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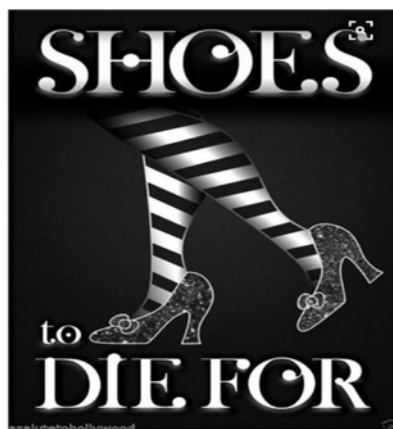
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Department President
Cathy D. Post



*“Honoring Our Fallen
Serving all Others”*

Colors—Red, Purple, & Gold

Flower— Poppy

Hello Auxiliary Sisters,

As I write this, it is a beautiful Easter Sunday. My last two weeks have been soooo busy!! I have seen my “Special Project” become reality. Fifty-five apple trees of twelve varieties, have been planted at the Middlebourne City Park. The Gold Star Mothers Living Memorial finally exists. Through the rain, sleet, ice, and sunshine, we persevered, & our mission was accomplished. The dedication will be held July 2, 2022, at 11:00 am at 516 Dodd St Middlebourne, the city park. Look for your “Save the date cards this week. My homecoming will follow on the same day, so as not to cause a second trip for anyone. We will have yard games set up for a little entertainment before the meal. The meal will be catered by 304 Smoke Shanty (veteran owned and my son) and The Country Diner owned by 2 of Unit 48 members. Brisket and Chicken are the meats along with baked potato, vegetable and various salads and desserts, and drinks. Two drink tickets will be given with a limited selection of beverages. There will be a band playing and fireworks later in the evening, for those that chose to stay. Madam National President Kathy Daudistil will be in attendance. Dinner reservations can be sent to me. The cost will be \$20.00 per person. Limited rooms (5) are available at Microtel Inn & Suites by Wyndham in New Martinsville. Other hotels are as follows: Holiday Inn Express, New Martinsville Inn, and Travelers Inn.

I thank Vice President Savanna for covering for me at the conferences during this very busy time. I will be at 4th and 1st District conferences. Thank you for the signed program from 10th District, which will go in my scrapbook. I thank all units and Districts for your donations to my special project. I still have tickets for the patriotic wreath raffle I have going. Chances are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Drawing will be held May 1, 2022, at 1st District conference. Checks can be mailed to Long Reach Credit Union, 315 Main St Middlebourne, WV 26149. Please put Gold Star Mothers in the memo line and made to me, as a special account has been set up for the gazebo, since it will not be built by tech school students, before I go out of office. Contact me by phone or at 308 Main St, Middlebourne WV 26149. I’ve had support for this raffle, clear from Kentucky, due to Facebook.

Now on to business, mandatory funds need to be paid to be seated and for voting rights for convention. Keep recruiting and renewing members to reach goal. Your next and last goal is July 1, 2022. You have a mighty pretty ribbon waiting on ya! You need to be getting reservations for State Convention also.

Sympathy goes out to the family of Past 4th District Commander Bob Schoolcraft. Please pray for our troops as they wait on stand-by for what they may face.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

For God and Country
Cathy D. Post
Department President



Never settle for the path of least resistance!

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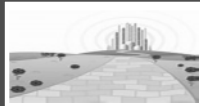
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10th District-Savanna Kauffman

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Department Headquarters



Mission Statement

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

Mandatory Funds: (Unit General Fund)- Bonding (\$5.00), Education (Scholarship), & Girls State Project;

Unit Welfare Fund - Veterans' 1st Fund (any amount your unit can afford), 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.

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.

I will have New Unit Officers forms with me at any District meeting that I attend this spring. Please fill out return and before June 1, 2022. Even if your unit does not change officers I need these forms returned completed. **NO EXEMPTIONS!**

Mandatory Funds are due!! Remember all funds must be paid 30 days prior to Department Convention. That means they are due into Department by June 9th.

Please make sure your unit's deceased members have been turned in to Department. Department Chaplain Laura is planning a beautiful service.

Directory update: Barboursville Unit #177
President: Drema Goolsby, 6242 Gary Dr., Huntington, WV 25705—email address drema.k.goolsby@wv.gov also her cell number is 304.521.5229
Unit #23 President—Amber Fields, 2809 Pine Ave, Pt. Pleasant, WV 25550. cell # 304.857.2296. email address: amberdawnrn@gmail.com.

To all Units that have not used the credits issued. I will be issuing checks for those credits at the end of April. If you have a credit and was planning to use it, please notify Department. Thanks!

Reminder—Your membership is through the Unit not the Post.

Department Headquarters

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American Legion Auxiliary
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ALAforveterans.org

The office will be closed from May 5, 2022 through May 12, 2022 for class reunion and vacation. Office will reopen on May 13th with normal hours.

Mail Call

Paulette Anderson, PDP, PDS&T surgery has been postpone to a later date. Please send good thoughts her way!

Note

National President Kathy Daudistel will be visiting the Department June 30th—July 3rd. She will be attending Dept. President Cathy Post dedication of the "Gold Star Mothers Living Memorial". There is a small block of room at the Microtel Hotel in New Martinsville. Room cost is \$99.00 per night plus tax. Phone number is 304-810-2133 please use "American Legion Auxiliary National Visit" when making reservations.



“There’s No Place Like Home Of The Brave, Because Of Their Courage, We Shall Never Forget”

Membership Chairman

As spring is upon us, we have some work to do!! We have a total of 58 units. 49 have reached the 75% target on April 1st. Before you know it, we will be at our 4th Target on July 1st. Let's end our year with all units at 100%!!! I know we can do it!! Currently Central division is in last place! We can help get those numbers up!

Check your rosters for elderly members. I'm sure some are on a budget and can't afford to pay. Sometimes its hard when you have to decide what to pay and what to let go. It is worth the extra time to check on them and let them know we care and want to help them. Kindness goes along way!!

Remember our Junior members! They are our future! I know there are daughters and granddaughters out there that just need to be asked!

Happy spring to you all!

Susan Wade

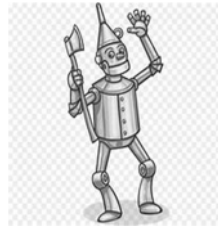
Membership Chairman

Dept. of WV



Department 1st Vice President

Hello to all,
Happy May!! Wishing you all a Happy Memorial Day!
I'm glad to been welcome to Petersburg for 10th District which is my home district! It was snowing that morning but we had a great turn out.
I apologize to 5th district - I was planning to attend your conference but 3 days before conference I got a stomach bug and didn't want to come and give it to anyone in case if it was more than what we thought. I'll see you next time.
On the membership side - keep up the good work with membership. Reminder next target #4 of 100% is due July 1st.
Remember: Be you - Do you - Love you
For God and Country
Savanna Kauffman
Department 1st Vice President
(304)582-2976



Department 2nd Vice President

Hello to all!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter. It is becoming a beautiful time of the year with all the pretty flowers.

Please continue to promote membership. It is time to reach out by phone or social media to get those dues renewals. Don't forget about those new junior members.

My "Lion" districts (1-4-6) are doing so well. With 27 units in those districts, 22 have reached the 75% goal. Great job!

Please get your year-end reports in by April 30.

If I can help you, please let me know.

Hugs to all!

Debbie Michael
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H A P P Y
Mother's Day
♥

Spring Into Action

Rejoin Today!

The American Legion Auxiliary needs your help to continue enhancing the lives of our nation's heroes! Join our community of volunteers, serving veterans, military, and their families, to help us advocate for veterans, educate citizens, mentor youth, promote patriotism, and so much more.

Together, we can make a difference!

We'd love for you to once again be part of the American Legion Auxiliary community.



If you would like to use this to post or mail to members, please do!!

1st District Vice President

Hello everyone in 1st District, the weeks are flying, Our third goal was the 1st of April, so we should have at least 75% of our dues collected, if you are behind please work on that, 1st District Spring conference is coming upon us quickly, May 1, in Chester Post 121, Also Memorial Day will be here before we know it! Until then please, stay safe, keep the faith, and God bless America.

Kim Elliott
1st District VP

3rd District Vice President

Keep up the great work with membership! We are at 80% of our goal. Congratulations to Elkins #29 for reaching 100%. Shinnston 31 and Braxton 33 are close with 90%. Clarksburg 13 and Bridgeport 68....let me know if you need my help. Remember to reach out to all your former members and try to reignite their interest. Morgantown 174, Belington 96 and Buckhannon 7 you are so close to achieving your goal. Keep up the good work. And remember to spread kindness! Try to sponsor a girl or two for Rhododendron Girls State! Please feel free to reach out if you need anything.
Kim Mellie 304-216-9943.

1st District President

Happy Spring Ladies!! I hope everyone had a great Easter! Now if only we can get rid of some the rain and get some sunshine. Just a reminder that 1st District Spring Conference is on Sunday, May 1, 2002 at Chester Unit #121. The conference will be held at the Chester Post 121. Hope to see you there. Does your Unit have plans for a Poppy Day for the month of May? National Poppy Day is May 28, 2002. Wear a red poppy on this day to honor the fallen. Has your Unit completed Year End Reports? I know each Unit has something to report and don't forget a narrative. Spring Convention is just around the corner also. So don't forget to get your information sent in for hotel rooms and registration, etc.

God Bless!
Stephanie Handley

6th District Vice President

Some of our Units are back to holding their monthly meetings and Bluefield is excited about holding our District 6 meeting coming up on Saturday, April 23. Many of our Units are back to work doing Bingo, helping to remodel the post, working on Girls State, and hosting a pancake breakfast. Please continue to contact your members and collect dues for this year to meet your unit's goal. Since we only have a small amount of time to finish collecting outstanding dues, we need to do all we can to get all our members paid. Our July 1, 2022 target is 100%. Since Spring is here and May flowers are in full bloom, let's plant the seed to make sure that we work hard to meet our membership "GOAL".

I want to remind everyone again that we will be holding our District 6 Spring Conference hosted by Bluefield Unit #9 at the First Christian Church at 2200 Bland Road, Bluefield, WV on Saturday, April 23, 2022. Registration will be from 9:00-10:00 a.m. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the conference.

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. Prayers for all to be safe.

Mary E. Spence
Vice President
District 6

3rd District President

Here it is May already. Hope everyone has been working hard on membership. Time is passing quickly. Find new members also check with members that have not paid their dues. We only have one unit in District Three that is dragging their feet. Come on Ladies you know who you are. Get those dues to department as soon as possible. If you need my help just call me at 304-592-0247, or email me at: carlajwilfong@gmail.com. God Bless America and our Veterans
Carla Wilfong

4th District President

Greetings Members of the 4th District: Welcome, Spring! COVID cases are on the decline, families can gather, April showers have brought May flowers. Our lives are beginning a new normal.

Veterans, members, and families can work together for the good of the order, again. We are here to provide support for our veterans, military, and families at home and abroad. Congratulations to the units that have met membership goals. Thank you for making that extra effort! Remember our elderly, ill or members suffering financial hardships. Please take a moment to do a wellness check on fellow auxiliary unit members. Some members are still not able to get active, yet. a phone call, e-mail, text, or a card would mean a lot to a home-bound member.

The annual Convention will be held July 7 - 9, 2022 at Double Tree by Hilton in Huntington, West Virginia. Make your reservation today. You will not want to miss . Please pray for our Nation and for our friends throughout the world!
God Bless us All.

Patsy Young-Greiner
4th District President
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6th District President

A reminder to all members in 6th District; Spring convention will be held on April 23rd and hosted by Bluefield Unit #9

Hope to see a large turn out!

Happy Spring!
Peggy Swartz
6th District President

10th District President

Hello to all,
Happy May!! Wishing you all a Happy Memorial Day!
10th District Spring Conference was on Saturday, March 26, 2022 held at Petersburg. We had our conference, the meeting was great, the weather was cold and snowing but we all made it home safely. Congratulations to the New officers. The upcoming District President is Diane Teter from #137 and Vice is Jill Davis from #137. Wishing you the best of luck for your year!
I want to thank Wreatha #78 and her team for hosting the conference with a good meal and for everyone for helping me along the way.
I'm passing this note along to others. Nina Mason is doing a historian book for Past Department Presidents, if you was a pdp please email her with anything you wish to put in the historian book. If you need her information just let me know.
Until next month,
always spread kindness
For God and Country
Savanna Kauffman

Chaplain

Happy Spring!

Please send your prayers, favorite Bible verses, or devotions to Laura for President Cathy's prayer book. To date, I have not received any and I want to make sure to include all of you!
In addition, this is the month for many Memorial Day services and ceremonies and I would encourage you to reach out and offer to give the Invocation or Benediction at these ceremonies. Many of them are sponsored by our own Posts and Units.
Please make sure to report any deceased members to the Department so that your precious members can be recognized and remembered at the Department Memorial Service in July.
Many Blessings to You and Yours,
Laura Clark
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Historian

Hello Ladies,
PLEASE if you haven't done so submit your History Reports to me!
The Month of May is Military Caregiver Month. Please send out thank you notes/cards to those who care for our Veterans.
First Thursday in May is a National Day of Prayer! Prayer for our caregivers, Veterans, children, our entire Country. Pray for peace, good will, kindness and healing.
Remember: National Poppy Day is May 27th, 2022. An overview of the poppy can be found on www.alaforveterans.org/poppy. If you need to order poppy's or the nice coloring books to educate our youth, go to www.emblem.legion.org
For God and Country
Kim Mellie
304-216-9943



Auxiliary Emergency Fund

Good morning ladies,
I hope everyone had a good Easter.
Just a reminder that year end reports are due to Susan at Department Headquarters by May 1, 2022. In doing your reports remember to do a narrative in order to be considered for an award. For god and country. Remember our troops.

Margaret Yost
AEF Chairman
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Community Service

Now that the weather has warmed up some it is time to start trimming our trees and cutting the grass. My husband trimmed a few of our trees and had to take one up it was blocking our sight to back out of the driveway. The wind blew so hard that the leaves were falling everywhere. You could tell where the dogs had been when they were outside because we would have a taller circle of grass. On the first cutting we got five large bags of grass.

We are in good health for our ages, but some are not. I know that most young people do not want to mow grass all the time but my two brothers would leave the house on Saturday morning and come back at dark with a pocket of money. I'm sure that school activities will interfere with some of your time but this will teach our teenagers responsibility and caring for others.

Our older citizens have a lot of pride also and may no call if something would happen that is why I am asking you to check on them. It does not all the time have to be work but you could take a meal over or take her or him for a ride or to the mall just to get them out of the house for a couple of hours.

Mary Jennings
Community Services

Constitution & Bylaws

What not to do in your Constitution & Bylaws, Part 1

From ALA National blog post on Monday, 11 April 2022

Not sure if you need to update your Constitution & Bylaws? Here are some examples of wording you may not want to have in your constitution, bylaws, and standing rules:

1. "Organization of women" or "the world's largest women's patriotic service organization." As of 2019, the membership eligibility changed to "spouses."
2. Membership eligibility that still lists "wives." It might be easier to just align with the national wording: "Eligibility for membership in the American Legion Auxiliary is determined by The American Legion. The eligibility requirements from The American Legion governing documents shall be provided as a footnote to this Constitution for information purposes and shall be updated as appropriate."
3. National Executive Committee-woman. See No. 1. Try "member" instead.
4. "Her" or "she" or "hostess" — there's no easy fix here, so you have to go through it line by line and make it inclusive and gender neutral. We know. It's a lot of work. We're not asking you to do anything we didn't do ourselves, though!
5. Rules on withdrawal of membership: "A unit member may withdraw providing her current dues are fully paid." Nope. If a person does not pay dues, that's their way of saying they no longer want to be a member. They do have to be current on their dues in order to transfer from one unit to another.

.....to be continued

Dede Kelly

Constitution & Bylaws Chair

Memorial Day

Junior Activities

As where we welcome warmer let us remember:

Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday of May. It was formerly known as Decoration Day and commemorates all men and women who have died in military service for the United States. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day, and it is traditionally seen as the start of the summer season.

As we are working on our end of year reports let think about this young lady that did something special this year.

Start thinking about who would like to hold an office for next year.

God Bless & stay safe ,

Kelli A Immel



National Security

Here it is May, I hope everyone is working on their year end reports. Please

remember to write a narrative if you are trying for an award.

At this time all I can say is to honor our Veterans, send them Cards, make a small treat bag for them. Collect coupons for our Veterans overseas. Have That blood drive. I could go on and on.

Send in those reports. If you need my help just call me at 304-592-0247, or Email me

at carlajwilfong@gmail.com.

God bless America and all our Veterans

Carla Wilfong

Legislative

Legislative

Hope everyone had a blessed Easter.

I sat in on a zoom call with the ALA Legislative Committee and Adi Thampi, Legislative Associate, with The American Legion, in the DC office. These meetings are now quarterly. During these zoom calls Adi shares information with us and we get to ask questions or for clarification. The PACT ACT (H.R.3967) Toxic exposure and Burn pits. Recently, it passed the House and has been introduced to the Senate. According to Adi, the Senate would like to pass it but the hold up is figuring out how to handle passing it. Passing it opens the doors to many more which is great. However, doing that means adding to existing problems, like over filled parking lots, back logs, wait times and so on.

It's end of year report time, and I'm scheduled for a zoom call on April, 25th about end of year reports. If something unexpected comes from that, I will send it to Sue and ask her to put out a special mail call. I hope to see many reports!!

Thank you and keep up all the wonderful things you do!!

Lisa Cadwallader

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Leadership

Spring greetings to all! It is true, spring has FINALLY arrived and life is in full bloom. As Auxiliary members, I hope we are all thinking about the yellow brick road that will lead Girls State girls to Elkins June 12-17. How do we prepare leaders? We educate them. We engaged them. We empower them. We must do the same for one another. Instead of sitting back and thinking about all the things we cannot do or the things we don't do well... let's accentuate the positive and promote what we do best. If you're a great writer then WRITE about what your unit is doing. If you're a great speaker then TALK and tell the story. If you or your family can help others who are facing struggles then HELP! Leadership is about planning and preparing... but it is also about being in the moment and the moment is NOW! Find tomorrow's leaders and help them grow. Don't discourage them but rather encourage them. Don't challenge them with negative thoughts but challenge them to be their best with positive reinforcement. Don't get caught up in the old adage that we have always done things one way. It's a new day! It's spring time! Let new leaders bloom with your help and your encouragement. Don't forget, send those Girls State girls to us. Our program is second to none and we want everyone to have the opportunity to learn and grow together.

Rosemary M. Thomas
Leadership Chairman



Music

Membership song 2021-2022

Follow the Yellow Brick Road!
Follow the Yellow Brick Road!
Follow, follow, follow, follow
Follow the Yellow Brick Road!

**** HEY STOP!!! ****

(This part spoken)

*** We're goanna do something different!

How about we LEAD on that yellow brick road!!!

After all, we ARE the American Legion Auxiliary, 100+ years strong!! ***

We're off to help our Susan,
Our wonderful Wizard of Oz!

(these 2 lines rather hurried)

Dorothy and Toto help our Apple Trees grow

We honor our fallen – there's No Place Like Home!!

With Glenda's prayers as our guide,
Our Auntie Ems are full of pride!
Our Tin Man, our Lions, the Scarecrow, too

With Munchkins around to follow us, too!

We're off to help our Cathy,
In our victorious Department of OZ!!!!

As in previous years, a little surprise will be presented at Convention to any Unit or District that sends me a video of y'all trying to sing our song! Have fun – I LOVE seeing these!!

Kitty Kelly-Smoot, Music Chair
Text on cell: 304-412-3649, Email:
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Poppy

We are quickly coming to the end of another auxiliary year. We need to assist those that follow us in serving our veterans. Year-end reports are intended to assist those that follow us and to inform those working with us about what we have accomplished during this year.

Please take the time to complete your year-end report and share what you, your members, and your community has done during the year. Do not forget that these are more than receiving an award. The information is used to show others that we are actively working to support our veterans.

The unit with the largest per capita donation to the Poppy Fund will be recognized and receive a gift from me.

The unit with the best use of poppies in their unit or community will be recognized and receive a gift from me. A picture and short write-up is needed to be eligible.

The unit with the best report in each membership division will receive a department plaque.

I am looking forward to reading your reports. Please see that I have to read a lot of them.

Ann Buchanan

Poppy Chairman

Past President's Parley

Hello everyone!

Please make sure you get to me our Unit Member of the year, and Timeless Award by April 30th. The Past President Parley will choose a winner for the Unit Member of the Year and forward to National. To be eligible for the Unit Member of the Year, they can not have be above a unit President. Nor be or have been anything in district or department.

Thank You

Sharon Kauffman

Past President Parlay

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

I hope your Easter was spiritual, and fun for you and your family. It was a quiet day here.

Year End Reports are due by April 30th to Headquarters. Don't forget to record everything your unit has done. Don't forget to include your names and hour bars for Service to Veterans and Hospital Volunteers. Please put them on a list attached to your End of Year Report, or send by email to me by June 1st.

Please don't forget to send me your Caregiver's Name by June 1st to have a certificate done for her/him.

If you participate in your Post/Unit Memorial Day Services, participate in a picnic for the veterans, send me an email, so I can report this.

Until next month,
Paulette Anderson
VA & R





American Legion Auxiliary WV Rhododendron Girls State

Rhododendron Girls State

Who: Junior Class of 2023
What: Rhododendron Girls State
When: June 12-17, 2022 Where: Davis & Elkins College, Elkins, WV
Cost: \$250 per citizen
Deadline: May 1, 2022
Congratulations on those of you have already sent in your money with your Girls State Applications.
Note that there are some vast changes to the Samsung Scholarship criteria so please pay attention to the details. Also, if for some reason one needs to cancel the deadline for a refund is May 15th.
Please hold orientation sessions for your citizens or hold a joint orientation with other Units. Please stay in contact with your citizens up until they are on the way to Elkins. If they have questions please feel free to contact your district representative or myself if you have any questions or if we can be of any assistance to you in any way.
Lynda Lancaster-Loyd,
Rhododendron Girls State Chairman
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Ways and Means

There were 18 \$25.00 winners in March, and a \$200.00 winner. Congratulations to each of you!

Cost for a ticket \$20.00 good for the whole year of 2022!

NOTICE—Please mail check and stubs to:

Susan Brown
2172 Grandview Rd
Moundsville WV 26041

Check Payable to: Ways & Means

Susan Brown
Linda Crumm

March 2022 Ways and Means Winners

Name	#'s	City	State	Date	\$\$\$
Tiffany Davis	201	Capon Bridge	WV	3/1/2022	25.00
Kaleigh Hauser	642	Morgantown	WV	3/2/2022	25.00
	826			3/3/2022	
	710			3/4/2022	
Linda Bennett	651	Ft. Ashby	WV	3/5/2022	25.00
Bobby Rose, Jr	495	Thorpe	WV	3/4/2022	25.00
Jeanie Lerilly	282	Porter Falls	WV	3/8/2022	25.00
	401			3/9/2022	
	252			3/10/2022	
	525			3/11/2022	
Clarence Bell	562	Romney	WV	3/12/2022	25.00
JoAnn Camp	173	Spencer	WV	3/14/2022	25.00
	454			3/15/2022	
Lisa Baker	707	Washington	PA	3/16/2022	200.00
Jill Goins	586	Thorpe	WV	3/17/2022	25.00
	904			3/18/2022	
	239			3/19/2022	
Douglas Twyman	042	Keyser	WV	3/21/2022	25.00
John Desmond	144	Parkersburg	WV	3/22/2022	25.00
Jaye Cleaver	492	Romney	WV	3/23/2022	25.00
McLaughlin's J&L	208	New Martinsville	WV	3/24/2022	25.00
Charles Alpaugh	693	Romney	WV	3/25/2022	25.00
Daniel Veach	397	Shanks	WV	3/26/2022	25.00
Ronald Farmer	636	Anawalt	WV	3/28/2022	25.00
Zach Yeater	818	Morgantown	WV	3/29/2022	25.00
Mary Buckley	276	Romney	WV	3/30/2022	25.00
Jim Teter	773	Capon Bridge	WV	3/31/2022	25.00



***“There’s No Place Like Home of the Brave;
Because of Their Courage We Shall Never Forget”***

**April 1, 2022—Target #3—75%
Department Goal— 4894 Membership to Date— 4215
Department Unit 200 Goal—165 Membership to Date—129**

Debbie

District 1			
Unit	2022 Goal	2022	% of Goal
Wheeling #1	28	17	60.71%
Moundsville #3	237	213	89.87%
McMechen #5	29	24	82.76%
Weirton #10	58	54	93.10%
Cameron #18	149	120	80.55%
New Martinsville #28	117	93	79.49%
Wellsburg #34	25	22	88%
Follansbee #45	47	28	59.57%
Pine Grove #81	70	61	87.14%
Paden City #86	83	68	81.93%
Wheeling #89	18	10	55.56%
Newell #114	23	12	52.17%
Hundred #120	27	31	114.81%
Chester #121	143	111	77.62%
TOTALS	1054	864	81.97%

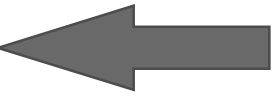
District 4			
Unit	2022 Goal	2022	% of Goal
Parkersburg #15	410	381	92.93%
Spencer #21	37	34	91.89%
Pt. Pleasant #23	200	202	1.01%
Tyler County #48	41	32	78.05%
Sistersville #67	44	39	88.64%
New Haven #140	137	126	91.97%
Williamstown #159	80	79	98.75%
TOTALS	949	893	94.10%

District 6			
Unit	2022 Goal	2022	% of Goal
Welch #8	49	44	89.80%
Bluefield #9	28	26	92.86%
Beckley #32	30	28	93.33%
Gary #38	87	77	88.51%
Cowen #62	24	18	75%
Richwood #97	24	21	87.50%
TOTALS	242	214	88.43%



**“Tin Man”
Team
Goal—2484
To Date—2115
85.15%**

**Membership
Chairman
The Great
OZ**



**“Lion”
Team
Goal—2245
To Date 1971
87.80%**



Savanna





District 3			
Unit	2022 Goal	2022	% of Goal
Buckhannon #7	37	30	81.08%
Clarksburg #13	61	37	60.66%
Elkins #29	111	112	1.009%
Shinnston #31	253	233	92.09%
Braxton County #33	31	28	90.32%
Bridgeport #68	88	28	31.82%
Belington #96	17	14	82.35%
Pickens #122	20	17	85%
Morgantown #174	60	46	76.67%
TOTALS	678	545	80.38%

District 5			
Unit	2022 Goal	2022	% of Goal
Huntington #16	150	133	88.67%
Logan #19	17	15	88.24%
St. Albans #73	30	24	80%
Ceredo-Kenova #93	276	218	78.99%
South Charleston #94	15	7	46.67%
Hamlin #111	41	38	92.68%
Milton #139	60	48	80%
Barboursville #177	106	114	107.5%
TOTALS	695	597	85.90%

District 7			
Unit	2022 Goal	2022	% of Goal
Martinsburg #14	101	60	59.41%
Franklin #30	14	15	1.071%
Piedmont #52	20	15	75%
Berkeley Springs #60	175	166	94.86%
Moorefield #64	78	69	88.46%
Charles Town #71	147	103	70.07%
Petersburg #78	70	66	94.29%
Romney #91	179	153	85.48%
Charles Town #102	28	34	121.43%
Paw Paw #128	30	25	83.33%
Kirby #134	28	26	92.86%
Ridgeley #136	47	60	127.66%
Capon Bridge #137	155	145	93.55%
Keyser #152	39	36	92.31%
TOTALS	1111	973	87.58%

May 2022

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1 <i>1st District</i> <i>Chester</i>	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 
22	23	24	25	26	27 National Poppy Day 	18
29	30 MEMORIAL DAY 	31				
					<p><i>Programs of Month</i> <i>Poppy</i> <i>Past President Parley</i></p>	

The SPIRIT is emailed to all **Unit Contacts** and any **Unit Officers or member** with an email address, and has asked for the Spirit to be emailed to them.

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Department of West Virginia
2172 Grandview Road
Moundsville, WV 26041

NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS OR PO BOX: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____

ZIP: _____

104th Annual State Convention
2022
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 104th Annual State Convention of The American Legion, Department of West Virginia, Inc., scheduled July 7-9,2022, at Double Tree by Hilton, Huntington, West Virginia.

Date: _____, 2022

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	Quarter Page	\$35	Quarter Page (Color)	\$70
	Eighth Page	\$25	Eighth Page (Color)	\$ 50

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P.O. Box 3191
Charleston, WV 25332

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2022 AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL CONVENTION

RESERVATION INVOICE

AUGUST 26 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2022

POTAWATOMI HOTEL & CASINO

1611 WEST CANAL STREET

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN 53233

NAME(S) OF ATTENDEE(S)

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-MAIL:

King/Doubles (\$144 per night plus 15.50 % hotel tax) One bedroom suite \$144

Parking rate per day---Complimentary

PLEASE MAIL PAYMENT BY MAY 3, 2022

ARRIVAL DATE TO HOTEL	
DEPARTURE DATE FROM HOTEL	
KING OR DOUBLE	

		Quantity	
ONE NIGHT'S ROOM DEPOSIT @	\$166.32		
ADDITIONAL OCCUPANT IN ROOM PER DAY - Flat Rate			
REGISTRATION FEE @	\$25.00		
NATIONAL COMMANDER'S BANQUET @	\$53.00		
SOUTHERN BLOC BREAKFAST @	\$52.00		
HOSPITALITY ROOM FEE @	\$25.00		
NATIONAL CONVENTION SHIRT@ 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:

Total

THE AMERICAN LEGION

PO BOX 3191

CHARLESTON WV 25332

If you have any questions, please contact Department Headquarters at 1-888-534-4667

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.**

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

X MEANS PAID UNIT AUDIT OF MEMBERSHIP & MANDATORY FUNDS — April 15, 2022

FIRST DISTRICT - Stephanie Handley President, Kim Elliott Vice President

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

THIRD DISTRICT - Carla Wilfong President, Kim Mellie Vice President

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

FOURTH DISTRICT - Patsy Young-Greiner President

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

