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A Message from the Department President

Dee Bell, Department President

president@alaf.org



Thank you to the Department, Area, District and Unit Membership Chairman for your commitment and diligence to renew,

recruit and retain. The Department of Florida is solidly in first place with 107.28%. Your BELLS are ringing loud and proud.

Thank you to the Unit and District Chairman for completely the year-end reports about the great work being accomplished in your Units. You are making a difference in the lives of our veterans, military families, children and your communities.

The Department staff, Girls State staff and Department Chairman have been very busy getting ready for the best Girls State session ever. Thank you to those who supported the Girls State raffle. The girls sponsored by your Units will have a lifelong

experience they will never forget.

My wish for all the Units is to have a successful poppy drive in May to continue assisting and supporting our veterans and military families. The Smiles you will create are your Thank Yous. Make an impact in your community to honor and remember all of our departed veterans.

Information and flyers are included in this newsletter for the Commanders and President Banquet at Department Convention. Shop your local consignment and thrift stores, get your tickets, and Celebrate with me 2023-2024.

My heart and thanks go out to the Department staff, my advisors, 1st Vice President Charlotte Bass and all those who have assumed duties during my recent leave. It's difficult to express my sincere heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the American Legion family Members, Units, Posts, Squads and Chapters, and Districts

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and Departments for all your cards, thoughts and prayers, sympathies

and condolences, and hugs from afar during the most difficult time in my life.

Candidates Call

Charlotte Bass, 1st Vice President

1stvicepresident@alaf.org



Greetings,

We are trying something new this year. We are having a Candidates Call during the Breakout

Sessions at Convention. It will be held in the Palm Ballroom on Thursday, June 13th at 10:45am to 12:00pm. This is where you will be able to meet the Department Officer Candidates and ask them questions.

You can pick up a blank question card at the Auxiliary Registration Desk. Write your question down and who the question is for and place it in the box provided. You do not need to sign your name. The questions will be reviewed by a panel and then when approved the moderator will then ask the candidate the question. No verbal questions from the floor will be allowed.

This is your opportunity to get to know your candidates.

Recently Passed

Ruth Burgess, Chaplain

chaplain@alaf.org



Dear Sister and Brother Auxiliary members:

Please remember that prayer books being entered for the Mae Nalley Senior Prayer Book award must be in my possession by May 15, 2024. If not received by that date, it will be disqualified.

Our dear sisters and brothers who have friends and loved ones who

recently passed –

“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; those crushed in spirit He delivers” – Psalms 34:18 (JPS)

- Marie McDaniels, D1, U235
- Helen Stevener, D4, U16
- Rebecca Kelly, D4, U155
- Lisa R Sours, D5, U283
- Theresa Mims, D5, U283
- Barbara J McMichael, D6, U219
- Amy Jean Mitchell, D6, U286

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 2024

| | |
|-------|-----------------------------------|
| 01-31 | Month of the Military Caregiver |
| 01-31 | Military Appreciation Month |
| 01 | Loyalty / Law / May Day |
| 02 | National Day of Prayer |
| 04 | DCC - District 12 |
| 04 | Unit 24: Kentucky Derby |
| 04 | Unit 117: Kentucky Derby |
| 05-11 | Public Service Recognition Week |
| 10 | Military Spouse Appreciation Day |
| 11 | Detachment Commander's Homecoming |
| 11 | Children & Youth Golf Tournament |
| 11 | DCC - Districts 15, 17, and 9 |
| 12 | Mother's Day |
| 11-18 | Armed Forces Week |
| 13 | Children of Fallen Patriots Day |
| 15 | Liberty Bell Articles Due |
| 15 | Peace Officers Memorial Day |
| 18 | Armed Forces Day |
| 18 | Department Commander's Homecoming |
| 18 | DCC - Districts 1 and 8 |
| 19 | DCC - District 13 |
| 20 | Emancipation Day (FL) |
| 22 | Maritime Day |
| 24 | Poppy Day |
| 25 | DCC - District 5 |
| 25 | Poppy Distribution |
| 25 | Missing Children's Day |
| 26 | Post 333: Memorial Day Event |
| 27 | Memorial Day (Dept Closed) |

Events are subject to change. More details at alaf.org.

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- Betty Rosen, D6, U347
- Kathy Kovarik, D8, U113
- Barbara Groskopf, D8, U159
- Mary Stawacki, D9, U142
- Adelaide Cordes, D11, U271
- JoAnne Sheridan, D12, U40
- Katherine Christesson, D12, U163
- Deborah J Lewis, D13, U136
- Connie Swanson, D13, U136
- Mary E Cremens, D13, U136
- Adrienne Bourtell, D13, U136
- Donarae Hill, D13, U136
- Beverly A Rufino, D13, U136
- Linda Hall, D13, U323
- Maralyn Waline, D13, U232
- Pearl Haley, D16, U7
- Trudy Hall, D16, U79
- Linda Payne, D16, U104
- Joyce Smith, D16, U125
- Mary West, D16, U238
- Linda Macholz, D16, U238
- Elizabeth Bodrey, D17, U120
- Myra Haddock, D17, U120

Prayer Book

Brister Thomas, Ntnl Chaplain

Hi all, Am hoping this message finds you well.

Please join us to create President Lisa's Prayer book.

To participate please email by May 30 to alaChaplain@gmail.com
Your contribution can take various forms: a poem, a photo

with a caption, a short anecdote, or any other creative expression that resonates with you. This is an opportunity to share your appreciation for President Lisa and the positive impact she has made on our community.

If you have a photo and/or a poem please send and I will happily add graphics, etc. to it.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to honor President Lisa. We look forward to receiving your contribution and making this chaplain book a beautiful tribute to her leadership and spirit.

Please reach out if you have any questions or need further clarification. (808) 284-0293

Delegate Strength

Mary Kelly Perkins, Secretary secretary@alaf.org



Information and Delegate Strength letters have been mailed to the Unit 30 days prior to the District Constitutional Conferences. For any

District that is holding their DCC after May 19, 2024; your information will be mailed to the Units after the Friday report on April 22, 2024.

As a suggestion about the Delegate

Strength for our Department Convention in June 2024, I would strongly recommend that the Units elect their delegates and alternates at the May 2024 Unit general meeting. Delegate strength forms will be mailed immediately following Close of Books and will also be posted on our website.

The tentative Call to Convention is being updated and will be mailed to the Units plus it will also be posted on our Department website.

Don't forget to email your Recruit 10 forms no later than May 15, 2024.

Wishing all Units a fantastic Constitutional Conference.

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MCR

Brandi Seeber, Treasurer

treasurer@alaf1.org



All outstanding invoices must be paid within 30 days. All invoices are initially emailed to the unit treasurer's email address on file with

me. If the unit has any outstanding invoices at the end of the month, a statement will be emailed to the unit treasurer.

Poppy proceeds must be sent to department within 30 days of the distribution date. A completed form must accompany the check.

District Presidents have been sent a list of any units that are still have not completed treasurer compliance information. Please follow up with your units to make sure that they are completing this. Units will not receive any credit on the MCR until this is completed.

Any unit with a credit on the MCR at the end of the month, that is in compliance, will receive that credit via ACH. Please make sure that unit treasurers and membership and working together on this as the online renewals and MCR are emailed to membership.

Department Convention preparations are underway. The most current information regarding Department Convention can be found on our website.

Please make sure that when you are submitting forms to Department, for any reason, that you are using the most current form, which can be found on our website. Using an older form will cause a delay in completing your form.

If you have any questions please email me at Treasurer@alaf1.org. Thank you to all the Units for what you do and continue to do.

Don't Forget the Details

Patsy Sewell, Dept Membership

membership@alaf1.org



Please make sure you include your unit number on ALL correspondence – whether it be email or regular mail.

Please make sure that when submitting a form that you are using the most up-to-date forms which can be found on our website. Using an out-dated form will cause a delay in processing.

For transfers, please make sure the member data form accompanies the transfer with the previous unit's

information to avoid delays in processing.

Again, a reminder to not staple anything.

Thank you for all you do and looking forward to seeing you at Convention.

Enrolling New Members

Lisa Hoyland, Membership

membershipchairman@alaf1.org



Department of Florida Clappers I want to personally say "Thank You" for working the membership program this year.

Currently, we are at 107% as of the April 12th national report and we could not have reached this without you!

We currently have 12 Districts over 100% and 109 units! We can't stop

now.

The Victory Bell Award will be handed out at our department convention in June. Plaques will be presented to each District and Unit President achieving 105% by close of books. I

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know you can do it!

10 tips for enrolling new members by designing a flyer and posting:

1. Make up a flyer advertising who you are and that they could be eligible to be a member in multiple places! Facebook page, at your Post bar, a grocery store, a restaurant, your gym, a daycare, your church, your Sr. Citizen's meeting room! Anyplace that potential members can see! (Remember to ask the establishment before you post a flyer!)
2. Change the way you phrase your request to become a member. Maybe use something like - Sign up now and receive a free gift (maybe a Unit Handbook or a red/white/blue pen or how about a package of Thank You notes). Research shows that people are attracted to the idea of getting something for FREE!!
3. Add a testimonial! Interview a new member or a "seasoned" member take a quote from them and put it on the flyer along with a picture (with their permission of course!).
4. Advise that signing up is easy and that you can help them with the paperwork
5. Let them know that a portion of their membership dues will be used for veterans.
6. Have pictures of what your unit has done in the past - so that they will see how much fun you have!

7. Be sure to include your telephone number and email address so they can contact you with questions!
8. Evoke emotion!! Our emotions are much better than our intellect at getting us to act! Use language and pictures that will evoke an emotional response.
9. Make sure that you include your Facebook page on your flyer -- or state: LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: American Legion Auxiliary Unit #9999.

Provide Obvious Value - you have to provide something of obvious value to your audience. Something that speaks to their needs and feelings. Again, add a picture and a caption of how your unit has helped veterans (be sure to get an ok to use pictures)

DISTRICTS AND UNITS

District 15 Submitted by Tammy O'Donnell

At the March 23rd District meeting, the Military Child Table was on display. With the help of our two junior members we brought awareness for the upcoming month of April which is Military Child month. Purple Up!



District 15 Submitted by Lynda Anderson

Unit 186, District 15 – March started off with a Post 186, Unit 186 All Family event. Each year we set up a membership table at the annual Swamp Fest Celebration at Linda Pederson Park in Weeki Wachee Florida. This year we invited volunteers from Posts and Units 99, Brooksville, and 418, Spring Hill, to join us. Over the three-day event we had a great number of festival attendees stop at our booth where they learned about the American Legion, SAL and Auxiliary, and the benefits

of joining our ranks. We did not take applications at this time, but provided information and application forms. Several visitors indicated an interest in joining us. With changes at our Post, the Legion, Auxiliary and SAL are once again working as a cohesive team. The Post has a Friday Night Fish Fry and the Auxiliary is now providing desserts to finish off a wonderful meal. This is an excellent fundraiser, and we have noticed that diners are very generous in donations for the assorted baked

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goods provided by our members. Bingo has also been brought back to the Post, operated jointly by the Auxiliary and SAL. Weekly games are held every Tuesday from 5:00 m to 7:00 pm, and since its recent inception, it seems to be doing well. The deadline for submission of our scholarship applications was April 12, 2024. We received, by mail, four scholarships from applicants at three of our local high schools.



Our Education Chair will check with the Guidance office at each of the five high schools to determine if any scholarships were turned in to them, after which we will start reviewing and judging the applications and select our recipients. We were honored to have our Fifteenth District President, Tammy O'Donnell, attend our March 14, 2024 meeting, and participate in our initiation of new members ceremony. We welcomed 11 of our newly elected 21 members



to our Unit on that date. Welcome all new members. Tammy, it was a pleasure hosting you. April is Military Child Month, and April 15 is Purple Up Day. We have put out the word to our members to come to the Post during Queen of Hearts, clad in purple, so we can get a photo of our members honoring our military children. We're hoping for a good turnout. Hopefully the photo will appear here.



Unit 3 *Submitted by Dianne Tucker*

ALA unit 3, Bartow gathered items for Buddy Baskets to be donated for veterans moving into housing. Items will be donated to the supportive services for Veteran families of Polk County. We are very thankful to our Post Families for supporting whatever project our unit does.



and Youth Chair, Linda Knoblach-Harkness as they displayed those beautiful bears. The 5th District will be delivering bears, afghans, and quilts to Camp Boggy Creek in early May! The ladies are already working on afghans and quilts for next year!!

Unit 9 *Submitted by Karen Marks*

Unit 9 President, Karen Marks, contacted a local fabric store and told the owner, Miss Sarah, about Camp Boggy Creek. The owner said she would put together a contest for Boggy Bears. She advertised it on her social media as well as in the store. The contest

lasted one month and when she called Karen, she told her that the ladies had made 68 Boggy Bears. Here is a picture of the bears along with Karen and Department 3rd Vice President, Children



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Unit 16 Submitted by Kristy Jordan
Debby Stalbaum with a new owner of a crockpot. Unit 16 had a crockpot drive to help veterans in need.



Unit 16 President at work showing off her purple on April 15 for Military children.



Unit 138 Submitted by Dawn Davis
Unit 138 had a very proud moment on March 25th. This day commemorated the 100th birthday of Hugh Gilbert (Buddy) Strickland, our post namesake. Last September, on POW/MIA Day, Tammy Zell began the pursuit of finding "Buddy" who was killed in action during WWII. Using social media and modern technology, the #bringbuddyhome endeavor began. On the 25th, his family,

our Post 138 Family, and the 15th District came together, to "raise the flag" downtown. This was led by a City Councilman and many other government officials. After this ceremony, everyone came to our Post for a reception. We also had the local news cover the event which was part of the nightly news for Channel 13 news in Tampa. It was an amazing day, and we will continue the quest to ring the bells and "Bring Buddy Home."



decided to dedicate the event in her honor to support AEF. We had a preshow meal cooked by our Unit 138 Auxiliary members, and we continued to sell raffle and 50/50 tickets throughout the event. We were fortunate to have some very special celebrity guests. Past Department President Jane Hardacre, Past Department President Michele DeGennaro, and local DJ Jesse Kage had a tough job that evening. The event kicked off with

the National Anthem followed by the first round of contestants. After a lively half time show, the contestants performed again, and the judges deliberated. Our top 3 contestants received a certificate, and the winner received the Golden Microphone. Total proceeds just from the finals was over \$1000 for AEF!! Raising these funds was especially meaningful to our Unit, as two of our own unit members had to utilize AEF just a couple of months prior.

On March 16th, the 15th District Second Annual Legions' Got Talent finale took place. This event was hosted at Post 138. Not only did it highlight what our amazing Unit 138 and Post 138 family, but it also showed such an amazing family that the 15th District has. The finals were scheduled to coincide with the Department President visitation as the benefactor of the fundraiser was her project, AEF. Although President Dee was unable to join us, we



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Unit 291 *Submitted by Karen Tidwell*

On Monday March 11, 2024 the Executive Board of Unit 291 Steinhatchee presented a check in the amount of \$500.00 to the Stingray's athlete fund. The money will help to purchase uniforms and equipment needed by the students at the local Steinhatchee School.



On Monday March 25, 2024 Jane Feber, President Unit 291 of Steinhatchee presented a check to Carol West with the Dixie County Education Foundation in the amount of \$2,500.00. (Pictured Left to right is Carol West and Jane Feber)

On Monday April 15, 2024 Jane Feber, President of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 291 of Steinhatchee delivered needed items to the Ronald McDonald house in Gainesville. A special thank you to all the members that donated items to help make this happen. (Pictured from left to right is Jane Feber, President Unit 291 and Sherry Houston, CEO of Ronald McDonald House)



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MEMBERSHIP REPORTS

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DISTRICT 1

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0075 | Crestview | 213 | 0 | 219 | 219 | 102.82% |
| 0193 | Pensacola | 78 | 11 | 55 | 66 | 84.62% |
| 0221 | Niceville | 127 | 2 | 170 | 172 | 135.43% |
| 0235 | Ft Walton Beach | 131 | 1 | 126 | 127 | 96.95% |
| 0240 | Pensacola | 254 | 4 | 218 | 222 | 87.40% |
| 0296 | Destin | 74 | 2 | 81 | 83 | 112.16% |
| 0340 | Pensacola | 338 | 7 | 331 | 338 | 100.00% |
| 0356 | Lynn Haven | 136 | 1 | 130 | 131 | 96.32% |
| 0375 | Southport | 55 | 2 | 35 | 37 | 67.27% |
| 0378 | Gulf Breeze | 44 | 0 | 58 | 58 | 131.82% |
| 0382 | Navarre | 171 | 4 | 175 | 179 | 104.68% |
| 0392 | Panama City | 175 | 1 | 176 | 177 | 101.14% |
| 0402 | Panama City Beach | 41 | 1 | 47 | 48 | 117.07% |
| TOTALS | | 1837 | 36 | 1831 | 1867 | 101.63% |

DISTRICT 2

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|-------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|---------------|
| 0013 | Tallahassee | 78 | 2 | 68 | 70 | 89.74% |
| 0082 | Lanark | 67 | 2 | 69 | 71 | 105.97% |
| 0084 | Havana | 30 | 13 | 14 | 27 | 90.00% |
| 0100 | Marianna | 32 | 4 | 31 | 35 | 109.38% |
| 0217 | Quincy | 50 | 2 | 27 | 29 | 58.00% |
| 0241 | Sneads | 72 | 13 | 50 | 63 | 87.50% |
| TOTALS | | 329 | 36 | 259 | 295 | 89.67% |

DISTRICT 3

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|--------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|----------------|
| 0049 | Monticello | 28 | 0 | 31 | 31 | 110.71% |
| 0057 | Lake City | 223 | 8 | 237 | 245 | 109.87% |
| 0107 | Live Oak | 55 | 1 | 56 | 57 | 103.64% |
| 0215 | Jasper | 35 | 2 | 33 | 35 | 100.00% |
| 0224 | Madison | 50 | 0 | 57 | 57 | 114.00% |
| 0291 | Steinhatchee | 200 | 3 | 197 | 200 | 100.00% |
| 0383 | Old Town | 134 | 3 | 146 | 149 | 111.19% |
| TOTALS | | 725 | 17 | 757 | 774 | 106.76% |

DISTRICT 4

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0016 | Gainesville | 26 | 0 | 30 | 30 | 115.38% |
| 0027 | Ocala | 20 | 1 | 14 | 15 | 75.00% |
| 0058 | Dunnellon | 29 | 0 | 28 | 28 | 96.55% |
| 0077 | Inverness | 68 | 1 | 86 | 87 | 127.94% |
| 0149 | Newberry | 31 | 3 | 28 | 31 | 100.00% |
| 0155 | Crystal River | 344 | 5 | 430 | 435 | 126.45% |
| 0166 | Homosassa Springs | 146 | 4 | 185 | 189 | 129.45% |
| 0230 | Hawthorne | 32 | 3 | 38 | 41 | 128.13% |
| 0236 | Bronson | 47 | 0 | 48 | 48 | 102.13% |
| 0237 | Beverly Hills | 202 | 0 | 146 | 146 | 72.28% |
| 0284 | Bellevue | 77 | 2 | 71 | 73 | 94.81% |
| TOTALS | | 1022 | 19 | 1126 | 1145 | 112.04% |

DISTRICT 5

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0009 | Jacksonville | 68 | 2 | 61 | 63 | 92.65% |
| 0054 | Fernandina Beach | 166 | 6 | 253 | 259 | 156.02% |
| 0088 | Jacksonville | 77 | 1 | 79 | 80 | 103.90% |
| 0129 | Jacksonville Beach | 359 | 12 | 397 | 409 | 113.93% |
| 0137 | Jacksonville | 424 | 21 | 418 | 439 | 103.54% |
| 0194 | St Augustine | 69 | 6 | 44 | 50 | 72.46% |
| 0197 | Jacksonville | 44 | 2 | 45 | 47 | 106.82% |
| 0202 | Keystone Heights | 73 | 1 | 72 | 73 | 100.00% |
| 0233 | Ponte Vedra Beach | 176 | 20 | 146 | 166 | 94.32% |
| 0244 | Jacksonville | 33 | 1 | 29 | 30 | 90.91% |
| 0250 | Middleburg | 310 | 20 | 278 | 298 | 96.13% |
| 0283 | Jacksonville | 460 | 9 | 476 | 485 | 105.43% |
| 0316 | Atlantic Beach | 370 | 38 | 337 | 375 | 101.35% |
| 0372 | Mandarin | 29 | 0 | 36 | 36 | 124.14% |
| 0373 | Orange Park | 32 | 4 | 20 | 24 | 75.00% |
| 0401 | Hilliard | 49 | 4 | 29 | 33 | 67.35% |
| TOTALS | | 2739 | 147 | 2720 | 2867 | 104.67% |

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|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0010 | Kissimmee | 206 | 2 | 214 | 216 | 104.85% |
| 0018 | Wildwood | 21 | 0 | 20 | 20 | 95.24% |
| 0019 | Orlando | 109 | 2 | 89 | 91 | 83.49% |
| 0035 | Mount Dora | 147 | 1 | 141 | 142 | 96.60% |
| 0041 | Eustis | 14 | 0 | 9 | 9 | 64.29% |
| 0055 | Clermont | 215 | 8 | 259 | 267 | 124.19% |
| 0063 | Winter Garden | 35 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 40.00% |
| 0080 | Saint Cloud | 264 | 16 | 266 | 282 | 106.82% |
| 0101 | Bushnell | 112 | 0 | 113 | 113 | 100.89% |
| 0109 | Ocoee | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| 0112 | Winter Park | 26 | 3 | 23 | 26 | 100.00% |
| 0183 | Fern Park | 121 | 1 | 108 | 109 | 90.08% |
| 0219 | Fruitland Park | 206 | 1 | 223 | 224 | 108.74% |
| 0239 | Groveland | 11 | 0 | 19 | 19 | 172.73% |
| 0242 | Orlando | 109 | 8 | 108 | 116 | 106.42% |
| 0286 | Orlando | 171 | 9 | 166 | 175 | 102.34% |
| 0330 | Leesburg | 69 | 2 | 43 | 45 | 65.22% |
| 0331 | Orlando | 14 | 0 | 12 | 12 | 85.71% |
| 0347 | Lady Lake | 2563 | 9 | 2658 | 2667 | 104.06% |
| 0412 | Orlando | 14 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 57.14% |
| TOTALS | | 4440 | 64 | 4491 | 4555 | 102.59% |

DISTRICT 7

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0003 | Bartow | 78 | 0 | 90 | 90 | 115.38% |
| 0004 | Lakeland | 63 | 4 | 44 | 48 | 76.19% |
| 0008 | Winter Haven | 601 | 18 | 741 | 759 | 126.29% |
| 0015 | Dade City | 22 | 1 | 25 | 26 | 118.18% |
| 0034 | Haines City | 78 | 0 | 92 | 92 | 117.95% |
| 0071 | Lake Wales | 48 | 0 | 34 | 34 | 70.83% |
| 0072 | Mulberry | 166 | 5 | 139 | 144 | 86.75% |
| 0201 | Florence Villa | 25 | 1 | 22 | 23 | 92.00% |
| TOTALS | | 1081 | 29 | 1187 | 1216 | 112.49% |

DISTRICT 8

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0011 | Arcadia | 36 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 8.33% |
| 0024 | Bradenton | 333 | 2 | 330 | 332 | 99.70% |
| 0025 | Lake Placid | 395 | 0 | 471 | 471 | 119.24% |
| 0030 | Sarasota | 82 | 9 | 65 | 74 | 90.24% |
| 0069 | Avon Park | 720 | 13 | 772 | 785 | 109.03% |
| 0074 | Sebring | 132 | 0 | 124 | 124 | 93.94% |
| 0113 | Rotonda West | 308 | 2 | 346 | 348 | 112.99% |
| 0159 | Venice | 711 | 2 | 631 | 633 | 89.03% |
| 0254 | North Port | 119 | 1 | 159 | 160 | 134.45% |
| 0266 | Fruitville | 159 | 2 | 183 | 185 | 116.35% |
| 0309 | Palmetto | 177 | 0 | 199 | 199 | 112.43% |
| 0312 | Oneco | 199 | 2 | 112 | 114 | 57.29% |
| 0325 | Ellenton | 200 | 0 | 203 | 203 | 101.50% |
| TOTALS | | 3571 | 33 | 3598 | 3631 | 101.68% |

DISTRICT 9

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| 0092 | Hollywood | 98 | 1 | 80 | 81 | 82.65% |
| 0142 | Pompano Beach | 186 | 7 | 156 | 163 | 87.63% |
| 0157 | Margate | 171 | 7 | 152 | 159 | 92.98% |
| 0162 | Deerfield Beach | 172 | 13 | 143 | 156 | 90.70% |
| 0180 | Fort Lauderdale | 112 | 0 | 83 | 83 | 74.11% |
| 0209 | Dania Beach | 18 | 0 | 11 | 11 | 61.11% |
| 0220 | Ft Lauderdale | 28 | 7 | 16 | 23 | 82.14% |
| 0222 | Fort Lauderdale | 32 | 0 | 49 | 49 | 153.13% |
| 0287 | Deerfield Beach | 17 | 0 | 21 | 21 | 123.53% |
| 0304 | Dania | 52 | 2 | 54 | 56 | 107.69% |
| 0310 | Hallandale | 25 | 2 | 30 | 32 | 128.00% |
| 0321 | Cooper City | 230 | 26 | 208 | 234 | 101.74% |
| 0365 | Sunrise | 14 | 2 | 12 | 14 | 100.00% |
| Total | | 1155 | 70 | 1044 | 1114 | 96.45% |

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DISTRICT 11

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0020 | Belle Glade | 40 | 2 | 41 | 43 | 107.50% |
| 0047 | Lake Worth | 75 | 1 | 83 | 84 | 112.00% |
| 0062 | Stuart | 548 | 9 | 781 | 790 | 144.16% |
| 0064 | Okeechobee | 116 | 1 | 94 | 95 | 81.90% |
| 0065 | Delray Beach | 58 | 7 | 51 | 58 | 100.00% |
| 0141 | West Palm Beach | 73 | 5 | 65 | 70 | 95.89% |
| 0164 | Boynton Beach | 150 | 13 | 157 | 170 | 113.33% |
| 0199 | W Palm Beach | 38 | 0 | 45 | 45 | 118.42% |
| 0268 | Riviera Beach | 85 | 4 | 63 | 67 | 78.82% |
| 0271 | Tequesta | 158 | 8 | 180 | 188 | 118.99% |
| 0277 | Boca Raton | 111 | 0 | 88 | 88 | 79.28% |
| 0288 | Boynton Beach | 22 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 68.18% |
| 0367 | Royal Palm Beach | 28 | 3 | 28 | 31 | 110.71% |
| TOTALS | | 1502 | 58 | 1686 | 1744 | 116.11% |

DISTRICT 13

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0038 | Fort Myers | 37 | 0 | 41 | 41 | 110.81% |
| 0090 | Cape Coral | 287 | 5 | 349 | 354 | 123.34% |
| 0103 | Punta Gorda | 649 | 3 | 823 | 826 | 127.27% |
| 0110 | Port Charlotte | 635 | 5 | 489 | 494 | 77.80% |
| 0123 | Sanibel | 41 | 1 | 50 | 51 | 124.39% |
| 0130 | Labelle | 152 | 0 | 175 | 175 | 115.13% |
| 0135 | Naples | 367 | 0 | 386 | 386 | 105.18% |
| 0136 | Saint James City | 516 | 8 | 526 | 534 | 103.49% |
| 0192 | Fort Myers | 21 | 1 | 18 | 19 | 90.48% |
| 0274 | Fort Myers Beach | 544 | 0 | 427 | 427 | 78.49% |
| 0303 | Bonita Springs | 425 | 13 | 408 | 421 | 99.06% |
| 0323 | Lehigh Acres | 409 | 31 | 400 | 431 | 105.38% |
| 0336 | N Ft Myers | 440 | 3 | 547 | 550 | 125.00% |
| 0351 | Fort Myers | 104 | 3 | 83 | 86 | 82.69% |
| 0415 | Punta Gorda | 10 | 0 | 21 | 21 | 210.00% |
| TOTALS | | 4637 | 73 | 4743 | 4816 | 103.86% |

DISTRICT 12

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0001 | Titusville | 277 | 11 | 215 | 226 | 81.59% |
| 0022 | Cocoa | 106 | 0 | 119 | 119 | 112.26% |
| 0039 | Vero Beach | 207 | 6 | 221 | 227 | 109.66% |
| 0040 | Fort Pierce | 185 | 3 | 206 | 209 | 112.97% |
| 0081 | Melbourne | 172 | 4 | 227 | 231 | 134.30% |
| 0117 | Palm Bay | 514 | 16 | 583 | 599 | 116.54% |
| 0126 | Jensen Beach | 195 | 2 | 142 | 144 | 73.85% |
| 0163 | Eau Gallie | 220 | 8 | 250 | 258 | 117.27% |
| 0189 | Sebastian | 159 | 0 | 199 | 199 | 125.16% |
| 0191 | Melbourne | 81 | 8 | 52 | 60 | 74.07% |
| 0200 | Satellite Beach | 171 | 9 | 147 | 156 | 91.23% |
| 0318 | Port St Lucie | 1154 | 3 | 1482 | 1485 | 128.68% |
| 0344 | Merritt Island | 47 | 3 | 24 | 27 | 57.45% |
| 0348 | Cape Canaveral | 211 | 3 | 250 | 253 | 119.91% |
| 0358 | White City | 69 | 0 | 71 | 71 | 102.90% |
| 0359 | Port St John | 358 | 10 | 351 | 361 | 100.84% |
| 0366 | Barefoot Bay | 69 | 8 | 46 | 54 | 78.26% |
| 0394 | Palm Bay | 208 | 2 | 300 | 302 | 145.19% |
| TOTALS | | 4403 | 96 | 4885 | 4981 | 113.13% |

DISTRICT 14

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|--------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|---------------|
| 0028 | Key West | 57 | 0 | 52 | 52 | 91.23% |
| 0031 | South Miami | 171 | 4 | 146 | 150 | 87.72% |
| 0043 | Homestead | 57 | 1 | 31 | 32 | 56.14% |
| 0067 | North Miami | 42 | 0 | 32 | 32 | 76.19% |
| 0098 | Coral Gables | 16 | 0 | 12 | 12 | 75.00% |
| 0133 | Miami | 63 | 8 | 46 | 54 | 85.71% |
| 0154 | Marathon | 146 | 2 | 148 | 150 | 102.74% |
| 0168 | Key West | 23 | 0 | 17 | 17 | 73.91% |
| 0333 | Key Largo | 78 | 0 | 71 | 71 | 91.03% |
| 0346 | Miami | 19 | 0 | 18 | 18 | 94.74% |
| 0374 | Key Biscayne | 42 | 0 | 33 | 33 | 78.57% |
| TOTALS | | 714 | 15 | 606 | 621 | 86.97% |

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|---------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0005 | Tampa | 38 | 1 | 25 | 26 | 68.42% |
| 0099 | Brooksville | 21 | 1 | 32 | 33 | 157.14% |
| 0108 | Land O' Lakes | 10 | 0 | 19 | 19 | 190.00% |
| 0111 | Tampa | 54 | 0 | 44 | 44 | 81.48% |
| 0138 | Tampa | 483 | 9 | 653 | 662 | 137.06% |
| 0139 | Tampa | 58 | 0 | 102 | 102 | 175.86% |
| 0147 | Odessa | 44 | 0 | 37 | 37 | 84.09% |
| 0148 | Riverview | 209 | 5 | 219 | 224 | 107.18% |
| 0152 | Tampa | 250 | 7 | 264 | 271 | 108.40% |
| 0167 | Tampa | 16 | 1 | 7 | 8 | 50.00% |
| 0186 | Brooksville | 369 | 0 | 390 | 390 | 105.69% |
| 0248 | West Tampa | 15 | 1 | 14 | 15 | 100.00% |
| 0418 | Spring Hill | 10 | 3 | 35 | 38 | 380.00% |
| TOTALS | | 1577 | 28 | 1841 | 1869 | 118.52% |

DISTRICT 17

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0006 | Deland | 104 | 0 | 114 | 114 | 109.62% |
| 0017 | New Smyrna Beach | 212 | 1 | 203 | 204 | 96.23% |
| 0045 | Palatka | 31 | 1 | 41 | 42 | 135.48% |
| 0115 | Palm Coast | 40 | 0 | 41 | 41 | 102.50% |
| 0120 | Holly Hill | 216 | 3 | 196 | 199 | 92.13% |
| 0127 | Lake Helen | 24 | 1 | 15 | 16 | 66.67% |
| 0255 | Deltona | 25 | 7 | 21 | 28 | 112.00% |
| 0259 | Debary | 28 | 6 | 34 | 40 | 142.86% |
| 0267 | Ormond Beach | 229 | 2 | 219 | 221 | 96.51% |
| 0270 | Port Orange | 175 | 2 | 211 | 213 | 121.71% |
| 0285 | Edgewater | 125 | 1 | 159 | 160 | 128.00% |
| 0361 | S Daytona | 226 | 6 | 267 | 273 | 120.80% |
| TOTALS | | 1435 | 30 | 1526 | 1556 | 108.43% |

DISTRICT 16

| UNIT | CITY | GOAL | JR | SR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 0007 | Clearwater | 249 | 3 | 264 | 267 | 107.23% |
| 0014 | St Petersburg | 117 | 3 | 136 | 139 | 118.80% |
| 0046 | Tarpon Springs | 10 | 2 | 20 | 22 | 220.00% |
| 0079 | New Port Richey | 458 | 25 | 427 | 452 | 98.69% |
| 0104 | Pinellas Park | 255 | 7 | 309 | 316 | 123.92% |
| 0119 | Largo | 360 | 15 | 342 | 357 | 99.17% |
| 0125 | St Petersburg | 297 | 26 | 277 | 303 | 102.02% |
| 0158 | Treasure Island | 256 | 0 | 325 | 325 | 126.95% |
| 0173 | Holiday | 259 | 4 | 292 | 296 | 114.29% |
| 0238 | Safety Harbor | 314 | 7 | 377 | 384 | 122.29% |
| 0252 | Seminole | 1065 | 7 | 1233 | 1240 | 116.43% |
| 0273 | Madeira Beach | 3428 | 6 | 3744 | 3750 | 109.39% |
| 0275 | Dunedin | 981 | 5 | 1191 | 1196 | 121.92% |
| 0305 | St Pete Beach | 150 | 0 | 157 | 157 | 104.67% |
| 0335 | Hudson | 96 | 5 | 81 | 86 | 89.58% |
| TOTALS | | 8295 | 115 | 9175 | 9290 | 112.00% |

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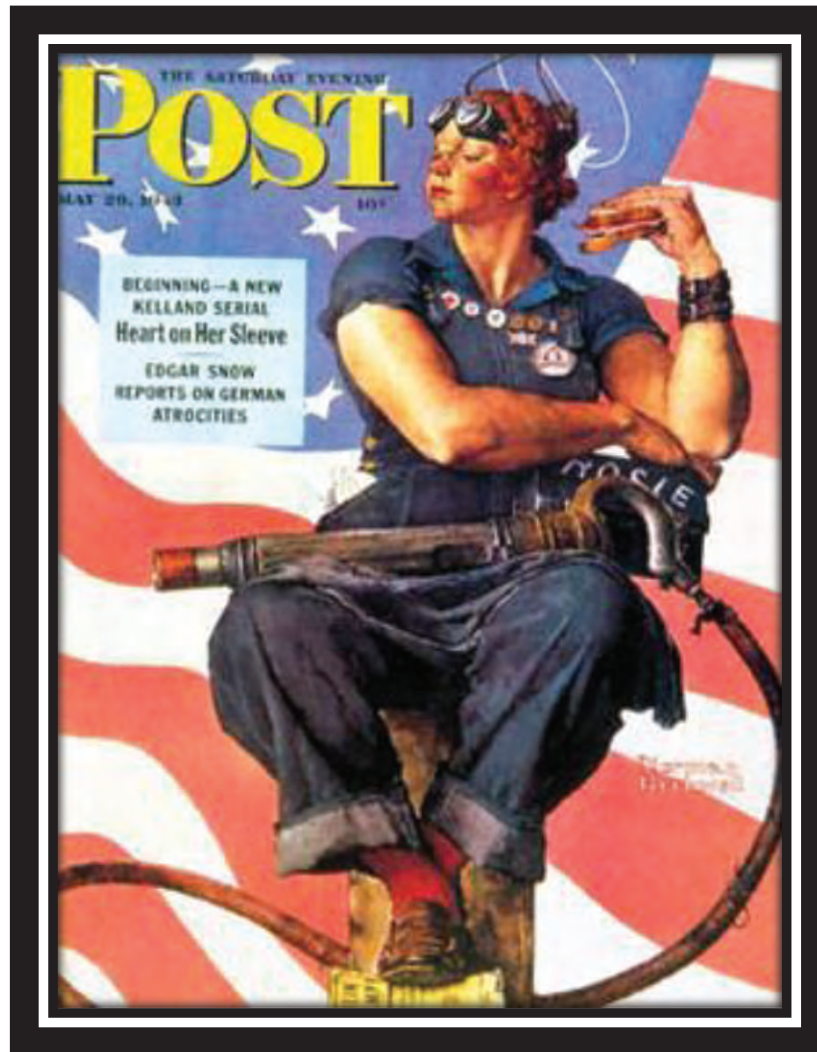
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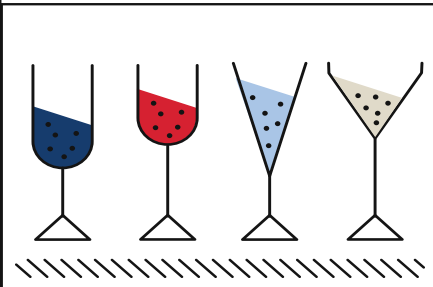
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