

Serving Those Behind The Badge

August 2020

THE OFFICE IS OPEN, PLEASE CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT BEFORE YOU COME TO DEPARTMENT OFFICE FOR ASSISTANCE...THIS IS DUE TO CORVID-19.

We want to take this time to remember everyone we have lost this past year.

GIRLS STATE...Did happen online using ZOOM. Did your delegates attend?

DEPARTMENT AWARDS...turn them in at Fall Conference because 2020 Department Awards will be given out then. Here is hoping there is a Fall Conference.

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S OFFICAL VISIT... President Patricia will be rescheduling her missed visits for this year. Check with her about rescheduling. If you want her to revisit go ahead and ask.

Current officers, chairmen and appointments to remain thru the 2021 year. Did you turn in the 2021 Officers form?

DIRECTORY ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS...

EXTRA EXTRA... "RED TICKET" ...there will something in someone's packet each month. If you find it contact Department.... reward to be given when we meet again. Make sure you have your tickets at the next meeting. There are winners calling the office. We are excited.

MEMBERSHIP PD ONLINE CREDITS...All Units with credits still on the books July 31 will not become Department General Funds. All Units will keep their credits to use in 2020-2021 per the Finance Committee.

MEMBERSHIP... "MEMBERSHIP PATROL Part 2". Membership is everyone's job. Legion Act has opened the window of eligibility from 12-7-1941 thru now. Be a life saver and get a renewal and a rejoin.

Applications MUST BE LEGIBLE AND COMPLETE

- Be eligible & USE BLUE INK, SEND ORIGINAL APPLICATION and COMPLETE INFO.
- Unit number
- Name of Veteran related to and only 1
- NEW "ANYTIME AFTER" Veteran Served...MUST IDENTIFY CONFLICT...CHECK ALL THAT APPLY
- DIRECT DESCENDANT... No longer on NEW application
- Only 1 relationship and do not add any
- Now you have spouse in place of wife, you have to identify female or male spouse
- Must be signed by a Post Officer unless it is woman veterans joining on herself
- Half sheet transmittal both white and yellow copies
- Do not pay for paid online and PUFL members on your transmittals...They are already paid for.
- NO NEW women veterans special offer for 2021.

MONTHLY PACKET...If you have ordered a packet this will be the last packet you received for 2021. You need to reorder a subscription...see form in this packet.

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**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA**

President's message

As I start this year in service to our veterans, their families and the community. It is my hope that we can reach new heights in serving the needs of the men and women who serve. That together we can unite in meeting the needs of their families and the community.

That through our programs such as, Americanism, Community Service, and Junior activities, we can be visible in the community, so they can participate in who we are, what we do and why it matters.

The mission of my special project, "The One Hundred Club", is also to assist those in need. Many of the First Responders are also veterans. I am pleased that the project has been so well received.

I hope that The Department of Arizona can contribute our fair share towards the One Million members by our "One Hundredth Anniversary". As we already know. Membership is everybody's job. So, let's get behind Vice President Jenny Molina in her campaign of "Stayin Alive".

To the chairmen, thank you for volunteering to chair a committee this year. I know there is a lot to do, but I would like to ask you to please keep mind of the deadline for the bulletin, it is due to Department by the 15th of the month. Let's do our best to send our bulletin in a timely manner.

Thank you for your support for last year and continuing thru 2021.

Patricia Lugo, President

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The American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Arizona
Americanism
August 2020

What kind of an American are YOU?
What does Americanism look like to you?

Americanism is fundamental to the aims and purposes of the American Legion Auxiliary. It does not fit into a tight neat little box or mold. The beauty of Americanism is that it can look and be many different things. Be creative, have fun, Love your country, and your neighbors. Remember, it is our diversity that makes us strong. Play to your strengths and together we stand.

It does not have to be a huge event, I want to hear from every unit if possible, what is happening in your area, what you are doing. All of the efforts are important at every level. Every journey begins with one step. You can do amazing things, I believe in you, make your plans and carry them through. I'm looking forward to hearing all about your units and marvelous work you are doing. It takes all of us swimming in the same direction, doing our little parts to make great things happen.

Let us show our Americanism by supporting our veterans young and old. Support and participate in events. Fly your American flag proudly, care for them properly. Let us teach our youth. Look for those teachable moments and don't let them pass by. Show love and respect, give compassion where needed.

Upcoming National Holiday

What is Labor Day and why do we celebrate it?

Labor Day is celebrated on the first Monday in September. It is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievement of American Workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country

Let us find ourselves being better Americans.

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AUXILIARY EMERGENCY FUND
September 2020

The wonderful ladies in Arizona donated over a \$11,000 last year. With your help, this Department will again be successful with *members helping members* through the Auxiliary Emergency Fund. The Auxiliary Emergency Fund is a helping hand for a struggling Auxiliary member in need of food, shelter, or utilities after a natural disaster or time of financial crisis.

How can this be done? Our members are quite innovative. Last year there were bake sales, quilt, meat, and 50/50 raffles, money jars, dessert sales. How about an adult spelling bee, cake walk, selling decorative bowling pins, being gas station attendants (remember the "olden days" when that was done for you?), or painting house numbers on curbs in front of neighborhood homes?

Did you know? In 1981, the AEF program was expanded to include a fund to help members who needed to support themselves due to unexpected life-changing circumstances such as death or illness of a spouse, divorce, or desertion. Those women found it difficult to obtain employment, and who are without the job skills necessary to obtain adequate employment. Because of this, short-term assistance can now be provided to help our members acquire marketable job skills through schooling or job training when all other sources of financial aid have been exhausted. This was called the Displaced Homemakers Fund. With the continuous generosity of our unit members, the funds allowed a wider use of the benefits to our members and it continues today. The first AEF grant amount was \$150 and today the grant amount is for \$2,400 that our members may be eligible to receive. Since the AEF Program's existence, our members have received an estimated \$5.8 million, with over \$6 million in donations from our generous members.

Jessica Matteson, Chairman 602-573-8681 jessica.ann.matteson@gmail.com

American Legion Auxiliary Emergency Fund Application for Assistance (AEF)

Name: _____

Membership ID # _____

Unit # _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____
Street

City State Zip Code

Phone: _____

E-Mail _____

Marital Status: Married Single Widowed Separated

What is your current employment status?

- Full-Time Part-Time Laid-Off Retired
 Worker's Compensation Unemployed

Place of Employment: _____

(If Unemployed, please explain in the Narrative section of page 3)

Please list your last date of employment: _____

What specific steps have you taken to secure employment?

Are you a veteran? Yes No

If yes, please list dates of service: _____

What is your spouse's current employment status?

- Full-time Part-time Laid-Off Retired
 Worker's Compensation Unemployed

Spouse's Place of Employment: _____

(If Unemployed, please explain in the Narrative section of page 3)

Please list your spouses last date of employment: _____

Is your spouse a veteran? Yes No

If yes, please list dates of service: _____

If spouse is deceased, please list date of death: _____

Are there any minor children living in your home? Yes No

If yes, please list by name, age and relationship to you:

Are there any other adults living in your home? Yes No

If yes, please list by name and relationship to you:

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT SECRETARY

I certify that the applicant has paid dues for the two immediate preceding years and her dues have been received for the current year.

Department Secretary's Signature _____

Date _____

Rules/Instructions

The Auxiliary Emergency Fund was created to provide:

- Temporary assistance to eligible members during a time of financial crisis when no other source of aid is readily available to pay for shelter, food and utilities.
- Temporary assistance for food and shelter to eligible members related to weather-related emergencies and natural disasters
- Temporary assistance for educational training for eligible members who lack the necessary skills for employment or to upgrade competitive workforce skills.
- The AEF maintains the confidentiality of all applications, reviews, and supporting documents, and will neither disclose nor release AEF applications, files, or cases to anyone outside of the ALA AEF Review Committee.

Assistance will not be granted to pay accumulated debts or medical expenses. The intent is to help members who have suffered a financial setback and is meant to be a bridge offering a helping hand until financial stability is reestablished.

Eligibility: Persons who have been members of the American Legion Auxiliary for at least the immediate past two consecutive years. AND whose current membership dues are paid at the time the emergency occurs (three consecutive years' dues) may apply for assistance.

Assistance Provided: The maximum grant amount is \$2,400.00, disbursed as the Auxiliary Emergency Fund Grant Committee determines.

UNIT, PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING:

Each AEF application is assessed entirely on the basis of the written record provided herein. Therefore, both the Unit and member should be specific and thorough when completing the application. Please type or print neatly to ensure legibility.

Remember to:

- Ensure the applicant has completed all applicable sections.
- Ensure all sections requiring Unit input are complete.
- Ensure all appropriate signatures have been obtained.
- Forward the completed application to your Department Secretary.

This section to be completed at National Headquarters

Date Received: _____ Case Number: _____

Membership Verification: _____

Current Monthly Income

Current earnings of Applicant: _____
 Current Earnings of Spouse: _____
 Earnings of other(s) in household: _____
 Veteran's Pension/Compensation: _____
 Child Support: _____
 Social Security: _____
 SSI: _____
 SSD: _____
 Food Stamps: _____
 WIC: _____
 Aid from Post/Unit: _____
 Unemployment Compensation: _____
 Workman's Compensation: _____
 Alimony: _____
 County/State Assistance: _____
 Stock Dividends: _____
 Other Income: _____
 (Please Specify Source) _____

Total for all current monthly income: _____

Current Monthly Expenses

Do you own or rent your home? Own Rent
 Amount of monthly payment/rent: _____
 Electricity: _____
 Fuel for Heating: _____
 (Please select which type of fuel) Gas Propane Oil
 Water/Sewage: _____
 Food: _____
 Telephone: _____
 Child Care: _____
 Medication: _____
 Toiletries: _____
 Insurance: _____
 Homeowners: _____
 Life: _____
 Auto: _____
 Health: _____
 Other: _____

Other expenses (please specify): _____
 (i.e. medical bill payments, credit card payments, etc.) _____

Total for all current monthly expenses: _____

Creditor Information

Mortgage Company/Landlord: _____
 Name of Institution _____ Account # (if applicable) _____
 Address: _____
 Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Utility Company or Other: _____
 Name of Company _____ Account # _____
 Address: _____
 Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Utility Company or Other: _____
 Name of Company _____ Account # _____
 Address: _____
 Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

IMPORTANT!!!

Please attach all copies of all current utility statements, bills, eviction notices, disconnection notices and any other expenses to be considered.
 Applications lacking required information and documentation will take longer to process.

Please turn to page 3 and complete both sections.

DISASTER ASSISTANCE

(This section is required for Disaster Applicants only. Those experiencing financial hardship unrelated to a disaster or apply for educational assistance may skip this section.)

Date of Occurrence(s): _____

Type of Disaster/Emergency: Fire Flood Hurricane Severe Weather (i.e. lightning, heavy snow)
 Earthquake Other (Please Explain) _____

Is the affected dwelling your primary residence? Yes No Are you still residing in the dwelling? Yes No

If you are not still residing in the dwelling, please explain where you are currently living as well as how long you anticipate being out of your home:

Please explain the damage incurred:

(You may attach additional sheets of paper if needed. Please include copies of any photographs, repair estimates, statements from FEMA or local Law Enforcement, etc.) As these items CANNOT be returned, please DO NOT send original receipts or photos that you may need returned.

Did you purchase emergency supplies? Yes No

(If yes, please list the cost of these supplies and provide copies of applicable receipts.)

Plywood _____ Generator _____ Gasoline _____ Dry Ice _____ Bottled Water _____
 Lodging _____ Other (please explain) _____

Is the affected property insured? Yes No *If yes, please indicate the amount you expect to receive from the policy:*

(Please attach copies of any applicable documents regarding the property's insurance policy)

Additional Comments: _____

NOTE: *In addition to this section, please make sure to complete all sections on pages 1-3. Applications lacking required information will be returned.*

Unit's Report

This section is to be completed by the Unit Investigator (appointed by the Unit President)
Please provide a narrative explaining the member's situation in more detail to include:

- 1) Why assistance is needed
- 2) Steps that have been taken to obtain other assistance
- 3) Your Unit's plan to assist member
- 4) Your Unit's recommendation to the AEF Grant Committee

(If additional space is needed, attach a separate piece of paper.)

SIGNATURES

IMPORTANT NOTE: This application MUST be signed by the Unit President, Unit Secretary and the Unit Investigator (who is appointed by the Unit President). Those who sign below cannot be related to the applicant. Two signatures are accepted ONLY when the Unit President or Unit Secretary is inaccessible (in the hospital, out of town, etc.), is the applicant or is related to the applicant. Otherwise, all three signatures are required before the application can be processed. ALSO NOTE: The Unit President cannot appoint herself to be the investigator.

Unit Name and Number: _____

Unit President: _____
Printed Name Signature

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Daytime Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Unit Secretary: _____
Printed Name Signature

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Daytime Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Unit Investigator: _____
Printed Name Signature

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Daytime Phone: _____ E-mail: _____



Centennial Celebration August 2020

It has been a tumultuous year for our faithful members. In spite of everything happening around us, we continue to promote the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary. Who would have thought we would be getting ready for a new year learning to cope in a new reality?

Units and Districts, please keep your Centennial hats on to think of additional activities to celebrate our Centennial. The National Convention in August, 2021 is still in the planning states, but many things are in the works. A week long celebration is planned according to National Centennial Convention Chair Martha Corriher. Arizonians can play an active part as it will be held in Phoenix! The States Parade of colors is still being planned and each department is asked to take part. It will be the last time that this beautiful ceremony is done.

We hope that you will bring the 100 year celebration to a new level – Service not Self for our veterans and our military. If your units work with a State Veterans Home, Nursing Home or National Guard unit, why not throw a party for them. Yes, this would have to wait until restrictions are lifted but the planning could begin. Unfortunately, many of our activities continue to be in the planning stages but we could get in touch with our members via e-mail or phone and come up with new ideas. Remember to continue naming activities for the Centennial. For example: Centennial Poppy, Centennial Breakfast, Centennial Tea, etc. Please contact me if you have questions.

Karen Smith, Chairman

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Community Service

July 2020

Hello Ladies,

“This Country will not be a good place to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in.” ~Theodore Roosevelt

These are very rough times we are living in. We all need to stick together if we want to see the other side. This too shall pass! I want to thank all the units that sent in reports for Community Service. I am thrilled with what wonderful things you have been up too! It is encouraging to see so many keeping their service to the community and others alive through this epidemic. It is truly heartwarming!

From making masks to giving out care packages to those in need, to baking goods for our First Responders and the homeless, everything is greatly appreciated.

Even though we might have to “social distance” for a while, we can still keep our community service going strong. What are some of the ways you are keeping in touch with your Unit members?

I am excited to be you Community Service Chairwoman for the coming year and look forward to the ever-changing ways we can impact our Communities. Please continue to record your hours spent in service. Thank you!

Sara C. Decker
Community Service Chairman
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FINANCE RULES, ETC.
“YES, COMPLIANCE DOES MATTER”

If you don't believe us ask the Units that have lost their Tax-Exempt status with the I.R.S. for not filing their yearly reports for 3 consecutive years. Anyone making a donation to those Units or Districts will NOT be able to claim those donations as tax deductible and it is the responsibility of those Units to so inform any donors or prospective donors that they are not a tax deductible organization. Units may be subject to state & local taxes unless they have a non-profit designation that exempts them. IRS form 990-N (e-postcard) must be filed electronically by the groups having \$50,000 or less in TOTAL income and must be filed by the 15th day of the 5th month after the close of the Units tax year. The other IRS forms to be filed by Units are the 990-EZ and the 990 depending on your Unit's total income.

Another matter of **great importance to your Unit** is incorporation of your Unit with the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC). **Who should become incorporated?** A legal non-living entity – a business or **NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.** **Where can this be done?** By contacting the ACC thru your State of Arizona listing. **Why become incorporated???** Protection of your members & employees from lawsuits against the corporation, a particular member, or employee of that corporation. Innocent members of an incorporated organization cannot be personally sued to cover debts & damages of the Corp. Also, donors, members of the public, and gov't agencies have an increased confidence in the capability of incorporated groups to achieve their mission. If your Unit is NOT incorporated and one of your members incurs a debt or causes damages in her capacity as a Unit member, every member of your Unit could be held personally responsible. This is true even for members who had nothing to do with the action generating the lawsuit.

There are initial fees connected with becoming incorporated in Arizona, however, once you are incorporated the yearly requirement is to complete a form and a filing fee of only \$10. The state will assign your annual filing date, and you must adhere to it.

We have tried to provide necessary information to the AZ Units to keep them in compliance with State and Federal laws. Most important was the **RECORD RETENTION AND DISPOSAL POLICY**. A PAPER TRAIL IS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN IF YOU ARE THE TREASURER OF YOUR UNIT OR DISTRICT, OR A DEPT. CHAIRMAN. IT IS NECESSARY TO PASS THE OFFICE TO THE NEXT HOLDER. Elected Officers have a Fiduciary responsibility to the organization. Ensure that pertinent financial information and records are passed on to the next responsible party. IRS requires organizations to file Form 8822 B "Change of Address or Responsibility Party" listed with the I.R.S. Official mail will only be MAILED TO THE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS FOR YOUR UNIT.

The Finance Committee felt it was necessary to update rules for those Dept. Committee Chairmen having their own check books for the proper review & auditing of their books. Two of the most important items, for ALL Treasurers and Chairmen to maintain, and members to monitor, are the receipts for both Income & Payouts and the DEPOSITING OF ALL INCOME NO MORE THAN 7 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT. No one should play games with someone else's money.

Keep up your good work and thanks from your Committee.

Helen Stout, Chairman

Patricia Lugo, President

Cindy Queen, NEC

Penny Maklary and Helen Griffin, Past Department Presidents

Barbara Matteson, Dept. Secretary, Committee Member with no vote.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

MEMBERSHIP AUGUST 2020

MEMBERSHIP PATROL, I SALUTE YOUR DEDICATION TO OUR WONDERFUL ORGANIZATION. I WILL BE CHECKING THE NUMBERS FOR THE LEGION AND THE SONS TO SEE IF WE WON THE CHALLENGE AGAINST THEM. WILL ALSO BE FOLLOWING UP WITH CALIFORNIA AND NEW MEXICO ON THE CHALLENGE OF WHO HAS THE MOST OVERALL JUNIORS BY CLOSE OF BOOKS FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION.

WE WILL BE KEEPING THESE SAME CHALLENGES FOR THE COMING YEAR PLUS WE HAVE BEEN CHALLENGED BY ALASKA AS TO WHO WILL REACH 100% THIS COMING YEAR. I AM VERY CONFIDENT WE WILL BE GETTING SOME MONEY FOR OUR ALA GIRLS STATE FUNDS.

IT REALLY HAS BEEN A CRAZY TIME. IT IS DIFFICULT TO DO THE WORK WE ENJOY DOING WHEN WE ARE LIMITED IN OUR INTERACTIONS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING IS SO ESSENTIAL. EVEN WITH ALL THESE LIMITATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS, I HAVE SEEN THE NUMBERS FOR MEMBERSHIP INCREASE. EVEN THOUGH WE DID NOT REACH 100% BY MAY WE STILL DID GREAT. I AM SO PROUD OF THIS ORGANIZATION AND THE MEMBERS THAT MAKE IT WHAT IT IS. HERE ARE THE LATEST NUMBERS RECEIVED FROM NATIONAL. AS OF JULY 9 IN THE WESTERN DIVISION, **ARIZONA IS IN FIRST PLACE WITH 98.39%**. AND WE ARE IN THIRD PLACE NATIONAL OVERALL. **YAY**.

WE ARE NOW AT THE START OF A NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR AND I KNOW WE WILL CONTINUE TO BE UP THERE BECAUSE THE MEMBERS FROM THE WEST ARE THE BEST.

PLEASE TAKE CARE OF YOURSELVES AND PRACTICE GOOD PREVENTIVE MEASURES. BE SAFE FOR YOURSELF AND ALL YOUR LOVED ONES.

ON THIS NOTE I LEAVE YOU WITH THIS THOUGHT—ARIZONA CONTINUES TO BE STAYING ALIVE STAYING ALIVE STAYING ALIIIIIVE.

GOD BLESS YOU AND GOD BLESS AMERICA.

JENNIE MOLINA

DEPT OF AZ. VICE PRESIDENT

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY for 2020
 Membership Standings For July 22, 2020 100% May 25, 2020

DISTRICT		PRESIDENT: PATRICIA LUGO			
Unit	City	Totals for District 0	Goal	Year-To-Date	% of Goal
100	Phoenix	PATRICIA LUGO	108	182	168.52%
		Totals for District 0	108	182	168.52%
DISTRICT 1		PRESIDENT: DENISE JUNGEN			
		VP: NOLA HOLLAND			
Unit	City	President	Goal	Year-To-Date	% of Goal
19	Yuma	TAMMI CHAMPLIN	251	206	82.07%
46	Bouse	SUE HERRON	59	49	83.05%
56	Yuma	LINDA CLARK	72	63	87.50%
		Totals for District 1	382	318	83.25%
DISTRICT 2		PRESIDENT: JAN CHRISTENSEN			
		VP: ROSIE SALAS			
Unit	City	President	Goal	Year-To-Date	% of Goal
7	Tucson	KAREN ALFF	102	79	77.45%
10	Ajo	SANDRA HARMON	41	33	80.49%
36	Tucson	SHELLY SPERL	328	328	100.00%
59	Tucson	ROSIE SALAS	137	144	105.11%
66	Green Valley	DIANE HELSER	1007	1024	101.69%
68	Tucson	CECILIA GUTERREZ	78	72	92.31%
73	Tucson	ROXANNE RUIZ	33	20	60.61%
109	Corona	MICHAELE CHAPMEN	287	256	89.20%
125	YOEME	FRANCES BALTAZAR	19	10	52.63%
131	Madera	CLEONE MAGNUSON	560	549	98.04%
132	Oro Valley	ROSE GONALEZ	82	82	100.00%
		Totals for District 2	2674	2597	97.12%
DISTRICT 3		PRESIDENT: NANCY BERG			
		VP: CHRISTINE KITSEMBERGER			
Unit	City	President	Goal	Year-To-Date	% of Goal
11	Douglas	ILIANA SOLIS	141	163	115.60%
16	Bisbee	LAURA CHAVEZ	22	17	77.27%
24	Tombstone	JOY WESTIN	268	390	145.52%
45	Benson	ALISSA MONTIJO	57	49	85.96%
52	Sierra Vista	CHRISTINE KATZENBERGER	173	155	89.60%
		Totals for District 3	661	774	117.10%
DISTRICT 4		PRESIDENT: LOIS THOMAS-HOMEWYTEWA			
		KATHLEEN RIKLI			
Unit	City	President	Goal	Year-To-Date	% of Goal
8	Casa Grande	DONNITE EGLE	57	50	87.72%
9	Florence	TERESA WHITTEN	25	41	164.00%
51	Blackwater	PAMELA THOMPSON	69	65	94.20%
54	Coolidge	NATALIE BAGNALL	106	99	93.40%
97	SanTan Valley	LINDA MOORE	27	23	85.19%
129	Queen Creek	PAM WOJTKUN	12	10	83.33%
133	Maricopa	GABBY POTTER	31	31	100.00%
		Totals for District 4	327	319	97.55%

DISTRICT 5		PRESIDENT: LINDA LOPEZ			
		VP: PATTY NOLAN			
Unit	City	President	Goal	Year-To-Date	% of Goal
4	Globe	CARISSA KNAUSS	43	33	76.74%
28	Clifton	AMY SAMMITO	40	36	90.00%
32	Safford	KATHY STICKLIN	144	106	73.61%
95	Solomon	FRANCES LOPEZ	78	74	94.87%
Totals for District 5			305	249	81.64%

DISTRICT 6		PRESIDENT: KATHLEEN CHAMBERLAIN			
		VP:			
Unit	City	President	Goal	Year-To-Date	% of Goal
30	Springerville	JULIE SHEPHARD	58	60	103.45%
31	St Johns	RENDY LEYBA	18	11	61.11%
37	Holbrook	MANDIE SHAW	43	39	90.70%
69	Payson	CATHY ALSTON	124	127	102.42%
76	Show Low	KATHLEEN CHAMBERLAIN	27	22	81.48%
86	Overgaard	CHRISTINE BOYER	276	286	103.62%
126	Snowflake-Taylor	ANITA VANHASSEL	18	8	44.44%
130	Concho	LAURA LEFFOW	24	11	45.83%
Totals for District 6			588	564	95.92%

DISTRICT 7		PRESIDENT: ELLEN HAMPTON			
		VP: DANA BROCK			
Unit	City	President	Goal	Year-To-Date	% of Goal
3	Flagstaff	WILDINE RODRIGUEZ	122	98	80.33%
13	Williams	DARLENE FOSTER	47	36	76.60%
14	Swaskegame	ROBIN ELSNEER	126	132	104.76%
22	Golden Valley	TAMMY SMITH	90	112	124.44%
42	Grand Canyon	REBECCA ROCHA	35	23	65.71%
57	Robert Fulton	LOJRAY ALVAREZ	74	77	104.05%
81	Robert A Eckert	KATHY SAMMONS	457	471	103.06%
87	Bullhead City	CAROL CROUGH	135	140	103.70%
88	Dolan Springs	NANCY ESTENSON	61	36	59.02%
103	Meadview	MARY DOWDY	52	57	109.62%
136	Yucca	CAROL ROSS	15	15	100.00%
Totals for District 7			1214	1197	98.60%

DISTRICT 8		PRESIDENT: SUSIE KING-SANDERS			
		VP: TRISH FELKER			
Unit	City	President	Goal	Year-To-Date	% of Goal
6	Prescott	MARY ANN COLE	258	211	81.78%
25	Cottonwood	LISA YOUNG	228	223	97.81%
40	Chino Valley	LIZ PIPER	107	94	87.85%
78	Humbolt	PATTI HARTFIEL;	135	146	108.15%
79	Yarnell	KATHY HOLLE	212	176	83.02%
90	Black Canyon	SHELIA MEYER	28	32	114.29%
93	Camp Verde	SUZAN BRUCE	175	148	84.57%
108	Prescott Valley	BARBARA PIDGEON	58	65	112.07%
135	Cornville	JONNIE MADDOX	69	55	79.71%
139	Crown King	SHELIA COLEMAN	42	21	50.00%
Totals for District 8			1312	1171	89.25%

ARIZONA MISSION TRAINING / LEADERSHIP



SERVING THOSE BEHIND THE BADGE

This is the start of a new training year. With the directives changing daily from the Governor's office and local governments, it is not possible to consider doing training before September, and probably not before the beginning of the next year. This current situation may go on for some time, so we need to do what we can to get what training is available.

Since we are all under a "stay safe" directive, the most logical way to get most of the training offered is for all Units to encourage their members to go to the national website and take all the courses provided. Get a certificate for each course completed then document the completion on the Arizona Mission Training Tracking Form.

Although our rules and regulations state we need to complete specific training, it does not tell us how we are going to get this done under our current circumstances. In review of the National Training Information provided it is illogical to redo any of it just to make it Arizona Mission Training per se.

There are some items on the Arizona website that are educational which also need to be reviewed. Please take the time to review the website for information.

The following members are available certified instructors located in different areas of the state and can serve as mentors or answer questions:

DEBRA	MUNCHBACH	BARBARA	WHITE	CARMEN	GOSWICK
GINGER	COX	AMY	HANKINS	SALLY	FINE
PAULA	BURGESS	STACY	MAYBERRY	KATHY	STICKLIN
DORIS	THEISS	ROSE	FICKLIN	PENNY	MAKLARY
SHIRLEY	CANNON-JOHNSON	CINDY	QUEEN	KAREN	SMITH
JANE	SHOEMAKER	BECKY	RUIZ	JENNIE	MOLINA
BARBARA	MATTESON	REBECCA	FARRIS	KATHY	SZAKONYI
JAN	CUSHING	MAXINE	REITH	NATALIE	KASIC
SANDY	CONKLIN	SHANNON	MEAD	MARGIE	GREENE
YOLANDA	BONILLA	JOANNE	SCHREIBER		

Thank you for all you do for your individual community and veterans; stay safe.
For God and Country in Service to Veterans

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New Units/Unit Development & Revitalization

AUGUST 2020

I'm back as your New Units/UD&R Department Chairman as all department chairmen have stayed in place for 2020-2021. Please stay safe, healthy and connected and please wear a face mask when out in public and practice safe distancing for everyone's safety.

REVITALIZATION is about identifying new and existing members with new ideas that breathe life into Units that are declining in membership and mission outreach. It is more than just organizing new Units and trying to help Units keep their charters. Revitalization is also about providing mentors for struggling Units, providing training for new members, and finding leaders to replace long-time chairmen and officers. More importantly, revitalization is about finding, exploring and trying new ways for all members to become more engaged in meaningful opportunities for mission outreach. While revitalization is not focused on solving Unit disharmony and personality conflicts within the Units, conflict resolution training can help members learn to solve many of the problems that damage the auxiliary's reputation, discourage members and distract from our mission and purpose.

Jan Cushing
New units/UD&R Chairman
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**American Legion Auxiliary
Past Presidents Parley
August 2020**

This year I will continue to serve as your Past Presidents Parley Chairman and please look for information to share with your members in your Unit.

The purpose of the Past Presidents Parley (PPP) committee is to promote the experience and knowledge of past Auxiliary leaders for training and encouragement of future Auxiliary leaders. With the PPP Committee, members who have served as unit, department, and national presidents have an opportunity to continue in active service to the Auxiliary, helping ensure future leadership for the organization.

The Past Presidents Parley also recognizes and honors outstanding unit members through Unit Member of the Year, and female veterans through the Salute to Servicewomen awards.

Please look for further information on how you can successfully promote this program in the future bulletins. If you have questions please feel free to contact me.

THIS MONTH PPP HONORS PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS WHO MADE CONTRIBUTIONS BY THEIR SERVICE TO THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY!

During the past 100 years The Department of Arizona had:

Two National Presidents: Wilma Hoyal (1924) and Maxine Chilton (1959)

Three National Historians: Jeannie McGowan (1946), Joyce Arent (2001) and Sharon Doran (2012)

One National Chaplain: Carmelite Staker (1995)

**Yolanda Bonilla, Past Presidents Parley Chairman
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POPPIES

AUGUST 2020

Hi ladies,

So, it's time to get this Poppy Party Started! First, order Poppies then get a group together to make them. Second, find Poppy girl to promote them and represent the organization. Third, let's raise awareness and funds to let our Countries Finest know they are not forgotten.

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

Nita Kimball- Poppy Chair

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**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT 2019-2021**

The One Hundred Club of Arizona

**"Standing Behind the Men and Women who
Stand Behind the Badge."**

The mission of the One Hundred Club is to provide financial assistance to families of First Responders who are seriously injured or killed in the line of duty and provide resources to enhance their safety and welfare. We have proudly served the public safety community since 1968.

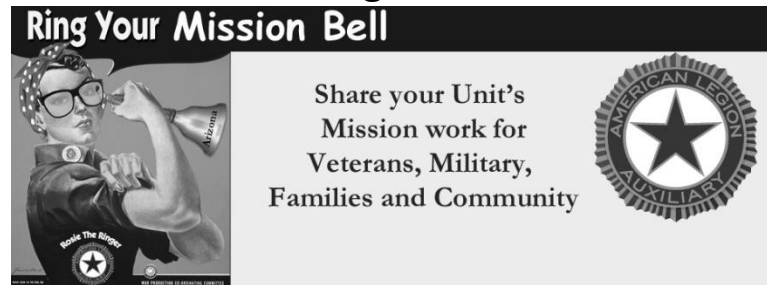
They provide immediate financial assistance to families of public safety officers and firefighters who are seriously injured or killed in the line of duty, and to provide resources to enhance their safety and welfare.

On behalf of President Lugo, we would like to thank all the Units for your support of this great project.

We are available to come to your meetings and bring information and ideas for fund raisers.

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Public Relations: August 2020



National Centennial Celebration in Phoenix

With the Louisville National convention canceled, Phoenix has become the location of the Auxiliary's 100 year anniversary celebration in August 2021! This is a great opportunity to showcase your Unit in your community and gain membership as a result!

There will be lots of media support from National Public Relations. Your community members will hear about the convention and the 100 years of service on the radio, TV, newspapers and social media—so start thinking about how you can engage your Unit in the community to take advantage of that!

Did you know the ALA has an official theme song? The song was written in 1938 by Richard Feiner. National's plan is to get the lyrics out to each department and a link or video so we can save and practice singing it. Are people still doing Flashmobs? Can your Junior members make it into a choreographed dance routine? Maybe we could have a District level competition? One hundred years of fashion?

The music will come out sometime after the first of the year, so keep watching for it!

Share your ideas with us!

Meanwhile, remember to use these hashtags #ALA100 #ALA100Celebration for social media posts and we will see you on "Ring Your Bell Arizona ALA" on Facebook!

Marge Christianson, Department of Arizona PR Chairman

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VA & R
August 2020

Hope this finds everyone safe and healthy. We are going through unprecedented times right now.

I am honored to serve as your VA&R again this year. We can still assist our veterans during this challenging times.

COVID-19 has slowed down our fundraisers and what we can do for our veterans. But, it hasn't stopped us. We can still provide services to our veterans by keeping our distance.

Along with COVID-19 we are experiencing record breaking heat. Our veterans need our assistance now. Have you checked in with your veterans to see if they need any assistance? One idea is to hold a bottle water drive at your Post to donate. There are many veterans that are homeless.

Send me your accomplishments/what you are doing throughout the year. I would love to read what your Unit/Post Family is doing for our veterans/military.

Until next month

Barbara White
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Creative Arts

August 2020

What have you been doing during this pandemic? Are you staying home, keeping safe? Are you going stir crazy? Did you know that creative arts is a great way to ease stress and tension? Now imagine our veterans with physical and emotional stressors on top of being socially distant. These veterans need our help and support.

I know your Units probably can't do much in the way of fundraising right now, but do at least start thinking of ways to support the Veterans Administration with the Creative Arts Program. These are trying times for all of us. But as an organization, we are strong and we will remain steadfast in the ALA Mission!

Questions, contact one of your CAF team.

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Tucson: Kathy Szakonyi N3SAD@aol.com

VA&R REPORT
TUCSON VA MEDICAL CENTER
6-30-20

All events are suspended until further notice. Thank you volunteers for your help!

Fisher House and Southwest Bind Rehabilitation Center are not accepting new patients or family members. They have been repurposed to serve as staff beds as necessary. There is NO visitation at SAVAHCS. Only monetary donations through eDonate are being accepted at this time.

The grand total of material and activity donations for the American Legion Auxiliary for February 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020 is \$6,545.45. Thank you Unit 7, Unit 66, Unit 68 and Unit 132 for your generous donations to support our programs.

Two registered hospital volunteers donated time which was credited to the American Legion Auxiliary. The grand total of registered volunteer hours May 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020 is 20. SAVAHCS was in the process of bringing back volunteers until the recent surge of COVID-19 cases. They will not be calling back volunteers until they feel it is safe to do so.

This chairman has volunteered 18 hours and logged 300 miles this year in service to the Tucson VA Medical Center as of June 30, 2020. This chairman has now logged over 3,750 hours in service to SAVAHCS. This chairman was elected to be the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the VAVS Executive Committee at the meeting on October 1, 2019. The audit of the books was completed. This chairman is working with the Homeless Program to ensure that our Homeless Veterans And those in Transitional Housing have the food and beverages that they need during this time of enormous stress on all community resources. This chairman is working with the Recreation departments to purchase needed supplies for the National Veterans Creative Arts Program.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Szakonyi, VAVS Representative

**REORDER FORM FOR
MEMBERSHIP SUPPLIES**

PLEASE COPY THIS FORM AS NEEDED AND FILL OUT COMPLETELY
MAIL TO AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
4701 N. 19th Ave., Suite 100
Phoenix, AZ. 85015-3727
ATTENTION: SUPPLIES
ALLOW 3-5 WORKING DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE
ORDER INTO DEPARTMENT OFFICE

Please send the following items to Name & Number of Unit: _____

Mailing address: _____

Contact Person & Day time phone _____

Applications _____ Amount Needed _____

Blank Cards 8 per page _____ Amount Needed _____

Member Data Form _____ Make Copies _____

Transmittals ½ sheet _____ Amount Needed _____

Transmittals Full sheet _____ Make Copies _____

Green Dues Statements _____ Amount Needed _____

Youth Programs Pamphlet _____ Amount Needed _____

“The American Legion Auxiliary At A Glance” _____

“The American Legion Family” _____

Note, the above supplies are free except for the membership cards. Please use any old cards that you may have. If you are asking for a bulk supply of these items, which may place the Department in the position of postage cost exceeding \$5.00, your Unit may be asked to assist with this expense. Please remember, that if you are in need of these items in bulk supply, the Department Office may need extra time in order to fill your request depending upon stock on hand. The contact person will be notified in this case.

Any other items, such as certificates, Unit Guide Books, National Constitution and Bylaws and etc. maybe purchased directly from Emblem Sales. Department Constitution and Bylaws, Policy & Procedure and Department Awards Books are online at aladepaz.org.

Thank you for your assistance. **THERE WILL BE NO PHONE ORDERS ACCEPTED.
THIS FORM MUST BE SENT FOR NEEDED SUPPLIES, PLEASE REPRODUCE FORM AS
NEEDED.**

6/2019 Make Copies of this

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

DEPARTMENT BULLETIN SUBSCRIPTION FORM

Date: _____

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

Please send Department Bulletins to name and address below. **The \$15.00 subscription fee is enclosed.** I understand that if I subscribe after October first the subscription is **NOT** retroactive to beginning of Auxiliary year, but if subscription is received in Department prior to September 30th, previous month's bulletins will be sent.

Member ID# _____

Name & Address

Phone # () _____ - _____

NOTE: There is no Bulletin in July. Bulletins are automatically sent to all Department Officers; Past Department Presidents; Department Chairmen; District Presidents; District Secretaries, Unit Presidents and Unit Secretaries.

FOR OFFICE USE

Date Received _____

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

**POPPY ORDER FORM FOR 2021
POPPIES**

Order deadline is SEPT. 30, 2020

NO EXCEPTIONS OR LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED
THIS FORM MUST BE USED TO ORDER POPPIES

Cost of Poppies is \$12.00 per hundred and must be ordered in increments of 100.

Date Poppies Needed _____

Unit Name and Number _____

Name of Person to receive poppies _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Telephone _____

Number of poppies _____ Amount enclosed \$ _____

Make check payable to American Legion Auxiliary Department of Arizona and mail order form and check to:
American Legion Auxiliary
4701 N. 19th Avenue, Suite 100
Phoenix, AZ 85015-3727

OFFICE USE ONLY: ORDER ASSIGNED TO: Poppy Making Chairman:
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**YOUR UNIT MUST ORDER AT LEAST 100 POPPIES BY THE DEADLINE TO BE IN
COMPETITION FOR ANY DEPARTMENT AWARDS AT THE END OF THE YEAR
OTHER THEN MEMBERSHIP AWARDS.**