

Department Of Oregon American Legion Axillary HQ.

Community Service Month

Did you know that March is Community Service Month. The purpose of the Community Service Committee is to promote the American Legion Auxiliary's commitment to making our communities better places to live by supporting local service projects.

What you can do:

- Become visible within your community, Get involved in Community Service projects. Bringing awareness of our mission to support Veterans, Service Members, their families, and community.
- Get involved in your neighborhood by volunteering at the local Food Pantry, Library, Nursing Homes, Domestic Violence Shelter, Senior Citizen Centers, and Assisted Living Centers.
- Attend and represent the Auxiliary at special community celebrations and events.

If you have any questions, please contact: Margie DeMoss our Department Community Service chairman

PH: 541-501-6764 Email: <u>Margies2email@gmail.com</u>





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 are now former members. Members not renewed since 2022 are now expired members.

April 1st,2024 is the last day for any changes to reflect on 2025 preprinted membership cards from National such as New Members and name changes.

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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What's Happening



Navy Reserve Birthday

March 3, 2024

Happy birthday to the Navy Reserve! Here's to many more years of being Ready Now, Anytime, anywhere!

Created in response to the outbreak of World War I, legislation for the creation of the Naval Reserve Force was passed on March 3, 1915. Since then, Naval Reservists have served in every major war the United States has fought in. As of December 2014, 17,687 reservists were serving either Individual Ready Reserves or Selected Reserve Sailors.



Reminder

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.

Department President Visits:



On March 20th Unit #1 Portland will be seeing President Catherine.

Also on April 6th, Unit #51 will see President Catherine for Oratorical Conest.

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:

April 7th – 11th our National President will



The Post would like everyone to order your meals in advance by March 5^{h} ,2024.

See Flyer for information.

Thank you.

National Tresident will make her visit to
Oregon. Tentative scheduled stops include
Eugene, Florence, Coos
Bay, and Roseburg. More detailed dates and times coming soon.

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Medal of Honor Day



On March 25th National Medal of Honor Day is observed to foster public appreciation and recognition of Medal of Honor Recipients. The Medal of Honor is awarded only to US military personnel by the President of the United States in the name of Congress for personal acts of valor above and beyond the call of duty. There are three versions of the Medal of Honor: one for the Army, one for the Navy, and one for the Air Force: Personnel of the Marine Corps and the Coast Guard receive the Navy version.

Farewell To Our Unit #63 District 10 Vice President Shirley Torey

We are sad to announce that Shirely Torrey will be leaving us all. She has decided to move to Parsons, Kansas to be with her family and will be leaving in the middle of March.

We all wish her the best of luck and thank her for being a part of our organization and you will be missed here in Oregon.

If you would like to reach out to her, please contact:

Shirley Torrey Email: <u>shirleytorrey16@gmail.com</u> PH: 541-589-2468

Membership Training



Do you need training? Or would you like to learn and refresh your memory on membership? This Spring we will be training if you like to join us.

Who: Dani Gonzales & Cindy Soria

What: Membership Training

When: April 20th, 2024 @ 2:00-4:00 pm

Where: John Day, Spring DEC If you are able to attend training, please let us know by April 15th, 2024, to department email: alamembership@alaoregon.org

Thank you

Children & Youth

Let's support Veterans and youth by

 Coordinate with Family Readiness
 Groups for button
 distribution
 during family



Girls State 2023-2024

Reminder Girls State is happening this year. All forms are posted on



- 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 : <u>angelmic71@gmail.com</u> the ALA Department of Oregon website.

https://alaoregon.org/

When: June 23rd – June 29th, 2024

Where: Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

Application Deadline is May15, 2024 to apply.

Connie Smith Girls State Director of Oregon PH: 503-807-1603 Email: <u>connieug46@gmail.com</u>

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Birthdays in March

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



Up Coming Dates 2024:

- March 1st Scholarship Deadline
- March 3rd Navy Reserve Birthday
- March 5th Last day to RSVP Round up meals.
- March 15th Membership goal by 85%
- March 15th Americanism Essays are due.
- March 15th & 16th District 5 Round up.
- March 17th St. Patrick's Day
- March 29th Vietnam Veterans Day
- April 7th 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 – May 4^{th} @ Post 57 Caucus

DISTRICT 3

District President Roberta 'Bobbi' Peebler

District Vice Suzanne 'Sue' Driver

District mtg - March 9th @Eugene Post 3

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 -March 19th @ Portland #1

DISTRICT 4

District President Patricia "Patsy" Sakraida

District Vice Bonnie Smith

District Mtg - April 27th @ Grants Pass Post 28 @ 1PM

DISTRICT 5

District President Ginny Williams

District Vice Karen Banks

District Mtg - March 16th @ Post 29 Prineville / ROUND UP!!!

DISTRICT 9

District President Frankie Trask

District Vice - Vacant

District Mtg - March 9th @ Earle R. Stewart Unit 16

DISTRICT 10

District President Linda Schmidt

District Vice Shirley Torrey - Best of Luck Shirley!

District Meeting - April 27th @ Ontario Veterans' Hall @ 10AM