

BULK MAILING FOR JANUARY 2021

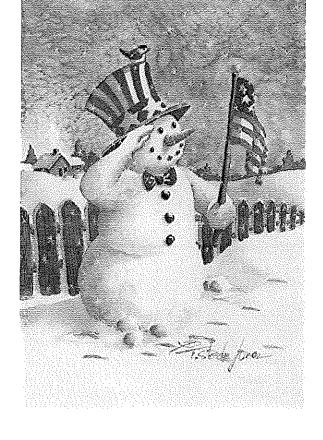
To:

Unit Presidents
District Chairmen
Department Chairmen

Dept. Executive Committee Hospital Representatives & Deputies Past Department Presidents

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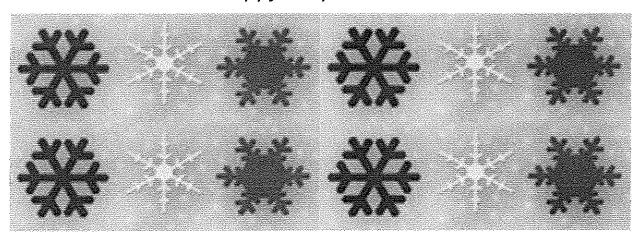
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- Unit Data Form due April 1, 2021



Coming Next Month - Kit of Reports with Impact Report Form

- Junior Convention Information

- Poppy Shop Information





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Greeting Auxiliary Members,

I know that our Auxiliary Units have been working hard on their programs and RACE (ing) for our Veterans. As the NASCAR year begins again on February 14th with the Daytona 500 the Auxiliary 731 is still racing on. Even if your unit is not meeting in person please remember to let your chairman know what you are doing so that time, hours and monetary donations can be credited for the end of year reports.

Mid-Winter Conference will be the weekend of March 12 & 13, 2021. There will be NO Buckeye Girls State information session. Delegate packets will be sent out once completed applications are returned to the office. Be sure to look for the basket raffle and information tables from the Department Chairman. I am looking forward to seeing everyone there and being back together with the other Legion Family groups.

Please make sure to pass on the information for the scholarships that are available through Department and National. Some of the deadlines are just around the corner and we wouldn't want anyone to miss out on the opportunity to apply. All the information as well as the applications are available on the Ohio American Legion Auxiliary website under the scholarship tab.

Please continue to read your plans of actions and bulk mailings and watch for any possible changes that might come out.

Congratulations to the Units that have made goal and I know that several more are awfully close to being goal. Keep up the excellent work on renewing, retaining, and recruiting members.

Keep RACE(ing),

Kristen



From the Office of: Kelly Gibson

Executive Director/Department Secretar
Department of Ohio, Inc.

TO:

Candidates for Department Office

FROM:

Kelly Gibson, Department Secretary

DATE:

January 2021

SUBJECT:

CANDIDATES FOR 2021-2022 DEPARTMENT OFFICES

A Member wishing to be an announced candidate for Department Office must complete and return this form along with their Letter of Intent, to Department Headquarters by May 1st of the year of elections. Unit Presidents are asked to share this information and make this form available to all members upon request.

Announced Candidate for the Office	<u>e of:</u>			
Name of Candidate:				
Address:		Proposition on the second seco		
City:	_State:		Zip:	_
Home Phone:		_ Business Phone:		
Email:		Cell Phone:		
Unit Name:		Unit #:	District #:	
Endorsed by Unit? Yes		Date:	No:	,
Endorsed by District? Yes		Date:	No:	
Signature of Candidate:			Date:	
Return to Department Headquarters	by May	1, 2021:	American Legion Auxiliary PO Box 2760 Zanesville, OH 43702	



Americanism

Happy January 2021!! Hope you all had a great holiday season and you were able to spend time with family and loved ones.

Thank you to <u>all</u> that submitted a Mid-year Report. The Department of Ohio is fortunate to have so many creative minds! So many of you had unique ways to promote Americanism, as well as, Star Spangled Kids during these past challenging months.

Even though our Mid-Winter Conference has been postponed until March 2021, here are a few things to update you all on:

The American Legion Family will be creating another Poppy Wreath for the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Due to restrictions of crowd capacity, only a few members will be asked to meet and build this wreath. As mentioned at SOI, I believe we have enough "toothpicked" Poppies to complete this wreath. (Yay us!!)

Also note that in this mailing there is a copy of the <u>NEW Americanism Essay Contest 2021 Cover Sheet</u>. Please use this for the upcoming Essay Contest.

Raffle Baskets to benefit the A&G Test Trip. Don't forget to bring your extra dollars to Mid-Winter as we will have 16 baskets that you can make an attempt to win. You will be required to put your name on these tickets. If by chance, you have extra mailing labels, you might want to bring them as they can be placed on the tickets for your entry. I would like to try and exceed last year's total of \$2,341.00, but that can only happen with your help and your extra dollars! As of this mailing, I have not heard of this trip being cancelled or delayed. I will have further updates in the future.

The basket themes are as follows:

Baking/Cooking; Movie Night; Men's Basket; Caffeine/Chocolate; Valentine's; World Tour; Sewing Time; Spa; NASCAR; Ice Cream Sundae; Children's; Patriotic; Inspirational/Spiritual; Household Needs; Lottery/Gift Cards; Adult Beverages

Please keep Mary Ann Dull in your prayers. If you'd like to send healing and get well wishes, her address is 407 Phillips Ave, Ashland, OH 44805.

Respectfully, Renee Kohl, ALA Dept. of Ohio, Americanism Chair, 2019-2021

Nobody living can ever stop me as I go walking that freedom highway II



AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST 2021 Cover Sheet

Each year, the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) sponsors an Americanism Essay Contest for students in grades 3-12 including students w/special needs. Grade levels are divided into six classes. One award in each of the six classes will be presented in each division. Winners will receive \$50, and a \$50 donation in the student's name will be made to the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship fund. National winners will be posted at www.ALAforVeterans.org after convention.

Essay Title: "How can we address the health and well-being of our Veterans, Military, and their families?"

No re-submission of a 2019-2020 Essay will be accepted.

Essay Classes:

Class	Grade Level	Word Requirement
1	3 and 4	150-250
11	5 and 6	250-300
III	7 and 8	350-400
IV	9 and 10	450-500
V	11 and 12	450-500
VI	Students with special needs	Word count should correspond with student's grade level.

Essay	Checklist:
	Class competing in Sponsoring ALA Unit Typed or neatly written essay conforming to the word requirement for class Completed essay coversheet as first page of essay Word count of essay Due date for student to return to ALA Unit
То Ве	e Completed by the Student/Parent:
Studer	nt Name:
	ss (Street, City, State, Zip):
E-mail	Address:
Phone	
	Name:
	l City/State:
Teach	er Name and Signature:
	Auxiliary Use Only: (Must be completed for entry to be considered)
	Sponsoring Unit Name/Number:
	Signature of Unit Americanism Chairman:
	Unit winner due to Department on Department:
	Signature of Department Americanism Chairman:
	Unit winner due to Department Americanism Vice Chairman, Mary Ann Dull, 407 Phillips Ave., Ashland, OH 44805 by April 1, 2021

Buckeye Girls State Rene Reese, Director Rgr21@sbcglobal.net

We are looking forward to celebrating 75 years of Buckeye Girls State, at the University of Mount Union, from June 13 – 19, 2021.

As we head into January, I know that Units and members are working to bring together their Girls State Programs. We are happy that we are moving forward and anticipating being at the University of Mount Union in June, but we also know that things are still a little different and we may have to still do things. The Board of Directors will be meeting with the University in February and we will share any changes with all of you. For now, we have reduced our numbers due to housing restrictions at the University, but that could change. Please keep working your programs and please reach out to myself or Vicky in the office if you have questions or concerns.

Since we are not having a workshop because Mid-Winter is in March, there are a few things for you to remember.

**Most important is to be sure to READ the instructions yourself and be familiar with the program.

Contacting Schools -

- Since not all schools are in session, you may have to use other means to reach out to administration. Either by phone or email, and you may have to follow up more than once.
- Remember that the Units still select the delegates and not the school.

After delegates/alternates are selected -

- Be sure to contact each girl. Make sure they know the importance of reading everything in the their packet and that they share it with their parents.
- It is an honor to be selected but it is also a responsibility of each delegate to read their instructions and follow the rules.
- Part of the application needs to be filled out by the school; then the delegates and parents need to sign and then applications are returned back to the Unit.
- The Unit is responsible to sending the completed applications to Vicky. If there is a
 question or problem, please call Vicky as soon as possible.

Finally – if you have never volunteered at Girls State, but think you might be interested, please contact Vicky in the office. We welcome new staff and hope to see some of you there this year.

THINGS TO REMEMBER – FROM THE COORDINATOR – Vicky Buck

- Due date for the applications is March 1, 2021 at the \$275.00 price. If you wait until after that date the price goes up to \$300.00.
- Remember, we are adjusting the number of delegates attending this year, so get those applications in early!
- Waitlist will start as soon as all applications are sold and then applications will be on a first come, first serve basis.
- Once you get your applications, they are due back in our office April 1, 2021 with the
 delegate's information. The sooner we get them back, the sooner they get their
 delegate packet.
- Delegate packets will begin going out March 1, 2021.
- On-line orientation will not be ready until March 15, 2021. If delegates take the
 orientation prior to that date, their orientation will be deleted, and they will need to
 retake it.
- We will post to the website <u>www.buckeyegirlsstate.org</u> any information and updates to the program. As you send in your delegate and alternate applications, you can see them in the "Search Delegate Database" section.
- Please call me with any questions you or your delegates may have, (740) 452-8245.

CHAPLAIN
Carol T. Robinson
abernia@aol.com
937-602-9365

Happy New Year! I pray that you and your families had a safe/restful,/blessed Holiday Season. The past year was full of unexpected challenges and may have tested your faith, but remember God Loves You, and he hears your prayers.

Thank you to the Chaplains who sent in a Mid-Year report and bless you for reaching out to your members through telephone calls, visits, and cards. Keep up the excellent work!

A few reminders:

Each Unit, County, or District (Seniors and Juniors) are asked to make a prayer or devotional books to give to the VA Medical Centers and/or Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs), nursing homes, etc. Remember to always get permission before dropping off the books!

If you have nowhere to take your books, bring them to Mid-Winter, and I will make sure the books are distributed.

➤ "Love Packages." - collecting Christian Literature (new or used): Bibles, Sunday School curriculum, Christian books and paperbacks, daily devotionals, magazines, CDs, DVDs, etc. The items will be sent to missionaries and ministries worldwide to use in their work, furthering the gospel of Christ.

The New Freedom Church of Lebanon, OH, is the Regional Collection Center in Southwest and Central Ohio for Love Packages. Visit www.lovepackages.org for more information about this international ministry based in Butler, IL.

I will have a table at our Mid-Winter conference for donations.

Keep track of your hours, items donated, and monetary donations for the above items. When you write your narrative at the end of the year, mention what you did but report your numbers under community service or another program. Why? The Chaplain report stays local, but National needs to know the time, items, money, and effort you put forward to assist your communities and veterans.

Any questions, please reach out!

God Opens Doors

Just a reminder that he's still on the throne!

When God leads you to the edge of the cliff, trust Him fully and let go, only 1 of 2 things will happen, either He'll catch you when you fall, or He'll teach you how to fly!

The power of one sentence!
"God closes doors no man can open, and God opens doors no man can close."

DEPARTMENT OF OHIO CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS January Mailing

This has been a remarkable year for all patriots. Anyone that has taken part in assembling their constitution, been a committee member or served on a board has a personal love for ethics, patriotism, and democracy.

Congratulations to the unit chairman in Ohio! They have certainly shown their true colors and let their hearts show through for the organization and themselves. We have had a few chairmen this year of units that thought they could not do it. That they could not re-write, correct, or totally put together a Constitution. These members and others got the assistance they needed via email, texts, phone calls, snail mail and hard copies in order to see it through. THEY DID IT!

We held an annual school of Instructions at which members were invited to take part of the Leadership meeting being held. Constitution and Bylaws was one of the topics that session. We assembled materials and pertinent information, examples, tokens, and held a question and answer session before sending them on their way. We also set up an Information Table in the foyer. During this time, several Constitutions were received to peruse for approval.

Together with a committee of myself and three additional members, including the Parliamentarian, we went through the Department of Ohio Constitution, line by line for needed changes and additions. Copies were then distributed to the Department Executive Board for their perusal. As COVID-19 became a stronger threat in our daily lives; our meetings were halted; and we have yet to complete this task.

Continue to improve your documents for this year. Mail is slow so do not wait till the last minute. Try to remember to practice what you preach. I have received some great work from the unit members and hope to see some more.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR 2021!

I hope that you and your family and unit members are well as we embrace a new year.

A quick reminder of what the ALA HISTORY program is about:

H - History

I - Includes

S - Stories

T - Told

O – **Of**

R - Relevant

Y - Years

I have been asked "What do I need to do in the History program"? That's a great question. Each year as your unit does their programs, has their activities virtually or in person, this is the HISTORY that should be recorded.

The easiest and simplest way to archive your history is to gather all the reporting from ALL your other programs. And do a summary of each one that would then be a narrative of what the unit did overall.

Photos, program handouts, flyers, and newsletters can also be included in your history. Utilize social media to share your summary of what your members have done. Share at the District, Department and National level.

If you submitted a Mid-Year report you will receive a Certificate of Achievement (see sample) and be entered in the drawing incentive to be held at Mid-Winter.

Have an upcoming event, let me know & I'll see if I can be there! If you need any assistance, I am always available to help!

For God and Country - Dayna Beyer



Certificate of Achievement History Mid-Year Report

This Certificate of Appreciation is gratefully presented to

YOU! Your Unit Name

In recognition and sincere appreciation of outstanding service and assistance, which contributed to the advancement of The American Legion Auxiliary programs and activities in archiving and persevering our history dedicated to God and Country.

Presented by Dayna Beyer, Department Historian

Department of Ohio

This 12th Day of March 2021 in Your Town, Ohio

ATTEST:



January Bulk Mailing



JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

District Junior Activities Chairman

THE CHAIRPERSON

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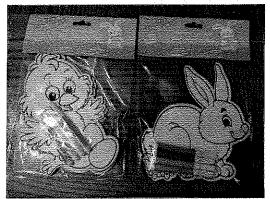
Junior Activities 3rd Chair-Michelle Zayakosky

Re: Craft books

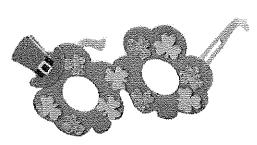
Hope everyone had a great holiday season! As we begin this new year, please continue to Improvise, Adapt and Overcome in every aspect of your lives!

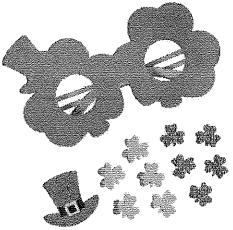
Have you visited a Dollartree or Dollar General for your craft ideas? They have so many easy and inexpensive items.





Oriental Trading also has great, inexpensive craft kits...











IMPROVISE (use what is available)

ADAPT (adjust to new conditions)





2021 BULLETIN #5

LEADERSHIP PAM BATES, DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN pamelabates9@gmail.com 937-974-2316

GUIDE TO LEADING A SMALL UNIT

(find details in the POA-under How To Sheets)

- Avoid the "burnout" syndrome.
 - Ask members to buy into a "one" concept: mentor one member, write one article for the unit newsletter, volunteer to be a greeter at one meeting or make reminder meeting calls to members for one meeting.
 - o Use smaller project, give them the opportunity to adjust to learning and helping build their unit.
 - Make the experience enjoyable, members will be more likely to look forward to helping more.
- Develop a plan to continually develop new leadership within your unit.
 - o As members are selected to chair committees, mentor them.
 - o Offer help when needed.
 - Be prepared to provide support when asked or assign another mentor for support.
 - Provide training sessions. Consider that you may have seasoned unit members capable and available for help with the training. Also, other community leaders may be willing to provide leadership training.
 - Communicate with members.
 - o Call/email/E-Blasts
 - Utilize local media.
 - Foster good relations with local newspapers, TV and radio. Issue news releases.
 - Publish the meeting schedule at the beginning of the year in your unit newsletter, and write "TBA" (To Be Announced) for those programs still tentative.
 - Invite a member familiar with social networking to set up and monitor an account for the unit.
 - Work in groups of like-minded programs, rather than each program individually. Grouping allows for more combined and efficient efforts within a unit.
 - Pick a few Action Steps from the Programs Action Plan that fit your unit well.
 - Survey the interests of the membership when considering topics
 - Be positive! Unit leaders have an obligation to minimize criticism and maximize positive feedback. A small unit needs and deserves frequent kudos for each of its successes.

A CULTURE OF GOODWILL

(find details in the POA-under How To Sheets)

- Help people learn and develop.
- A great way to build up members' competence
- Focus on member's strengths.
- Be supportive.
- Treat all members with dignity and respect
- Treat everyone with respect.
- Actively praise a member and provide positive feedback when someone does something well.
- Build members up and let them know that it's OK to make mistakes.
- Including others in projects or programs helps build emotional and creative capacity.
- Leaders should inspire, challenge, enable and encourage members.
- Empower members.
- Leaders should give opportunities to those they lead, and then hold them accountable.
- Share with them past insecurities or challenges you faced when you first assumed a leadership role.
- Acknowledge past mistakes.
- When building a member's confidence, listening to them is crucial.
- Connect with your members.
- Demonstrate your commitment to their success by providing ongoing encouragement.
- Lead by example.
- Effective leaders are able to regroup and determine a new course when faced when face with an obstacle.
- Leaders take initiative and responsibility for their actions.

I AM THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY GOODWILL ADVOCATE (author unknown)

A tract new and seasoned members by proactive actions/comments

D emonstrate a positive mental attitude

V alue all members' opinions

O perate within a meeting by using proper procedures

C ommunicate with ALL members

A ware of new and seasoned members' differences

T eam build when the opportunity arises

E ncourage all members to provide feedback at meetings



WIN A PRIZE: First snail mail and first email with correct answer(s):

Tell me how you are a Goodwill Advocate for your unit in one paragraph?

PRINT: YOUR NAME - ADDRESS - PHONE- EMAIL - DISTRICT - UNIT with entry.





Membership



Colleen Phillips ckphillips43524@gmail.com

Why did you sign up for the American Legion Auxiliary? To honor a veteran in your life, to attend a community function at the local post home, because your best friend was a member or because you love the longstanding mission of serving veterans, the military, and their families. But what about the hidden perks of being an ALA member?

For many, membership goes beyond the reason(s) you signed up and has benefited you in your profession/career. All because of the involvement and nominal investment in the Auxiliary, many members have benefited from the training received over the years through ALA events and the ALA Academy, the leadership skills absorb ed serving in various roles within the Auxiliary, the confidence gained in public speaking, and more. A great example is a story told me by a mother of one of our home-schooled juniors. As a Freshman at college, she was asked to be the first to speak in her class, the first week of classes. When she did an outstanding job, the Professor was shocked. He was sure since she was homeschooled, he could point out a lot of ways she could improve; he asked her how a homeschooled girl did such a good job. She told him she had learned leadership and public speaking as a Junior in the American Legion Auxiliary. What an exciting story to share with moms and grandmothers as we grow our Junior Units!

When recruiting new members let them know they have an opportunity to gain a variety of skills from their Auxiliary membership, such as presenting and leading meetings, managing large projects, developing newsletters, confidence in public speaking, and more. Each person has special talents that can be a real asset to our American Legion Auxiliary.

Beyond learning skills related to the mission such as poppy making, flag folding, and presenting the Military Child's Table Setting Ceremony, the ALA can give you lots of skills if you just say, "Yes, I will" when asked to do something. Developing yourself more makes you become a better leader. There is nothing wrong with personal fulfillment and becoming a better person.

The American Legion Auxiliary has more than 100 years of strong women who have used their transferable skills in both their ALA membership and in their job. In fact, two of our founders were doctors!

We need to be proud of your ALA membership, sometimes you may have to think outside the box to find a way to utilize skills from your ALA membership, but I do not believe there is a single profession that cannot use at least one skill that a person would acquire from ALA membership.

Since COVID-19 and so many folks spending more time at home it might be a great time to try the ALA Academy it is available for free to members. The online courses are a great way to think outside the box on ways you can utilize skills as a member, while also sharpening skills that are applicable in your profession/career. Although the classes are designed and geared toward your ALA membership, there are useful tips that can be applied to your job as well. The online courses will help you learn a variety of skills for both areas of life such as how to use social media, more about leadership, goodwill toward others, and dealing with conflict. To take an ALA Academy class, visit www.ALAforVeterans.org.

Our American Legion Auxiliary is a wonderful Organization; lets continue to let everyone know what a great organization we have and sign up a new member this week!

Now is the time to work on **ONE WEEK OF CARING AND SHARING**.

The Purpose is for the Unit members & leaders to organize during this one designated week to contact and check in with EVERY possible unit member, past and present. One entry per unit (no matter how many rejoins you end up with) This certified form must be received at ALA National Headquarters no later than April 30th. National has sample letters and suggestions you can find them at www.ALAforVeterans.org.

One suggestion for a script is:

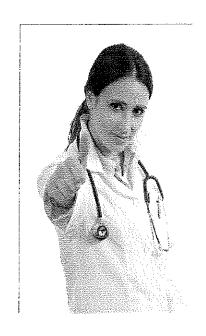
"We want to make sure our unit members feel they are part of our Legion Family community and know/feel you can reach out to us during good times or trying times. We rally around our veterans, our community, and our members and that is one of the reasons I am/we are calling today". [Take time to really listen to the member if she expresses concerns or difficult family circumstances.]

Special thanks to each and every Unit that sent me a mid-year report. PLEASE continue to work on membership. We need to keep our Organization Strong!

In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.



PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY WANTS YOU



DONATE TO:

PPP NURSES' SCHOLARSHIP FUND

NOMINATE:

SALUTE TO SERVICEWOMEN AWARD UNIT MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

CHECK PLAN OF ACTION FOR CRITERIA

Shirley Maurer, PPP Chairman pmaurer@nktelco.net or 419-733-3397

POPPY KAREN PEEL – CHAIRPERSON

I hope that you ordered your poppies by December 31st. Please be patient. Your order will be processed and shipped as soon as possible.

Calling all crafters!!!

Are you working on your items for the Poppy corsage and usage contest??? Mid-Winter has been moved to March. This will give you more time to work on items for the Poppy usage contest! Remember that the contest is open to both Juniors and Seniors. They will be judged separately. But — most of all — don't forget your dollars to vote! All donations will benefit the National Creative Arts Festival.

If your Unit has used poppies in decorations, wreaths, etc. for the holidays or a special event, please take pictures and send them to me. I would love to share your creations in my Poppy report!

Poppy Shop is on the books for Sunday, April 18th. We hope that we will be able to hold our event. Included in this bulk mailing is the application for Miss Poppy, Master Poppy, Mr. & Mrs. Poppy. Those forms are due to me by March 15, 2021. You can email or snail mail your completed forms to:

Karen Peel 2216 25th Street SW Akron, OH 44314-2202 Karen.peel@sk2holdings.com

Send up some prayers for our event!!!

Please stay safe and healthy!

Love.



Karen

POPPY SHOP OPEN HOUSE APPLICATION

For Miss Poppy, Master Poppy, Mr. & Mrs. Poppy



POPPY SHOP OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY April 18, 2021 Ohio Veterans' Home – Sandusky

This application must be completed and mailed to:

Karen Peel 2216 25th St SW Akron, OH 44314-2202 **DEADLINE** <u>March 15, 2021</u>

▶ Please remember that <u>Poppy attire</u> is to be worn by all participants ◀

Name:	
Sponsoring Unit, Post, SAL:	
School, grade & age:	
(if participant is a child) Parents:	
(if participant is a child)	
Hobbies, extracurricular activities, sports or accomplishments:	

Thank you for taking the time to complete this application. It helps in preparation of the program and ensures that each participant receives proper recognition.







OHIO ADVOCATE NEWS

Public Relations did receive some Mid-year reports. Although I would have wanted more. I do hope all Units are communicating with their members and District.

Isn't it fitting that The American Legion and Chip Ganassi are partnering up to "Race for Veterans"? The American Legion will be featured prominently on Jimmie Johnson and Tony Kanann Number 48 Honda Indy Car in the NTT Indy Car Series. The American Legion organization will be the only primary paint scheme for 2-races in 2021 including "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing" at the Indianapolis 500 over Memorial weekend.

Drivers Jimmie Johnson and Tony Kannan are excited about this relationship and are dedicated on supporting our Veterans, appreciating our Veterans and we continue to raise public awareness on the work our great organization does.

Jimmie Johnson will be making a \$10,000 donation to the American Legion. Johnson hopes this donation will motivate fans and the public to support our Veterans by donating \$48 to the organization. \$48 pay homage to the #48 car he shares with Kannan. Donors may visit legion.org/48.

Let's help President Kristen with her Race for Veterans and also encourage our members to support Car #48 in the Indy Race.

Just a reminder, end of year reports are around the corner. Why not get a head start on them now.

Cindy Masowick

2nd Vice Public Relations



Happy New Year!!

Thank you for the mid-year reports. We are welcoming in the new year by continuing the **R.A.C.E.** for our Veterans.

Even though the past year has been difficult in many ways, we have been undeterred. The time and activities that were volunteered to assist veterans, military men and women and their families were wonderful. Yes, we had to become maybe a little more creative, but we continue forward. The glass is not half empty, but half full.

Now that you have given us a summary of what your unit and members have been up to, have you been documenting your hours?

Service to Our Veterans hours are due on April 15, 2021. The report forms are to be sent to VA&R Co Chair, Judy Leddy, (see POA for details).

Your hours will now be tracked on a spreadsheet, as opposed to the card files. Please make sure you fill out the form in its entirety (please include your membership number). Please give Judy all required information as this will allow her to update, record, and send the correct information on to National when the Service To Our Veterans Bars our ordered.

The Service to Our Veterans Bars from last year, (2019-2020) will be distributed to District Presidents at Mid–Winter.

We hope to see everyone in March. Stay safe and thank you for all you do.

"We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give."

Judy Leddy jal85@aol.com Susan Schofield Fratino sscoey17@gmail.com

Service to Our Veterans 2020 – 2021 Member Report Form

Members give this report to your VA & R chairman and she will send all reports by April 15, 2021, to VA & R Vice Chairman, Judy Leddy, 85 Marilla Rd., Columbus, OH 43207. Volunteers receiving their FIRST 50 volunteer hours will receive a Service to Our Veterans Pin to wear and hold their future hour bars. There is no cost to the volunteer if it is the Volunteers 1st Pin. Volunteers that have already received their Volunteer Pin may purchase new pins at their own expense thru Emblem Sales or thru Department.

Volunteer Name		Mem	Membership #	
District #	Unit #	Unit Name		
Unit Chairma	an	Telephone #	Zip	
Date	Hrs. Worked	Work/Activity Performed Where	Actual Cost/Amount	
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TOTAL HOUR	:S	TOTAL COST/	'AMOUNT	
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Each volunteer needs a separate form, therefore, copy additional sheets as needed. This information is to be turned into the Vice Chairman of VA&R by April 15, 2021 to receive your pins and hours bars at the Department Convention.



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UNIT DATA FORM - - RENEWAL NOTICES MANDTORY!!! MUST BE COMPLETED WITH OR WITHOUT CHANGES

(Please type or print using blue or black ink. Total Dues amount should be the total amount paid by each member and will be reflected on the Renewal notice.)

"I understand that the dues amount listed below will be printed on the 2022 Membership Renewal Notices mailed to each senior member of our Unit by our National organization. The name and address below will be printed on each Membership Renewal Notice designating where members are to mail their dues."

"It is also understood that any change in the amount of dues made after April 1st, 2021 will not be reflected in 2022 Membership Renewal Notice."

Unit #	District #	
2022 Senior Member Unit Dues Unit Portion Department Portion National Portion	\$ \$ <u>11.00</u> \$ <u>12.00</u>	
Total Senior Member Unit Dues:	\$	(on renewal notice)
2022 Junior Member Unit Dues Unit Portion Department Portion National Portion	\$_ \$3.75 \$2.50	
Total Junior Member Unit Dues:	\$	(on renewal notice)
(Name of individual to receive me	mbership dues)	(Member ID#)
(Address where membership dues	are to be sent)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
(Telephone Number)		(Unit Email if Available)
(Signature) Return compl	(Title) eted form by <u>April 1st, 2021</u> to	(Date)

Return completed form by <u>April 1st, 2021</u> to: AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY PO BOX 2760 ZANESVILLE, OHIO 43702-2760 (740) 452-8245 heather@alaohio.org