

American Legion Auxiliary
Department of South Carolina
107 A Legion Plaza Road
Columbia, SC 29210
Phone: (803) 772-6366
Fax: (803) 772-6284
E-mail: auxaladsc@att.net

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
COLUMBIA, S.C.
PERMIT No. 868

November 2011
Bulletin # 3

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



American Legion Auxiliary

*Serving veterans, their families
and their communities*

Do you want to help support YOUR ORGANIZATION ? Why not become a member of The American Legion Auxiliary's Club? Membership for Platinum (\$50.), Gold (\$25.), Silver (\$15.) or Bronze (\$10.) levels are available. Mail yours today!!

**Platinum / Gold / Silver / Bronze
Club Application**

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone _____ **E-Mail** _____

Membership ID _____ **Unit Name & Number** _____



aking Our Gifts Everywhere To Help Everyone Remember –

Our Veterans

A huge THANK YOU to all who participated in the r2r Oct. 1, 2011 in all areas. It was a great experience for all of us and a tremendous success. The Wounded Warriors who received the new bikes were thrilled and very appreciative that we cared so much for them. It was discussed to have this as an annual event so if this should come to fruition I hope more can be in attendance and have on hand experience.

Our goal for the 2011/2012 year is to increase our membership and become more involved in our programs. We at the department level are striving to have more Workshops that include everyone that is interested in learning more about The American Legion Auxiliary. Please feel free to contact us if you have a particular program you would like to know more about.

My project this year is PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) and TBI (Traumatic Brain Injury). All money collected from my pins and any donations will go toward these projects. I would also like to continue collecting the socks, underwear, etc for our Homeless Shelter's, this was a big success last year (thanks to you all) and was greatly appreciated by many recipients.

We will now begin the task of preparing for our hospitalized Veterans Gift Shops, Christmas Drop in, Mid-Winter Conference, the National Presidents' visit, District Meeting and any Workshops that you might be interested in, sure seems as though we have a full schedule for the next several months.

I know that South Carolina has the greatest Members in the entire membership of the American Legion Auxiliary. We know that all we do—we do for the good of our Veterans and for the good and growth of our Auxiliary.

Keep up the good work ladies.

For God and Country
Louise Winesett

SECRETARY'S NOTES

Dear Auxiliary Members

Thank you for your continued support in The American Legion Auxiliary.

Just a reminder, all Units have elected new officers for 2011/2012, please fill out your **Officer and Chairman forms** and send in the list of the new officers (even if your Officers do not change) in order to assure that the correct person receives all information from the Department. If I do not have the **correct Chairman information**, all necessary information for Chairman **will be mailed to the President**.

Regarding new membership – please use the correct forms when sending in your information. All applications must have the **Legionnaire's ID number** on it if he is still living, transfers are to be completed with Unit Numbers (the one transferring from and transferring to) if these are not complete, they will be returned to the Unit. Also all applicants must be verified and that verification attached to the application – this is from National Judge Advocate Onderdonk.

BONDS – There are still a number of Units that have not paid their bond for 2011/2012 – Presidents, please check with your Treasurer and make sure that this is paid.

President's please share this bulletin with your members. They need this information also.

We have received some gifts for the gift shops from the Ladies Sunday School Class at First Baptist Church. They chose the Veterans for their mission project this year and are hoping to do the same for next year. A huge thanks to these great ladies. A thank you card will given to them when I visit their class next month to talk about our involvement with Veterans.

Please note that the registration for our Mid-Winter Conference is in this bulletin There will be a reception for National guest of the American Legion, the time will be 6: to 7: on Saturday, January 21, 2012 , I do not have the cost yet. Also the Poppy Orders, Memorials and Distributions forms are in the bulletin.

Girls State Information should be ready for distribution at Mid- Winter Conference – if your Girls State Chairman name and address is not in the office the information will be given to the Unit President.

Again, thank you for all that you do for our Veterans and Youth.

Louise Winesett
Dept. Secretary

Mid Winter Conference—Jean Testruth

Ladies don't forget to bring your Raffle Gift to Mid-Winter Conference in January. Cost no more than \$35.00 and make it something you would never buy for yourself. Something interesting. Proceeds will go to President Louise's project for 2011.

Photo's for Convention Book—2012

Officers please get your photo to the Office by Jan. 15, 2012—the actual photo works much better than an emailed photo because when we print it out it is black & white and does not show very well.

**Remember our Christmas Drop-In, come, bring your favorite Christmas Party food and a guest.
December 9, 2011—1: til 4:**



American Legion Auxiliary Junior Activities

Dear American Legion Auxiliary Member:

My name is Meadow Jordan-Shauf and I am the Honorary American Legion Auxiliary Department Junior President. This year for my Junior President's Project, I would like to stuff the Operation Military Kids hero Bags for the children of our deployed National Guard Children. I need your help. Operation Military Kids has given me 400 back packs (hero packs) and a few items to go in them and I have some literature from the National Guard. I need additional items such as pens, pencils, crayons, small stuffed animals, etc. You can bring these items to the zone IV meeting or can send a check to the Department Headquarters and put Hero Packs in the memo line.

I hope to be stuffing the bags in November, and hopefully we can make it a Department Junior Project.

The idea behind the hero packs is to let these children of our deployed National Guard Soldiers know that they are our heroes, too.

Sincerely,

Meadow Jordan-Shauf
Honorary Department Junior President
728 Haynsworth Street
Sumter, SC 29150

Membership

To all Auxiliary Members

November is a special month. **Veterans Day** is this month—a wonderful time to show that we “Honor Their Service”. One of the best ways to show this honor is to help our membership grow. We can ask someone to renew their membership. We can make sure to wear Auxiliary Pins and poppies. That way someone may ask us why we have them on and we can tell them about the Auxiliary and what we do for our Veterans. Then we can ask them if they would like to join us in our service. We need to be excited about being eligible for membership in this great organization and ask others to become excited also. It is only through retaining members and getting new members to join that we will be able to continue our valuable service to our veterans, our active military and their families. As the VA is having to make cuts in some of their services our programs become more important. Only with strong membership can we accomplish these programs.

As of November 2 our Department had 2,378 members. That is 54.26% of our goal of 4,383. Our Department is #24 nationally. We have seven (7) units at 100% or more. With a little more effort, we can, hopefully, all reach our goals. Those of you who work with a computer can send e-mails to members of your unit that have not renewed. If you do not use a computer, you can send a note or call those members. Membership is everybody's responsibility and we need everybody's help. If each member recruited just one (1) member we would have many more than our goal. We could be the top Department in the Nation. Wouldn't that be super? Sitting in the very front at the National Convention! It is possible. Just show your excitement and pride as you work our programs and people will ask to join and be a part of our family.

Have a wonderful Veterans Day.

For God and Country,
Pat Ward, Sr. VP & Membership Chairman

Leadership report – Barbara Stoffer, Jr. Vice President, Leadership Chairman

Leadership style is the manner and approach of providing direction, implementing plans, and motivating people. The three major styles of leadership are:

- Authoritarian or autocratic
- Participative or democratic
- Delegative or Free Reign

Although good leaders use all three styles, with one of them normally dominant, bad leaders tend to stick with one style.

Authoritarian or autocratic

This style is used when leaders tell their members what they want done and how they want it accomplished, without getting the advice of their fellow members. Some of the appropriate conditions to use it, is when you have all the information to solve the problem, you are short on time, and your members are well motivated.

Some people tend to think of this style as a vehicle for yelling, using demeaning language, and leading by threats and abusing their power. This is not the authoritarian style, rather it is an abusive, unprofessional style called “**bossing people around.**” It has no place in a leader's repertoire. The authoritarian style should normally only be used on rare occasions. If you have the time and want to gain more commitment and motivation from your members, then you should use the participative style.

Participative (democratic)

This style involves the leader including one or more of the members in the decision making process (determining what to do and how to do it). However, the leader maintains the final decision making authority. Using this style is **not** a sign of weakness, rather it is a sign of strength that your members will respect.

This is normally used when you have part of the information, and your members have the other parts. Note that a leader is not expected to know everything — this is why you surround yourself with *knowledgeable* and *skillful* members. Using this style is of mutual benefit — it allows them to become part of the team and allows you to make better decisions.

Delegative or Free Reign

In this style, the leader allows the members to make the decisions. However, the leader is still responsible for the decisions that are made. This is used when the members are able to analyze the situation and determine what needs to be done and how to do it. You cannot do everything! You must set priorities and delegate certain tasks.

This is not a style to use so that you can blame others when things go wrong, rather this is a style to be used when you fully trust and have confidence in the members. Do not be afraid to use it, however, use it **wisely!**

Which leader are you?

From the Department Finance Chairman:

It's that time of year again; time to start filing the 990n epostcard with the IRS. Louise or I will be happy to help you file. Once you file, please forward a copy of the acceptance notice, from the IRS, to the department to be kept on file. We know of only forty nine units who have filed at this time. Some units need to file after December 31, 2011 and others need to file after June 30, 2012. All who have not filed should at least try to file now. The IRS will tell you if you do not need to file until a later date.

We have four units who still do not have EIN #'s. These units are in danger of losing their charter and if they are raising money, they will have to file a tax return with the IRS on all money raised. Please get in touch with me and we will work to get a number for you. Units 52, 136, 207, and 270 are the Units in question.

While filling in for our department secretary at the P&S Conference in Indianapolis, IN, we received an abundance of information to help keep the department running smoothly and information about the 990n epostcard and trademark laws. We were addressed by National Judge Advocate Philip Onderdonk, JD. He gave us the specifics.

- . Every Unit should have a budget, and a budget is just a guide.
- . There should be at least two signatures on your unit checking account. Your unit should have two signatures on every check written.
- . If your unit filed the 990N epostcard last year and received an acceptance letter, then filed this year and received a rejection letter, send both copies to the department office and we will send them on to the correct person at National. They are going to try and get it corrected.
- . Anytime you wish to use the American Legion Auxiliary logo on printed material other than business cards, letterhead or paper materials you must first get it approved by the national organization. If you are getting t-shirts, caps or other clothing imprinted you must send the number of pieces you intend to order, the suppliers name, address and the purpose for the printing (Unit shirts etc.). **This request must be sent to the department secretary and she will forward it to the correct person.**
- . Units should have an audit every year. Form a three member audit committee and have this committee audit your books after the close of business each year.
- . All Department Officers and Chairmen will be asked to sign a Confidentiality Agreement each year beginning this year.

Forms Requested

Several treasurers have asked for the forms that can be used by the unit to help with your audit. These forms are the Request for Reimbursement, Payment Outgoing and Payment to Department. They can be found at <http://www.aladsc.org/News%20Forms.htm>.

- 1. Request for Reimbursement** would be used to reimburse a unit member for money spent for an approved purchase for the unit. Attach a receipt to the form.
- 2. Payments Outgoing** would be used for things the unit has to buy, when the check is made out to the business, i.e. USPS, Bi-Lo, Food Lion or Wal-Mart, etc.
- 3. Payment to Department** would be used to keep a record of what money was sent to the department, such as transmittals, donations or Poppy purchases, etc.

Brenda Collins, Chairman
Phone 864-244-8600
Cell 864-630-9744
Email brendawcollins@charter.net

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

At the Presidents and Secretaries Conference held in Indianapolis in October, National Judge Advocate Philip Onderdonk, JD spoke to those present about Unit Constitution and Bylaws.

Here is a statement from Judge Advocate.

“Every unit must have a copy of their Constitution and Bylaws in the department office by 12/31/2011.” National Judge Advocate Philip Onderdonk, JD

The pressure is being placed on national for all departments to be in compliance. Therefore the pressure is on the departments to make sure the units are also in compliance. Judge Advocate Onderdonk, says he will not have a problem taking action.

I am therefore asking EACH AND EVERY UNIT to have in the office by DECEMBER 1, 2011 a copy of your Constitution and Bylaws. Some Units already have them on file. If you are not sure whether you are in compliance please call Louise and she will let you know if we have one for your Unit.

We have asked for this on countless occasions and most Units have cooperated. For those that have not I have attached a copy of a suggested C&BL. Please fill in the blanks and mail to office.

Bette McMorrow
Constitution & By Laws Chairman
American Legion Auxiliary
Department of South Carolina
Timbet1@aol.com
843-281-8513

NOTE:

**The following Units do not have a Constitution and ByLaws on file in the office:
6,17,19,20,26,28,32,33,35,39,47,49,52,56,61,64,65,68,72,78,82,91,92,93,103,105,108,112,114,117,
120,131,132,136,151,156,157,185,198,199,208,210,213,217,219,224,232,236,243,246,247,266,270**

Suggested Unit Constitution and By Laws

UNIT NAME AND NUMBER _____

PREAMBLE

For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:
To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations during the Great Wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and goodwill on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity, the principles of justice, freedom and democracy; to participate in and contribute to the accomplishment of the aims and purposes of The American Legion; to consecrate and sanctify our association by the devotion to mutual helpfulness.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I – NAME

Section 1. The name of the organization shall be The American Legion Auxiliary _____, Unit _____, Department of South Carolina.

ARTICLE II – NATURE

Section 1. The American Legion Auxiliary is a civilian organization of women.

Section 2. This organization shall be absolutely non-political and non-sectarian and shall not be used for the dissemination of partisan principles or for the promotion of candidacy of any person seeking public office or preferment.

ARTICLE III – OBJECT

Section 1. The object of The American Legion Auxiliary, Unit _____ Department of South Carolina, shall be as stated in the Preamble of the Constitution.

ARTICLE IV – ELIGIBILITY

Section 1. Membership in the American Legion Auxiliary shall be limited to the mothers, wives, sisters, daughters, granddaughters, great-granddaughters and grandmothers of members of The American Legion and to the mothers, wives, sisters, daughters, granddaughters, great granddaughters and grandmothers of all men and women who were in the Armed Forces of the United States during any of the following periods:
April 6, 1917 – November 11, 1918; December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946; June 25, 1950 – January 31, 1955; February 28, 1961 – May 7, 1975; August 24, 1982 – July 31, 1984; December 20, 1989 – January 31, 1990; August 2, 1990 to the date of cessation; all dates inclusive, or who, being citizens of the United States at the time of their entry therein, served on active duty in the Armed Forces of any of the governments associated with the United States during said periods, and died in the line of duty, of after honorable discharge; and to those women who of their own right are eligible for membership in the American Legion. This eligibility includes step - relatives.

Section 2. There shall be two classes of membership, Senior and Junior.

- A. Senior membership shall be the function group composed of members over the age of eighteen years; provided, however, that a wife under the age of eighteen years, who is eligible under Section 1 of this article shall be classed as a Senior member.
- B. Junior membership shall consist of that group under the age of eighteen years, whose activities shall be supervised by the Senior membership. Upon reaching the age of eighteen years, Junior member shall automatically be admitted into Senior membership with full privileges.
- C. Dues of both classes shall be paid annually

Section 3. No person may be a member at any time of more than one Unit.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Unit shall elect annually a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Historian, and Sergeant –at Arms, who shall serve until their successors are duly installed or otherwise provided

Section 2. The officers and _____ additional members at large elected by the Unit shall constitute the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI – STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1. In addition to the Executive Committee, there shall be other Standing Committees as are necessary to conform to those of the National Body and to further the work of the Unit.

ARTICLE VII – FINANCES

Section 1. The fiscal year shall be the same as that of the Department.

Section 2. By provision of the National Constitution and Bylaws, Unit officers having custody of organization funds shall be bonded. A blanket position bond is maintained by the National Organization whereby all Unit members are bonded automatically.

ARTICLE VIII– AMENDMENTS

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members at a regular Unit meeting, provided the proposed amendments shall have been read at the previous meeting.

Section 2. Amendments not having been previously read may be adopted by a unanimous vote of the members present.

Section 3. This Constitution shall be automatically amended to conform to the National and Department Constitution and Bylaws and standing rules of the American Legion Auxiliary.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. President. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Unit and Unit Executive Committee. She will enforce strict observance of the Constitution and Bylaws. She will appoint members of the standing committees and create other committees and appoint members thereof, as she deems advisable. She will perform other duties, as custom and parliamentary usage requires. She will also appoint officers not otherwise provided for and shall see that all officers required to be bonded by the Constitution and Bylaws are so bonded. She shall see that the records of the Auxiliary are audited by the appropriate person and shall see that the Auxiliary funds are properly deposited and credited to the funds prescribed by the Constitution and Bylaws. She shall sign all checks drawn by the Secretary/Treasurer which have been voted by the Auxiliary, and all other papers and documents that may require her signature. She shall perform other acts and duties as may be required of her by virtue of the Constitution and Bylaws, and shall have other powers and perform such other duties as are inherent in and incidental to her office, and which are not in conflict with the Constitution and Bylaws.

Section 2. Vice President. The Vice President, when called upon, shall assist the President and in her absence, perform her duties, and shall succeed her in office in case of death, resignation or removal.

Section 3. Secretary. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record the proceedings and transactions of all meetings of the Unit. She shall act as custodian of all books, papers and records. She will keep a record of names and addresses of the members, showing their source of their eligibility. She will send out such notices as are directed by the President. She will process the correspondence of the Unit and will keep on file in a comprehensive manner copies of all correspondence sent and received. In the event of the absence of the Treasurer, The Secretary shall deposit all collections in the proper Auxiliary account in the bank in which the Treasurer deposits the funds of the Auxiliary, and shall procure from the bank a duplicate deposit slip. As soon as the Treasurer returns from her absence, the Secretary shall deliver such duplicate deposit slips to the Treasurer and require the treasurer to sign the proper receipt. The Secretary shall have the authority to expend funds for administrative purposes, not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00). The Secretary shall deliver all books, papers and property of the Auxiliary to the Auditor at such times and such reports as are required by the Constitution and Bylaws. She shall meet with the Auditor whenever specifically requested to do so for the purpose of assisting the Auditor in auditing the books and accounts of the Auxiliary and rendering such other assistance as the Auditor may deem necessary. The Secretary, upon request, shall deliver all books, papers and property of the Auxiliary to such officer or officers, as the President shall direct. Further, she shall deliver to her successor in office all the books, papers and property of the Auxiliary, which may be in her possession. The Secretary shall perform such other duties as shall be required of her by the President.

Section 4. Treasurer. It shall be the duty of the Unit Treasurer to receive all monies belonging to the Unit and to account for them. She shall maintain a general fund. All poppy donations shall be placed in a Poppy Fund and be used to assist the veteran and his/her children and shall be used in the same fiscal year. She shall keep an accounting of her receipts and expenditures, making an annual report thereon, and such other reports as may be deemed necessary by the Unit Executive Committee. Her accounts shall be audited annually. She shall pay all current bills before transferring all funds, books, and papers belonging to the Unit to her successor.

Section 5. Chaplain. It shall be the duty of the Chaplain to offer a prayer at the opening and closing of each meeting and to perform such other duties as the President may direct.

Section 6. Sergeant-at-Arms. It shall be the duty of the Sergeant-at-Arms to preserve order at the meetings of the Unit and to perform such other duties as requested by the President and shall supervise the voting of officers. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall have custody of all ritualistic paraphernalia of the Auxiliary and other such property as may be placed in her care. It shall be her duty to arrange and dismantle such property in the Auxiliary meetings and perform such other duties as may be required of her by the President. She shall introduce all qualified visitors and conduct them to their seats within the Auxiliary.

Section 7. When deemed necessary, a Recording Secretary or Corresponding Secretary may be elected to carry on the duties normally performed by the Secretary.

Section 8. The Office of Secretary may be combined with that of Treasurer and called "Secretary-Treasurer".

ARTICLE II – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Between meetings the government and management of this Unit shall be entrusted to the Executive Committee and all proceedings of said committee shall be presented to the Unit at the next meeting for approval.

Section 2. A vacancy existing in the Executive Committee from any cause other than expiration of a term shall be filled by a majority vote of the entire committee. A person so elected shall hold office for the unexpired term of the member she succeeds.

Section 3. Special meetings may be called by order of the President or a written request of at least three members of the Executive Committee. Uniform notice of such special shall be given to all members of the Executive Committee; and, except in extreme emergency, shall be given at least forty-eight hours in advance. At special meetings only business specified shall be transacted.

ARTICLE III – DUES

Section 1. The annual membership dues of this Unit shall be _____ paid annually or for life and shall include the Department and National per capita. Junior dues are \$ _____ per year.

Section 2. A member failing to pay annual dues, including the Unit, State and National assessments, by January 31, shall be classed as delinquent and shall be suspended from all membership privileges; provided, however, such suspended member shall be notified in writing by Secretary of the Unit of such suspension prior thereto. Payment of back dues, after suspension, shall reinstate such member to active membership. Any member delinquent to December 31 of the year of delinquency shall automatically be dropped from the rolls and may be reinstated only by paying all back dues or by reestablishing eligibility and making application as a new member.

ARTICLE IV – THE UNIT MEETINGS

Section 1. The regular meetings of the _____ Auxiliary Unit shall be held on the _____ of each month, unless otherwise specified, and shall be called to order at _____ p.m.

Section 2. An annual meeting of the Unit shall be held in the month of _____ each year for the purpose of electing officers and receiving annual reports.

Section 3. Special meetings of this Unit may be called by the President, by a majority of the Executive Committee, or upon written request of members of the Unit. All Unit members shall be notified via phone, written or electronic communication of this special meeting.

Section 4. _____ of the Officers and _____ members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Unit.

ARTICLE V – ELECTIONS

Section 1. Election may be by voice vote if there is only one candidate; but where there is more than one candidate for the same office, election shall be by ballot and the majority of votes cast shall be necessary to elect.

Section 2. Delegates and alternates to a Department Convention shall be elected at a Unit meeting duly called for that purpose not less than two weeks prior to the convention. Alternates shall have priority in the order of their election.

Section 3. All officers and executive committee members shall be elected annually at a meeting duly called for that purpose.

ARTICLE VI – COMMITTEES

Section 1. A nominating committee composed of three members shall be elected for the purpose of presenting a slate of Unit officers for the ensuing year.

Section 2. An auditing committee composed of at least two members shall be appointed by the Unit President for the purpose of auditing the Treasurer's accounts at the close of each term, and making a report of an audit to the Unit.

ARTICLE VII – TRANSFERS

Section 1. Transfer of membership from any unit to the _____, Department of South Carolina shall be upon application of the member to, and acceptance by, the Other Unit, in conformity with National and Department Constitutions and Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII – DISCIPLINE

Section 1. For any violation of the Unit, State or National Constitutions, or for conduct improper and prejudicial to the welfare of the Auxiliary or The American Legion, any member may be expelled from membership or any officer removed from office by two-thirds vote at a Unit meeting duly called for that purpose, said expulsion or removal to be binding only in the event said member or officer shall have been given at least fifteen days notice in writing by the Unit Secretary of the charges and the hearing thereon. Either party may have the right of appeal to the Department Executive Committee, and their action thereon shall be final. The expense of said appeal shall be borne by the appellant.

Section 2. Neither this Unit in the Department nor any member thereof shall circularize any other Unit or member thereof without the consent of a Department Executive Committee.

Section 3. Liabilities: No member or group of members shall subject this Unit to liability without authorization of the Unit.

ARTICLE IX – PARIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Section 1. The Unit organization shall be governed by "Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised," on all points not covered by this Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE X – AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular Unit meeting, provided the proposed amendments shall have been read at the previous Unit meeting.

Section 2. These Bylaws shall be automatically amended to conform to the National and Department Constitutions and Bylaws and standing rules of the American Legion Auxiliary.

JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

Hi, My name is Mary Altman and the new chairman this year for junior activities.

Here is some information about me:

Worked with Scouts, Bus Ministry, and Secretary of Youth Ministry in a large church.
Move to Florence, SC last year to be involved in the Auxiliary and Legion.

This is what I believe:

We involve our youth, we will grow in membership.
The youth are our future adult members.

I like to hear from each unit:

Who has a Junior activity program now.
Any unit who is interested in getting one started.

We can have a great year this year if we all work together. I will be at each of the Zone Meetings if you like to meet me.
I need your help because I am new at this and if you need my assistance, please contact me anytime.

My phone # 843-687-0262 (Verizon Cell) Email: amlegauxmja@yahoo.com

AMERICANISM

All Unit Americanism Chairman, please get in touch with Fran Palo regarding the forms for the essays. Remember time is slipping by very fast—we are already half way thru the year.

Fran Palo
2013 Sawyer Street
Conway, SC 29527
E mail: Paloconway@aol.com
(843) 438-8090

NATIONAL SECURITY

I would like to encourage every member of every unit to spend some time during the upcoming holiday season to thank a service man or woman in some way. Some ideas include baking cookies for children of your local National Guard, take refreshments to the local JROTC or ROTC unit, visit a wounded warrior, contribute some items to a care package someone is sending, get an address and send a box yourself, or say thank you to men and women you see in uniform. If your unit is having trouble figuring out National Security projects, please contact me at annewparker@yahoo.com and I guarantee I will find you one. Hoping you and yours have a blessed holiday season and don't forget to pray for those who cannot be home for the holidays as they are protecting your and my freedom.

Anne Parker
Proud Blue Star Mother
of CPT Leigh Swafford,
CPT William Swafford and
CPT Andrew Lechanski
United States Army

1. Give shelter

Homes for Our Troops constructs houses for severely injured veterans who served after 9/11, like Cpl. Larry Draughn (above). Donate equipment or help build a home. homesforourtroops.org

2. Offer a vet a ride

The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) provides free transportation to men and women unable to travel to VA medical facilities on their own. You can volunteer to drive a DAV van for those in need. dav.org/volunteers

3. Provide foster care for a pet

Take in the dog or cat of a deployed soldier or a wounded veteran while he or she is on duty or receiving VA medical treatment. guardianangelsforsoldierspet.org

4. Record a war story

Do you know an old soldier with tales from the front lines? The Library of Congress wants to hear his voice. Go to the website below for tips on conducting an interview or to request a field kit, including biographical data and release forms. loc.gov/vets

5. Put those old cell phones to good use

Instead of stashing your used phones in the junk drawer, ship them to Cell Phones for Soldiers. For each one donated, the organization will pay for an hour of talk time for troops overseas. cellphonesforsoldiers.com

6. Donate used DVDs

Drop off movies or television shows at your local VA facility, or mail them to DVDs4Vets, a national organization that distributes them where needed. dvds4vets.org

7. Cut coupon

Have some expired coupons lying around? Military families can use them for up to six months past their end date. coupsfortroops.com

8. Contribute to a holiday drive

Operation Gratitude's annual campaign collects clothing, food, and more and packs it in gift boxes for service members. Pitch in by offering up items; local residents can sort them on-site. operationgratitude.com/volunteer

9. Post a care package

Through the organization Kitchen Table Gang, hospitalized veterans and troops abroad can receive personalized parcels containing everything from candy to board games. Get a service member's address from KTG, bundle up items with a note of thanks, and send them off. soldierpackages.org

10. Share your expertise

MilServe connects volunteers with vets in many areas: financial counseling or legal services; job search guidance; even carpentry, for building wheelchair ramps. milserve.org

11. Support Big Brothers Big Sisters.

The national organization has a special Military Mentoring program for children with parents in the armed forces. The group carefully pairs kids with adults serving in the military, as well as with veterans and civilians. bbbs.org

Public Relations

President Kris Nelson's theme this year is "Honor Their Service" and "In the Spirit of God and Country, we serve veterans, military and their families". This theme is carried out in every Unit by our daily work with veterans, our special planned activities and with the various fund raisers that we hold. Our public image depends on the quality of the relationship between the Units and the communities in which they reside.

I would also encourage you to sign up for *In the Know* e Bulletins which will be emailed on a bi-weekly schedule. Information encouraging members to register to receive this communication will be posted on the website. An interested public leads to increased membership, participation, and promotion of the organization and its programs.

In the Know e Bulletins- Are you registered? Let your Units know this is how National updates us with the latest information pertaining to Auxiliary functions and events.

Facebook – The ALA Southern Division now has a Facebook page. Over 200 members and growing. An excellent way of communicating our message about what we are doing for our veterans.

Conveying the message - The means by which a message is communicated can be as important as the message itself.

There are various tools that can be used in the practice of public relations **Direct mail, advertising and public speaking** are commonly used depending upon the intended audience and the message that is conveyed. **Press releases** are also used, as well as **Social media (Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn)**

Important dates- November are filled with many activities that the Auxiliary can and does participate in:

Nov 8 – Election Day - help at the polls and encourage members to vote

Nov 11 – Veterans Day - honor our veterans – utilize the templates on web site

Nov 13 - American Education week – thank teachers in local schools and publicize

Conveying the message – Every Auxiliary member is involved in some way in public relations, whether on the Unit or Department level. What we say, what we do, and how we conduct ourselves reflects on our individual Unit, our Department and on the American Legion Auxiliary. Our actions say something about who we are and what we do. As Department Chairman of PR maintain communications with your Units and encourage them to publicize the many worthwhile projects to benefit the community and our Veterans.

Websites – Websites are an excellent way of communicating our message to the community and providing all important Department information to members. If your Department does not already have one utilize the sheet "Develop a Website" in the Plan of Action and get started.

National President's Visit – President Kris Nelson will be visiting each Department sometime this year. Inform all your Units of this event giving dates, times and the activities that are planned. Encourage members to participate. Utilize the PR template on the National website regarding her visit.

Reporting – Keep me informed monthly of the activities and the various PR tools that Units are utilizing to let their communities know who we are and what we do for veterans. Resources: Unit Handbook: The Christmas Program and Christmas Gift Shop (pgs. 169-170) Plan of Action 2011-2012 (pgs. 191-193)

www.alaforveterans.org/members/resources/ - under public relations – press release template; National President Visit template.

Abbe Cook
Public Relations Chairman
cooka@midlandstech.edu
(803) 892-2270

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

Did you know that the American Legion partnered with the National Education Association in 1919 to find ways to generate support for education and one of the results was the celebration of American Education Week? The excerpt below comes from the National Education Association's Website (<http://www.nea.org/grants/19823.htm>).

NEA Celebrates the 90th American Education Week November 13–19, 2011

Distressed that 25 percent of the country's World War I draftees were illiterate and 9 percent were physically unfit, representatives of the NEA and the American Legion met in 1919 to seek ways to generate public support for education.

The conventions of both organizations subsequently adopted resolutions of support for a national effort to raise public awareness of the importance of education. In 1921, the NEA Representative Assembly in Des Moines, Iowa, called for designation of one week each year to spotlight education. In its resolution, the NEA called for: "An educational week ... observed in all communities annually for the purpose of informing the public of the accomplishments and needs of the public schools and to secure the cooperation and support of the public in meeting those needs."

The American Legion continues today as one of the co-sponsors of American Education Week, which is always celebrated the week prior to the week of Thanksgiving. Please see the American Legion's Web site, <http://www.legion.org/youth/159493/american-education-week-nov-13-19>, for suggestions on how your Unit can show support for education in your community during American Education Week.

Julia Stone
Education Chairman
jhstone@comcast.net; 803-646-3560

ZONE 1

Demographics

Zone 1 is comprised of 26 Units with 861 members (2010-2011) in four Districts. District 6 has the greatest number of Units with 9 and District 4 has the greatest number of members with 270. The largest Unit has 144 members (Greenville #3), the smallest have 11 (Walhalla #124 and Easley #236). Two Units in Zone 1 have closed this year: McCormick #19 and Easley #52. Fifty percent of the Units in Zone 1 have fewer than 26 members. Zone 1 comprised about 20% of the total Department membership in 2010-2011.

Zone Meeting

Zone 1 members will assemble for the Zone 1 Annual Meeting on November 12 at Aiken Unit 212. A Department Chairman from each Pod of the POA will make a presentation on her program area. All members in Zone 1, Department Officers, Department Chairmen and Committee members are urged to attend. Members from other Zones are welcome to attend as well. Please see the flyer in this bulletin for RSVP information. A prize will be given to the Zone 1 District President and Unit President with the best membership present at the meeting.

Julia Stone
Zone 1 VP

EDUCATION PROGRAM INFORMATION

American Education Week is the ideal time to distribute copies of the ALA scholarship application forms to your local high school's guidance counselors.

The Education Mid-Year Narrative Report form is due by December 31. The form is included in the Education POA, which can be found online at www.aladsc.org.

Please email or land mail the **completed** form to one of the addresses below. Please do not submit a form with "No Report."

Be reminded that your Unit will receive National recognition for its participation in the "Give 10 to Education" program by completing the "Give 10 to Education Honor Roll" form found in the POA. Mail this completed form to one of the addresses below.

I appreciate all you are doing to promote the Education Program in your Unit. If I can be of help to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Julia Stone
Education Chairman
803-646-3560
jhstone@comcast.net or 2006 Prince William Dr, North Augusta, SC 29841

2011-2012 Department Officers

PRESIDENT

Louise Winesett – 1420 Denny Road, Columbia, SC 29203; (803) 786-6884; lcwinesett@yahoo.com

SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT

Pat Ward – 901 Devenger Road, Greer, SC 29650; (864) 268-1186; pat_ward@charter.net

JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT

Barbara Stoffer – 1333 Mapleton Avenue, Charleston, SC 29412; (843) 364-0852; KRYSTLGRN@aol.com

ZONE 1 VICE-PRESIDENT **DISTRICTS 4, 5, 6 & 7**

Julia Stone – 2006 Prince William Drive, N. Augusta, SC 29841; (803) 278-3798; jhstone@comcast.net

ZONE 2 VICE-PRESIDENT **DISTRICTS 8, 9 & 12**

Terrie H Mason – 106 Cannon Brooke Drive, Boiling Springs, SC 29316; (864) 814-1510; Cell (864) 621-5305
Terrie.Mason@spartanburg2.k12.sc.us

ZONE 3 VICE-PRESIDENT **DISTRICTS 1, 2, 3 & 10**

Carolyn R. Grant – 3151 Rivers Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29405; (843) 442-9582;
Carolynrgrant97@yahoo.com

ZONE 4 VICE-PRESIDENT **DICTRICTS 11, 13 & 14**

Nancy Jordan – 728 Haynsworth St, Sumter, SC 29150; (803)730-7754; nancy.w.jordan@us.army.mil

HISTORIAN

Vicky Kiley – 29 Montclair Ave, Goose Creek, SC 29445; (843) 343-1348; Bus.driver28@comcast.com

CHAPLAIN

Anne Parker – 1149 Checkerberry Street, Longs, SC 29568; (843) 390-5639; annewparker@yahoo.com

NEC

Bette McMorrow – 4089 Lakeshore Drive, Little River, SC 29566; (843) 281-8513; timbet1@aol.com

ALTERNATE NEC

Brenda Collins – 5 Clingstone Drive, Taylors, SC 29687; (864) 244-8600; brendawcollins@charter.net

PARLIAMENTARIAN

Lou Murphy – PO Box 12285, Florence, SC 29504-0285; (843) 665-6931; Loumurphyf@aol.com

DEPARTMENT SECRETARY

Louise Winesett – 107A Legion Plaza Rd, Columbia, SC 29210; (803) 772-6366 work (803) 772-6284 Fax;
auxaladsc@att.net

RECORDING SECRETARY

Linda Smiley – 1825 Bolin Road, N. Augusta, SC 2984; (803) 279-5074; lindansmiley@comcast.net

DEPARTMENT TREASURER

Alice Richardson – 107A Legion Plaza Road, Columbia, SC 29210; (803) 772-6366 work (803) 772-6284 Fax;
auxaladsc@att.net

1ST SGT AT ARMS

Barbara Leaphart – 125 Grace Street, Lexington, SC 29072; (803) 520-6206

2ND SGT AT ARMS

Carol Burrell – 240 Lake Estate Dr, Chapin, SC 29036; (803) 932-0294; ccburrell@bellsouth.net

2010-2011 Department Committee Chairmen

DISTRICT 3 PRESIDENT UNITS 4, 12, 39, 64, 78, 93, 105 & 128

Brenda McDonald – 120 Gable Farm Road, Harleyville, SC 29448; (843) 462-7992; bmcdon5@gmail.com

DISTRICT 4 PRESIDENT UNITS 26, 30, 65, 71, 133, 212 & 232

Sandy Nalley – 604 Oakdale Drive, N. Augusta, SC 29841; (803) 441-8587; swnalley@comcast.net

DISTRICT 5 PRESIDENT UNITS 2, 19, 20, 24, 103, 219 & 224

Brenda Clapp – 444 Goldnugget Point Road, Prosperity, SC 29127; (803) 364-4478

DISTRICT 6 PRESIDENT UNITS 14, 52, 67, 107, 113, 120, 121, 124, 151 & 236

Anne T. Earnest – 23 Norwood Drive, Williamston, SC 29697; (864) 847-5384; annetearnest@bellsouth.net

DISTRICT 7 PRESIDENT UNITS 3, 25, 56 & 123

Vynelle Coggins – 2519 Stagecoach Road, Laurens, SC 29360; (864) 682-4240; billanvynelle@yahoo.com

DISTRICT 8 PRESIDENT UNITS 22, 28, 33, 45, 200 & 270

Cinda DeHart – 615 Pleasant Pointe, Spartanburg, SC 29301; (864) 576-8562; cinda.dehart@sc.usda.gov

DISTRICT 9 PRESIDENT UNITS 16, 34, 43 & 66

Sarah Clinton – 1310 Eisenhower Road, Rock Hill, SC 29730; (803) 366-8298; sarahclinton50@yahoo.com

DISTRICT 10 PRESIDENT UNITS 6, 7, 61, 79, 90, 130, 142, 156, 174, 191, 193, 215 & 217

Linda Seibles – 2111 Gordon St, Columbia, SC 29204; (803) 799-5434; (803) 210-9064 cell; Lindaseibles@yahoo.com

DISTRICT 11 PRESIDENT UNITS 15, 17, 29, 35, 68, 117, 132, 140, 149, 195, 202 & 203

Connie Suitt – 2125 Balclutha Lane, Sumter, SC 29153; (803) 905-8100; (803) 983-0279; suittcb@ftc-i.net

DISTRICT 12 PRESIDENT UNITS 31 & 92

Eursell Bowers – 2118 New Hope Road, Heath Springs, SC 29058-8863; (803) 285-2495

DISTRICT 13 PRESIDENT UNITS 1, 8, 47, 53, 160, 210 & 228

Connie Hart – 1237 Patrick Hwy, Hartsville, SC 29550; (843) 383-0882; cnbhart@roadrunner.com

DISTRICT 14 PRESIDENT UNITS 32, 49, 82, 178, 186, 213 & 266

Sally Steele – 5804 Longwood Dr. Unit 101, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576; (843)650-3587; ss3587@sccoast.net

ADVISORY

Brenda Collins – 5 Clingstone Dr, Taylors, SC 29687; (864) 244-8600; (864) 630-9744; brendawcollins@charter.net

Bette McMorrow – 4089 Lakeshore Dr., Little River, SC 29566; (843) 281-5813; timbet1@att.net

Diane Harley – 6126 County Line Rd., Ravenel, SC 29470; (843) 556-1526; Cell (843) 469-8306;

janddharley@bellsouth.net

Lou Murphy – PO Box 12285, Florence, SC 29504; (843) 665-6931; Loumurphyf@aol.com

AMERICANISM

Fran Palo, Chairman (2011-2013) 2013 Sawyer St, Conway, SC 29527; (843) 438-8090; Paloonway@aol.com

Lea C. Lowery (2010-2012) – PO Box 4622, Rock Hill, SC 29732; (803) 327-6558; nlclowery@cs.com

Sharon Morse ((2012-2014) – 537 Riverward Dr. Myrtle Beach, SC 29588; (843) 650-9434; coach147@sccoast.net

MUSIC – (SUB- COMMITTEE OF AMERICANISM)

Mary Hazelton, Chairman – PO Box 284, Lexington, SC 29071; (803) 359-3392

AUXILIARY EMERGENCY FUND

Carolyn Hudson, Chairman – 490 Alpine Dr. Sumter, SC 29154; (803) 773-5336; edcarolhudson@aol.com

Pearl Sanders – PO Box 757, Camden, SC 29021; (864) 432-9604

Linda Seibles – 2111 Gordon St, Columbia, SC 29204; (803) 234-4406; Lindaseibles@yahoo.com

CAVALCADE OF MEMORIES

Carolyn R. Grant, Chairman – 3151 Rivers Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29405; (843) 270-3711; carolyn-rgrant97@yahoo.com

Edwina Edwards – 5600 Dorchester Road Apt. 1303, N. Charleston, SC 29418; (843) 345-8226

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Cherie Johnson, Chairman (2011-2013)-108 Barley Street, Goose Creek, SC 29445; (843) 323-1459; cheriejohnson6@comcast.net

Sheila Garren – (2010-2012) 104 Neil Lane, Belton, SC 29627; (864) 847-4283; sgarren50@yahoo.com

Louise Dixon – (2012-2014) 104 Banner Court, Goose Creek, SC 29445; (843) 572-0278; adixon6173@att.net

CHILD WELFARE

Cherie Johnson, Chairman - 108 Barley Street, Goose Creek, SC 29445; (843) 323-1459; cheriejohnson6@comcast.net

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Theodora Montague, Chairman – 1632 Malcolm Drive, Columbia, SC 29204; (803) 463-3524; ttmontague@att.net

Ruth Williams – 1921 Front Street, Georgetown, SC 29440; (843) 546-7083

Valschia Gallant – 1009 Highmarket St, Georgetown, SC 29440; (843) 546-4949

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

Bette McMorrow, Chairman (2012-2014) 4089 Lakeshore Dr., Little River, SC 29566; (843) 284-8513; timbet1@aol.com

Maureen Moore – (2010-2012) 1004 Hillsdale Dr., Little River, SC 29566; (843) 427-4705;

mmoore521@hotmail.com

Barbara Evans – (2011-2013) 1552A Brookbank Ave, Charleston, SC 29412; (843)209-7456; Barboq@bellsouth.net

DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

Linda Griffith – 3963 Brutus Pass, West Columbia, SC 29170; (803) 359-1278; Linda_Griffith@aol.com

EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Julia Stone – 2006 Prince William Dr., N. Augusta, SC 29841; (803) 278-3798; jhstone@comcast.net

Barbara Leaphart, – 125 Grace St, Lexington, SC 29072; (803) 520-6206

FINANCE

Brenda Collins, Chairman (2011- 2013) – 5 Clingstone Dr, Taylors, SC 29687; (864) 244-8600; brendawcol-lins@charter.net

Bette McMorrow (2012-2014) – 4089 Lakeshore Drive, Little River, SC 29566; (843) 281-8513; timbet1@aol.com

Linda Smiley (2010-2012) – 1825 Bolin Road, N. Augusta, SC 2984; (803) 279-5074; lindansmiley@comcast.net

Sabra Denny (2012) – 180 Meander Lane, Lexington, SC 29072; (803) 356-4228; tradd77@aol.com

Alice Richardson, Treasurer – 115 Laurel Bluff Dr, Lexington, SC 29072; (803) 359-5375; alice@stpaulscolumbia.com

Pat Ward, Sr. Vice – 901 Devenger Road, Greer, SC 29650; (864) 268-1186; pat_ward@charter.net

Louise Winesett, President – 1420 Denny Rd, Columbia, SC 29203; (803) 786-6884; lcwinesett@yahoo.com

GIRLS STATE

Florence Belser, Chairman (2012-2014) – PO Box 97, Summerton, SC 29148; (803) 485-2500; fbelser@sc.rr.com

Sabra Denny (2010-2012) – 180 Meander Lane, Lexington, SC 29072; (803) 356-4228; tradd77@aol.com

Molly Spearman (2010-2012) – 651 Brushy Fork Road, Saluda, SC 29138; (864) 445-7686; molly@scasa.org

Abbie Cook (2011-2013) – 525 Shore Road, Gilbert, SC 29054; (803) 892-2270; cooka@midlandstech.edu

Nancy Jordan (2011-2013) – 728 Haynsworth St, Sumter, SC 29150; (803)730-7754; nancy.w.jordan@us.army.mil

Louise Winesett, Secretary – 107 A Legion Plaza Rd, Columbia, SC 29210; (803)772-6366; auxaladsc@att.net

Bette McMorrow, NEC – 4089 Lakeshore Drive, Little River, SC 29566; (843) 281-8513; timbet1@aol.com

GOLD STAR MOTHERS

Nancy Barton- Chairman – 121 Northpoint Dr. Apt. 1613, Lexington, SC 29072; (803) 404-1798; nbarton1613@sc.rr.com

Anne Smith – 620 Boy Scout Rd., Gaston, SC 29053; (803) 936-9352;

JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

Mary Altman, Chairman – 137 S. Sally Hill Road, Timmonsville, SC 29161; (843) 687-0262; am-legauxmja@yahoo.com

Carolyn Jones – 710 Isaac Street, Columbia, SC 29203; (803) 754-0370; carolynjones42@bellsouth.net

HONORARY DEPARTMENT JUNIOR PRESIDENT

Meadow Jordan-Shauf – 728 Haynsworth St, Sumter, SC 29150; (803)720-4144; nancy.w.jordan@us.army.mil

LEADERSHIP

Barbara Stoffer – 1333 Mapleton Avenue, Charleston, SC 29412; (843) 364-0852; KRYSTLGRN@aol.com

All Zone Vice Presidents, District Presidents, Past Department Presidents, and American Legion Auxiliary Members

LEGISLATION

Sandy Nalley – 604 Oakdale Ave., Belvedere, SC 29841; (803)441-8587; swnalley@comcast.net

MEMBERSHIP

Pat Ward – 901 Devenger Rd., Greer, SC 29650; (864) 268-1186; pat_ward@charter.net

All Zone Vice Presidents, District Presidents, Past Department Presidents, and American Legion Auxiliary Members

MEMORIALS

Anne Parker – 1149 Checkerberry Street, Longs, SC 29568; (843) 390-5639; annewparker@yahoo.com

NATIONAL SECURITY

Anne Parker, Chairman – 1149 Checkerberry Street, Longs, SC 29568; (843) 390-5639; annewparker@yahoo.com

Sue Reynolds – 160 Brookgate Drive, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579; (843) 236-2677; mmokey@aol.com

PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY

Catherine Gail Gibbs, Chairman – PO Box 636, Camden, SC 29021; (803) 425-4346; cathygail@truvista.net

Brenda Collins – 5 Clingstone Dr, Taylors, SC 29687; (864) 244-8600; brendawcollins@charter.net

Bette McMorro – 4089 Lakeshore Drive, Little River, SC 29566; (843) 281-8513; timbetl@aol.com

POPPY

Carol Burrell, Chairman – 240 Lake Estate Dr, Chapin, SC 29036; (803) 932-0294; ccburrell@bellsouth.net

Ethel Cummings – 13 Champion Court, Chapin, SC 29036; (803) 407-9620

Mary Ellen Draper – 372 Bent Oak Drive, Chapin, SC 29036; (803) 932-3084; maryellen.draper@yahoo.com

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Abbie Cook – 525 Shore Road, Gilbert, SC 29054; (803) 892-2270; cooka@midlandstech.edu

UNIT DEVELOPMENT & REVITALIZATION

Catherine Gail Gibbs, Chairman – PO Box 636, Camden, SC 29021; (803) 425-4346; cathygail@truvista.net

Roberta McKinney – 3708 Happyland Blvd, Mount Pleasant, SC 29466; (843) 884-3110

Brenda Collins – 5 Clingstone Dr, Taylors, SC 29687; (864) 244-8600; brendawcollins@charter.net

VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

Frances Wright, Chairman – 1628 Deep Cove Rd., Gilbert, SC 29054; (803) 892-2917

Terrie Mason – 106 Cannon Brooke Drive, Boiling Springs, SC 29316; (864) 814-1510; Terrie.Mason@spartanburg2.k12.sc.us

FIELD SERVICE (SUB-COMMITTEE OF VA&R)

Roberta McKinney – 3708 Happyland Blvd., Charleston, SC 29464; (843) 884-3110

HOME SERVICE (SUB-COMMITTEE OF VA&R)

Hester Bussey- Chairman – 8710 Evangeline Drive, Apt. 1118, N. Charleston, SC 29420; (843) 437-0990

Carolyn Grant – 3151 Rivers Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29405; (843) 270-3711; carolyngrant97@yahoo.com

VAVS REPRESENTATIVES:

AUGUSTA:

Verian Willingham (Assoc Rep) – PO Box 1132, Clearwater, SC 29822; (803) 593-5690

Linda Smiley (Assoc Rep) – 1825 Bolin Road, North Augusta, SC 29841; (803) 279-5074; linedansmiley@comcast.net

CHARLESTON:

Althea Holmes (Rep) – 7 Poplar Street, Charleston, SC 29403; (843) 723-8884

Diane Harley (Deputy) – 6126 County Line Road, Ravenel, SC 29470; (843) 556-1526; janddharley@bellsouth.net

DORN:

Margarett Henderson (Rep) – 608 Byron Road, Columbia, SC 29209; (803) 457-4738

Theodora Montague (Deputy)– 1632 Malcolm Dr., Columbia, SC 29204; (803) 463-3524; ttmontague@att.net

Sallie Snider (Deputy) – 301 Benton Drive, Sumter, SC 29150; (803) 773-1491

VA GIFT SHOPS (SUB-COMMITTEE OF VA&R)

CAMPBELL:

Terrie Mason, Chairman – 106 Cannon Brooke Drive, Boiling Springs, SC 29316; (864) 814-1510; Terrie.Mason@spartanburg2.k12.sc.us

Cinda DeHart, Vice Chairman – 615 Pleasant Pointe, Spartanburg, SC 29301; (864) 576-8562; cindadehart@vzw.blackberry.net

CHARLESTON:

Diane Harley, Chairman – 6126 County Line Road, Ravenel, SC 29470; (843) 556-1526; janddharley@bellsouth.net

Barbara Evans, Vice Chairman – 1552 A Brookbank Ave, Charleston, SC 29412; (843) 209-7456; BAR-BOQ@bellsouth.net

Althea Holmes – 7 Poplar Street, Charleston, SC 29403; (843) 723-8884

DORN:

Theodora Montague, Chairman – 1632 Malcolm Dr., Columbia, SC 29204; (803) 463-3524; ttmontague@att.net

Margarett Henderson, Vice Chairman – 608 Byron Road, Columbia, SC 29209; (803) 457-4738

TUCKER:

Carolyn Jones, Chairman – 710 Isaac Street, Columbia, SC 29203; (803) 754-0370; carolynjones@bellsouth.net

Reba Goodwin – 4209 Hard Scrabble Road Columbia SC 29223; (803)788-8358

VICTORY HOUSE:

June Day, Chairman – 506 Carolina Circle, Walterboro, SC 29488; (843) 538-2776; jmjdav@lowcountry.com

Jeanette Trammell – 2256 Sidney's Road, Walterboro, SC 29488; (843) 538-5164

Joanne Boone – 11358 Sidney's Road, Round O, SC 29474; (843) 835-2135; jaboone@lowcountry.com.

AD-HOC FUNDRAISER COMMITTEE

Jean Testruth, Chairman – PO Box 544, Lexington, SC 29071 ;(803) 609-8341; mjtestruth@windstream.net

Dot Tunstall – 159 Corley Mill Rd., Lexington, SC 29072; (803) 356-2170; dottun57@peoplepc.com

Linda Griffith – 3963 Brutus Pass, West Columbia, SC 29170; (803) 359-1278; Linda_Griffith@aol.com

AD-HOC ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Mary Hazelton – PO Box 284, Lexington, SC 29071; (803) 359-3392

Brenda Collins – 5 Clingstone Dr, Taylors, SC 29687; (864) 244-8600; brendawcollins@charter.net

AD-HOC BULLETIN PROOFREADERS

Maureen Moore – 1004 Hillsdale Dr., Little River, SC 29566; (843) 427-4705; mmoore521@hotmail.com

Brenda Collins – 5 Clingstone Drive, Taylors, SC 29687; (864) 244-8600; brendawcollins@charter.net

AD-HOC HOSTESSES FOR NATIONAL GUESTS

DISTINGUISHED GUEST COMMITTEE

Margarett Henderson – 608 Byron Road, Columbia, SC 29209; (803) 457-4738

Theodora Montague – 1632 Malcolm Drive, Columbia, SC 29204; (803)754-7769; ttmontague@att.net

Calendar 2011-2012

District and Zone meetings will begin at 10:00 AM.

June 12-18, 2011 – Palmetto Girls State, Presbyterian College – Clinton, SC

June 25, 2011 – President & Secretary Workshop – Office

August 13, 2011– 1:00PM - Plan of Work Workshop- Department Chairman – at Office
107 A Legion Plaza Rd., Columbia, SC

August 13, 2011 – 1:00PM — Zone and District Presidents and VP's - at Office

August 26-Sept 1, 2011 - National American Legion Auxiliary Convention – Minneapolis, MN

September 10, 2011 Zone 3 Meeting – Irmo/St. Andrews Unit 174 – 801 Piney Woods Rd., Columbia
VP Carolyn Grant – (843) 270-3711 (ok with Unit)

September 17, 2011—Girls State Workshop—10: a.m.—at Office—**All Chairman to attend**

September 24,2011—Gold Star Mothers Luncheon—More Information to follow.

October 1, 2011 - r2r—Registration opens at 7:a.m.—need to be at Stations 6:30 a.m.

October 8, 2011 Zone 2 Meeting –Spartanburg 28 (ok with Unit)
VP Terrie Mason –(864) 814-1510

October 9-12, 2011 – Presidents –Secretary Conference – Indianapolis, IN

November 5, 2011 Zone 4 Meeting –Camden Unit 17 (ok with Unit)
VP Nancy Jordan (803) 730-7754

November 12, 2011 Zone 1 Meeting – Aiken Unit 212 (ok with Unit)
VP Julia Stone –(803) 278-3798

December 1 & 2, 2011– Johnson VA Hospital Gift Shop – Charleston, SC

December 5 & 6, 2011 – Dorn VA Hospital Gift Shop – Columbia, SC

December 5 & 6, 2011 – Richard Campbell VA Nursing Home Gift Shop – Anderson, SC

December 5 & 6, 2011 – Veterans Victory House VA Nursing Home Gift Shop – Walterboro, SC

December 9, 2011 - Christmas Drop-in – 1:-4: - Office – 107 A Legion Plaza Rd. Columbia, SC

January 20-2, 2012 Mid-Winter Conference - Myrtle Beach, SC
Myrtle Beach Hilton 1- 843-449-5000

February 11, 2012 - District 4,5,6,7 Meeting -Unit 71 N. Augusta
Dist. 4 Pres. Sandy Nalley (803) 441-8587

February 18, 2012 - District 8,9,10 – Unit 130 Cayce -402 N Ave., Cayce, SC 29033
Dist. 9 Pres. Sarah Clinton

February 26 – 29, 2012 – **Awareness Assembly – Washington, DC**

March 5,6, & 7, 2012—**National President’s Visit** – Luncheon will be scheduled so plan to attend
More information to follow when plans are complete.

March 10, 2012 - District 11,12,13,14 Meeting - Unit 186 Little River -
Dist. 14 Pres. Sally Steele (843) 650-3587

April 14, 2012 - District 1, 2, 3 Meeting -Unit 166 – Goose Creek
Dist. 3 Pres. Brenda McDonald (864) 462-7992

May 4-6, 2012 National Membership Conference – Indianapolis

June 1-3, 2012 ALA Department of SC Convention - Greenville, SC
Hyatt Regency 1-800-233-1234

District and Zone Meeting Subject to Change

ALL WORKSHOPS TO BE HELD AT: 107 a Legion Plaza Rd.
Columbia, SC 29210



American Legion Auxiliary

Empowering Women, Inspiring Communities

DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
107 A LEGION PLAZA ROAD
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29210

TELEPHONE 803.772.6366
FAX 803.772.6284
E-MAIL auxaladsc@att.net

Memorials

Please send a list of names of any of your members who have passed away since June 2010 so they can be properly remembered during the American Legion Auxiliary Memorial Service on Friday January 20, 2011 during the Department Convention.

Unit Name and Number _____

Names of Deceased Members January 2011 – December 31, 2011

- | | |
|----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 12. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 14. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 15. _____ |
| 8. _____ | 16. _____ |

**Please return this form by January 15, 2012 to Louise at the above address.
She will then send a compiled list to Anne Parker, Department Chaplain.**

All Auxiliary members are also invited to attend The American Legion Post Everlasting and Religious Service which will be held on Friday, January 20, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.



**UNIT POPPY ORDER FORM
2010/2011**

By Convention action, 1996, ALL UNITS are required to order a minimum of 100 poppies. Department Standing Rule # 16... "Every Unit is required to purchase a minimum of 100 poppies."

*Please remember that orders need to be in Department Headquarters no later than **November 30, 2011**. No deliveries to Units are guaranteed after this date.*

PRICE: \$110.00 per 1,000 poppies. Or, \$20.00 per 100 poppies

A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed for # _____ poppies.

Check # _____ Order Received at Department on _____.

Please mail poppies to:

Name: _____

Address: _____
(No P.O. Box delivery, PLEASE)

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone # (including area code): _____

Date: _____ Ordered by: _____

Unit Name and #: _____

***DONATIONS:** Our Unit will **NOT** be ordering poppies this year. However, a donation to the Poppy Program is enclosed in the amount of \$ _____ (must be at least \$20.00)

Return order by November 30, 2011 to:

American Legion Auxiliary
Department of South Carolina
107 -A Legion Plaza Rd.
Columbia, SC 29210

** If you have any questions please call Department Headquarters at 803.772-6366**

American Legion Auxiliary
Department of South Carolina
107 A Legion Plaza Road
Columbia, SC 29210

BLANKET FIDELITY BOND

The American Legion Auxiliary National Organization has a Blanket Fidelity Bond # JC 1079822.
This bond automatically covers ALL members and employees of the organization at every level. The original of the policy is retained at National Headquarters.

This fidelity bond covers loss through larceny, embezzlement, theft, forgery, misappropriation, willful misapplication or any other act of fraud or dishonesty, caused by any member/employee to sustain a loss and to enrich herself or another person. The coverage of this bond shall not apply to any member/employee that the insured has knowledge or information has committed any fraudulent or dishonest act in the service of the insured or otherwise.

SPECIAL NOTE: THIS BOND DOES NOT COVER LOSS, MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE, BURGLARY, OR ROBBERY.

Unit Bond Premium - \$6.00 per Year-2011-2012 **Due by November 30, 2011**

Enclosed is a check in the Amount of \$ _____ Check # _____

Unit Name and Number _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Date _____

Please send the entire form (and keep a copy for the Unit) to:

American Legion Auxiliary
Department of South Carolina
107 A Legion Plaza Road
Columbia, SC 29210

UNIT DISTRIBUTION FORM

Unit Name and Number: _____

Date: _____ Unit Sec/Treas: _____

(Ladies: Please put the fund you will be donating to on the memo line of your check so we will be sure to get it to the right place. Please send one (1) check- all of this money is deposited into the VA Account

VA Gift Shops

To Be Divided Among Gift Shops.....\$ _____

Bingo prizes, parties, special needs

Dorn.....\$ _____

Campbell.....\$ _____

Johnson.....\$ _____

Tucker Center.....\$ _____

Victory House\$ _____

VA Comfort Items

Dorn.....\$ _____

Johnson.....\$ _____

Victory House\$ _____

Tucker Center.....\$ _____

Augusta.....\$ _____

Dorn Spouse House.....\$ _____

Fisher House.....\$ _____

AEF (Memorial or Non-Memorial).....\$ _____

Cavalcade of Memories.....\$ _____

Chapel of Four Chaplains.....\$ _____

Children's Organ Transplant Association (COTA).....\$ _____

Child Welfare Foundation (Memorial or Non-Memorial)... ..\$ _____

Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge.....\$ _____

Habitat for Humanity.....\$ _____

Homeless Veterans.....\$ _____

r2r (Ride 2 Recovery – Wounded Warriors).....\$ _____

Spirit of Youth.....\$ _____

Support Our Troops\$ _____

USO.....\$ _____

Veterans Creative Arts Festival.....\$ _____

Women in Military Service (WIMSA).....\$ _____

Other (please name).....\$ _____

**American Legion Auxiliary
Department of South Carolina
Bulletin Subscription Form**

NOTE: The following people will automatically receive a bulletin by regular mail: Unit President, Unit Secretary/Treasurer, Department Officers, Department Chairmen and Past Department Presidents.

If you do not fall under one of the above and would like to receive a mailed copy of the Bulletin for the amount of \$15.00 per year, please fill out the subscription below and mail with a check attached to:

The American Legion Auxiliary
Department of South Carolina
107 A Legion Plaza Road
Columbia, SC 29210

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone: _____ Check Amount : _____

UNIT NAME & NUMBER: _____

If you would like to have the Bulletin e-mailed or faxed to you, please complete the following:

NAME: _____

FAX#: _____ EMAIL: _____

UNIT NAME & NUMBER: _____