



*American Legion Auxiliary Newsletter (334) 262-1176*

Department President, Trish Montgomery 2019-2020



*Trish Montgomery*  
2019-2020

Theme for the year:

*November 18, 2019*

*Honor Our Veterans!*

*100 Years of Service*

Hello Auxiliary Members,

I have enjoyed seeing everyone as I have been traveling to all the different Post's/Unit's during the Revitalization's, District and unit meeting. It is a privilege I do not take lightly. Thank you for all you are doing for our Veterans, their families and our communities.

This year is flying by. It will be Mid-Winter before you know it. Please get your reports in to the Chairperson so that you get credit for all your hard work. I'm looking forward to hearing about all you have been doing.

Please remember all our Auxiliary members who are either sick, in the hospital or otherwise in need of prayer.

I hope that you all have a Happy Thanksgiving, with lots of turkey and all the trimmings, making beautiful memories that you can cherish for a lifetime.

We will be having a Chinese auction at Mid-Winter. Please bring a basket for us to auction off. Fill it with items from your local area. Also, please remember we have cookbooks for sale, as well as the beautiful red shirts that our very own Iris Keen is embroidering for us. All these fundraisers are for our general fund.

I look forward to seeing you all at our Mid-Winter Conference in January. Mid-Winter Conference will be held January 16-19, 2020 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Huntsville Hotel and Spa, 800 Monroe St SW, Huntsville AL35801. The number to call for reservations is 256-539-7373. Room rates are \$129.00.

Honor our Veterans

Trish Montgomery,

Department President

District 33 American Legion Auxiliary of Mobile and Baldwin Counties has a new project this year. We are providing hot dogs, chips, drinks and Little Debbie cakes on the first Tuesday of each month to the patients attending the new Mobile, Alabama VA Clinic. Our SAL Detachment Commander, Aaron Phillips, has been the token male for each occasion by bringing the tables and helping with set up then visiting with the Veterans. We have had great participation from all of our Area Units including Unit 76, Unit 88, Unit 99, and Unit 250. It is amazing to serve and visit with our veterans each time we go. It is such a pleasure to serve every patient that has come in to enjoy the refreshments we have provided. These pictures will tell you how much we are loving what we do! So far each month we have served around 120 hotdogs with chips, drinks and Little Debbie cakes.



#### Notes of Interest:

1. The *Josh Dog* will not be available this year. There are some strides being made to see that he comes back, but as of now he is no longer available for the Children and Youth Program.
2. A new children's book is out written by a Military Spouse/Mom, Sarah Verardo called *Hero at Home*. This is an amazing story about a Soldier/Father who was injured and doesn't "look" like the "normal" dad. This story is a **MUST HAVE!**

**Just a Reminder**

**RESOLUTIONS PASSED!!**

Both Resolutions in Call to Conference regarding dues increase for Department and for Headquarters Unit 1983 were passed at Department Convention on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Dues now paid to Department:**

***\$25/ Seniors, \$6 Juniors.***

Dues for ***Unit 1983*** were raised to ***\$30/Seniors and \$8/Juniors.***

*Cookbooks are for Sale:*

REDUCED...Cookbooks have been reduced to \$20/ea<sup>3</sup> (plus s/h) What a great gift idea for any occasion, or “just because.”



*Just a Reminder:*

Department has Poppies for Sale. Poppies are \$20/100 plus \$8 for shipping and handling per 100 for a total of \$28/100. Just send a letter requesting where to send them along with the proper amount and they will be sent out to you promptly. As of today, there are 100 in the office for sale.



## ALA Academy

Have you signed up for the ALA Academy? If you haven't, you should. There is a wealth of information at your fingertips.

## Mid-Winter

To be held on January 16-19, 2020. The registration form is attached in this Newsletter.

Make sure to sign up.

## **YOUR MEMBERSHIP MATTERS**

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Have you renewed your membership? You matter! Your membership matters! If you are the Membership Chairman for your Unit, make sure you are contacting your members and let them know they matter. Make sure you send it in; don't hold membership.

**\*Dues for 2020 renewals are due NOW.**

**Your membership will not be in good standing after 12/31/19. Please turn in asap.**

## CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS



All Constitutions and Bylaws for **EVERY** Unit must be updated to reflect the new change from National regarding "wife" to "spouse". Don't put it off; it's important.



# Registration for Leadership

## Department of Alabama

### January 16-19, 2020

*Embassy Suites*  
*800 Monroe St SW, Huntsville, AL 35801*  
*256-539-7373*

**Pre-Registration Deadline: January 10, 2019**

\$15/person    Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**All registrants MUST have dues paid through 2019 membership year (or renewed for new membership year of 2020) or you will not be registered or allowed on conference room floor. No exception.**

**New Members Transmittal Only**

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA  
Attn: Carol Tyson, Secretary  
P O Box 606, Montgomery, AL. 36101

form rev 6/17/19

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Transmittal # \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_

_____	New Seniors	\$ 25.00	\$ _____ -
_____	Rejoin Seniors	\$ 25.00	\$ _____ -
_____	New Juniors	\$ 6.00	\$ _____ -
_____	Rejoin Juniors	\$ 6.00	\$ _____ -
	Credit Memo	(Less Amount)	_____

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ -

**Per Resolution passed at June 2019 Convention - all Seniors \$25 and Jrs \$6 effective July 1, 2019**

Seniors (NEW Only - Please Put In Alphabetical Order)

Name	Member #
_____	_____
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Name	Member#
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Juniors (NEW Only - Please Put In Alphabetical Order)

Name	Member #
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Name	Member #
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PLEASE, DO NOT MIX YEARS OR ADD RENEWED MEMBERS TO THIS FORM  
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_____	Transfer Seniors	\$ 25.00	\$ _____ -
_____	Renewed Juniors	\$ 6.00	\$ _____ -
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	Credit Memo	(Less Amount)	_____

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Seniors (Please Put In Alphabetical Order)

Name	Member #	Name	Member#
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Juniors (Please Put In Alphabetical Order)

Name	Member #	Name	Member#
_____	_____	_____	_____
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**Mid-Winter Conference  
Hotel Lunch Buffet**

Friday, January 17, 2020  
Italian Buffet  
\$15.00 per person

Saturday, January 18, 2020  
Mexican Buffet  
\$15.00 per person

In the morning each day the Hotel will be selling tickets for the buffets. This will speed up our limited lunch times. They will be able to accept cash or card.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Department Headquarters at 334-262-6638.



**Dinner Buffet**  
**Saturday January 18, 2020**  
**\$25.00 per person**

**Menu**

*2 Different type salads with different salad dressings*  
*potato salad*  
*assorted breads*  
*Chef's choice of starch and vegetable*  
*herb crusted salmon*  
*Corsican Chicken*  
*dessert display*  
*tea and coffee*

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**Due Date January 10, 2020**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ x \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please mail checks payable to The American Legion, P O Box 1069, Montgomery,  
AL 36101**

# Legion Agenda

## Mid-Winter Conference

### Agenda

January 16 - 19, 2020

#### Thursday, January 16, 2020

12:00 PM	to	4:00 PM	Legion Store	Madison Boardroom	
12:00 PM	to	4:00 PM	Legion & SAL Registration	Outside Big Spring CD	
3:00 PM		6:00 PM	Auxiliary Silent Auction	Redstone Boardroom	
4:00 PM	to	4:30 PM	2nd Division Meeting <i>***21st, 22nd, 23rd, and 24th District and Post Officers***</i>	Big Spring CD	2nd Div Cmdr Daughtry
4:30 PM	to	5:00 PM	Veterans Retreat Meeting	Big Spring CD	Chair. Jeff Gibson
4:00 PM	to	6:00 PM	Auxiliary Registration	Outside Big Spring AB	
6:00 PM	to	8:00 PM	Auxiliary Meetings	Big Spring AB	

#### Friday, January 17, 2020

8:00 AM	to	4:00 PM	Legion Store	Madison Boardroom	
8:00 AM	to	4:00 PM	Legion & SAL Registration	Outside Big Spring CD	
8:00 AM	to	4:00 PM	Auxiliary Silent Auction	Redstone Boardroom	
8:00 AM	to	4:00 PM	Auxiliary Registration	Outside Big Spring AB	
8:00 AM	to	9:00 AM	Auxiliary Meetings	Big Spring AB	
8:00 AM	to	8:30 AM	Constitution & Bylaws Cmte. Mtng	Monroe Boardroom	Chair. Jay Snow
8:00 AM	to	9:00 AM	Boys Scout Information & Training	Big Spring CD	Chair. Jeremy Blevins
9:00 AM	to	9:15 AM	Break to allow hotel to open Air Walls		
9:15 AM	to	10:15 AM	Joint Opening Session Posting of Colors Welcome Remarks TAL Commander AUX President SAL Commander ALR Director	Big Spring ABCD Post 237  Ron Bradstreet Trish Montgomery Aaron Phillips Rocky Smith	
10:15 AM	to	10:30 AM	Break to allow hotel to close Air Walls		
10:30 AM	to	12:00 PM	Post Service Officer Training	Monte Santo Ballroom	VSO Mark Sullivan
10:30 AM	to	12:00 PM	Auxiliary Meetings	Big Spring AB	
10:30 AM	to	11:30 AM	Training- LIT and Census Facts	Big Springs CD	Ron Bradstreet & Greg Akers
11:30 AM	to	12:00 PM	Commanders & Adjutants Training	Big Springs CD	Ron Bradstreet & Greg Akers
12:00 PM	to	1:00 PM	Break for Lunch	Restaurant	
1:00 PM	to	5:00 PM	Auxiliary Meetings	Big Spring AB	
1:00 PM	to	5:00 PM	Post Service Officer Training	Monte Santo Ballroom	VSO Mark Sullivan
1:30 PM	to	2:30 PM	Oratorical Committee Meeting	Monroe Boardroom	Chair. Willie Rogers
1:30 PM	to	2:30 PM	Flag & Legion Cap Etiquette	Big Springs CD	Sgt At Arms Freddie Jones
2:30 PM	to	3:00 PM	Fundraising Ideas	Big Springs CD	Adjutant Greg Akers
3:00 PM	to	5:00 PM	LEAD Training	Big Springs CD	Bob Sussan

**Mid-Winter Conference  
Agenda  
January 16 - 19, 2020**

**Saturday, January 18, 2020**

7:00 AM	to	8:00 AM	Oratorical Contest Training	Big Springs CD	Chair. Willie Rogers
8:00 AM	to	1:00 PM	Legion Store	Madison Boardroom	
8:00 AM	to	1:00 PM	Legion & SAL Registration	Outside Big Spring CD	
8:00 AM	to	1:00 PM	Auxiliary Registration	Outside Big Spring AB	
8:00 AM	to	9:00 AM	Baseball Training	Big Springs CD	Chair. Alan Phillips
9:00 AM	to	5:00 PM	Auxiliary Meetings	Big Spring AB	
9:00 AM	to	10:00 AM	Legion Opening Ceremony	Big Springs CD	
			Guest Speaker - Johnny Baker		
9:00 AM	to	10:00 AM	SAL Pre-DEC Meetings	Monte Santo Ballroom	
10:00 AM	to	1:00 PM	SAL General Session	Monte Santo Ballroom	
10:00 AM	to	12:00 PM	Revitalization Training	Big Springs CD	Chair. Tina Bush
12:00 PM	to	1:00 PM	Break for Lunch		
12:00 PM	to	1:00 PM	Boys State Comm. Lunch Meeting	Restaurant	Chair. Judge Johnson
1:00 PM	to	3:00 PM	Roberts Rules Training	Big Springs CD	JA Jay Snow
2:00 PM	to	3:00 PM	SAL Finance Meeting	Monte Santo Ballroom	
3:00 PM	to	4:00 PM	ALR Meetings	Big Springs CD	Director Rocky Smith
4:00 PM	to	5:30 PM	Legion Finance Commission Meeting	Big Springs CD	Chair. Jim Jeffries
6:30 PM	to	8:00 PM	Banquet	Big Springs BCD	

**Sunday, January 19, 2020**

8:00 AM	to	9:00 AM	Legion Family Memorial Service	Big Springs CD
9:30 AM	to	Until	Legion DEC Meeting	Big Springs CD

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## Key Dates:

**Nov 28-29, 2019**  
**Office Closed- Thanksgiving**  
**Dec 23-25, 2019**  
**Office Closed - Christmas**  
**Dec 30-Jan 1, 2020**  
**Office Closed – New Year**  
**Jan 16-19, 2020**  
**Mid-Winter, Huntsville**  
**Jan 20, 2020**  
**Office Closed**

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