



Department President's Bulletin #6

February 2020

Greetings to all Auxiliary members. I hope this bulletin finds you all doing well and, of course, working our programs. This past weekend at Winter Conference all our chairman did a great job telling us about their programs and what they need next from us. If you didn't get your mid-year reports to the chairman or your district president, please go ahead and send them to them. This will help them when they start on their year-end reports. If you send them electronically, please copy our Department Historian Sandy in on them so she can also have the information to include in her Department History Book.

We were excited to present a new unit charter this weekend. Thanks to the diligence of the legionnaires at Burkesville Post 119 and some people who have wanted to join for a long time, we now have a new unit there. We also have another post who has reached out to get some assistance. Personally, I'm excited. When I go over to the American Legion meeting and speak, I ask the Posts who do not have Auxiliaries to start one. I think they're listening and that is a win for the American Legion Family.

Mark your calendars and make your reservations for the upcoming Spring Conference. The meeting is on Saturday, April 18th at the Holiday Inn at the Cincinnati Airport. We look forward to seeing as many as possible.

Due to inclement weather, I did not get to make the sixth district meeting in Carrollton. My next plans are to attend District 3 – Franklin – Feb 16; District 5 – Shively – March 1; District 4 – Greensburg March 15th, District 6 – Latonia – May 9th and last but certainly not least, District 9 – Ashland – May 16th. I WILL make ALL Districts before the end of this administrative year. Sometimes dates and/or locations must change so if your district falls in this group, please let me know if anything changes.

Keep working hard on your membership (2019 and 2020), recruiting and making ALL members feel included. Our Department Membership team presented a lot of awards last weekend. We were just shy of 80% and that is FABULOUS!! Great job to all who help with membership. They could have presented more but remember, in order to qualify for awards at Winter Conference, you must have paid your VA&R assessments by December 31st. If you go ahead and take care of that oversight, if your unit qualifies for awards by Spring Conference you will receive them. One last thing. Please do not hold membership. Also, if someone is listed as your remit to for dues, ensure that person is still able to receive and take care of those things.

Thanks everyone for all the wonderful things you do for Veterans, Active Duty Military, your communities and children.

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KENTUCKY ALA AMERICANISM FEBRUARY BULLETIN

Let's make sure we promote the Americanism Essay contest and get the word out to the schools. The Unit contest winners must be submitted to me by **April 1, 2020**.

I have attached the submission form and rules for your entries. There will be one Department winner for each of the six Essay Classes.

The essay title is:

“How can we address the health and well-being of our veterans, military, and their families”

Word count requirement is by Class:

Essay Classes:

Class	Grade Level	Word Requirement
I	3 and 4	150-250
II	5 and 6	250-300
III	7 and 8	350-400
IV	9 and 10	450-500
V	11 and 12	450-500
VI	Students with special needs	Word count should correspond with student's grade level.

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American Legion Auxiliary
Kentucky Girls State Program

Winter Bulletin

Hello Unit Presidents and Unit Chairmen,

Happy Holidays Season to you all it's a new year and it time for us to get on the ball and get in our schools to reach out to the students and school administrators about ALA KY Girls State program and what can offer these students to come to the ALA KY Girls State this year June 7-12, 2020 at Georgetown College in Georgetown, KY. I know that many of you have contacted our director Virginia Hobbs and myself about getting brochures to you and see about getting application to start the process for the students to apply for ALA KY Girls State this will be on our website as soon as possible in the coming weeks. Director is trying to find other ways to make it convenient for you and the students to have the information of applying for the program. And you know we are still celebrating our 100 years of the American Legion Auxiliary add this your visited as you talk with the students, parents and the schools.

Let us not leave any schools not knowing about American Legion Auxiliary Kentucky Girls State program we should student from every county in this state representing their schools at this program so please I ask you to go visit the schools in your neighborhood and ask them to have a delegate represent your unit and their school in attending American Legion Auxiliary KY Girls State.

If you need our assistance, we are here for you please let us know.

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NATIONAL SECURITY
PLANNING A POWERFUL POW/MIA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE
LET US NEVER FORGET

Today, there are still more than 83,000 American troops missing in action, according to the Department of Defense Prisoner of War-Missing Personnel Office. That includes some 73,681 from World War II; 7,947 from the Korean War; 126 during the Cold War; 1,657 from the Vietnam War; and six from Iraq and other conflicts. The American Legion Family is dedicated to ensuring that America's POW/MIAs be honored and recognized, not just memorialized. Legion efforts focus on the need to account as fully as possible for those still missing, alive or dead. An important way all Legion Family members create awareness and remembrance for this initiative is through conducting POW/MIA remembrance services at unit meetings and public events. Strong, united support by all Legion Family members is crucial to bringing all of our heroes home.

GET READY: PLANNING AND PREPARATION

Preparations for an event this solemn and sacred should not be left to chance or until the last minute, as every detail in this ceremony is important and symbolic.

The best way to prepare for a successful POW/MIA remembrance ceremony is to do your homework.

In a remembrance service, the script is traditionally read by just one person — an American Legion Auxiliary member (usually the chaplain) or a Legionnaire, and the table is set before the meeting begins. The entire remembrance service, once presented, typically lasts 15 minutes.

SET: GATHER SYMBOLIC ITEMS

A ceremony is appropriate at a more formal event and involves a longer script and up to five participants who prepare the table as the script is read. In a remembrance service, the script is traditionally read by just one person, and the table is set before the meeting begins.

The typical items required for a remembrance service:

- small table covered with a white tablecloth
- plate, fork, knife, spoon, and napkin set up on the table
- glass (inverted)
- chair placed at plate setting
- vase with a single rose in it and a red ribbon tied onto the vase
- slice of lemon on the plate and salt sprinkled onto the plate
- white candle in a holder, lit at the beginning of the ceremony
- POW/MIA flag draped over another chair in front of table
- American flag on the table

More table settings and symbolic items are used in a remembrance ceremony, as this ritual typically honors all five branches of the armed forces.

KNOW: UNDERSTAND THE SYMBOLS

POW/MIA remembrance service full script:

Those who have served, and those currently serving the uniformed services of the United States are ever mindful that the sweetness of enduring peace always has been tainted by the bitterness of personal sacrifice. We are compelled to never forget that while we enjoy our daily pleasures, there are others who have endured and may still be enduring the agonies of pain, deprivation, and internment.

Before we begin our activities this evening, we will pause to remember our prisoners of war and missing in action.

We call your attention to this small table, which occupies a place of dignity and honor near the head table. It is set for one – symbolizing the fact that our armed forces personnel are missing from our ranks. They are referred to as POWs and MIAs.

We call them comrades. They are unable to be with their loved ones and families tonight, so we join together to pay our humble tribute to them, and to bear witness to their continued absence.

The table is small, symbolizing the frailty of one prisoner, alone against his or her oppressors.

The tablecloth is white, symbolic of the purity of intentions to respond to their country's call to arms.

The single rose in the vase signifies the blood they may have shed in sacrifice to ensure the freedom of our beloved United States of America. This rose also reminds us of our missing comrades' families and friends who keep the faith while awaiting their return.

The red ribbon on the vase represents the red ribbons worn on the lapels of thousands who demand with unyielding determination a proper accounting of our comrades who are not among us tonight.

A slice of lemon on the plate reminds us of their bitter fate.

The salt sprinkled on the plate reminds us of the countless fallen tears of families as they wait.

The glass is inverted; they cannot toast with us at this time.

The chair is empty; they are not here.

The candle is reminiscent of the light of hope, which lives in our hearts to illuminate their way home, away from their captors, to the open arms of a grateful nation.

The American flag reminds us that many of them may never return and have paid the supreme sacrifice to insure our freedom.

Let us pray to the Supreme Commander that all of our comrades will soon be back within our ranks.

Let us remember and never forget their sacrifice.

May God forever watch over them and protect them and their families.

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Treasurer's Bulletin #2

The new year has arrived, and the time has come for payment of Department Operating Assessments. The Operating Assessments are one of the financial resources to assist in the funding of department operations. These assessments are a flat \$25 plus an amount based on the number of senior members for the calendar year. So, the membership number used is the number of 2019 current senior members on your membership roster as of December 31, 2019 plus the \$25 base amount. The following table is a recap of the amounts due for these assessments.

Please remit the appropriate amount to Department Headquarters by Spring Conference in April. Also, if you have not remitted your VA&R assessments you can remit them by March 31 to be eligible for Membership awards.

Virginia Hobbs
Department Treasurer

Unit	2020 Operating Assessments		Unit	2020 Operating Assessments
KY UNIT 0002	\$ 27.75		KY UNIT 0101	\$ 27.75
KY UNIT 0004	\$ 42.50		KY UNIT 0104	\$ 25.25
KY UNIT 0006	\$ 60.75		KY UNIT 0109	\$ 27.50
KY UNIT 0007	\$ 49.25		KY UNIT 0113	\$ 130.00
KY UNIT 0008	\$ 44.75		KY UNIT 0115	\$ 40.75
KY UNIT 0009	\$ 45.00		KY UNIT 0121	\$ 35.50
KY UNIT 0011	\$ 36.00		KY UNIT 0124	\$ 37.50
KY UNIT 0012	\$ 30.00		KY UNIT 0126	\$ 38.50
KY UNIT 0016	\$ 34.00		KY UNIT 0132	\$ 33.50
KY UNIT 0017	\$ 28.00		KY UNIT 0138	\$ 38.00
KY UNIT 0020	\$ 40.00		KY UNIT 0144	\$ 25.25
KY UNIT 0022	\$ 33.50		KY UNIT 0148	\$ 40.75
KY UNIT 0023	\$ 41.25		KY UNIT 0152	\$ 31.25
KY UNIT 0024	\$ 44.00		KY UNIT 0157	\$ 49.00
KY UNIT 0026	\$ 32.50		KY UNIT 0165	\$ 34.25
KY UNIT 0029	\$ 32.50		KY UNIT 0167	\$ 32.50
KY UNIT 0030	\$ 26.25		KY UNIT 0176	\$ 28.00
KY UNIT 0031	\$ 34.50		KY UNIT 0180	\$ 49.00
KY UNIT 0034	\$ 59.25		KY UNIT 0193	\$ 50.50
KY UNIT 0038	\$ 45.00		KY UNIT 0201	\$ 46.00
KY UNIT 0040	\$ 45.50		KY UNIT 0202	\$ 30.75
KY UNIT 0041	\$ 39.75		KY UNIT 0203	\$ 78.50
KY UNIT 0042	\$ 29.25		KY UNIT 0217	\$ 50.50
KY UNIT 0043	\$ 42.00		KY UNIT 0219	\$ 37.75
KY UNIT 0045	\$ 28.25		KY UNIT 0220	\$ 35.50
KY UNIT 0046	\$ 31.00		KY UNIT 0229	\$ 37.00
KY UNIT 0049	\$ 30.00		KY UNIT 0233	\$ 54.50
KY UNIT 0061	\$ 32.75		KY UNIT 0236	\$ 34.50
KY UNIT 0062	\$ 48.25		KY UNIT 0243	\$ 29.00
KY UNIT 0066	\$ 28.00		KY UNIT 0244	\$ 43.00
KY UNIT 0067	\$ 43.25		KY UNIT 0247	\$ 26.25
KY UNIT 0068	\$ 34.75		KY UNIT 0257	\$ 33.75
KY UNIT 0072	\$ 27.75		KY UNIT 0276	\$ 28.25
KY UNIT 0074	\$ 28.75		KY UNIT 0278	\$ 28.25
KY UNIT 0076	\$ 33.00		KY UNIT 0283	\$ 25.75
KY UNIT 0079	\$ 40.75		KY UNIT 0288	\$ 31.75
KY UNIT 0081	\$ 77.00		KY UNIT 0289	\$ 26.50
KY UNIT 0082	\$ 36.75		KY UNIT 0301	\$ 27.75
KY UNIT 0085	\$ 28.75		KY UNIT 0313	\$ 45.00
KY UNIT 0087	\$ 28.50		KY UNIT 0325	\$ 43.25
KY UNIT 0088	\$ 45.25		KY UNIT 0341	\$ 34.25
			KY UNIT 0342	\$ 36.75



Membership is our Heartbeat, Be part of our Rythm

DISTRICT 1							DISTRICT 4							DISTRICT 7							DISTRICT 10						
Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %	Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %	Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %	Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %
26	30	27	90.0	31	27	87.1	42	19	18	94.7	21	18	85.7	7	118	75	63.6	119	77	64.7	66	13	12	92.3	12	12	100.0
31	38	31	81.6	39	32	82.1	49	20	0	0.0	21	0	0.0	8	78	63	80.8	81	64	79.0	104	1	8	0.0	8	8	100.0
68	39	39	100.0	40	41	102.5	81	298	210	70.5	300	211	70.3	24	76	58	76.3	78	60	76.9	152	25	12	48.0	25	12	48.0
72	12	12	100.0	12	12	100.0	82	49	34	69.4	50	34	68.0	30	5	0	0.0	7	0	0.0	283	3	0	0.0	5	8	160.0
74	15	14	93.3	16	15	93.8	87	14	12	85.7	15	12	80.0	67	68	43	63.2	68	46	67.6	Tot	42	32	76.2	50	40	80.0
85	15	15	100.0	16	17	106.3	101	11	4	36.4	11	4	36.4	79	65	21	32.3	67	24	35.8	DISTRICT 11						
							113	450	422	93.8	458	424	92.6	132	34	30	88.2	35	30	85.7	Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %
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217	113	97	85.8	114	99	86.8	124	59	50	84.7	59	52	88.1	176	12	12	100.0	12	13	108.3	38	80	72	90.0	82	72	87.8
236	39	41	105.1	40	41	102.5	148	71	54	76.1	74	56	75.7	257	32	29	90.6	37	29	78.4	88	81	56	69.1	83	57	68.7
Tot	302	279	92.4	308	287	93.2	157	102	73	71.6	103	73	70.9	313	85	50	58.8	85	51	60.0	115	65	45	69.2	67	46	68.7
DISTRICT 2							167	35	30	85.7	36	30	83.3	341	35	22	62.9	36	22	61.1	Tot	262	178	67.9	270	185	68.5
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2	11	10	90.9	12	10	83.3	288	29	36	124.1	30	36	120.0	DISTRICT 8							HEADQUARTERS						
6	141	93	66.0	143	93	65.0	Tot	1205	984	81.7	1228	992	80.8	Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %	Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %
9	79	70	88.6	82	71	86.6	DISTRICT 5							12	20	14	70.0	21	16	76.2	200	71	63	88.7	71	63	88.7
40	82	69	84.1	84	69	82.1	Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %	34	147	128	87.1	149	130	87.2	DEPARTMENT OF KENTUCKY						
233	126	70	55.6	128	73	57.0	45	18	2	11.1	19	2	10.5	46	24	27	112.5	25	27	108.0	Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %
243	17	17	100.0	18	19	105.6	180	127	96	75.6	129	96	74.4	301	11	0	0.0	12	0	0.0	4910	3890	51.4	5030	3890	77.34	
289	6	7	116.7	8	7	87.5	193	107	79	73.8	109	79	72.5	Tot	202	169	83.7	207	173	83.6	Tot	4910	3890	51.4	5030	3890	77.9
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DISTRICT 3							220	42	36	85.7	43	36	83.7	Unit	Ren Goal	Ren Pd	Ren%	Tot Goal	Tot Pd	Tot %							
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29	32	27	84.4	34	27	79.4	278	13	12	92.3	13	14	107.7	43	64	43	67.2	72	48	66.7							
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62	96	78	81.3	97	78	80.4	DISTRICT 6							126	57	38	66.7	58	38	65.5							
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							109	0	10	0.0	5	10	200.0														
							203	252	215	85.3	255	215	84.3														
							219	51	51	100.0	52	51	98.1														
							Tot	545	431	79.1	564	318	56.4														

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green OP Expenses Paid

orange VA&R and OP Paid

Be Nice, Be Kind!!

Watch our Family Grow, One member at a Time
updated 01-17-20



Headquarters
February 2020

****IMPORTANT NOTICE****

I received an email from National regarding the 2nd renewal that was sent out the middle of January. The renewal notices have the incorrect renewal fee listed. National will be mailing correct renewal notices to all members that have not paid their 2020 membership renewal.

EMAIL CORRECTION: Brenda Lay, Department Poppy Chairman has requested that you use this email to contact her: seniorcenter@gallatinfiscalcourt.com

VA & R assessments – There are still a few units that have not paid their VA & R assessments.

OPERATING assessments – This assessments if due to Department by 3-31-2020. In this mailing is a chart from the Department Treasurer. (please make sure you list in the memo of the check that it is for the Operating Assessments)

The Spring Conference is right around the corner. It will be held April 17-18, 2020 at the Holiday Inn Cincinnati Airport in Florence. To make reservations please call 859-746-5608. When making reservations please let them know that it is for "The American Legion Spring Conference". We will be having a special guest so please make plans to attend.

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