



American Legion
Auxiliary
Department of Ohio

MID-WINTER CONFERENCE
Crowne Plaza Columbus North,
Columbus, Ohio
January 9th & 10th , 2015



The American Legion Auxiliary Department of Ohio Mid-Winter Conference will be held January 9th and 10th , 2015 at the Crowne Plaza Columbus North, 6500 Doubletree Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

There are all kinds of exciting things planned for the upcoming Mid-Winter Conference. You'll hear from the Department Chairmen, but this year each attendee will have the opportunity to take part in Training Workshops presented by our National Chairmen. Stay tuned as more specifics become available.

The Department Chairmen will have plenty of brochures and information regarding their programs at the exhibit tables on Friday evening and Saturday morning.

Friday evening's session will open at 6:30 PM. There will be special focus on National Security/Legislative Awareness, plus information from the other committee chairmen. Junior members are invited to attend Friday and Saturday as they will be meeting and working on special projects.

Saturday morning a breakfast buffet will be served prior to the session. During breakfast you will be hearing from a few of the Department Chairmen on some specific projects within their programs. We will reconvene at 8:30 AM with **Four 90-Minute Workshop from the National Training Team**. The Conference will conclude with a special class on Membership given by the team.

For housing reservations, please call (614) 885-1885 or (800) 996-8916 and refer to the American Legion Auxiliary. Rooms are \$98.00 plus tax.

Reservations must be made by **December 28, 2014**. Cancellation of any reservation must be made 48 hours prior to arrival date and confirmed by the hotel cancellation number.

Please plan to attend, enjoy the fun and fellowship, and learn more about the programs of the American Legion Auxiliary.

***"It's All About the Veterans & Ohio Goes Nuts
for Veterans"***





**2015 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE
HOUSING RESERVATIONS**
January 9-10, 2015

***Crowne Plaza Columbus North
6500 Doubletree Ave
Columbus, Ohio 43229***

By Phone (614) 885-1885 or (800) 996-8916

Please call for reservations and refer to the American Legion Auxiliary.

Be sure to ask for a confirmation number and if you need to cancel, please secure a cancellation number.


Single or Double - Price: \$98.00 +16.75% Tax (\$16.42) = \$114.42

Reservation Cut-Off Date – Sunday December 28, 2014

Check-in time is 4:00 PM and checkout time is 12:00 PM. The hotel will assess a \$25.00 late checkout fee to those who choose to checkout after 12:00 PM.

The Crowne Plaza Columbus North has a 100% Non-Smoking Policy, which includes all guest rooms, restaurants, lounges, meeting rooms, public space, and employee work areas. There will be a \$250.00 recovery fee for guests who do not comply.

Directions from I-71: Take the Route 161 Exit #117. Turn West onto Route 161. Turn right on Busch Boulevard. Go three (3) traffic lights to Kingsmill Parkway and turn right. Kingsmill goes directly into the Crowne Plaza Parking Lot.





2015 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

Department Training

Developing Leaders and More Effective Departments

January 9-10, 2015

Department Training (included in Mid Winter Training) January 10th, 2015 Columbus, Ohio

Guest Trainers
National Secretary
Dubbie Buckler
&
National Leadership
Chairman Kathy Dungan



What is Department Training?

The training is a new initiative developed by national ALA leaders in response to what members have said they needed. Sessions will offer in-depth training on key topics such as governance, leadership development, member relations and fostering goodwill, team building and more.

How is Department Training different from Mission Training?

Mission Training focuses on how to “do” the ALA’s mission outreach programs. Department Training is focused on helping develop department – level leaders and better, more effective department operations. This training was designed to augment, not replace Mission Training.

Who will Department Training benefit?

This training will benefit the ALA unit and district members interested in taking on leadership roles and current department leaders eager to learn how to improve their department operations and be more effectively-managed departments.

Each Attendee to Mid Winter Conference will have an opportunity to take part in the training provided. National Leaders will be arriving in Columbus to provide training and information in four 90-Minute Sessions on Saturday, January 10th.

Who is leading the training?

We are pleased to welcome **National Secretary Dubbie Buckler & National Leadership Chairman Kathy Dungan**

Who should attend the training?

All Members.

Mid Winter Department Training Session Includes:

- **Governance & Governing Documents**
- **Developing Financial Practices at the Unit Level and Beyond**
- **Goodwill Hunting-The golden rule in member relations**
- **How to Identify and Develop Leaders – Mentoring the next generation of leaders**



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Developing Financial Practices at the Unit Level and Beyond.

Participants will receive tips and information on developing a budget, setting financial goals, auditing , financial reporting and effective internal controls procedures , finance committee responsibilities

Governance & Governing Documents. Participants will learn these details and more, including ALA's governing documents and best practice advice for Department Executive Committeewomen, to ensure everyone is clear on responsibilities.

How to Identify and Develop Leaders – Mentoring the next generation of leaders.

Ideas will be shared to actively identify , engage and mentor future leaders. Characteristics of successful leadership will be discussed in this module.

Goodwill Hunting – The golden rule in member relations.

We will discuss ways to encourage kindness, gratitude and generosity at Unit meetings in order to develop a productive, enjoyable experience, you will see how empowering a positive behavior diffuses the negative energy.

The Million Member Mile. Taking steps toward the future.

Learn real world ideas for growing membership so we can reach our strategic goal of a million members by 2019. This is a hands-on approach to help you overcome obstacles and grow active membership.

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MID WINTER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Mid-Winter Conference Registration Fee

\$7.00 Per Attendee

A Registration Fee for all attendees is required to cover costs associated with hosting the National Training. Your Registration Fee allows you to attend all General Sessions, to include Four-90 Minute Training Workshops, Membership Training and Training Materials.

Breakfast Buffet

Saturday, January 10, 2015

7:00-8:30 AM a Breakfast Buffet will be served in the meeting room. All are invited to attend. This will be a casual breakfast before the General Session beginning. There will be special presentations made by some the Department Chairmen on their program so make sure you get your ticket

All reservations must be received in Department Headquarters and paid for by December 28, 2014. Make checks payable to American Legion Auxiliary and earmarked Mid-Winter Breakfast. Mail to: American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 2760, Zanesville, Ohio 43702-2760.

DEADLINE: December 28th, 2014 (Tickets are to be picked up in the Department Headquarters Office at the Hotel)

Buckeye Breakfast \$22.00 Per Meal

MENU

*Freshly Scrambled Eggs, Cinnamon French Toast
Crisp bacon, Country Sausage Links, Golden Brown Breakfast Potatoes
Sliced Seasonal Fruit and berries, Assorted Box Cereals with Milk
Assorted Danish, Scones and Muffins,
Assorted chilled premium fruit juices
Coffee and Tea*

This form must be completed and mailed to the Department HQs by December 28th, 2014

Unit Location _____ **Unit Number** _____

Member Name

Conference Registration

\$7.00

\$7.00

\$7.00

\$7.00

Breakfast Ticket

\$22.00


\$22.00

\$22.00

\$22.00

Mail To:
ALA Department of Ohio
PO Box 2760
Zanesville, Ohio 43701

Total Amount Enclosed _____



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Tentative Schedule
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Friday, January 9th, 2015

9:00 AM	Department Finance Committee Meeting
11:00 AM	Department Executive Committee Meeting
5:00-6:30 PM	Program Exhibits
6:30 PM	Mid-Winter Opening-Awareness Assembly Department Chairmen Presentations-Program Reports Junior ALA Meeting
9:15 PM	Unit Membership Reception

Saturday, January 10th, 2015

7:00-8:30 AM	Breakfast Buffet
8:30 PM	Mid-Winter Conference Reconvenes Junior ALA Meeting Membership Skit- District Presidents
9:00 AM	Department Leadership Training- Provided by National
9:00 AM	Training Module #1
10:30 AM	Training Module #2
12:00 Noon	Lunch
1:00 PM	Million Member Mile
1:30 PM	Training Module #3
3:00 PM	Training Module #4
4:30 PM	Closing Remarks

Dress Code:

President Susan has requested everyone wear their Auxiliary Emblem & American Legion Auxiliary Clothing throughout the weekend and While attending