



# The Auxiliary Spirit



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Department President  
Susan Wade



**Our Veterans**  
**"Depend" on You**

## Department Officers 2015-2016

President—Susan Wade  
1st Vice President—Tammy Workman  
2nd Vice President—Lisa Cadwallader  
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## District Presidents

1st District—Donna Freeland  
3rd District—Carla Wilfong  
4th District—Cathy Post  
5th District—Beth Kilgore  
6th District—Peggy Swartz  
8th District—Mary Bess  
9th District—Susan Cook  
10th District—Sharon Glassford

## District Vice Presidents

1st District—Donna Leek  
3rd District—Roxie Nicholson  
4th District—Nancy Sundstrom  
5th District—JoAnn Hastings  
6th District—Rita Alley  
8th District—Rose Reese  
9th District—Pat Calain  
10th District—Sharon Kauffman

## Remember Our Friends

*Roxie Nicholson, PDP, is in UHC Hospital with pneumonia. You may send cards to her at:*

*Roxie Nicholson, PDP  
PO Box 14  
Shinnston WV 26431*

*Keep Roxie in your thought and prayers.*

Hello Ladies,

I hope all of you are enjoying this Fall Weather!

I attended the Homecoming of Department Commander Kenneth Smith. I want to thank all those that helped make his Homecoming a success! The hospitality was great and a good time was had by all!!!

I want to Thank Districts 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 10th for the great hospitality extended to me during their Fall Conferences!! I also want to Thank our Department Secretary Treasurer, Paulette Anderson who accompanied me on these trips. I enjoyed the travel time through our great state and the friendship of all our Auxiliary Sisters!

I will be attending 1st District Conference this coming weekend, the day after my Homecoming. I was unable to attend District 3 because of being at District 9, but will be attending in the Spring.

I want to Thank all Units that have been working hard on Membership! Keep up the good work ladies!!

In this Spirit, you will find information on an Auction that will be held on Friday night, at Mid-Winter Conference. The proceeds from this auction will go to Mountaineer Boys State and Rhododendron Girls State Programs. All information is on the flyer. I am looking forward to seeing some really neat auction items for 2 very worthwhile projects!!

The Auxiliary is holding their Annual Silent Auction on Saturday at Mid-Winter Conference. All proceeds from this auction will benefit the Department Welfare Fund. There are always very nice items to bid on, so don't forget about this auction as well!!!

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at my Homecoming!!

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 17th. I mail/email the Spirit on the 20th (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.

**Directory Updates:** page 8: Betty Burton address is 7291 Gold Stream Road, all else the same.

Page 14: Poppy Shop Chairman is Roxie Nicholson, PO Box 14 Shinnston WV 26431, 304-592-5231 (e) [strawberry-mist@aol.com](mailto:strawberry-mist@aol.com) (You still have to send orders to Department.)

Page 26: Gary Unit #38 meeting time is 11:00 am, unit email [mrdr7835@frontier.com](mailto:mrdr7835@frontier.com) Address for President is 1295 Orchard Rd. Ballard WV 24918, phone 304-753-5951.

Page 27: Secretary for Cowen Unit #62: Connie Thompson, PO Box 516 Cowen WV 26206, 304-226-3827 Unit email: [conniethom@frontiernet.net](mailto:conniethom@frontiernet.net)

Page 28: Parkersburg Unit #104 President’s Apt. # is 8J. All else the same.

**Need: Unit Chairmen Form Now!!!**

**\*\* President’s Homecoming  
October 24, 2015 Paden City**

**\*\*1st District Conference  
October 25, 2015  
Benwood Unit #46**

**Gift Shops Update:**

**Huntington VA Hospital Mon & Tues  
Set Up Nov. 30th, Gift Shop Dec. 1st**

**Beckley VA Hospital  
Thursday December 3rd**

**Martinsburg VA Hospital Fri & Sat  
December 4th until 4:00 pm  
December 5th until 1:00 pm**

**Clarksburg VA Hospital Wed & Thurs  
Set up Dec. 9th Gift Shop Dec. 10th**

<https://www.thelit.com/no-cost-legioncare> is the link for the free Legion Insurance for Legionnaires, and Auxiliary., and Sons of The American Legion. You need to sign up Before January 1, 2016 or you will have to sign up every year, if you wait until after January 1st.

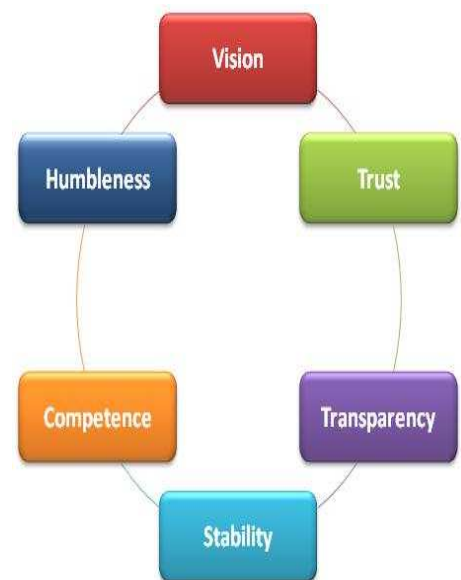
## Department Headquarters

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Available 24 hours

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**Rhododendron Girls State Website**  
[www.wvgirlsstate.org](http://www.wvgirlsstate.org)  
**Department American Legion**  
[wvlegion@suddenlinkmail.com](mailto:wvlegion@suddenlinkmail.com)

**National Auxiliary Website**  
[alaforveterans.org](http://alaforveterans.org)



# Filling The Big Top With Members



## 2nd Vice President

### Membership Chairman

First congratulations to all units that reach goal of 35%. First District Units #5, #28, #34, #46, #86; Third District #7, #13, #31, #40; Fourth District #15, #21, #23, #159; Fifth District #16, #19, #139, #177; Sixth District #9, #38; District #8 #73, #94; Ninth District #29, #62, #69, #96; Tenth District #14, #71, #78, #91, #102, #128. Multi units have reached the next target of 45%, and many of you that are so close to the goal 60% of December 7th. Keep up that great work. Remember your District Vice President is there to help you, along with Department Vices of Tammy and Lisa. Use them if you need them that is what they are there for.

Receive an email notice from Tammy Wiggins at National Headquarters. **There seems to be some units that are withholding membership cards from members who pay their dues online.** Remember under no circumstance are membership cards to be withheld from paid members of the Auxiliary no matter how she pays her dues. It has also come to their attention that units are creating their own membership ID numbers. This causes problems for new members to create online accounts to access the member section of the national organization. If you have been doing this, please stop.

After Department Secretary receives new members and process those through National they are immediately assign a membership ID number. In turn you will be able to call Paulette, and she will be able to give you that number.

If you have members that do pay online do not add them to your transmittal. Just add them to your membership total.

Reminder to ALL UNIT OFFICERS – Your dues need to be paid by November 1st.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family

Susan Brown, PDP  
Membership Chairman  
“Just a Swing”



### 1st Vice President

Hello everyone,

I hope you're enjoying some of this beautiful fall season. I hear our 'Lion's' roaring in Districts 3,5,8, & 10 as many units have met Target 2 at 35% or higher. You are doing a wonderful job ladies. We do still have a few Zeros but you can make those vanish if the current officers and chairman pay their dues before the next target. Please do not hold dues. A member isn't current until their dues reaches Department and National so please do not hold their dues; send it in as soon as you get it. Remember to double check member data forms and applications to be sure all info is filled in and correct so you don't miss any targets because something is sent back to you to be completed or corrected. These reminders have been shared countless times so it might help to make a note and add it as the first page of your membership folder.

I really like hearing how members and some of our district vice presidents are using some of the ideas shared during the Fall workshop to help with membership. Several are making the small envelopes with all three applications and handing them out to Legion family members and during events. Some are also using older membership rosters and contacting members who have dropped out or just not paid dues for a couple years in the hopes of them renewing their membership. Great work ladies!

#### District Vice Presidents of 3, 5, 8, 10 (the Lion Keepers)

Remember the monthly contact with units for membership. I will issue a special citation and gift during the summer convention to each of you who send me your reports by or before the 15th of every month. If you need help just ask your district presidents or ask me. You can email your reports to me at [two-cubs@hotmail.com](mailto:two-cubs@hotmail.com) or call me at 304-889-3174.

Also remember for the mid-winter conference to bring your clown gear. We will be doing a brief skit/ demonstration during the membership luncheon.

1st Vice President  
Tammy Workman



Hello Ladies,

Hope you all are doing your best at building our membership. Our next target is Nov. 11 – 45%. As of Nov. 1 all officers at all levels are to have their dues paid. So by Nov. 1 we should not have any Units with a low number of paid members. The district vice presidents will be contacting Units every month, so they can provide me with a report on how units are doing, so I can report to the department membership chairman, so she can report to National. District Vice Presidents, please have your reports to me by the 5th each month. If you report on time each month, I will provide a small gift to you for all your hard work at the end of the year. Cash awards offered by National to Units: Unit Award: 100% Guidelines: Units that reach 100% of their annual target set by National Headquarters by December 31, 2015, will receive \$100 plus a 100% flagpole ribbon. Check will be made payable to the unit to be used for mission outreach and/or membership efforts. Unit Award: 102% Guidelines: Units that reach 102% of their annual target set by National Headquarters by 30 days prior to national convention (July 30, 2016) will receive \$150 plus a 102% flagpole ribbon. The unit president, secretary and membership chairman will also receive a special gift from the national president. Checks will be made payable to the unit to be used for mission outreach and/or membership efforts. I'm including the "Keeping the promise" for Nov. –Dec from National: November: "I promise to thank a veteran for their service to our country" Honor Their Service with Membership: Wearing an Honor Service button is a great way to recognize the veteran whom you are eligible through. Order yours today! Order forms are available at [www.ALAforVeterans.org](http://www.ALAforVeterans.org) Membership Award Deadlines Veteran's Day Award – November 11, 2015 Promise Date: Veterans Day, November 11, 2015 – 45% December: "I promise to honor those who gave their lives to save ours" The Gift of Membership: What better way to get in the holiday spirit than to give the gift of membership to a potential new member? Surprise a loved one for the holidays! Membership Awards Deadlines: Unit 100% by December 31, 2015 Award Promise Date: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, December 7, 2015 – 60% Happy Thanksgiving  
Lisa Cadwallader, 2nd Vice  
(240) 271-8385  
[Lisac.ALA71@gmail.com](mailto:Lisac.ALA71@gmail.com)



### *1st District President*

Hello Ladies,

I want to thank everyone for electing me as 1st District President and I want to apologize for not saying this sooner.

We have had some sickness and a death in our family.

I hope to see meet everyone at our Fall Conference on October 25th, at Benwood.

Lets not forget our Department President Sue Wade's Homecoming in Paden City on October 24th.

Please remember to check on our Veterans' and their families.

May God bless each and everyone of you.

Sincerely,  
1st District President

1st District Fall Conference  
Sunday October 25, 2015  
Host Unit:  
Benwood Unit #46

Registration 9:00-10:00am  
Meeting 10:00 am

Cost #10.00 per person

### *4th District Vice President*

Hello 4th District ELEPHANTS

I'm proud to say that we no longer have any (0) Units. A big Thank You goes out to our 4th District Membership Chairmen's of each Unit for all their hard work of collecting dues and mailing them in to Department Secretary / Treasure Paulette.

We now have 3 Units with over 50% and the other 4 Units not far behind keep up the good work ladies and keep your membership rolling in to your Unit Membership Chairmen.

To all that didn't attend 4th District Conference you missed a warm welcome and delicious meal. A big thank you goes out to New Haven Unit #140, for hosting great Conference. Ladies you did a wonderful job for your first time.

From my family to your families have a Happy and Safe Halloween.

God Bless America  
Nancy Sundstrom  
4th District Vice President

### *4th District President*

Frosty Greetings Ladies,

Brrrr the weather is turning cooler but it's time.

4th District Fall Conference was great. On behave of all the ladies, I'd like to thank Madam President Susan Wade and Secretary/Treasurer Paulette Anderson for attending and giving us new information and encouragement. Many thanks also go out to Madam Unit President Michelle Ryan and Unit #140 of New Haven for hosting such a great day. The meal was delicious. We had a great group of ladies; however I am hoping for all Units to attend Mid -Winter and Spring Conference.

Thanks to all the officers of 4th District, Vice president Nancy Sundstrom, Secretary/Treasurer Alice Fought, Chaplin Melinda Roush, Chairmen: Helen Lancaster, Patricia Parks, and Alice Fought, I so appreciate all your hard work.

Department 2nd Vice President Lisa Cadwallader ask me to remind you that ALL officers are to have their dues paid by November 1, 2015.

I am excited to announce that we MAY be re chartering a Unit in 4th District, that will make us one more Unit stronger, I ask for your prayers and support of these ladies.

I will remind you that we have a Face Book page titled "WV 4th District American Legion Auxiliary". Please join in and update us on your Unit. Until next month.... enjoy your Fall, Y'all.

Thank a Veteran  
For God and Country  
Cathy Post  
4th District President

### *5th District President*

The holidays will be upon us before we know it and I know everyone will be busy with all the activities your unit has planned.

It is the time of you when we concentrate even more on our veterans and the children and youth of our community. Thank you for all you do to support our veterans on a day to day basis. They have given so much and what we give back is so little in comparison.

Keep the memberships coming in. Membership teams from each unit are working hard to include others in the experience of the American Legion Auxiliary. Keep up the great work.

Fall conference was a great success and I hope those attending enjoyed themselves as much as I did. Thank you Huntington Unit #16 for hosting.

Beth Kilgore,  
Fifth District President

### *5th District Vice President*

Hello Ladies,

First of all I want to think you ladies of the Fifth District, for working hard on membership. I know it has been a hard year for us all.

I will be calling the units over membership to see how it's going and to see if I can help in anyway. I will call the members that haven't renewed their membership to see what is wrong and to tell them we need them and the veterans need them as well. We will get new members in with a membership drive.

We all work for god and our country.

Thank you  
JoAnn Hastings  
Fifth District Vice President



### *6th District President*

Hi To Everyone

Hope this nice fall weather is agreeing with everyone.

Sixth District had their Fall Conference on Saturday ,October 10,2015. We had a nice turn out for this meeting we had all of 6th Units present except Unit # 9, and they were missed. We had our Department President Susan Wade with us and also Paulette Anderson our Secretary/ Treasurer. We had a very informative meeting Paulette updated us on a lot of things. Beckley Unit 32 did a fantastic job in getting this meeting set up, thanks to Linda, Theresa, and Mary these are officers of Unit 32, and also thanks to Kathy Bailey for helping.

Ladies if your Unit does anything please let me know so that I can get it in the Spirit. I know Veterans Day is coming up and I am sure that your Unit will be doing different things to help the Veterans so please let me know. I now Welch Unit 8 will be doing the dinner on the 10th and we will be decorating the reviewing stand. We are planning on having a pancake breakfast on Saturday, October 31, 2015, please come join us. I know Beckley has soup and sandwich for the Veterans.

If you have not paid your mandatory funds it is time to do it. Membership is coming in pretty good so keep up the good work I know your 6th District President is happy with this.

Please keep all of our Veterans in your prayer.

So until next time God Bless.

Peggy Swartz

6th District President

### *6th District Vice President*

October 10th was a very nice day with Aux members from District 6.

Beckley 32 was host and the meal was great.

Membership is coming in slow, but a pick up after District meeting.

The holidays always slow down all of us. and so many activities going on.

To all the ladies in my District 6 keep up the good work on your programs and God Bless all.

VETERANS are our goal. Thank a veteran today.

Rita Alley

6th District Vice President

### *9th District President*

Greetings from beautiful Webster County!

The leaves are at peak color and look sensational. If you haven't seen them you need to take a drive and see what you are missing. You won't be disappointed.

Although our attendance was down, our Ninth District meeting went well. President Susan Wade and Sec/Treas. Paulette Anderson were present and gave us lots of helpful information.

With the new increase from National (24%) we will have to work even harder to get new members and try to get past members to rejoin.

There is a challenge between 9th and 3rd Districts to get the most members by July 1, 2016. Losing District must pay \$25, let's not lose this one!!!

Dist. Pres. Susan Cook challenged all units in 9th Dist.to do a project and raise money to be donated for Dept. Pres. Susan Wade's Special Project (Girl's State). There will be a monetary donation given to the unit who raises the most money by July 1, 2016.

If you need my assistance with anything at all please don't hesitate to call me at 304-644-2102 or 304-226-3784.

Let's make this our best year ever!!!!!!

Until next month keep the faith and continue your good work.

God Bless

Susan Cook

9th District President

### *10th District Vice President*

Hello ladies,

I have been calling each unit. There are a couple who have responded, and some who haven't. I want to thank those who have called back and I appreciate you. If you could email me your names and phone number along with emails of your membership chairman. This way we can stay in contact with each other.

As of October 12th some have reached the 35%;

Martinsburg 14--35.29 %

Charlestown 71--49.74 %

Petersburg 78--40.74 %

Romney 91-- 40.91%

Charlestown 102-- 40.91 %

Paw Paw 128-- 37.14 %

Congratulations to these units and other unit moving up. District President Sharon and I will be working together to get units up in membership. We will be going to the units after Fall Conference.

You can call me 304-707-5512 if you need help

Sharon Kauffman 10th District Vice President

### *10th District President*

Hello Ladies:

Well I believe the cooler weather is here to stay!

I would like to thank all that attended the Fall District Conference.

Thank you Romney for having our District Conference. The food and Hospitality was outstanding.

I hope that you were able to learn and take back information to your unit.

Membership is coming great; but we still have a few zero. Congratulations to the Units that made Target # 2; 35%.

Make sure that you read Vice President's Sharon article. She is working very hard.

The Mid-Winter will be held at Lakeview. This will occur at the beginning of February 2016. Look for more information in the Spirit

Also, please remember that the chain of Command. Try to solve the situation in the unit; Should that not occur; than contact District and hopefully that action will solve the problem. Last result is calling in Department; when that happens the unit has to pay for all person coming to their unit. This includes their travel, food and lodging.

Again thank you for all who came to the Fall Conference. There will be more information in the next Spirit.

Wishing you a Blessed Thanksgiving and your family.

Please wish our Veterans and their love ones also. Remember the Veterans DEPEND ON US. WE HAVE TO KEEP OUR PROMISE.

Thank you for all the hard work that you do.

God Bless America

Sharon Glassford

10th District President

## Department Chaplain

Hello Ladies,

It is coming up on one of our busy times of the year. We have Thanksgiving this month and several other Holidays to follow.

As everyone prepares their events please remember to forward any prayers and poems you see or know to me for President Susan Wade's Prayer Book. I appreciate all members' help this year.

As you all know we recently lost one of our own WV soldier. I am asking that everyone include a special "Thank You and Dedication" for Staff Sgt. Ryan Hammond during your Veterans' Day Ceremony. I personally knew this gentleman through my children and he was such a great person. Ryan was caring and helped others when needed.

God Bless and Happy Thanksgiving,  
Rhonda Best  
Department Chaplain



## Auxiliary Emergency Fund

Hello Ladies,

Hope you have some fundraising activity planned, so your unit can make a donation to help other members in need. Any person or unit that donates \$50 will receive an AEF pin. You can do small fundraisers at your meetings, in your post homes with approval from the post, or out in the public.

Another way to help members in need point them to or help them apply for utility assistance.

<https://www.dollarenergy.org/need-help/westvirginia/west-virginia-utility-assistance-program/>

Happy Thanksgiving  
Lisa Cadwallader, Chairman  
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## Centennial Strategic Plan

### BRANDING for the American Legion Auxiliary

The American Legion owns the trademark on the American Legion Auxiliary emblem. Our emblem is the main identifier of our organization, and it's one of our most valuable assets at the American Legion Auxiliary. Over the course of our more than nine decades of history, our emblem has remained unchanged and has become well known within our organization – we must preserve and perpetuate this.

#### Here are some rules from the Branding Guide published by the American Legion Auxiliary

\*\*The name is always capitalized and should never be shortened. We need to write or say the American Legion Auxiliary not ALA (especially in public). We are not the "Woman's Auxiliary" or the "Legion Auxiliary" and you are not a member of Post.

\*\*Any use of the name "American Legion Auxiliary" or the emblem shall be subject to the approval of the national secretary, provided, however (a) that any request for such other use shall first be subject to departmental approval before submission to the national secretary, and (b) that any other such use by the departments when approved by the national secretary, shall be confined within the territorial limits of the department.

\*\*No unit, county, district, or department of the American Legion Auxiliary, and no officer or member, thereof, has authority to grant the right to manufacture, reproduce, or deal in items bearing the name and/or emblem of the American Legion Auxiliary.

\*\*Use of the American Legion Auxiliary emblem is controlled by the national organization. All requests for approval to use the emblem must first be sent to the department secretary. The request letter must state who will perform the duplicating (manufacturing), the name of the product, its intended use and the exact amount being ordered. Additional quantities require new authority. The department secretary indicates her approval and affixes her signature before forwarding the request to the national secretary.

\*\*The letter authorizing use of the emblem by the national secretary must be issued to the manufacturer and will be sent directly to the manufacturer. Copies of the authorization letter will be sent to the department secretary and the person making the request if that information is

\*\*Units are confined to using the emblem or reproduction of the emblem on stationary, unit publications, notices, posters, place cards, or matters of similar character used in the ordinary routine and conduct of legitimate unit business. Departments are similarly limited. Any other use of the name "American Legion Auxiliary" or the emblem shall be subject to the approval of the national organization.

We need to get our brand out to the public and make the American Legion Auxiliary an organization so that others will want to join us and work with us.

**REMEMBER TO BE BRANDED at the Midwinter Conference at Lakeview in February. On Saturday, my challenge is to wear red/white/blue with the American Legion Auxiliary emblem. Those not wearing red/white/blue and emblem will be fined \$1 for the President's Project. You will be fined only by me. What your friends do it up to them.**

Ann Buchanan  
American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of West Virginia  
Centennial Strategic Planning Committee

## Americanism

November is one of the most important months. We celebrate 96 years of Faith, Family and Freedom with the birthdate of The American Legion November 10 1919. Happy Birthday!! If not for our veterans, we would not have this.

On the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour we will celebrate with solemn pride those that gave their lives and gratitude for the victory of others returning from the "Great War" WWI, November 11, 1918. An Act (53 Stat. 351; 5 U. S. Code, Sec. 87a) approved May 13, 1938 made the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and known as "Armistice Day", but in 1954 after WWII with the greatest mobilization of forces and aggression in Korea the 83rd Congress removed the word Armistice and inserted the word Veteran.

November is a month near and dear to my heart, it's Go Purple with a Purpose for Alzheimer's Diseases Awareness and Caregivers Month. President Reagan designated this in 1983. November 15 1777 The Articles of Confederation were adopted by the Continental Congress. November 19 1863 President Abraham Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg address in less than two minutes. Many in attendance were unimpressed at the time but Lincoln's words came to symbolize the very definition of democracy itself. November 22 1963 at 12:30 pm shots rang out in Dallas, striking our beloved President John F Kennedy, the 35th President of the United States. I think most of us will remember where we were and what we were doing at that time in history. Thanksgiving Day is a National Holiday on the fourth day of November and has been since 1789 after a proclamation by President George Washington as a day of prayer and public thanksgiving in gratitude for successful establishment of a new American Republic. Each year a turkey gets a "Presidential pardon", this started and has been carried on since George H.W. Bush, Vice President under Ronald Reagan in 1989 and continues, with the turkey being sent to various zoos and farms. We have so much to be thankful for in these United States.

Please try to get into your local schools and help the teachers with all this information. Veterans in VA hospitals, local nursing homes might need a visit or a turkey picture colored by the children. Perhaps you can offer a Veterans Day dinner and a Thanksgiving Day dinner for the less unfortunate in your community. Just remember to thank a Veteran for all they have given us.

Until next month, wear your Poppy with pride!

For God and Country  
Cathy Post  
Americanism



## Children and Youth

Hello To All,

We are now three months into our new year. I'm sure we are all looking for original ways to work on our Children and Youth Program. So as the post works on their Veteran's Day program, I suggest you send out an open invitation to the youth of your area. This way they might bring their parents with them ( Possible New Members) and you could have the opportunity to interact with the local young people. The possibilities could be endless. Candidates for both Boys and Girls State, students for your scholarships, the Poppy poster contest and even new young volunteers. This could be the beginning of more chances to enhance your Children and Youth program.

As you and your family prepare for the holiday season, please take time to think about of our veterans. Not all of our veterans are from past wars. Some are from our present wars with wives and young children that have fallen through the cracks in our systems, that are set up to help these very families. Yes, I'm talking about homeless families. I can't think of a worse time of the year to be homeless.

So remember your local soup kitchens and homeless shelters serve children as well adults.

National has ask that I get in contact with all unit Children and Youth chairman in our department. If I can't find names and addresses I'll be reaching out to the unit presidents for information. Also keep in mind I'll be asking for mid year reports soon.

Happy Thanksgiving,  
Children and Youth Chairman  
Debbie Fox

*Poppy Pictures  
At Fall Workshop  
2015  
Decorations Made by  
Shirley Davis  
Ceredo-Kenova #93*





## Constitution & Bylaws

Please remember you must change the wording under eligibility. The revision regarding eligibility adopted by the American Legion Auxiliary amended the National Constitution Article III Section 1 to read:

Membership in the American Legion Auxiliary shall be limited to the grandmothers, mothers, sisters, wives, and direct and adopted female descendants of the members of The American Legion, and to the grandmothers, mothers, sisters, wives, and direct and adopted female descendants of all men and women who were in the Armed Force of the United States during the following periods; April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918; December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946; June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955; February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975; August 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984; December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990; August 2, 1990 to the date of cessation of hostilities as determined by the Government of the United States; all dates inclusive or who being citizens of the United States at the time of their entry therein, served on active duty in the Armed Forces of any of the governments associated the United States during any of said periods, and died in line of duty or after honorable discharged; and to the women who of their own right are eligible for membership in The American Legion.

Remember you don't have to send to me for approval, just amend your Constitution and send into Department Headquarters so Department Secretary Paulette can attach it to your Unit's constitution.

Susan Brown  
Constitution & Bylaws Chairman

## Education

Hello Ladies,

This may be a repeat for those that attended fall work shop but well worth repeating. It is the Units responsibility to make sure that all scholarships, Department and National, are filled out correctly and completely, and that the correct requirements are attached. If something is missing, not complete, or done correctly National discards the application. So please review them and if need be go back to the person and explain what's wrong and give them a chance to correct the problem.

Don't forget to honor educators during National education week, Nov. 16 - 20. Want some history on national education week, <http://www.nea.org/grants/61038.htm> you might be surprised at how long its been around and how long the Legion has been a sponsor.

With veterans day around the corner, hopefully you have worked with the schools to get veterans in the classrooms to talk with school children.

Congratulations to Katherine Mossburg of Bridgeport, WV for being in the top 10 to win the American Legion Samsung Scholarship, she will receive 20,000 for undergrad studies.

Updates on Education:

- 1) The "Veterans in the Classroom" program will now be called "Veterans in Community Schools". This title more accurately covers things such as volunteering in various ways in addition to single classroom programs. We are encouraged to tutor, share flag education etiquette, assist with field trips, etc. etc. and be a visible presence in our schools. The new title will encompass "all" of those activities rather than just appear to focus on single classroom presentations.
- 2) The American Legion still has the "School Medal Award Program" and has an updated and modernized brochure for it.
- 3) The American Legion has developed an "Education Development Guide" which will be published sometime in November, 2015.
- 4) There will be a new "on-line" process for Samsung Scholarship applicants. Look for further details soon.

Happy Thanksgiving  
Lisa Cadwallader  
Lisac.ala71@gmail.com  
240-271-8385

## Parliamentarian

### Parliamentary Points to Ponder



The most important principle that all presiding officers must remember is that they represent all the members, not just a select few and not just those with whom they agree. The duty of the presiding officer is to keep control of the meeting, but more that it is to see that during debate, all the facts – pros and cons – come out in the discussion so that the assembly can make an informed decision. No member should feel that the presiding officer takes sides, but rather that the officer allows the assembly, through the democratic process, to arrive at the will of the majority. To ensure fairness and impartiality, the president adheres to the following rules:

\*\* In a business meeting, the president CANNOT make motions or enter into debate.

\*\*The president can enter into debate only if he or she leaves the chair and lets the vice president or another officer preside; that is, if the president gives up his or her function of presiding over the meeting. If the presiding officer steps down and enters debate, he or she must stay out of the chair (not return to presiding) until the motion has been disposed of either temporarily or finally.

\*\*The president also steps down from the chair and lets the vice president or another officer preside when a motion has direct personal or monetary interest or when he or she is censured. However, the presiding officer can stay in the chair during nominations and elections when he or she is a candidate for office or is being considered in a motion with others – for example, if there is a motion to send delegates to a convention and the president is nominated as one of the candidates.

\*\*The president DOES NOT vote except in three situations:

- if the president's vote would break a tie vote
- if the president's vote would create a tie vote
- if the president voted in balloted voting, he or she cannot not break a tie (this would give the president two (2) votes and is not allowed)

Ann Buchanan  
Parliamentarian



## National Security

### Blue Star Banner

It's an American tradition to display a Blue Star Service Banner in the window of a home when a loved one is proudly serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. As Americans support troops deployed overseas, the Blue Star Service Banner is a reminder that war touches every neighborhood.

The Blue Star Service Banner was designed and patented in 1917 by World War I Army Capt. Robert L. Queisser of the 5th Ohio Infantry. Queisser's two sons served on the front line. His banner quickly became the unofficial symbol for parents with a child in active military service. Blue Star Mothers and Gold Star Mothers organizations were established during World War I and remain active today.

During World War II, the Department of War issued specifications on manufacture of the flag, as well as guidelines indicating when the service flag could be flown and by whom. Restrictions were also passed on who can wear the service lapel. The Department of Defense authorized the service flag and service lapel on Dec. 1, 1967. The Blue Star Service Banner is an 8.5-by-14-inch white field with one or more blue stars sewn onto a red banner. The size varies but should be in proportion to the U.S. flag. Today, families display these banners when they have a loved one serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. The blue star represents one family member serving, and a banner can have up to five stars. If the individual is killed or dies, a smaller golden star is placed over it. Gold stars are placed above the blue stars or to the top right of the flag, in the event a flag represents multiple service members.

Blue Star Service Banners were widely used during both world wars, but were not embraced during the Korean or Vietnam wars with the same enthusiasm. The American Legion rekindled that spirit of pride in our military men and women following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks by providing banners to military families across the nation.

The Blue Star Banner has seen a resurgence of late and I would like to encourage each unit to honor the Blue Star Mothers in your community. You can hold as recognition ceremony or simply honor them with the presentation of a Blue Star Banner, decal, button or lapel pin. I distributed Blue Star Banners on card stock at the Leadership Conference and these can be copied and put in windows. Whatever you choose to do, remember these mothers are making a tremendous sacrifice for our country and we need to honor that sacrifice.

For more information, contact The American Legion Public Relations Office at (317) 630-1253.

[Order Online Blue Star Banner from Emblem](#)  
Sales Toll-free number: (888) 453-4466

Beth Kilgore  
Chairman

## Poppy

### Poppy Poster Contest

I would like for all units to sponsor a Poppy Poster contest in your local schools. The contest will have seven classes

Class 1: Grades 2 and 3

Class 2: Grades 4 and 5

Class 3: Grades 6 and 7

Class 4: Grades 8 and 9

Class 5: Grades 10 and 11

Class 6: Grade 12

Class 7: Students with special needs defined as: those in special education classes; A student recommended for special education but who has not been admitted due to a waiting list or due to lack of facilities, identification contingent upon discretion of school officials.

Poster Requirements:

1. Each poster shall have a fitting slogan not to exceed 10 words. Words "a", "and", "an", "the", are not to be counted as words. The words "buddy" and "buy" cannot be used.

2. The words "American Legion Auxiliary" must be used in the design of the poster and will not be counted in the 10-word count.

3. Each poster must include a picture of the red Flanders Field poppy.

4. The closing date of the unit contest is January 1, 2016. The poster shall be on 11 x 14 poster board, drawing paper will not be accepted.

5. The United States flag may be used as long as there are no infractions of the flag code.

6. Media used shall be watercolors, crayons, powder or oil paint, hand-made paper cutouts, ink or textures, acrylics, pencils, and markers.

7. Written in ink on the back of the poster shall be the class in which the entry is submitted, the name, address, age, and grade of the contestant and the name of the department.

8. Submissions become property of the American Legion Auxiliary and the contestant grant legal rights to have their poster published for commercial use.

9. The poster must be the work of only one individual.

10. The label "In Memoriam" from the veteran made poppy may not be used.

11. When the Holy Cross is used, the Star of David also shall be used.

Please bring these posters to Midwinter in February to be judged so the winners can be sent on to National.

Thank you so much, and if you need to call me, 304-657-5740  
I would always be happy to talk to you.

Roxie Nicholson  
Poppy Chairman



September 2015 WAYS-N-MEANS WINNERS				
NAME	LOCATION	WINNING #	DATE	AMT PAID
		566	9/1/15	
Jack Girod	Clarksburg, WV	695	9/2/15	\$25.00
Royce B. Saville	Romney, WV	060	9/3/15	\$25.00
		604	9/4/15	
		118	9/5/15	
		990	9/7/15	
Yvonne Senter	Pittsburgh, PA	844	9/8/15	\$25.00
		226	9/9/15	
		589	9/10/15	
Bradleigh Scheuvront	Lumberport, WV	065	9/11/15	\$25.00
		530	9/12/15	
		719	9/14/15	
		792	9/15/15	
		129	9/16/15	
		822	9/17/15	
Diana Glover	Alvy, WV	168	9/18/15	\$25.00
Larry Johnson	Romney, WV	421	9/19/15	\$25.00
Lillian Largent	Romney, WV	489	9/21/15	\$25.00
		328	9/22/15	
Carrie Dillsworth	Romney, WV	490	9/23/15	\$25.00
Debbie Phares	Elkins, WV	916	9/24/15	\$25.00
Marcia Keister	Romney, WV	190	9/25/15	\$25.00
		006	9/26/15	
Linda Corbin	Romney, WV	858	9/28/15	\$25.00
		644	9/29/15	
		706	9/30/15	

### 2016 Ways & Means

Thanks to all Units who have taken 2016 tickets to sell. I have sold some already, and they are in the system.

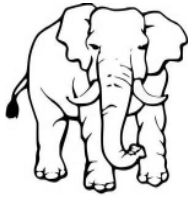
Remember when you sell some tickets go ahead and send those in to Department. Don't hold them. Make sure the check is made out to: Department Ways & Means.

Time is running short, for 2016 year to begin, so Let's Get Selling!! And Good Luck!!

Paulette Anderson  
2016 Ways & Means



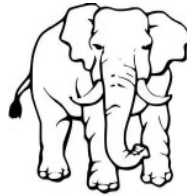
# Membership 2015-2016 Filling The Big Top With Members



**Target 3—November 11th—45%**  
**National Goal—8455**  
**Membership To Date—3092 (36.57 %)**  
**Department Unit #200—61**



Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Wheeling #1	26	0	
Moundsville #3	365	98	26.85%
McMechen #5	68	34	50.00%
Weirton #10	77	18	23.38%
Cameron #18	230	79	34.35%
New Martinsville #28	163	94	57.67%
Wellsburg #34	32	23	71.88%
Follansbee #45	51	2	3.92%
Benwood #46	117	48	41.03%
Pine Grove #81	111	32	28.83%
Paden City #86	146	60	41.10%
Wheeling #89	40	10	25.00%
Newell #114	50	16	32.00%
Hundred #120	107	27	25.23%
Chester #121	192	55	28.65%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1775</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>33.58%</b>

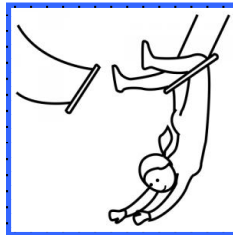


*Elephant Keeper*

*Goal—4520*

*To Date—1722*

*( 38.10 % )*



*Lion Keeper*

*Goal—3824*

*To Date—1309*

*(34.23 %)*

Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Buckhannon #7	66	40	60.61%
Grafton #12	26	1	3.85%
Clarksburg #13	180	118	65.56%
Shinnston #31	358	189	52.80%
Braxton Co. #33	32	7	21.88%
Mannington #40	22	12	54.55%
Philippi #44	39	6	15.38%
Bridgeport #68	56	3	5.36%
Jane Lew #166	46	33	71.74%
Morgantown #174	35	0	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>42.56%</b>

Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Huntington #16	302	148	49.01%
Logan #19	19	7	36.84%
Ceredo-Kenova #93	451	14	3.10%
Hamlin #111	61	1	1.64%
Milton #139	82	33	40.24%
Barboursville #177	168	65	38.69%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1083</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>24.75%</b>

Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
St. Albans #73	77	33	42.86%
South Charleston #94	24	10	41.67%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>42.57%</b>

Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Martinsburg #14	153	54	35.29%
Franklin #30	22	0	
Piedmont #52	34	0	
Berkeley Springs #60	251	113	45.02%
Moorefield #64	131	31	23.66%
Charles Town #71	305	152	49.84%
Petersburg #78	108	44	40.74%
Romney #91	310	125	40.33%
Charles Town #102	22	9	40.91%
Paw Paw #128	70	26	37.14%
Kirby #134	54	17	31.48%
Ridgeley #136	118	41	34.75%
Capon Bridge #137	144	17	11.81%
Keyser #152	58	3	5.17%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1780</b>	<b>632</b>	<b>35.51%</b>

Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Parkersburg #15	1011	510	50.45%
Spencer #21	66	35	53.03%
Pt. Pleasant #23	423	157	37.12%
Sistersville #67	159	36	22.64%
Parkersburg #104	14	8	57.14%
New Haven #140	174	54	31.03%
Williamstown #159	202	71	35.15%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2049</b>	<b>871</b>	<b>42.51%</b>

Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Welch #8	87	24	27.59%
Bluefield #9	34	16	47.06%
Beckley #32	50	1	2.00%
Gary #38	90	53	58.89%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>36.02%</b>

Unit	2016 Goal	2016	% of Goal
Elkins #29	215	79	36.74%
Cowen #62	54	20	37.04%
Lewisburg #69	76	39	51.32%
Belington #96	42	22	52.38%
Richwood #97	22	0	
Pickens #122	26	1	3.85%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>37.01%</b>



# November

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

1  <i>Daylight Savings Begins</i>	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11  <i>Veterans Day Office Closed</i>  <i>Target #3 45%</i>	12	13	14
15	16	17 <i>Spirit Articles Due</i>	18	19	20 <i>Spirit Out VA Checks Mailed</i>	21
22	23	24	25	26 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i>  <i>Office Closed</i>	27 <i>Office Closed</i>	28
29	30					

## **Challenges Made By District Vice Presidents**

**10th District Challenged 1st District: Most New Members by Feb. 1st. Loser pays \$25.00 to RGS.**

**1st District Challenged 10th District: Highest % Membership by July 1st. Loser pays \$25.00 to RGS.**

**3rd District Challenged 9th District: Most Membership by Feb. 1st. Loser pays \$25.00 to RGS.**

**9th District Challenged 3rd District: Most Members by July 1st. Loser pays \$25.00 to RGS.**

**4th District Challenged 5th District: Most New members by Feb. 1st. Loser pays \$25.00 to RGS.**

**5th District Challenged 4th District: Reach Goal by May 1st. Loser pays \$25.00 to RGS.**

**6th District Challenged 8th District: Most Membership by Feb. 1st. Loser pays \$25.00 to RGS.**

**8th District Challenged 6th District: Most Members by July 1st. Loser pays \$25.00 to RGS.**

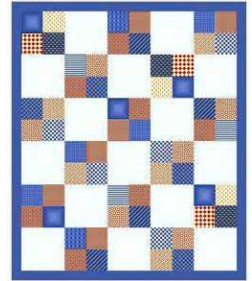
**Since some of the District Vice Presidents or Presidents weren't at the workshop, the Membership Chairman did their challenge.**

**Due to not having monthly 15th Target Dates, challenges were done by 1st of Feb. for Mid-winter Conference, 1st of July for State Convention pay offs. May 1st is the only other challenge date.**

**SILENT AUCTION  
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2016  
MIDWINTER CONFERENCE  
LAKEVIEW RESORTS MORGANTOWN WV**



**ITEMS CAN BE SPECIAL BASKETS—VALENTINES,  
ST. PATRICK DAY, FOOTBALL, MOVIE THEME, ETC.**



**WREATHS, FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS, QUILTS,  
GIFT CARDS, BAKED GOODS, AFGHANS, ETC.**



**BRING ON SATURDAY MORNING  
IF WRAPPED, INCLUDE LISTING OF WHAT IS INSIDE**

**A SPECIAL BASKET WILL BE RAFFLED OFF AT THIS AUCTION**



**PROCEEDS BENEFIT DEPARTMENT WELFARE FUND**



**BOYS STATE**

**GIRL STATE**

***AUCTION***

**WHEN: Mid Winter WHERE: Cheat Lake**

**TIME: After Friday's Meeting**

**Please bring New or Slightly used items to  
Mid-Winter to help both The Boys State  
and Girl State Programs.**

**Thanks,**

**Director: Jim Davis**

**Director: Michelle Sirbaugh**

**2016 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE  
RESERVATION FORM**

February 5-6, 2016  
Lakeview Resort  
One Lakeview Drive  
Morgantown, West Virginia 26508

\$77.00 per night room rate (plus 12% tax)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ AM PM Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_

Room Type: (circle one) Double King *Additional charge of \$10 for a King Room*

Non-Smoking Facility

Handicap Room: (circle one) wheelchair oxygen tank other  
If you circled "other", please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Members with wheelchair disabilities will receive first priority.

**One night's deposit must accompany this request to reserve a room. Any form without a deposit will be returned.** Enclosed, please find one night's room deposit of \$77.00 (plus 12% tax) = \$86.24 per night

(circle one)  
check cash credit card  
# \_\_\_\_\_ credit card # \_\_\_\_\_  
type \_\_\_\_\_  
expiration date \_\_\_\_\_

Your credit card may be charged for the one night's room deposit.

**Mail to: Lakeview Resort  
ATTN: Megan  
One Lakeview Drive  
Morgantown, West Virginia 26508**

**This form must be mailed to reserve a room at Lakeview Resort.  
(No phone calls for rooms will be accepted.)**

**PLEASE PRE-REGISTER EARLY- THANKS!  
CANCELLATION MUST BE 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE TO RECEIVE REFUND.**

***CANCELLATION MUST BE  
48 HOURS IN ADVANCE  
TO RECEIVE REFUND***

YOU ARE INVITED  
TO THE 35<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
MID WINTER CONFERENCE

FEBRUARY 5-6, 2016

LAKEVIEW RESORT  
MORGANTOWN, WEST VIRGINIA

ADVANCED REGISTRATION - \$20.00  
AT DOOR REGISTRATION - \$25.00

RETURN BOTTOM PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT

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I AM SENDING \$ \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_ ADVANCED REGISTRATION(S).  
PLEASE ATTACH A LIST OF INDIVIDUALS FOR WHICH YOU PAYING.  
SPELL NAME AS IT IS TO APPEAR ON NAME BADGE DURING CONFERENCE

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

POST/UNIT/SAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL TO: THE AMERICAN LEGION  
DEPARTMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA  
PO BOX 3191  
CHARLESTON WV 25332

**DEADLINE DATE: JANUARY 29, 2016**



# 35<sup>TH</sup> Annual Mid-Winter Conference

2016

## ADVERTISING FORM

The American Legion,  
Department of West Virginia, Inc.

I hereby authorize the following advertisement to be placed in the official program of the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Mid-Winter Conference of The American Legion, Department of West Virginia, Inc., scheduled February 5-6, 2016, at Lakeview Resort, Morgantown, West Virginia.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2015/2016

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Post/Unit/SAL

Please specify exactly how your ad should read. Only the information you supply will be published. An attached copy of your ad is very helpful. Be sure to state if Legion, Auxiliary, or SAL Emblem is requested.

Ad should read as follows:

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Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Price List:	<b>Full Page</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Full Page (Color)</b>	<b>\$160</b>
	<b>Half Page</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>Half Page (Color)</b>	<b>\$100</b>
	<b>Quarter Page</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<b>Quarter Page (Color)</b>	<b>\$70</b>
	<b>Eighth Page</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Eighth Page (Color)</b>	<b>\$ 50</b>

Please send your ad along with a check made payable to: **The American Legion**  
**P.O. Box 3191**  
**Charleston, WV 25332**

Ad and Payment Deadline is January 15, 2016.  
No Deviation

**2016 AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL CONVENTION  
RESERVATION INVOICE**

AUGUST 26-SEPTEMBER 1, 2016

WESTIN CINCINNATI  
21 EAST HULTH STREET  
CINCINNATI, OHIO 45202

NAME(S) OF ATTENDEE(S)

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-MAIL:

**(\$129.00 per night plus 17.50 % hotel tax) One Night's Room Deposit \$ 151.57**

\$17 Self Parking Rate per day - \$10 Valet Parking

**PLEASE MAIL PAYMENT BY MAY 2, 2016**

ARRIVAL DATE TO HOTEL			
DEPARTURE DATE FROM HOTEL			
KING OR DOUBLE			
SMOKING OR NON-SMOKING ROOM			
		Quantity	Amount
ONE NIGHT'S ROOM DEPOSIT @	\$151.00		
ADDITIONAL OCCUPANT @ (3-4 persons)	\$10.00		
REGISTRATION FEE @	\$25.00		
NATIONAL COMMANDER'S BANQUET @	\$45.00		
SOUTHERN BLOC BREAKFAST @	\$30.00		
HOSPITALITY ROOM FEE @	\$20.00		
NATIONAL CONVENTION SHIRT @ First Name: _____ Size: _____	\$25.00		
TOTAL			

**FIRST NIGHT'S DEPOSIT REQUIRED.**

**WE WILL BILL YOU FOR OTHER CHARGES**

**PLEASE ORDER YOU NATIONAL CONVENTION SHIRT ON THIS FORM**

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE AND MAIL TO:

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA

Total

PO BOX 3191

CHARLESTON WV 25332

*National Convention fillable form on-line: [www.wvlegion.org](http://www.wvlegion.org)*

If you have any questions, please contact Department Headquarters at 1-888-514-2667

**First Night Deposit Required**

**PLEASE RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!**

THANK YOU!!

\*You will not be charged for the Delegate fee. If you are not elected as a delegate at your District Convention or on the floor at the State Convention, Department Headquarters will bill you for the \$25.00 registration fee after State Convention.

**State Newsletter "Auxiliary SPIRIT"**

MAIL TO:

**The American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of West Virginia  
1251 Doolin Run Road  
New Martinsville WV 26155**

**Purchase/Renew Your Subscription!**

**\$16.00 per year**

**Runs August through July Each Year**

Make check payable to:

**Dept. Treasurer, ALA**

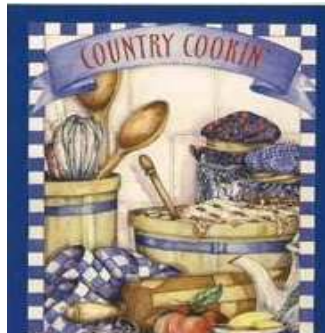
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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](http://www.wvaux.org) Unit Presidents **with no email contact** will receive a free copy.



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

**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