA can have a positive impact on students. Remember to wear your ALA apparel.

Linda Crumm
Education Committee member

Public Relations

Auxiliary Units,

I hope you have started your press book. Don't wait until the last week to get it ready for judging at the Department convention.

Please send me the newspaper articles for Department President Susan's press Book. Remember only pictures that can be in it is through newspaper clippings. Make sure you include the date, page, and newspaper name (which is usually at top of page) for each article, picture.

You have until July 1st to get this ready for judging. Start now!!!

Edna Travis
Public Relations

National Security

A The National Security Program maintains and promotes a strong national defense by strengthening and supporting military service members and their families. Although each unit is encouraged to have a National Security Chairman, many of the activities that support the mission of this program can be done in conjunction with other activities and programs.

Supporting a strong military means providing for their families on the home front. It is incumbent on each unit to identify these families in your local community and ensure their day-to-day needs are met during and after deployment.

Collaborate with the Legion Family and other organizations, businesses, and agencies that sustain and care for military families. You local chapter of the USO, the National Guard Armory, or an active military installation can be approached to participate in Welcome Home activities or Blue Star Banner programs.

I hope each unit is thinking about various ways to assist these families. I will be anxious to hear from each unit.
Beth Kilgore,
Chairman

Scrapbook

Thank you Department President Susan for asking me to be your Scrapbook Chairman!

I need all of you to help me make Mom an extra special Scrapbook! Please send all of your pictures or anything that you want included in the scrapbook to me at her address: 303 N. 1st Ave. Paden City, WV 26159.

I look forward to receiving lots of mail!!

Thank you all in advance!!
Jennifer Yeater
Scrapbook Chairman



Parliamentarian



Parliamentary Points to Ponder

A motion to amend the main motion is debatable only if the main motion is debatable and can be amended. However, an amendment to the amendment cannot be amended. A motion to amend is a proposition to change the phraseology of a motion to which it applies and it should state by what method the change is to be made. A motion to amend is made by **adding**, **striking out**, or **substituting**. A motion to amend must be seconded, and must be acted on before the main motion to which attached. **If the amendment passes, the chair will repeat the main motion "as amended" prior to the vote on the new main motion.**

Three Ways to Amend a Motion

The difficult part is remembering that the more urgent **motions cannot be amended** - **Adjourn, Question of Privilege, Orders of the Day, Lay on/Take from the Table, Previous Question, Point of Order, Appeal, Parliamentary Inquiry, Suspend the Rules, and Reconsider.** During the Debate step of a Pending Motion, one may move to **Amend the Pending Motion.**

Let's Amend this Sample Motion: "I move that we buy a new sign."

1. You can Move to Amend by **Inserting** words or paragraphs.

I move to Amend by Inserting the phrase "not to exceed \$50 dollars" at the end of the motion.

2. You can Move to Amend by **Striking out** (not deleting) words or paragraphs. *I move to Amend by striking out the word "new."*

3. You can Move to Amend by **Striking out and Inserting** words or paragraphs. One can even Amend by **Substituting** (Striking out and Inserting) entire paragraphs or the complete motion. *I move to Amend by Striking out the word "sign" and Inserting the word "billboard"*

You can also **Amend the Amendment**, before it is voted upon:

But you can only amend the **Inserted or Struck out words**. You cannot amend a separate part of the Main Motion not covered by the Amendment that is currently being discussed!

After the current Amendment is voted upon, you can amend the Motion again and amend this new Amendment.

Ann Buchanan, Parliamentarian

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

The Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Program and the 2014-2019 Centennial Strategic Plan includes our work to enhance the lives of veterans, military and their families provide our members opportunities to serve in volunteer leadership roles within their local Veterans Affairs hospital or community nursing homes or clinic serving veterans. In this respect we have an opportunity to broaden our membership pool and build brand loyalty with the veterans themselves, Remember service to our veterans in the community hospitals, WV Veterans Home and other nursing homes falls under the new category of Field Service (formerly field service and home service), which earns members Service to Veterans Pins when you reach 50, 100, and so forth hours accumulated. Keep those hours as unit chairman, and report hours to me at end of year when you submit your report by May 1st. Remember to give me names as well as hours. It is never too early to start accumulating comfort and other items for our Comfort Item Drive next February.

Hope to see many of you with the 2015-2016 Veterans Affairs Plan of Action at the Workshop in Bridgeport in September.

Mary Waybright
Chairman

2016 Ways & Means

2016 Fundraiser tickets are in and in envelopes of 5, 10, 20. I will have them at workshop. You will have to sign out your tickets when you pick them up. For Units who don't attend workshop I will contact you by email or phone to see how many your unit wants.

I would like to have all units to take at least 10 tickets to sell this year. They make great birthday, and Christmas gifts for someone, when you don't know what to give them.

January 1st will be the 1st drawing and that ticket will be worth \$100.00!! Every 3rd Wednesday it will be worth \$200.00!! Even if you hit the \$25.00 one, you still profit from that ticket. But remember "if you don't pay, you can't win".

Paulette Anderson
Chairman

304-771-0984

pauletteroseanderson@yahoo.com

Americanism

It's Back to school...Hope y'all have your plans made for the children's activities.

The Americanism Essay contest theme this year is "How do we keep Lincoln's promise to our veterans and their families?" National will start posting this the beginning of September 2015.

September is full of days of remembrance for the many men and women in service to our country. September 2 (1945) is VJ Day remember to fly your flag. Labor Day celebrating the achievements of the American worker became a National holiday on the first Monday of 1894. September 11, a day none of us will forget, from that day many citizens answered America's call once again and joined our great military for the beginning of the Global War on Terrorism. March 2015 with the help of Delegate Roger Romine, House Resolution 16 was adopted by the WV State Legislature. declaring HEROS Day as a statewide observance. Bill Dawson a local minister from Sistersville was the creator of this by having the first Heroes Parade in Tyler County in 2011. This year the Vietnam Traveling Wall will be on display escorted by the Patriot Guard Riders, Law Enforcement Officers, and Fire Departments. Still pending is the docking of the US Coast Guard ship on the Ohio River, Army Reserve Demo with a Blackhawk helicopter on display. Local Veterans Clubs will hold a POW/MIA Service. If your community isn't doing something for this, perhaps your Auxiliary can be instrumental in starting an observance in your community. September 18, is National POW/MIA Recognition Day. Please fly the symbolic black flag (that is now under fire to be removed from all government buildings) to remind people that we will not forget those held in captivity and still unaccounted for "Until they all come home".

I will continue to give you ideas for school and community awareness, please send me your thoughts and progress in email at cathy_1@frontier.com titled with *Attention: Americanism*.

Until next month ...enjoy the rest of summer and remember to thank the veterans for the freedoms you have, they earned that for you!!!

For God and Country,
Cathy Post
Americanism Chairman



Rhododendron 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
2031 River Road
Belington WV 26250
823-3251

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

July 2015 Ways & Means

Winners will be in
next Spirit

MEMBERSHIP 2014-2015 “Welcoming Our Members”

Final Report

Department Goal— 7271 National Goal—8083

Department Membership to Date—6929 (95.23%)

Unit #200— 91 Active Units in Department—65

National (85.72%)



District 1			
Unit	2015 Goal	2015	% of Goal
Wheeling #1	21	22	105.00%
Moundsville #3	305	296	97.05%
McMechen #5	58	55	94.83%
Weirton #10	80	66	82.50%
Cameron #18	200	187	94.00%
New Martinsville #28	140	134	96.00%
Wellsburg #34	32	26	81.25%
Follansbee #45	58	45	78.00%
Benwood #46	99	97	97.98%
Pine Grove #81	90	90	100.00%
Paden City #86	113	117	104.00%
Wheeling #89	36	31	86.11%
Newell #114	49	40	82.00%
Hundred #120	77	90	116.88%
Chester #121	150	157	105.00%
TOTALS	1280	1454	113.59%

District 4			
Unit	2015 Goal	2015	% of Goal
Parkersburg #15	859	822	96.00%
Spencer #21	59	53	90.00%
Pt. Pleasant #23	345	356	103.19%
Sistersville #67	184	133	72.30%
Parkersburg #104	15	11	73.33%
New Haven #140	159	143	89.94%
Williamstown #159	180	163	91.00%
TOTALS	1801	1681	93.34%

District 6			
Unit	2015 Goal	2015	% of Goal
Welch #8	82	71	87.00%
Bluefield #9	34	26	76.47%
Beckley #32	39	40	103.00%
Gary #38	76	77	103.32%
TOTALS	231	214	93.00%

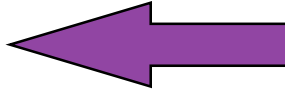
District 9			
Unit	2015 Goal	2015	% of Goal
Elkins #29	206	174	84.47%
Cowen #62	50	42	84.00%
Lewisburg #69	79	61	72.22%
Belington #96	35	34	97.14%
Richwood #97	27	19	70.37%
Pickens #122	28	22	78.00%
TOTALS	425	352	83.00%

District 3			
Unit	2015 Goal	2015	% of Goal
Buckhannon #7	61	52	85.25%
Grafton #12	26	21	81.00%
Clarksburg #13	143	145	101.40%
Shinnston #31	307	295	96.09%
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	27	117.00%
TOTALS	747	694	93.00%

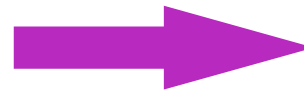
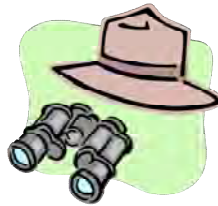
District 5			
Unit	2015 Goal	2015	% of Goal
Huntington #16	264	247	94.00%
Logan #19	16	16	100.00%
Ceredo-Kenova #93	418	319	76.32%
Hamlin #111	54	61	112.96%
Milton #139	84	68	81.00%
Barboursville #177	167	135	81.00%
TOTALS	1003	845	84.25%

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%
TOTALS	145	107	74.00%

District 10			
Unit	2015 Goal	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	91	96.00%
Romney #91	259	252	97.30%
Charles Town #102	20	18	90.00%
Paw Paw #128	74	57	77.03%
Kirby #134	50	44	88.00%
Ridgeley #136	99	99	100.00%
Capon Bridge #137	130	120	92.31%
Keyser #152	51	47	92.16%
TOTALS	1644	1451	88.26%



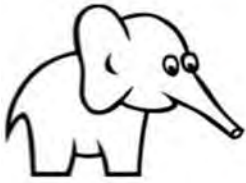
“Torch Lighter”
Goal—3737
To Date—3701
(99.04 %)



“Tablet Writer”
Goal—3539
To Date—3132
(88.50%)



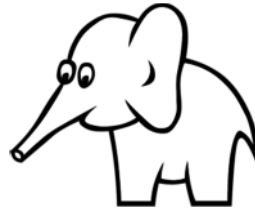
Membership 2015-2016 *Filling The Big Top With Members*



Target 1—September 7th—25%
National Goal—8455
Membership To Date—470 (5.56%)
Department Unit #200—



District 1			
Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Wheeling #1	26	0	
Moundsville #3	365	0	
McMechen #5	68	0	
Weirton #10	77	0	
Cameron #18	230	0	2.61%
New Martinsville #28	163	45	27.61%
Wellsburg #34	32	6	18.75%
Follansbee #45	51	0	
Benwood #46	117	7	5.98%
Pine Grove #81	111	0	
Paden City #86	146	0	
Wheeling #89	40	0	
Newell #114	50	4	8.00%
Hundred #120	107	0	
Chester #121	192	0	
TOTALS	1775	66	3.72%

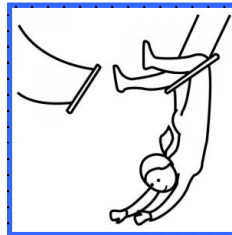


Elephant Keeper

Goal—4520

To Date—198

(4.38%)



District 4			
Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Parkersburg #15	1011	101	9.99%
Spencer #21	66	5	2.14%
Pt. Pleasant #23	423	9	2.14%
Sistersville #67	159	6	3.77%
Parkersburg #104	14	0	
New Haven #140	174	0	
Williamstown #159	202	0	
TOTALS	2049	121	5.91%

District 6			
Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Welch #8	87	0	
Bluefield #9	34	0	
Beckley #32	50	0	
Gary #38	90	0	
TOTALS	261	0	



Lion Keeper

Goal—3824

To Date—272

(7.11%)

District 9			
Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Elkins #29	215	11	5.12%
Cowen #62	54	0	
Lewisburg #69	76	0	
Belington #96	42	0	
Richwood #97	22	0	
Pickens #122	26	0	
TOTALS	435	11	2.53%

District 3			
Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Buckhannon #7	66	0	
Grafton #12	26	0	
Clarksburg #13	180	82	45.56%
Shinnston #31	358	84	23.46%
Braxton Co. #33	32	0	
Mannington #40	22	0	
Philippi #44	39	0	
Bridgeport #68	56	0	
Jane Lew #166	46	0	
Morgantown #174	35	0	
TOTALS	860	166	19.30%

District 5			
Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Huntington #16	302	31	10.26%
Logan #19	19	0	
Ceredo-Kenova #93	451	0	
Hamlin #111	61	0	
Milton #139	82	0	
Barboursville #177	168	0	
TOTALS	1083	31	2.86%

District 8			
Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
St. Albans #73	77	0	
South Charleston #94	24	0	
TOTALS	101	0	

District 10			
Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Martinsburg #14	153	12	7.84%
Franklin #30	22	0	
Piedmont #52	34	0	
Berkeley Springs #60	251	0	
Moorefield #64	131	0	
Charles Town #71	305	0	
Petersburg #78	108	0	
Romney #91	310	46	14.84%
Charles Town #102	22	0	
Paw Paw #128	70	0	
Kirby #134	54	5	10.80%
Ridgeley #136	118	0	
Capon Bridge #137	144	12	8.33%
Keyser #152	58	0	
TOTALS	1780	75	4.21%



American Legion Auxiliary Department of West Virginia



September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 National Convention	2 ←	3	4 Office Closed	5
6	7 Labor Day Office Closed	8 Mail Call	9	10	11 Patriot Day Office Closed Fall Meetings	12 Workshop Exc. Board →
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 8th Dist. Conference St. Albans 73
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 3rd Dist. Clarksburg Post #13 (J) 9th Dist. (J) Richwood #97
27	28	29	30	Program of Month	Junior Activities Music	

Call To Department Fall Meetings

September 11-12, 2015

Days Inn Bridgeport WV

This is a notice to all concerned about the Finance Committee Meeting and the Department Fall Executive Board Meeting. The purpose of these meetings are to set up the administrative year for our Department for 2015-2016.

September 11, 2015—Friday West Virginia Room

1:00 pm—Finance Meeting—**The three members of the Department Finance Committee**

Department President—ex-officio member without vote

Department Secretary/Treasurer—ex-officio without vote

Purpose of this meeting is setting up budget for this administrative year to be ratified by the Department Executive Committee.

5:00 pm—Rhododendron Girls State, Inc. Executive Board Meeting—5 Board of Incorporators, Department President, 8 District Representatives, Girls State Finance Officer, Treasurer, Secretary, Registrar, Director and Assistant Director

7:00 pm—Membership Committee—**Department President, Department Secretary/Treasurer, Department Vice Presidents, District Vice Presidents**

September 12, 2015—Saturday West Virginia Room

6:00 pm—American Legion Auxiliary, Department of West Virginia, Inc. Executive Board Meeting

According to Department Constitution: Article VII, Executive Committee:

Section 1: Department Executive Committee which shall be composed of the Department President, Department First Vice President, Department Second Vice President, Department Secretary/Treasurer, Department Chaplain, Department Historian, National Executive Committeewoman, the eight District Presidents, all Past Department Presidents, and Chairmen of all Standing Committees (Americanism, Auxiliary Emergency Fund, Children & Youth, Community Service, Constitution & Bylaws, Education, Finance, Girls State, Junior Activities, Leadership, Legislative, Membership, National Security, Past President's Parley, Poppy, Public Relations, Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation and Ways and Means. (Bylaws, Article IV, Committees, Section 2).

Section 2: All members of standing committees, **exclusive of the chairmen**, may attend Executive Committee meetings **with the privilege of discussion with no vote.**

Section 3: Any member in good standing may attend the Executive Committee Meeting **with the privilege of discussion but without vote.**

September 12, 2015—Saturday Workshop West Virginia Room

Registration—8:00 am to 9:00 am (\$15.00) each **Session:** 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Purpose of this session is for instruction to Units/members/Officers and to announce the membership program for 2015-2016 year. There will be some different things for all to enjoy. **ALL AUXILIARY MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THIS WORKSHOP.** Good tool for learning if you want to help with leadership in your Unit, in your District and on Department level.

Juniors will have meeting and activities planned for them also. Registration \$10.00 each held in Nathan Goff room next to West Virginia Room.

Travel Allowances: Travel allowances will be paid by Department to **all Department Officers, District Presidents, Department Finance Chairman, and Department Parliamentarian** that attend Department Executive Board Meeting. They will be allowed one day per diem (\$60) plus (if eligible) mileage as per Standing Rule #1. If not spending the night will receive \$20.00 plus (if eligible) mileage. (as per Department Budget)

District Vice Presidents that attend the Membership Workshop. They will be allowed one day per diem (\$60) plus (if eligible) mileage. If not spending the night, will receive \$20 plus mileage. (as per Department Budget)

RESERVATION FORM

American Legion Auxiliary
Fall Meetings
Officers Training
Department Fall Executive Board

Date: September 12, 2015

Place: Bridgeport Days Inn

Cost: \$84.70 plus tax

Deadline for Housing: September 1, 2015

Name_____

Address_____

Phone Number_____ Unit Name & #_____

Room Type: Single (King Size Bed) Double: (2 Full Size Beds) Handicap_____
Smoking_____ Non Smoking_____
(Can't guarantee rooms will be adjoining)

Please list names of persons rooming with you:

Arrival Date:_____ Departure Date:_____

Check # _____ Amount of Check_____

Credit Card #_____ Expiration Date_____

(One Nights Deposit Required for each room)

Mail Reservations To:

Days Inn
ATTN: Cindy Gibson
112 Tolley Street
Bridgeport WV 26330

Phone: 304-842-7371



**Fall Membership/Leadership Workshop
Tentative Schedule**

Friday September 11, 2015

1:00 pm—
5:00 pm—
7:00 pm—

Finance Meeting—West Virginia Room
Rhododendron Girls State Executive Board Meeting
Membership Meeting
(Pres. Mem. Chrm. Dept & Dist. Vices)

Saturday September 12, 2015

8:00—9:00 am

Registration—West Virginia Room
(Seniors \$15.00 Juniors \$10.00)

9:00 am

Opening Ceremony
Prayer—Department Chaplain Rhonda Best
Moment of Silence

Pledge of Alliegance—Cathy Post, Americanism Chrm.
National Anthem—Kitty Kelly-Smoot, Music Chrm.
Preamble—Susan Brown, Const. & Bylaws. Chrm.

9:15 am

Welcome & Special Project, President Susan Wade

9:25 am

Membership Program, Susan Brown, Membership Team

10:00 am

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Information, Mary Waybright, Chrm.

10:30am

Forms, Paulette Anderson, Sec/Treas.

10:45 am

Strategic Committee Updates, Sharon Glassford, Chrm.

11:00 am

Constitution & Bylaws, Susan Brown, Chrm.

11:15-12:45

“Lunch”

12:45

*Round Table with Department Officers, Chairman
(Information on Back) (Chairmen will Rotate)*

2:45 pm

Purse Auction, Auctioneer

3:45 pm

Announcements

4:00 pm

Adjournment

6:00 pm

Fall Executive Board Meeting

**Round Table Breakouts
(Officers and Chairmen will Rotate)
(15 minutes Each Program)**

- Group 1:** Americanism—Cathy Post
Poppy—Roxie Nicholson
National Security—Beth Kilgore
- Group 2:** Children & Youth—Debbie Fox
Community Service—Margaret Yost
Education Scholarships: Units Responsibility—Lisa Cadwallader
- Group 3:** Girls State—Irene Weber
Juniors—Michelle Hart

**Meeting At Same Time As Chairmen
(1/2 hour each—Afterwards Rejoin Group)**

**NEW Unit/District Presidents—Ann Buchanan
NEW Unit/District Secretaries/Treasurers—Paulette Anderson**

**BRIDGEPORT JUNIOR AGENDA
Nathan Goff Room**

9:00 am

Call To Order

Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

National Anthem

Preamble

Reading and approval of minutes of previous meetings

Elect Honorary Officers

Craft Project

Unfinished business

New business

Announcements

Remarks by Junior Activities chairman

11:15am-12:25pm

LUNCH

12:30pm

Installation of Officers

Debbie Fox, PDP

Department Commander's Homecoming October 3, 2015

The Homecoming Dinner for Kenneth E. Smith, 2015-2016 Department Commander, will be held on Saturday October 3, 2015 at The American Legion Barboursville Post 177, 6024 US Route 60 E. Barboursville, WV 25504. (304) 733 0177. The Social Hour starts at 6:00 p.m. with Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Ticket cost is \$20. Make check payable to and mail to:

**Kenneth Smith
579 Peyton St
Barboursville, WV 25504**

Department Commander Homecoming
Barboursville Post 177
October 3, 2015

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Number Attending _____

Please cut out and include with payment.

Menu Choices will include Roast Beef, Turkey Breast, Scalloped or Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Dressing, Corn, Glazed Carrots, Green Beans, Cole Slaw and Rolls.

Hotel Rooms for Saturday night, Oct 3rd with 2 Queens have been blocked for the Comfort Inn at the Huntington Mall along I- 64 Exit 20 at a rate of \$128.79 including taxes. Please call 304 733 2122 to make your room reservation, ask for American Legion. Rooms will be released back to the public at midnight on September 25th, 2015.

Other Hotels available by the Huntington Mall Exit 20 are two Best Western (877 722 3422) & (866 430 9014), Hampton Inn-Cracker Barrel Drive (304 733 5300).

Exit 15 has the Red Roof Inn (304 733 3737 and the Days Inn (304 733 4477)

For any reservation or lodging questions, you can contact Kenny at kessmith42@comcast.net or call 304 702 1010.



Come and Celebrate With Us

Department President

Susan Wade Homecoming

Saturday October 24th

Health & Recreation Building

423 South 4th Avenue

Paden City WV

(Parking Around Back)

\$20.00 per person (includes 1 free drink)

Choice of Roast Beef or Chicken

Baked Potato, Vegetables, Rolls, Salad

Dessert, Coffee, Iced Tea, Water

Social Hour 6:00 pm Dinner 7:00 pm

Block of 10 Rooms at the New Martinsville Inn

(formerly Amerihost)

304-455-6100 \$80.95 plus tax=\$92.57

Ask For The "WV Aux" Rate

Cancellation of Rooms will be deadline October 1st

Rooms Reservation Deadline October 1st

Contact for Tickets:

List Preference of Meat

Paulette Anderson

Cash Bar

1251 Doolin Run Road

New Martinsville WV 26155

304-771-0984

*Deadline For Tickets **October 17th***

State Newsletter "Auxiliary SPIRIT"

MAIL TO:

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Department of West Virginia
1251 Doolin Run Road
New Martinsville WV 26155

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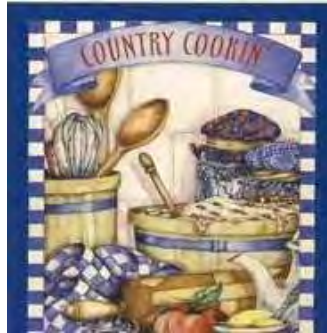
NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS OR PO BOX:-----

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS For 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!

Cookbooks are \$15.00 plus \$4.00 (S & H)

I want to purchase ___ cookbooks and have the cookbooks mailed to:

Make checks payable to: **Department Treasurer, ALA**

Mail to: ALA Department of West Virginia

1251 Doolin Run Road

New Martinsville WV 26155 –7808