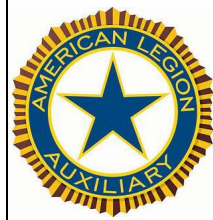




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February 2024



Department Of Oregon American Legion Axillary HQ.

Americanism Month

History

Did you know that February is Americanism Month. This month try and present the flags and flag etiquette to all schools and youth near you. Remember, honoring and saluting our flag we demonstrate affection for our nation, fellow citizens, and the proud future we share.

Another important thing to remember is "The Americanism Essay Contest" and the essays are due by 3/31/2024. Here is the link for all Americanism information on our national website:

<https://member.legion-aux.org/member/committees/americanism>

If you have any questions, please contact:

Sheri Russell our Department Americanism chairman

PH: 503-407-3116

Email: sheri.russell1@gmail.com



Cindy Soria: Vice President / Membership Department of Oregon 2023/2024

Our Membership in Auxiliary

Hello ALA members don't forget our next Goal date deadline for membership is March 15th, 2024. It's important to renew your membership for 2024. Those who haven't renewed since 2021 will become former members on January 31st, and those who haven't renewed since 2022 will become expired members.

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.

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Presidents Day

February 19, 2024

Washington's Birthday is a U.S. federal holiday celebrated on the third Monday of February in honor of George Washington, the first president of the United States. Increasingly, the holiday has become an occasion to celebrate the birthdays of both President George Washington and President Abraham Lincoln.



2024 Round – Up at District #5



March 15th & 16th, 2024

Where: District #5, Crook County Post #29

Address: 405 N. Main St. Prineville, OR 97754

Time: Saturdays Meeting starts @1:00P.M.

The Post would like everyone to order your meals in advance by March 5th, 2024.

See Flyer for information.

Thank you.

Department President Visits:



On February 1st Unit #180 Milwaukie will be seeing President Catherine.

Also on February 3rd, Unit #51 will see a visit from President Catherine.

Scheduling a visit for this year is not too late. If you wish to schedule a visit, you can either complete the form or contact the Department to reserve your preferred date.

Thank you.

Office hours: Monday - Friday 8am to 4:30pm

National President Visits:

On April 8th - 11th our National President will make it visit, she only coming this year. More details will come soon.





What's Happening



Chaplin Day



On February 3rd is the 81st anniversary of the sinking of the United States Army Transport (USAT) Dorchester and the legendary acts of selflessness by four U.S. Army chaplains who were onboard. Four Chaplains Day was designated by Congress to honor these men for their devotion and sacrifice.

VA & R Donations Needed

Our ALA Canby Unit # 122 is needing any assistance:

Who: ALA Unit # 122

What: We will be pre-wrapping the shoe boxes. We need Christmas paper, and shoe boxes.

When: Wednesday, February 21st, 2024, at 1:00 P.M.

Where: American Legion Post #122

We hope we can do this every other month for Portland VA Hospital Christmas Gift Shop.

If you would like to help - just bring scissors, something to drink and let's have some fun.

If you have any questions, please contact:

**Loyal Hjelmervik
ALA Unit 122 President
PH: 503-826-5877**

Junior Patch Lunch & Learn Webinar



Who: Junior Patch Program

What: Learn Webinar, being hosted by National. **Can sign up by going to <https://bit.ly/422sjmf>**

When: February 8, 2024 @ 9:00am **(East Coast Time)**

Children & Youth

Let's support Veterans and youth by

- Coordinate with Family Readiness Groups for button distribution during family days.
- Coordinate with Legion Family members on local community days/fairs etc.
- Have an activity day/dinner for military families at your post home.



If you have any questions, please contact:

Angelina McKinney our Department Children & Youth Chairman

PH : 503-284-8777 / 971-806-8696
Email : angelmic71@gmail.com

Girls State

2023-2024



Reminder Girls State we will happen this year. More information soon to come. If you have any questions, please contact:

**Connie Smith
Girls State Director of Oregon
PH: 503-807-1603
Email: connieug46@gmail.com**



What's Happening



Birthdays in February

For Our Dept. Officers & chairman Wishing you a happy birthday!!!

Patsy Sakraida Unit #50

Tracy Peets Unit 6



Up Coming Dates 2024:

- Feb 2nd - Ground Hog Day
- Feb 3rd - Chaplain Day
- Feb 10th - Chinese Day
- Feb 11th - Super Bowl Sunday
- Feb 12th - Lincoln's B-day
- Feb 14th - Valentines Day
- Feb 20th - Presidents Day
- Feb 22nd - Washington's B-Day
- Feb 29th - Leap Year
- March 1st - Scholarship Deadline
- March 15th - Membership goal by 8.5%
- March 15th - Americanism Essays are due.
- March 15th & 16th - District 5 Round up.
- April 8 - 11th - National President Visit
- April 20-21 - **Spring DEC (John Day)**
- April 27th - **Family Fun Day**
- June 12-15 - **Department Convention**
- June 23-29th - **Girl's State**
- August 23-29th - **National Convention (New Orleans)**

National Convention 2024



The National Convention will be in New Orleans this year. So, mark your Callender's for this event and start preparing. More details soon to come down the road.

Dates: August 23rd - 29th

DISTRICT 1

District President Dianne Standing

District Vice Sheri Russell

District Mtg - March 16th @ Hillsboro Post #6

DISTRICT 2

District President Gregoria Hernandez

District Vice - **Vacant**

District mtg - Feb 3rd @ Salem 136

DISTRICT 3

District President Roberta 'Bobbi' Peebler

District Vice Suzanne 'Sue' Driver

District mtg - March 9th @Eugene Post 3

DISTRICT 4

District President Patricia "Patsy" Sakraida

District Vice Bonnie Smith

District Mtg - TBD

DISTRICT 5

District President Ginny Williams

District Vice Karen Banks

District Mtg - Feb 3rd @ Prineville

DISTRICT 6

District President Maggie LaMont

District Vice Mary Ward

District Mtg - March 23rd

DISTRICT 7

Vacant

DISTRICT 8

District President Trudie McGriff

District Vice Tawnya Lege

District Mtg - January 16th @ Oregon Trail #150

DISTRICT 9

District President Frankie Trask

District Vice - **Vacant**

District Mtg - Jan 7th @ Fallin Post#123

DISTRICT 10

District President Linda Schmidt

District Vice Shirley Torrey

District Meeting -Feb 3rd @ John Day Elks Club