

## **NATIONAL AWARDS**

### **NATIONAL CONVENTION AWARDS CINCINNATI, OHIO 2016**

#### **Americanism**

Dorothy Pearl Most Outstanding Program  
Targeted to children and youth

John J Morris Unit 62

Best Overall Americanism Program in the  
Western Division

Arizona – Rose Ficklin

Most Outstanding Junior Americanism Program

John J Morris Unit 62

National Spirit of Youth Pins  
7,29,32,35,36,59,61,81,91,109

#### **AEF**

National AEF Pins

Units 1,6,8,14,19,26,27,29,32,35,39,41,44,54,56,58,59,61  
62,65,68,81,86,87,91,102,103,107,109,117,131,132,  
Districts 7, 12,  
Mary Musich Unit 24

#### **Children & Youth**

Dorothy Pearl Most Outstanding  
Best Promotion of Family Support Program  
Citation Plaque Western Division

Department of Arizona  
Linda Machino  
Merrill Mitchell Unit 39

#### **Juniors**

Best Unit Junior Activities  
Western Division,

John J Morris Unit 62  
Karen Quigg

#### **Leadership**

Award of Appreciation  
Promoting a Culture of Goodwill  
Department Western Division

Vickey Zwall

#### **Legislative**

Most Outstanding overall Program  
Department Western Division

Janice Williamson

Legislative Million Member Award  
Demonstrating of How working the  
Legislative Program engaged, retained  
and attracted members to grow membership by a Unit  
Western Division

Mohave Valley Unit 87

Membership

100% Membership by 12-31-2015  
Units 16, 114

102% Goal  
Units 1,5,8,14,16,45,46,51,57,58,69,95,126,134,138

Silver Brigade

Kathy Falk Unit 27  
Amy Hankins Unit 62

National Security

Most Outstanding program serving and  
Supporting Military Families  
Unit Western Division

John J Morris Unit 62

Past President Parley

Mentor of the Year

Department of Arizona  
Joyce Livingston

Poppy Poster

Class IV  
Class V

Kaitlyn Benson  
Tinatin Kotolashvili

Public Relations

Unit Program Award  
Creation of the best 3 media release in  
Western Division

Marge Chrisitanson  
John J Morris Unit 62

VA&R

Perfect Attendance  
Tucson VAMC

Annabell Reatherford  
Kathy Szakonyi

President's Excellence Award

Unit Project Sandwich for Homeless

Tony F Soza-Ray Martines  
Unit 41

**NATIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION  
COMMITTEE MEMBER

PENNY MAKLARY

WESTERN DIVISION CHAIRMAN  
POPPY

KATHY STICKLIN

WESTERN DIVISION CHAIRMAN  
MEMBERSHIP

JOSEPHINE HERRERA

WESTERN DIVISION CHAIRMAN  
EDUCATION

KAREN SMITH

*American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of Arizona*

*WELCOMES*

*NATIONAL PRESIDENT MARY DAVIS*

*Dinner February 9, 2017  
No Host Bar 5:00pm  
Dress code  
Semi Formal / Business*



*Dinner 6:00pm  
Cost \$15.00  
Roast Pork Loin,  
Dressing, potatoes,  
Green beans, Salad  
Potatoes, Rolls,  
Dessert*

*Please plan to attend our Dinner with  
National President Mary*

*February 9, 2017  
American Legion Post 1  
364 N 7<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007*

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Please send in the bottom part, along with your check

Please make out check to: ALA Unit 1  
Attn: Linda Hubbs  
3710 W Glen  
phone 602-253-8431 Phoenix, AZ 85051

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ dinner(s) for The National President's Visit to Arizona. Cut off date for dinner tickets is February 3, 2017.

Enclose \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the names for this event.

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# PAWS IN SERVICE

**December 2016**

**FALL CONFERENCE...**Did you attend? Did you get to met WDNVP Cary Fisher? Did you learn something?

**DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE...**January 7, 2017...see you there.

**JUNIORS...**Fall Retreat...Did you have juniors that attended?

## **DIRECTORY ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS...**

Unit 81....President Kathy Sammons email [kathydwight@yahoo.com](mailto:kathydwight@yahoo.com)

Unit 109...meets 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at 1:30pm

Dept Chaplain...Jennie Molina 520-220-8460

**MEMBERSHIP...** ““ONE IN A MILLION MAKING MEMBERSHIP MEANINGFUL”. Membership is everyone’s job and it does not stop because it’s summer. Membership paid online and PUFL money will be sent in the form of a credit voucher. Please do not hold membership at any time.

**DD214...**do not send these to Department...we do not need them nor do we want them.

**Membership application...**identify 1 name for the veteran...select 1 service period...pick just one for relationship. Answers for these questions do not have multiple answers... **PICK JUST 1.**

**ALAMIS access...**I have received notice that the deadline for this access is November 30th. The request form is in this packet. What has your Unit decided?

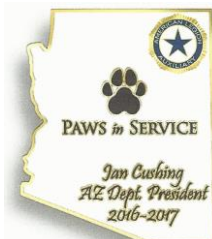
**POPPY ORDER...**Deadline was September 30. Did you get your order in on time? If you have questions about poppy orders contact the Department 602-241-1080. If you have questions about the Poppy Program contact the Department Chairman listed in the 2016-2017 Directory.

**Did you look at the 2016-2017 Impact Report Form in last month’s packet? Didn’t think so...so it’s in this packet also.**

**We encourage you to work hard and watch deadlines...it takes both to be a winner and make membership meaningful.**

**“Paws in Service”**

**Barbara Matteson**  
Dept Secretary/Treasurer  
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**Pat Stanaski**  
Dept Membership Processing  
[membership@aladeptaz.org](mailto:membership@aladeptaz.org)

**“PAWS IN SERVICE”**  
**FOR OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES**  
**PRESIDENT’S NOTES**  
**DECEMBER 2016**

I want to thank everyone that attended Fall Conference on November 4-6 in Tucson. Each unit received a packet. I want to thank the Department Chairmen that attended the MEET & GREET on Saturday evening, there have been a lot of good comments something to look forward in future years.

Congratulations to all the National Awards winners from Arizona, a list is included in this packet!!!!

I want to thank the following Units 1, 11, 12, 26, 57, 61, 62, 86, 93, 102, and 108 for your generous donations to my special project “Soldiers Best Friend”. Thank you to District 12 TAL for your generous donation to my special project. GO TEAM ARIZONA.

The National President Mary Davis theme this year is “Enhance the Member Experience”. We will be hosting the National President Mary Davis February 7-10 during the Phoenix Creative Arts Festival. February 9<sup>th</sup> will be the National President’s Banquet at Post 1 in Phoenix mark that date on your calendar, more information forthcoming.

DEPARTMENT CHAIRMEN IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO HAVE A BULLETIN IN THE PACKET EVERY MONTH SOME OF YOU HAVE MISSED PUTTING ONE IN. THE UNITS NEEDS TO KNOW WHAT YOUR GOALS ARE AND WHAT IS EXPECTED FROM THE PROGRAM ACTION PLAN THIS YEAR. THANK YOU.

Department Open House is January 7, 2017 at Legion Headquarters. Starting at Noon, bring a dish to share!!! It is a fun time.

Send any invitations to visit your Unit or District to me not to Department as Barbara has other important matters to handle; she is the Dept. Secretary and not my personal secretary!!! My address is 20089 N. Pinewish Court, Surprise, AZ 85374-4625 or e-mail me at [gcushing@cox.net](mailto:gcushing@cox.net) and it will also be in directory.

GO TEAM ARIZONA!! HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Jan Cushing  
Department of Arizona President  
2016-2017

## President Jan's Schedule

|                                 |  |                      |
|---------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| November 3, 2016                | Grand Opening Soldier's Best Friend    | Peoria, AZ           |
| November 4-6, 2016              | Fall Conference                        | Tucson, AZ           |
| November 11, 2016               | Tucson Veteran's Day Parade            | Tucson, AZ           |
| November 12, 2016               | Unit 7 visit                           | Tucson, AZ           |
| November 13, 2016               | Official Visit District 3 Unit 52      | Sierra Vista, AZ     |
| November 16, 2016               | Official Visit Unit 131                | Green Valley, AZ     |
| November 16-20 <sup>th</sup>    | TAL National Commander Schmidt Visit   | Phoenix, AZ          |
| November 19, 2016               | Girls State Spaghetti Dinner Post 2    | Tempe, AZ            |
| November 28, 2016               | Whipple VA Gift Shop                   | Prescott, AZ         |
| November 30, 2016               | Tucson VA Gift Ship                    | Tucson, AZ           |
|                                 |  |                      |
| December 5, 2016                | Phoenix VA Gift Shop                   | Phoenix, AZ          |
| December 7, 2016                | Lay Wreath Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza | Phoenix, AZ          |
| December 10, 2016               | Post 94 Christmas Dinner               | Sun City West, AZ    |
|                                 |  |                      |
| January 2, 2017                 | Official Visit Unit 27                 | Apache Junction, AZ  |
| January 7, 2017                 | Dept. Open House                       | Dept. Headquarters   |
| January 15, 2017                | Official Visit District 12 Unit 35     | Chandler, AZ         |
| January 17, 2017                | Official Visit Unit 8                  | Casa Grande, AZ      |
| January 28, 2017                | Mission Training                       | Las Vegas, NV        |
|                                 |  |                      |
| February 3-5, 2017              | SAL NAT.CMDR Jeff Frain Home Coming    | Mesa, AZ             |
| February 7-10, 2017             | ALA National President's Visit         | Phoenix, AZ          |
| February 8, 9, 2017             | Creative Arts                          | Phoenix, AZ          |
| February 24-Mar.1 <sup>st</sup> | Washington Conference                  | Washington, DC       |
|                                 |  |                      |
| March 4, 2017                   | Oratorical Finals Post 64              | Ahwatukee, AZ        |
| March 11, 2017                  | Girls State Car Show                   | Lake Havasu City, AZ |
| March 11, 2017                  | Official Visit Unit 81                 | Lake Havasu City, AZ |
| March 18, 2017                  | Birthday Ball Post 19                  | Yuma, AZ             |
| March 19, 2017                  | Official Visit District 1 Unit 19      | Yuma, AZ             |
| March 21, 2017                  | Official Visit Unit 1                  | Phoenix, AZ          |
|                                 |  |                      |
| April 20, 2017                  | Official Visit Unit 35                 | Chandler, AZ         |
| April 22, 2017                  | Official Visit District 7 Unit 14      | Kingman, AZ          |
|                                 |  |                      |
| May 14, 2017                    | Official visit District 11 Unit 61     | Avondale, AZ         |

# AUXILIARY EMERGENCY FUND

December 2016

It was good to see long-time friends and meet new ones at this year's fall conference. Unit mailboxes were full of information and it is certainly hoped that chairmen have received the items they need in order to work their programs effectively.

With December upon us, we all know what that means . . . ***"Mid-year Reports"***. From our National AEF Chairman, Lisa Williamson, ***"No matter how big or small, you should report any Auxiliary Emergency Fund activities, including stories, flyers, news, . . . social media activity, or anything that helps to share your success stories that serve the ALA mission."*** Please recognize those who have worked the program and how they have done it. Your report should be sent to this chairman not later than December 28, 2016, via email or US mail.

This month's fundraising idea comes from Karen Franzese, the Eastern Division AEF Chairman – a "Penny War". Decide how long the contest will continue; divide up into teams; each team needs a jar or bucket. Pennies count positively toward the point total, while points are subtracted with other donated coins or bills (that's what you place in the OTHER teams' buckets!) Team with highest points wins. If interested, please ask for more detailed information. Be sure to send your check for the total raised to Department with information to this chairman.

Example – Penny = + 2 pts; Nickel = - 5 pts; Dime = - 10 pts, etc.

Whichever holiday you and yours are celebrating this month, we hope it gives you pleasant memories.

WITH PAWS IN SERVICE

Rebecca Faris,

Chairman

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**DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA**  
**Auxiliary Emergency Fund**  
**Year End Report 2017**

Return to: Rebecca Faris – AEF Chairman; PO Box 3122; Kingman, AZ 86402-3122  
OR email to [rebfar@npgcable.com](mailto:rebfar@npgcable.com) . **Deadline: May 1, 2017.**

Unit # \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Did your unit donate to the National Auxiliary Emergency Fund? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the total donated amount? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2. Did an individual(s) donate \$50 or more? \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Did you have a special fund raiser for AEF? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe \_\_\_\_\_

4. Did a member in your unit receive assistance from the National AEF in the  
2016-17 year? \_\_\_\_\_

How many? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What resources were used to assist your members? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Does your unit have an assistance fund to help members? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Is your unit submitting a narrative detailing the way the AEF program  
was promoted to compete for the "Patricia M Lee – Gloria Elliott Memorial  
Plaque"? \_\_\_\_\_

(Be sure to include a copy of this report as the last page.)





## **AMERICANISM**

**DECEMBER 2016**

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, the Imperial Japanese Navy Air Service attacked Naval Station Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, without warning and without a declaration of war, killing 2,403 American non-combatants, and injuring 1,178 others. The attack sank two U.S. Navy battleships and damaged five others. It also damaged three cruisers, three destroyers, and one minelayer. Aircraft losses were 188 destroyed and 159 damaged. Twenty years later I lived on Hickman Air Force Base and in the back of each housing building were bomb shelters for "Just in Case". On the beaches were wooded lookouts hidden in the palm trees, the same ones used in 1941, and adjacent to the sunken USS Arizona was a long wooden dock. My Father and I went fishing there sometimes and even then the mood was solemn knowing that 1,102 of the 1,177 Sailors and Marines were trapped inside, their final resting place, a watery grave. A year later the USS Arizona Memorial was built over the sunken battleship and was dedicated on May 30, 1962 in honor of the crew members who were killed.

Did you know that, Canada declared war on Japan within hours of the attack on Pearl Harbor, the first Western nation to do so. Then on December 8<sup>th</sup>, the United States declared war on Japan and entered World War II on the side of the Allies. In a speech to Congress, President Franklin D. Roosevelt called the bombing of Pearl Harbor "a date which will live in infamy." A famous quote remembered, even today. And still gives me shivers when I hear President Roosevelt's speech replayed on the History Channel.

On December 7, 2016, will be the 75<sup>th</sup> Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. Please take time to remember and honor those who were killed or suffered injuries as a result of this vicious attack. Those who survived suffered great loss and lasting horrific and painful memories. And please add some prayers for a peaceful future.

I would like thank District's 7, 8, 11, 12, and Unit's 29 and 62, for bringing their colors to the Department Conference. I would also like to thank Naomi Rains from Unit 78 for continuing to send in monthly reports. Please follow her example.

Remember, mid-term reports are due to me by December 15<sup>th</sup>.

My sincere wishes to all of you for a Happy Hanukkah, a very Merry Christmas, and a most wonderful and successful New Year!

Unit next year,

Linda Hubbs  
American Chairman

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA HEADQUARTERS**

**SPECIAL MEMORANDUM**

**SERIES: 2016-2017**

**SUBJECT: DUES, MANDATES, FEES, DONATIONS, ETC.**

The following are program funds that need to go through the Department Books. **Checks are to be made payable and sent to American Legion Auxiliary, 4701 N. 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 100, Phoenix AZ 85015-3727.** Please write separate checks for MEMBERSHIP, and Mandates. All others may be included in one check with an explanation as to where the funds are being donated to.

**REMINDER: ALL MANDATES ARE DUE 30 DAYS PRIOR TO CONVENTION OR YOUR UNIT WILL FOREFIT IT'S RIGHT TO VOTE. DO NOT SEND DISTRICT MANDATES TO DEPARTMENT, SEND THEM TO YOUR DISTRICT.....**

**DUES:** Current and previous years dues are **\$16.00 per Senior** and **\$4.00 per Junior**. This includes Department and National dues. It also includes a subscription to the *National News* magazine for senior member.

**MANDATES:** 2016 Department Close of Books membership totals are used to determine the base for assessments – District AND Department. **Rehabilitation Per Capita (RPC)** is twenty cents per SENIOR member. (RPC is sent on to National for their use in veterans programs.) **Delegate Per Capita (DPC)** is twenty cents per member, SENIORS. (DPC is used by the Department to send delegates to National Convention.) **Junior Activities Per Capita (JAPC)** is twenty cents per member, JUNIOR AND SENIOR, **and is paid whether or not your Unit has any Juniors**. This is used to send Junior President and Chaperon to Junior National Convention. **Junior Delegate Per Capita (JDPC)** is twenty cents per junior member and is used by the Department to support the Junior Activities Fund. Blanket Position **BOND** covers all Unit members, and is forwarded to National yearly. **Bond fee per Unit is \$5.50.**

**POPPIES:** Units are urged to order poppies. **Poppies are \$120.00 per thousand and can be ordered in increments of 100 (\$12.00 per hundred).** **Poppies must be ordered by September 30, 2016.** Please use the enclosed form to order poppies. Units must order at least 100 poppies to compete for Department Awards except membership. **After Poppy Distribution is completed, 10% of NET Poppy proceeds are to be sent to Department.** Poppy Funds are restricted funds see the *Guide for Volunteers* for explanation.

**WELFARE PLEDGE:** This money stays in Department for use in the Welfare Budget for Veterans programs and direct aid.

**CHRISTMAS PLEDGE:** This money stays in Department for use in the Welfare Budget for each VA Medical Center (VAMC) in Arizona to place dollar bills in Christmas Cards for the hospitalized veterans. It's just a small gift, but is very much appreciated.

**HOSPITAL PARTIES &**

**SOCIAL SERVICES:** This money is sent to the VAMC's as designated by Units for monthly Bingo Parties, comfort items, recreation & medical equipment, carnivals, etc.

**GIFT SHOP:** Money is used for purchasing gifts that enable hospitalized veterans to pick out gifts (free of charge) for themselves and their families to celebrate the Christmas Holiday.

**PAST PRESIDENT'S**

**PARLEY:** This money funds scholarships in nursing and health care occupations for students attending Arizona schools.

**SPIRIT OF YOUTH:** This money goes to National to for National Scholarships and youth programs.

**AUXILIARY EMERGENCY**

**FUND:** This money is sent to National for assistance to Auxiliary members during a personal crisis or natural disaster. Certain Pre-req. are required.

**JUNIORS:** This money stays in Department and helps pay the way for our Junior representative and her chaperon to attend the National Junior Meeting, as well as, off-setting Department Junior Meeting Expenses.

**GIRLS STATE:** Fees are \$200.00 for the Unit and a \$100.00 registration fee from the girl total \$300.00. Units are to deposit all monies received for your Girls State program and write one check to cover fee and registration for the girls. Fees must be sent to the Department Girls State Director with delegate and alternate cards, NOT to Department Headquarters. **Donations** to the Girls State fund may be sent to Department Headquarters.

**ARIZONA'S COURTESY &**

**CAMPAIGN FUND:** This money stays in Department to help with expenses when Arizona has a candidate for National Office.

**DEPARTMENT OFFICE OVERHEAD EXPENSES FUND:** This money stays in Department to help keep the Department Headquarters Office open with proper furniture and equipment, and all expenses incurred.

**CAVALCADE OF**

**MEMORIES:** Funds are used to furnish the Cavalcade Room at Headquarters and for supplies and materials needed, such as scrapbooks, binders, framing, etc.

**DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S**

**SPECIAL PROJECT:** This money is used for the special project of the Department President. This year, the project is **"SOLDIER'S BEST FRIEND"**. Look for more information from the Department Chairman.

## UNIT PER CAPITA ASSESSEMENTS AND BOND FEES

**2016-2017**

### MANDATES

Rehabilitation Per Capita (RPC), Delegate Per Capita (DPC), and Junior Activities Per Capita (JAPC) are based on "Close of Books" figures.

| Unit No. | # JR's | # SR's | RPC      | DPC      | JDPC   | JAPC     | BOND   | TOTAL      |
|----------|--------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|--------|------------|
| 1        | 14     | 141    | \$28.20  | \$28.20  | \$2.80 | \$31.00  | \$5.50 | \$95.70    |
| 2        | 6      | 157    | \$31.40  | \$31.40  | \$1.20 | \$32.60  | \$5.50 | \$102.10   |
| 3        | 10     | 126    | \$25.20  | \$25.20  | \$2.00 | \$27.20  | \$5.50 | \$85.10    |
| 4        | 3      | 31     | \$6.20   | \$6.20   | \$0.60 | \$6.80   | \$5.50 | \$25.30    |
| 5        | 5      | 75     | \$15.00  | \$15.00  | \$1.00 | \$16.00  | \$5.50 | \$52.50    |
| 6        | 13     | 216    | \$43.20  | \$43.20  | \$2.60 | \$45.80  | \$5.50 | \$140.30   |
| 7        | 11     | 123    | \$24.60  | \$24.60  | \$2.20 | \$26.80  | \$5.50 | \$83.70    |
| 8        | 8      | 80     | \$16.00  | \$16.00  | \$1.60 | \$17.60  | \$5.50 | \$56.70    |
| 9        | 1      | 25     | \$5.00   | \$5.00   | \$0.20 | \$5.20   | \$5.50 | \$20.90    |
| 10       | 0      | 27     | \$5.40   | \$5.40   | \$0.00 | \$5.40   | \$5.50 | \$21.70    |
| 11       | 13     | 127    | \$25.40  | \$25.40  | \$2.60 | \$28.00  | \$5.50 | \$86.90    |
| 12       | 1      | 226    | \$45.20  | \$45.20  | \$0.20 | \$45.40  | \$5.50 | \$141.50   |
| 13       | 0      | 30     | \$6.00   | \$6.00   | \$0.00 | \$6.00   | \$5.50 | \$23.50    |
| 14       | 6      | 100    | \$20.00  | \$20.00  | \$1.20 | \$21.20  | \$5.50 | \$67.90    |
| 15       | 3      | 21     | \$4.20   | \$4.20   | \$0.60 | \$4.80   | \$5.50 | \$19.30    |
| 16       | 0      | 22     | \$4.40   | \$4.40   | \$0.00 | \$4.40   | \$5.50 | \$18.70    |
| 19       | 14     | 231    | \$46.20  | \$46.20  | \$2.80 | \$49.00  | \$5.50 | \$149.70   |
| 22       | 1      | 117    | \$23.40  | \$23.40  | \$0.20 | \$23.60  | \$5.50 | \$76.10    |
| 24       | 11     | 318    | \$63.60  | \$63.60  | \$2.20 | \$65.80  | \$5.50 | \$200.70   |
| 25       | 0      | 182    | \$36.40  | \$36.40  | \$0.00 | \$36.40  | \$5.50 | \$114.70   |
| 26       | 18     | 276    | \$55.20  | \$55.20  | \$3.60 | \$58.80  | \$5.50 | \$178.30   |
| 27       | 5      | 1687   | \$337.40 | \$337.40 | \$1.00 | \$338.40 | \$5.50 | \$1,019.70 |
| 28       | 2      | 60     | \$12.00  | \$12.00  | \$0.40 | \$12.40  | \$5.50 | \$42.30    |
| 29       | 16     | 354    | \$70.80  | \$70.80  | \$3.20 | \$74.00  | \$5.50 | \$224.30   |
| 30       | 0      | 49     | \$9.80   | \$9.80   | \$0.00 | \$9.80   | \$5.50 | \$34.90    |
| 31       | 3      | 22     | \$4.40   | \$4.40   | \$0.60 | \$5.00   | \$5.50 | \$19.90    |
| 32       | 4      | 139    | \$27.80  | \$27.80  | \$0.80 | \$28.60  | \$5.50 | \$90.50    |
| 34       | 0      | 183    | \$36.60  | \$36.60  | \$0.00 | \$36.60  | \$5.50 | \$115.30   |
| 35       | 27     | 285    | \$57.00  | \$57.00  | \$5.40 | \$62.40  | \$5.50 | \$187.30   |
| 36       | 0      | 369    | \$73.80  | \$73.80  | \$0.00 | \$73.80  | \$5.50 | \$226.90   |
| 37       | 0      | 28     | \$5.60   | \$5.60   | \$0.00 | \$5.60   | \$5.50 | \$22.30    |
| 39       | 7      | 279    | \$55.80  | \$55.80  | \$1.40 | \$57.20  | \$5.50 | \$175.70   |
| 40       | 1      | 102    | \$20.40  | \$20.40  | \$0.20 | \$20.60  | \$5.50 | \$67.10    |
| 41       | 24     | 268    | \$53.60  | \$53.60  | \$4.80 | \$58.40  | \$5.50 | \$175.90   |
| 42       | 6      | 33     | \$6.60   | \$6.60   | \$1.20 | \$7.80   | \$5.50 | \$27.70    |
| 44       | 9      | 387    | \$77.40  | \$77.40  | \$1.80 | \$79.20  | \$5.50 | \$241.30   |
| 45       | 5      | 37     | \$7.40   | \$7.40   | \$1.00 | \$8.40   | \$5.50 | \$29.70    |
| 46       | 0      | 55     | \$11.00  | \$11.00  | \$0.00 | \$11.00  | \$5.50 | \$38.50    |

## UNIT PER CAPITA ASSESSEMNTS AND BOND FEES

| Unit No. | # JR's | # SR's | RPC      | DPC      | JDPC   | JAPC     | BOND   | TOTAL    |
|----------|--------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|
| 51       | 0      | 31     | \$6.20   | \$6.20   | \$0.00 | \$6.20   | \$5.50 | \$24.10  |
| 52       | 21     | 222    | \$44.40  | \$44.40  | \$4.20 | \$48.60  | \$5.50 | \$147.10 |
| 53       | 0      | 24     | \$4.80   | \$4.80   | \$0.00 | \$4.80   | \$5.50 | \$19.90  |
| 54       | 4      | 92     | \$18.40  | \$18.40  | \$0.80 | \$19.20  | \$5.50 | \$62.30  |
| 56       | 0      | 54     | \$10.80  | \$10.80  | \$0.00 | \$10.80  | \$5.50 | \$37.90  |
| 57       | 4      | 79     | \$15.80  | \$15.80  | \$0.80 | \$16.60  | \$5.50 | \$54.50  |
| 58       | 5      | 199    | \$39.80  | \$39.80  | \$1.00 | \$40.80  | \$5.50 | \$126.90 |
| 59       | 6      | 116    | \$23.20  | \$23.20  | \$1.20 | \$24.40  | \$5.50 | \$77.50  |
| 61       | 2      | 203    | \$40.60  | \$40.60  | \$0.40 | \$41.00  | \$5.50 | \$128.10 |
| 62       | 20     | 644    | \$128.80 | \$128.80 | \$4.00 | \$132.80 | \$5.50 | \$399.90 |
| 65       | 20     | 236    | \$47.20  | \$47.20  | \$4.00 | \$51.20  | \$5.50 | \$155.10 |
| 66       | 2      | 792    | \$158.40 | \$158.40 | \$0.40 | \$158.80 | \$5.50 | \$481.50 |
| 68       | 7      | 93     | \$18.60  | \$18.60  | \$1.40 | \$20.00  | \$5.50 | \$64.10  |
| 69       | 0      | 144    | \$28.80  | \$28.80  | \$0.00 | \$28.80  | \$5.50 | \$91.90  |
| 73       | 2      | 28     | \$5.60   | \$5.60   | \$0.40 | \$6.00   | \$5.50 | \$23.10  |
| 75       | 16     | 80     | \$16.00  | \$16.00  | \$3.20 | \$19.20  | \$5.50 | \$59.90  |
| 76       | 2      | 21     | \$4.20   | \$4.20   | \$0.40 | \$4.60   | \$5.50 | \$18.90  |
| 78       | 5      | 158    | \$31.60  | \$31.60  | \$1.00 | \$32.60  | \$5.50 | \$102.30 |
| 79       | 8      | 237    | \$47.40  | \$47.40  | \$1.60 | \$49.00  | \$5.50 | \$150.90 |
| 81       | 8      | 445    | \$89.00  | \$89.00  | \$1.60 | \$90.60  | \$5.50 | \$275.70 |
| 84       | 2      | 36     | \$7.20   | \$7.20   | \$0.40 | \$7.60   | \$5.50 | \$27.90  |
| 86       | 1      | 227    | \$45.40  | \$45.40  | \$0.20 | \$45.60  | \$5.50 | \$142.10 |
| 87       | 2      | 122    | \$24.40  | \$24.40  | \$0.40 | \$24.80  | \$5.50 | \$79.50  |
| 88       | 0      | 68     | \$13.60  | \$13.60  | \$0.00 | \$13.60  | \$5.50 | \$46.30  |
| 91       | 10     | 132    | \$26.40  | \$26.40  | \$2.00 | \$28.40  | \$5.50 | \$88.70  |
| 93       | 7      | 175    | \$35.00  | \$35.00  | \$1.40 | \$36.40  | \$5.50 | \$113.30 |
| 95       | 25     | 94     | \$18.80  | \$18.80  | \$5.00 | \$23.80  | \$5.50 | \$71.90  |
| 97       | 3      | 21     | \$4.20   | \$4.20   | \$0.60 | \$4.80   | \$5.50 | \$19.30  |
| 102      | 1      | 49     | \$9.80   | \$9.80   | \$0.20 | \$10.00  | \$5.50 | \$35.30  |
| 103      | 0      | 24     | \$4.80   | \$4.80   | \$0.00 | \$4.80   | \$5.50 | \$19.90  |
| 105      | 7      | 138    | \$27.60  | \$27.60  | \$1.40 | \$29.00  | \$5.50 | \$91.10  |
| 107      | 3      | 297    | \$59.40  | \$59.40  | \$0.60 | \$60.00  | \$5.50 | \$184.90 |
| 108      | 6      | 52     | \$10.40  | \$10.40  | \$1.20 | \$11.60  | \$5.50 | \$39.10  |
| 109      | 15     | 303    | \$60.60  | \$60.60  | \$3.00 | \$63.60  | \$5.50 | \$193.30 |
| 114      | 1      | 30     | \$6.00   | \$6.00   | \$0.20 | \$6.20   | \$5.50 | \$23.90  |
| 117      | 5      | 88     | \$17.60  | \$17.60  | \$1.00 | \$18.60  | \$5.50 | \$60.30  |
| 125      | 0      | 11     | \$2.20   | \$2.20   | \$0.00 | \$2.20   | \$5.50 | \$12.10  |
| 126      | 0      | 19     | \$3.80   | \$3.80   | \$0.00 | \$3.80   | \$5.50 | \$16.90  |
| 127      | 0      | 19     | \$3.80   | \$3.80   | \$0.00 | \$3.80   | \$5.50 | \$16.90  |
| 129      | 2      | 9      | \$1.80   | \$1.80   | \$0.40 | \$2.20   | \$5.50 | \$11.70  |
| 130      | 5      | 18     | \$3.60   | \$3.60   | \$1.00 | \$4.60   | \$5.50 | \$18.30  |
| 131      | 2      | 464    | \$92.80  | \$92.80  | \$0.40 | \$93.20  | \$5.50 | \$284.70 |

## UNIT PER CAPITA ASSESSEMENTS AND BOND FEES

| Unit No. | # JR's | # SR's | RPC     | DPC     | JDPC   | JAPC    | BOND   | TOTAL   |
|----------|--------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|
| 132      | 6      | 55     | \$11.00 | \$11.00 | \$1.20 | \$12.20 | \$5.50 | \$40.90 |
| 133      | 1      | 9      | \$1.80  | \$1.80  | \$0.20 | \$2.00  | \$5.50 | \$11.30 |
| 134      | 0      | 19     | \$3.80  | \$3.80  | \$0.00 | \$3.80  | \$5.50 | \$16.90 |
| 135      | 5      | 37     | \$7.40  | \$7.40  | \$1.00 | \$8.40  | \$5.50 | \$29.70 |
| 138      | 11     | 96     | \$19.20 | \$19.20 | \$2.20 | \$21.40 | \$5.50 | \$67.50 |
| 140      | 2      | 14     | \$2.80  | \$2.80  | \$0.40 | \$3.20  | \$5.50 | \$14.70 |

Please make check payable to American Legion Auxiliary and send to:

**American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of Arizona  
4701 N. 19th Ave., Suite 100  
Phoenix, AZ 85015-3727**

**CHAPLAIN**  
**Decemeber 2016**  
**PRAYERS, PRAYERS AND MORE PRAYERS**

Ladies first and foremost I want to thank you all for your prayers during my time of need and also for the beautiful and inspiring cards I received. My biggest regret was not so much the pain but of having to miss Fall Conference. But as we know, we are all in God's hands and he puts us where he wants us.

As in previous bulletins, please pray for our leaders and ask our Lord to give them guidance and strength to make decisions that will have a strong and positive impact on our country.

And last of all Please, Please, Please, I need your prayers for President Jan's Prayer Book. Send me whatever you have in whatever format. I believe that with a variety I will be able to put together something she can be proud of in the future. Would you not be excited to have her see your name next a prayer you have sent?

So this is Christmas and a time to think of joy and cheer. The following passage is usually only heard during this time of year. It is such a beautiful message that we should hold in our hearts every day.

*The Christmas Story*

*And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Cesar Augusts, that all the world should be taxed. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is call Bethlehem: (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) to be taxed with Mary his expoused wife, being with child. And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes,, and laid him in a manger: becasue there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock, by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord came upon them and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manager. And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,*

**GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST AND ON EARTH PEACE, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN.**

*Luke 2: 1-14*

**Ladies wishing you warm wishes ,Happy holidays and God's Blessing on you and all your families.**

**Jennie Molina**

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**truelepa@gmail.com**

**Community Service**

**December 2016**

**PAWS in SERVICE**

**Mid-year reports are due to me on or before December 15.**

Hope you had a blessed Thanksgiving with family and friends. This is the time of year to be thankful for what we have.

I saw many of you at Fall Conference, what a great learning time we all had! Hope you have passed on the information you received at Fall Conference to your Unit Chairman or your Unit members.

The season for giving is upon us, what can you do for our community? Has your Unit or Post family adopted a family for Christmas? Will you be out in the community providing assistance at a local food bank or homeless shelter? The feeling of giving during the Holidays or anytime during the year is very rewarding. Hope you are able to get out in your local community during this Holiday Season.

Thank you to those Units who have submitted their Community Service hours to me. PLEASE continue to do so. I want to "toot our horn" on the mid-year report! **The mid-year reports are due to me on or before December 15.** You may email me your report. The report forms were in the Fall Conference packet.

*We wish each and every one of you a happy and safe Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.*

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**THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY**

**CHILDREN & YOUTH**

**NATIONAL SECURITY WORKSHOP**

**SATURDAY JANUARY 14, 2017**

**LUKE GREENWAY POST 1**

**364 N. 7<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE**

**PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85007**

**9:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**JOIN US FOR INFORMATIVE AND SHARING OF IDEAS**

**FOR YOUR PROGRAMS**

**COMPLEMENTARY LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED**

**RSVP by January 6, 2017 TO:**

Shirley Cannon-Johnson (C&Y Chairman ) - 602-689-4925

Ms. Josephine Herrera (NEC) - 623-915-5541

Thank you

**EDUCATION IS  
WHAT REMAINS  
AFTER ONE HAS  
FORGOTTEN WHAT  
ONE HAS LEARNED  
IN SCHOOL.**  
-ALBERT EINSTEIN

# DECEMBER 2016

December is upon us and we are looking forward to celebrating Christmas with our family and friends. Now is a good time to educate children that giving is just as good as receiving. Take a trip to the Mall with your child or grandchild and pick a child's name from a tree. Set a monetary limit on a present and help the child pick out a present that is age appropriate. Teach them the value of money and how to spend wisely. Show them how to wrap a present and let them do it.

Okay, you have completed your education for this month. How easy and fun was that!

Let's review last month that had so many chances to participate in the Educational Program Did you complete any education on Poppies last month? How about when you were giving them out? Did you explain about the Poppy? Cross-over time, Poppy and Education Programs intertwine. Did you give any information to the schools, boys and girls clubs, talk about it? How about donating to schools? Hand out information about the Auxiliary at Thanksgiving Dinner? Did you get a program stated in the schools for Veterans in the Classroom?

Did you review all the information given out at Fall Conference? There sure is a lot of information from all programs! For those that are working on the Scholarships there is no change to the format or to the reporting deadlines. **Please copy the scholarship applications provided and get them to the schools for student use.** The change this year is on the awarding of the scholarships that we need to stress:

**Spirit of Youth Scholarship - \$5000 one in each Division**

**Non-Traditional Scholarship - \$2000 one in each Division**

**Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship - \$5000 – three in each Division – 15 total**

Here are some important December dates to remember our veterans and those that serve. Get out those cards and make up those boxes for our active military – it means so much to them – get the children involved.



**December 7, 2016 - Pearl Harbor Day**

December 7, 1941, Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

**December 10, 2016 – Army / Navy Game**

**December 13, 2016 - National Guard Birthday**

**December 17, 2016 - National Wreaths Across America**

An annual laying of wreaths at veteran's cemeteries across the nation

**December 28, 2016 - Anniversary of the Army Chaplain Assistant**

Some of you will be working on Christmas Day providing meals to others. Have a happy day and take photos for your Unit Face Book page to share with the rest of us.

**REPORTING DEADLINE: MID-YEAR – DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>**. Send me a short narrative of what you have been doing. Don't forget to include the name of your chairperson and what Unit you are reporting for. Just follow the format of the report form as it will assist both of us. I am getting excited to review what you have been doing and how you are applying the facets of this program with all other programs! Keep up the good work!

For God and Country in Service to our Veterans

***Kat Sticklin***

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# NOVEMBER 2016

November has silently arrived and we are working diligently on all our Unit programs and still the Education Program doesn't have a Chair person at the Unit level. Why is it so hard for this program to have leadership? We just don't consider it as important as some others, or we just don't have enough members to go around. Have a discussion at the Unit level on how to work education into every program or what you are doing with each program that is educational.

This month we have Veteran's Day Ceremonies and Parades. Do you have some printed information about this day to give to your local schools or newspapers, etc. Remember to contact your schools to set up Veterans in the Classroom – don't forget to give the information about this project to the veterans you have asked to be available for this event, and to the teachers who are participating. This is part of the REPORTING for mid-year and year-end.

Veterans Day is one of the holidays we promote the Poppy Program. Give some information to the local schools, be a speaker at the Ceremony, or just give out poppies to veterans who attend, or in small communities, to all who attend. This will promote discussion and education.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner is another time to give out poppies and provide material about our organization and what the poppy means to this organization and the veterans. How about giving out small flags or having some flag comic books available for the kids?

You say, now you are crossing over into the Poppy Program and the Americanism Program. Yep! Education comes in all forms and places; just remember you must split hours and expenses when reporting on two different programs (i.e., spent \$ on the flags – Americanism; and then \$ on flag comic books – education). Can't get any easier than that. Doesn't even require an Education Chair, just requires a little tracking and making out a short report.

Okay, so when you get the Educational Packet, are you going to open it and actually review the contents? There is a request in it from the National President. I will know who reviews it from the replies I receive.

December is coming soon- reading books and poems to your children and grandchildren is educational!!! Teaching children to make and bake cookies, popcorn balls, etc., is educational!!! It is also fun. Don't forget December 7<sup>th</sup> and all it means to the veterans. Oh yes, Army/Navy game on the 10<sup>th</sup> – who could forget that?? How about getting those cards in for the active military packages? Deadlines are early in December!

For God and Country in Service to our Veterans

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**NOTICE: To all who send in Narratives, I will read every one. I will not be judging them, but will have a committee review them – Meet Judge Judy.... I want to include the materials provided in my reports, so if you want to send in by e-mail early, you may do so with my thanks.**

DECEMBER 2016  
*FINANCE INFORMATION*

I was very surprised to know some Unit officers, Presidents & Secretaries, are not reading their Bulletin information, namely the yearly August Special Memorandum, Subject matter being: DUES, MANDATES, FEES, DONATIONS, ETC. Some are now questioning about various funds that are to be sent to Dept. ie. 10% of NET POPPY FUNDS, THE DEPT. OFFICE OVERHEAD & OTHERS. To again answer these people I have asked our Dept. Secretary to print AGAIN the information. I would ask that this information be made a part of your ruling documents and available whenever a question needs to be answered .

To all Units, in the Fall Conference packet on FINANCE, the form to Register with the Secretary of State was included for your use. All American veteran organizations soliciting funds or support MUST REGISTER WITH THE Secretary of State. This is a class 3 misdemeanor if you do not register. No fees are necessary to file – just get it done!! Also information on the new IRS E-Postcard filing was made available.

The year-end Finance Report form has some changes – rather than make 2 separate report forms, one for Units & one for Districts, all the person has to do that is making out the form is circle which one they are filing for and indicate the name of either a Unit or a District. DEADLINE FOR THIS REPORT TO BE BACK TO ME IS MAY 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Also by May 17<sup>th</sup> all other Department Chairmen will be notified of the Units not reporting according to Department Policies and Procedures. Timely reporting will be necessary.

To all those individuals that brought items for the raffle table at Fall Conference, the Finance Committee thanks you and with your help and the generosity of all purchasing tickets we banked \$628. for the Department overhead fund.

Reminder – check the dates for Units to file their annual IRS reports AND the report to the AZ Corporation Commission. You must keep on top of your reporting.

May the upcoming Holidays be good to you all and remember our veterans in the hospitals and nursing homes as well as their families.

The Finance Team  
Helen Stout, Chairman  
Jan Cushing, Dept. President – Josephine Herrera, NEC  
Penny Maklary, Helen Griffin,  
Barbara Matteson, Dept. Secretary-Treasurer (without vote)

**DISTRICT OR UNIT FINANCE REPORT FORM (please circle which)**

Information requested on this form is to be completed and returned to Dept. Finance Chrm. Helen Stout, 3701 E. Helena Stravenue, Tucson, AZ 85706-1929 **NO LATER THAN MAY 15, 2017.** This is necessary to keep the Units and Districts of the Department of Arizona in compliance with National, the State of Arizona & new rules put forth by the Internal Revenue Service for Non-Profit Organizations as well as the State. The I.R.S. continues to monitor Non-Profits (**which includes American Legion Aux. Units as well as American Legion Posts**), as witnessed by Units & Districts losing their Tax-Exempt Status. Notification comes to the Department from the National organization of the Auxiliary. AZ must notify national of each Units EIN number whether you are a NEW UNIT or have been in business for some time. Policies & Procedures states, "A Unit not incorporated at least 30 days prior to Department Convention is not eligible for Trophies and Awards excepting Membership Awards and Citations at the Convention. Dept. Chrm. will be notified by email on May 17<sup>th</sup> of those not qualifying. All requested information WILL ONLY BE USED FOR REFERENCE and will be in the Department Office after review by the Finance Committee.

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UNIT or DISTRICT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
**(EXACT AS LISTED WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE)**

Person completing this form: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph.# \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Fiscal Year Beginning Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Ending Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Has your Unit/District filed some form of the IRS form 990: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Which one? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, why?(be sure to answer) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, date last filed: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

What is your Units EIN number? \_\_\_\_\_ (not that of your Post)

Is your Unit incorporated with the AZ. Corporation Commission (ACC)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, date last filed \_\_\_\_\_ Signed by \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

If not, why?:(be sure to answer) \_\_\_\_\_

What is your AZ. Corporation Commission file #: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the **EXACT** name your Unit or District is listed with the ACC?: \_\_\_\_\_

Who is your Statutory Agent with the ACC?: \_\_\_\_\_

Did your Unit or District register with the Secretary of State? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
**(this is a 3<sup>rd</sup> class misdemeanor if you do not register)**

(dollar amounts are not to be included in answers to any of the above questions)  
rev. 10/1/16

# **HISTORIAN**

## **December 2016**

### **“Dedicated Historians Leave Paw Prints Behind For Tomorrow”**

Objective: Record the ALA’s history through the eyes of its members.

A written history can only tell so much. However, when an organization’s history is told through the eyes of its membership, everyone learns a great deal more about who we are, what we do, and why we matter.

This is a two-person project so find someone to assist. This is a good time to enlist the help of your Junior members and/or college students due to their experience with technology. • Find long time members of the Auxiliary and ask them to share their stories in a video. These stories can be about:

- a special project,
- a particular highlight during her membership
  - how many generations of her family have been members and why.
  - if a chartered member, her experience in starting the unit
- Find a location where it is quiet and where there will be no interruptions
- Record with iPhones/Smartphones. Please keep in mind that your video file must be either a .mov; .avi; .mpeg; or a .wmv file extension • Each recording should be no longer than five (5) minutes in length. You may make more than one. Cover one topic in each video.
- Post the video on YouTube. An instructional video on how to upload is located at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_O7iUiftbKU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_O7iUiftbKU). • Go to YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com> • Give the video the following title: ALA Dept. of \_\_ (two letter abbreviation for your state) Unit \_\_\_\_ Members Remember.
- Provide a description and tags that will help people locate the files easily. These will make it easier for others to locate the videos. • Under Category, click on Nonprofits & Activism
- Under Privacy, click on Share your video with the world • Click Save Changes.

Happy Recording!

**•History Committee Reporting: Mid-Year Reports reflect the program work of units in the department. Each District/ Unit History Committee chairman should submit a narrative report by December 5, 2017, to the Department Historian at the address**

**Patricia Lugo 7232 West Sells Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85033**  
**Questions call me at 602-475-0208**



## JUNIOR PROGRAM

Paws in Service December 2016

### SPECIAL JUNIOR PATCH



The National President's Scholarship provides scholarships to deserving children of our nation's veterans and servicemembers who have sacrificed greatly due to their parents' dedication to defending America and our values. A special Junior patch has been created for our Junior members to be involved in raising money for the National President's Scholarship Fund. Help get the word out to all our Junior members! We hope every Junior will be involved in some activity to raise money for scholarships, which are funded by the Educating Children of Warriors Fund. Most Juniors will become eligible for this scholarship, so they may be personally impacted by their fundraising efforts. Any Junior can earn this patch if she raises at least \$5 for each year she is old. For example, a 17-year-old would raise a minimum of  $17 \times \$5 = \$85$ . Donations can be raised a variety of ways. Juniors can solicit donations from family, friends, Legion Family members or contribute themselves. Fundraising activities can be coordinated, such as bake sales or other sales, etc. Funds can be raised individually or as a group, but each Junior receiving this patch needs to have raised the required minimum funds for their age. The goal is for the youth of our organization to be involved and aware of the scholarship project. Checks should be made out to National Treasurer, American Legion Auxiliary with National President's Scholarship in the memo line.

To receive the patch, complete the following and send it with the donation to: American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters Attn: Development 8945 N. Meridian St. Indianapolis, IN 46204

Name of Junior: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount raised: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$5/year of age) Department of: \_\_\_\_\_ Optional:

Tell us about how you raised the money \_\_\_\_\_

**Chairman: Lexis Nicole Escudero 623-221-7132 email:jherrera268@aol.com**

**Committee member: Karen Quigg 623-332-1621 email:grannyqbear@cox.net**

## LEGISLATION

Happy Holidays Ladies: We hope all of you have received your Legislative Packet from Fall Conference: I know you are going to be busy during this next month but your mid-year report will be due.

We have a new President of the United States, new Congressmen, Senators and Representatives. Your continued contact with them in regards to bills that deal with Veterans and Military Benefits will ensure that they hear our concerns and will not be so caught up in the one-upmanship that will probably happen within the political arena.

I would appreciate hearing from you in regards to who represents you in your Legislative District and any correspondence you may have with them. Send them a Christmas card wishing them well for a new and productive year. Study the current bills and legislative issues that they will be dealing with and let them know how we feel about our veterans and active military.

GET EXCITED ABOUT LEGISLATION AND BECOME INVOLVED IN ONE OF OUR MOST IMPORTANT PROGRAMS.

FOR GOD & COUNTRY

Sharon L. Doran and Judy Hatch, Legislative & UAV Representative



**American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of Arizona Membership 2016-2017**

**December 2016**

**KEEP ON RUMBLING ROCKERS!!! The Arizona Team had a successful Membership session at Fall Conference last month!**

**Your next MILESTONE IS 85% by January 11, 2017**

**Please Districts remember the Idea Award is open to all Districts.**

**Criteria:**

- **Submit at least three samples of effective ways Units use to improve membership recruitment in your District using one or two paragraphs.**
- **Use of pictures, flyers is allowed.**
- **Partner with Legion Family.**
- **Deadline for submittal is May 1, 2017. Either via e-mail to [yodobo@msn.com](mailto:yodobo@msn.com) or mail to: 15606 S. Gilbert Rd. Lot 103, Chandler, AZ 85225**
- **A panel of three Auxiliary members will judge all entries.**

**And keep this in mind to take the pledge to:**

- **Sign up one new Auxiliary Member**
- **Sign up one new Junior Member**
- **Sign up one new Woman Veteran as dual member (Remember that National will pay \$9.00 for this wonderful member.)**

**Remember that Mid-Year Reports are due to this Chair by December 15, 2016 and yes, which includes new and old ideas. That can be a paragraph or two, just include your Unit number on that email or letter.**

**Let's Make Membership Meaningful!**

**Rock Arizona and Raise the Roof in 2016-2017,**

**Yolanda Bonilla  
Membership Chairman  
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## American Legion Auxiliary Department of Arizona

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### **“PAWS IN SERVICE” MUSIC REPORT DECEMBER 2016**

Season Greetings!

What a wonderful Fall Conference we had in Tucson the beginning of November. I hope those in attendance came away with some good ideas to take back to the various Units and Districts. Rock and Roll songs were played during breaks to get the ladies revved up about membership. Membership theme this year is, “We will rock you.” Some ladies even donned their poodle skirts to get in the mood. As the winter holidays approach, let’s keep in mind our many service men and women who might not have a family celebration this year. If the Unit or District will be making and distributing food baskets to Veterans during this season, remember to include festive songs in your delivery. The gift of music can touch the heart and soul in ways no other gift can.

Remember to provide your year-end reports no later than April 17, 2017.

Department Music Awards are as follows:

#### **MUSIC PLAQUES**

**Frances Aros Memorial Music Plaque awarded to Unit with membership of 151 and over  
Millicent Kasun Music Plaque awarded to Unit with membership of 150 and under**

Information regarding the above awards can be found on the website: [www.aladeptaz.org](http://www.aladeptaz.org) under Ruling Documents.

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Salute our Veterans this Holiday Season!!!

# **NATIONAL SECURITY**

**December 2016**

**THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH/NATIONAL SECURITY CONFERENCE** will be held on January 14, 2016 at The American Legion Post 1 which is located at 364 North 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, AZ. Shirley Cannon Johnson and I are planning an informative conference. I hope you plan to attend, and please bring your Junior members.

## **Topics that will be offered at National Security Conference**

Emergency Preparedness Information • [www.Ready.gov](http://www.Ready.gov) • Citizen Corps: <http://www.ready.gov/citizen-corps> • Youth-Focused Preparedness: [www.ready.gov/youth-preparedness#](http://www.ready.gov/youth-preparedness#) • Youth Preparedness Council: [www.ready.gov/youth-preparedness-council](http://www.ready.gov/youth-preparedness-council) • CERT Program: [www.fema.gov/community-emergency-response-teams](http://www.fema.gov/community-emergency-response-teams) • Sesame Street's Preparedness Info for Young Children: [www.sesamestreet.org/ready](http://www.sesamestreet.org/ready) • Preparedness Considerations for Military Families: [www.ready.gov/considerations/military-family-preparedness](http://www.ready.gov/considerations/military-family-preparedness)

**National Security Reporting Mid-Year Report** Mid-Year reports reflect the program work of Units in the Department. Each Unit National Security chairman should to submit a narrative report by December 5, 2016, to the Department National Security chairman at:

**P.O. Box 1139**

**Phoenix, AZ 85311**

As part of your narrative report, please include answers to the following questions:

- How were Blue Star and Gold Star Banners presented?
- How were MIA families recognized following notification of remains?
- How were servicemembers honored during welcome-home events?
- How were military families connected to other units when moving?

**Department Historian – Josephine Herrera**

## Public Relations: December 2016



Email (questions, comments): Marge Christianson; [ALADeptAZpr@gmail.com](mailto:ALADeptAZpr@gmail.com)

Facebook Page: "Jan Cushing, AZ ALA Dept President"

- Department generated posts about Jan's travels and mission activities

Facebook Page: "ALA Department of Arizona Public Relations"

- Department generated posts about community engagement of interest to units, districts

Facebook Group: Ring Your Bell Arizona ALA

- Units, Districts generated posts about community engagement stories of interest to each other and department. Entries should focus on how the public was engaged in what you did, what you learned, etc. Also "Ring Your Bell" central for the contest. Request membership today!

### ***"Rosie the Ringer" Ring Your Bell Contest***

Each month a different community engagement activity will be highlighted. Units must submit entries during that month, as outlined in the Department's Monthly Packet instructions, in order to be counted for that month's winning citation. Late entries will count toward the full year total. Check out previous Monthly Packets for more info—they are available under "useful links" on the Department website ([www.aladeptaz.org](http://www.aladeptaz.org)) if you can't find a hardcopy! Monthly winners get a citation and overall contest winner gets an engraved Bell!

**Congratulations: Pat Tillman Unit 117, Bullhead City Unit 87, Travis L Williams Unit 65, McCulloch- Wagner Unit 109, Hazelton-Butler Unit 63—winners of the monthly Ring Your Bell contest! Put on your rose-colored glasses and keep up the good work!**

## **December- Report!!!**

The Public Relations Report form is in the November packet. Please take time to complete what your Unit does to engage your community. It helps us:

- Report to National all the great work we do,
- Know where units need more help and emphasis,
- Get your opinion on how we are doing at Department PR,
- Share ideas and have fun with them
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Get 100 points in the Ring Your Bell contest for a complete report turned in by December 15, 2016.

Tie breaker: Every unit got at least one pair of "rose-colored glasses" in their November packet. Post photos of members wearing the glasses on your unit's Facebook page with the hashtag on the bow of the glasses: #RingYourBellAZALA

The Unit that turns in their semi-annual report and has the most photos wins for December! (No photos? No winners).

Please email us with questions... we are here to help. And have some fun!

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# *American Legion Auxiliary*

## *Public Relations Mid-Year Report Form*

Please send completed form to:  
**Marge Christianson, 9611 W Bonita Ct, Sun City, AZ 85373**  
or email it to **ALADeptAZpr@gmail.com**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Unit Number & City:  | <b>Report</b>       |
| Unit PR Chairman & Email:  | <b>Deadline:</b>    |
| Total Members in Unit:   | <b>Dec 15, 2016</b> |
| <b>Building Infrastructure (as applicable):</b>  |                     |
| What is your Unit email address:   |                     |
| What is your website address:  |                     |
| What is your Facebook address:   |                     |
| Other Social Media addresses (twitter, Instagram):   |                     |
| Do key Unit members have ALA business cards?   |                     |
| <b>Utilizing Resources:</b>  |                     |
| Does your Unit receive and use monthly PR Bulletin from Department?  |                     |
| Has your Unit visited the Department PR Facebook page?   |                     |
| Has your Unit visited <a href="http://www.ALForVeterans.org">www.ALForVeterans.org</a> to review resources? Please describe resources used/valued (Program Action Plan; news story- brochure-poster templates; subscriptions to e-news & <i>In the know</i> e-bulletin): |                     |
| <b>Engaging VIPs</b>   |                     |
| Has your Unit developed a list of current media contacts?  |                     |
| Has your Unit engaged local elected officials? Who and how?  |                     |
| Has your Unit engaged local "celebrities" (business owners, Girls State/Nation, other)? Please explain who and how:  |                     |
| <b>Media Impact (please report numbers where applicable):</b>  |                     |
| <b>Total:</b>  |                     |
| Articles Published (Do not include Letters to the Editor, Calendar, Community Notes or Ads)  |                     |
| Letters to the Editor/Op-Eds   |                     |
| Public Event Announcements (Community Notes, Monthly Calendars, etc.)  |                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• #TV:</li><li>• #Radio:</li><li>• #Print:</li></ul>   |                     |
| Public Service Announcements (DVD from National ALA)   |                     |

|   |  |                  |
|---|--|------------------|
| Print Advertisement (Paid: Newspaper Ads, Magazine Ads, etc.)   |  |                  |
| Letters of Appreciation Sent (To Public --non-members)  |  |                  |
| Please include details or copies from above (or send online links to <a href="mailto:ALADeptAZpr@gmail.com">ALADeptAZpr@gmail.com</a> )!                                |  |                  |
| <b>List All Other Printed Materials Used</b> (Flyers, Banners, Posters, Invites, newsletters etc.) Please only include items when used to engage the “public” community |  |                  |
| <b>Public Events:</b><br>Please describe any public events, how they were promoted etc.   |  |                  |
| <b>Ring Your Bell:</b>  |  | <b>Yes or No</b> |
| Has your Unit participated in the Ring Your Bell Contest currently in place through Department?   |  |                  |
| Did your Unit receive a Department PR Packet at Fall Conference?  |  |                  |
| Please describe your view of the “Ring Your Bell Contest”. What do you like or not like:  |  |                  |
| Has your Unit participated in the #MyALAElevatorSpeech media campaign yet? If no, why not:  |  |                  |
| Did you encourage your members to subscribe to the ALA e-news or the ALA <i>In the know</i> e-bulletin? How?  |  |                  |
| <b>How Did The Unit Promote The Department President’s Visit?</b>   |  |                  |
| <b>How Did The Unit Work To Display The ALA In Your Community?</b><br>Poppy Activities, PR events, etc  |  |                  |
| <i>Please attach a narrative report if you need more room for your report. Thank you Patricia Thomas (Public Relations Expert) for providing this template!</i>         |  |                  |

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

“PAWS IN SERVICE”

FOR OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES

SCRAPBOOK

DECEMBER 2016

I want to thank those that have sent pictures or given them to mom. Again thank you so much, living far away it is difficult to take any pictures of any events the Department President may attend. I will be in Arizona in April to pick any pictures you have sent to my mom and start work on her scrapbook.

Be sure to follow the rules if you are submitting a scrapbook at Convention in June. The Department Award Rules were given out at Fall Conference, if you didn't receive them please let me know and I will send you a copy.

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**“PAWS IN SERVICE”  
VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION REPORT**

**December 2016**

Ladies, please be sure you share this bulletin with your VA&R Chairman.

You received in your packets at Fall Conference lots of information for your VA&R Chairman, most importantly due dates for both mid-year and year-end reports as well as award information.

The more you report the better chance of getting awards, because narratives are necessary to win the awards available at Convention in June

As a reminder, the Creative Arts Festival, Welcome Home Celebrations, Homeless Veterans Initiatives, VA Medical Center (VAMC) assistance, Fisher House, Supporting the American Legion Programs and National Volunteer Month in April, are many ways for your Unit members to get involved in the VA&R Programs. In addition, the Guide for Volunteers can be found at American Legion Flag & Emblem under the Auxiliary, Books Pamphlets and CDs? A booklet with great information for everyone.

*More information will be shared in each month's bulletins.*

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL**

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# **ARIZONA STATE VETERANS HOME – TUCSON (ASVH-TUCSON)**

## **DECEMBER 2016 REPORT**

Happy Holidays!

Tis the season already? We have plenty to do from November to December. The following schedule is upcoming events at the Arizona State Veterans Home-Tucson (ASVH-Tucson):

**November 25**      **American Legion Auxiliary Units will decorate for the holiday at the home. All units are welcomed to help decorate each building. Additional decorations always welcomed.**

**Units' volunteers to meet around 9:00 a.m. at Building 1 at the home.**

**Come on ladies let's have a blast. Feel free to bring your own music whistle while you work. The residents love it and will be visiting and watching while we put everything up. We might even get them to lend a hand.**

**December 9**      **Arizona State Veterans Home-Tucson will have an open house event from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**This is an annual event that the residents love as there are vendors with arts and crafts to accessories to tamales. Yup, let us not forget the tamales for the holidays!**

**December 10**      **Produce on Wheels at the home from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. We've been told that oranges and honey dew are amongst the produce to be available.**

**December 20**      **American Legion Auxiliary Unit s to host a Christmas lunch for the residents and staff. Requesting all units to donate potluck items to compliment a "Build Your Own Sandwich" which will include an array of ham, turkey, cheese, etc.**

**All that is needed from the donors are salads, vegetables, chips, dips, salsa, desserts, and paper goods (i.e., utensils, plates, and napkins), etc.**

**We will also be celebrating the December birthdays. This is an annual event since the opening of the home – what a great celebration for the residents and their families. Each resident will receive a gift from the auxiliary. So we could use some socks, gloves, scarves, etc. The more donated the bigger the bag of gifts to each resident. Last year was fantastic and during the party each resident was called out and given a gift. The smiles and expressions had us with goose bumps and tears. We love our residents – family always!!!!**

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ASVH-TUCSON RESIDENTS – BEST WISHES ALWAYS TO YOU**

We have a couple of residents that are in their 90's. A toast for your blessed life!!! Salute!!!!

|    |          |    |         |    |           |
|----|----------|----|---------|----|-----------|
| 3  | Donald   | 10 | Aurelio | 10 | Robert    |
| 13 | Anacieto | 15 | Rudolfo | 15 | Douglas   |
| 15 | Eugene   | 16 | Oral    | 19 | David     |
| 21 | Lawrence | 21 | John    | 25 | Francisco |

**REGULAR EVENTS** Every third Thursday AMVETS and American Legion Auxiliary Units host Bingo from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. Every Monday (1:00 pm), Tuesday (5:30 pm), and Friday (12:45 pm) is Poker Hour hosted by American Legion SAL and ASVH-Tucson staff (need volunteers to coordinate this activity). Residents love this activity. Karaoke Friday Happy Hour Fridays at 10:00 a.m. hosted by ASVH-Tucson staff and American Legion SAL.

The residents love bingo, so if your unit would like to sponsor a bingo and/or poker night please do not hesitate to contact us. Although we have various hosts for the activities/events at the home, we all work together to volunteer our time for the residents. The steering committee needs your help.

**Fact:** the gift shop at the home is run by the American Legion Auxiliary Units. We could use volunteers to help in the gift shop as cashiers.

### **ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE ASVH-TUCSON VETERAN RESIDENTS – (Always in need for activities and or events coordinated/hosted by the American Legion Post and Auxiliaries)**

Popcorn packets for machine in the ASVH-Tucson gift shop (residents receive free bags when they visit the shop),

Paper goods for activities/events hosted by American Legion Auxiliary Units, i.e. plates, cups, napkins, and utensils)

Costco Movie Theater Tickets

Gift cards for prizes various events, i.e., \$10 gift cards

Cups with lids and handles, hand held electronic games,

Games

**Plenty of time to host a party, game day/night, host an event, or sponsor a building for all events and holidays. We will always be there to help.**

**Thank you Units for all your donations and volunteered hours at ASVH-Tucson. May you and your family have a merriest of all merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday!!!!!!**

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## **ARIZONA STATE VETERANS HOME PHOENIX**

### **NOVEMBER 2016 REPORT**

Hello Ladies it's been beautiful weather finally in our valley! I'm certainly ready for Fall and all the Holidays! ☺

**Here is the list of November Birthdays:**

|                  |                 |                    |                   |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 11/1 Fred J      | 11/1 William M  | 11/3 John U        | 11/4 Steven M     |
| 11/6 Major D     | 11/6 Susan R    | 11/8 James "Joe" B | 11/10 Commodore M |
| 11/14 Richard I  | 11/14 Stephen M | 11/16 Deonis A     | 11/17 Gregory H   |
| 11/18 "Mickey" D | 11/19 Dominic C | 11/19 William S    | 11/23 Jay D       |
| 11/23 William B  | 11/24 "Hal" S   | 11/30 Debbie S     |                   |

**Here is the list of December Birthdays**

|                   |                 |                |                |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 12/1 Harry R      | 12/4 Robert R   | 12/7 Tommy M   | 12/10 Martin M |
| 12/10 William Me. | 12/18 Michael S | 12/21 Robert T | 12/22 John B   |
| 12/28 Paul K      |                 |                |                |

Thanks to all the units for sending Birthday cards to our veterans at the State Home. ☺  
Joyce Livingston and I have been very busy shopping for Gift Shop and the Veterans State Home. We really appreciate all the Units who have sent checks to help in this great effort to assist our veterans to have a very enjoyable and Happy Holiday Season. In the past 30 days I have received checks from Units 14, 2 and 29. Thanks you all so much for all you are doing within your units to help our Veterans!

The Arizona State Home's Wish List: (New list for 2015 – 2016)

Please call me before coordinating large-ticket donations to discuss our most current needs.

**Items needed:**

- **Wheelchair accessible cup holders**
- **Gift cards to Dunkin Donuts or Krispy Kreme for our twice a month "coffeehouse"**
- **Chips and Soda for Friday "Happy Hour"**  
We are also in need of soft snack cakes (such as Little Debbie's) for those needing a softer snack
- **Comfortable Sweat Pants (sizes M, L, XL, XXL)**
- **Men's tennis shoes or slippers (with a back) in a variety of sizes**
- **Large Print Bibles**
- **Batteries (AA, AAA and D)**
- **Stamps**
- **Reachers**
- **Cups with lids and handles**
- **DVD's (current or new releases)**
- **Hand Held Electronic Games: Poker, black jack, Yahtzee, solitaire, etc.**
- **Puzzles that are 550 pieces and under**

**Larger items:**

- **Photo printer and ink to print photos for veterans**
- **Sponsor a room renovation (\$2500)**
- **Small shelving units to control clutter in veteran rooms (\$125 each, need 120 total)**
- **Heavy Duty Laminator Machine**

**Games and Special Events:**

- **Sponsor a party / special event with an entertainer or performer**

- **Sponsor a meal for either the entire home (180 beds), or a single wing (50 beds)**
- **Sponsor a BBQ or an outing**
- **Sponsor a casino night or donate money to the bingo fund (it costs about \$40 every game and the veterans love bingo!).**

Unfortunately, we are unable to use glass, toiletries, past-date food items, or medical supplies. All food items donated must be store-bought, and within dates so we can serve them safely. Thank you for serving our veterans!

**(Please let me know if your unit includes ASVH in any of your monthly activities either by texting me at (623) 696-5602 or emailing me at [VLRKELL@aol.com](mailto:VLRKELL@aol.com) so your unit will also be included in my monthly report.)**

**Please continue to let me know what you do for our Veterans at the state home, so I can include you in my monthly report.** I feel very passionate about thanking people when they share their time to make our veterans happy or show them how much we appreciate them. Please either email me ([VLRKELL@aol.com](mailto:VLRKELL@aol.com)), text me or call me (623-696-5602) if any of our Auxiliary Ladies go to spend some time as a group or individually at our Arizona Veterans State Home. If you would like me to deliver Birthday cards to the State home along with mine, you can directly send them to me at: 8402 W Campbell Ave, Phoenix AZ 85037.



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ASVH (Phoenix) Chairman

*Lometa Briggs*  
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