



# The Auxiliary Spirit



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Department President  
Lisa Cadwallader



Serve & Honor Those Who  
Defend our Freedom While  
Building Future Leaders



Hello Ladies,

Spring conferences are almost behind us. I just returned from a busy weekend at 4th and 5th district conferences and Huntington's Birthday Dinner. I am getting ready to attend 6th district conference on Saturday and 1st district a week later. The Huntington ladies did a wonderful job and I'm sure they are all tired.

Reports were due on the 15th. I surely hope many have come in, so we can let National know all the wonderful things we do. And remember our reports are not only to win award, but the information is passed on to National who uses the numbers in Congress to help get better benefits for our veterans. If you have not submitted a member for Unit member of the Year or the Timeless award, you have until May 1 2018 to get those in. If you have not done reports and your unit has done something really big, please share that with me so I can include it in my report. Just a little email will work.

Membership slows down this time of the year, but we do need to keep working it, just do the best you can!! In a recent conference call with National the membership chairman and I were informed not to focus on reaching goal but to enhance our membership. If we had known that from the start we would have called our Goal Ribbon something like Enhanced membership. With this in mind, we are comparing membership numbers with last year's ending numbers. We are also offering a little something for signing up a new member. Be sure to read the Membership chairman's article for more information on both of these.

Girls State is around the corner. Please get out in the schools and find girls to send to this wonderful program of ours. There are a number of changes this year, so be sure to read all the girls state information.

I am HAPPY to say our first dedication stone is being ordered!! And we are working towards our 2nd part, the bronze plaque. I have high hopes we will get a second one done as well. Thanks for all the support!! Currently I have a Rada Cutlery fundraiser for the special project going on. You can order on line at <https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=1144003.bda9cb> May is a busy month with Armed Forces day and Memorial Day. Salute and Remember during our many activities.

Since this is a political election year and as we move towards the elections, please remember, we as individuals may support whomever we wish. However, we as the American Legion Auxiliary are a nonpolitical, nonpartisan, veteran's organization. So when you go out to support candidates running, remember this is the one time we want to leave our emblems and such at home. Do not wear your Auxiliary gear. If they are coming to speak at your post remove your emblems. Be careful not to have Auxiliary wear and emblems in pictures.

Any member is welcome to call or Email me any time. Remember there is no dumb question, maybe only the one not asked.

Keep up the wonderful work you all do!  
Serve & Honor Veterans,  
Lisa Cadwallader (304) - 707 - 1121  
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# Department Headquarters

## Mission Statement

*In the spirit of service, not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor our youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.*

**Mandatory Funds:** to be a unit in good standing one of the obligations is paying your unit mandatory funds yearly, no later than July 31, 2018. If you are attending Department Convention to be seated as a delegate, then it is 30 days before Convention.

Mandatory Funds are: **Bonding, Girls State Project, Education, Veterans 1st Fund, Poppies, and 10% proceeds.**

**Spirit Articles:** are due into Department the **15th of each month.** Spirit is emailed/mailed by the 20th of each month. If it falls on a weekend then it will be sent on Monday of the next week. **Please limit your article to 200 words or less.**

**Membership:** National is honoring our "new" female veterans again this year. Please remember to put "Honor Our Female Veterans" at top of application. If a member is rejoining, I don't need an application sent in. You may want one for your records to make sure she is still eligible. If you do send one in, write either "rejoin" or her ID number on the application so she won't be listed as a new member in the system.

**Please don't send me the DD214.** They are for the unit files only. Post Officer signature is all I need on application to verify the eligibility.

**All applications sent to the Dept. Office needs to be the original. Copies are for you to keep.**

**As of February 1st 2018 dues MUST be paid before any back dues.**

**If you send me back dues and they aren't paid for 2018, they will be marked for 2018 year.**

**Online Dues** The unit membership chairman will receive an email from me giving you credit for your unit, and instructions how to process this credit.

***Please do not staple checks to transmittals.***

***I updated the mandatory funds again for this spirit. This will be the last report going out. Membership wasn't changed on this report.***

## *Dates To Remember*

***ALA 1st District Spring Conference  
Sunday April 29, 2018  
800 First Street  
Moundsville Unit #3***

## ***2018-2019 Candidates for Office***

Dept. President-Rhonda Best Unit #3  
Dept. 1st VP-Sharon Kauffman Unit #14  
Dept. 2nd Vice Pres.-Cathy Post #48  
Dept. Sec/Treas.-Paulette Anderson #28  
Dept. Chaplain- Kelly Immel #71  
Dept. Historian-

## ***District Candidates for Office***

1st Dist. Pres. Holly Adams #121  
VP Stephanie Handley #121  
3rd Dis. Pres. Roxie Nicholson  
VP Carla Wilfong  
4th Dist. Pres. Nancy Sundstrom #15  
VP Patsy Young-Greiner #15  
5th Dist. Pres. Beth Kilgore  
VP JoAnn Hasitings  
6th Dist. Pres.  
VP  
10th Dist. Pres. Sharon Glassford #71  
VP Debbie Michael #60

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**Rhododendron Girls State Website**  
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**American Legion Auxiliary  
National Website**  
[ALAforveterans.org](http://ALAforveterans.org)

## **Department Officers 2017-2018**

President-Lisa Cadwallader  
1st Vice President-Rhonda Best  
2nd Vice President-Sharon Kauffman  
Secretary/Treasurer-Paulette Anderson  
Chaplain-Cathy Post  
Historian-Kelli Immel

## **District Presidents**

1st District-Stephanie Handley  
3rd District-Carla Wilfong  
4th District-Cathy Post  
5th District-Beth Kilgore  
6th District-Peggy Swartz  
10th District-Sharon Kauffman

## **District Vice Presidents**

1st District-Holly Adams  
3rd District-Michelle Dambaugh  
4th District-Nancy Sundstrom  
5th District-JoAnn Hastings  
6th District-Reba Honaker  
10th District-Linda Schlicht

## *“Soaring High in Membership While Strengthening our Culture of Goodwill”*

### *Membership Chairman*

Membership is starting to slow down so I have two new incentives to encourage individuals and Units to recruit more members!!

First, the ALA Recruitment Pin challenge starts May 1 and ends June 15. Any ALA member that recruits a new member and returns the form attached in the Spirit to me by the deadline will be awarded a gold ALA lapel pin.

Following a Divisional membership conference call, we were encouraged to enhance our membership numbers rather than focusing on our overall goal for the remainder of the year. We have heard your concerns about the goal membership number that was established based off of the National recommendation for WV and wanted to find another way to motivate Units to keep trying. President Lisa and I decided to locate the final membership numbers for each Unit from 2017 and any Unit that increases by at least one member from the 2017 year will be awarded with a goal ribbon at the Department Convention. This change does not affect Target 4 or any of the established monetary prizes. By awarding the goal ribbon, it is a token to say thank you for maintaining your membership and working to enhance by increasing the membership number from the previous year.

Congratulations to Tyler County Unit 48, Bluefield Unit 9 and Franklin Unit 30 for reaching Target 3!! Also congratulations to Bluefield and Franklin for being goal units!!

Soaring High with Membership,  
Heather Fauble

### *Department 1st Vice President*

Hello Doves,

I hope all is good with everyone. I want to “Thank” 4th and 5th Districts for a wonderful Spring Conference. I really enjoyed the conference, talking with the members attending, and being able to see their beautiful areas of WV.

I know this is a very busy time of year with gathering year-end reports in addition to events and programs each of us have planned. However we do have until July to get new and delinquent members current for the 2018 year. I understand it can be very frustrating when it comes to the membership. So I do want to “THANK” each Unit Chairman and District Vice-President for the hard work and dedication you have put forth this year.

Also I do want to remind all members that if you are attending Summer Convention in July you need to be a current member by the beginning of June in order to be a voting member during that time.

Good Luck with everything you have planned this month.

God Bless,  
Rhonda Best  
1st Vice-President



### *Department 2nd Vice President*

Hello Eagles

Hope everyone had a great Easter. I am looking forward to the spring conference at 1st District, and 6th District.

I know all of you ladies have been working very hard. I know membership is not easy it takes team work. Remember Auxiliary’s aim by 2019-2020 is to have a Million Members. Maybe we could get hold of the membership chairmen for units in districts 1,4,6 see what we can do to help them get their membership up. Maybe get the president, vices, or members to help with this. Phone chain, postcard, a nice letter might encourage them to pay or even rejoin.

If you need my help please call or text, email I’m here to help.

Thank you  
Dept.2nd Vice  
Sharon Kauffman

*Remember our Veterans  
For God and Country*



### **From the Department Headquarters**

There have been questions regarding former members wishing to come back in but their eligibility was no longer due to being divorced, or spouse dropped out of The American Legion. I contacted National Headquarters on this matter.

I have been informed by National that if a member drops out and wishes to come back in, but she is either divorced or her spouse is no longer a member of The American Legion, she may come back in ***AS LONG AS SHE PAYS ALL PAST DUES AND CURRENT DUES AT THE SAME TIME.***

I hope this clarifies any questions that were asked.

The Unit membership chairman needs to contact this office, to make sure that the former member is still in the system. When the records were purged from The American Legion in 2010, if the member didn’t pay dues for years, (1990’s) then they didn’t follow into the American Legion Auxiliary records.

If this is the case, THEN she will have to find new eligibility. That is why I will need the information from unit membership chairman. Any questions Please contact this office.

*Paulette Anderson  
Secretary/Treasurer*

### *1st District Vice President*

Hello Ladies

I think the calendar says it is Spring however this weather is so unpredictable and I am not thrilled about it.

Our 4th target is 100% by June 12th. Keep working on getting those dues paid and recruiting new members.

As a district as a whole we still have some work to do, keep on promoting about our organization.

Hope to see many of you at the First District Conference April 29th in Moundsville.

Take care

Holly Adams

1st District VP

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### *3rd District President*

Well the year is slowly coming to an end. This year has been a learning experience I must say.

It has come to my attention that a lot of Units do not know the meaning of member in good standing. A member in good standing is a Member that has their current year dues paid. They do not have to attend meetings only have dues paid. They have the right to vote and hold an office.

I hope all Units have sent in their reports so Chairmen can send in reports to National.

If any Unit in Third District needs my help, please call me at 304-592-0247 or e-mail me at [carlajwilfong@yahoo.com](mailto:carlajwilfong@yahoo.com).

God Bless our Veterans and our Troops

Carla Wilfong

Third District President

### *4th District President*

Auxiliary Sisters,

My sincere apologies for missing our 4th District conference, as I was very ill. I'd like to thank Vice President Nancy Sundstrom for filling in on such short notice. I have heard extraordinary compliments on Chaplain Melinda Roush's Memorial Service, the picture was beautiful.

Congratulations go out to the new 4th District officers, incoming President Nancy Sundstrom, Vice President Patsy Young-Greiner, Alice Fought Secretary-Treasurer, and Melinda Roush Chaplain. I look forward to working with each one of you.

Let's scurry around and get Girls State papers in so the young ladies can get in the system.

National Poppy Day is May 25th; your mayor needs a proclamation if at all possible. Memorial Day is quickly approaching. Tyler County Unit 48 has a ceremony planned, along with the WV Vietnam Traveling Wall and Civil War Reenactment. If you haven't made plans already you are cordially invited to attend our service in Middlebourne May 28, 2018.

Wishing you wonderful Spring IF it ever gets here, as it is snowing as I type this.

In the spirit of service not self,

Cathy D. Post

4th District President

### *5th District President*

I would like to thank everyone who attended the 5th District Spring Conference this past Saturday. We had 30 in attendance and five of the eight units represented. There were four Department Officers in attendance. Thank you Lisa, Rhonda, Sharon and Paulette for joining us. I was very pleased with the Unit reports to see how active each Unit is helping our veterans, children and the community. Keep up the good work you are doing. Remember: You do make a difference.

By now the year end reports should have been turned in but that doesn't mean you need to slow down. Continue to work on membership and turn it in immediately. Our members are entitled to lots of benefits but those benefits do not start until their membership is received by Department and National.

Beth Kilgore

President

5th District

### *10th District President*

Hello Doves

Hope everyone had a great Easter. Hope everyone enjoyed their conference. Welcome new 10th District President Sharon Glassford and District Vice Debbie Michael for the 2018-2019 year.

Remember the VAMC is in need of baby items for our female Veterans.

Please keep our members and Veterans in your prayers. The next couple of months there are a lot of events coming up.

Remember to always wear your badges or shirts so people can recognize who you are.

We received 6 unit reports at conference. Hope all units remembered their end of year reports.

For God and Country

Sharon Kauffman

District 10 President

**BUILDING  
LEADERSHIP**

### 4th District Vice President

Hello Ladies

We are doing a great job on membership and I want you to know that I am very proud of every Unit in 4th District for all of your hard work. So keep your membership coming in and try getting more new members.

To all of the members that attended our Spring Conference I think we had a very successful one with a good attendance including our Department President Lisa, Dept. 1st Vice President Rhonda, Dept. 2nd Vice President Sharon and Dept. Secretary/Treasure Paulette. Thank you Ladies for your information that you shared with us.

God Bless America  
Nancy Sundstrom  
4th District Vice President

### 5th District Vice President

Hello Ladies,

The fifth District Conference is over. It was a good conference. Unit #16 hosted the Fifth District and the birthday dinner.

Membership is still the big topic and we are at a stand still. Our total for the District is 51.85%, it is time to reach out to our membership Aux sisters and see what they need and why they haven't come back. Tell them we need them.

Thank you  
JoAnn Hastings  
District VP



### Chaplain

*Dear Father in Heaven,  
You see each military child's struggles, the ones standing in full daylight and those hiding behind the scenes. Encourage them now where they need it most. These next few weeks and months will likely bring changes in various colors and sizes. Some will be wonderfully welcomed with upturned hands; some will be viewed warily with crossed arms. Help them name the changes they fear to their mom, dad, or other safe person in their life. Help their eyes and heart stay wide open to receive the good—and fun!—things You have in mind for them in the coming months and years. There are times when they may hear whispers from partially closed bedroom doors or loud words from the cable news station, and they may look at their parents and ask questions with a shaky voice. Give the one listening to their questions gentle truth and patient wisdom on how to best respond. Give them Your presence as they wave goodbye to the moving truck or their mom or dad. Give them Your courage to walk into the new town, the new house, and the new school one brave step at a time. May You build within them an empathetic, caring heart that looks out for the new kid as they know all too well the feeling of being the new kid themselves. May You build around them an empathetic, caring community who are for them and loves them exactly as they need to be loved. If they miss the familiarity of former things, help them remember You have fantastic new things in mind for their future. If they have no adoration for their location, help them to know it's picked by You, not mom or dad's job. You determine the exact place where they and their family should live. Yeah, they probably get tired of that question, "Where are you from?" because it's a tricky one to answer. Help them know that home is wherever they are because home is the people they are with—and Christ who lives within them. Yeah, You're building exceptional things in them, things that cultivate in darkness now but will one day flourish within the light of day. As they wait for what is to become what will be, help them to know that You are using this time to grow good things in the soil of their soul. Lord, even as their roots are shallow, make them strong. Help them to bloom beautifully not in spite of frequent transplants, but because of them. And no matter what the seasons bring, may they know they are loved, loved, loved.  
In the always-faithful, never-changing name of Jesus,  
Amen*

### Historian

I hope everyone is enjoying our spring weather after a cold winter. I also hope that everyone had a chance to enjoy the Birthday Dinners & District Meetings through out the Department.

I'm looking forward to reading all the end of year report in the next couple weeks. I have asked for the members name who have gone on before us, so we can add them to our Department History Book.

You can email me this information if you would like. This would be a great help.

God Bless,  
Kelli A Immel  
[kitbasket@hotmail.com](mailto:kitbasket@hotmail.com)

### 100 Years of Celebration 1919-2019

I hope all Units are planning on a huge celebration for our 100th Anniversary!!! There are so many ways to celebrate this great achievement!! Use your imagination!! Have fun!!

Parades are a great way to get out in the community and show our love and support of this Historic celebration. Be Proud!

I am anxious to see how each Unit celebrates!! Please share your ideas!!

Don't forget to utilize the FB page @ [www.facebook.com/groups/ALAcenntennial](https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALAcenntennial).

Susan Wade NEC  
Chairman  
100th Anniversary Committee

## Meaning of our Preamble

When we gather for auxiliary functions, we recite the Preamble to the Constitution. Do you know what the meaning of the Preamble is and why it was written? During the coming year, I will offer you a breakdown of the Preamble and the next time you recite it, hopefully it will have more meaning for you.

### Explanation of the Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion Auxiliary

9th in a series of 11

**“To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy...”**

These were the principles that inspired America's great war efforts over the decades, and the Legion and Auxiliary stand determined that these principles should not be lost to America in time of peace. Following this pledge, the Legion and Auxiliary work to safeguard justice, freedom and democracy against the dangers of indifferent citizenship and undermining by their enemies. It strives to give understanding of and devotion to these principles to the younger generations of Americans so that they will endure for the future of the country.

Beth Kilgore, Chairman  
Constitution & By-Laws Committee

## Education

Hello Ladies

I would like to thank everyone for the work they have done this year for Education.

I look forward to receiving year end reports to collaborate and show all the Department of WV has done to support our youth and Veterans in Education. Also for the scholarship applications I have received.

God bless  
Holly Adams  
304-670-4105  
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## Constitution & Bylaws

Keep those Constitution & By-Laws coming in. You are doing a fantastic job of revising your Unit and District constitutions. If we haven't gotten back with you on your revisions, we will very soon.

**REMINDER:** If you are raising your dues because of the increase imposed by National, you will need to revise your constitution or by-laws depending on where you have your dues listed.

Beth Kilgore, Chairman  
Dede Kelly, Member  
Linda Crumm, Member

## Community Service

Hello Ladies,

The Community service program promotes the American Aux visually with in our local ties through out our commitment to community State and National.

Become visible with in your community; get involved in your community service projects to being awareness our mission to support veterans, service members, their families and the community.

Thank you  
JoAnn Hastings  
Community Service Chairman

## Junior Activities

I'm hoping all this winter weather is behind us. With summer time and school break right around the corner, don't forget to keep up all your junior auxiliary work. The summer is a great time to work on patches.

I'm asking all leaders to get me anything you have done so I can get everything summited by May 15th. Remember any patches you have earned I need to know also.

Thank you  
Michelle Ryan

## Children & Youth

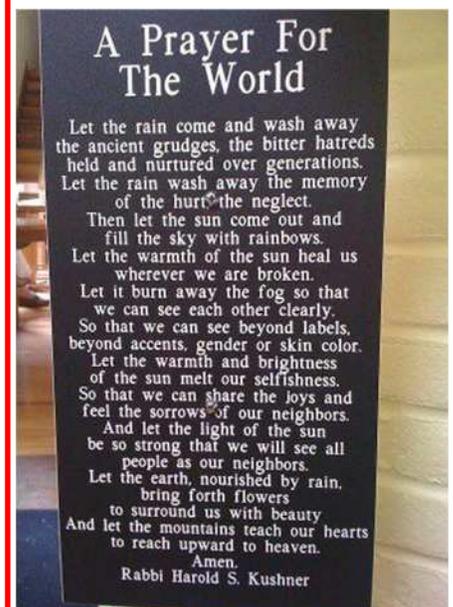
Thank you to the Units who planned a special activity to honor the Children & Youth of their community during April to commemorate Children & Youth month. Also thank you to those who wore a purple T-Shirt to honor the Military Child. You are making a difference.

To recognize and reward the positive actions of our children and youth, the American Legion Auxiliary has two special national awards bestowed to youth nominated by units. The **Youth Hero Award** recognizes someone less than 18 years of age who performs a heroic act of physical bravery. The **Good Deed Award** is for youths 18 years of age or younger who have contributed in a special way to society through community service. The forms for both award forms can be found on the National website. This is a wonderful way to honor the youth who are making a positive difference in your community. I am sure you know at least one person (if not more) who are deserving of these awards.

Beth Kilgore, Chairman  
Children & Youth

Hello Ladies,

Don't forget to get your reports in, they are important! I'm just leaving you with a prayer at this time:



Savanna Kauffman  
National Security Chairman

## Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

Here it is time for all reports to be in to all Chairmen. I cannot wait to see how the Units in West Virginia fair this year.

I know it has been a busy year. If something happened and you could not send report to Department Headquarters, please send them to me at Carla Wilfong, 130 Wilfong Hollow Road, Enterprise, WV 26568.

Please send me your hours, even if it is only a few and who has these hours. Each one of these count. Lets make West Virginia stand out this year. Can't wait to read your reports.

Memorial Day is coming quickly, don't forget to pay your respects to our deceased Veterans. Plan a trip with your Post to the Cemeteries, place a wreath, say a silent prayer, and always salute our Veterans.

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

God Bless our Veterans and our Troops  
Carla Wilfong  
VA&R Chairman



## Strategic Planning Committee

Enhancing membership is Goal One of the strategic plan and by improving relationships and sharing the Auxiliary mission we will be able to increase our membership.

A new ALA Academy course is now available! In Establishing a Culture of Goodwill, ALA members will gain a better understanding of how our attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors impact members and the ALA's ability to serve our mission.

As the year continues, I am hearing more and more stories about how current members feel and how that is impacting their decision to maintain their membership.

Please take the time to reach with your heart and think about how you are treating others because that is the key to improving our membership!

Heather Fauble

## May is Poppy Month

May 25th is designated as National Poppy Day

Wear your poppy proudly all month long!!



## Leadership

### Goal 5

Nurture a culture of goodwill at all levels of the organization.

#### Ideas for Members:

- Resolve to consider your own behavior before evaluating others. Expect the best of people.
- Participate in discussions or debates while demonstrating respect for opinions that are different from your own. When you disagree, extend the olive branch of friendship since we all share a common mission.
- Speak privately with another member directly, rather than involving others with your concerns.

#### Ideas for Units:

- Invite new members to participate in meetings and events.
- Always greet new members and offer a new member packet (put one together to have on hand).
- Provide unit officers contact information to members.
- Unit leaders should encourage members to work their issues out directly with the parties involved rather than attempting to fix the situation by intervening.
- Listen to what members have to say and thank them for their ideas.
- Be open, rather than critical, of the ideas of others.
- Assist in positive solutions to conflicts by focusing on the desired outcome.
- Give praise and recognition when members do what is asked or go beyond what was expected.

#### Basics for ALL:

Pay attention and listen

- Value what others have to say and aim to understand their point of view.
- Be inclusive
- Put out a welcome mat for everyone.
- Show respect.
- Follow the Golden Rule- even when you disagree. Do not gossip.
  - Avoid talking trash about others.
- Apologize.
- Be willing to admit when you are wrong and be sincere about mending fences. Give constructive criticism.
  - Build up others instead of tearing them down, especially when you do not see eye-to-eye. Take responsibility.
  - Do not pass the buck or point fingers.

Dede Kelly  
Leadership Chairman

# May 2018

Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px;"> <p><i>Programs of The Month</i></p> <p><i>Poppy</i></p> <p><i>Past Presidents Parley</i></p> </div>		1	2	3	4	5 <i>DLNC</i> <i>Indianapolis</i>
6	7 <i>Office Closed</i>	8	9 <i>Office Open 1:00—4:00</i>	10	11	12
13  <i>Mother's Day</i>	14	15	16	17	18	19 <i>Armed Forces Day</i> 
20	21	22	23	24	25 <i>National Poppy Day</i> 	26
27	28 <i>Memorial Day</i> <i>Office Closed</i>	29 <i>Credentials Mailed Out</i>	30	31		



# Membership 2017-2018 "Soaring High with Membership While Strengthening our Culture of Goodwill"



**Membership Target**  
**June 12, 2018 100 %    April 17, 2018 Update**  
**Department Goal 9446**  
**Unit #200    Goal 88    To Date: 74**  
**Membership to Date: 5443 (57.62 %)**



District 1			
Unit	2018 Goal	2018	% of Goal
Wheeling #1	20	12	60.00%
Moundsville #3	423	248	58.63%
McMechen #5	67	39	58.21%
Weirton #10	106	55	51.89%
Cameron #18	257	148	57.59%
New Martinsville #28	211	134	63.51%
Wellsburg #34	42	26	61.90%
Follansbee #45	59	36	61.02%
Benwood #46	125	79	63.20%
Pine Grove #81	106	63	59.43%
Paden City #86	172	102	59.30%
Wheeling #89	33	24	72.73%
Newell #114	51	26	50.98%
Hundred #120	109	52	47.71%
Chester #121	264	145	54.92%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2045</b>	<b>1189</b>	<b>58.14%</b>



**Membership: 4704**  
**To Date: 2706**  
**(57.53 %)**

District 3			
Unit	2018 Goal	2018	% of Goal
Buckhannon #7	76	45	59.21%
Grafton #12	25	10	40.00%
Clarksburg #13	222	105	47.30%
Elkins #29	245	155	63.27%
Shinnston #31	404	257	63.61%
Braxton County #33	41	26	63.41%
Philippi #44	34	15	44.12%
Bridgeport #68	86	44	51.16%
Belington #96	36	15	41.67%
Pickens #122	34	23	67.65%
Jane Lews #166	58	38	65.52%
Morgantown #174	23	14	60.87%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1284</b>	<b>747</b>	<b>58.75%</b>

District 4			
Unit	2018 Goal	2018	% of Goal
Parkersburg #15	1067	570	53.42%
Spencer #21	84	43	51.19%
Pt. Pleasant #23	470	255	54.26%
Tyler County #48	29	28	96.55%
Sistersville #67	92	58	63.04%
New Haven #140	206	128	62.14%
Williamstown #159	201	122	60.70%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2149</b>	<b>1204</b>	<b>56.03%</b>



**Membership: 4654**  
**To Date: 2663**  
**(57.22 %)**

District 5			
Unit	2018 Goal	2018	% of Goal
Huntington #16	335	187	55.82%
Logan #19	20	10	50.00%
St. Albans #73	55	25	45.45%
Ceredo-Kenova #93	476	232	48.74%
South Charleston #94	16	10	62.50%
Hamlin #111	89	43	48.32%
Milton #139	103	58	56.31%
Barboursville #177	231	123	53.25%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1325</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>51.92%</b>

District 6			
Unit	2018 Goal	2018	% of Goal
Welch #8	89	65	73.03%
Bluefield #9	16	23	143.75%
Beckley #32	87	39	44.83%
Gary #38	148	90	60.81%
Cowen #62	48	27	56.25%
Lewisburg #69	86	48	55.82%
Richwood #97	36	21	58.33%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>61.37%</b>

District 10			
Unit	2018 Goal	2018	% of Goal
Martinsburg #14	144	75	52.08%
Franklin #30	16	17	106.25%
Piedmont #52	65	14	21.54%
Berkeley Springs #60	334	199	59.58%
Moorefield #64	129	103	79.84%
Charles Town #71	320	202	63.13%
Petersburg #78	119	72	60.50%
Romney #91	349	210	60.17%
Charles Town #102	38	22	57.89%
Paw Paw #128	61	41	67.21%
Kirby #134	64	38	59.38%
Ridgeley #136	129	77	59.68%
Capon Bridge #137	207	114	55.07%
Keyser #152	70	44	62.86%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2045</b>	<b>1228</b>	<b>50.81%</b>



# American Legion Auxiliary WV Rhododendron Girls State

## *Rhododendron Girls State*

Hello Ladies,

I hope each Unit has been working on Girls State. By now you should have your sponsors and the girls that they have chosen for Girls State.

Deadline is May 1st, for registration and May 15th for refund for girls not attending. The girls state website has been updated so application can be completed at this time.

Nancy Sundstrom  
Girls State Chairman



## *Rhododendron Girls State Week*

### *Davis & Elkins College*

*June 10-15 2018*

*Registration*

*1:00-3:00 pm*

1st Dist. — Susan Brown  
2172 Grandview Rd.  
Moundsville WV 26041  
304-845-5122

3rd Dist. — Mary Jo Thomas  
279 Rock Lake Road  
Fairmont WV 26554  
304-366-2912

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

5th Dist. — Beth Kilgore  
1562 Holderby Road  
Huntington WV 25701  
304-654-7750

6th Dist. — Peggy Swartz  
P O Box 124  
Gary WV 24836  
304-448-2394

10th Dist. — Lynda Lancaster  
PO Box 1037  
Ranson WV 25438  
304-676-3979



ALA Recruitment Pin Challenge

May 1 – June 15, 2018

Recruiter Name

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Recruiter Address

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Recruiter Unit Name and Number

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New Member Name

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Mail this form to Heather Fauble

32 Snowshoe Crt

Ranson, WV 25438

Email this information to Heather Fauble

[hkfauble@aol.com](mailto:hkfauble@aol.com)

Form must be postmarked by June 18.

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**UNIT AUDIT OF MEMBERSHIP & MANDATORY FUNDS — April 17 2018**

**FIRST DISTRICT** - Stephanie Handley President, Holly Adams Vice President

Unit/Number	Bonding	Scholarship	Veterans Fund	Girls State	Poppies	10%	Membership
#1 Wheeling					X		
#3 Moundsville	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#5 McMechen	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#10 Weirton							
#18 Cameron							
#28 New Martinsville	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#34 Wellsburg					X		
#45 Follansbee	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#46 Benwood	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#81 Pine Grove							
#86 Paden City	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#89 Wheeling							
#114 Newell							
#120 Hundred							
#121 Chester	X	X	X	X	X	X	

**THIRD DISTRICT** - Carla Wilfong President, Michelle Dambaugh Vice President

Unit/Number	Bonding	Scholarship	Veterans Fund	Girls State	Poppies	10%	Membership
#7 Buckhannon	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#12 Grafton							
#13 Clarksburg							
#29 Elkins	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#31 Shinnston	X	X		X	X		
#33 Braxton County							
#44 Philippi							
#68 Bridgeport							
#96 Belington	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#122 Pickens							
#166 Jane Lew							
#174 Morgantown							

**FOURTH DISTRICT** - Cathy Post President, Nancy Sundstrom Vice President

Unit/Number	Bonding	Scholarship	Veterans Fund	Girls State	Poppies	10%	Membership
#15 Parkersburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#21 Spencer							
#23 Mason County							
#48 Tyler County							
#67 Sistersville							
#140 New Haven							
#159 Williamstown							

**FIFTH DISTRICT:** Beth Kilgore President, JoAnn Hastings Vice President

Unit/Number	Bonding	Scholarship	Veterans Fund	Girls State	Poppies	10%	Membership
#16 Huntington	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#19 Logan	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#73 St. Albans	X	X		X			
#93 Ceredo Kenova	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#94 South Charleston							
#111 Hamlin	X					X	
#139 Milton	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#177 Barboursville	X	X	X	X	X	X	

**SIXTH DISTRICT** - Peggy Swartz President, Reba Honaker Vice President

Unit/Number	Bonding	Scholarship	Veterans Fund	Girls State	Poppies	10%	Membership
#8 Welch	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#9 Bluefield					X		
#32 Beckley							
#38 Gary	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#62 Cowen	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#69 Lewisburg							
#97 Richwood							

**TENTH DISTRICT** - Sharon Kauffman President, Linda Schlicht Vice President

Unit/Number	Bonding	Scholarship	Veterans Fund	Girls State	Poppies	10%	Membership
#14 Martinsburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#30 Franklin							
#52 Piedmont							
#60 Berkeley Springs	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#64 Moorefield					X		
#71 Charles Town	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#78 Petersburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#91 Romney	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#102 Charles Town	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#128 Paw Paw	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#134 Kirby	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#136 Ridgeley							
#137 Capon Bridge	X	X	X	X	X	X	
#152 Keyser	X	X	X	X			

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.

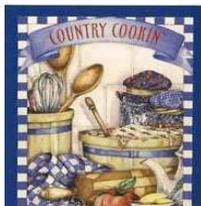
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1251 Doolin Run Road  
New Martinsville WV 26155**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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