# BEES SUPPORTING VETERANS

#### November 2018

In this packet.... Las Vegas Mission Training, Juniors LV Meeting...etc.

**FALL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION...**If you a member of the Legion Riders you need to register with either The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary or the Sona of the American Legion. All of you are one of these first.

**FALL CONFERENCE....Are you ready to welcome our National Guest?** Janet Romero, Western Division National Vice President, is our special guest at Fall Conference. WDNVP Janet is from New Mexico. Please take the time to meet and talk with her.

#### DIRECTORY ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS...

Unit 2...mailing address 2125 S Industrial Park Ave, Tempe, AZ 85282

Unit 27 ...mailing address PO Box 50398, Mesa, AZ 85208

Unit 27...President's phone number 480-668-3753

Unit 39...Should be Merrell-Mitchell.

Unit 41...President's email should be rmhernan1@hotmail.com; NOT rmhernan#1@hotmail.com

JUNIORS & MISSION TRAINING... Meeting in Las Vegas have you registered yet?

**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 have lost 2 of our poppy makers...Ed Collins and Don Alff...God bless them.** We are looking for Poppy Makers. If you are a veteran you can get paid for this, but anyone can make poppies. Contact Department 602-241-1080 or <a href="mailto:secretary@aladeptaz.org">secretary@aladeptaz.org</a> if you are or someone you know is interested.

**POPPY...**All order should be in and some will be delivered at Fall Conference.

**UNIT MINUTES & FINANCIAL REPORTS...**Please do not send copies of your Unit minutes and financial report to Department. You might check with the Historian about the minutes. Department only wants minutes from District Meetings.

**MEMBERSHIP...** "THIS IS HOW WE DO IT". Membership is everyone's job. NEW FLASH! The American Legion is at 48% of the 2018-2019 membership goal. We the Auxiliary is at 20% of our goal. AND that is a long way from our 65% goal by November. We need to BE BUZZING on membership. 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
- Only1 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@aladeptaz.org Pat Stanaski Dept Membership Processing membership@aladeptaz.org



			Department President Schedule		
-	Date		Item	Place	Address
٧	8/4/2018	10:00-2:00	Mini Mission Training Dist 12 #1	Post 44	Scottsdale
٧	8/24-30/18		National Convention	Best Western Normandy Hotel	Minneapolis, MN
٧	9/8/2018	10:00-2:00	Mini Mission Training Dist 12 #2	Post 44	Scottsdale
٧	9/14/18	8:30 AM	8/40 La Marche Nationale	Wild Horse Pass Casino Hotel	Wild Horse Pass Blvd. Room Acacia A
٧	9/15/18	10:00 AM	Strategic Planning	Dept	Phoenix
٧	9/16/18	1:30 PM	District 12 OV	Post 107	Phoenix
٧	9/30/18	10:00 AM	Memorial Service (Jack Shoemaker)	Post 62	Peoria
٧	10/4/18	7:00 PM	Unit 41 OV	Post 41	Phoenix
٧	10/6/18	5:00 PM	VHV Dinner/Dance	Post 35	Chandler
٧	10/10/18	8:30 AM	Meet with Tom Hicks (Blind Center)	VA	Phoenix
٧	10/10/18	7:00 PM	Unit 39 OV	Post 39	Gilbert
	10/17/19	5:00 PM	Unit 91 Reopening	Post 91	Chandler
	10/19/18	6:00 PM	Early Bird Dinner Unit 32 OV	Unit 32 Overnight	531 11th Avenue, Safford 85546
	10/20/18	12:00 PM	District 5 OV	Post 32	531 11th Avenue, Safford 85546
	10/25-28/18		Personal		Denver, CO
	11/2-4/18		Fall Conference	Doubletree Hotel	Tucson
	11/10/18	5:00 PM	Unit 11 Dinner	Unit 11 Overnight	Douglas
	11/11/18	10:00 AM	Veterans Day Parade	Downtown Douglas	Douglas
	11/11/18	1:30 PM	District 3 OV	Post 45 Overnight in Tucson	Benson
	11/12/18	9:30 AM	Tucson Veterans Day Parade	Post 7	Tucson
	11/15/18	6:30 PM	Unit 26 OV	Mesa Unit 26	Mesa
	11/20/18	12:30 PM	Unit 66 OV	Green Valley Unit 66 Overnight	1560 W Duval Mine Rd, Green Valley 85614
	11/21/18	11:30 AM	Unit 131 OV	Madera Unit 131	249 W. Esperanza Blvd, Green Valley 85614
	11/26/18	1:30 PM	Ribbon Cutting	Whipple Gift Shop	Prescott
	12/03/18	9:00 AM	Ribbon Cutting	Phoenix Gift Shop	Phoenix
	12/05/18	9:00 AM	Ribbon Cutting	Tucson Gift Shop	Tucson
	12/07/18	8:00 AM	Pearl Harbor Day Wreath Presentation	Wesley Bolin	Phoenix
	12/18/18	6:30 PM	Unit 1 OV	Post 1	Phoenix
	01/05/19	10:00 AM	Strategic Planning	Dept	Phoenix
	01/05/19	Noon	Open House	Dept	Phoenix
	1/11-13/19		40 et 8 Grand Wreck	Post 19	Yuma

01/19/19	8:00 AM	National Security/Children & Youth	Post 35	Chandler
01/20/19	1:30 PM	District 2 OV	Unit 36	Tucson
1/25-27/19		Dept. Mission Training	Flamingo Hotel	Las Vegas, NV
02/02/19	5:00 PM	District 12 Rehab Dinner	Unit 35	Chandler
02/16/19		Personal		Mesa
03/03/19	Noon	District 12 Picnic	Unit 65	Phoenix
03/09/19	10:00 AM	Strategic Planning	Dept	Phoenix
03/10/19	2:00 PM	District 11 OV	Unit 61	Phoenix
03/16/19	2:00 PM	Post 19 Annual Birthday Party	Post 19	Yuma
03/17/19	1:00 PM	District 1 OV	Unit 19	Yuma
3/27-30/19		National President Visit	Kathy Dungan	Various locations
03/29/19	5:00 PM	National President Dinner	Post 27	Apache Junction
03/30/19	2:00 PM	Unit 39 Cook Off	Unit 39	Gilbert
04/12-14/19		SAL Campout	tbd	tbd
04/17/19	6:00 PM	Awards Ceremony	Unit 35	Chandler
04/27/19	11:00 AM	District 7 OV	Unit 57	Ash Fork
05/19/19	2:00 PM	District 4 OV	Unit 8	Casa Grande
05/25/19	4:00 PM	Commander Chico Homecoming	Post 66	Green Valley
05/25/19	10:00 AM	Strategic Planning	Dept	Phoenix
6/27-30/2019	11:00 AM	Convention	Sheraton Grand	Phoenix




## American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Arizona



# BELIEVE EQUALITY EXISTS SUPPORTING EVERY VETERAN President's Bulletin November 2018

A big thank you to all the "BEES Teams" who are busy getting their hives filled.

I would like to thank the following for their kind hospitality.

- ❖ District 12 hosted by Unit 107 in Cave Creek. The meeting was most informative with Units sharing their success stories, the Post offered a wonderful lunch following the meetings and as always, the camaraderie between the Legion Family.
- ❖ Unit 41 in Phoenix who also offered a meal following their meeting. This Unit has lots of plans for the upcoming year in helping Veterans.
- ❖ Unit 39 in Gilbert who surprised me with a "bee cake" as well as a check to support my special project "Visually impaired Veterans." Thank you also to special project chairman, Margaret Ellis, who continues to make I BELIEVE bracelets supporting this worthy cause.

The Strategic Planning Committee is hard at work ensuring all five goals will be met for this fiscal year. On my travels visiting both Units and Districts I am sharing the ideas we are working on for this fiscal year.

Centennial Chairman, Karen, has lots of information regarding the fun and exciting events to celebrate the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

National President, Kathy Dungan's theme of "Serving Our Heroes" and this President's theme of "Believe Equality Exists Supporting Every Veteran" are focusing on our mission. Madam President Kathy will be visiting our wonderful State of Arizona in March of 2019. Mark your calendars for March 29<sup>th</sup> when we will honor President Kathy with a dinner held at Post 27 in Apache Junction. More exciting news regarding her visit will be forthcoming.

I look forward to visiting those Units and Districts who have already invited me to join your meetings and events. Please continue to send all invitations in writing either by regular mail to my home or email, both addresses listed below.

Veterans Day --- be sure to take the Pledge and thank each one for their service!!!

Cindy Queen, Department President 4718 S. Adelle Circle, Mesa, AZ 85212 cynqueen53@cox.net

#### NOVEMBERBULLETIN

#### AUXILIARY EMERGENCY FUND ('AEF')

#### 2018-2019

Buzz buzz! That means HELLO in bee talk!

November is the time for giving thanks. However, many families won't be giving thanks because of financial worries, whether it be an act of nature or a personal crisis That's where AEF comes into play.

That being said, I hope all of our units re working on creating a unit AEF Hive. This could help one of your members that may need help immediately. It will not affect getting assistance from the National Hive. There are many ways you can raise funds to help both of the hives.

Information regarding mid year reports will be given at Fall Conference, along with information on awards that can be won at Convention in June.

Keep those Buzzy minds working as to ways to raise funds for your unit hive and the National hive. Both are well worth our Busy Bees.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

For God and Country Shirley Kavis Chairman SKavis46@aol.com 602-679-0766

#### Children and Youth Program

#### November 2018

Greetings fellow Auxiliary members,

Fall conference is just around the corner. There will be a packet with information for each Units Children and Youth Chairman and a mid -year report form. Please send to me by 12/15/17. If you need a form, please do not hesitate to contact me.

#### **Holiday Ideas:**

- Perhaps you can take time just to be with children, giving them a smile and hug.
- Have a movie marathon or a game night with your family or block party that would include community activities.
- Adopt military families at Thanksgiving and Christmas. There are many families that can use assistance around the holidays.
- Clothing drives to help families and children.
- Run a canned food drive for families with Juniors assisting with shopping, collection, sorting and delivery.
- Plan activities at your Post to benefit families.
- Bake holiday treats with Juniors to give to Veterans and their families.
- Sponsor a toy drive to provide toys for military families and our community families.

Mark your calendar:

Mid-Year: December 15, 2017

Children & Youth and National Security Workshop: January 19, 2019

Have a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving!

For God and Country,

Stacey Mayberry – Chairman

Lynda Griffin – Committee Member

Rebecca Gulley – Committee Member

#### 12 Steps to Community Service

January NEW YEAR THIS IS IT FOLKS!!!!!!! Americanism Febuary Begin the New Year PICK a HELP! HELP! HELP! Month How are you going to Veteran, Veteran Home or WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO take this out?? Hospital, Senior Home or DO?? Give flags, Share with the Nursing Home Do something FOOD OR CLOTHING DRIVE? Youth, nice. Do Businesses around town March have flags up, BE PROUD OF AMERICA!!!!!!! HELP OUR CHILDREN!!!!!!! Don't forget our Juniors How about OMK!! Poppy Month Teach them about the flag. Let's take poppies to the June Visit the Schools Remember Veterans, How are we going Let the Juniors do a project, they are our future to do that? How about the with your help of course, children can we teach maybe April them? A batch of cookies, or May placemats or lemonade it's alittle warm, outside Keep Busy!!!How about School Supplies the kids start school they need APPY BIRTHDAY!!!!! It's Music Month Share it Pass clothes, socks, we can help You're an American and Free. it on! get them started Let everyone know, don't Remember 9/11 forget to THANK our Patriotic or memorial events Veterans and our August September Soliders. JULY Merry Christmas!!!! Membership Education A time to reflect Go Out Look for Members Let's work at the Unit maybe Be Merry, spend with Talk to People share with our own members Family, Friends, and your Put out Information go back to the basics. What American Legion Family Call your membership about the children don't

#### HOPE THAT THIS 12 STEP PROGRAM MAKES COMMUNITY SERVICE EASIER.

November

December

Make it fun, for all Units Large or small if you do a small project every month and make Sure you are reporting all your hours you will complete your program.

GOOD LUCK!!!!!!!!!

forget them

October



# Education November, 2018



The 1st quarter is already at an end! Each month I am focusing on one of the areas mentioned in the August newsletter. This month: **Promote American Legion Auxiliary scholarships and award local scholarships at the department and unit levels.** 

There are a number of ways that Members and Units can promote scholarships:

- Assign a member to communicate with school guidance counselors/teachers regarding scholarship applications. Make copies of the applications (found at www.ALAforVeterans.org/Scholarships) and provide them to the schools.
- Inform school-aged children in your community about National, Department and Unit scholarship opportunities.
- Volunteer to be on the scholarship selection committee in your District or Unit.
- Make a donation to American Legion Auxiliary education scholarship funds (Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship, ALA Foundation at www.ALAFoundation.org or Department, District or Unit scholarships).
- Create a Unit scholarship fund to award scholarships to local students.
- Prepare a news release with scholarship information for local media and your Post/Unit newsletter.
- Publicize the winners of Auxiliary scholarships at a school presentation and through the media.

National American Legion Auxiliary scholarships awarded in each Division include the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship, the Non-Traditional Student Scholarship and the Spirit of Youth Scholarship. The Department of Arizona also awards the Wilma Hoyal-Maxine Chilton Memorial Scholarship to a second-year or upper division student in Political Science, Public Programs or Special Education at Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University or the University of Arizona

Be sure to review all the material in the Education packet distributed at the Fall Conference. It contains the rules and application forms for all of these scholarships, as well as the report forms for the mid-year and year-end reports. Don't forget *American Education Week*, November 12-16, 2018.

I look forward to hearing how your Units promote the Auxiliary scholarships.

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

Julie Vietri

Education Chairman Department of Arizona jvietri@msn.com

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#### October-November

FALL CONFERENCE in Tucson is just around the corner and American Legion Auxiliary Arizona Girls State is looking forward to seeing you at the afternoon meeting held immediately after the adjournment of the Auxiliary session.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide each Unit, District President and Department Officer with a packet of Girls State information, **must be signed for**, stressing what is required to have a successful program. This information cannot be put in the mail boxes with hopes that information is understood and then implemented. A brochure, school assignments, purpose of the program, what is required for attendance and all the forms that need to be returned by the deadline will be covered. Some of you are new to the program and hopefully will find this meeting informative. For those that have worked the program, information changes each year and everyone needs to be on the same page. We hope to see you there.

You have heard us say, **ANYWAY TO MAKE FUNDS** to offset the program many times. Girls State will be laminating your membership card or other items again this year. We will have Girls State merchandise for sale too. As a SPECIAL Girls State project we will be promoting and practicing recycling this year. Girls State will be selling cloth shopping totes in a variety of colors. Each tote can hold up to 11 pounds of items.

Branding is most important when promoting Girls State to the public and within the organization. The program is **American Legion Auxiliary Arizona Girls** State. We need to make sure that everyone knows who sponsors Girls State. Many times we have heard girls say, I was sponsored by the American Legion or schools refer to us as the American Legion. If we get in the habit of always using the full branding of American Legion Auxiliary Arizona Girls State we will be promoting the American Legion Auxiliary.

My personal email is no longer used for the program or given out to schools or girls. The new email is <a href="mailto:alaazgirlsstate@gmail.com">alaazgirlsstate@gmail.com</a>. This should help keep all American Legion Auxiliary Arizona Girls State messages and items in one place.

If you have questions or need information PLEASE ask me. I will gladly walk you through any issue you may have. We are educating the future leaders as well as ourselves. If you have something you would like to see us do, please let me know that too.

See you, November 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Penny MaklaryDirector

## **Department of Arizona**

#### Historian

#### November 2018

I have Pledged, have you? Help the Department of Arizona make history by pledging to thank 100,000 veterans. Wouldn't that be awesome to write that in your History Book?

No event is too small or big. Send me an email with bullet points.

The bees continue to be buzzing around the State. I have received minutes from several Units and articles. We want to know what's happening around the State of AZ.

A few ways you can assist are:

- Post on Ring Your Bell what your Unit has done
- Post on your Unit's Facebook page
- Most importantly, send your Unit's meeting minutes to me

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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#### **MEMBERSHIP NOVEMBER 2018-2019**



## Queen Bee says! Our Numbers are down we need to act!

#### Here are some ideas:

#### HOW TO MAKE A PERSONAL CONNECTION TO GET MEMBERS TO RENEW:

Too often the only contact a member receives is her Dues Renewal Notice sent by the national headquarters office.

District Presidents and Vice Presidents <u>Please</u> forward membership standings to units weekly when you receive them from The Department of Arizona Membership Processor.

Personal connection is necessary to help members become engaged in the American Legion Auxiliary. Below are samples for how units can reach out and make a personal connection with their members and ask them to renew their membership:

- Personal phone call Remind members why they joined the American Legion Auxiliary. Share the ways your unit has made a difference in the lives of veterans in your community, state and country. Encourage them to become a part of activities. Transportation may be an issue, so if your unit members can offer to provide a ride, this may be the key to increasing involvement. Offer to pick up their dues at a scheduled time.
- Personal letter Send letters out to all your members at the beginning of the Auxiliary year. Outline the events on a calendar for all the exciting things your unit is planning throughout the year and let members know that their membership is important to the mission of the organization. See sample letter. (**Might be too late for this idea but keep in mind for next year.**)

Plan a Member Day of Recognition. Everyone needs a pat on the back or a "way to go." At your meetings, you can share information about a member's family history with the Auxiliary, what she is doing to advance the mission of the Auxiliary, her community service work, etc. Then share this information with your division Membership chairman so we can begin to share her accomplishments with the entire American Legion Auxiliary membership.

• Share your own personal experience as a member. Let your members know there will be ups and downs, but to always keep their eye on the big picture – the mission of the Auxiliary – not just personal rewards.

## See you on the road at your District Meetings!

We are always available to assist you! Barbara, Pat and myself

### ARIZONA MISSION TRAINING

## Believe Equality Exists Supporting Every Veteran

It is that time of year when we start thinking about the holidays and all the special times we want to spend with our family members and friends. Don't forget our veterans at this time of year.

"Women have more to offer the church than mad decorating skills or craft nights. I look around; I see women who can offer strategic leadership, wisdom, counsel, and teaching." Sarah Bessey

As we look forward to all that is being done this year with all the programs, we know that new ideas and action plans are always being promoted. Think of all that we can accomplish just by trying new ways of doing things.

The next training on the schedule is on November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Vail Unit. Anyone can attend any training no matter when your home Unit is. We look forward to seeing our members attend training. Even if you have attended several times, there is always something that can be gained by attending another session; even if it is just a new way to do something you already do.

Please remember, we are instructing Poppy Making at every session. We do not have enough Poppy makers now, and with the upcoming retirement of one of our major Poppy Makers, we will be in dire straits quickly. Even if you do not want to make poppies or are unable to due to physical limitations; we ask that you observe the process, so you can assist others.

After the October newsletter was sent in and published I was advised that October was bullying month. At our last training session, a member asked about information concerning bullying so National was contacted for any information they might have. Information received will be added to the training and will be forwarded to those that have already completed the training.

For God and Country in Service to Veterans.

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## "BELIEVE EQUALITY EXISTS SUPPORTING EVERY VETERAN" MUSIC REPORT NOVEMBER 2018

#### Greetings:

This Chairman would like you to encourage your Unit members to participate in the choir, which sings two selections at the Memorial Service held the Sundays of Fall Conference and Department Convention. Music selections for the Memorial Service at Fall Conference include "You'll Never Walk Alone" and "Precious Lord, Take My Hand."

Mid-year Reports are due to this Chairman by December 15, 2018. The form for submitting reports is included.

Information regarding the Music Awards can be found on the website: <a href="www.aladeptaz.org">www.aladeptaz.org</a> 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

As always, this Chairman is looking forward to meeting the various Unit and District Music Chairman at the Fall Conference in Tucson being held on November 2-4, 2018.

Monica Rae Stein, Department Music Chairman 11533 E. Kilarea Ave., Mesa, AZ 85209 steinent@cox.net 480.272.1255 cell



## "BELIEVE EQUALITY EXISTS SUPPORTING EVERY VETERAN" 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.

	Does the Unit/District have a Music Chairman?
	If so, does that person choose the songs for all the meetings?
	If the Unit/District does not have a Music Chairman, who decides which songs to sing or play?
4.	play?  How is music incorporated into the various functions in the Unit/District?
5.	Do members regularly participate in music programs in their individual houses of worship and communities? If so, give some examples:
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 <b>December 15, 2018</b> . Either email/mail to me.
Unit No./	District No.:; No. of Unit Members:
Unit/Dist	rict President:/
Music Ch	nairman/person providing information:

Monica Rae Stein, Department Music Chairman 11533 E. Kilarea Ave., Mesa, AZ 85209 steinent@cox.net 480.272.1255 cell

#### PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY CONVENTION REPORT 2017-2018

Session was chaired by Past National Presidents Mary Davis and Carlene Ashworth

Reference was made to Carlene Ashworth's E Bulletin articles regarding mentoring. They provided insight into mentoring versus meddling. How do we mentor without meddling?

Accountability: A mentor communicates at all levels and understands their motivation.

**Questions: How many active Unit Past Presidents Parley in your Department?** 

How many Unit Member of the Year applications were received by your Department Past Presidents Parley Chairman?

**Ideas:** 

Consider doing something special for hospital Representatives.

Recognize all unit members that were nominated.

Salute to Service women: There were 21 nominees sent to national chairman this year.

If you live close to a military installation, consider taking cookies to the service women.

Mention was made of doing away with the Past President Parley Program. Still in the talking stages.

Josephine Herrera Past Presidents Parley Chairman 2017-2018

# POPPIES NOVEMBER 2018



Hi Busy Bees! So the holidays are creeping up on us and so much to do! Poppies are the perfect color for a Holiday Arrangement. The season is such a great time to remember our Veterans especially the ones with out family in a home. Adopt a Veteran for the Holidays. Have the person sign a holiday card for a Veteran, give them the holiday colored poppy for a donation. It's a Win Win for every ones heart for the Holiday.

See you at Fall Conference!

**For God & Country** 

**Nita Kimball- Poppy Chair** 

Na Reins- Co Chair



# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY PAST PRESIDENTS' PARLEY NURSES SCHOLARSHIPS (MUST BE AT LEAST A SECOND YEAR STUDENT)

The amount of the scholarship is to be \$600.00 annually to not less than a second year student nurse who is enrolled in an accredited institution In Arizona awarding a degree as a Registered Nurse. The immediate family members of a Veteran will be given first preference. Applicant must be a citizen of the United States and resident of Arizona for at least one (1) year.

Applications for this scholarship must be sent to the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Arizona Past Presidents' Parley Chairman by May 15<sup>th</sup> preceding the term to be commenced in the fall. Money awarded will be paid at the beginning of the school year to the institution where applicant is enrolled in the nursing program.

Final selection will be made by the American Legion Auxiliary through the Past Presidents' Parley Chairman and committee of three (3) Past Department Presidents.

Applicant must be enrolled in second year or advance nursing program as an upper division student and carry the required hours of work with a grade average of "C" or better.

Selection for assistance will be made on the following basis:

Character	25%	Scholarship	25%
Financial Need	30%	Initiative	20%

Submit application with attachments in the following order:

- 1. Completed application.
- 2. Photograph of self.
- 3. Statement, in narrative form, not to exceed 500 words, giving family background, civic, social, school, church activities including reason applicant feels qualified for the scholarship and why a nursing career is pursued.
- 4. Three (3) letters of reference from persons who can testify to character, study and work habits i.e. Instructors, Scholarship/Financial Aid Director, Standards Committee, Counselor, Clergyman, Employer.)
- 5. Transcripts of previous year's nursing grades.

Former recipients continuing degree program in nursing (R.N., B.A., M.A.) shall be given first consideration provided applicant complies with above rules.

Assembly the preceding data in folder form with application on back of this page and send to:

Past Presidents' Parley Chairman American Legion Auxiliary 4701 N. 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 100 Phoenix, AZ 85015-3727

### AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY SCHOLARSHIP NURSES SCHOLARHSIP APPLICATION

Name of Applicant_				
Date of Birth	Social Sec	curity #		
Address		Email		
City	State	Zip	Phone	
Length of Residence	in Arizona	Martial S	tatus	
IMMEDIATE FAMI	LY INCOME:			
PERSONAL INCOM	1E			
	Children in family under 18			
	Ov	ver 18		
Grade level of Sibling	gs/Children			
	ly member a veteran?			
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Brief statement of Ser				
Have you applied for	other scholarships?			
If so, give amount				
	led other scholarships?			
If so, give amount				
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Are you a prior recip	ient of an American Legio	n Auxiliary Nu	ırse	
or Health Care Occup	pation Scholarship?	Given yes	ar	_

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# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY PAST PRESIDENTS' PARLEY SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE IN HEALTH CARE OCCUPATIONS

The American Legion Auxiliary Department of Arizona will accept applications for assistance to students pursuing a career in Health Care Occupations. The applicant must be enrolled or enrolling in an accredited, tax-supported institution in Arizona which offers a certificate or degree program in Health Care Occupations. (i.e. Nurses Assistant, Dental Assistant, L.P.N., Lab Technician, Physical Therapist, Inhalation therapist; etc.) Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen and a resident of Arizona for at least one year. The immediate family member of a Veteran will be given first consideration. The amount of the scholarship is \$500.00.

Applications must be received by May 15<sup>th</sup> preceding the term to be commenced in the fall with final selection being made by the Past President' Parley Chairman and three (3) Past Department Presidents. Any scholarship assistance awarded to the applicant will be forwarded to the school accepting the student for courses in Health Care Occupations at the beginning of the Fall Term.

Selection for assistance will be made on the following basis:

Character	25%	Scholarship	25%
Financial Need	30%	Initiative	20%

Submit application with attachments in the following order:

- 1. Completed application.
- 2. Photograph of self.
- 3. Statement, in narrative form, not to exceed 500 words, giving family, school, church activities and reasons for choosing a career in Health Care Occupations.
- 4. Three (3) letters of reference from persons who can testify to character, study and work habits i.e. High School Principal, Instructors, Counselor, Clergyman, Employer.)
- 5. Transcripts of previous year's grades and test scores.

Assembly the preceding data in folder form with application on back of this page and send to:

Past Presidents' Parley Chairman American Legion Auxiliary 4701 N. 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 100 Phoenix, AZ 85015-3727

# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE IN HELATH CARE OCCUPATIONS APPLICATION

Name of Applicant_				
Date of Birth	Social Sec_	curity #		
Address		Email		
City	State	Zip	Phone	
Length of Residence	in Arizona	Martial S	tatus	
IMMEDIATE FAMI	LY INCOME:			
PERSONAL INCOM	1E			
Number of Siblings/0	Children in family under 1	8 years		
	Ov	ver 18		
Grade level of Siblin	gs/Children			
Is an immediate fami	ly member a veteran?	Li	iving?	
Relationship (self, fa	ther, grandfather, mother,	brother, etc.)_		
Brief statement of se	rvice			
Have you applied for	other scholarships?			
If so, give amount				
Have you been award	ded other scholarship?			
If so, give amount				
Date of graduation fr	om high school or G.E.D.	Course		
	hes to attend			
Health Care Occupat	ion course chosen			

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# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

#### WILMA HOYAL-MAXINE CHILTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

One (1) annual scholarship of \$1000.00 is available to a student at Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University and the University of Arizona enrolled as a <u>second</u> year or upper division student in Political Science, Public Programs or Special Education.

Applicant must be a citizen of the United States and a resident of Arizona for at least one (1) year. Honorably discharged veterans or immediate family members of a veteran will be given preference.

Applicants must be sent to the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Arizona Headquarters office by May 15<sup>th</sup> preceding term to be commenced in the fall.

Final selection will be made by the American Legion Auxiliary through the Department President and committee of three (3) Past Department Presidents. Recipients will receive awards through the appropriate school offices for each academic year in the following manner. One half (½) of award will be made available to the recipient at the beginning of fall and spring semesters, dependent on proper enrollment with the university.

Applicant must complete at least 12 hours with a grade average of "B" or better, and be enrolled as a fulltime student.

Selection for assistance will be made on the following basis:

Scholarship	25%	Character	20%
Financial Need	40%	Leadership	15%

Submit application with attachments in the following order:

- 1. Completed application.
- 2. Resume of not more than 300 words giving family background, civic, social, school, and church activities, including statement of applicant's career goals.
- 3. Three (3) letters of reference from persons who can testify to character, aptitude, initiative, and need, i.e. Instructors, Counselor, Financial Aid Director, Clergyman or Employer.
- 4. Transcripts of previous year's grades.

Former recipient continuing degree programs as listed above may re-apply provided applicant complies with rules, submitting new application data.

Assemble the preceding data in folder form with the application on the back of this page and send to:

American Legion Auxiliary Department Headquarters 4701 N. 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 100 Phoenix, AZ 85015-3727

### AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY WILMA HOYAL-MAXINE CHILTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name of Applicant_					
	ldressEmail				
City	State	Zip	Phone		
Date of Birth	So	cial Security	#		
Martial Status	Le	ngth of Resid	ence in Arizona		
PERSONAL INCOM	ME/SOURCE \$			_	
IMMEDIATE FAM	ILY INCOME/SOU	JRCE: \$			
Is an immediate fam	ily member a vetera	nn?	Living?		
Relationship (self, fa	ther, grandfather, m	nother, brothe	r, etc.)		
If so, give amount	-				
Have you been awar	ded other scholarsh	ips?			
If so, give amount					
Name of University	attending:				

# **President's Special Project (PSP)**

## **Mid Year Report**

## 2018-2019

Please complete by Dec 15, 2018, and send to:

Margaret Ellis 178 W Liberty Ln Gilbert, AZ 85233

Or email to <a href="maggylou@cox.net">maggylou@cox.net</a>

Unit Name
Unit Number Number of Members
Unit Chairman
Contact address or email
Phone number
Has your Unit had a special fundraiser or event for Visually Impaired Veterans? Or is there an event planned? Tell me a little bit about it.



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

#### November 2018

#### **Visually Impaired Veterans**

#### I BELIEVE

October 15, was National White Cane Day. Most of you know that a white cane is a tool used by visually impaired persons to navigate outside their homes. Did you know that Arizona law (and all other states have similar laws) states: "A vehicle approaching a visually impaired person carrying a white or metallic cane, using a guide dog, or assisted by a sighted person, must yield right of way and take precautions to avoid injury to the pedestrian."

The white cane was first used in 1921 by a visually impaired man in England who painted a cane white to be easier seen while he was out walking. In 1930 the Lions Club began painting canes white and promoting their use for blind persons. It was in 1944 when a WWII veteran rehabilitation specialist took a Lions Club cane and walked the halls of Valley Forge Hospital blindfolded for a week. His experience enabled him to develop the long white cane used today by visually impaired persons.

President Franklin Roosevelt signed an executive order in 1944 declaring "No blinded servicemen from WWII would be returned to their homes without adequate training to meet problems imposed upon them by their blindness." It became the military's duty to rehabilitate blinded servicemen. Then in 1947, President Harry Truman transferred to responsibility to the Veterans Administration by executive order, and the first VA Blind Rehab Center was established at Hines VA Hospital in Chicago. Today there are nine VA BRCs in the US and Puerto Rico, one of them in Tucson. The Phoenix VA has an Advanced Ambulatory Vision Clinic, which provides outpatient rehabilitation to visually impaired veterans.

This team is here to facilitate raising funds for Arizona Visually Impaired Veterans.

Margaret Ellis	Chairman	maggylou@cox.net	480-818-3166
Kathy Szakonyi	Southern	N3SAD@aol.com	520-400-5839
Patti Eames	Northern	pattya6103@gmail.com	928-821-3891

## **President's Special Project (PSP)**

## **Year End Report**

### 2018-2019

Please complete by May 1, 2019, and send to:

Margaret Ellis 178 W Liberty Ln Gilbert, AZ 85233

Or email to <a href="maggylou@cox.net">maggylou@cox.net</a>

Unit Name	_
Unit Number Number of Members	_
Unit Chairman	_
Contact address or email	_
Phone number	
Has your Unit had a special fundraiser or event for PSP this year? Please briefly describe.	
Total amount donated to Dept of Arizona for PSP this year	

#### **Public Relations Committee**

#### November 2018

An organized communication network is critical for the public to become aware of the American Legion Auxiliary.

#### THIS IS HOW WE DO IT!

### Help spread the word

- Encourage everyone in your local unit to <u>sign up to receive ALA eNews.</u>
- Offer to send all the email addresses of your unit members to National Headquarters.
- Enlist the help of your Public Relations Committee to create a website for your unit or department.
- Tell a story to everyone you meet about what your Auxiliary unit is doing right now to help veterans, the military and their families.
- Purchase a gift subscription to *Auxiliary* magazine for your doctor's office, health club, or hair salon.
- Connect with us on Facebook.
- Follow us on Twitter.

Public Relations is the way to let the community and our members know what we are doing to accomplish our mission of "SERVICE NOT SELF".

Visit us on the Public Relations Facebook page and Ring your Bell.

Your Public Relations Committee

Josie Herrera	Marge Christenson	Laurie Castillo
Jherrera268@aol.com	aladeptazpr@gmail.com	602-359-0409

### President's Scrapbook



#### November 2018

#### Greetings Ladies;

I am proud and thankful that Madame President Queen, my mother has appointed me as her Scrapbook Chairman. I look forward to working with President Queen throughout this year.

I will be compiling pictures, articles and keepsakes for President Cindy's Scrapbook. This will be an ongoing project so any pictures or mementos to help commemorate President Cindy's year would be greatly appreciated. Members have already been sending in pictures along with posting on Facebook.

It is important that you also capture pictures for your Unit's Scrapbook. Please make sure you are capturing Cindy's official visit to your unit and posting on Facebook if you have access to do so. Posting these pictures on Facebook helps us both capture these memories. Please make sure you include location, names, and event information.

Don't forget to send me your pictures for them to be included into Cindy's Scrapbook. You can either email or mail them directly to me.

Sincerely;

Cheryl Miller

Cheryl Miller Scrapbook Chairman 10732 E. Ananea Ave. Mesa, AZ 85208 602-885-2782 cherbears@cox.net

### SERVICE TO VETERANS

November 2018

Greetings Ladies. REPORT, REPORT, REPORT.

Slap ons, you know, the auxiliary brand tool that your unit, district and department President never leave home without. Put these on your car window and then every time you are driving and helping our veterans, those hours count and should be turned in. Be creative with this branding tool. Slap it on your blouse, your notebook, your purse, a hat, your phone or maybe a bicycle, stroller or lunch box?

Thank you to unit 11 and 78 for reporting in.

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

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

Watch for my information pack at Fall conference and as always, my contact info is listed below if I can be of assistance in any way.

I wish you all a fun, educational experience at Fall conference.

Happy Thanksgiving and safe travelling for the holiday.

For God and country,

Mary Ann Anderson Jaymes

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

Mesa, AZ 85208

480-209-6332 mandyfbls@gmail.com Apache Unit 27

# TROPHIES AND AWARDS November 2018





This administrative year of the Busy is getting close to being half over. Has your Unit checked the <u>Department Awards Book</u> to see for which awards the members would like to compete? The Unit does not have to be large, nor does it always include donating a lot of money—sometimes it just involves giving a good report of what has been done to serve and promote the program.

Congratulations to these Units that earned plagues at the 2018 Arizona Convention for the Auxiliary Emergency Relief program:

Patricia M Lee—Gloria Elliot Memorial Plague	Unit 61
Paula Burgess – "President's Plague"	Unit 29
Paula Burgess – "Per Capita Award"	Unit 29

Two new awards have been placed in the field for the Cavalcade of Memories; Centennial Stewart—Helen Stout ~ "President's Plague" and Centennial Stewart—Helen Stout ~ "Per Capita Award".

Check out the requirements for these awards—and all the awards offered—to give the Department chairmen and their judges a challenge to determine who the 2018–2019 winners will be.

Rebecca Faris
Chairman
rebfar@npgcable.com

Judy Galvez Member

#### UAV UNOFFICIAL MINUTES 6 OCTOBER 2018

Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Chairman Dylan Dalzotto and the opening ceremony was conducted. Guests were introduced.

Terry Araman, Legislative Chairman gave a report. The legislator is not in session until January. He met with Representative Andrade and Jennifer Harris. They talked about what we (the veteran community) wants to do for legislation next year. A report came out from the VA and ASU about suicide. The number of suicides from the OEF/OIF Community is increasing. They are going to try to get more money to hire more VSO throughout the State of Arizona to assist in processing claims and helping veterans. Also need to continue to promote the "Be Connected" program, which concentrates on reducing suicides. This is a pilot program in Arizona and is starting to spread through the country. The next caucus will be around November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Tom Sheets from Southwest Veterans Chamber of Commerce gave a presentation on the upcoming "4<sup>th</sup> Annual Patriots Ball" theme "Remembering Those Who Served" at the Pointe Hilton Tapatio Cliffs, 11111 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Phoenix 85020. For more information contact Tom Sheets at tsheets@stonewall-group.com, office phone 623-238-2914, cell 760-213-3705.

Roll call was taken and a quorum established. The minutes were not available, they will be reviewed at the November meeting for approval.

Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Jim Denzien. There is \$14,044.75 in savings, \$49,707.36 in the Hall of Fame Account, \$17,320.02 in the general account for a total of \$81,072.13. Motion to approve was made, second and filed for audit.

Sickness and Distress: Members were advised of the passing of Pete A. Rosales, Sr., from the AVHOFS class of 2015. Visitation Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 p.m. at Sunwest Funeral Home, 12525 Northwest Grand Avenue, El Mirage, AZ phoenix: 623-974-2054. Mass at 10 a.m. at Santa Teresita Parish, 14016 N Verbena Street, El Mirage, AZ phone: 623-583-2963 October 10th with internment at the National Memorial Cemetery, 23039 N. Cave Creek Road, Phoenix, AZ at 12:30 p.m.

Card for Dave Willis who fell and broke his hip can be sent to 15807 W. Cimarron Dr., Surprise, 85375 and Jim Katzenberger who is recovering from surgery can be sent to 5476 W Mohawk Lane, Glendale, 85308.

Director Nelson from the Phoenix VA Medical Center gave a report on things happening at the VA. They have started the new fiscal year. The "Strategic Analytics for Improvement and Learning" (SAIL) report is in and Phoenix VA is still rated a one star. The primary reason for this rating is that veterans are not completing and returning the surveys when they receive them unless they have a complaint. Everyone is encouraged to complete any and all surveys they receive and return them to the VA. Upgrading the medical facilities is still on going. The current facilities was built in 1949. There are no quick fixes to the issues at the VA but they are working very hard to improve all areas. They are still working to renovate the inpatient rooms. The goal is to have them all single patient rooms with plenty of room for family members to visit and showers in all rooms.

They are working to incorporate an ICU tele health program, this is the latest and greatest technology. Doctors will be able to monitor patients via the internet. They hope to have a tube system (such as at the bank when you go to the drive thru) to send medications and specimens to the appropriate areas, thereby making this area more efficient. They will be breaking ground soon for a new facility at 32<sup>nd</sup> Street and Van Buren. It will be 203,000 square feet of medical facilities. When initially requested in 2013 the cost was \$16 million. In today's economy it will cost \$32 million. The new facility will house Primary Care, Mental Health, tele health, pharmacy, x-ray, lab, canteen and billing information. The new

facility is scheduled to open in 2021. Currently they have 358 new veterans enrolling every week. Last year they sent out 50,000 councils into the community. This year they sent out 75,000 and they expect to send out 100,000 next year. They have also put in for a robotic surgery equipment. This will expedite and improve the recovery time for surgeries. They are in the process of establishing a walk-in primary care clinic. It is expected to open some time this year. They will be extending the hours/days to 6 days a week. Some specialty clinics now are open from 4:00 a.m. to 10 p.m. The 6,000 "no shows" continues to be a problem. Everyone is encouraged to call in if you are unable to make your appointment so another vet can be put in your place. The VA is virtually a non smoking campus. The only place you can legally smoke on the facilities is in an area behind the cafeteria.

Bob Dalpe gave an update on the web sight. He advised everyone that it was not to be use to post political items. If you do he will remove them and block you for use of the sight.

Rachel Charles from the National Memorial Cemetery gave a report. The need volunteers to man the visitor's office. The have between 20-30 internments Mondays and Fridays and 15 Tuesday-Thursday.

Nicole Baker from Arizona Department of Veteran Services reported on things they are working on. The two current state homes (Phoenix & Tucson) are rated in the top 10% of veteran's homes across the country. They are working with several organization to build two new state veteran's homes, one in Yuma and the other in the northern area of the state. The "Be Connected" program is continuing to grow and is now being started in several other states. They are seeking volunteers to serve on the new all era MFRF Advisory Committee.

Dave Lucier gave an update on the WWI restoration program. They are looking at having the rededication November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at Wesley Bolin Plaza.

Members were reminded of the upcoming 2018 AVHOF Induction Ceremony being held at the Talking Stick Hotel on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

The next UTA meeting will be on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the VA Medical Facilities, in the ACC basement.

Jhenneca Morrow from the Blinded Veterans of America advised that there will be a "White Cane Awareness" walk at the VA Medical Facility on October 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the closing ceremony was conducted and the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Judith Hotch

Judith Hatch

See attachments



# Unified Arizona Veterans

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- 2. DATE OF THE EVENT: 5AT, 10 No√ 2018
- PARK N. 59 TH AVE. E, GLENDALE
- L YOUR NAME, EMAIL ADDRESS & PHONE: HARRY BAILEY, Lhbailey 99 @cox. net, 623.846.7483
- 5. INFORMATION ABOUT THE EVENT:

  DEDICATION OF NEW FLAG INSTALLATION

ON TOP OF THUNDERBIRD MOUNTAIN

#### FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER FORM

Today's Date: 10/06/2018

NAME OF THE Event: Centennial Commemoration AZ WWI Monument

DATE OF THE EVENT: Sunday, November 11, 2018 11:00AM

LOCATION /ADDRESS OF EVENT: Wesley Bolin Plaza

YOUR NAME, EMAIL ADDTRESS & PHONE: Reggie Yates

Ry173abn@cox.net

IPC@azuav.org

602.373.0703

INFORMATION ABOUT THE EVENT: The Restoration Committee is searching for a small, VOLUNTEER group of musicians to play the National Anthem, a brief interlude of patriotic music and "Taps" for the brief ( estimated 40 minutes) program.



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1.	NAME OF THE EVENT:	MASSING OF	THE	COLORS
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- 2. DATE OF THE EVENT: FRI DEC. 7th 0730
- 3. LOCATION/ADDRESS OF THE EVENT: MARCOS de NIZA-LAKESHORE DR TEMPE 4.5
- 4. YOUR NAME, EMAIL ADDRESS & PHONE:

Caral McKnight emkni 3616 @ 001.com

5. INFORMATION ABOUT THE EVENT:

THIRIOFIC COMMEMORATION OF

PEARL HARBOR ATTACK

Bill Montgomery - speake







Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
December 7, 2018
Wesley Bolin Plaza
Phoenix, Arizona





# American Legion Auxiliary

### **Tucson Christmas Gift Shop**

November 2018

Attention: Attention: Attention:

# All Unit assigned to the TUCSON VAMC will get SPECIAL FLYER at FALL CONFERENCE

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

#### VA&R

#### November 2018

Ladies it is an exciting time of the year. This the month that we are able to put many of our plans to support our veterans. There ae so many days dedicated with emphasizes on our veterans. This is a great time to use our time, money, miles and love into the purpose of our existence. Although every day there is something we can do here are some ideas for this month.

Nov 6 is election day. Offer encouragement to the public to vote. Keep in mind we do not take sides but we make sure we understand the agendas of those running for office. Which are in support of our veterans and will be beneficial to their cause. There are some veterans needing to have transportation to the polls.

Nov 11 is Veterans Day. Because it is on a Sunday it is being observed on the 12. Two days to celebrate and honor our veterans. Is this great or what? What are you doing to show your gratitude. Are you part of a parade, service program, open house, distributing poppies or just visiting home bound veterans.

Nov 22 is Thankgiving. Will you be helping to serve meals to veterans at the post, taking plates to home bound veterans or starting to prepare holiday food baskets. There are veterans in nursing home that do not have anyone to visit them at this time. Are you willing and able to give up a little of your day to make someone feel alive.

Nov 23 is Black Friday. This is a great opportunity to purchase items on sale that you can donate to the Christmas gift shops.

Nov 26 is Cyber Monday. There are many ways you can donate points, airfare points on this day to veteran programs.

As you can see it does not take much thought to find some way to support our veterans and their families.

Have you taken the pledge to personally shake the hands and thank 100 veterans? If you have not, do so and find out how rewarding it is to do so.

As I leave you this month, remember BEES-Veterans are our purpose for existing. Also remember in order for us to continue we need to remember, This is How We Do It, and work on our membership.

Thank you for all you do. God Bless you and God Bless America

Jennie Molina (520)220-8460

VA&R truelepa@gmail.com

## ARIZONA STATE VETERANS HOME – PHOENIX NOVEMBER 2018

#### **Good Morning Ladies:**

Thank you Units 108, 44, 1, 61, 62, for sending in October Birthday Cards. Remember if you Unit is sending monthly Birthday cards, please let me know. They really appreciate the cards.

Since May 1<sup>st</sup>, this program has received \$425.00 in donations. Thank you Units 5, 29, 41, for your continued support of our Veteran's.

When you are celebrating Veterans Day, please take a moment in prayer to say thank you to the men and women who are who are now stationed in the Veterans Homes all around the world. Send a "Thinking of you Card" to our Veterans living in the Phoenix and Tucson Veterans Home.

#### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY'S**

6 <sup>th</sup> Alphonso W.	10 <sup>th</sup> Commodore M.	30 <sup>th</sup> Deborah S.
10 <sup>th</sup> Donnie E.	6 <sup>th</sup> Fennis C.	17 <sup>th</sup> Gregory H.
8 <sup>th</sup> James B.	18 <sup>th</sup> Monroe D.	14 <sup>th</sup> Richard I.
8 <sup>th</sup> Rudy B.	4 <sup>th</sup> Steven Mc K.	25 <sup>th</sup> Thomas D.
22 <sup>nd</sup> Thomas P.	6 <sup>th</sup> Walter O.	23 William B.

#### **DECEMBER BIRTHDAY'S**

23 <sup>rd</sup> Andrew S.	16 <sup>th</sup> Donald S.	23 <sup>rd</sup> Gordon B.
1 <sup>st</sup> Harry R.	22 <sup>nd</sup> John B.	18 <sup>th</sup> Michael John S.
28 <sup>th</sup> Paul K	18 <sup>th</sup> Percy J.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sonny L.
22 <sup>nd</sup> Thomas II	27 <sup>th</sup> William T	

This year there the Phoenix Sate Home has been blessed with an abundance of Charites and Organizations that will be donating Christmas presents to the Veterans. So let's purchase some of the items from the <u>UPDATED</u> WISH LIST I just received. I also have a list of every resident by Ward's (C1, C2, D1, D2). If your Unit wants to send Christmas Cards, send me an email request for the list.

Visa Gift Cards

- Walmart Gift Cards
- Amazon Gift Cards
- Wendy's Gift Cards
- Applebee's/Chili's Gift Cards
- Dunkin Donuts Gift Cards
- Harkin's Gift Cards
- Starbucks Gift Cards
- Phoenix Art Museum Gift Card/Vouchers
- OdySea Aquarium Tickets
- SeaLife Tickets
- Remote Control Cars- Large Cars with easy to use remotes.
- Large Nerf Guns (10) and extra bullets

- Chips (Individually Packaged)
- Soft Snacks (Applesauce Pouches, Twinkies, SOFT cookies, Smoothie Pouches, Yogurt Pouches)
- Soda (Regular & Diet)
- Trivia Books
- Portable Bluetooth Speaker
- Umbrellas (20)
- Large Duty Thermal Roll Laminator
- Postage Stamps
- Magnifying Glasses
- Watch Batteries
- DVD Players for Veterans' Rooms

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 <a href="mailto:lbubbles@cox.net">lbubbles@cox.net</a> If you have any questions, please call me at 602-312-9245.

There will be an annual report form in your mailbox at the Conference. The due day is May 1, 2019.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

For God and Country,

Linda Hubbs ASVH (Phoenix) Chairman Joyce Livingston ASVH (Phoenix) Co-Chairman

# BELIEVE EQUALITY EXIST SUPPORTING EVERY VETERAN

# ARIZONA STATE VETERANS HOME – TUCSON (ASVH-TUCSON) NOVEMBER, 2018

Ladies,

We are 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 February 2019 to August 2019

Units hosting the monthly Birthday Cake and Ice Cream Socials are as follows:
Oct 16 Unit 24

Nov 20 AMVETS

Dec 18 Unit 131

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

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

October Henry 4 Cheryl 30	Mikel 11 Melvin 31	Anthony 13	Pete 15	Thomas 21	Howard 23	
November Billie 3 Sterling 28	Thomas 10	Douglas 12	Gary 12	Daniel 17	Tony 20	
REMINDER:	Second Monday monthly  Third Tuesday monthly		Arizona State Veterans Home-Tucson, Steering Committee Meeting at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel Room, Bldg. #1 Auxiliary hosted a Birthday Cake and Ice Cream Social at 1:30			
Third Tuesday monthly		p.m. Set up is at 1:00 p.m.in the Chapel Room in Bldg. #1 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 and a display of a map of the Vietnam era project coming up – will let you know more in December.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

Thank you Unit 11 for your donation. Thank you American Legion Riders 132 for your Walmart gift card.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

November Events	
Nov 3	Elks hosting BBQ 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. will have gifts with miscellaneous items and
	\$20 Walmart gift card for each resident.
Nov 5	Steering Committee Mtg rescheduled due to Veterans Day on November 12 <sup>th.</sup>
Nov 9	ASVH-Tucson will host a Veterans' Day Celebration from 10:00 a.m.to 12:00 p.m.
	Will have guest speakers, color guard, and lunch. American Legion Family welcomed.
Nov 10	American Legion Auxiliary Birthday. POWWOW 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. Volunteers report
	at 7:00 a.m. Marine Corp Birthday – cake served around 1:00 p.m. ASVH-Tucson will
	be honoring the Vietnam era by providing displays of all armed forces during the war.
Nov 12	Veterans Parade hosted by Morgan McDermott Post 7.
Nov 20	Birthday Cake and Ice Cream Social hosted by AMVETS 770. Pizza and chicken
	wing night (need sponsors).

Nov 26

Deck the halls of ASVH-Tucson. ALA and other organizations invited to help decorate the bldgs 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.

#### **December Events**

Dec 7 Holiday Open House from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Vendors welcomed (space

donation for your display is \$15). Vendors to display at 9:00 a.m. inside Bldg. #1 first come first serve on spaces. Fran to set up a Mrs. Santa Gift Shop with miscellaneous items to give away to the residents. Fran is asking for auxiliaries to donate new items to add to the list where the residents will select what they want, a gift shop event.

Dec 12 Elks Holiday Party at 6:00 p.m. at ASVH-Tucson.

Dec 14 ALA Christmas Party at 2:00 p.m. desserts and gifts Donations for desserts and gifts

gratefully accepted. Last year with your donations we were able to give the male veterans United States Caps and the ladies cologne, scarves and bracelets. Other

units donated blankets, cologne, and socks. Contact Anna Marie for

recommendations. Gift bags will be assembled on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. including set up of desserts. Sam to check if ASVH-Tucson food services can provide some desserts and beverages. If not the auxiliary will need to provide desserts, coffee, tea, punch, and soft drinks. Will have final plans in November.

Dec 18 Birthday Cake and Ice Cream Social hosted by ALA Unit 131. Pizza and chicken

wing night (need sponsors).

**Special Sessions** Alzheimer Support Group for families. Monthly group session on the second Tuesday

of the month from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the residents' lounge (across from chapel)

#### WISH LIST - UPDATE

Recreation therapists still need 300 piece puzzles (residents specifically want 300 pieces only) and CD players (portable or boom box style). Arts and crafts are great therapy i.e., velvet coloring kits. Also, in need batteries AA, D, and C.

Thank you American Legion Auxiliary Department, Districts, and Units. Because of you, we provide for activities and events for the residents to keep them active and enjoy being at the home.

Happiness and entertainment is always Number 1 therapy!

For God and country,

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