

What's Happening February 2023

February – Americanism Month. Americanism is a fundamental value of the American Legion Auxiliary. Our Preamble states 'To foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism.." Contact schools and teach our youth about flag history, etiquette and proper disposal methods. Encourage participation in the Americanism Essay Contest. Participate in the promotion of the American Legion Americanism programs.

Department President visits – President Debra will be visiting Unit #6 Feb 7th, Unit #2 March 4th, Unit #34 March 11th and Unit #1 March 15th. If you would like to schedule a visit, just fill out the form or contact Department to save your date.

National President – Vickie Koutz will be making a short stop in Oregon on March 29th-30th. There will be a dinner at McMinnville Post 21 on the 29th and Oregon Trail Post 150 on the 30th. Hillsboro Unit 6 will be hosting a tea on the 30th. Information will be going out soon with the visit schedule and dinner reservation forms. We hope that many of you will be able to attend. This is open to the Legion Family.

Membership – Thank you to everyone that has paid their 2023 dues. If you have not paid yet, your membership expired December 31, 2022. Second renewal notices will go out February 1st. If your dues reached Department after January 3rd, you will still receive the renewal notice in the mail, please disregard the notice.. This is because National has about a 30-day window from when they pull the information for printing the notices, before they hit the mail. If you are a unit, District or Department officer, it is important that you get your dues paid.

Your dues can be paid to your unit, by phone to National (317) 569-4570 or online at www.alaforveterans.org, then click the renew button.

When paying online, Please make sure that you are on the ALA Renewal website.

Spring DEC – Will be held April 14th -16th at Redmond Post #44. 704 SW 8th Street, Redmond, OR.

Round-up – The District 5 annual Round-up will be held March 17th -18th at Crook County Post #29. Information will be coming out very soon.

Thinking of running for Dept Office? M. ELECTION OF DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

1. Announcements of candidacy to Department and District Officers shall be identified to Department Headquarters staff by February 1st preceding the Department Convention.

2. Candidates may include experience and qualifications gained in organizations other than the American Legion Auxiliary (1950).

 Department Candidates letters are to be distributed only to Department Officers, District Presidents, and the Department Secretary.
The consent of a candidate must be obtained before they are endorsed for Department or National office.

Department Convention – **PLEASE** mark your calendars, as the date for convention has changed in 2023. It will be held June 14-17th 2023 at the Mill Casino in North Bend. Fun activities are being planned. STAY TUNED!

The Battle for Iwo Jima – February 19, 1945-March 26, 1945, was a major battle in which the US Marine Corps and the US Navy landed on and eventually captured the island of Iwo Jima from the Imperial Japanese Army during WWII.

DISTRICT 1

District President Dianne Standing District Vice Sheri Russell

District Mtg – March 11th @ St. Helens Post #42 Caucus – May 13th @ Seaside Post #99

DISTRICT 2

District President Kim Johnson District Vice Glena Smith

District mtg – March 5th @ Canby Post #122 Caucus – May 7th @ Salem Post #136

DISTRICT 3

District President Roberta 'Bobbi' Peebler District Vice Suzanne 'Sue' Driver

District mtg – March 11th @ Newport #116 Caucus – May 13th @ Lebanon Post #51

DISTRICT 4

District President Cheryl Martin District Vice – Martha Smith

District mtg – Caucus – April 22nd @ Grants Pass #28

DISTRICT 5

District President Ginny Williams District Vice Karen Banks

District Mtg – Caucus – May 13th @ Crook County Post #29

DISTRICT 6 District President Maggie LaMont District Vice Mary Ward

District Mtg -

DISTRICT 7 Vacant

DISTRICT 8

District President Trudie McGriff District Vice Angie McKinney

District Mtg – Caucus – May 16th @ Portland Post #1

DISTRICT 9

District President Frankie Trask District Vice Betty Adams

District Mtg – March 18th @ Roseburg #16 Caucus – May 20th @ N. Bend Post #34

DISTRICT 10

District President Linda Schmidt District Vice Shirley Torrey

District Meeting – February 11th - Canceled Caucus – May 6th @ Prairie City Post #106

Upcoming 2022/2023 Dates:

February 18th – Dept Oratorial Post #51

April 14-16th – Spring DEC – Redmond Post #44

March 17-18th – Round-up, Crook County #29

May 6-9th - DLNC

June 14-17, 2023 - Convention - Mill Casino

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline – Dial 988 press 1

Link to the Oregon Legionnaire https://orlegion.org/media/oregon-legionnaire/

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when you help your

team become

successful. Remember

leadership is not

about you, it's all

about the people you

serve.

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