



The Auxiliary Spirit



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Department President
Debbie Fox



Forever "Mindful" Of Our Veterans

Hello WV Gems,

I just got back from Fall Workshop at Bridgeport. I really enjoyed seeing everyone from all over the Great State of West Virginia. When I was making the plans for the workshop I tried to assemble the meeting with something for everybody. I truly believe, with the help of a couple chairman and a few PDP, we made it interesting for all that attended.

We had some fun with the membership skit. Thanks to our membership chairman Sharon Glassford. We had a few laughs and got a little silly but, please don't think we that aren't serious about membership because we are very sincere.

This year our goal is to put West Virginia on top. Now that National has sent out the first notice our membership will be picking up quickly. So remember don't hold membership. Get it sent in to Ms. Emerald aka Paulette Anderson.

Sara Jane Gainor, Director of Bonnie's Bus, my Special Project, gave a very informative presentation on the operation of the mobile mammography program. This year to get the fundraising off to a good start we had a purse auction to benefit the program. We made a total of \$1,181. I would like to thank everyone, from the bottom of my heart, who either brought or bought a purse for the event. If we can save one life by providing one screening then we have accomplished exactly what I set out to do with this program.

This coming weekend is the first Fall Conference followed by the next four weekends, with two on some. I'll be attending as many as possible. I plan to see you there.

As I'm finishing this article I looked at the target sheet and seems to me that I'll be adding eight more GEMS to Foxy's collar. YAHOO!!!

Until next time keep on mining those gems.

Forever Mindful of Our Veterans
Department President
Debbie Fox

Department Officers 2013-2014

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

District Presidents 2013-2014

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

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- 1st District—Donna Leek
- 3rd District—Connie Bailey
- 4th District—Donna Underwood
- 5th District—Mary Waybright
- 6th District—Rita Alley
- 8th District—Robin Stump
- 9th District—Jeanie Phares
- 10th District—Michelle Hart



Department Headquarters — “Emerald”



Mandatory Funds are Bonding, Department Scholarship, Girls State Project, Veterans 1st Fund, Poppy Order & 10% Poppy Proceeds. Make check payable to Department Treasurer, ALA. **DUE into Department Headquarters by July 31st to be a Unit in good standing for 2013 year.**

Processing Membership:

Make sure your membership is into Department Headquarters by the 15th to be counted for Targets. Please do not carry over credit/debit memos from previous year. Use in current membership year only. I don't need email addresses of members in your unit when they pay dues. This is for your information only. I only need them if they wish to receive the *Spirit*.

Membership:

All applications must have signature of a **Post Officer** and if they are a **Junior member a Birthdate**. The transmittals have the new address on it. They were revised this year, so please look it over and follow directions on filling out. This will save you and me time.

Unit Membership Chairman should check each application to make sure it is filled out **completely including zip codes** before processing into Department Headquarters. All incomplete applications will be sent back. Membership for 2014 will be taken until July 31st. Then they will be considered back dues starting August 1st. Remember for 2014 **back dues will be \$14.00**. It will be listed on the 2014 transmittal forms.

Dates To Remember:

Commanders Homecoming: October 5th at Shinnston Post #31

Department Presidents Homecoming: October 26th at Berkeley Springs Post #60
2014 Dates

Mid Winter Conference: Feb. 7th & 8th.
Department Convention: July 11, 12, 13th
National Convention: August 22-28,
Charlotte NC
Membership Workshop: September 13th.

MEMBERSHIP WORKSHOP IS ALWAYS THE SECOND SATURDAY IN SEPTEMBER.

Directory Corrections:

page 29: Unit 121 Secretary, Kelly Gittings' zip code is 26056.

page 29: Cowen Unit 62; Brenda Morris, Secretary, phone # 304-226-3-0512, Presidents phone # is incorrect. No # given.

Page 11: Historian please add: Ramona Westfall, PO Box 23 Burnsville WV 26335 Phone # 853-2635, Email: moneygal2000@yahoo.com

Policy & Procedures: will be available for sale at Fall Conferences.

TARGET DATES: “MINING FOR GEMS”

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

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Rhododendron Girls State Website:

www.wvgirlsstate.org

National Website: alaforveterans.org

Remember Our Friends

To my Dear American Legion Auxiliary family, I guess I could say I am lost for words for the output of Love, Support, of my Auxiliary Family during the loss of my only son Frankie. He was so much part of my life with The Legion Family programs.

Thanks again for everything through Cards, Prayers, Money, Food, coming to the Funeral Home and Service or whatever. May God Bless YOU and Cherish each other. You never know what tomorrow holds.

I Love You. Patricia Moore PDP

Thanks to Debbie and Rocky for their Get Well card, also thanks to Post/Unit #60. Paulette Anderson

Dept. 2nd Vice President Susan Wades' mother has been hospitalized for the last couple of weeks from pneumonia and other medical issues. She will be going to a nursing facility soon for therapy. Keep Susan and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

To All Auxiliary Members:

Mr. Robert E. Vass Sr. is in the hospital. He fell and broke his hip and had to have surgery, last Tuesday. Get Well Cards may be mailed to the following address:

Mr. Robert E. Vass Sr.

172 Wyngate Drive

Barboursville, WV 25504

**PROSPECTOR
GOLD
PAULA BOOTH
SAPPHIRES
DISTRICT #3
DISTRICT #5
DISTRICT #8
DISTRICT #10**

**PROSPECTOR
SILVER
SUSAN WADE
RUBIES
DISTRICT #1
DISTRICT #4
DISTRICT #6
DISTRICT #9**



Mining For Gems



"Foreman"

HELLO LADIES:

WOW!!! What great workshop. If you weren't been able to go, make sure you get the information from those that did.

Moving right along, with membership. "PASS IT ON" is our National President Nancy's theme for membership. We went mining for GEMS.

CONGRATULATIONS to First District: MCMECHAN # 5 - 71.15%, 2ND- 6TH Targets. NEW MARTINSVILLE #28 -46.10 % 1ST- 2ND. PADEN CITY # 86 - 48.25% 2ND. Sixth District: WELCH #8 50.59% 2ND Target. Ninth District: BELINGTON # 96 46.67 % 2ND Target. 3rd District: Shinnston #31, 50% 2nd Target. Tenth District: CHARLES TOWN #71, 46.95% 2ND Target. GREAT JOB RUBIES AND SAPPHIRES.

Vice Presidents, keep working with your units. We can have a Goal Year. Thank you ladies for all your hard work.

3rd TARGET OCT. 15TH 55%

REJOIN "3": Members that have not PAID DUES since 2011 and BEFORE this YEAR. THESE ARE REJOINS. There will be CASH DRAWING at JULY 2014 CONVENTION. You form has to be filled out and sent to and DEPARTMENT by 6/15/14.

There are more awards from National and I will include them in next article.

Your Vice President's have your challenge's. (JUST ASK Them)

Ladies keep thank you for working on membership, this is everybody's job.

Thank you, for your participation in the mining for Gems at workshop.

We have the SAPPHIRES AHEAD.

Let's make Goal for President Debbie; aka Debbie Deluxe Diamond.

Thank you,
Sharon Glassford
Membership Chairman

"Gold"

It was so good to see so many of my beautiful blue sapphires at the Bridgeport Workshop on September 14! You have started well on membership but still have 8 Units which have sent no membership in yet. Let's make it our goal to get rid of all the "0"'s on our side of the Membership Report by October 15. Remember--to make Target #3 by then you have to have 55% of your goal sent in to Emerald Paulette!

Have membership drives or reduce your dues by a couple of dollars between now and October 15 to encourage members to get their dues in early.

My hearty CONGRATULATIONS to the following Units: CLARKSBURG 13—Target 1 and Target 2! SHINNSTON 31—Target 1 and Target 2! CHARLES TOWN 71—Target 2! And KEYSER 152—Targets 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5!!

Keep up the good work and I hope to see you at 10th District Conference, 3rd District Conference, and 5th District Conference. Remember—GOAL IS GOLD!

Paula Booth
1st Vice President, aka "Prospector Gold"

"Silver"

Hello Red Rubies!!!

We had a very informative and fun Workshop!!

We will be going over the Membership and Plan of Works for those unable to attend the Workshop at the Fall Conferences. I hope many of you are planning on attending your Conferences!

I want to Congratulate the following Units that met Target #2: McMechen Unit 5; New Martinsville Unit 28; Paden City Unit 86; Welch Unit 8; and Belington Unit 96. Great job ladies!!!

The dues notices are out now, so Membership is going to pick up! Please Do Not hold dues!! Each one is very important!! The Sapphires are at 17.77% to our Rubies at 15.27%. We must keep mining for our Rubies!! Prospector Gold Paula and myself Prospector Silver have a challenge that whoever has the most Members by June 15th will win the challenge and the loser will pay \$25.00 to the Girls State Project. So Rubies....get to Mining!!

I want to thank all of you ladies for your dedication to our Great Organization!!

God Bless All of You!!

God Bless America!!

Susan Wade "Prospector Silver"



Diamond



Sapphires



Rubies



Emerald



Precious



Mother of Pearl



Diamonds In The Rough



Rubies

First District President

The First District Conference will be hosted by Paden City Unit #86 and held at Paden City Fall Hall on October 20th. Registration will be 9:00-10:00.

Plan of Works along with Membership will be the topic.

Credentials/Registration is being sent out so please get them returned in a timely manner.

Let's try to have every Unit in 1st District in attendance. Department Officers/Chairman are welcome. Please let Unit President Susan Wade and District Secretary Susan Brown know if you plan to attend.

Marge Walton
1st District President

"Marge Walton was back in the hospital having treatments again for her cancer and wasn't able to attend the Workshop/ E Board meetings. Lets' keep her in our prayers and hope she is well enough to attend the Fall Conference"

Sixth District President

Hello Everyone

As we start our new year, and with our new Department President Debbie Fox, let's make this a good year for her by start working on membership and making our District a Goal District and making our Units a goal unit.

Ladies Sixth District Fall Conference will be hosted by Welch Unit 8, on Saturday, October 12, 2013. Registration will be from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. This meeting will be held at the American Legion Post 8 Home located at 150 McDowell Street, Welch, WV. The price of the luncheon will be \$7.00 per person; we are looking forward to having all Units in our District present on this date.

Rita and I have a lot of material to pass out to each Unit so please mark your calendar, for this date and plan to attend.

The Department Workshop was held this week-end in Bridgeport, WV, so sorry that Rita and I could not attend, but hope someone from our District did go. Don't forget to say a prayer for our veterans. So until next time take care and God Bless, and looking forward to seeing everyone on the 12th of October.

Peggy Swartz, 6th District President

Ninth District President

Hello 9th District:

I hope this letter finds everyone enjoying wearing their sweaters because it feels like it is getting to be that time of year again!

We just got back from the Membership Workshop in Bridgeport and as always it was very informative! And of course the ladies do their best to make it a fun meeting! The membership team pulled off a great skit at the beginning of the meeting.

National is going to focus on getting past members reinstated. Those who have not paid their dues since 2011 are the ones we need to reach out to and see if we can get them to renew their dues. Find out why they didn't renew their dues and see if there is anything you can do to solve any issues they have! Tell them of great things your unit is planning on doing for the upcoming year. Make them feel involved! Everybody wants a place to belong, and what a great place to belong than with the American Legion Auxiliary and helping the Veterans!

Date to remember:
September 21 – 9th District Fall Conference @ Cowen – Registration \$10.00

Registration starts at 9:30 am and the meeting starts at 10:30 am

I was told not to follow directions on Tom Tom or Garmin to get to Cowen – they will get you lost. If you need directions get ahold of Brenda Morris (304-651-0620) and she will give you directions.

Danielle Hedrick
9th District President

Fourth District President

Hello 4th District Rubies & Precious Gems,

Renewal notices have been mailed out from National, now you can pay your dues as soon as possible so that 4th District Units can start making Department Goals. Membership Chairman; please don't hold dues, mail them every week no matter if you have 1 or 100.

Department Secretary Mrs. Emerald, needs them no later than every Monday so she can process them by Tuesday of every week so they can count on our National and Central Membership Report. Lets make President Diamond Debbie, proud of 4th District!

I would like to thank Units 15 & 67 members that attended the Workshop in Bridgeport. Membership Chairman Foreman Sharon had a very good Membership Program, everyone enjoyed it.

Our 4th District Fall Conference is coming up on October the 13th 2013, at the American Legion General George Post 159 100 Central Avenue Williamstown, WV. Registration will begin at 9 AM, menu will be grilled chicken red skinned potatoes, green beans & dessert OR ham with same sides. Cost will be \$12 per meal.

Nancy Sundstrom
4th District President

Membership!!

Membership!!!

Go Membership!!!



Sapphires

Third District Vice President

Hi ladies.

It's me again. Just a reminder that all good prospectors keep their tools ready for use. As I said earlier "gems" are everywhere. Always carry an application for your Auxiliary & if possible Post. If you have units have Juniors and SAL's it would be well if you had applications along with the name of person that will be contacting them.

Don't forget to follow up with the auxiliary applications you give out.

Don't let a "Gem" get lost, you may not find it again.

Yours in Service

Connie Bailey

3rd District Vice President

Fifth District Vice President

Dear Fellow Members of Fifth District:

We are into the new membership year, and I trust you are working on your membership along with your other programs.

By the time the Spirit comes out this month, I will have represented you at the Membership Meeting and also attended the Workshop and Executive Committee Meeting. I hope there are several representatives from units in the Fifth District attending the Membership Workshop.

I have been an active member of the American Legion Auxiliary since 1969, and continue to learn something at everything I attend.

Our next District program will be our Fall Conference coming up in October. I certainly hope more units plan to attend than those that attended last spring when we met in Chapmanville. Huntington Unit #16 was the only unit represented at this District Meeting, which is a sad commentary on our District. More on our Fifth District Conference in our next Spirit.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can help your unit in any way. Both Fifth District President Beth Kilgore and I are here to help you in any way we can. I can not emphasize enough that membership is the life blood of our organization, so continue to be diligent in working on the membership. This is our month, "Sapphires" so lets sparkle!

Mary Waybright
5th District Vice President

Fifth District President

The Membership Workshop and Leadership was this past weekend and I regret the low attendance by the Units of 5th District. You missed an informative Conference and the fellowship with the ladies across the Department is always fun and exciting.

The 5th District Fall Conference will be held in Hamlin on October 19th and I hope your unit plans on attending. We will meet in Hamlin and I will have information and Plans of Works that were handed out this weekend. Let me know how many from your Unit are planning on attending so I can let Hamlin know how many to expect. You can reach me at 304-654-7750 or at MBKilgore@Frontier.com.

Mary Waybright and I will be visiting your unit in the near future and I am excited to learn what you are doing for our veterans and their families.

See you soon.
Beth Kilgore
5th District President

Eight District President

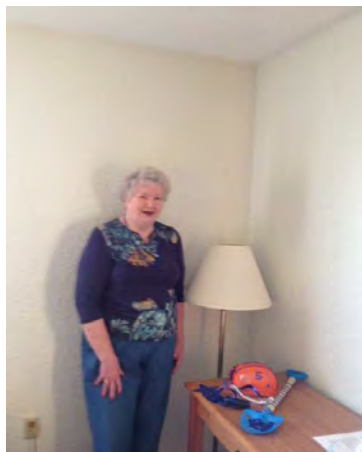
Those who missed the workshop on September 14th at Clarksburg really missed out on a good time and one of learning. A spokesperson was on hand to explain about the Department President's project of Bonnie's Bus which goes around the state doing mammograms for women who especially live in rural areas. This is done in conjunction with WVU.

Our Fall Conference will be held Saturday, October 19th at Post #20 in Charleston on Dickinson St. It will be hosted by Unit #20. Please RSVP to me at 44 Orchard Dr., Elkview, WV 25071, 304-965-3192 (cell 304-543-3618) or gcmmbess1@suddenlink.net. We need to know how many to prepare for and hope to have a good crowd.

School has started early this year, so do what you can for those in your area. School supplies are always needed everywhere. It is an excellent time to go into the schools and put on programs for the children, read to them, have a veteran go with you to tell about their experiences while in the service, and much more that can be done.

Don't forget our veterans in hospitals, nursing homes and just plain in their homes. Let them know you care about them. Many have no one who will visit with them. Thank a veteran or serviceman or woman you meet on the street or while shopping and thank them for their service to help maintain our freedoms. .

Mary Bess, President



Membership!!

Membership!!!

Go Membership!!!



Sapphires

Tenth District President

Hello Ladies of the 10th District,

I wanted to talk briefly about membership. We are the largest District in the state. Membership is just starting for the year. I would like to ask every Unit to try their best to reach Goal early. It would be great to be the first Goal District in the state.

I understand that the contract with the Pullman Plaza runs out next year and that the Legion will be looking for a new location. If you know of a hotel in your area that would be large enough to hold a Department Convention please let the Department Legion know.

From my own experience I have witnessed the effects of the Legion Family working together and what happens when the family does not work together. When the Auxiliary, Post and SAL all work together we all achieve our goals. Coming up with joint projects helps all of us.

Quote of the month: "If you can keep your head when all about you are losing theirs and blaming it on you" – Rudyard Kipling

Have a good month and be safe.

Lisa Turner
10th District President

Tenth District Vice President

Hello 10th District Sapphires,

I am looking forward to serving as the 10th District Vice President for the 2013-2014 year.

As we start a new year of membership try something new, have an early bird special, have a dinner for members that have renewed by a certain date, or maybe a drawing for members that renew or have signed up a new member.

I would like to challenge each Unit to sign up at least 10 new members, at the Fall and Spring Conferences each Unit reaching this challenge will receive a special gift from me and be entered into a drawing for a \$ 25 cash prize at Spring Conference.

Let us not forget about our junior members (Diamonds in the rough) they are our future. Get them involved now so they will stay involved when they reach 18 and join our senior membership. Include them in planning events, helping with Poppy Days, going to the VA Centers, making tray favors for nursing homes, or dinners you are having at the Post. If we teach them what the Auxiliary is about and show them what we do they are more likely to want to be involved.

If you need anything please don't hesitate to contact me, I am here to help 10th District Units and members in any way I can.

Working together serving Veterans,
Children and Youth and Community.
Michelle Hart
304-839-3237
shellhart86@gmail.com

Hello, My name is Sgt. Ashley Nichols.

I am stationed in Fort Bragg but a member of the American Legion Post 15 in Parkersburg WV. I am currently serving a tour in Bagram Afghanistan and was wondering if you all could sponsor my platoon and I out here by sending some words of motivation or just anything. thank you for all that you do to the veterans it truly means a lot.

Sgt. Nichols, Ashley
8th Ordnance Co
APO, AE 09354

Please e-mail Sgt. Ashley Nichols at:
ashbub07@gmail.com

2013-2014 Honorary Junior Officers

President—Carlie McCoy #16

1st Vice Pres. Katie Beth Caudill #16

2nd Vice Pres.—Taylor Bash #16

Secretary—VACANT

Chaplain—Mary Grace Bannon #16

Historian—Brandee Fernandez #15

Sgt. At Arms—Ryleigh Shears #15

Junior Historian

Hello Girls,

I would like for every Unit Junior Activity Chairman if you would send me the activities that your juniors do during the year 2013-2014 because I am going to make a Department Junior History Book this year and I would like to include something from every Unit with Juniors in the state of West Virginia.

I'm hoping to make a great Department Junior History Book! Please send me your juniors activities either in the mail or email them to me.

Brandee Fernandez
1307 23rd Street
Parkersburg W.V. 26101
304-422-1263
mommysgurl_01@yahoo.com

Thank You in Advance!
Brandee Fernandez
Honorary Jr. Historian



Public Relations

I want to start by using some of the ideas and topics we talked about at Fall Workshop which are all part of Public Relations.

I want to start with the "Image" the American Legion Auxiliary needed to set forth. I encouraged each and every Unit of the Department of WV to start their year by setting goals in promoting a good image in their individual communities, as an Auxiliary member and as a volunteer in their community. If we start at home we can carry it all the way through.

I encourage each Unit to appoint a public relations chairman to represent their Unit and report monthly on all of the activities involving their Unit. I also encouraged each Unit to plan activities for each month and gave them a list of the programs by the month.

Our other goal we as a Department want to emphasize is "Securing Membership". We wanted to show the importance of how public relations could help improve our membership by promoting our Image and how using the media and other communication resources would promote the American Legion Auxiliary. I ask the Units to proclaim the news, promote our mission and record our accomplishments. Also use Public Relations to relate this to the public. I also want to emphasize to stick to the FACTS Always be Factual, Accurate, Unbiased and Timely and to remember the 5 W's Who, What, When Where and Why.

I also want to suggest how to use Public Relations to build and maintain a positive image of the American Legion Auxiliary, enhance perception. Image is perception, when you have a good idea of how you are perceived, you can develop a logical, consistent plan to either maintain or improve your image. How you can begin to change perceptions about the Unit and get others involved, both internally and externally. Public Relation's primary responsibility is to: alter or maintain the image of the Unit, and to communicate various messages to each of its publics.

November is Public Relation Month, I hope every auxiliary unit will participated in an event or have a member or members involved in an event and put your event in the paper with a picture for recognition for their work. If so be sure to send the news article to me for the press book.

I will be doing a press book to present to the Dept. President at the end of the year so please send me your news articles. Clip your articles from the news paper and send to me along with the date of publish and the name of the newspaper.

October – United Nations Day, Halloween Safe Night, Make A Difference Day,
National Veterans Creative Arts Festival

November – Membership, Public Relations and Veterans Day

December – VA&R, Field Service, VAMC Gift Shops, Making Christmas Merry

See you in the News!!!!!!!!!!!!

Vickie Luttrell
Public Relations

Convention Chairman

This is my end of year report that I give at Fall Board Meeting. This is for the members who were not able to attend.

Thanks to Past Dept. President Nancy for her appointment of Convention Chairman and to all who helped make this years convention a success.

We had a total of 119 members consisting of delegates, alternates and guest register for convention.

There was an additional \$120.00 collected for 6 members to add to what had been sent in for pre-registration, plus \$50.00 for start up money.

Past Presidents Luncheon was also very successful with 15 Past Dept. Presidents attending. We had the National President Peggy Thomas attend our full convention. 44 members paid to attend the luncheon for a total of \$748.00. \$75.00 of start up returned.

Thanks to all of the Units and members who brought or sent door prizes. Thanks to even one who attended.

We also collected for a 50/50, the total was \$405.00 half was \$202.50 and the winner was Ruth Loar of Unit #134 who received half.

Thanks
Vickie Luttrell
Convention Chairman

Gift Shops

Beckley Gift Shop: Dec. 5th & 6th

Clarksburg Gift Shop: Dec. 4th, 5th, 6th

Huntington Gift Shop: Dec. 3rd

Martinsburg Gift shop: Dec. 6th 10-4
7th 9-12



Chaplain

*Angels in the outfield that's how I see the
American Legion Auxiliary
Always ready with a helping hand
Needed by so many
Giving of ones self
Energizing and motivating hope in others
Loving, caring, and compassionate
Selfless acts of kindness*

One must believe to see. Sometimes we lose sight of what we stand for because it seems no one else can see the Angels in the outfield. We tend to become discouraged when things don't turn out the way we think they should. Sometimes we must look a little closer because God always has a better plan. Maybe things were thrown off course so you could meet someone who really needs to see a friendly smile, or maybe God has led you to a new idea to use in your work.

We are the American Legion Auxiliary, volunteering in the outfield. So the next time you make a wrong turn or seem to be circling the same block over and over look closer there is something you need to see.



Chaplain Topaz
Tammy Workman

Historian

Hello Ladies;

Just returned from the workshop in Bridgeport, what a great turnout 66 members and 6 Juniors present, 72 total this is wonderful. And a lot of new faces.

I want to thank President Debbie for the appointment of Department Historian for 2013-2014. The term began in July and boy do I have a lot of catching up to do. I appreciate and look forward to the challenge. Thank You!

I would like to remind each Unit and District that you do things on daily, weekly and monthly basis. In everything you do "you have history to report no matter how small." Report your accomplishments in your Units and "Let's Keep History Alive."

Let's help President Debbie to have a very informative and successful year.

My Contact Info:

P.O. Box 23 Burnsville, WV 26335

Phone (304)853-2625

E-Mail: monygal2000@yahoo.com

Cell 304-689-0634

Ramona Westfall
Historian

Legislative

Let me start by saying Thank You to President Debbie for this appointment. Since I just received this appointment during the Fall Board Executive Meeting, needless to say there was no legislative plan of action handed out to units. I will work on pulling one together and e-mail it to Department Headquarters by the end of this month to forward on to all units.

94 years ago today, Sept. 16, 1919 The American Legion was incorporated by Congress.

Ladies, this is an important program, we need to support The American Legion and our Nations Veterans, so please let's make lots of phone calls, write letters and send emails to your elected Government officials. Below are links to links you can use to email: State & National elected officials: <http://www.usa.gov/Contact/Elected.shtml> Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs; <http://www.veterans.senate.gov/> House Committee on Veterans' Affairs; <http://veterans.house.gov/> These links are also located on the National Auxiliary web site: <https://www.alaforveterans.org/Programs/Legislative/>

At National Convention The American Legion Commander Koutz asked everyone to write their Senators and The New American Legion Commander Dellinger recently spoke on Capitol Hill and among many topics was the Department of Defense (DoD) chose to cancel participation of U.S. military forces in recent ceremonies at Normandy, France, commemorating the 69th anniversary of the D-Day invasion. As a result, Commander Dellinger said, "World War II veterans sat quietly at ceremonies and listened to a German military band play our national anthem while French officials were openly asking, 'Where are the Americans?' We certainly hope our nation – and our military – will be better represented in Normandy in 2014, when the invasion's 70th anniversary is recognized.

will need a Mid-Year report from all Units by Dec. 15th, so I can compile my Mid-Year report to National before the end of the year. The type of information I will need is how many letters, e-mails, phone calls or visits made broken down by national, state, & local made by members. How many of these received from national, state & local officials responding back. How many members used the Advocacy Guide, receive the Dispatch, use the Legion Legislative Action Center, or used other legislative means and what they were.

Lisa Cadwallader
CADWALL1@Westat.com

Junior Activities

The Juniors met at the Fall Workshop in Bridgeport on Saturday, September 14, 2013 and worked on the Community Service Plan of Works. This year, we are focusing on the "Blue Pinky Promise" initiative that brings awareness to Anti-Bullying.

6 girls were in attendance and they made several posters to be hung in their schools for Bullying Prevention month in October. They also painted their pinkies blue and painted several Senior members pinkies during the workshop. The Juniors will also be partnering with the administration in their schools to promote the "Blue Pinky Promise" project in their schools.

For ideas of what you can do in your communities, you can visit www.meanstinks.com and/or follow the Department of WV Juniors on Facebook for updates.

Here are a few statistics about bullying:

1 in 10 kids who are bullied report it to a teacher/adult.

30% of kids who are bullied have brought a weapon to school.

40-75% of bullying in schools, happens during breaks: recess, lunchtime, I n the hallways, or the restrooms.

½ of all school-age kids will be bullied during the school years

Kids who are bullied are 3 times more likely to battle depression.

What can you do, you ask? YOU can "Blue Pinky Promise" to take a stand against bullying!

Gang up for Good, ladies!!

Laura Kilgore
Juniors Activities

PRESIDENT'S PROJECT
Comfort Item of the Month:
Gloves & Scarves

Community Service

Hello everyone,

What a fantastic workshop! There was great coverage on so many things and if that weren't enough there was a ton of fun packed in too.

Our "Diamonds in the Rough" have a great community service project going with the "blue pinky promise against bullying," and our membership team has a mission to re-join members who have not paid dues from before 2011. We may have lost those precious gems for a variety of reasons ,but it's time we get into that mine and gather them up again.

What better way to get those ladies involved than through community services. We need help with so many things. Look them up , give them a call ,or pay them a personal visit and ask them to help you with something your unit is doing. No pressure to attend meetings or anything like that just let them know they are needed, the rest will follow.

If your unit doesn't have anything planned right away then contact them and tell them about President Debbie's special project which is a great community service, and while you are talking about that ask them to rejoin your unit. Remember to sparkle and shine when you are out by letting everyone know you are the American Legion Auxiliary.

Tammy Workman
Community Service

Poppy

This year seems to be a promising year. I hope everyone is off to a good start.

The Poppy Plan of Works was handed out at the Fall Workshop. If you did now receive yours please let me know and it will send out a copy to you. The plan of works is basically the same each year. Please remember to use the Poppies for any Veteran affiliated program you do. Have a Poppy with you and hand them out. I have found that most children like to receive one. Plan ahead for your Poppy Day.

Think what you are going to do for your poppy project for Mid-winter. If any of the Plans change, I will be sure to let Paulette know so she can put them in the Spirit.

Remember You Veterans everyday. If you need my help, please call me or you can E-mail me at:
carlajwilfong@yahoo.com or phone: 304-592-0247.

Carla Wilfong
Poppy Chainman

Constitution & Bylaws PROGRAM OF THE MONTH

GUIDELINES FOR WRITING UNIT STANDING RULES

Standing Rules are rules and regulations, which are related to the details of the administration of a society for the guidance of an assembly, which have been adopted, the same as ordinary resolutions, by a majority vote without previous notice.

The following is an outline or guide for units (and districts) when writing or updating their Standing Rules. Not every item will apply to every unit, and some things that concern your unit may not be listed.

Start with a detail that relates to the administration of your unit (e.g., awards you present, budget for convention attendees, voting body).

Write the Standing Rule. See "Guideline for Writing Unit Standing Rules" below.

Present it at a unit meeting.

A rule passes with majority vote at any meeting. No advance notification is needed to unit members.

This document should be kept up-to-date, and each new Standing Rule dated with adoption date.

The (UNIT NAME AND NUMBER) of the ____ District, American Legion Auxiliary, hereby adopts the Unit Constitution & Bylaws as prescribed by the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of West Virginia.

The most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 10th Edition, in all questions not governed by articles of the National, Department and Unit Constitution & Bylaws, shall govern this unit.

1. State time (day and hour) of meeting, place of meeting and information on notification of meeting. Are you meeting all 12 months?
2. Dues – Senior, Junior, Gold Star Mothers, Life Members.
3. Process for selecting Life Members.
4. Election –
 - a. When will election be held?
 - b. Secretary and/or Treasurer – elected or appointed?
 - c. A nominating committee – yes or no? Elected per the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.
5. Election of delegates for department convention, fall conference, district meetings. When and how selected?
6. Installation of officers. When, where, who is in charge.
7. Equipment – Rules for loaning, maintenance, etc.
8. Finances –
 - a. Rent
 - b. Utilities
 - c. Working funds for officers, chairmen, Poppy purchases, Girls State, VA&R, etc.
 - d. Annual gifts for district president's visit, retiring officers, etc.
 - e. Flowers and/or gifts for illness, death, etc.
 - f. Expenses for delegates to department convention, fall conference, district meetings, etc. (Registration fee, mileage, per diem, etc.)
 - g. How bills are paid and who signs the checks.
 - h. Contest prizes – how much for poppy, essay contests, etc.
 - i. Department and district mandatory funds.
 - j. Arrangements for special dinners – funerals, etc.
 - k. Annual donations to special programs or charities
9. The fiscal year of this unit/district will be _____.
10. Audit – when and by whom.
11. This paragraph should appear at the end of your Standing Rules: "These Standing Rules may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote at any regularly scheduled meeting, or if notice has been given, by a majority vote." Standing Rules are usually adopted from time to time, as they are needed, in the form of resolutions.
12. The date of the unit meeting at which these Standing Rules were approved MUST be shown. ALSO – The signature of the unit Constitution & Bylaws chairman and unit president or unit secretary MUST appear on the bottom of the list.

Dede Kelly
Constitution & Bylaws Chairman
dedekelly@frontier.com

August 2013 Ways & Means Winners

Winner	Number	City	State	Date	Amount
Katena Karnes	632	Huntington	WV	8/1/2013	\$ 25.00
ALA 4th District	166	Mineral Wells	WV	8/2/2013	\$ 25.00
	289			8/3/2013	
	249			8/5/2013	
Merle Lambert	816	Romney	WV	8/6/2013	\$ 25.00
	452			8/7/2013	
	940			8/8/2013	
ALA Unit #46	486	Benwood	WV	8/9/2013	\$ 25.00
Patrica Pearce	786	Gore	VA	8/10/2013	\$ 25.00
Mike Young	435	Dayton	OH	8/12/2013	\$ 25.00
Yvonne Redman	711	Keyser	WV	8/13/2013	\$ 25.00
	144			8/14/2013	
	374			8/15/2013	
	958			8/16/2013	
ALA Unit #31	315	Shinnston	WV	8/17/2013	\$ 25.00
Susan Peters	298	Romney	WV	8/19/2013	\$ 25.00
Sally Keykendall	231	Romney	WV	8/20/2013	\$ 25.00
Dianne Orlink	273	Martinsburg	WV	8/21/2013	\$ 200.00
	668			8/22/2013	
ALA Unit #18	970	Cameron	WV	8/23/2013	\$ 25.00
Mable Whitman	068	Augusta	WV	8/24/2013	\$ 25.00
Bev Davis	383	Wheeling	WV	8/26/2013	\$ 25.00
	700			8/27/2013	
	250			8/28/2013	
Selena Straughn	540	Moundsville	WV	8/29/2013	\$ 25.00
Pat Snyder	765	Lost River	WV	8/30/2013	\$ 25.00
	151			8/31/2013	

Rhododendron Girls State Representatives

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2014 Ways & Means

Hello Ladies,

It is time to get in gear for the Fall Season. If you have not had time to purchase a 2013 Ways & Means Ticket for this year, then there is still time. Just contact Mary Rose for those tickets.

Otherwise Auxiliary Members throughout the state have the Ways & Means Tickets for the upcoming year 2014.

If anyone has any questions, then please contact me. My information is listed below. I foresee this year to be a sparkling/shining kind of year. Keep up the good work everyone.

God Bless,
Rhonda Best
Ways-n-Means
304-281-8152
Email: rlcbest37@aim.com

2013 Ways & Means

Congratulations to all the lucky August Winners.

Thanks to everyone that supported this Fundraising Project for our Veterans this year by selling and/or purchasing tickets. If not for you this would not be as successful and benefit our veterans here in West Virginia as it does. Keep up the good work and maybe 2014 year the number of sales can increase even more.

PLEASE note new e-mail address below.

Keep sending in any 2013 stubs and money. REMEMBER — can not win if name and number is not in computer — DON'T HOLD TICKET SALES!

Note how many Units won this month.
“Lets all support our WV Veterans by your Continued Support”

Mary Rose Yoho
2013 Ways & Means
RR1 Box 144A
Proctor WV 26055
304-455-3449
49rosie72@frontier.net

Education Program of Month

Education is an ongoing activity that never stops. We are never too old or too young to learn.

There are many ways to help our schools.

* Each member can donate one item toward the Give 10 to Education program.

* Place a poster and collection box at local sites (i.e., grocery store, bank, senior

center, post office) and invite local residents to donate to the Give 10 program.

* One member of the unit can take the 10 items (pens, pencils, tablets, box tops,

books, reams of paper, flags, dictionaries, thumb drives, etc.) and deliver them to

the local classrooms or military based school.

* Unit members can copy and deliver copies of both the American Legion Auxiliary

and the American Legion scholarship applications to the schools, with follow-up.

The unit needs to have a working relationship with the guidance counselor.

* Prepare a news release about the scholarships available through the American

Legion Auxiliary and send it to your local media.

This is just a few of the ways you can be active in education and help with the local schools and the community. Our committee will give you more ideas as the year goes on and we hope you will use some of them.

Remember, if you have any question, you can always call me at 304-657-5740, or write to me at PO Box 14, Shinnston, WV 26431.

Till the next time
Roxie Nicholson
Education

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

Getting everything together on the Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Program to take to the Workshop in Bridgeport - - Plan of Action for 2013-2014. I will give copies to each District Representative in attendance as well as have a copy each for each of the District VA&R Chairmen. Please be sure if any Unit or District VA&R Chairman does not get a copy or needs an additional copy of the 2013-2014 VA&R Plan of Action, they do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

The emphasis of the program is much the same as it has been for the past several years - - Homeless Veterans Initiatives, Recruitment of Volunteers, Assisting of Veterans in your community and assisting your Post with their veterans programs, assisting veterans families where one of the parents has been deployed, and remembering our service men and women currently serving their Country.

Remember Unit Chairman - -you are responsible for keeping the home and field service hours for your unit volunteers, and I depend on our Hospital Chairmen getting me the hours for those volunteering in our Veterans Hospitals. It is hard to keep up with the accumulative totals of every member; so remind me when one of your members has reach a milestone to earn the pins/bars (50, 100, 300, 500, 1000, etc.). I keep them in a book; but I am finding that some whom I thought had already gotten a pin, bar, etc. has not. If you have earned those hours, you deserve that pin - - bar!!

Our National VA&R Chairman is Sharon Conatser from the Department of Illinois and our Central Division VA&R Chairman is Linda Close from the Department of Ohio. This is the second year in a row that the Department of Ohio has held the office of Central Division VA&R Chairman.

Don't forget the resources you can get from the Internet for our National VA&R Program, an don't not hesitate to contact me should I be able to help you in any way. If I do not have an answer for a question, I will ask our National Representatives.

My home phone is (304) 736-6484, cell phone (304) 638-7665 - - if I am not home I do have an answering machine; and I will get back to you.

Mary Waybright
V A & R

Rhododendron Girls State

I hope that the Unit Chairman start making plans for the 2014 Session of Rhododendron Girls State which will be held June 8-13, 2014 at Wheeling Jesuit University in Wheeling WV.

At the Girls State Board of Directors, the new officers were elected and ratified by the Department Executive Board were:

Director – Michelle Sirbaugh
Asst. Director—Dr. Rosemary Thomas
Secretary—Lynda Lancaster
Treasurer—Paulette Anderson
Registrar—Ann Buchanan
Finance Officer – Janice Gamerdinger

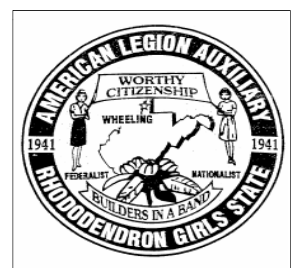
District 1 Rep – Jill McCallister
District 3 Rep – Mary Jo Thomas
District 4 Rep – Nancy Sundstrom
District 5 Rep – Katena Karnes
District 6 Rep – Peggy Swartz
District 8 Rep – Mary Bess
District 9 Rep – Paula Booth
District 10 Rep – Lynda Lancaster

If you noticed, we have a new Director Michelle Sirbaugh of Romney #91. Michelle has been on the Girls State staff for a number of years and grew up in the program. She is Irene Weber's daughter. We congratulate and welcome Michelle in this new position. We look forward to working with her and giving her our support as we continue to make Girls State a premier program of The American Legion Auxiliary.

“Irene, we know how much Girls State is integral in your heart and your life and we thank you for your 45 years of dedication, hard work in making Girls State program what it is.”

If you need help please contact your District Representative or if I can be of any assistance please feel free to contact me.

Lynda Lancaster
Girls State Chairman



Children and Youth

It is the #1 objective of the Children & Youth program to develop, implement, and monitor programs and activities that contribute to the physical, mental, and emotional health and wellness of children and youth of military families and veterans' families.

The American Legion Auxiliary needs to be a strong source of care and support for military families.

Suicide and depression have become real problems among military children. Military children whose parents are deployed are using mental health services at a rate three and a half times higher than their civilian counterparts. Who better to adopt these military families than a force of ALA members who are experts on life as a family member of a veteran?

What can you do?

Increase community awareness and help to build public support.

* Facilitate and host a community meeting. Invite all local groups or organizations that can be identified as community partners or stakeholders.

Invite Family Support Groups and

Family Readiness Groups from the National Guard, local Reserve units or military bases or installations.

Invite school counselors and teachers along with military families. Work together to find ways to support these children and their families.

* Increase community awareness using your Auxiliary or Legion website. Provide links to the American Legion Auxiliary's Resources for Veterans and Military Families and other organizations that provide services to support the wellbeing of military children.

* Download and distribute The American Legion publications Warning Signs of Youth Suicide and Gateway Drugs available at www.legion.org/publications, and order Bullying Prevention comic books from Emblem Sales.

Develop relationships between Legion Family members and military children and families, and children of veterans.

Create a one-on-one mentoring program for military and veterans' children.

** Contact your local Big Brothers Big Sisters. Tell them you are interested in setting up a meeting between them and local military and veterans' children and families to create a mentoring program specifically designed for these children. Invite your post, unit, and SAL members to attend. Invite local military and veterans' families by promoting the meeting. Be creative: Use church bulletins, brochures sent to Guard and Reserve units, posters in grocery stores, editorials in newspapers, etc.

** Use the meeting as a forum to increase awareness of the unique needs of these children, and discuss ways that you can use the Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring model to connect with these children.

* Reach out to local Boys and Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) to find out if they have a military program in your area. Set up a meeting. Find out what their needs are and how you can help. Adopt a BGCA military club. Host holiday parties throughout the year. Become an advocate and active participant in Operation: Military Kids (OMK).

Beth Kilgore
C & Y Chairman

Department Commander
Frank Nicholson
Saturday October 5th
Shinnston Post #31

Department President
Debbie Fox
Saturday October 26th
Berkeley Springs Post #60

Fall Conferences

1st District: October 20th
Paden City Unit #86
Paden City Fire Hall

3rd District Joint: October 5th
Clarksburg #13

4th District Joint: October 13th
Williamstown #159

5th District Joint: October 19th
Hamlin Post #111

6th District: October 12th
Welch Unit #8

8th District: October 19th
Charleston #20

10th District Joint: September 28th
Martinsburg #14



MEMBERSHIP 2013-2014

"MINING FOR GEMS"

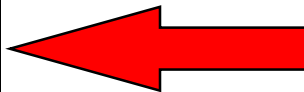
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 2014 National Goal — 7809
 Headquarters Unit #200 — 16

September
 15th

District 1	2014 Goal	2014	% of Goal
Unit			
Moundsville #3	308	28	09.09%
McMechen #5	52	37	71.15%
Weirton #10	77	0	
Cameron #18	212	13	6.13%
New Martinsville #28	141	65	46.10%
Wellsburg #34	25	4	16.00%
Follansbee #45	53	1	1.89%
Benwood #46	105	19	18.10%
Pine Grove #81	79	0	
Paden City #86	114	55	48.25%
Wheeling #89	30	7	23.33%
Newell #114	43	9	20.93%
Hundred #120	109	2	1.83%
Chester #121	170	13	07.65%
TOTALS	1518	255	16.80%



Goal—4059
 To Date—620
 (15.27%)



District 3	2014 Goal	2014	% of Goal
Unit			
Weston #4	10	1	10.00%
Buckhannon #7	66	17	25.76%
Grafton #12	25	1	4.00%
Clarksburg #13	134	84	62.69%
Shinnston #31	302	151	50.00%
Braxton Cty. #33	33	0	
Mannington #40	21	0	
Philippi #44	49	6	12.24%
Bridgeport #68	59	2	3.39%
Jane Lew #166	41	1	2.44%
TOTALS	740	263	35.54%

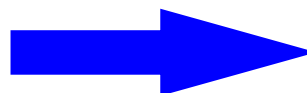
District 4	2014 Goal	2014	% of Goal
Unit			
Parkersburg #15	901	179	19.87%
Spencer #21	64	16	25.00%
Pt Pleasant #23	352	7	1.99%
Tyler County #48	16	0	
Sistersville #67	193	20	10.36%
Parkersburg #104	21	0	
New Haven #140	166	4	9.30%
Williamstown #159	172	16	9.30%
TOTALS	1885	242	12.84%



District 6	2014 Goal	2014	% of Goal
Unit			
Welch #8	85	43	50.59%
Bluefield #9	34	1	2.94%
Beckley #32	31	9	29.03%
Gary #38	71	26	36.62%
Beckley #70	12	0	
TOTALS	233	79	35.75%



Goal—3557
 To Date—632
 (17.77%)



District 9	2014 Goal	2014	% of Goal
Unit			
Elkins #29	206	3	1.46%
Cowen #62	61	23	37.70%
Lewisburg #69	76	2	2.62%
Belington #96	30	14	46.67%
Richwood #97	24	0	
Pickens #122	26	0	
TOTALS	423	42	9.93%

District 5	2014 Goal	2014	% of Goal
Unit			
Huntington #16	295	53	17.97%
Logan #19	19	0	
Ceredo-Kenova #93	460	12	2.61%
Hamlin #111	53	0	
Milton #139	83	23	27.71%
Barboursville #177	151	5	3.31%
TOTALS	1061	93	8.77%

District 8	2014 Goal	2014	% of Goal
Unit			
Charleston #20	55	2	3.64%
St Albans #73	91	4	4.40%
South Charleston #94	21	1	4.76%
TOTALS	167	7	4.19%

District 10	2014 Goal	2014	% of Goal
Unit			
Martinsburg #14	161	20	12.42%
Franklin #30	19	0	
Piedmont #52	44	0	
Berkeley Springs #60	250	29	11.60%
Moorefield #64	125	13	10.40%
Charles Town #71	230	108	46.96%
Petersburg #78	79	2	2.53%
Romney #91	276	47	17.03%
Charles Town #102	19	0	
Paw Paw #128	71	0	
Kirby #134	52	9	17.31%
Ridgeley #136	108	2	1.85%
Capon Bridge #137	114	15	13.16%
Keyser #152	41	27	68.00%
TOTALS	1589	271	17.05%



American Legion Auxiliary Department of West Virginia



October 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Program of Month Constitution & Bylaws Standing Rules Education		1	2	3	4	5 <i>3rd Dist. Conf.</i> <i>Commanders Homecoming</i>
6	7	8	9	10	11 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Mail Call</div>	12 <i>6th Dist. Conf. Welch #8</i>
13 <i>4th Dist. Conf. Williamstown #159</i>	14 <i>Columbus Day</i>	15 <i>Target # 3</i>	16	17	18	19 <i>8th Dist. Conf. Charleston #20</i>
20 <i>1st Dist. Conf. Paden City #86 Fire Hall</i>	21 <i>Spirit Out</i> <i>Hospital Checks</i>	22	23	24	25 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Mail Call</div>	26 <i>Presidents Homecoming Berkeley Springs Post #60</i>
27	28	29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i>		

American Legion Auxiliary
Department President



Son's of the American Legion
Detachment Commander



Debra Fox



Rocky Fox

Homecoming

October 26th 2013

At Berkeley Springs Post 60

Social Hour 6:00 pm , Dinner 7:00 pm

Menu:

Baked Ham; Roasted Turkey Breast;

Mashed Potatoes with gravy,

Lima Beans, Harvard Beets, Coleslaw ,and hot roll

Dessert: Cake , coffee ,and tea

Tickets \$20.00

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DETACHMENT COMMANDER ROCKY FOX
HOMECOMING HOTELS AVAILABLE**

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HANCOCK MARYLAND
301-676-6101
\$54.99 DOUBLE 2 PEOPLE
OCT. 20TH DEADLINE
(MUST MENTION AMERICAN LEGION DEBBIE OR ROCKY FOX)

BEST WESTERN
BERKELEY SPRINGS WV
304-258-9400
10 ROOMS OR MORE BLOCKED AT \$74.99 OTHERWISE \$80.95
OCT. 12TH DEADLINE
(MUST MENTION AMERICAN LEGION DEBBIE OR ROCKY FOX)

TO ORDER TICKETS SEND CHECK MADE TO:
DEBBIE OR ROCKY FOX
874 LONGVIEW DRIVE
BERKELEY SPRINGS WV 25411
DEADLINE FOR ORDERING: OCT. 15TH

COMMANDER FRANK NICHOLSON HOMECOMING

OCTOBER 5, 2013

SHINNSTON AMERICAN LEGION POST 31

SOCIAL HOUR 6:00 PM

DINNER 7:00 PM

CHICKEN - PRIME RIB

NO JEANS

TICKETS \$20.00

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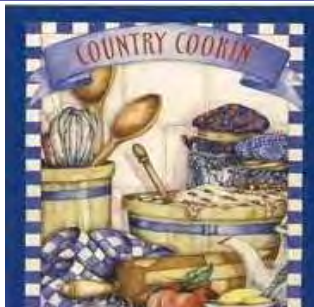
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STREET ADDRESS OR PO BOX: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS (FREE ISSUE) _____

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

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

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