



# What's Happening May 2022

**May – Poppy Month – National Poppy Day is May 27<sup>th</sup>.** The little red Memorial Poppy, an emblem of sacrifice, serves a three-fold purpose; it is an expression of the gratitude of this country to those who fought to keep America free. Disabled Veterans in VA facilities are paid to make the Poppies and monies received from the distribution of Poppies is placed in Restricted Funds to be used only in assisting Veterans and their families.

**May is also National Mental Health Awareness Month.** It is a time to raise awareness of those living with mental or behavioral health issues and to help reduce the stigma so many experience. Suicide Prevention, The Veterans Crisis Line is 1-800-273-8255 – press 1

**Poppies** – Poppy Day is May 27<sup>th</sup>. Poppy Report Forms and funds are due to Department June 1<sup>st</sup>. We have the opportunity again this year to distribute Poppies at the Lincoln City Outlet Mall. Dates are May 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29 & 30. If you wish to participate, please reach out to our chairman Dianne Standing.

**Convention** – June 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> in Aloha at Post #104, 20325 SW Alexander Street, Aloha, OR and at the Beaverton Elks, 3464 SW 106<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Beaverton, OR. Make sure to get your hotel and meal reservations done. Delegate information will go out the first week of May.

**National Convention 2022** – The American Legion Auxiliary 101<sup>st</sup> National Convention. August 26-September 1, 2022, in Milwaukee, WI

**Department Officer Elections** - With Convention around the corner, Department is planning for officer elections. We have received endorsement letters from Debra Godwin for Department President, Catherine Brockmann and Cindy Soria for Department Vice President.

Department officers must maintain their primary residency within the state of Oregon.

**Unit Elections – Officer Installation Report** – Units are in the process of nominating and electing unit officers. Once your officers are installed, please send the Installation form with your officers' information to Department so that the Department Roster can be updated.

**National President's Visit – May 16-19.** NP Kathy Daudistel will be visiting Oregon. We will have her visit schedule available soon and will send that out to everyone.

**Membership** – Oregon is in 4th place in the West. You still have time to pay your 2022 dues if you haven't already.

TEAM OREGON, WE are just 38 membership dues away from hitting the 95% goal by May 27<sup>th</sup> and 243 membership away from making Nationals 100% goal. **WE CAN DO THIS!!**

If your unit has not turned in your Unit Data Form to Department, we will start calling you for the information.

**Girls State / Boys State** – June 12-18<sup>th</sup> at Western Oregon University. After two years off, we are ready to get back to it. Reach out to your High School Juniors. This program can be the experience of a lifetime.

**National Commander Paul Dillard** – Will be visiting Oregon June 19-22<sup>nd</sup>. This will be the week of our Department Convention

### **DISTRICT 1**

District President Catherine Brockmann,  
District Vice Debra Ashe

\*District Caucus May 14<sup>th</sup> at Seaside #99

### **DISTRICT 2**

District President Gregoria Hernandez  
District Vice Glenna Smith

\*District Caucus May 15<sup>th</sup> at McMinnville #21

### **DISTRICT 3**

District President Roberta ‘Bobbi’ Peebler  
District Vice Suzanne ‘Sue’ Driver

\*District Caucus May 14 at Santiam #51

### **DISTRICT 4**

District President Donna Hartwell  
District Vice Pamela Mize

### **DISTRICT 5**

District President Ginny Williams  
District Vice Denise Mitchell

\*District Caucus May 7<sup>th</sup> Madras

### **DISTRICT 6**

District President Maggie LaMont  
District Vice Mary Ward

\*District Caucus May 14<sup>th</sup> Baker City #41

### **DISTRICT 7**

\*District Caucus May 17<sup>th</sup> Milwaukie #180

### **DISTRICT 8**

District President Trudie McGriff  
District Vice Barb Sumner

\*District Caucus May 17<sup>th</sup> Milwaukie #180

### **DISTRICT 9**

District President Frankie Trask  
District Vice Betty Adams

\*District Caucus June 4<sup>th</sup> at Roseburg #16

### **DISTRICT 10**

District President Linda Schmidt  
District Vice Shirley Torrey

\*District Caucus May 14<sup>th</sup> Ontario Post #67

### **Upcoming 2022 Dates:**

**May 8<sup>th</sup> – Mother’s Day**

**May 16-19 – National Presidents Visit**

**May 23<sup>rd</sup> – 30 days to Convention**

**May 27<sup>th</sup> – 95% Armed Force Day Award**

**May 30<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day – Office CLOSED**

**June 12-18 – Girls State & Boys State**

**June 22-25 – Department Convention**

### **Link to the Oregon Legionnaire**

<https://orlegion.org/media/oregon-legionnaire/>

