



The Auxiliary Spirit



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American Legion Auxiliary
2019-2021
Department President

“Building Memories for Our Future American Legion Auxiliary while Loving Our Veterans Everyday”



**Yellow Rose Represents
Friendship
White Rose Represents
Purity and Love**

Hello everyone,

It was a pleasure making all the conferences but One. District 1, I'm are so sorry I didn't get to make it.

Enjoyed being able to see some of you at the Commanders Homecoming.

Looking forward to going to Grafton for Memorial Day Parade. In June I will be heading to Rhododendron Girl State to join the National President Nicole Clapp. I am looking forward to it.

Thank you all for working so hard on Membership. We still have a ways to go. I really think if we work really hard, we can be a Goal state.

Everyone have a great Memorial Day and stay safe.

If you know a Veteran, Auxiliary member or just a stranger who might need a meal or helping hand, food, or anything, I'm sure they would appreciate it. Or just a simple stop and check on them. We are a team not an individual. Go team!

For God and Country
Department President
Sharon Kauffman



Department Officers 2019-2021

President-Sharon Kauffman
1st Vice President-Cathy Post
2nd Vice President-Savanna Kauffman
Secretary/Treasurer-Paulette Anderson
Chaplain-Mary Jennings
Historian-Beth Kilgore

District Presidents

1st District-Holly Adams
3rd District-Carla Wilfong
4th District-Patsy Young-Greiner
5th District-Beth Kilgore
6th District-Peggy Swartz
10th District-Debbie Michael

District Vice Presidents

1st District-Stephanie Handley
3rd District-Kimberly Mellie
4th District-
5th District-Kitty Kelly-Smoot
6th District-Mary Spence
10th District-Bonnie Wilcox

“Honoring Our Legacy, Celebrating Our Tomorrows”

Membership Chairman

WONDERFUL – 22 goal units!
CONGRATULATIONS TO Morgan-town #174 +128.89%; Follansbee #45 +128.57%; Moorefield #64 +123.33%; Logan #19 +118.18%; Weirton #10 +110.20%; Ridgeley #136 +109.76%; Capon Bridge #137 +109.56%; Paw Paw #128 +108.33%; Romney #91 +107.93%; Cowen #62 +104.76%; Spencer # 21 +102.94%; Chester #121 +102.17%; Berkeley Springs #60 +101.80%; Clarksburg #13 +101.72%; Petersburg #78 +101.49%; Gary # 38 +101.25%; Wheeling #89 +100.00%; Richwood #97 +100.00%; Paden City #86 + 100.00%; Moundsville # 3 +100.00%; Charles Town #102 +100.00%; Cameron # 18 +100.00%; Beckley #32 +100.00%.

In addition to the Goal Units, we have three units that reached the May 15th target date of 95%: Martinsburg #14 +97.98%; New Haven #140 +97.84%; and Pickens #122 +95%. You all are oh so close! I know you can do it!

Our next **Target Date is June 15 @ 100%**.

I know that with a little extra effort we can become a Goal Department. Our goal is 5,132 and we have 4,676 paid members. We gained 90 members in one month and 456 members shy of goal. Now, I know that we can do this!!!

I am challenging our Department Vices to be in contact with the District Vice Presidents; in turn, District Vice Presidents please be in contact with your Units – lend a helping hand – see what you can do to make it happened. Make phone calls to those delinquent members. Have your Units pay for the shut-ins, hospitals, nursing homes and rehabs.

Let’s bring these numbers up and have a positive ending! I know **WE CAN DO IT!**

Rosie the Riveter
 Lynda Lancaster-Loyd
 Membership Chairman



Department 1st Vice President

Hey Jitterbugs,
 SPRING IS HERE!!! Busy time of the year for all of us; Poppy Day May 28, Memorial Day May 31 and finishing up MEMBERSHIP!! Statewide we have 22 Goal Units and so many that are close. Our half of the state is 93.67%, you are amazing !! Kirby #134, Piedmont #52 and Barboursville #177 are the only ones below 80%, gotta’ get a wiggle on gals. Kudos to Clarksburg #13, Morgantown #174, Logan #19, Berkley Springs #60, Moorfield #64, Petersburg #78, Romney #91, Charles Town #102, Paw Paw #128, Ridgeley #136, and Capon Bridge #137, **JOB WELL DONE!**

I got to attend 1st District Conference, congratulations to the new officers there and many thanks to Wheeling Unit 89 for a wonderful day and their hospitality. Your meal was delicious, and a good time was had by all.

This past weekend I attended Commander Powell’s Homecoming, nice turnout and the food was very tasty. So good to be back with so many that I have missed. Legion Rider’s Legacy Run was very successful, many miles and \$14,000.00 collected for a wonderful cause.

With the mask mandate pretty much lifted, please stay safe, our gift from Wuhan is not going away. Prayers to those that are in need.

May you all be blessed as we honor our fallen this month. Thank a veteran.

For God and Country,
 Cathy D. Post
 1st Vice President



WWII/
 Merchant Marines Era
 12/7/41-12/31/46

Department 2nd Vice President

Hello Korea Era War Side,
 It was a pleasure to attend John Powell’s Department Commander’s homecoming with amazing people. My apologies that I couldn’t make it to 1st District but I will do my best to be at the next one.

There are now 22 units total with 100% for target goals. 10th district being the first district to get 100%. Keep up the good work, I believe we can and we will!! Let’s see if we can reach everyone’s goals in membership for President Sharon’s year! Keep doing what you all do best.

I want to say thank you all for all the updates and phone calls to keep everyone up to date.

Reminder: The next target goal is every month on the 15th.

I’m so proud of you all! Keep doing what you do especially for our veterans!

Be you - Do you - Love you

For God and Country
 Savanna Kauffman
 Department 2nd Vice President



Korea Era
 6/25/50-1/31/55



Department Headquarters



Mission Statement

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

Mandatory Funds: are *Bonding (\$5.00), Education (Scholarship), Girls State Project, Veterans' 1st Fund, (any amount your unit can afford) and Poppy Order, 10% of Poppy Proceeds.*

The Veterans Welfare Fund is the same as the Love Fund, and Veterans 1st Fund. Just had been renamed over the last few years. We don't pay 15 cents a member any more.

If you would like to receive the Spirit by email, please let me know so I can put you on the email listing. If you want Mail Call by email, I will need that also. You can have both, but if you want just one or other, let me know.

If you wish Spirit by mail, mail in \$18.00 for the year (Aug-July)

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

Please don't send me the DD214. They are for the unit files only. **Post Officer signature** is all I need on application to verify the eligibility. All applications sent to the Department Office needs to be the original. Copies are for you to keep.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATIONS HAVE THE WAR ERA AND ELIGIBILITY OF VETERAN MARKED. I AM GETTING SOME THAT ISN'T COMPLETE.

ANY PROPOSALS AND/OR RESOLUTIONS NEED TO BE SENT TO CHAIRMAN AND DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS BY TO BE PUT IN SPIRIT BEFORE CONVENTION.

Credentials to Units for Department Convention are being emailed/mailed out. Remember the deadline to have them put in.

Junior Agenda for their convention is in this Spirit.

The Pre-Convention Committees are in this spirit. The Past President's Luncheon is in this Spirit. The July Spirit will have the agenda for convention.

2021-2022 Department Candidates

President: Cathy Post Tyler County #48
1st Vice President: Savanna Kauffman Martinsburg #14
2nd Vice President: Mary Jennings Beckley #32
Secretary/Treasurer: Susan Brown Moundsville #3
Chaplain: Fran Mathess Morgantown #174
Historian: Kimberly Mellie Morgantown #174

District Officers Candidates

1st Dist. Pres. Stephanie Handley, #121
Vice Pres. Kim Elliott, #121
3rd Dist. Pres. Carla Wilfong, #31
Vice Pres. Kim Mellie, #174
4th Dist. Pres. Patsy Young-Greiner #15
Vice Pres. Marcia Finley #23
5th Dist. Pres. Kitty Kelly-Smoot #16
Vice Pres. Frema Wilson #16
6th Dist. Pres. Peggy Swartz #8
Vice Pres. Mary Spence #8
10th Dist. Pres. Savanna Kauffman, #14
Vice Pres. Jo Beth Delawder, #64

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Chaplain

Dear God, as we approach Memorial Day, may we honor and remember those who died that we might live in freedom. We remember our departed loved ones. Those we honor will be a part of our lives forever.

Lord, be with us and be our guide in time of need. We ask your support in all we do. Help us to reach out to one another, to communicate and show real care for others. Help us to be open to new experiences of personal growth and challenges. May we be alert to the opportunities before us each day.

Lord we thank the leaders of our American Legion Auxiliary, for their work this year, and for their leadership. As we have worked for God and country, we give them our grateful thanks. Amen

Let us remember in prayer our members who are in hospitals, nursing homes and rehab that they may get to return to their families and enjoy the warmer weather.

For God and Country,
Mary Jennings, Chaplain



Historian

I want to thank everyone for working so hard on their History Reports and getting them turned in on time.

What Is History?

History is the knowledge of and study of the past. It is the story of the past and a form of collective memory. History is the story of who we are, where we come from, and can potentially reveal where we are headed.

Record your history, if not for yourself and your unit but for those who will run your unit in the future. You owe it to them.

Beth Kilgore
Department Historian

3rd District President

Good Morning to all Auxiliary Members.

I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather outside. If your Unit is having a hard time finding a place to hold its meetings, plan to have it outside at a park, or someone's back yard.

Membership is coming in slowly, encourage those that are delinquent to pay their dues.

Some Units are so close to making goal, so come on and work a little harder.

If you know a Senior that has not been vaccinated encourage them to do so, we are at 79.5% and we need to be at 85% to get those Senior Citizens Centers opened back up.

If you need my help, please call me at 304-592-0247, or email me at: carlajwilfong@gmail.com.

Stay Safe
Carla Wilfong

4th District President

Greetings Members of the 4th District:

Our 2020-2021 Membership Theme is "Honoring Our Legacy, Celebrating Our Tomorrows." What have you and your Auxiliary members done to retain and recruit members? The American Legion is the largest, strongest military organization world-wide.

Membership is still coming in. Congratulations to Spencer Auxiliary Unit #21 for reaching 102.94% membership! Parkersburg #15 is 82.27%. Pt. Pleasant #23 is 85.41%. Tyler County #48 is 81.58%. Sistersville #67 is 49.43%. New Haven #140 is 97.84%. Williamstown #159 is 79.00%. Let's do a year-end push to attain 100%.

The government and the CDC are relaxing mask mandates and social distancing. That allows us to have a Poppy Drive and a Membership Drive. Let's get busy and show our communities what the American Legion organization is all about!

God Bless the U.S.A
Patsy Young-Greiner
4th District President
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5th District President

Now that Spring Conference is over and you have turned in your year-end reports, it is time to start thinking about Department Convention. It will begin Friday morning, July 9th and end on Saturday with the installation of officers. It will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in downtown Huntington. Since it is being held in the 5th District, I hope every unit will be represented. Plan now to attend!!!

Beth Kilgore, President
5th District

10th District President

Hello to all!

I hope all the moms had a wonderful Mother's Day. It appears that spring has sprung, with a little left over rain, wind and cooler temperatures. Lol

Thanks to all the units who sent their Year-end reports to Paulette. Let's hope the 10th District brings back some awards from Department Convention.

Congratulations to all our goal units! Great job! There is still time for those few units, that are close, to get the membership in.

Remember to get those up-dated Constitution/Bylaws and Standing Rules into the Department Chairpersons. They are the most important source of info for your unit running smoothly.

Memorial Day is just a couple of weeks away. Please remember Veterans who have left us. Hopefully, you can help with poppy distribution and putting flags on the Veterans graves.

If I can help you, please contact me. Hugs to all!

10th District President
Debbie Michael
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3rd District Vice President

Way to go District 3! We have 2 Goal Units (Congratulations Morgantown and Clarksburg) and the others are very close. Let's strive to reach 100%!

What an amazing time our Post 174 had with the Shinnston Riders leading the way for the Legacy Ride and the Homecoming of Department Commander John Powell. I was quite impressed with all the Legion Riders that we met.

A busy month ahead with many elections taking place. If new officers are installed...remember to encourage others to help increase membership.

Have a wonderful and warm June!

Kim Mellie
District 3
Vice President

10th District Vice President

Hello 10th District Members,

As I spoke with many, person to person meetings are increasing. Unit #14, Unit #60, Unit #64, Unit #91, Unit #102, Unit #128, Unit #134, Unit #137, and Unit #152 are doing well on membership with #91, #128, #137, and #152 having one or more new members.

Elections/Installations of officers are underway for most of the units in our District.

Activities include #128 having chances on meat boards, #91 Barbecue chicken dinners planned for mid-June, #137 Gun Bash Ticket sales, and weekly Queen of Hearts, and #60 Kentucky Derby Party.

Memorial Day services are being prepared, Poker Runs with the Riders, distributing flags along the streets with the Legion and SAL, breakfast and wreath/prayer ceremony, parades, luncheon for the veterans, Poppies, Legacy Run.

Stay healthy and safe travels to everyone.

Bonnie Wilcox
10th District Vice President

6th District Vice President

Looks like we're finally seeing light at the end of the tunnel as we can discard our mask if we have had the vaccine.

From talking with some of the members they are starting back to having meetings in person.

At our last District 6 meeting hosted by Gary Unit 38 in Welch we had an enjoyable and informative meeting.

Please continue to contact your members and collect dues for this year to meet your unit's goal as we only have until June 15, 2021 to meet the 100% goal. Congratulations to **Richwood Unit 97, Beckley Unit 32, Cowen Unit 62, and Gary Unit 38 for meeting their 100% goal.**

Mark your calendar for September 18, 2021 for our next District 6 meeting which will be held in Beckley.

Hope that every Unit was able to submit their candidates for Girls State.

Wish that everyone was able to spend time with their family and friends over the Memorial Day weekend.

I hope everyone is starting to feel more comfortable with getting out and doing some things with your family and that we continue to pray for our State and Nation during this pandemic. Prayers for Amy Acree member of Richwood Unit 97 has been hospitalized with Covid-19.

Date to remember: WV AL/ALA Department Convention Huntington July 8, 9, 10.

Remember to keep your distance, disinfect, and wash your hands. Don't let your guard down!

Prayers for all to be safe.
Mary E. Spence
Vice President District 6

Americanism



The Pledge of Allegiance

This is our pledge to our country. You hear it a lot. What does it mean?

I pledge allegiance—I promise to be faithful

To the flag—to the symbol of our country

Of the United States of America—The union of 50 states that have joined together to make up our country

and to the Republic—our nation, in which the supreme power rests in the body of citizens entitled to vote and is exercised by representatives chosen by them

For which it stands—the flag represents the United States

One nation—this country alone

Under God—the people believe in a supreme being

Indivisible—the country cannot be split into parts

With liberty and justice—with freedom and fairness

For all—for each and every person in the country

To say the pledge is to promise to be true to the United States of America.

Susan Wade
Americanism Chairman

Petersburg #78 Open House

**Celebrating 75 years
June 19th 12:00-3:00 pm**

**Auxiliary Charter Member
Phyllis Smith 95 years old
To be Honored and Recognized**

Please Join Us!!!

Poppy

NOTE: Remember, that National **Poppy Day** is Friday, May 28, 2021.

I hope that each unit will have some type of event to share awareness of the meaning of the poppy to our veterans. A canister in the lounge area or in some community business will increase awareness.

Thank you to the 16 units that sent in a Poppy Report. With your information, I was able to easily complete my report to Central Division and National.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at Department Convention in July. We know that things are beginning to get back to a new normal and we will be able to have more ways to get poppy donations.

There is a National Poppy Day toolkit available through National. The toolkit is designed to assist with local promotion. It contains a proclamation, sample media alert, press release, social media posts, graphics, and talking points to ensure a consistent message is used by everyone. It also includes a tip sheet for hosting a poppy making event. Units and posts are urged to build on this by awareness events.

In some way share the Poppy Story in your community. You can make posters (or use posters that children entered in the Poppy Poster Contest) in your community, newspaper, and even TV. We need to tell our story to make people aware of “who we are” and “what we do”

See you at Department Convention in July,
Ann Buchanan, Poppy Chairman
AnnBuch@aol.com



**American Legion Auxiliary
Department Honorary Junior Convention
Huntington, WV
July 8, 2021
PENNSYLVANIA ROOM
2nd floor**

Registration.....	9:00
(Fee \$10)	
Opening Ceremony	9:30
Warm up & Snack Time.....	9:45
“Prayer Book”.....	10:00
What is the American Legion Family?.....	11:00
Lunch (on your own).....	12:00
.“Special Craft”.....	1:00
Election of Officers.....	2:00
Closing Ceremony & Adjournment.....	2:30
Installation of 2021-2022 Honorary Junior Officers.....	3:30

Please bring a white dress/skirt/top for installation!

Don't forget your bathing suits....Pool time together???

.....Agenda may change slightly.....



NEC

Hello Auxiliary Members, I hope everyone is healthy and safe. I know we are coming out of a busy month with our Poppy Events and Activities especially with things opening in terms of the Pandemic. Listed below is some information from National regarding Poppy Funds and ways they can be used.

1. Can we use Poppy Funds to set up a Scholarship for a Veteran or his immediate family?

Answer: Yes, the ALA Resolution #3 concerning Poppies in resolve #2 allows for the welfare of the family. My opinion is that I believe a scholarship is for the welfare of the family and therefore allowed.

2. Can we give a cash donation to another non-profit to use for an appropriate use if we have a MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) specifying the use?

Answer: Yes, as long as the MOU is specifically written to address the use of the funds and has an internal check in place ensuring that the funds are actually used in the specific manner agreed upon in the MOU.

This was answered by: Kevin J. Bartlett, J.D. National Judge Advocate-The American Legion

Poppy Funds from other groups (e.g. the VFW) cannot be co-mingled with the ALA Poppy Funds.

Poppy Funds can be used for:

1. The Rehabilitation of Veterans honorably discharged from the US Armed Forces after April 6th, 1917.
2. The Welfare of the families of Veterans of the above named period.
3. The Rehabilitation of hospitalized military service personnel returning home and awaiting discharge who require treatment in service hospitals.
4. The Welfare of Veterans, active duty military personnel, and the families of Veterans and active duty military personnel of the above named period where financial and medical need is evident.
5. The purchase of poppy kits and supplies used to make symbolic poppies and poppy items that will be distributed for donations to the Poppy Fund.

Even with a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with another organization, the funds must fall within one of the five categories above.

Also there is an ALA webinar coming up on May 20th, 2021. For more information visit the National website www.ALAforVeterans.org.

**Additional information: President Biden made "A PROCLAMATION" that May 6th, 2021 is "Military Spouse Appreciation Day".

National Convention in Phoenix, AR. is a go with COVID restrictions.

Until Next Month Be Safe and God Bless.
Rhonda Best, NEC

Past President's Parley

Hello Fellow Auxiliary Members,

First, I want to "Thank" all units that submitted a Year-End Report. I appreciate it very much. I will give National a fairly good report. I do understand everyone's frustrations during the Pandemic with not being able to do as much as they normally did in the past. Unfortunately, we are all in the same boat, so to speak.

Second, I would like to address one unit's concern about not having enough information on this program. I believe it is kind of vague do to an unit's ability to gear their program specifically to needs in their area. It has been stated by National that they will not have an actual committee for this moving forward. However, they are encouraging Departments to continue with each of their committee. I am not sure how National will delegate a PPP representative for the next year. We will have to keep an eye out for further news and updated. It is a known fact that we do need Mentors always for new and young members to be able to learn and grow from their knowledge and experiences. In addition, each unit needs to acknowledge and celebrate Past Presidents. I ask that each member continues to help and support one another. Everyone needs a helping hand to better support and assist our Veterans and their families.

Until next month Be Safe and God Bless!!!
Rhonda Best
PPP Chairman



100 Years of Celebration 1919-2019

I hope everyone is enjoying the warmer weather we've been having for a few days now, and I hope we are getting ready for our Department Convention, I know I am looking forward to seeing friends I haven't seen in over a year.

And what a time we have had. Can you imagine what people will be saying in 2119?

WOW!!

CANCELLED GIRLS STATE

CANCELLED BOYS STATE

CANCELLED DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

CANCELLED NATIONAL CONVENTION

How in the world did the people live through this?

Wait, they left us something we can read so we can find out how they did and what they did.

Will they say this about your Unit? I hope so.

We are looking forward to this convention, everyone who sent Rhonda a 100 YEAR report will receive a gift, so please make plans to be there. And I promise you, this will be the last post from me about 100 YEARS.

Enjoy your summer

God bless America and God bless our you
Roxie Nicholson





American Legion Auxiliary WV Rhododendron Girls State

Rhododendron Girls State

A successful Class of 2021 Rhododendron Girls State Session was held May 12-13 with at least 44 girls registered. The Class of 2022 Session will be held June 14-18 and the cost is \$250 for two citizens since it is going to be held virtual. We will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary of the American Legion Auxiliary; as well as, the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution giving the women the right to vote.

This will be our regular session of Girls State with voter registration, party platforms, primary and general elections. Our young ladies will take government classes, as well as the opportunity to participate in the Girls State Chorus, Rhododendron Daily, Talent show an online College Fair and learn about our wonderful organization.

In addition, our special guest will be our National President Nicole Clapp. We look forward to having her with us and participate in our amazing program.

We will honor the citizens with recognition and graduation ceremonies who complete the program.

If anyone has questions, please feel free to contact your district representative or myself. Here's to Girls State!

Lynda Lancaster-Loyd, Chairman
Rhododendron Girls State



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June 2021

Sun

Mon




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Wed

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Fri

Sat

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14  <i>Virtual RGS Week Nat. President Visit</i>	15 <i>Target #12 100%</i>	16	17	18	19
20  <i>Happy Father's Day!</i>	21 <i>Last Spirit Out for 2020-2021 Credentials Due</i>	22	23	24	25	26
27  <i>First Day of Summer!</i>	28	29	30	<i>Program of Month Rhododendron Girls State</i>		

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

Thank you to units that sent in their year end reports!

Thanks to the units/members who sent in hours for bars and pins, to Paulette. They will be given out at State Convention. If you haven't done so, please send in now.

Continue working with your veterans at the VA, and nursing homes. Hopefully in the new administrative year, we can get back to our "normal" and start having our Bingo Cheer Parties. Plans are being made now to have our Midwinter Conference in February in Wheeling. We will be having the Comfort Items if the Conference is in-person.

I am slowly getting back to my "normal" self, but it is a long journey.

Thank you for the prayers, phone calls, and cards! They mean a lot.

Mary Waybright
V A & R

April Ways and Means Winners

Name	#'s	City	State	Date	\$\$\$
	195			4/1/21	
Kathy Jenkins	447	Keyser	WV	4/2/21	\$25.00
James Spence Jr.	642	Sawesville	VA	4/3/21	\$25.00
Allen Lee	650	Upper Glade	WV	4/5/21	\$25.00
Larry Mason	782	Rio	WV	4/6/21	\$25.00
Randy Lawrence	352	Clarksburg	WV	4/7/21	\$25.00
Shirley Davis	606	Kenova	WV	4/8/21	\$25.00
ALA Shinnston #31	289	Shinnston	WV	4/9/21	\$25.00
	471			4/10/21	
Barb Jones	060	Wind Ridge	PA	4.12/21	\$25.00
Nita Fox	727	Spencer	WV	4/13/21	\$25.00
	575			4/14/21	
Savanna Kauffman	406	Martinsburg	WV	4/15/21	\$25.00
Marla Elkon	548	Charles Town	WV	4/16/21	\$25.00
Karen Coby	973	Moorefield	WV	4/17/21	\$25.00
Bobby Rose Jr	074	Gary	WV	4/19/21	\$25.00
Kathy Richardson	170	New Martinsville	WV	4/20/21	\$25.00
Christy Bland	133	New Martinsville	WV	4/21/21	\$200.00
	285			4/22/21	
	257			4/23/21	
Crystal Graham	394	Bluefield	WV	4/24/21	\$25.00
Daniel Veach	500	Shanks	WV	4/26/21	\$25.00
Ryan Wallace	954	Spelter	WV	4/27/21	\$25.00
Teresa Smith	453	Princeton	WV	4/28/21	\$25.00
Susan Wade	322	Paden City	WV	4/29/21	\$25.00
AliceAnn Sarver	171	Bluefield	WV	4/30/21	\$25.00





2020-2021 Membership Theme

"Honoring Our Legacy, Celebrating Our Tomorrows"



Membership Target Sheet May 15th—95.00%
Department Goal— 5132
(New District Goals)
Membership To Date— 4,676 91.11 %
Unit #200 Goal— 195 To Date— 163

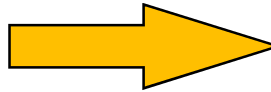


Savanna

Cathy

District 1	Unit	2021 Goal	2021	% of Goal
	Wheeling #1	31	25	80.65%
	Moundsville #3	228	228	100.00%
	McMechen #5	32	26	81.25%
	Weirton #10	49	54	110.20%
	Cameron #18	143	143	100.00%
	New Martinsville #28	132	114	86.36%
	Wellsburg #34	26	24	92.31%
	Follansbee #45	35	45	128.57%
	Pine Grove #81	85	64	75.29%
	Paden City #86	81	81	100.00%
	Wheeling #89	16	16	100.00%
	Newell #114	24	22	91.67%
	Hundred #120	46	26	56.52%
	Chester #121	138	141	102.17%
	TOTALS	1066	1003	94.09%

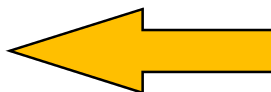
**WWII/
Merchant
Marines Era
40's Fashion
Jitterbug Dance**



**Goal 2511
To Date: 2352
(93.67 %)**

**Membership
Chairman
"Rosie the
Riveter"**

**Korea Era
50's Fashion
Cha-Cha**



**Goal 2426
To Date: 2,161
(89.08 %)**

District 4	Unit	2021 Goal	2021	% of Goal
	Parkersburg #15	485	399	82.27%
	Spencer #21	34	35	102.94%
	Pt. Pleasant #23	233	199	85.41%
	Tyler County #48	38	31	81.58%
	Sistersville #67	87	43	49.43%
	New Haven #140	139	136	97.84%
	Williamstown #159	100	79	79.00%
	TOTALS	1116	924	82.80%

District 6	Unit	2020 Goal	2020	% of Goal
	Welch #8	60	47	78.33%
	Bluefield #9	29	26	89.66%
	Beckley #32	28	28	100.00%
	Gary #38	80	81	101.25%
	Cowen #62	21	22	104.76%
	Richwood #97	22	22	100.00%
	TOTALS	240	218	90.83%

District 3	Unit	2021 Goal	2021	% of Goal
	Buckhannon #7	42	36	85.71%
	Clarksburg #13	58	59	101.72%
	Elkins #29	133	110	82.71%
	Shinnston #31	270	251	92.96%
	Braxton County #33	33	28	84.85%
	Bridgeport #68	86	80	93.02%
	Belington #96	20	16	80.00%
	Pickens #122	20	19	95.00%
	Morgantown #174	45	58	128.89%
	TOTALS	707	653	92.36%

District 5	Unit	2021 Goal	2021	% of Goal
	Huntington #16	163	147	90.18%
	Logan #19	11	13	118.18%
	St. Albans #73	31	28	90.32%
	Ceredo-Kenova #93	281	242	86.12%
	South Charleston #94	15	13	86.67%
	Hamlin #111	37	31	83.78%
	Milton #139	71	59	83.10%
	Barboursville #177	142	105	73.94%
	TOTALS	751	637	84.82%

District 10	Unit	2021 Goal	2021	% of Goal
	Martinsburg #14	99	97	97.98%
	Franklin #30	16	13	81.25%
	Piedmont #52	29	19	65.52%
	Berkeley Springs #60	167	170	101.80%
	Moorefield #64	60	74	123.33%
	Charles Town #71	152	141	92.76%
	Petersburg #78	67	68	101.49%
	Romney #91	164	177	107.93%
	Charles Town #102	26	26	100.00%
	Paw Paw #128	24	26	108.33%
	Kirby #134	30	19	63.33%
	Ridgeley #136	41	45	109.76%
	Capon Bridge #137	136	149	109.56%
	Keyser #152	42	38	90.48%
	TOTALS	1053	1062	100.85%

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

The Ninety-Ninth Department Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary is hereby called in conformity with Article IX, Section 1 of the Department Constitution and Bylaws which provides, "That the Department Convention be held annually concurrent with the Convention of The American Legion, Department of West Virginia." The Convention will meet in Huntington, West Virginia on July 8, 9, 10, 2021 at the Doubletree by Hilton.

PURPOSE

The Convention is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, amending the Department Constitution, receiving reports of Department Officers and Chairmen, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

REPRESENTATIVES

Representation at the Convention shall be by Units. Each Unit shall be entitled to two delegates, and one additional delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, whose dues have been paid and received by the Department Headquarters one month prior to the Convention for which they were elected. Each delegate shall be entitled to one vote. **No Unit unrepresented shall have a proxy vote.** The elective officers, all Past Department Presidents, in good standing shall be delegates-at-large to the Department Convention, with vote to be exercised with their Units, provided said officers are present at the Convention.

ALTERNATES

Each Unit is entitled to one alternate for each delegate. The alternate will have power to vote **ONLY** in the absence of the regular Delegate.

CREDENTIALS

Membership cards must be presented by delegates and alternates. Certification of the election of the delegates and alternates **MUST** be mailed to Department Headquarters **no less than two weeks** prior to Convention, and **SHALL BE** accompanied by the Convention fee of \$20.00 for each accredited delegates so certified.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Pre-Convention Executive Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday July 8, 2021 at 7:00 pm at the Doubletree by Hilton in the Virginia-Maryland Room. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Department Elective Officers, NEC, the Eight District Presidents, all Past Department Presidents, and Chairmen of all standing committees. All members of standing committees, exclusive of the chairman, may attend the Executive Committee Meeting with the privilege of discussion but without vote. Any member in good standing may attend the Executive Committee Meeting with the privilege of discussion but NO vote.

DEPARTMENT FINANCE COMMITTEE

This committee will meet on Thursday July 8, 2021 at 1:00 pm in the Virginia Room. Those to attend this meeting are the three (3) members of the Finance Committee and the Department President and Department Secretary/Treasurer who are ex-officio members without vote.

2021 Convention Committees

Convention Chairman.....	Kitty Kelly-Smoot, Huntington #16
Convention Recorder.....	Dede Kelly, Clarksburg #13
Sergeant at Arms.....	Shana Adams, Chester #121
.....	Patsy Young-Greiner, Parkersburg #15
Personal Pages.....	Holly Adams, Chester #121
.....	Stephanie Handley, Chester #121
Floor Pages.....	Carla Wilfong, Shinnston #31
.....	Margaret Yost, Shinnston
Distinguished Guest Committee.....	Rhonda Best, NEC, Moundsville #3
.....	Lisa Cadwallader, PDP, Charles Town #71
.....	Susan Wade, PDP, Paden City #86
Rules & Order of Business.....	Paulette Anderson, New Martinsville #28
Credentials Committee.....	Debbie Fox, Berkeley Springs #60
.....	Kimberly Mellie, Morgantown #174
.....	Peggy Swartz, Welch #8
Election Committee.....	Roxie Nicholson, Shinnston #31
.....	Shirley Davis, Ceredo-Kenova #93
.....	Ann Buchanan, Huntington #16
Courtesy Resolutions.....	Rhonda Best, Moundsville #3
.....	Mary Spence, Welch #8
Judging Committee.....	Debbie Fox, Berkeley Springs #60
.....	Rhonda Best, Moundsville #3
.....	Lynda Lancaster-Loyd
Standing Rules.....	Melanie Delawder, Chairman, Moorefield #64
.....	Susan Brown, Moundsville #3
.....	Linda Crumm, Dept. Unit #200
Policy & Procedures.....	Cathy Post, Chairman, Tyler County #48
.....	Savanna Kuffman, Martinsburg #14
.....	Mary Jennings, Beckley #32
Resolutions.....	Roxie Nicholson, Shinnston #31
.....	Dortha Parsons, Shinnston #31
.....	Susan Wade, Paden City #86
Constitution & Bylaws.....	Dede Kelly, Chairman, Clarksburg #13
.....	Linda Crumm, Dept. Unit #200
.....	Debbie Fox, Berkeley Springs Unit #60
Music.....	Kitty Kelly-Smoot, Huntington #16
Parliamentarian.....	Susan Brown, PDP, Moundsville #3

Sgt. at Arms and Pages are to wear white blouses, navy blue skirts or dress slacks

(NO JEANS)

*Past President's Luncheon
Friday July 9, 2021
Double Tree by Hilton Huntington
11:45 am-12:45 pm*

Menu Choice of One Entree

DoubleTree BLT

*Served on Texas Toast, stacked with Applewood smoked bacon, tomato, lettuce and basil mayonnaise
Homemade Chips, Chef's Choice of Dessert
Coffee, Tea, and Water
Cost is \$16.00 A PERSON*

Chef Salad

*Mixed Greens topped with sliced ham, turkey, mozzarella and cheddar cheese, cherry tomatoes, cucumber slices and diced egg
Served with Chef's Choice of Breads and Desserts
Coffee, Tazo Tea, Water
Cost is \$19.00 A PERSON*

*Send reservation and check to:
ALA Department Treasurer, ALA
1251 Doolin Run Road
New Martinsville WV 26155-7808*

Due Date: Thursday July 1, 2021

No Deviation for this Luncheon

BESIDE YOUR NAME LIST TYPE OF MEAL.
