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Mission Statement

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.

Vision Statement

The vision of The American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion while becoming the premier service organization and foundation of every community providing support for our veterans, our military, and their families by shaping a positive future in an atmosphere of fellowship, patriotism, peace and security.



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President s Message

WANDA BRANDT



I hope you are enjoying our beautiful weather (cooling down) and Fall is in the air. It is exciting coming out after the COVID shutdown and being able to meet together.

National Convention was a great success. I

thoroughly enjoyed celebrating our 100th Birthday with a beautiful opening on Monday morning and the closing Wednesday with a super Bang. Then Monday luncheon at the "Public Spirit Awards Luncheon" our very own Jerry Cookie Agan from Unit 25 Ellenton received Unit Member of the year what a blast.

Your Department of Florida delegates stayed right until the end of Convention to be part of the National Installation of Officers. Where newly installed National President Kathy Daudistel formally installed all of the Department Presidents. I was proud to be representing the great Department of Florida as President. Our own outgoing NEC Michele DeGennaro passed the sash to our newly elected NEC Ann King-Smith.

It was so good to see some old friends and meet some new friends. It was just good to fellowship with one another, have a great Convention and celebrate our 100th Birthday.

Our District Meeting have started and on August 21st, I surprised District 1 Unit 75 Crestview at their meeting. I am not sure who was surprised more, the District President or me. Members had the post all decorative in my colors and theme, serving breakfast burritos and fruit. We had a great meeting and I did a "Honor Your Mentor" presentation and the members got to pin their mentors with a pin and tell the person how they mentored them. After the meeting we had a beach party and they had music and games and lots of food. It was also great to catch up with PDP Edie Herrington.

As I start my travels to different Districts, I am so **Conch Charter** VOLUME XI TISSUE 3 OCTOBER 2021

proud of what I hear about the American Legion Family supporting our Veterans, Communities and our Children. Stepping up "Dare to Commit" for our Programs, and Advocating for our Veterans and riding the Waves for Membership.

My travels then took me to District 2, I meet District President Kaye at the golf course, I told her I did not play golf. We had a great seafood luncheon where I meet several of the district members and Legionnaire Barry. What a great time we had. Saturday, she had the District SOI (School of Instructions) and the ladies did an excellent job teaching their programs. Beautiful crowd of women and men eager to learn. Most of the classes for the School of Instruction will be over this month and if they all go like District 2 (SOI) members will learn a lot.

I attended the Stand Down, what a great turn out of volunteers from the American Legion family and other VSO. The Veterans were so appreciative of the help they received. Tables were full of clothing and donated items for the Veterans. The Legion post teamed up with the VA to make this possible for the VETERANS. The Veterans were served a light breakfast upon arrival prior to receiving haircuts, dental checks and eye examines then they got to shop for clothing and shoes and was served hot dogs and hamburgers before they departed. I thank all the organization that participated and the help they gave the Veterans. Many stand downs are being held throughout our great state and I applaud all auxiliary members for your participation.

I hope everyone is planning on attending Fall Conference which is November 5-7 in Orlando at the "Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld". Pleas make sure you bring your donations for the Creative Arts Festival to Patty.





National Gecurity

CONSTANCE HENDRIX



Welcome to October! I cannot believe that fall is in the air and 2021 is almost gone. We have been through a lot during the pandemic and our Units continue to thrive and to "Dare to Commit" to serving our active

duty servicemembers, their families, and our first responders. Thank you for posting on our Facebook page. We are so proud of the hard work you are doing to brand the American Legion Auxiliary.

Now, that you have done a wonderful job with supporting the Operation Homefront program by collaborating with the Dollar Tree Stores for the "Back-to School Brigade"; it is time to get ready for the holidays. Please go to <u>www.operationhomefront.</u> org to see ways to assist with the "Holiday Toy Drive", again in partnership with Dollar Tree Stores. You may also coordinate with the Program Coordinator, Beth McGregor, at <u>Beth.McGregor@Operationhomefront.</u> org to find out ways to get involved with other programs such as "Meals for the Military". This program is one where Units would work directly with Beth McGregor. You would tell Beth how many non-perishable meals you would like to collect for, it could be 5-25 families, she will give you a list of items to collect and the other information they might need. Beth also vets the families, supplies a list of names, and family count. A great program to support yearround.

Most Units are familiar with Troop Care Packages and there are numerous organizations that can assist you with packaging and shipping boxes to service members. One of the organizations is HeroBox, www. herobox.org. There is a commonly requested items list on their website. HeroBox connects the American people with deployed heroes through their online platform. There are other organizations listed the National Security webpage.

Thank you for supporting the USO, it has been added back on the Department's Donation Remittance Form (15060). The USO is back on the Dept Remittance

Form because it is a rule under a Department Honorary Award for the "Best All Around" program. The USO supports those who need us most, including the wounded, ill and injured troops, their families and caregivers, families of the fallen, deployed troops and military families.

President Wanda has two projects this year. Project: VetRelief and My Warrior's Place. Project: VetRelief (www.projectvetrelief.org) is an organization whose mission is to provide a legion of support for our service men and women as they transition into civilian lives. They are listed on the Donation Remittance Form line item (15241).

My Warrior's Place is a Retreat Center for our Veterans, Military Service Members, Law Enforcement Officers, Fire Fighters, Gold Star, Blue Star, and Silver Star Families. Additionally, My Warrior's Place offers several amazing programs for those who have put their life on the line for our safety and well-being, endured the death of a Fallen Warrior, and/or experienced the horrors of war. Each program offered by My Warrior's Place plays an important role in the healing and coping process, and the support that is obtained through these programs is priceless! My Warrior's Place is line item (15240) on the Donation Remittance Form.

Please also remember to include your Juniors in your activities. They have amazing and creative ideas.

I am looking forward to serving as Department National Security Chairman. Thank you to the National Security Committee Members, Rhonda Brailey Maurer, Sharon Beck and Kim Edens for assisting with this program. I really appreciate you.

"Ride the Wave" and keep your posts coming on Facebook @ FLALA National Security and Email: nationalsecurity@alafl.org.

Education

MARY MCELRATH



I am excited about representing you as the Department Education Chairwoman for the 2021-2022. This year our Department President Wanda Brandt has challenged us with theme, "Dare to Commit". What does it mean to

Commit? According to the Oxford dictionary, commit means to pledge or bind to a certain course or policy. This year will require your commitment to provide children and adults with optimal opportunities to be successful in their educational journey while learning about the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Using "Out of the Box" thinking when you are planning an event at a school or in the community will make the event fun, intentional and provide opportunities for kids and adults to ask questions about the ALA Education program.

These are just a few ideas you can do right there:

- Sponsor a school event (Parent Night, Report Card Night, Teacher Appreciation)30 second commercial on your local radio station
- Build a relationship with the high school counselor a week before school begins
- Make SMART goals (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Time-Bound)
- Be familiar with the ALA Award criteria
- Participate in Career Day at a school- To enhance respect for the sacrifices of our military heroes
- Attend School Board meetings and share how ALA can support the students and staff
- Partner with an After-School program (tutoring opportunities, snacks)

Upcoming dates to remember:

Education Week: November 14-20, 2021

Please feel free to email me at <u>Education@alafl.org</u> if would like to share your ideas on how to promote education to our youth and adults.

Builder or Wrecker?

SHARED BY WANDA BRANDT

Food for Thought - National recently shared the following poem. I feel this is apropos when talking about different personalities when it comes to team building.

Which one do you identify with?

Builder or Wrecker?

I watched them tearing a building down— A gang of men in a busy town;

With a "Ho, heave, ho," and a lusty yell They swung a beam and the side wall fell;

I asked the foreman, "Are these men skilled?

And the kind you would hire if you were to build?"

He laughed and said, "Why, no indeed, *lust common laborers is all I need*;

They can easily wreck in a day or two That which has taken builders years to do."

So I said to myself, as I went on my way,

"What part in the game of life do I play?

Am I shaping my deeds to a well-made plan,

Carefully measuring with a rule and square, Patiently doing the very best I can,

Or am I a wrecker – who walks the town.

Content with the labor of tearing down?

~ EDGAR A. GUEST

Membership

CANDACE MABRY



When you wish upon a STARfish...

Your membership dreams will come true.

My newsletter within the Conch Chatter will now be branded as

When you wish upon a STARfish...your membership dreams will come true. Unit 365, Sunrise, is radical because they are at 100% as of our first posted Friday report. Unit 112, Winter Park, 192, Fort Myers, and 241 Sneads are all stoked because they are all above 70% membership. Way to go pelicans!!

Our Bottom Turn Award winners are as follows: Membership Group 1, Unit 365, Sunrise at 100%. Group 2 Unit 241, Snead with 70.43%. Group 3 Unit 267, Ormond Beach with 59.79%. Group 4 Unit 152, Tampa with 28.9%. Group 5, with 40.65% is Unit 62, Stuart. Last but never least, Group 6 had less than .09% difference between Lady Lake, 347 and Port St. Lucie 0318.... Congratulations goes to Unit 347, Lady Lake with 30.83%. I hope they have multiple pelicans in this unit because they have processed 802 STARfish!

The Bottom turn award will be given out at Fall Conference.

The next award will be the Front Side Snap Award, which is also the highest percentage in each grouping and due October 28th which is one week prior to Fall Conference. Keep Riding the Wave, let's work to have all new winners for this award.

Thanks to our Department PR Chairman, Lisa Hoyland, we now have a Facebook group for membership It is ALAFL Membership. Please check it out and join.

As we work on our membership drives, please take pictures and share – make sure you are wearing our brand! Also, National Membership will give an award at National Convention called Together We Serve Award. It is the Department who demonstrates how their Department worked with the Legion Family to Enhance Membership. Get your stories to me and your regional membership committees. Let's get together with are our Legionnaires, Sons and Rider membership chairman and get creative!! Have challenges let's make it fun so we will not only be i



Americanism

LIZ CLOSE



"If we ever forget that we are One Nation Under God, then we will be a nation gone under."

~Ronald Reagan

Students are physically back to school in Florida and abiding by

the CDC guidelines. The 2022 Americanism Essay Contest Cover Sheet can be found on alafl.org website under the Program drop down tab Americanism Essay Contest Cover page. Take time to review this material. The theme this year is, "How Can We Support Families Who Provide Care to Their Veterans."

Just a heads up that there are no mid-year reports this year. The winners of the Essay Contest must be sent in to me by April 1, 2022. Organize a ceremony to honor

the winners. Send thank you notes to the school. Think about using an American Legion Auxiliary Certificate of Participation for the winning students.

While visiting the school, talk up Flag Etiquette, Veteran's Day and other patriotic holidays that will come during the year. The Legion Halloween Safety coloring book, or any of the pamphlets and information pertaining to our organization would be great to leave for the school.

The children of our country are our future. Let them know the importance of patriotism and how our community, children and youth together with the American Legion Family can make a difference in our country. Take pride in America. Navy Day is-Wednesday, October 13, 2021. God Bless America.

Three Generations Serving The American Legion Auxiliary



L to R – Past Department President 1985-1986, Fran Carlton

Past Honorary Department Junior President 1979-1980, Debbie Carlton-Vasquez. Current Honorary Department Junior Historian 2021-2022, Angelina Vasquez. All are members of Delray Beach Unit 65.

Louise Whipple, Fran's mother started attending Auxiliary meetings as a child in 1919. Louise's mother and two older sisters were charter members of Victory Unit 49 in Cleveland, Ohio. Louise served two terms as President of Palm Beach Unit 12 in the early 1970's.



National Creative Arts Festival Gift Basket Raffle Fundraiser



Calling all Members, Units, and Districts

The ALA Department of Florida will be raffling gift baskets at the 2021 Fall Conference, with all proceeds going to the **2022 National Veterans Creative Arts Festival held in St. Petersburg, Florida**. If anyone would like to donate a basket or any other items to raffle, please bring the items/baskets to Fall Conference. Please notify the Department Secretary via email of the items you will be donating.

Volunteers Needed: If anyone would like to volunteer to work the raffle table please contact Patty Halliday, Department Secretary at secretary@alafl.org with the date and times you are available. Any available time is appreciated. The raffle table will be open on Friday, November 5th from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm and on Saturday, November 6th from 8:00 am - 1:00 pm.





Fall Conference

CALL FOR PAGES

Pages are needed for our annual Fall Conference to be held Saturday, November 6, 2021 the Renaissance SeaWorld Orlando, 6677 Sea Harbor Drive, Orlando, Fl. 32821

If any member would like to serve as a Page during Saturday's general session, please complete and return this form as soon as possible.

The attire for Pages will be black or navy slacks and a white, tailored blouse (to tank tops or t-shirts; but short sleeves are permitted).

Contact me if you have any questions. Thank you and I look forward to working with you. Deadline for Page registration is October 28, 2021.

American Legion Auxiliary Department of Florida 1912A Lee Road Orlando, Fl. 32810 Secetary@alafl.org

Yes, I'm interested in being considered to serve as a Page du Conference!	uring the Fall
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Call to Fall Conference Fall Conference Like a MonSTAR

The Annual Fall Conference of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Florida, will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 5, 6 and 7, 2021 at the Renaissance SeaWorld, 6677 Sea Harbor Drive, Orlando, Fl. 32821.

Friday, November 5th, 2021

- 8:00 am 5:00 p.m. **Department Headquarter Store** Open **Merritt 1**
- 9:00 am 10:00 am Girls State Lobbyist Sunrise Consulting Crystal C
- 10:15 am 11:00 a.m. Americanism "Ring the Bell" Liz Close Longboat 1
- 10:15 am 11:15 a.m. Reporting Jan Farrington Merritt 2
- 10:15 am 11:00 a.m. Community Service "Every Service Counts" Denise Grinis **Canaveral 1**
- 10:15 am 11:00 a.m. Chaplain "We Commit to God" Ruth Burgess **Canaveral** 2
- 10:15 am 11:00 a.m. Public Relations "Lets talk about the ways of communication with ALA getting the word out" Lisa Hoyland **Canaveral 3**
- 10:15 am 11:15 am Girls State "Building leaders through Girls State" Irma Wehrli Longboat 2
- 10:15 am 11:30 am Membership "Unit Membership Goals and How to Process Membership" Candace Mabry and Patty Halliday **Crystal C**
- 11:15 am 12:00 am Education "Dare to Educate" Mary McElrath Longboat 1
- 11:15 am 12:00 pm Historian "Tales of the Sea" Eleanor Amato **Canaveral 1**
- 11:15 am 12:00 pm Juniors "Commit to 'School our Guppies'" Dara Oliver **Longboat 2**
- 11:15 am 12:15 pm Leadership "How to become an ABC Instructor 101" Mary Kelly-Perkins **Canaveral 3**

- 11:30 am 12:15 pm Children and Youth "Committing to our Children & Youth" Charlotte Bass **Merritt 2**
- 1:00 pm -1:45 pm Past Presidents Parley "Join with me for an a-ha experience about the Past Presidents Parley" Julia Griffith **Canaveral 1**
- 1:00 pm -2:00 pm Poppy "All things Poppy" Robin Watrous Canaveral 2
- 1:00 pm -2:00 pm Reporting Jan Farrington Longboat 1
- 1:00 pm -2:00 pm Constitution and Bylaws "Dare to Commit to documents that govern" Catherine McMullin **Canaveral 3**
- 1:00 pm -1:45 pm Sergeant at Arms Jeanne Nadeau Merritt 2
- 1:00 pm 2:00 pm Project Vet Relief "How the ALA can assist Veterans through PVR" Jennifer Cooper **Crystal C**
- 2:00 pm 3:00 pm VA&R "Homeless Veterans: A Hand Up! Not a Hand Out!" Dee Bell **Canaveral 1**
- 2:15 pm 3:00 pm -Legislative Terry Gallagher Longboat 1
- 2:15 pm 3:15 pm National Security "Maintaining the home front for our troops" Constance Hendrix **Canaveral 2**
- 2:15 pm 3:15 pm Auxiliary Emergency Fund "All about A.E.F. Test Yourself" Karen Humann **Canaveral 3**
- 2:15 pm 3:30 pm Membership "Unit Membership Goals and How to Process Membership" Candace Mabry and Patty Halliday **Crystal C**
- 3:45 pm 4:30 pm Closed Executive Meeting Crystal C



Saturday, November 6th, 2021

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 pm Department Headquarter Store Open – Merritt 1

9:30 am - 12:00 pm Juniors Meeting - Dara Oliver - Merritt 2

9:00 a.m. Opening - Crystal C

10:15 a.m. National Awards

NEC Report

Special Guest Speakers

Lunch

1:15 p.m. Line Up for Membership Parade

1:30 p.m. General Session - Crystal C

Membership Parade

3:00-3:15 Break

3:15 p.m.

National Creative Arts Festival Basket Drawing Announcements & Endorsements Closing & Remarks

6:00 PM Reception* Witching Hour

Canaveral Ballroom *Cash Bar

7:00 PM President & Commander Banquet – Canaveral Ballroom
BeWitching Soiree – Wear your best Halloween Costume. Prizes to be
awarded to the Best Overall Costume, Most Creative Costume, Most
Scary Costume and Best Overall Department Membership Themed
Costume.

Sunday, November 7th, 2021

8:30 pm Religious Service - Crystal C Ballroom

Wanda Brandt Patty MacDonald

Department President September 24, 2021 Department Secretary

American Legion Auxiliary Department of Florida



Calling for

Unit and District Color Bearers

To Participate in

Department Fall Conference

Opening Ceremony Processional

<u>Attire</u>: Navy or Black skirt or Slacks, White Blouse (no ruffles and no sleeveless) Natural Colored Hose and Navy or Black Shoes, white gloves

Rehearsal will be Friday, November 5th at 6:00 p.m. in Crystal C. Please be sure to bring all the needed materials, <u>flag, eagle, stand</u>, and that everything is marked with your Unit/District number.

To participate, complete the bottom of this form and return to Department Headquarters by October 28, 2021. Department address is 1912A Lee Road, Orlando, Fl. 32810 or email to secretary@alafl.org.

Presidents, please be sure your color bearers know how to present colors

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District/Unit #	Person Responsible for delivery and pick up	
Contact Phone Number_		



2021 FALL CONFERENCE PRESIDENT & COMMANDER'S BEWITCHING SOIREE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021

Featuring

DJ Greg Bastin

Buffet Menu

Caesar Salad | Chicken & Orzo Soup | Pan Seared Chicken Breast | Herb Roasted Fresh Catch | Broccolini with Olive Oil and Lemon | Garlic & Herb Roasted Potatoes | Assorted Dinner Rolls | Seasonal Cobbler | Coffee | Tea

Tickets: \$50.00 In Advance \$60.00 at Fall Conference

Costume Contest prizes awarded for Best Overall Costume,
Most Creative, Most Scary and Best Overall Dept
Membership themed Costume

2021FALL CONFERENCE PRESIDENT & COMMANDER'S BEWITCHING SOIREE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021

Tickets - \$50.00 Advance Purchase \$60.00 at Fall Conference Canaveral Ball Room

YES !!! I want to attend the 2021 President & Commander's Banquet on Saturday, November 6th at Department Fall Conference

Name _____

Phone _____

Tickets _____x \$50.00 per ticket

Total Due _____

Please mail check payable to: ALA Department of Florida (Please Enclose Form) 1912A Lee Road, Orlando, Fl. 32810

Tickets will be available for pick up at Fall Conference in ALA Store (Room Merritt 1) Must Receive check at Headquarters by 10/29/2021

Florida Happenings









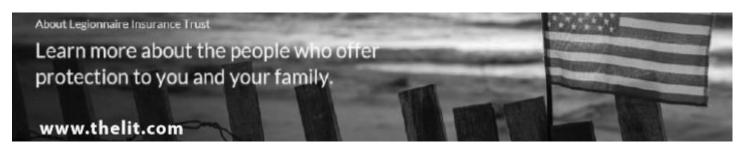








District 1 - Bronson - Meeting. Had the honor of President Wanda Brandt to attend. Had a Mentor pinning ceremony. Of course we had a beach theme Meeting. Held on 21 August 2021 at Post 75 Crestview. Stingrays are stinging it.











District 11 - Unit 62 stuffed150 backpacks with school supplies and delivered them to two local schools. Pinewood Elementary and Salerno Elementary Schools. Total estimated value of the donations \$5,000.



Unit 28 - Key West Installation of Officers



Unit 154 - Marathon Installation of Officers



Florida Happenings



Unit 98 - left to right Leah, Helga Laks, President Nancy Casquarelli, JoAnn Smith and Jane English.









Unit 133 - Operation Home Front Back to School Brigade collecting and distributing over \$2,600 worth of supplies



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District 4 - Presenters for District 4 School of Instructions held on September 12 at Unit 155 Crystal River. L to R: Nettie Goggans, Unit 155 Crystal River; Michele Shreve, Unit 155 Crystal River; Eileen Harrison, Unit 155 Crystal River; Lou Isley, Unit 77 Inverness; Debbie Ballew, Unit 166 Homosassa; Sylvia Fidler, Unity 149 Newberry; Natalie Scott, Unit 237 Beverly Hills, District 4 President



District 2 - Luncheon honoring President Wanda hosted by Unit 84 and Unit 217 at Quincy Country Club on Sept 10th.



District 2 - Unit 13 members attending District 2, SOI with President Wanda, hosted by Unit 241, Snead's.



- President Wanda speaking at District 2 Luncheon hosted by Unit's 84 & 217 at Quincy Country Club on Sept 10th.

District 2



District 2 - Unit 100, Marianna still held their officer installation. District 2 President Kaye Brown installed officers and gave an informative speech on membership to all Post and Unit members present. Pictured left right: Pat Ouzts and Jane Powell, Kaye Brown.



District 2 - Unit 217 Officers were installed by District 2 President Kaye Brown on Mon., Sept. 13th at Post 217 in Quincy. Pictured left to right are Joetter Young, Essie Bethea/Gipson, Annette Smith, Ora Green, Jeraldine Wilson, Lizzie Thomas, Barbara Smith, Carolyn Green, Thelma Rittman, Mary Kenon. Unit gift presented to President Brown by Vice President Annette Smith. Afterwards everyone enjoyed a delicious chicken meal.



Visit Your Local Tag Office and get yours today!

Proceeds benefit Veterans and their families in the State of Florida.

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Florida Happenings



District 2 - Unit 217 Officers were installed by District 2 President Kaye Brown on Mon., Sept. 13th at Post 217 in Quincy.



District 5 - Picture from 5th District Unit 9 Back to school drive.











Unit 194 - September marked the two year anniversary for ALA Unit 194 & Dunkin Donuts SR 16 partnership. Donuts are picked up and delivered to Clyde E. Lassen VA State Nursing Home the 2nd Thursday of the month. We are so appreciative of the partnership with DD.





District 2 - District 2 School of Instruction was held on Sept. 11th hosted by Unit 241 Sneads. Dept. President Wanda Brandt was in attendance on her annual district visit. In addition a Patriot's Day 9/11 Recognition was held.



Unit 194 - ALA Unit 194 hosted 9/11 National Day of Service feeding the St. Johns County Sheriff Dept. 100 personnel were served.











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Unit 365 - With the combined effort of all at Unit 356, Lynn Haven Fl. we collected the below items to be delivered to Louisiana to help with recovery from hurricane Ida. Big shout out to Post 392 for making sure it got delivered.







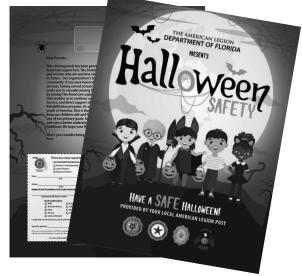
Unit 75 - Past President and Gold Star Mom Cheryl Anaya's Celebration of Life

Cheryl loved her Veterans! She was a Past President of Unit 75 in Crestview, FL and a Gold Star Mom. She was active in helping with projects of the Auxiliary, but did many things people didn't realize. After her son Michael passed, she kept in contact with the others from his squadron. She was an honorary member of the American Legion Riders and they have an annual poker run named after Michael and the dates on her vest were the dates of the past runs

She took it upon herself to collect gifts to send them for the holidays and would also monitor Facebook and watch for certain words from them that might mean they were struggling. If she thought that was the case, she would contact them and see if they needed to talk or had any other needs. She will be missed by many.







Newly Designed Halloween Coloring Books for posts.

These coloring books are great for kids of all ages. We're please to offer this newly designed book with even more pages of fun!

The book contains Halloween Season safety tips for parents and children to consider. Also included is a message describing many facets of The American Legion, what we stand for and what we do. A membership application has been included on the back cover next to the space reserved for your individual post number and address. BE SURE TO PUT YOUR POST INFORMATION IN THE SPACE PROVIDED SO THE PARENTS ARE AWARE OF WHICH POST HAS THEIR CHILDREN'S SAFETY IN MIND.

We strongly urge your post to contact schools and daycare centers for their participation. We are asking that your order be received at Department Headquarters by October 15th. We will ship your coloring book orders as we receive them but payment must be included. We sincerely hope your Auxiliary will also participate in this program.



ORDER ONLINE WWW.FLORIDALEGIONSTORE.ORG

(Qty: 3-5) - \$9.95 (Qty: 6-8) - \$15.95

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If you are tax exempt, please ensure we have a tax exempt form on file.

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WORD SEARCH

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Membership Reports

SEPTEMBER 24, 2021

DISTRICT 1							
UNIT	СІТҮ	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT	
0075	Crestview	215	0	49	49	22.79%	
0078	Milton	13	0	4	4	30.77%	
0193	Pensacola	75	14	11	25	33.33%	
0221	Niceville	105	0	30	30	28.57%	
0235	Ft Walton Beach	145	0	8	8	5.52%	
0240	Pensacola	249	5	47	52	20.88%	
0296	Destin	60	0	23	23	38.33%	
0340	Pensacola	355	4	68	72	20.28%	
0356	Lynn Haven	139	0	31	31	22.30%	
0375	Southport	49	1	14	15	30.61%	
0378	Gulf Breeze	49	0	2	2	4.08%	
0382	Navarre	149	2	40	42	28.19%	
0392	Panama City	184	0	42	42	22.83%	
0402	Panama City Beach	38	0	12	12	31.58%	
	TOTALS	1825	26	381	407	22.30%	

DISTRICT 2								
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT		
0013	Tallahassee	81	1	19	20	24.69%		
0082	Lanark	77	1	9	10	12.99%		
0084	Havana	29	7	5	12	41.38%		
0100	Marianna	36	0	2	2	5.56%		
0217	Quincy	52	0	16	16	30.77%		
0241	Sneads	70	20	30	50	71.43%		
-	TOTALS 345 29 81 110 31.88%							

DISTRICT 3								
UNIT	СІТҮ	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT		
0049	Monticello	27	0	6	6	22.22%		
0057	Lake City	238	0	32	32	13.45%		
0107	Live Oak	46	0	19	19	41.30%		
0215	Jasper	34	0	0	0	0.00%		
0224	Madison	41	0	9	9	21.95%		
0291	Steinhatchee	195	2	36	38	19.49%		
0383	Old Town	131	0	4	4	3.05%		
0383	Old Town	129	1	129	130	100.78%		
	TOTALS	712	2	106	108	15.17%		

	DISTRICT 4								
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0016	Gainesville	38	0	11	11	28.95%			
0027	Ocala	20	0	12	12	60.00%			
0058	Dunnellon	41	0	6	6	14.63%			
0077	Inverness	49	0	14	14	28.57%			
0149	Newberry	24	3	8	11	45.83%			
0155	Crystal River	334	4	80	84	25.15%			
0166	Homosassa Springs	137	0	50	50	36.50%			
0210	Ocala	12	0	0	0	0.00%			
0230	Hawthorne	28	4	15	19	67.86%			
0236	Bronson	52	0	14	14	26.92%			
0237	Beverly Hills	179	0	48	48	26.82%			
0284	Belleview	84	2	26	28	33.33%			
	TOTALS	998	13	284	297	29.76%			

DISTRICT 5													
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT							
0009	Jacksonville	51	0	16	16	31.37%							
0054	Fernandina Beach	177	0	22	22	12.43%							
0088	Jacksonville	81	1	21	22	27.16%							
0129	Jacksonville Beach	386	5	102	107	27.72%							
0137	Jacksonville	464	5	70	75	16.16%							
0194	St Augustine	78	0	9	9	11.54%							
0197	Jacksonville	40	0	1	1	2.50%							
0202	Keystone Heights	55	0	13	13	23.64%							
0233	Ponte Vedra Beach	163	0	12	12	7.36%							
0244	Jacksonville	27	0	1	1	3.70%							
0250	Middleburg	307	27	52	79	25.73%							
0283	Jacksonville	473	1	44	45	9.51%							
0316	Atlantic Beach	356	0	21	21	5.90%							
0372	Mandarin	28	0	11	11	39.29%							
0373	Orange Park	30	0	0	0	0.00%							
0401	Hilliard	49	0	0	0	0.00%							
0401	Hilliard	41	1	46	47	114.63%							
	TOTALS	2765	39	395	434	TOTALS 2765 39 395 434 15.70%							

DISTRICT 6							
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT	
0010	Kissimmee	204	0	41	41	20.10%	
0018	Wildwood	13	0	2	2	15.38%	
0019	Orlando	106	2	24	26	24.53%	
0035	Mount Dora	156	0	5	5	3.21%	
0041	Eustis	12	0	6	6	50.00%	
0053	Sanford	70	0	6	6	8.57%	
0055	Clermont	191	0	27	27	14.14%	
0063	Winter Garden	37	0	5	5	13.51%	
0080	Saint Cloud	253	0	60	60	23.72%	
0101	Bushnell	136	0	13	13	9.56%	
0109	Ocoee	16	0	0	0	0.00%	
0112	Winter Park	24	2	16	18	75.00%	
0183	Fern Park	108	0	2	2	1.85%	
0219	Fruitland Park	208	1	46	47	22.60%	
0242	Orlando	117	0	2	2	1.71%	
0286	Orlando	178	3	23	26	14.61%	
0330	Leesburg	60	1	29	30	50.00%	
0331	Orlando	18	0	0	0	0.00%	
0347	Lady Lake	2601	6	855	861	33.10%	
0412	Orlando	14	0	1	1	7.14%	
0412	Orlando	17	2	11	13	76.47%	
	TOTALS	4522	15	1163	1178	26.05%	

DISTRICT 7									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0003	Bartow	90	0	16	16	17.78%			
0004	Lakeland	71	0	4	4	5.63%			
0008	Winter Haven	581	4	119	123	21.17%			
0034	Haines City	84	0	5	5	5.95%			
0071	Lake Wales	45	0	4	4	8.89%			
0072	Mulberry	163	2	27	29	17.79%			
0201	Florence Villa	33	0	1	1	3.03%			
	TOTALS 1067 6 176 182 17.06%								

DISTRICT 8								
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT		
0011	Arcadia	31	0	0	0	0.00%		
0024	Bradenton	330	0	63	63	19.09%		
0025	Lake Placid	357	0	57	57	15.97%		
0030	Sarasota	78	5	36	41	52.56%		
0069	Avon Park	661	0	92	92	13.92%		
0074	Sebring	111	0	30	30	27.03%		
0113	Rotonda West	315	0	38	38	12.06%		
0159	Venice	663	0	100	100	15.08%		
0254	North Port	122	0	26	26	21.31%		
0266	Fruitville	144	3	26	29	20.14%		
0309	Palmetto	173	0	47	47	27.17%		
0312	Oneco	255	0	22	22	8.63%		
0325	Ellenton	194	0	35	35	18.04%		
	TOTALS	3434	8	572	580	16.89%		

DISTRICT 9								
UNIT	СІТҮ	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT		
0036	Ft Lauderdale	31	0	0	0	0.00%		
0092	Hollywood	93	0	32	32	34.41%		
0142	Pompano Beach	179	1	58	59	32.96%		
0157	Margate	186	6	29	35	18.82%		
0162	Deerfield Beach	173	14	27	41	23.70%		
0180	Fort Lauderdale	106	0	42	42	39.62%		
0209	Dania Beach	17	0	0	0	0.00%		
0220	Ft Lauderdale	31	4	11	15	48.39%		
0222	Fort Lauderdale	35	0	2	2	5.71%		
0287	Deerfield Beach	15	0	0	0	0.00%		
0304	Dania	64	0	2	2	3.13%		
0310	Hallandale	36	0	13	13	36.11%		
0321	Cooper City	215	2	47	49	22.79%		
0365	Sunrise	12	0	12	12	100.00%		
	TOTALS	1193	27	275	302	25.31%		

DISTRICT 11							
UNIT	СІТҮ	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT	
0020	Belle Glade	46	0	0	0	0.00%	
0047	Lake Worth	81	1	25	26	32.10%	
0062	Stuart	524	1	232	233	44.47%	
0064	Okeechobee	130	1	16	17	13.08%	
0065	Delray Beach	53	3	18	21	39.62%	
0141	West Palm Beach	79	2	16	18	22.78%	
0164	Boynton Beach	147	3	25	28	19.05%	
0199	W Palm Beach	42	0	3	3	7.14%	
0268	Riviera Beach	87	9	18	27	31.03%	
0271	Tequesta	156	6	44	50	32.05%	
0277	Boca Raton	105	0	32	32	30.48%	
0288	Boynton Beach	27	0	0	0	0.00%	
0367	Royal Palm Beach	36	0	0	0	0.00%	
	TOTALS	1513	26	429	455	30.07%	

	DISTRICT 12							
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT		
0001	Titusville	301	1	56	57	18.94%		
0022	Cocoa	90	0	18	18	20.00%		
0039	Vero Beach	179	0	6	6	3.35%		
0040	Fort Pierce	183	0	39	39	21.31%		
0081	Melbourne	174	0	23	23	13.22%		
0117	Palm Bay	521	0	92	92	17.66%		
0126	Jensen Beach	210	0	40	40	19.05%		
0163	Eau Gallie	239	3	39	42	17.57%		
0171	Fort Pierce	14	0	0	0	0.00%		
0189	Sebastian	149	0	68	68	45.64%		
0191	Melbourne	84	0	7	7	8.33%		
0200	Satellite Beach	180	0	31	31	17.22%		
0318	Port St Lucie	911	3	285	288	31.61%		
0344	Merritt Island	45	1	13	14	31.11%		
0348	Cape Canaveral	184	0	34	34	18.48%		
0358	White City	64	0	10	10	15.63%		
0359	Port St John	332	2	59	61	18.37%		
0366	Barefoot Bay	69	6	13	19	27.54%		
0394	Palm Bay	174	4	29	33	18.97%		
0410	Viera	13	0	0	0	0.00%		
	TOTALS	4116	20	862	882	21.43%		

DISTRICT 13							
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT	
0038	Fort Myers	37	0	17	17	45.95%	
0090	Cape Coral	272	0	29	29	10.66%	
0103	Punta Gorda	506	1	96	97	19.17%	
0110	Port Charlotte	601	1	80	81	13.48%	
0123	Sanibel	53	0	1	1	1.89%	
0130	Labelle	149	0	17	17	11.41%	
0135	Naples	352	1	56	57	16.19%	
0136	Saint James City	466	0	53	53	11.37%	
0192	Fort Myers	22	2	14	16	72.73%	
0274	Fort Myers Beach	574	0	64	64	11.15%	
0303	Bonita Springs	392	1	34	35	8.93%	
0323	Lehigh Acres	438	10	90	100	22.83%	
0336	N Ft Myers	373	0	73	73	19.57%	
0351	Fort Myers	92	0	1	1	1.09%	
	TOTALS	4327	16	625	641	14.81%	

DISTRICT 14								
UNIT	CITY GOAL JR SR TOTAL PERCE							
0028	Key West	61	0	10	10	16.39%		
0031	South Miami	186	4	63	67	36.02%		
0043	Homestead	69	0	3	3	4.35%		
0067	North Miami	49	0	4	4	8.16%		
0098	Coral Gables	22	0	2	2	9.09%		
0133	Miami	71	3	5	8	11.27%		
0154	Marathon	171	0	9	9	5.26%		
0168	Key West	13	0	4	4	30.77%		
0333	Key Largo	79	0	4	4	5.06%		
0346	Miami	19	0	2	2	10.53%		
0374	Key Biscayne	42	0	1	1	2.38%		
	TOTALS	782	7	107	114	14.58%		

	DISTRICT 16							
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT		
0007	Clearwater	273	0	18	18	6.59%		
0014	St Petersburg	115	3	35	38	33.04%		
0079	New Port Richey	470	10	66	76	16.17%		
0104	Pinellas Park	244	0	14	14	5.74%		
0119	Largo	355	1	71	72	20.28%		
0125	St Petersburg	291	2	57	59	20.27%		
0158	Treasure Island	272	0	17	17	6.25%		
0173	Holiday	261	1	57	58	22.22%		
0238	Safety Harbor	278	7	69	76	27.34%		
0252	Seminole	1027	3	167	170	16.55%		
0273	Madeira Beach	3181	0	556	556	17.48%		
0275	Dunedin	874	3	140	143	16.36%		
0305	St Pete Beach	125	0	22	22	17.60%		
0335	Hudson	69	0	6	6	8.70%		
	TOTALS	7835	30	1295	1325	16.91%		

DISTRICT 15							
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT	
0005	Tampa	42	1	9	10	23.81%	
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0111	Tampa	61	0	15	15	24.59%	
0138	Tampa	453	4	113	117	25.83%	
0139	Tampa	99	0	1	1	1.01%	
0147	Odessa	41	0	10	10	24.39%	
0148	Riverview	216	1	40	41	18.98%	
0152	Tampa	256	5	76	81	31.64%	
0167	Tampa	24	0	0	0	0.00%	
0186	Brooksville	400	0	48	48	12.00%	
0248	West Tampa	22	0	2	2	9.09%	
0248	West Tampa	25	1	20	21	84.00%	
0389	Ruskin	16	2	11	13	81.25%	
	TOTALS	1614	11	315	326	20.20%	

DISTRICT 17							
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT	
0006	Deland	89	0	9	9	10.11%	
0017	New Smyrna Beach	165	0	49	49	29.70%	
0045	Palatka	41	0	12	12	29.27%	
0115	Palm Coast	41	0	16	16	39.02%	
0120	HollyHill	218	1	73	74	33.94%	
0127	Lake Helen	26	1	9	10	38.46%	
0204	Daytona Beach	21	0	0	0	0.00%	
0255	Deltona	30	4	11	15	50.00%	
0259	Debary	23	0	2	2	8.70%	
0267	Ormond Beach	194	3	113	116	59.79%	
0270	Port Orange	179	0	35	35	19.55%	
0285	Edgewater	105	0	5	5	4.76%	
0361	S Daytona	212	0	4	4	1.89%	
	TOTALS 1344 9 338 347 25.82%						



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