



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
FALL CONFERENCE  
NOVEMBER 2-4, 2018**

**PRE - REGISTRATION - \$10.00**

**REGISTRATION AT CONVENTION - \$12.00**

**PLEASE RETURN FORM WITH CHECK MADE OUT TO:**

**ALA DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA**

**4701 N 19<sup>th</sup> Ave Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85015**

UNIT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

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**PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE OCTOBER 26, 2018**

**NO REFUNDS OR SUBSTITUTIONS**

**YOU MUST HAVE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD AT REGISTRATION**

**YOU WILL NOT GET YOUR REGISTRATION BADGE WITHOUT THE MEMBERSHIP CARD**

*American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of Arizona*

*ARIZONA  
WELCOMES*

*Janet Romer, WDNVP*

*LUNCHEON  
Saturday November 3, 2017*

*Lunch is \$25.00 the choices are:*

**Turkey Caprese Salad**

Julienne smoked turkey breast  
tomatoes, fresh mozzarella, olives  
mixed greens with spinach  
roasted red peppers  
lemon basil vinaigrette

**Chicken Ceasar**

romaine hearts  
marinated chicken breast  
parmesan frico & croutons  
cherry tomatoes  
ceasar dressing

Bread basket, Desert, Coffee, Decaf coffee, Tea

*Please plan to attend to show our support for our  
Western Division National Vice President Nancy!*

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Please send in the bottom part, along with your check

Please make out check to: American Legion Auxiliary Dept of AZ  
Attn: NWDVP Luncheon  
4701 N 19<sup>th</sup> Ave Suite 100  
Phoenix, AZ 85015

phone 602-241-1080

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ Lunches(s) for NWDVP **DEADLINE 10-26-2018**

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

Please list the names /Choice for this event.

Name

Choice

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**DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA**  
**FALL CONFERENCE 2018 -- TUCSON, ARIZONA**



*This Schedule is subject to change*

*"May we never forget how very fortunate we are." Leigh Anne Tuohy*

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2018** **DoubleTree Reid Park**

<b>10:00 am – 5:30pm</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Grand Ballroom Lobby</b>
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Strategic Planning</b>	<b>Hall F</b>
<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Girls State Board of Directors</b>	
<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Finance Committee Meeting</b>	
<b>2:00 pm</b>	<b>Executive Committee Meeting</b>	
<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>JOINT OPENING</b>	<b>Grand Ballroom</b>

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2018** **Double Tree Reid Park**

*"If the blind put their hands in God's, they find their way more surely than those who see but have not faith or purpose." Helen Keller*

<b>7:00 – Noon</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Ballroom Lobby</b>
<b>7:00 am</b>	<b>Sgt @ Arms, Pages, District &amp; Department Color</b>	<b>Hall E</b>
	<b>Color Guard meet with Americanism Chairman &amp; Pages meet with Chairman of Pages for instruction.</b>	
<b>7:45 am</b>	<b>Department Officers &amp; Past Department Presidents line up for Processional.</b>	
<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>	<b>Hall E</b>
	<b>Processional</b>	<b>Barbara Shields, Americanism</b>
	<b>Call to Order</b>	<b>Cindy Queen, Dept President</b>
	<b>Presentation of National Guest to the Platform</b>	<b>Cindy Queen, Dept President</b>
	<b>Opening Prayer</b>	<b>Rose Ficklin - Chaplain</b>
	<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>	<b>Barbara Shields</b>
	<b>National Anthem</b>	<b>Monica Rae Stein</b>
	<b>Preamble</b>	<b>Debra Munchbach</b>

**POW/MIA Chair** Cindy Queen, Dept. President  
Patricia Lugo & Jennie Molina

**Welcome and Purpose** Cindy Queen, Dept President

**Response** Patsy Lugo, Dept Vice Pres

**Greetings**

**Gabby Smith, Honorary Junior Department President**

**Yolanda Bonilla, NEC**

**Janet Romero, National Vice President, Western Division**

**Roll Call of Units** Barbara Matteson - Dept SecTre

**9:00am Mission Outreach**

**Chairman**

<b>Legislative</b>	<b>Stephanie McMullen</b>
<b>National Security</b>	<b>Yolanda Bonilla</b>
<b>Poppy</b>	<b>Nita Kimball</b>
<b>Veterans Affairs &amp; Rehabilitation</b>	<b>Jennie Molina</b>
<b>Service to Veterans</b>	<b>Mary Ann Jaymes</b>
<b>Prescott VAMC</b>	<b>Susie Sanders-King</b>
<b>Phoenix VAMC</b>	<b>Debi Rankin</b>
<b>Tucson VAMC</b>	<b>Kathy Szakonyi</b>
<b>State Veterans Home Phoenix</b>	<b>Linda Hubbs</b>
<b>State Veterans Home Tucson</b>	<b>Anna Marie Arenas</b>
<b>Phoenix Gift Shop</b>	<b>Joyce Livingston</b>
<b>Whipple Gift Shop</b>	<b>Carmen Goswick</b>
<b>Tucson Gift Shop</b>	<b>Gail Piggot</b>
<b>Phoenix Poppy Making</b>	<b>Units</b>
<b>Tucson Poppy Making</b>	<b>Units</b>
<b>Whipple Poppy Making</b>	<b>Na Rains</b>
<b>Creative Arts</b>	<b>Sally Fine</b>

**Family Support & Membership Support**

**Chairman**

<b>Americanism</b>	<b>Barbara Shields</b>
<b>Education</b>	<b>Julie Vietri</b>
<b>Community Service</b>	<b>Colleen Heck</b>
<b>Children &amp; Youth</b>	<b>Stacey Mayberry</b>
<b>Junior Activities</b>	<b>DeeDee Vaupel</b>
<b>Girls State</b>	<b>Penny Maklary</b>
<b>Music</b>	<b>Monica Rae Stein</b>
<b>Auxiliary Emergency Fund</b>	<b>Shirley Kavis</b>
<b>Cavalcade of Memories</b>	<b>Paula Burgess</b>
<b>Constitution &amp; Bylaws</b>	<b>Debra Munchbach</b>
<b>Past President Parley</b>	<b>Jan Cushing</b>

**Organizational Support**

**Chairman**

<b>Scrapbook</b>	<b>Cheryl Miller</b>
<b>Trophies &amp; Awards</b>	<b>Rebecca Faris</b>
<b>AZ Mission Training Leadership</b>	<b>Kat Sticklin</b>
<b>New Units/UD&amp;R</b>	<b>Karen Smith</b>





**Finance  
Chaplain  
Historian  
Centennial**

**Helen Stout  
Rose Ficklin  
Barbara White  
Karen Smith**

**Music Selection**

**Monica Rae Stein**

**Courtesy Resolutions**

**Sherry Jones & Debi Hammons**

**2019-2020 Candidate Announcements**

**Open Floor**

**Announcements**

**Barbara Matteson, Dept Sec/Treas**

**Benediction**

**Rose Ficklin, Chaplain**

**Retirement of District Colors**

**Barbara Shields**

**Retirement of District Presidents and Dept Officers**

**Retirement of Department Colors**

**11:00am**

**Adjournment**

**Cindy Queen, Dept President**

*"If I were a flower, humming bird would be my favorite bee, and if I were blind,  
the light of darkness I'd love to see"      Munia Khan*

***Safe Travels until we meet again!***



# BEES SUPPORTING VETERANS

October 2018

In this packet.... Fall Conference registration, Vegas Mission Training, Juniors LV Meeting...etc.

PDPs...Arizona lost Past Department President Marty VanToll last month. Marty was a member of Unit 75 and served as Department President 1985-1986.

## DIRECTORY ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS...

Unit 41...Secretary Dahlia Hernandez 602-237-8952

### UNIT 79

#### **President**

Kathy Holle  
928-231-9358

[lcholle46@gmail.com](mailto:lcholle46@gmail.com)

#### **Secretary**

Tiffany Dixon  
9258-231-1907

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#### **Membership**

Wendie Edge  
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Unit 75...unit mailing PO Box 9626, Phoenix, AZ 85020

Unit 134...mailing address...PO Box 403, Laveen, AZ 85339

**JUNIORS...** Meeting in Las Vegas?

**LOGO STICKERS & WOODEN NICKLES...**yes, we still have both for sale here in the Department office.

**EXTRA EXTRA...**there will something in someone's packet this month. If you find it contact Department.... reward to be given at Fall Conference.

**POPPY MAKING...**We are looking for Poppy Makers. If you are a veteran you can get paid for this, but anyone can make poppies. We are also looking for poppy kits that were taken last year. They were taken but none have been completed and returned for distribution. Contact Department 602-241-1080 or [secretary@aladepaz.org](mailto:secretary@aladepaz.org) if you are or someone you know is interested.

**POPPY...**Deadline has passed for poppy orders. If you missed it well....

**UNIT MINUTES...**Please do not send copies of your Unit minutes to Department. You might check with the Historian. Department only wants minutes from District Meetings.

**MEMBERSHIP...** "THIS IS HOW WE DO IT". Membership is everyone's job. We are short 3800 members for our 2018 membership goal. Right now, we only have 800 for our 2019 membership goal. That is a long way from our 65% goal by November. Look at your target dates in the membership book you received in your membership packet at Convention.

**ALL 2019 NEW MEMBERS have been entered into the ALAMIS system. Let's show them "how we do it".**

Please double check the information on the applications...have someone else check...we are spending too much time getting missing information and corrections. Applications must be sent in for all new members...don't understand why units just quit sending in applications for new members.

- Be eligible
- Unit number
- Name of Veteran related to and only 1
- Only 1 time of service
- Only 1 relationship and do not add any
- Must be signed by a Post Officer unless it is woman veterans joining on herself
- Half sheet transmittal both white and yellow copies
- Only list names that paid online, do not send any money for them.
- Make sure you mark all of the **NEW** women veterans.
- Do not mark NEW women veterans when they are renewing.

Please let your members know that if they pay online they need to let you know. Members can now also pay by phone using a credit/debit card. Call National at 1-317-569-4500 and tell them you want to pay your dues by phone. National will start sending out cards for the 2018-19 year until then they have to let you know. They can only pay the current years dues. If they owe 2017 or before they will pay 2018 first until January 1 and then they must pay 2019 to be current...this will be a rejoin member.

National Convention winners will be announced at Fall Conference.

**Everyone... you are all "winners" to me.**

**"BEES"**

**Barbara Matteson**  
**Dept Secretary/Treasurer**  
[secretary@aladep taz.org](mailto:secretary@aladep taz.org)

**Pat Stanaski**  
**Dept Membership Processing**  
[membership@aladep taz.org](mailto:membership@aladep taz.org)



## Department Schedule

<b>Date</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Place</b>
8/4/2018	10:00-2:00 Mini Mission Training Dist 12 #1	Post 44
8/24-30/18	National Convention	Best Western Normandy Hotel
9/8/2018	10:00-2:00 Mini Mission Training Dist 12 #2	Post 44
9/14/18	8:30 AM 8/40 La Marche Nationale	Wild Horse Pass Casino Hotel
9/15/18	10:00 AM Strategic Planning	Dept
9/16/18	1:30 PM District 12 OV	Post 107
10/4/18	7:00 PM Unit 41 OV	Post 41
10/6/18	5:00 PM VHV Dinner/Dance	Post 35
10/10/18	7:00 PM Unit 39 OV	Post 39
10/19/18	6:00 PM Early Bird Dinner Unit 32 OV	Swift Murphy Unit 32
10/20/18	12:00 PM District 5 OV	Post 32
<b>10/25-28/18</b>	<b>Personal</b>	
11/2-4/18	Fall Conference	Doubletree Hotel
11/10/18	5:00 PM Unit 11 Dinner	Unit 11 Overnight
11/11/18	10:00 AM Veterans Day Parade	
11/11/18	1:30 PM District 3 OV	Post 45
11/15/18	6:30 PM Unit 26 OV	Mesa Unit 26
11/20/18	12:30 PM Unit 66 OV	Green Valley Unit 66
11/21/18	11:30 AM Unit 131 OV	Madera Unit 131
11/26/18	1:30 PM Ribbon Cutting	Whipple Gift Shop
12/03/18	9:00 AM Ribbon Cutting	Phoenix Gift Shop
12/05/18	9:00 AM Ribbon Cutting	Tucson Gift Shop
01/05/19	10:00 AM Strategic Planning	Dept
01/05/19	Noon Open House	Dept
01/20/19	1:30 PM District 2 OV	Unit 36
1/25-27/19	Mission Training	Flamingo Hotel
03/09/19	10:00 AM Strategic Planning	Dept
3/27-30/19	National President Visit	Kathy Dungan
03/30/19	2:00 PM Unit 39 Cook Off	Unit 39
4/17/19	6:00 PM Awards Ceremony	Unit 35
05/25/19	10:00 AM Strategic Planning	Dept

6/27-30/2019 11:00 AM

Convention

Sheraton Grand

## Address

Scottsdale

Minneapolis, MN

Scottsdale

Wild Horse Pass Blvd. Room Acacia A

Phoenix

Phoenix

Phoenix

Chandler

Gilbert

531 11th Avenue, Safford 85546

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Denver, CO

Tucson

Douglas

Douglas

Benson

Mesa

1560 W Duval Mine Rd, Green Valley 85614

249 W. Esperanza Blvd, Green Valley 85614

Prescott

Phoenix

Tucson

Phoenix

Phoenix

Tucson

Las Vegas, NV

Phoenix

Various locations

Gilbert

Chandler

Phoenix

Phoenix



The American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of Arizona  
Americanism  
October 2018

October

Late August and into early September we mourned the loss of and celebrated the life of a terrific man and veteran, Senator John McCain. May his family find comfort and peace in his service and joy in his life.

September Dates

September 11<sup>th</sup> - Patriots Day – I hope you were able to remember a patriot that served  
September 21<sup>st</sup> - POW/MIA Day – Let us never forget and always work to bring them home.  
September 30<sup>th</sup> – Gold Star Mother’s Day – God Bless

What are we working on for youth development?  
How are we serving and helping our Veterans?  
Girls State, Girls Nation? Are we promoting our programs?  
Americanism is more than just being a citizen...it's the things we do  
the programs we work.  
It is the actions we take.



Upcoming Dates

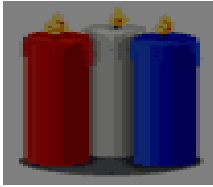
October 13<sup>th</sup> – Navy’s Birthday – Celebrate, what are your plans?

Dates to Remember

Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> - Mid-year Reports are due  
May 1<sup>st</sup> – Year-end Reports are due

I’m looking forward to receiving news and information that I might share with everyone.

Barb Shields - Americanism Chair  
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928-856-1949 - cell  
shields\_barb@yahoo.com



Both founded in 1919, the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary are celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversaries!

- The American Legion held its 100<sup>th</sup> National Convention in Minneapolis this past August and is officially celebrating now through Veterans Day.
- ⑩ The American Legion Auxiliary, which began in November 1919 will officially begin its official kickoff at its 2019 convention and culminate at the 2020 convention.

District Presidents, I ask for your help in spreading the word about the Centennial Celebration to your Units. I handed out the Centennial Packet at the Officers/Chairman workshop in early July. If you would like a copy, please contact me and I will email or mail a hard copy to you. There are many ways units/districts can plan to celebrate this event.

100,000 Thank You's from Arizona

(from Marge Christiansen)

An easy, yet meaningful way to recognize Veterans for their service is a simple, personal “thank you.” If 1,000 members take the pledge to do just that, the Arizona American Legion Auxiliary will deliver 100,000 Thank You's to Veterans during the Legion Anniversary year!

**THE PLEDGE**

“In honor of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversaries, I pledge to personally thank, over the course of the next year, 100 Veterans for their service to our country.”

**Win Prizes:** If you will send figures to me of your Unit/District pledges and Veterans thanked by Fall Conference I will have a prize for you. This will continue throughout the year to Convention where you can win even bigger prizes! Let me know how many took the pledge. Post the phrase “I Pledged” with your Unit Number on “Ring Your Bell Facebook Page.”

**DISTRICT PRESIDENT'S --PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR UNITS TO TAKE THE PLEDGE AT YOUR DISTRICT MEETINGS AND TO PARTICIPATE IN EITHER THIS ACTIVITY OR PERHAPS ONE LISTED IN THE CENTENNIAL PACKET. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!**

Karen Smith, Chairman

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## American Legion Auxiliary

### 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: A legacy of service

### “LET’S HAVE A PARTY”

Planning is essential as we begin the celebratory year for our organization. Plan to celebrate your Post/Unit/District/Department with Special Events. What is your locale known for? Outdoor activities? Open Houses? Good Food? Assemblies or Programs? The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is an opportunity to continue the traditions that you have established in your area and a perfect opportunity to put yourself on the forefront in the minds of your community.

First, some history to add to your arsenal so that you can let everyone know at the drop of a hat *who we are* and *what we do*. The American Legion Auxiliary has been dedicated to serving veterans, military and their families for 100 years. Auxiliary members exemplify “Service Not Self” through countless volunteer hours, programs, children and youth and community service and an increased presence in Washington DC. Although many things have changed since our establishment in 1919, the one thing that remains the same is our unwavering commitment to honor those who serve.

The American Legion/Auxiliary was founded in March 1919 in Paris, France, by US. World War I military personnel stationed there who were dedicated to four pillars of service and advocacy: veterans, military personnel, children & youth and (Americanism) patriotic values. Today it consists of 55 “departments” in the 50 states as well as the District of Columbia, France, Mexico, the Philippines and Puerto Rico. Current national membership is over 2 million, with the combined Legion family over 3 million.

We will mark our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a 15-month celebration running from our national convention in August 2018 through Veterans Day 2019. The Anniversary mantra is “LEGACY AND VISION.” Even after 100 years, ALA members remain steadfast in our commitment to service. The American Legion Family will continue serving our returning injured veterans and the caregivers who help them. We also continue to serve those who did not return home. We ensure that no one is left behind. We are celebrating past accomplishments as we renew the organizations vision to serve communities, states and the nation for a second century.

Remember: The American Legion Auxiliary is celebrating our anniversary for a reason. Let us focus on service with 20/20 vision as we celebrate this milestone and ring in a new century of supporting the American Legion Auxiliary mission – serving our veterans, service members, and their families – truly living our promise of “**Service Not Self.**”

### What Can We Do?

The Auxiliary will work with The American Legion Family to sponsor activities in your Unit, District and Department. It has been recommended that we work through the District's where we can publicize this message at our regular District meetings. District President's will promote, promote and promote our accomplishments and vision to their Units. What can we do to publicize our organization in our community? District President's will report to Liaison Karen Smith after each meeting so that we can then report said activities to the National organization. Activities can be used as fund raisers for continued celebrations or for the purchase of Centennial Dollars (\$15.00) or Centennial T-Shirts (\$33.00). Both can be obtained from American Legion Flag & Emblem Supply. 1-888-4LEGION or Emblem.Legion.org.

I have attached material obtained from American Legion web site to assist you with your plans. District President's, ON YOUR MARK--GET SET--GO!! Let's see which of our 10 districts can plan the most activities. I will have awards for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place at department convention. Everyone should get on The American Legion Band Wagon and work together for this CELEBRATION.

If you have additional questions or IDEAS, please feel free to contact me.  
Karen Smith, 1133 Carmelita Drive, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 (520)249-1119 or  
ksmith11@cox.net

### Committee

District No. 1: Nola Holland  
District No. 2: Yolanda Martinez  
District No. 3: Alissa Montijo  
District No. 4: Lois Thomas-Homewytewa  
District No. 5: Linda Lopez  
District No. 6: Lesa Ward  
District No. 7: Janet Martin  
District No. 8: Patty Eames  
District No. 11: Norene Cruz  
District No. 12: Linda Ruyle

## **Fun Ways to Celebrate the Centennial and Social Media Ideas**

1. Add the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo to websites, social media, email, brochures, newsletters. Etc. The logos are available on the American Legion web site.
2. Send a letter to the editor of your local newspaper. A sample of letter available in tool kit.
3. Interview a local businessman about your community and are they a member? Publicize.
4. Create a short video for YouTube or your website, Facebook, blog or social media.
5. Think about the contributions that your Post/Unit has made to your community. Write an article or press release about what it has meant to the area. Work with media to feature regular stories.
6. Set up a table at local farmers markets with giveaways and information about our organization.
7. Hold a Food Truck event with a theme of supporting our veterans.
8. Movie night: Project a movie outside or in your post featuring veterans.
9. Hold an Oral History Project in schools with prizes for participants.
10. Increase awareness of the Centennial by creating fliers about our history with photos and stories. Post throughout the community.
11. Create a Hall of Fame in your Post with pictures and stories of all.
12. Stage a “flashback Friday” of stories that were significant to your post/unit.
13. Schedule a presentation of Centennial Celebration for County, School and Community Boards.
14. Invite State Legislators to Centennial events. Get pictures with them at these events and share on websites, in newsletters, etc.
15. Work with your Chamber of Commerce to host a meeting or speak at one of their meetings to talk about the Centennial and events to be held.
16. Hold a scrapbook contest or photo memory page as part of the celebration with prizes for different age groups.

17. Honor those who have the most continuous service to the organization. It can be a Tea, evening event or dinner/dance. Honor your "oldest, living member." It can be a simple punch and cookies event.
18. Honor current volunteers who steadfastly show up whenever needed.
19. Ask each unit in your district when they were organized. Which unit has the longest, continuous activities?
20. Plant trees in honor of the Centennial.
21. Display a sign or banner at the entrance to the city AND outside your Post home.
22. Hold an Ice Cream Social at you Post Home and invite children to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday.
23. Develop weekly "radio spots" for your local station of historical value.
24. Consider sponsoring a scavenger hunt throughout the post and grounds with a map and patriotic findings to vie for prizes.
25. Challenge volunteers to give 100 hours of service to celebrate.
26. Honor families with two or more generations still active in the Post/Unit.
27. Create a time capsule with anniversary items on our Post grounds.
28. Host a contest for high school students to create a short video about veterans.
29. Host an essay contest for middle and high school students about what life would be without the freedoms that we enjoy.
30. Ask members to donate \$100 in honor of the Centennial. Place names on special plaque.
31. Create a living history of members and post items from the past.
32. Perform a skit or short play about the history of our organization. Go into the community with this and have fun.
33. Plant a Centennial Garden.

34. Create a Centennial Christmas Tree with 1919-era ornaments for your holiday activities.
35. Host a Centennial Tea Party with authentic food and stories from the past.
36. Create a Centennial Calendar and plan one activity each month that marks the celebration.
37. Partner with local museums/businesses to create a Centennial Display.
38. Host a Centennial booth at a local Farmers Market.
39. Create a Centennial Scrapbook. Compete for Department Awards.
40. Sponsor a Membership Drive to ensure our existence in the next 100 years.
41. Rent a billboard with participating units to advertise our 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.
42. Create a digital slideshow to illustrate our History.
43. Sponsor a Centennial Float in local parades and invite members to ride.
44. Encourage a day of service for all members in honor of the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.
45. Find local people who with our organization regularly and write feature stories about our organization through the years. Provide photos.
46. Invite members to speak at Open Houses, Field Days etc.
47. Share our organizations trivia at the start of each event. Provide fun prizes.
48. Encourage our members to save 100 pennies per month for our President's Special Project.
49. Include Centennial Celebration information and fun facts to newsletters, websites and on social media.
50. Honor "friends" of the American Legion Auxiliary at a reception.

**AND LAST BUT CERTAINLY NOT LEAST, ENJOY, HAVE FUN!**

### Event Ideas

An antique car or military vehicle show stretch back to the founding of your post.

A historical pageant or dramatic presentation, with re-enactors performing different events in your post's history.

An Open House with historical artifacts on display.

An assembly, with guest speakers talking about the ways in which the post has influenced their lives.

An outdoor carnival with children's activities, food trucks and music.

A Centennial Dinner at the Post.

A Ceremony at a cemetery, memorial or monument.

A Centennial canned-goods, toy, clothing or blood drive.

An American Legion birthday party.

A US Flag event (etiquette lesson, folding procedure, retirement ceremony, honor guard etc.)

A crafting event, to make something for a service member or veteran in your area.

A Career Fair for veterans and their families.





## Chaplain's Report

Happy autumn, hopefully Mother Nature will be kind to us this month and bring us some cooler temps during the day. We are almost one month out from fall conference and I, for one can't wait to see you all again. Please feel free to bring me prayers for President Cindy's Prayer Book, (do I sound like I am repeating what every chaplain before me has said?) Well, I am. I would like every Unit to submit 5 prayers by New Years. Can we do it?? YES WE CAN. Remember if you use someone else's prayer (say you saw it in a magazine) please put their name on it.

A wonderful friend of mine, who is also a veteran sends me his verse of the day. He usually puts his own personal note to Segway into the verse, and the other day he sent me the following, which I would like to share.

### **Proverbs 19:11**

**11** A person's wisdom yields patience; it is one's glory to overlook an offense.

This passage makes me think of Strategic planning and the #2 goal of creating an internal culture of good will. Not only can we do this with our members, we can do this in everyday life. Especially in today's world where everyone feels slighted, or offended about any and everything. So think about what you say and, if you are the one who gets insulted or slighted, let it roll and think of these words.

For God and Country

Rose



## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**BUSY, BUSY, BEES FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR BELOVED VETERANS**

**HI! JUST A REMINDER THAT MANY SERVICES CROSS COUNT FOR DIFFERENT AUXILIARY PROGRAMS. FOR EXAMPLE IF YOU HOLD A FOOD COLLECTION FOR A FOOD BANK FOR THE COMMUNITY AND IT INCLUDES VETERANS AND CHILDREN YOUR HOURS COUNT FOR SERVICE TO VETERANS, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ALSO YOUTH AND CHILDREN WELFARE. IF FLAGS ARE HANDED OUT IT COULD BE COUNTED AS AMERICANISM ALSO. AND VA AND R, TOO.**

**EXAMPLES OF COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

**HELPING AT A FOOD BANK**

**ASSISTING AT YOUR CHURCH TO FILL BACK PACKS FOR KIDS**

**PROVIDING A CLOTHING CLOSET FOR THE POOR AND / OR WOMEN REENTERING THE CAREER FIELD**

**ARRANGING AND TEACHING A CRAFT AT A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER FOR WOMEN AND FAMILIES**

**READING TO KIDS AT THE LIBRARY**

**SERVING AT A DINING HALL FOR THE HOMELESS**

**COLLECTING BLANKETS, SMALL TOILETRIES, CLOTHES AND DIAPERS FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES**

**MAKING BLANKETS, CAPS AND GOWNS FOR PREMATURE BABIES AND GOWNS ORS MEMORIAL BLANKETS FOR DECEASED INFANTS**

**VISITING THE SICK AND DYING ESPECIALLY VETERANS**

**MAKING SOME BLANKETS, SOCKS AND CAPS FOR THE HOMELESS**

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO**

**FOR GOD AND COUNTRY**

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**BEE THE BEST YOU CAN BEE!**

CREATIVE ARTS  
2018/2019

IN THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE LET US REMEMBER OUR MISSION TO SUPPORT THE AMERICAN LEGION, AND WHAT BETTER WAY TO HONOR THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED THAN TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO TAKE PART IN THE NATIONAL CREATIVE ARTS PROGRAM. THERE ARE FIVE DIVISIONS; Art, Music, Dance, Drama, and Creative Writing. Rules for all divisions can be found on line at NVCAF-----[www.creativeartsfestival.va.gov](http://www.creativeartsfestival.va.gov) THERE IS HEALING POWER BEHIND CREATING ART...IT MAY BE A WAY TO EXPRESS ONESELF, TO RELAX, TO RELIEVE STRESS OR ANXIETY, DECREASE DEPRESSION OR SIMPLY ALLOW THE CREATIVE INNER SELF TO COME OUT. FOR WHAT EVER REASON, ART IS THERAPEUTIC. THE JOURNEY FOR OUR ARTISTS WILL BEGIN IN FEBRUARY OF 2019 WHEN THEY ENTER THE LOCAL ART SHOW ALONG WITH HUNDREDS OF OTHER VETERANS.

A PORTION OF YOUR POPPY FUNDS CAN BE USED FOR THE CREATIVE ARTS PROGRAM OR YOU CAN HAVE SPECIAL FUNDRAISING TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM. REMEMBER, THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS ARE THE ONLY TWO SPONSORS FOR THIS PROGRAM. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE SUPPORT OUR VETERANS IN THIS IMPORTANT REHABILITATION.

PLEASE SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM AT YOUR LOAL VA MEDICAL CENTERS.

YOUR CREATIVE ARTS TEAM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA ARE: PHOENIX; MARGARET ELLIS ([maggielou@cox.net](mailto:maggielou@cox.net)): TUCSON; KATHY SZOKONY ([N3SAD@aol.com](mailto:N3SAD@aol.com)) and PRESCOTT Sally Fine ([mightyfine123@gmail.com](mailto:mightyfine123@gmail.com))

I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN TUCSON FOR FALL CONFERENCE.

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY  
SALLY FINE, CREATIVE ARTS  
DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN

**EDUCATION MID-YEAR REPORT FORM  
2018-2019**

Unit Number \_\_\_\_\_ Total Membership \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**Supporting the Program**

Number of Unit Members involved in support of the program \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Juniors involved in support of the program \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Legionnaires involved in support of the program \_\_\_\_\_

Did your Unit participate in American Education Week? Briefly describe the activities.

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Did your Unit participate in the *Give 10 to Education* program? Briefly describe the activities.

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Did your Unit present the *Veterans in the Classroom* program? Briefly describe the activities.

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Did your Unit actively support any veterans associations on college or university campuses? Briefly describe the activities.

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Did your Unit help assist needy students? Briefly describe the activities.

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Does your Unit award any Unit scholarships? How many? How does your Unit raise funds for the scholarships?

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Has your Unit promoted the Department and National Scholarships? Briefly describe how this was done.

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Did your Unit involve the Legionnaires, the Sons and the Legion Riders? How many of each group participated? In what way did they participate?

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What were the other community resources or activities your Unit used to assist students, teachers or support personnel?

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You may use separate paper, if needed.

Please return this form to the Education Chairman, **Julie Vietri, 7663 E. 6th St., Scottsdale, AZ 85251 or [jvietri@msn.com](mailto:jvietri@msn.com) , on or before December 23, 2018.**



## Education October, 2018



Everyone is well into the school year. Each month I will focus on one of the areas mentioned in the August newsletter. This month: **Enhance respect for the sacrifices of our military heroes among school children by scheduling Veterans in Community Schools programs at local schools.**

Information on the Veterans in Community Schools program is available in the publications, *Veterans in the Classroom: History in the First Person*, on the Legion's website at <http://archive.legion.org/handle/123456789/1664> and <http://archive.legion.org/handle/123456789/1663>. They contain helpful hints on starting this program in your area.

- Collaborate with your local American Legion post to present this program in your schools.
- Contact your local school teachers to see if they would be interested in hosting a Veterans in the Classroom event.
- Provide information to the teacher hosting your program about the challenges facing today's military families.
- The teacher can introduce the topic before your unit's presentation. It may be helpful to reference the article that was published in the Legion's magazine at <http://www.legion.org/magazine/162500/hardest-year>.
- Promote your Veterans in the Classroom event through local media and on your own social media accounts.
- Volunteer to provide transportation to and from the school for the veteran speaking in the classroom.
- Wear your American Legion Auxiliary apparel when you visit classrooms.

"The American Legion believes that our military veterans are living textbooks of American History. Their accounts of experiences in a uniform of the United States Armed Forces should be preserved and shared with others, especially with students in America's schools." (American Legion Publication No. 23-015, Rev. 1-2012)

I'm looking forward to hearing about the creative ways in which your Units and Members promote the Education Program.

In the Spirit of Service, not for self,  
For Veterans, God and Country,

*Julie Vietri*

Education Chairman  
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**OCTOBER 2018**

BEES-BEES and MORE BEES with \$\$\$ signs AWAITING WORD FROM THE UNITS and DISTRICTS.

Guess you all know by now that for your Unit to be shown as having contributed for the many projects within our Department you **MUST FORWARD TO THE DEPARTMENT SECRETARY** these contributions along with a letter letting her know where she must distribute your funds to, which she does along with a remittance advice. Before this transaction is completed the Unit and/or District **MUST MAKE A COPY OF THESE NOTATIONS and MAKE A COPY FOR THEIR RECORDS.** That copy is your verification of what you sent, what it is to be used for and how & when it was sent. If this sounds childish believe me it isn't – it is just good bookkeeping. When your books are audited you **MUST HAVE VERIFICATION FOR YOUR AUDITORS SUBSTANTIATING YOUR INCOME AND EXPENDITURES ALONG WITH BANK STATEMENTS THAT YOUR CHECK BOOKS & BANK STATEMENTS CAN BE VERIFIED AGAINST ONE ANOTHER.**

**AS WAS NOTED IN MY LAST BULLETIN BE SURE YOUR I.R.S. FORM, SECRETARY OF STATE FORM AND AZ. CORPORATION COMMISSION REPORTS ARE FILED ON TIME.** If the name of the responsible person has changed on your Secretary of State form you will need **TO PAY STRICT ATTENTION TO THE FILING OF THIS FORM.**

We are coming to the close of another year, clearing out and closing the books for another very successful year. Don't forget your yearly mandates to both the Department and District.

**EVERY UNIT WILL BE RECEIVING A NOTE-BOOK AT THE FALL CONFERENCE THAT IS TO BE KEPT ALONG WITH THE OTHER RULING DOCUMENTS OF YOUR GROUP AND IT WOULD BE WISE TO KEEP A COPY OF THE LATEST I.R.S. FORM, THE SECRETARY OF STATE FORM AND THE AZ. CORPORATION COMMISSION FORM IN THIS NOTEBOOK.**

Thank you all for an interesting and eventful year in trying to keep the Units & Districts in line with National and Department regulations.

Your Finance Committee-Helen Stout, Chairman, Penny Maklary, Helen Griffin, Cindy Queen, Dept. President, Yolanda Bonilla, NEC and Barbara Matteson, Dept. Secretary-Treasurer, without vote.



## Department of Arizona

### History

#### October 2018

Fall is around the corner and Units will be busy planning and holding their Octoberfest celebrations and Veteran Day activities and other dinners/acitivities. I want to hear from you on what your Unit will be doing.

The Holidays are right around the corner, will your Unit be sending cards to the Troops? Will you be adopting a family(s) for Christmas? I want to hear from you!

A few ways you can assist are:

- Post on Ring Your Bell what your Unit has done
- Post on your Unit's Facebook page
- Call, text and email me what your Unit has accomplished
- Send me any flyers, brochures you distribute for events
- Most importantly, send your Unit's meeting minutes to me

Remember no event is too small or big, let me know about it. You can send me an email with bullet points.

I have received minutes from several Units to date. The bees have been busy!

Please send me your Unit and District meeting minutes. This will assist in writing this year's history.

BEElieve you can report on your Unit's events.

Believe Equality Exists Supporting Every Veteran

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## **Junior Fall Conference and Campout 2018**

Details still in the making for location & date.

If any units have active juniors please send me a email so we can reach to out to your unit with additional information.

Juniors that are currently working on their Junior Activity Patch booklet please bring them to conference and we can sign off on more patches for you.

The Date is: TBD

Location: TBD

Please tentatively RSVP with interest to Deedee Vaupel, Dept. Junior Chairman.

My cell: (623)385-5427 and yes a text is okay.

Email: [ddvaupel@gmail.com](mailto:ddvaupel@gmail.com)

Address: 9026 W Palo Verde Ave. Peoria, Az 85345

Adult are more than welcome to attend the conference.

For those of you brave enough to do the sleepover please plan on bring your sleeping equipment to spend the night.

### Tentative Plan

Saturday - Meet & Greet 1pm - 2pm with a light lunch & snacks

2pm to 3pm Activities

Former meeting 3pm

4pm to 5pm activities

Dinner

Games

Sunday - Up at 7am for breakfast, church-memorial service, and mini meeting to give unit reports, before adjourning the conference.

## Legislative

### October 2018

Greetings Ladies,

Wow, a lot has happened since the last update. So many things have been going on.

The end of July was busy. On 7/23/18, the U.S. Senate confirmed Robert Wilkie as the 10<sup>th</sup> Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs. On 7/24/18, President Trump spoke at the VFW National Convention in Kansas City, MO.

August was even busier. On 8/8/18, a dog tag from Korean War Veteran, Master Sgt. Charles H. McDaniel, a U.S. Army Medic was given to his surviving sons. On 8/22/18, a Medal of Honor was presented to family of deceased veteran Sgt. John Chapman, killed in Afghanistan in 2002. On 8/25/18, Senator John S. McCain III passed away at 1628 hours. Senator lied in state at the Arizona State Capitol on 8/29/18. His Arizona funeral was held in Phoenix on 8/30/18. I was privileged to be a part of his farewell with my law enforcement brothers and sisters in uniform. Senator McCain then lied in state at the U.S. Capitol on 8/31/18. Funeral at National Cathedral in D.C. was held on 9/1/18, with a private burial at Annapolis, Maryland on 9/2/18. On 9/4/18, Governor Doug Ducey announced Former Senator Jon Kyl as McCain's replacement to finish this Congressional Session which ends in December. The Arizona Primary Election was held on 8/28/18. Governor Ducey won the Republican nomination. David Garcia won the Democrat nomination. The General election is on November 6, 2018. Kyrsten Sinema and Martha McSally are running against each other for Senator Jeff Flake's seat. On 8/30/18, Vice President Mike Pence addressed the American Legion National Convention in Minneapolis, MN. In his address, he honored Senator McCain.

As of September 4<sup>th</sup>, Judge Brett Kavanaugh whom was appointed by President Trump to replace Justice Anthony Kennedy, was still in confirmation hearings.

On September 11<sup>th</sup>, there were remembrance ceremonies throughout the state & nation.

September 21<sup>st</sup> is POW/MIA Recognition Day, with ceremonies throughout the state & nation.

**Reminder, Election Day in the General Election is Tuesday November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

For God and Country,

Stephanie M. McMullen

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## MEMBERSHIP OCTOBER 2018-2019



**Queen Bee says!**

**I cannot stress enough that membership is everyone's job. Membership chairman: Ask for your members assistance and reach out to members have not been coming to meetings.**

**What can we do to help our veterans, active duty and their Families?**

**A dedicated member does Whatever it takes!!!!**

Please let me know "This is How do we do it"? I challenge you to tell me "What you do, how you do it ". Email me, I really would like to know!

**We have Benefits! Have you joined the Auxiliary's Abenity Discount Program?**

*American Legion Auxiliary offers access to over 100,000 discounts and provides members with an elite collection of local and national discounts from thousands of hotels, restaurants, movie theaters, retailers, florists, car dealers, theme parks, national attractions, concerts, and events through Abenity.*

*[Thousands of additional discounts on goods and services are available to you as a member. Click here to sign up for the Auxiliary's Abenity program.](#)*

*You're just one click or toll-free call away from great savings when you visit us online or by phone at the address or number below. When calling, you will be prompted to select from a menu of services and then directed to a live representative. Call 1-844-363-1726 today to find out more*



### Your Membership Team

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# **ARIZONA MISSION TRAINING**

## *Believe Equality Exists Supporting Every Veteran*



DOUBLE YEAH! We passed our first major test with both mini sessions completed! Thank you to Cindy and Barbara for assisting with the second session. Short notice of what is expected of you is where good instruction comes from.

*“Even at your best someone will always have something negative to say. Pursue greatness anyway!”* Leadership quote from *Women who change the world*

Change is very hard to accept because we must step outside our comfort zone. Change and acceptance of new concepts is inevitable and is the path to inner growth. We expect this of all Girls State Delegates, so now we are carrying this concept to our members. Ideas for change come from all members, so please let us know what we can change to improve the Mission Training.

A double thanks to Unit 44 for hosting the first and second mini courses, and another thank you to District 12 for requesting it. The updated Mission Training needed a place for testing with a variety of Unit sizes, so this was perfect. Now we have more individuals who know how to make poppies thanks to those who were willing to share their poppy making knowledge. Let's continue with this new concept at each training session and soon we will have a lot of poppy makers.

Although the first four-hour mini course had 31 attendees, the second only had 20. The perception that these four-hour sessions go much faster than an eight-hour session and seem more relaxed is partially false; it is the same amount of time spent in training, but just shorter at one time by breaking it up.

All Districts are encouraged to schedule a training session. District 5 is looking at November for Mission Training, so let's get scheduling. Also, we are encouraging members to consider attending the National Training to be held in Las Vegas in January 2019. We will spend a short time at Fall Conference reviewing on-line training offered by National. Remember, those who have attended training, keep your training tracking up to date.

*For God and Country in Service to Veterans.*

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**“BELIEVE EQUALITY EXISTS  
SUPPORTING EVERY VETERAN”  
MUSIC REPORT  
OCTOBER 2018**

Hello you wonderful ladies:

As your Music Chairman again this year, I wanted to pass along some information to those of you privileged to hold the position of Music Chairman at the Unit and District levels, which might be helpful in planning your programs for the year. Always remember to include a patriotic song at each meeting or event, when appropriate. We all recognize the impact music can have in bringing members together for the good of all concerned. Encourage Auxiliary members to participate regularly in music programs in their individual churches and communities. Make regular visits to VA Hospitals to entertain with songs. These visits are not only uplifting for the Veterans, but also for the ladies who participate. Local Nursing Homes provide another opportunity for members to share their talents. Alzheimer patients who may not remember family members, are able to remember songs from their childhood including patriotic songs. Yes indeed, music does touch the soul!

It's not too early to start planning for the Fall Conference. President Cindy has all kinds of new ideas to share. The Fall Conference is great fun and I encourage everyone to attend this event in Tucson at the beginning of November. I'd also like to encourage your Unit members to participate in the choir, which sings two selections at the Memorial Service held the Sunday of Fall Conference.

Mid-year Reports are due to this Chairman by December 15. The form for submitting reports is included.

Information regarding the Music Awards can be found on the website: [www.aladeptaz.org](http://www.aladeptaz.org) under Ruling Documents. Click on ALA Department Awards Book and go to page 48. This will list the rules and the scoring for the awards.

Department Music Awards will be handed out at Convention in June 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**

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**“BELIEVE EQUALITY EXISTS  
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MID-YEAR MUSIC REPORT FORM**

Hello you wonderful ladies:

It’s that time of year when our thoughts stray to good food and spending valuable time with our families. It’s also a wonderful opportunity to spread some cheer to our many Veterans who are not as blessed with “All Good Gifts” as we might be. Let’s make a vow to get out there and give thanks to the many service men and women we honor by providing music at Veteran functions in our area. I am asking that each Music Chairman from all Units and Districts fill in this form telling me how music was used in your activities thus far this year.

1. Does the Unit/District have a Music Chairman? \_\_\_\_\_
2. If so, does that person choose the songs for all the meetings? \_\_\_\_\_
3. If the Unit/District does not have a Music Chairman, who decides which songs to sing or play? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How is music incorporated into the various functions in the Unit/District?  
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5. Do members regularly participate in music programs in their individual houses of worship and communities? \_\_\_\_\_. If so, give some examples: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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6. Are regular visits made to hospitals/facilities to entertain with songs? \_\_\_\_\_. If so, what locations were visited and what kind of programs were held? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Mid-year music reports are due to me no later than **December 15, 2018**. Either email/mail to me.

Unit No./District No.: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_; No. of Unit Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit/District President: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Music Chairman/person providing information: \_\_\_\_\_

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## American Legion Auxiliary National Security

October 2018

The American Legion Auxiliary through National Security , calls upon ALA members to maintain strong communities at home. Part of that includes being prepared for any natural or man-made emergencies that might occur.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has developed a program to prepare citizens for emergency response. FEMA's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates community members on disaster preparedness. Training is offered on four topics: fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations. Once trained, CERT members can assist their communities in preparing for and responding to emergencies. Training in community emergency response is a great way for member to great opportunity for a unit to organize members to train together.

### Register For A CERT Training:

1. Go to <http://www.fema.gov/community-emergency-response-teams>. Click on "Find Nearby CERT Programs"
2. You will be redirected to a page where you can input your zip code. This page will produce a list of CERT programs near you.
3. Once you select a local program, you will be provided contact information. The number, type, duration, and frequency of trainings vary by local program.
4. Contact the designated individual to register and begin training.

### Promote ALA and Report Your Impact:

ALA encourages members serving as CERT members to identify themselves thus brings visibility of the Auxiliary to your community who may not know us. Please also be sure to report your volunteer activities and hours to your unit's National Security Chairman.

### Resources:

- <http://www.fema.gov/community-emergency-response-teams>

Please make plans to attend the National Security/Children and Youth Workshop on January 19, 2019 at Post 35 in Chandler from 10 to 2. Look for more information next month.

Please, if you have questions please feel free to contact me.

Yolanda Bonilla  
National Security Chairman

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# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

## PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY

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NOVEMBER 2018

The Past Presidents Parley members who have served the Auxiliary as unit, department and national presidents are a valuable resource to the organization as members of the past presidents parley committee, they put their leadership experience to good use, offering guidance or counsel on any activity or problem requiring special support.

This month we are honoring: **Mary Ellen Piotrowski, Gerry Berger and Joan Sisco**

**Mary Ellen** was born in Pepperell, Massachusetts. Mary Ellen enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1950, served as a Yeoman to Admiral Hyman Rickover. Mary Ellen raised seven children. She relocated to AZ in 1985. Mary Ellen was Past Department Commander in 2000-2001. Mary Ellen was a member of TAL Post 94 in Sun City West which renamed the Post after her death in 2006 to Mary Ellen Piotrowski Post 94. She was inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame in 2006.

**Gerry Berger** was born in Dickinson, North Dakota. Joined the U.S. Army in 1964 and in 1973 she enlisted in the in the Air National Guard and retired in 1999 as Master Sergeant. Gerry is Past Commander of TAL Mary Ellen Piotrowski Post 94 in Sun City West. Gerry promotes Post 94's Pancake Breakfast fundraisers and the memorial Boulevard of Flags event, seven times each year, as well as participates in "honors" at the National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona. Gerry has helped over 400 domestic abuse survivors; helped raise over \$20,000 to assist disabled veterans in the west valley, supports the Joe Foss Institute and the Annual Maricopa County Stand Down. Gerry was inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of fame in 2016. Gerry is Vice President of the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame Society.

**Joan Sisco** was born in Lake, Michigan and enlisted in the USMC and discharged as Sergeant. Joan is the founder/CEO Veterans First, Ltd. (Mary Ellen's Place) in Phoenix enhancing the lives of veterans, their families and caregivers. She works the issues of homeless veterans and their families with numerous shelters and government agencies, including the issues of homeless women veterans. Joan was inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame in 2009 and is a member of TAL Christopher J. Lapka Post and Unit 105.

These three lady veterans all have something in common. "**Mary Ellen's Place**"

\*An added twist below: What past department president, past department commander and past detachment commander and administrative year served?

2011-2012

Past Department President      Past Department Commander      Past Detachment Commander

Sharon Doran

George Cushing

William "W. L." Foster

# POPPIES

## OCTOBER 2018



Hi ladies,

**As we move forward making our Poppies, remember the reason we pour our love into every Poppy we make. Our Veterans deserve the remembrance always for our Freedom here in America. Veterans Day is coming up next month so please get together as a Unit and decide how to Celebrate Veterans Day next month on the 11<sup>th</sup>. This is one of the reasons we come together. We are still ordering poppies already made but please encourage your unit to help make them.**

**In Closing, something to think about: The Poppy**

It was made to symbolize the love that our soldiers have for their country. To Lay down their life for our Freedom. Freedom that is taken for granted daily by all of us. We are all human and it naturally slips our minds. Just as our soldiers who gave their life was also human. It probably slipped their minds, during the midst of battle next to their fellow soldiers hoping they might just make it home alive. Some endured great pain and anguish as they died proudly on the battle fields. Some endured more than pain. They came home with the memories of those who gave their lives for us.

For God and Country

We say Thank You

**For God & Country**

**Nita Kimball- Poppy Chair**

**Na Reins- Co Chair**





## **PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT 2018-2019**

October 2018

### ***Visually Impaired Veterans***

#### ***I BELIEVE***

Visual impairment is a very serious problem, but I hope your Units can have a little fun working toward raising funds. Have a blind dinner by serving a meal (no hamburgers or hotdogs, maybe spaghetti or something else really messy) to blindfolded participants. (Have plastic tablecloths and bibs!) Hand out lined paper and pencils during your meeting and have the members close their eyes and write "I believe equality exists serving every visually impaired veteran." Play "pin the tail" by blindfolding members to let them experience the disorientation of vision loss. Only be creative, play "pin the stinger on the bee." Or use your own imagination to invent a game using blindfolds. But be safe; don't be stumbling around the room blindfolded. The idea is to experience in a very small way, the trials of vision loss.

Each time I speak to a group about PSP, I am supported by people who have themselves experienced vision loss or are coping with a loved one who has. Let those members explain the challenges involved. This is something we all can relate to.

Help us bring equality to veterans with visual impairment. Plan your fundraisers now to support the President's Special Project.

This team is here to facilitate raising funds for this very worthwhile program.

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**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
PUBLIC RELATIONS  
OCTOBER 2018**

**With the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary coming up we want to be as visible as possible in the community. Here are some ideas on how to get the word out about the American Legion Auxiliary and our mission.**

**UNIT:**

Familiarize yourself with and utilize the ala public relations guide and tips for volunteer recruitment toolkit, ala branding guide, and other tools available in the members only section at [www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org).

**IDEAS:**

Distribute ALA brochures and posters in the community at libraries, job fairs, medical facilities, and post homes. Print brochures online from the PR/Marketing Resources section at [www.ALAforVeterans.org](http://www.ALAforVeterans.org), or order them from your department secretary.

Be prepared to answer when asked who the Auxiliary is, what we do in your community, and why we matter.

For additional ideas and help with your Public Relations questions please feel free to contact any member of the Public Relations Committee.

Don't forget to visit the "**Ring Your Bell**" Facebook page to let us know what your unit is doing. We will have information on the other Facebook pages at the Department Conference November 2-4, 2018 in Tucson Reid Park. We hope to see you there!

Committee Chairman:  
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# SERVICE TO VETERANS

October 2018

Greetings Ladies. REPORT, REPORT, REPORT is the mantra we should all have. I neglected to mention something very important: **You cannot log hours for your spouse or family.**

Here are a few more ideas for hours you can log: If your post has a dinner or raffle and you help with it, those hours count. If you knit or crochet caps, mittens, helmet liners, scarves or laprobes, those hours count. If you help with bingo, an ice cream social or handing out yellow ribbons, those hours count also. Be creative when thinking about our veterans and active military.

Remember to turn in a short narrative on what you did for the month, along with miles driven, hours volunteered, actual expenses and in kind donations.

Remember, Service to Veterans is anything you do for a veteran or their family.

At this time, you can make your own excel spreadsheet to keep track of your numbers and email it to me, call me with your numbers or snail mail it to me. **Please note the change in my email address as I left out a letter.**

HAVE A HAPPY HALLOWEEN.

For God and country,

Mary Ann Anderson Jaymes

502 S. 80<sup>th</sup> Place

Mesa, AZ 85208

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# TROPHIES AND AWARDS

## October 2018



Does your Unit have the current version of the  
Department Awards Book? (Revised 2018)

Using this resource will help when completing narratives  
at the end of the administrative year.

Go to [aladeptaz.org](http://aladeptaz.org), then to Member Resources  
at the top, down to Rewards, Reporting, and  
Recognition, then to 2018-19 Dept Awards Book.

Congratulations to these Units that earned  
AMERICANISM plaques at the 2018 Arizona convention:

Keske Americanism Plaque for Units 150 and under	Unit 63
Sawyer Americanism Plaque for Units 151 to 350	Unit 61
Stebbins Americanism Plaque for Units 351 and over	Unit 27
Elizabeth Ann Brown-Paxson Americanism Award	Unit 62

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Judy Galvez  
Member

## VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION OCTOBER 2018

Ladies of the great state of Arizona it is such a pleasure to be part of this wonderful organization.

As you buzz around working your programs always remember the purpose of why we do what we do.

We are committed to support and advocate for veterans, military and their families. Most of you have years of experience in promoting and working our purpose for existing. Every day can be an

opportunity to provide a service for our country by pointing those little stingers in the direction of our veterans. Plan ahead as to how you can do this. If the opportunity presents itself, be spontaneous

Here are some ideas for you to consider:

Some people think they have to have money and authority to do something and everything has to be big. Remember the tiniest little gesture can make a difference in the life of a veteran.

Visit a veteran,

Offer to help with medical transportation

Provide a service to a service family to give them a breather

Find available resources in the community and provide the information

Clip coupons for oversea personnel

Collect hotel shampoos and soaps for grooming kit bags

Thank veterans for their service.

Work with the Legion in responding to requests for assistance for needy veterans

As you can see it does not take much to do a lot by doing a little. As bees work together to build big, sweet and wonderful honeycombs, so do we as members of the American Legion Auxiliary.

This Chairman welcomes any ideas you ladies would like to share with other via this bulletin.

Thank you all for your work and dedication. God bless you and God bless America.

Jennie Molina

truelepa@gmail.com

Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation

(520) 220-8460

# ARIZONA STATE VETERANS HOME PHOENIX OCTOBER 2018

Good Morning Ladies:

Thank you goes out to those Busy BEE”S from Units 1, 26, 78 and 108, for sending September t Birthday cards to Veterans. Thank you Unit 6 for your monetary donation. It’s almost time to go Christmas shopping again.

## October Birthdays:

Abraham M	Americo D.	Arthuro G.	Daniel Q.	Patricia H.	Roman C.	Ronald B.
William M.	Steven C.	Frank G.	James C.	Jeffery E.	Joe B,	Peter D.
John P. Jr.	John B.	Johnnie J. Jr.				

Below is the WISH LIST for the ASVH:

**GIFT CARDS:** DUNKIN DONUTS WALMART WENDY’S VISA  
PHOENIX ART MUSEUM and/or VOUCHERS  
ODYSEA AQUARIUM TICKETS  
VA DOLLARS TO THE CAFETERIA  
ICE CREAM SANDWHICHES/BARS  
SODA (REGULAR & DIET)  
LARGE REMOTE CONTROL CARS WITH EASY TO USE REMOTES.  
LARGE NERF GUNS (10) AND EXTRA BULLETS  
GIANT CONNECT (4)  
ADULT COLORING BOOKS AND COLORED PENCILS  
11 x 14 CANVAS’S FOR PAINTING and PAINT BRUSHES  
INDIVIDUAL CRAFT KIT  
CRAFT SUPPLIES  
LATCH HOOK SETS  
UMBRELLAS (20)  
LARGE STURDY WIRE RACK  
LARGE DUTY THERMAL ROLL LAMINATOR (1)  
GIFT BAGS  
TISSUE PAPER

As always, we are unable to use glass, toiletries, date expired food items, or medical supplies. All food items donated must be purchased at a store.

Please let me know if your Unit participates in monthly ASVH activities by emailing me at [lbubbles@cox.net](mailto:lbubbles@cox.net) If you have any questions, please call me at 602-312-9245.

For God and Country,

Linda Hubbs  
VHVS (Phoenix) Chairman

Joyce Livingston  
VHVS (Phoenix) Co-Chairman

**BELIEVE EQUALITY EXIST SUPPORTING EVER VETERAN**



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

## OCTOBER, 2018

Ladies,

We are in dire need of units to host the monthly Birthday Cake and Ice Cream Socials for September through the next year. We are also requesting that no sugar ice cream and desserts be included for those who have diabetes. **Please contact Fran Johnston at 520-599-4786 to host a social and for additional information regarding no sugar desserts/ice cream to be included at the event. NOW scheduling from November 2018 to August 2019**

**Units hosting the monthly Birthday Cake and Ice Cream Socials are as follows:**

**October 16 Hosted by Roy Fourr Unit 24. Thank you Unit 24. Always enjoy your enthusiasm and participation.**

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

A toast for your blessed life!!! Salute!!!!!!

Oct 4	Henry	Oct 11	Mikel	Oct 13	Anthony	Oct 15	Pete	Oct 21	Thomas
Oct 23	Howard	Oct 30	Cheryl	Oct 31	Melvin				

**REMINDER:** Second Monday monthly Arizona State Veterans Home-Tucson, Steering Committee Meeting at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel Room, Bldg. #1  
Third Tuesday monthly Auxiliary hosted a Birthday Cake and Ice Cream Social at 1:30 p.m. Set up is at 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel Room in Bldg. #1  
Third Tuesday monthly Pizza Party – Cost is \$140 which includes pizza and chicken wings – need sponsors

ASVH-Tucson recreational therapists are continuing to increase in various activities. Gardening projects and ceramics are still being worked on.

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS**

Unit 11 for your donation.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **October Events**

Oct 6	Tentative – veteran residents to visit Cocio-Estrada Post 59 for auxiliary's taco event hosting to John P. Burns Post 36 Bike Run starting at 12:00 p.m.
Oct 13	Navy Birthday - Sam and Tommy to coordinate the viewing of American Heroes of World War I tentatively set at 2:00 p.m.
Oct 15	Candy for Fall Festival due. Drop candy at Bldg. #1 at ASVH-Tucson. The candy will be used for games and trick-or-treaters. Steering Committee meeting rescheduled due to Columbus Day on October 9 <sup>th</sup> .
Oct 16	Monthly Birthday and Ice Cream Social Event hosted by Roy Fourr Unit 24
Oct 25	Cakes and desserts (i.e., cupcakes, Bundt cakes, cookies, etc.) due. Drop off at Bldg. #1 at ASVH-Tucson. These donations will be used for the cake walks during the Fall Festival.

Oct 26

Annual Fall Festival – set up is 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **Volunteers needed to decorate for the festival, please meet at Bldg. #1 on the day of the event around 10:00 a.m.**

Vendors welcomed but must have own lights (when dark) and donation is \$15, contact Sam or Anna Marie. **Need donations of 65-70 cakes and desserts to be delivered by October 25<sup>th</sup> for the cake walk (residents participate in their wheelchairs and their family). Need bags of wrapped chocolate and hard candy to give out to the residents and children. The candy is due by October 15<sup>th</sup> in order for the residents to bag the candy (an annual tradition) for the games and trick-or-treaters.** Mary, Elks to bring plastic bags for candy. Sam coordinating to reserve a train, and Al to coordinate getting a jumping castle. Anna Marie to coordinate horse rides. Mary, Elks to coordinate providing the pumpkins for decorations and contest. Candy also needed and due by October 15<sup>th</sup> in order to bag the candy. Marcia, ALA Unit 132 needs your help to decorate along the fountain in front of Bldg. #1. She will start decorating by 9:00 a.m. Pima County Animal Control to have a space at the Fall Festival bringing some of their top training dogs.

Nancy to coordinate the face painter. ALA to provide the funds (\$25) to pay for the event and Nancy to ensure to get a receipt once paid.

Oct 31

Elks hosting Halloween Party at 2:00 p.m. And contest for best decorated pumpkin

### **November Events**

Nov 5

Steering Committee Meeting rescheduled due to Veterans Day Holiday on November 12<sup>th</sup>.

Nov 9

ASVH-Tucson will host a Veterans' Day Celebration with guest speakers, color guard, and lunch.

Nov 12

Veterans Parade hosted by Morgan McDermott Post 7.

Nov 26

Deck the halls of ASVH-Tucson. American Legion Auxiliary and other organizations invited to help decorate the bldg's for the holidays. All volunteers to meet at 10:00 a.m. in Bldg. #1 of ASVH-Tucson. PLEASE WE NEED VOLUNTEERS – COME ON AUXILIARIES WE NEED YOU. We decorate all the bldgs, community room and chapel.

### **WISH LIST – UPDATE**

Recreation therapists are in need of 300 piece puzzles (residents specifically want 300 pieces only) and CD players (portable or boom box style). Also, need batteries AA, D, and C.

### **HAPPINESS AND ENTERTAINMENT IS ALWAYS NUMBER 1 THERAPY!**

For God and country,

Anna Marie Arenas  
ASVH-Tucson Chairman  
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ASVH-Tucson Co-Chairman  
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VA&R REPORT  
TUCSON VA MEDICAL CENTER  
8-31-18

**Upcoming Events (Volunteers & Monetary Donations Needed):**

**Bingo parties** which are held on the **third Saturday of each month at 1:30PM in Building 60** at the VA hospital. Volunteers are needed to assist with this activity, which is much appreciated by our hospitalized Veterans. Please consider sponsoring the Bingo program. Thank you to the past & current District presidents who volunteered at the June Bingo. We are now welcoming Veteran patients from the Building 95 Substance Use Treatment Disorder Program to our Bingos.

**Bridging Ceremony refreshments for the Substance Use Disorders Treatment Program (SUDTP)** on the **third Tuesday of each month and any month that there is a fifth Tuesday**. We sponsored refreshments on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and May 29, 2018; on June 19<sup>th</sup>, July 17<sup>th</sup> and July 31<sup>st</sup> and August 21, 2018. We will be sponsoring refreshments on September 18, 2018. Volunteers are needed to help with this program. The time is 2PM and the venue is Building 90 at the VA hospital. Thank you to members of Unit 131 & 68 who have volunteered to help with this program. Special thanks to Fire Woman and Jude for all their assistance with this activity.

**New items for Wish Lists**

Golf clubs, Gloves, Gift Cards and Meals for PGA Hope Golf Program POC Scott Strzyzewski (520) 792-1450 X6367

Yuma CBOC (Community Based Outreach Clinic) is seeking donations of gift cards to local food stores (Fry's, Walmart, Albertsons, Sam's Club, Food City). These donations will support a collaboration between American Legion Post 19 and the Yuma CBOC. The Registered Dietician, Kelly Hamlin, MA, RDN is coordinating the effort to provide a cooking class for Veterans who would benefit from these skills. Many Veterans at the Yuma CBOC suffer from diabetes, obesity, high blood pressure and kidney issues due to a diet of processed foods. They want to teach these Veterans to prepare some healthy, simple meals to help improve their health. POC: Kelly E. Hamlin, MA, RDN; phone (520) 403-0217; mailing address 3111 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Ave., Yuma, AZ 85364. Should you decide to support this effort, please make sure that you submit a donation form to Southern Arizona VA Healthcare System.

The new Residential Mental Health Rehabilitation facility is now open. This added 25 new beds to house Veterans in various treatment programs with on-site housing on the hospital campus. The staff requesting donations has put forward that donations in kind, rather than monetary donations, would best fill this need. We ordered 150 backpacks and water bottles and provided colored pencils in June, 2018. The Building 95 donation was made possible largely by a very generous donation from Unit 66.

The grand total of monetary donations by American Legion Auxiliary Units for May 1, 2018 to August 31, 2018 is \$1,400.00.

The grand total of material and activity donations for the American Legion Auxiliary for May 1, 2018 to August 31, 2018 is \$14,758.96. We would like to express special thanks to Elaine Yates and Yuma Unit 19, Ann Reatherford, Unit 24, Unit 131, Unit 132, Unit 73 and Unit 109 members and unaffiliated volunteers for their constant support of VA programs through their donations. The Legion family is the largest supporter of the Arizona Fisher House. Currently, Arizona Fisher House is funded for the foreseeable future. Other programs are in dire need of donations (ie. Homeless, Building 95, Social Services, Bingo, etc.).

Sixteen registered hospital volunteers and nine summer youth volunteers, donated time which was credited to the American Legion Auxiliary. The grand total of registered volunteer hours May 1, 2018 to August 31, 2018 is 2,911.75. Please consider volunteering at SAVAHCS if you can possibly devote the time.

This chairman has volunteered 98 hours and logged 1,560 miles this year in service to the Tucson VA Medical Center as of August 31, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Szakonyi, VAVS Representative

**American Legion Auxiliary**  
**Tucson Christmas Gift Shop**

September 14, 2018

Attention: Attention: Attention:

This is a special message and invitation for those Units who are assigned to the Southern Arizona Veterans Hospital Gift Shop.

The dates for the Gift Shop this year are December 2-7. We will be setting the Gift Shop up on Tuesday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. The official opening will be Wednesday Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9am. The Ribbon Cutting ceremony will be at 9am. Please mark your calendars for those dates.

The set-up normally is a fairly easy activity. Time for set up will be announced in the next bulletin.

For those of you who haven't worked a Gift Shop, this is one of the best experiences!! The veterans are so appreciative and thankful to have this available for them to shop for their families for Christmas. As you know, everything is provided by the Auxiliary, and the veterans who are in the hospital are able to shop "Free". This is what is so amazing to the veterans who are in the hospital at that time. I do realize that this is "preaching to the choir", but there are still Auxiliary members who have never attended and/or worked this program. Please let your Auxiliary members be in on this experience.

It is with great pleasure that the Gift Shop Co-Chair is inviting you to attend and participate in the Gift Shop program.

Thank you for accepting this invitation.

Gail Piggott

Tucson Gift Shop Co-Chair

Box 250

Valley Farms, AZ

UAV UNOFFICIAL MINUTES  
1 SEPTEMBER 2018

CHAIRMAN JIM KATZENBERGER HAS STEPPED DOWN AS THE CHAIRMAN DUE TO MEDICAL ISSUES.

The meeting was opened by Chairman Dylan Delzotto at 10:00 a.m. The opening ceremony was conducted and guests were introduced.

Francisca Morales, Julia Taylor and Chris Bilandzija gave a report on the Upward Bound Program at ASU. They have various programs to help veterans further their education. They focus on low income and 1<sup>st</sup> generation college bound students. Their services are free of charge. All the veterans has to do is sign up. Their motto is "Education is Everything".

David Lucier and Reggie Yates gave an update on the WWI restoration. The original logo that was 5 ½ " disappeared some time ago. They will be reconstructing the original logo but it will be twice the size of the original. Sundt Construction has come on board with the project. They hope to have everything completed by Veteran's Day.

Sam Young from the VMLC/Veterans Medical Leadership Council gave a presentation on the upcoming VMLC Patriotic Luncheon. He also advised the membership that the VMLC was established in 1999. Their original purpose was to raise money for the Veteran's Day Parade. When veterans came back from Iraq and Afghanistan they saw a need for helping them. They focus on housing, rent, vehicle repair, etc. They also help with CASS. The cost for the luncheon is \$65.00

Carol Culbertson took the roll and a quorum was established.

Treasurer Jim Denzien gave the Treasurer's Report.

Sickness and Distress: The passing of Jesse Gersten and Art Sloane.

Members asked to send cards to Jack Holder, WWII Survivor at 450 W Cherrywood Drive, Sun Lakes, AZ 85248.

Also cards can be sent to Dave Willis, Navy veteran to Sante Rehabilitation Facility, 14775 W. Yorkshire Drive, Surprise, AZ 85374.

Dr. Maureen McCarthy and Dr. Lisa Smith updated everyone on events at the VA Medical Facility. They are looking for a facility with about 205 square feet within 5 miles of the VA Medical Facility to move the Primary Care Units, to free up space for the Specialty Clinics. They advised everyone of a new event they have established honoring our fallen when they pass at the VA. They call it the "Final Salute". They had a special service honoring Senator John McCain.

Nicole Baker from Arizona Department of Veterans' Services reported on the Yuma and Flagstaff homes being worked on. Once the approval is given to erect these State Veterans' Homes, they will have 180 days to break ground. The "Be Connected" program is growing. It is a program designed to help prevent suicides. September is "Suicide Prevention Month." Director Wright is working on a program for gender appropriate care.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: See the attached flyers

Blinded Arizona Veterans will be hosting a “White Cane March” in October. More information to follow.

Healing Waters has opened a new location in the west valley.

Sue Wudy announced she is looking for volunteers to man the Veterans’ Booth at the upcoming State Fair. This is different from those who volunteer to get the cost reduced for the Maricopa Stand Down.

Due to another meeting I had to leave at 12:10 p.m. and was unable to get additional information.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judith Hatch". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Judith Hatch



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## GOOD OF THE ORDER ANNOUNCEMENTS SOURCE: UNIFIED ARIZONA VETERANS MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2018

### 1. Update regarding Dave Willis, Primary Rep -Fleet Reserve Assn

On Sunday, September 2, 2018, 6:36:36 PM MST, Larry Brown <larryaz1@aol.com> wrote:

Carol, I got this today from the American Legion Post 96; Post 96 long time member Dave Willis moved yesterday from Sante to Cobalt Rehabilitation Hospital of Surprise, 13060 W Bell Rd, Surprise, AZ 85378. Dave is in Room 226 and would like visitors and his cell phone is 623-628-7662. This on the corner of W. Bell and Dysart, Northside of Bell.

Larry Brown  
**P.D.D. Lawrence R. Brown (Larry)**  
**Senior Vice Commandant,**  
**Department of Arizona,**  
**Marine Corps League,**  
**Hm. 623-546-3335, Cell 602-821-0054.**  
**Semper Fidelis.**  
**M.O.Y.2015, Dept. of AZ.**  
**AZ Veterans Hall of Fame Class 2007**  
<http://www.deptazmcl.org/>

### 2. NOTE TO VETERANS AND VSOs~

There is a Calendar of Events on the ADVS website, you may also want to post your Event information there: <https://dvs.az.gov/event-created>

Carol, have a great rest of your day, and thank you for all you do for our Veterans!

Very respectfully,

**Tera Scherer**

*Executive Assistant*

**Arizona Department of Veterans' Services, 3839 N. 3rd Street, Second Floor**



Phoenix, AZ 85012

602-234-8415

**3. Sept 4<sup>th</sup> through Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018: External home and yard cleanup, touch up within City of Mesa limits only**

Information about the event: Mesa PD is searching for a WWII, Korean War, or Vietnam War veteran homeowner who needs some exterior work on his/her property and yard.

By Tuesday or Wednesday, Sept 4<sup>th</sup> or Sept 5<sup>th</sup>, please contact Detective Darrell Mandrell, AVHOF 2017, Mesa Police Dept HQ; work phone 248.802.8705

**4. Thursday, Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm – Nathan Martens Arizona Memorial Service**

Celebrate the lives of Arizona's fallen heroes;

Candlelight services at 6:30 pm, at 6533 W. Phillips Road, Queen Creek 85142.

Point of contact: Erin or Maria, 480.682.0104

**5. Sunday, Sept 9<sup>th</sup> - Phoenix MOWW/Military Order of the World Wars Massing of the Colors**

Massing of the Colors in remembrance of 9/11 events

Venue: BPOE Phoenix Elks Lodge 335, 14424 N. 32<sup>nd</sup> Street, Phoenix 85032

See flyer for start times, specific directions, and parking information

Point of contact: Jeanne J. Blaes, [blaesjj@gmail.com](mailto:blaesjj@gmail.com), 602.377.8764

**6. Saturday, Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, 11 am to 2 pm – Showing of the documentary Thank You For Your Service (not the feature film with actor Myles Teller), and a veteran panel moderated by Dr. Adam McCray with panel members Travis Burns, Rachel Gutierrez, and Dylan Dalzotto**

Venue: Midwestern University, 19555 N. 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Glendale 85308; Ocotillo Bldg, Lecture Hall F & G; please use Exit 19 on AZ-101 to 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue

See attached flyer for more details and map,



Wendy Shackley, will share a brief story of her son, Sgt Joel Alan McNeil;

Please RSVP: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/thank-you-for-your-seervice-documentary-tickets-48964838149>

Point of contact: Wendy Shackley, [wendy.therippleeffectaz@gmail.com](mailto:wendy.therippleeffectaz@gmail.com), 260.312.3756.

**7. Wed, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm -- Deported Veterans Roundtable Discussion about the deportation of honorably discharged veterans and their families**

Venue: Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Avenue, Tempe 85282 (Rural and Southern), free parking

Sponsors: Veterans for New Americans, Tempe Veterans Commission, & Arizona Veteran and Military Leadership Alliance

Point of Contact: David Lucier, [davidflucier@gmail.com](mailto:davidflucier@gmail.com), 480.703.4008

**8. Saturday, Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> – Commemoration of Vietnam War Veterans - Surviving Spouses**

Presentation of pins to Vietnam veterans and surviving spouses, KIA and MIA family members

No event location or time provided by Kathy Upchurch so please call to obtain more information:

- a. Point of Contact: Kathy Upchurch, 602.799.0240, [ksupchur@mac.com](mailto:ksupchur@mac.com)
- b. Mary Williams, Chair, [mary.williams@asu.edu](mailto:mary.williams@asu.edu), 480.203.6662 – RSVPs only

Sponsors: American Legion Post 64, ADVS/Arizona Dept of Veterans' Services, Gold Star Wives, Vietnam Veterans of America

**9. Saturday, Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8 am to 1 pm – 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Glendale Standup for Veterans**

Broad-based veterans event includes participation by employers, Veterans Treatment Court, veterans organizations, Phoenix VA Health Care System staff, VA benefits staff, ADVS/Arizona Dept of Veterans' Services, and Congressional Office staff

Venue: Glendale Community College, 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Glendale, South side of campus

Official address: 6000 W. Olive Avenue, Glendale 85302

Point of contact: Bob Dalpe, [bobdalpe.az@gmail.com](mailto:bobdalpe.az@gmail.com)

Website: [glendalestandup.org](http://glendalestandup.org)

**10. Thursday, Sept 27<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm – “Latinos in War” presentation/program**

A talk to recognize and explore the notable history of Latino veterans who have served in the armed forces from the Civil War era to the present

Venue: ASU Tempe campus – Social Science Bldg, Room 304

Sponsors: Hispanic Heritage Month Committee in partnership with TRIO Veterans Upward Bound Committee and Pat Tillman Veterans Center

Point of contact: Francisca Morales at: [francisca.morales@asu.edu](mailto:francisca.morales@asu.edu)



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## GOOD OF THE ORDER ANNOUNCEMENTS SOURCE: UNIFIED ARIZONA VETERANS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2018

### EMAIL #3 – ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCT/NOV/DEC 2018

#### 1. October 5-29: Veterans Booth, Arizona State Fair

Venue: State Fair Grounds (19<sup>th</sup> Avenue and W. McDowell Road)

Point of Contact: Sue Wudy, lilsarge@mindspring.com, cell 602.525.6209

#### 2. Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>: VVA/Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 432 Golf Tournament

**Coyote Lake Golf Club, 18800 N. Coyote Lakes Parkway, Surprise**

Please phone Bill Wesp for starting time,

Point of contact: William Wesp, blwesp@q.com, 602.569.9533

Website: vva432.org but not yet posted

#### 3. Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Patriots Ball, Theme: "Remembering Those Who Served"

**Venue: Pointe Hilton Tapatio Cliffs, 11111 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Phoenix**

**Signature fundraising event of the year which enables the Southwest Veterans Foundation, the IRS 501 © (3) nonprofit arm of SWVCC/Southwest Veterans Chamber of Commerce, to support**

- Veteran College and Trade School Scholarships
- Veteran Advocacy Groups
- Veteran Suicide Prevention
- Veteran Homeless and Housing
- Veteran job Training and Placement
- Employers looking to hire veterans



Point of contact: Tom Sheets, tsheets@stonewall-group.com, 602.677.2961

**4. Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> – Thunderbird Mountain Flag**

Location: Thunderbird Mountain, north Glendale, AZ

The purpose of the event – to install a flag pole and flag on the top of Thunderbird Mountain in north Glendale.

Sponsors: Glendale Chamber of Commerce Veterans Affairs Committee

Point of contact: Harry Bailey, USAF retiree, hhbailey99@gmail.com, hhbailey99@cox.net

**5. Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:45 am start – VMLC/Veterans Medical Leadership Council  
16<sup>th</sup> Annual Heroes Patriotic Luncheon**

VMLC salutes Veterans of OEF/OIF/OND/DS, Gulf War, Vietnam, Korea, and WWII for their service to our nation

Venue: Arizona Biltmore – Frank Lloyd Wright Ballroom

Official address: 2400 E. Missouri Avenue, Phoenix 85016

See associated Flyers

Point of contact: Sam Young, Chair, sam.young74@ymail.com, 602.540.7648

**6. Friday, December 7, 10:55 am: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**

Venue: Wesley Bolin Plaza, 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Washington Street, Phoenix

Wreath Presenters, your Wreath Registration Form is due to Judy Hatch no later than Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. On Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, please check in at the Registration Table no later than 9:30 am, Thank you!

Point of contact: Judy Hatch, Chair, judithhatch42@yahoo.com, 602.628.7089

**7. Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> – Wreaths Across America annual event**

**Note: Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> is the due date to submit a Donation Form and your \$15 check.**

Participate in this year's Wreaths Across America program.

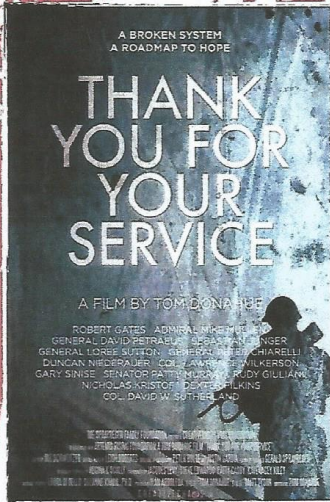
See the associated Flyer & Registration Form,

Only \$15 to sponsor a wreath at the National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona.

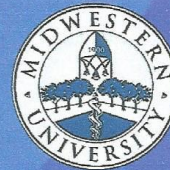
The deadline to turn in the Donation Form is November 30<sup>th</sup>.



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**15**  
11am-2pm



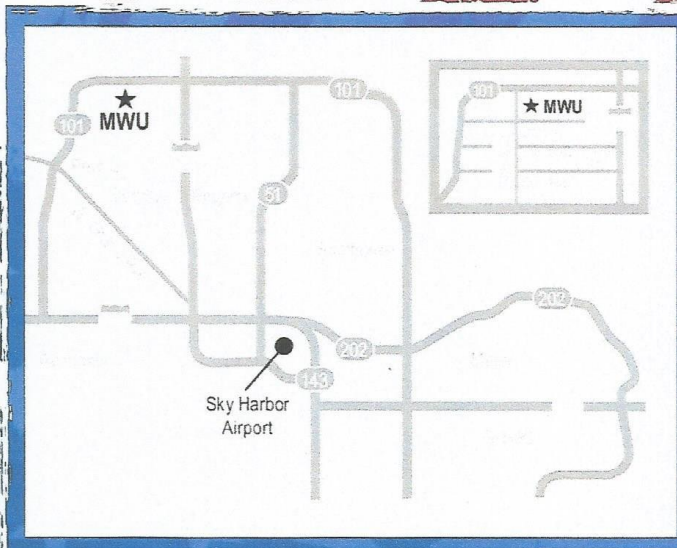
The  
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## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

The Midwestern University Chapter of Military Psychology (APA Div. 19) and The Ripple Effect are hosting an event which will include a feature documentary theatre presentation and panel of veterans from a range of military backgrounds. The objective of this event is to raise awareness of suicide within the military and veteran population. Additionally, reintegration from military life to civilian life will be discussed by the panel.

*Only 1% of our population realizes there is a reintegration problem*



19555 N. 59th Ave  
Glendale, AZ, 85308

Ocotillo Building  
Lecture Hall F & G

Exit 19 on AZ-101  
to 59th Ave.



# The Military Order of the World Wars



Invites one and all to join us for our first  
**MOWW 54<sup>th</sup> Phoenix Chapter**  
**Annual Massing of the Colors & Service of Remembrance**



**When:** Sunday, 9 September 2018

**Where:** B.P.O.E. Phoenix Elks. Lodge 335, Phoenix, AZ

(GPS Driving Data: 14424 N 32nd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85302)

**Time:** 1-1:30PM PARTICIPANT 2 PM BAND CONCERT / 2:30 PM CEREMONY  
BEGINS BEGINS

**Co-Host:** B.P.O.E. Phoenix Elks. Lodge 335, Phoenix, AZ

**Chaplain:** COL USA (RET) Tom Troxell, Phoenix Chapter

**Featuring:** U. S. Naval Sea Cadets George Horvath Division provide the Lead Color Guard & POW/MIA Ceremony; "The 'Ragged Old Flag' and 'Song for the Unsung Hero': delivered by Vernon (Bud) Hesterman"!

**Attire:** Guest informal casual (event photos to be taken)

**Specific Directions & Parking:** Easy Access to Shea Blvd via Highway 51 turn West on Shea to 32D Street and then turn North (right) to 14424 N 32d ST., Phoenix, AZ 85302. Turn left & drive straight up the slight rise to the Main Entrance (Near the flag poles) where the Elk's Youth Group, The Antlers (wearing blue shirts) will guide and assist you with your flags or those that need assistance to enter. They will then direct you where to park. If you do not have a need to drive to the entrance then park in any of the parking spaces except those specifically marked for ELK Members.



***Wreaths Across America – Dec.15, 2018***

Dear Ladies:

Participating in the *Wreaths Across America* program is a way to honor a veteran by placing a Christmas wreath on their grave – either our own deceased veteran’s grave or the grave of a veteran friend or the grave of a veteran who has nobody to remember them.

On December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM, *Wreaths Across America* will have live wreaths available at the AZ National Memorial Cemetery, 23029 N. Cave Creek Road.

There will be a Memorial Ceremony. Then GSW members and other veteran organization’s members will place the wreaths on the veterans’ graves.

**“SORRY - WE CANNOT TAKE GRAVE SPECIFIC REQUESTS”**

**To participate:** Tear off the bottom section of this page and send it with your check for \$15.00 for each wreath. Send both to coordinator, Claire Laubham.

**Each live wreath is \$15.00. The chapter receives \$5.00 for each one sold.  
Deadline is: November 30, 2018.**

**Remember the Fallen \*\* Honor those who Served \*\* Teach and Support**

Checks payable to: *Wreaths Across America* Tax Deductible contribution.  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Location ID # AZ NMCP Group # AZ 0006P

**Thank you for your generous donation!  
Gold Star Wives of America – Phoenix Chapter**

***Cut Here -----TOP SECTION IS YOUR RECEIPT-----***

**Mail this section and your check to:**

***Claire Laubham – 4443 E. Cheyenne Dr. – Phoenix, AZ 85044.***

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Location ID # AZ NMCP Group ID # AZ 0006P

Donor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Wreaths \_\_\_\_\_ Total Donation \_\_\_\_\_ Check No. \_\_\_\_\_

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**A 501c(3) non-profit organization**

### **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Patriots Ball**

**What:** The signature annual fundraising event hosted by the Southwest Veterans Foundation (SWVF), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, the charitable arm of the Southwest Veterans Chamber of Commerce (SWVCC). A night of patriotic remembrance and celebration, including the annual presentation of awards by the SWVF.

**When:** Saturday October 27, 2018-- 5:30 to 11:00 pm

**Where:** Pointe Hilton Tapatio Cliffs Resort 11111 N 7<sup>th</sup> St Phoenix

**Theme:** "Remembering Those Who Served"

**Tickets:** SWVCC Members \$125. Others \$150.

**Benefitting:** The charitable programs and operations of the SWVF, including:

- Veteran college and trade school scholarships
- Support of Veteran advocacy and support groups
- Veteran suicide prevention
- Veteran homelessness
- Job training and placement
- Support to employers looking to hire Veterans
- Emergency support to Veterans and their families

**Presenting Sponsor:** Salt River Project (SRP)

**Sponsorships:** Six levels of corporate sponsorships available from \$1500 (non-profits) to \$12,000.

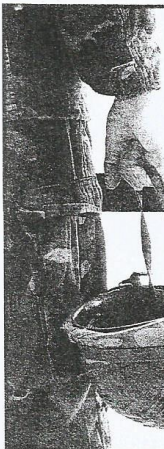
**To buy tickets or corporate sponsorships or to donate in lieu of attending:**

- <https://www.southwestveteransfoundation.org/patriots-ball/>
- Call 602.677.2961
- Mail in attached form

**Point of Contact:** Tom Sheets, [tsheets@stonewall-group.com](mailto:tsheets@stonewall-group.com), 602.677.2961

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3820 W. Happy Valley Rd., # 141-455, Glendale, AZ 85310  
[www.southwestveteransfoundation.org](http://www.southwestveteransfoundation.org) Phone: 602.677.2961



**SOUTHWEST VETERANS FOUNDATION**  
 A 501c(3) non-profit organization

*4th Annual Patriots Ball  
 Registration Form*

**The Southwest Veterans Foundation & Chamber of Commerce 4th Annual Patriots Ball**

*On behalf of the Southwest Veterans Foundation and Chamber of Commerce, we cordially invite you to join us for the 4th Annual Patriots Ball at the Pointe Hilton Tapatio Cliffs Resort, Saturday, October 27th, 2018.*

*The Southwest Veterans Foundation and Chamber of Commerce Patriots Ball brings together veteran and patriot owned businesses, veterans support groups, and business and civic leaders to celebrate our veterans. Event proceeds fund chamber member programs, scholarships and veterans support programs in the Phoenix area.*

**Event / Ticket Information**

*Date: October 27, 2018  
 Time: 5:30 PM – 11:00 PM  
 Location: Hilton Tapatio Cliffs Resort  
 Address: 11111 N. 7th. Street, Phoenix, Az 85020  
 Attire: Cocktail Attire/Uniforms  
 Formal Wear Optional  
 Program: 5:30 PM – Reception and Silent Auction  
 7:00 PM – Dinner*

Tickets: \$125.00 for Members-\$150.00 for Non-Members

# of Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$125.00/\$150.00 ea = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Attendee's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

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Any Special Seating or Meal Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

**Billing Information**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail registration form with payment to:  
 Southwest Veterans Foundation  
 3820 W Happy Valley Rd, Suite 141-455, Glendale, AZ 85310  
**Make checks payable to Southwest Veterans Foundation**

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Patti Pyle at 602-236-8192 or email-Patti.Pyle@srpnet.com

**Payment Information**

Payment Type:  Credit Card  Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

*The Southwest Veterans Foundation and Chamber of Commerce appreciate your support of our veterans owned business and veterans support initiatives.*

*We are planning on having a great night and look forward to seeing you there!*