## THE FLORIDA TOOLBOX

Building The House Newsletter 2024-2025



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## **OCTOBER**

- POST 2 POST BIKE RIDE
- 12 ABC SCHOOL DISTRICT 9
- 12 **ABC SCHOOL DISTRICT 16**
- 14 **COLUMBUS DAY**
- 19 ABC SCHOOL DISTRICT 5
- 19 **ABC SCHOOL DISTRICT 8**
- **ABC SCHOOL DISTRICT 15** 19
- **CPR/AED CLASS** 20

### **NOVEMBER**

- ABC SCHOOL DISTRICT 2
- **FALL CONFERENCE**
- PRES & CMDR BANQUET 23
- **FALL CONFERENCE** 24
- **THANKSGIVING DAY** 28

Events subject to change. For more details visit the calendar at:

alafl.org/events



Scan the code or visit alafl.org/event-submission to submit your unit's events.

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To Build a Stronger Future

2024-Florida-2025

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



## **Charlotte Bass** president@alafl.org

It seems like September has flown by. I attended the 6th District School of Instruction on August 17th hosted by Unit 286 Pine Castle. The District Chairmen did an excellent job at presenting their programs and the turnout was great.

The next event I attended was the



**National Convention** in New Orleans August 23rd - 29th. I was installed there by National as State of FL Presidents along with all the other State Presidents. National Convention is always very informational and a wonderful way to interact with other Units from all over the states.

I attended the 6th **District Quarterly** Meeting on September 14th at Post 63 in Winter Garden and afterwards had a wonderful lunch with Unit 63 Members then will begin my first District Visitation with the 6th District. Then I will be heading to Wichita, KS August

26th-29th to attend National President Trish Ward's Homecoming. I am looking forward to my visit to

> the 5th District October 3rd-9th and then District 8, October 16th-19th and District 3, October 23-26th

I love seeing the Facebook Posts on the amazing things that the Districts and Units are doing promoting our programs and using my theme and color, plus involving the Juniors. Keep up the good work.

There have been some concerns



#### about emails being hacked.

Essentially, they are not being hacked but technically being "cloned". They are not coming from our email addresses it may have our name but if you look closely at the sender, it will have something like **president@** executiive.org or meme1122@ gmail.com but not our email addresses. The "hackers" are inventing email addresses and "phishing" for information so once again please check the email address of the sender. Also, neither **Department Officers**, **Department Chairman, nor District Presidents will ever ask** for gift cards via email or even texts.

Have a wonderful October as we continue #BuildingTheHouse.

## CALLTO FALL CONFERENCE

The Annual Fall Conference of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Florida, will be held Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, November 22, 23 and 24, 2024 at the Caribe Royale Orlando, 8101 World Center Drive, Orlando, FL 32821.

	Friday, November 22, 2024					
8am – 5pm	Department Headquarters Store Open – Grand Sierra C					
9 - 9:30am	Pre-Breakout Meeting- 2024-2025 Dept Officers, & Dept Chairmen-Pres Charlotte Bass #BuildingTheHouse - Grand Sierra D					
9:45 - 11:15am	Membership is the Key! - Jan Farrington - Grand Sierra D					
9:45 - 10:30am	Past Presidents Parley - Wanda Brandt Mentoring at All Levels - Bonaire 1					
9:45 - 11:15am	National Security – Tammy Zell - Outside organizations with an emphasis on Service Members & their families! - Bonaire 2					
9:45 - 11:15am	Public Speaking for All Members- Robin Burk - Bonaire					
9:45 - 11:15am	Americanism – Dawn's "Early Light" Davis – Essay Contest and Ideas to promote Americanism – Bonaire 4					
9:45 - 11:15am	Education – Stacy Cusano – Reviewing/qualifying scholarships, children assist, community school support – Bonaire 5					
9:45 - 11:15am	Community Service, Robin Watrous – Building the Bridge with other organizations and programs Bonaire 6					
9:45 - 11:15am	Girls State – Eileen Wilson – Girl State is Great! School contacts, registration, interviews Bonaire 7					
9:45 - 11:15am	Children & Youth – How to Look for and honor Good Deed and Youth Hero Award Recipients – Lisa Hoyland – Bonaire 8					
9:45 - 10:30am	Vacant Curacao 1					
9:45 - 11:15am	Veteran Affairs & Rehabilitation – Linda Knoblach Harkness - Reps, Deps, and how you can support our Veterans. – Curacao 2					
10:45 - 11:30am	Auxiliary Emergency Fund – Kathy Hemley – Application process & eligibility, fundraising ideas – Bonaire 1					
11:30am - 12:45pm	Chaplain –Karen Marks – Comforting & Encouraging our members and other blessings Bonaire 5					
11:30am - 12:45pm	Historian – Dara Oliver – Preserving our History How to write a Narrative– Bonaire 6					
11:30am - 12:45pm	Sergeant-At-Arms – Sherry Shupp & Andrea Sherman- What should I do as Sergeant At Arms –Bonaire 7					
11:15am - 12:30pm	Risk & Compliance - Nana Lontakos - Compliance Matters- Bonaire 8					
11:30am - 12:45pm	Public Relations – Virna Luke – Tools for #BuildingTheHouse for a successful event! – Grand Sierra D					
1:00 - 1:45pm	Legislative –Linda Allen -Your Voice Matters - Bonaire 1					
1:00 - 2:15pm	National Security – Tammy Zell - Outside organizations with an emphasis on Service Members & their families!- Bonaire 2					
1:00 - 2:15pm	Leadership- Mary Kelly Perkins - Interested in being an ABC Instructor? Bonaire 3					
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1 - 2:15pm	Veteran Affairs & Rehabilitation – Linda Knoblach Harkness - Reps, Deps, and how you can support our VeteransCuracao 2
1:30 - 2:45pm	Emails Beware -Kellie Cowan- Phishing, Spoofing, Malware, oh my! – Grand Sierra D
3 - 4pm	Meet & Greet with National President Trish Ward - Grand Sierra D
4 - 5pm	District Presidents/ Department Chairmen #BuildingTheHouse as We Lead the Way! # – Grand Sierra D
	Saturday, November 23, 2024
8am	TBD Department Headquarters Store Open – Grand Sierra C
9am - 12pm	Juniors – Antigua 3 & 4
9:30am	General Session Grand Sierra D Announcements – Department Secretary
12pm	Lunch
12:45pm	Line Up for Membership Parade
1pm	General Session - Grand Sierra D Membership Parade
	Break
2 - 4pm	Distinguished Guest Speaker National President Trsh Ward "Leading the Way!"
	Break
	Presentation of Raffle Basket Winners
	Announcements & Endorsements
	Closing & Remarks
6:00pm	Reception* Palms 2 *Cash Bar
7:00pm	President & Commander Banquet – Palms 2 We Built This City on Rock & Roll!
	Sunday, November 24, 2024
8:30am	Religious Service - Grand Sierra D
Charlotte Bass De	CALLED BY: pt President & Mary Kelly-Perkins Dept Secretary September 19, 2024



## SECRETARY'S DESK

Thank you to all who have completed the Unit Officers and Chairmen Lists and sent them to headquarters. We still have a few Units that have not completed this task and hopefully it is just an oversight.

As your Department Secretary please know that I am available to you Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. As I am a volunteer secretary, I can do the tasks from the comfort of my home, and I will answer your questions via email and answer your calls. I do have access to our Department Computers, so I am able to look up certain things that pertain to the Auxiliary.

If your Unit or District is thinking about having your own Unit apparel remember you must complete the Mary Kelly-Perkins Secretary@alafl.org (407) 451-0410

Emblem Usage Form and include a mockup of your design. Email those forms to me and once I approve on the Department level I will forward on to National for final approval. You do not need approval for letterheads, business cards etc.

If you are completing a PDF
Department form, be sure you send
it to the correct email address. **The**Recruit Ten form is to be sent
to membership@alafl.org.

Constitution and Bylaws are to be



sent to our **Department C&B Chairman, Jane Hardacre, her email is CBylaws@alafl.org.**Compliance questions concerning

990, Department of Agriculture and Sunbiz are to be directed to Nana Lontakos email which Risk@alafl.org.

Many of our members are receiving emails that they believe are coming from our department requesting gift cards and /or monetary donations.

Our Department Leadership, Chairmen and employees DO NOT send these emails, it is called PHISHING. DO NOT OPEN those emails just delete.

Information concerning the Fall Conference will be coming soon. We will be having a very **SPECIAL GUEST** in attendance so make your reservations early.

Wishing you all a SPOOKTACULAR Halloween!

alafl.org/store

## **FROM LEADERSHIP**

Mary Kelly-Perkins leadership@alafl.org

## OCTOBER ABC CLASSES

ABC Classes are in full swing!
Thank you Robin Burk and Linda
Knoblach-Harkness for traveling
to the 11th District, Michele
DeGennaro and Jane Hardacre for
traveling to the 3rd District and to
Eileen Wilson who traveled with me
to the 17th District.

All American Legion Family members are invited to attend any and all ABC classes even if they do not live in these Districts.

#BuildingTheHouse #mentoringdevelopsleaders #membershipisthekey



DIST 9 • UNIT 304, 11AM DIST 16 • UNIT 335, 9:30AM



DIST 5 • UNIT 283, 9AM DIST 8 • UNIT 266, 9:30AM DIST 15 • UNIT 147, 10AM



DIST 2 • UNIT 13, 9:30AM

## FROM NATIONAL SECURITY



Tammy Zell
nationalsecurity
@alafl.org

Greetings ALAFL family! As your 2024-25 National Security Chairman, let me start by introducing myself. My name is Tammy Zell and I am a proud Auxiliary member of

**Unit 138 in Port Tampa City,** 

FL. I have been a member since 2017 holding a variety of offices and chairmanships at the Unit, District and Department levels. In my professional life, I have worked directly with the military and on a military installation for over twentyfive years and have been honored to be a part of that 'world'. Throughout those years, I've met a lot of our Active-Duty heroes and have learned so much about theirs and their family's daily concerns and sacrifices made while wearing the uniform. It is from this experience that I draw my inspiration to serve in this pillar chairmanship. The first order of business that

I would like to share is a follow-

up to the "Troopons – Coupons for Troops" coupon clipping program. For those that were at our Department Workshop this summer, you may recall that I mentioned during the presentation that there was new information about addresses that I had been given during the Friday meet and greet but wanted to confirm. I have found out that as of June 1, 2024, that if you are sending coupons, the following address to be used is:

#### Support Our Troops P.O. Box 16575 Boise, ID 83715

For monetary donations, the following address is to be used:

#### Support Our Troops, Inc. P.O. Box 70 Daytona Beach, FL 32115

I need to mention, you may find the website a bit confusing since the downloadable instruction sheet has yet to be updated and still has the old address listed. I've downloaded the document and have updated it myself and sent to Department to replace our "Coupon Clipping Fact Sheet" that was originally available. Please be sure to download the new instruction sheet and provide to any of your members that are actively involved in coupon clipping for our troops.

This year I am so excited to be able to promote **President Charlotte's** special project, **Operation** 

**300,** which specifically aligns with the National Security program and directly supports military children. Established in 2012, the family of SOC (SEAL) Aaron C. Vaughn, created the 501(c)3 organization as a way to honor him after he was KIA on August 6, 2011, when a chopper carrying him and 29 other Americans was shot down in Afghanistan. Throughout Vaughn's short life, he always had an exuberance for adventure and



**OP300** 

all types of outdoor activities. This zest for life is what has inspired Operation 300 in hosting weekendlong adventure camps for children that have lost a parent as a result of military service. If you haven't had an opportunity to learn more about Operation 300 yet, I encourage you to go to YouTube and view the "Operation 300 Mission Video 2024" or any of the other videos on the site on your own time (with some tissues on hand) to see this awesome organization in action. They also offer some really great merchandise on their own website, Op300.org, if you'd like to support them in that manner. If you are planning any special event or fundraising type of activity to support President Charlotte's project, I would love to know in advance so that I can help in promoting whatever it is that you Unit or District is doing. Additionally, please be sure to share photos on our National Security Facebook group page after the event/ activity!

Speaking of Facebook, I want to encourage everyone to join our National Security page (ALAFL National Security) to not only

share the great things that you are doing within your own Unit's NS program, but to also get ideas from others, learn about upcoming holidays and days of recognition, and to gain a broader knowledge of this pillar program.

Whether you are on FaceBook or not, I also want to encourage everyone to continue participating in this year's

"Where In The World Is Your **Red Shirt?"** by either posting pictures each Friday on our Facebook group page or emailing your digital photos to me at nationalsecurity@ alalfl.org. Please be sure to let me know the names of those in the photo, your Unit number, and the location of 'where in the world' the photo was taken. I want to thank those that have already participated and can let you know that we have some really great contenders already for the "Farthest Distance" and "Creative Photo" categories! Let's keep it up for the rest of this year and keep flooding the internet with our RED shirts until they bring every military member home!!

Additionally, I want to invite everyone to take the time to learn from one another. I have joined forces with our terrific Americanism Chairman, Dawn Davis, aka "Dawns Early Light", to hold a combined Americanism/National Security Zoom meeting (third Monday at 6pmCST/7pmEST). During this time, we exchange ideas and educate others on ways to support both of

these pillar programs. We will have a featured event and/or guest that is an expert in a particular aspect of our programs and to help guide us and answer questions we may have. The meetings will be held in October, November, January, February, March and April. The link for the meetings will be on our FaceBook pages on the day of the meeting, or if you'd like to receive the link via email, please let us know by emailing us at nationalsecurity@alafl.org and/or americanism@alafl.org and we'll be sure to get that sent out to you. Finally, remember that I am just an email or phone call/text away and willing to support you in any way that

I can in making your National Security program a success. We've got a lot of special dates coming up which gives us many opportunities to support our military and their family members. Are you taking part in Operation Homefront during the holidays? Will you be holding a Blue Star/Gold Star tea, luncheon or other recognition event? Are you holding a Troop Box packing event? Please share and let's make everyone's National Security activities as successful as possible since we are ALL working the same mission as we #thankahero. I look forward to working with each and every one of you this year!





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## FROM MEMBERSHIP



## Jan Farrington membershipchairman @alafl.org

Our Foreman, Interior Designers, Bricklayers and Wooden Pallets have been presenting membership at their Schools of Instruction and District Meetings across the state. Your use of your work tools is genius and fun! Thank you everyone for your enthusiasm, knowledge, and passion that you bring to our work crews as this membership year takes off. It takes every single member to reach our goals. The easiest way to increase our numbers is simple. JUST ASK! Ask a family member, a friend or coworker and see if they are eligible to join our great organization. Each of you makes this organization what it is and in-turn that sparks interest. Let's continue to BUILD THE **HOUSE** across Florida! We have really been working at sharing lots of information on our **ALAFL Membership Facebook** page. We posted a CALL TO ACTION asking all our followers to invite their members and

friends. We are trying to reach 1,000 members. With your help, I know we can do it! As of this Newsletter, we have over 850 followers. The QR code is below! If you place your camera up to it, it will take you directly to the Membership page. Push the Join the Group button, answer three questions and you will be approved. This page contains many ideas on how to promote membership drives. My goal is to keep you all updated, have fun, be inspired and promote membership so Florida can continue to lead the way!

Membership is the foundation on

which every program of the ALA is built. There would be no programs without it. That is why every unit member has the power to help us grow. Carry Auxiliary applications and At -A-Glance brochures to use as part of your elevator speech. Proudly wear your teal and ALA branding in public. It just may spark an inquiry. At your meetings, introduce your new member(s) and rather than ask them to speak, have a standing member give a brief biography about this person including their why and their passions. For every new member, have a different member do this. Who knows? This could be the start of a new and lasting friendship. By getting to know them, you may have just found a new committee chairman. Explain what a mentor and/or a sponsor is and ask them to volunteer alongside you. We all know a wellinformed member becomes a vital member to any unit. Make sure your new members have a New Member Kit. Direct them to the Membership page on www.alafl.org for information and resources as well. If we make newcomers feel valued, they will stay. Personally, I have met many of my closest friends in this organization. It all started with, "Hi, my name is Jan Farrington."

Continue with your membership



drives to reach our goals! Many Units are having Early bird suppers, fun raffles for a free membership and beautiful baskets for lucky members to win. Others have hosted renewal Open Houses and had Member days of Recognition. Consider contacting your community event organizers and ask to set up a booth during the activity. Decorate it and brand your booth so it stands out. Offer a drawing for a prize, such as an American flag. Display pictures of your Unit in action. We continually post new ideas that units all over Florida are implementing on the Membership Facebook page. Check it out and offer new ideas for all of us to use. Make sure to hashtag it with #membershipisthekey. If you have a great idea, it may spark another unit to try it. Remember we are all on the same FLORIDA TEAM! Patsy Sewell and I work closely

together but we each have a different role in MEMBERSHIP. If you have questions about ALAMIS, contact Patsy at Department. Any questions regarding membership criteria or ideas, contact me. Here's a great suggestion. When creating your email contact list in your phone or on your computer, title it PATSY SEWELL AND JAN FARRINGTON. Patsy is membership@alafl.org and I am memebrshipchairman@alafl. org. Remember we also have Unit membership chairman, District membership chairman and Area chairman as well. All are great

In closing, keep up the great work. I encourage you all to be kind to one another. A simple gesture or a kind word can be the game changer and influencing factor in gaining a new member.

**Contact Membership** 

Chairman for....

- specific questions

regarding membership

Qualifications, Criteria for

# FROM CHILDREN & YOUTH

Welcome to a new year in the American Legion Auxiliary. I am honored to serve as your 2024-2025 Department of Florida, Third Vice-President, Children & Youth Chairman. This year, we will be "Securing Our Foundation to Build a Stronger Future". The Children & Youth Program, a vital part of our mission, emphasizes on

## our mission, **emphasizes on protecting, caring for, and supporting children and youth**,

particularly those of veterans' and military families. Here are a few ways that you can promote this program. Honoring Military Children & Youth. Kids of Deployed are Heroes 2 (KDH2) is an initiative honoring military children experiencing separation from one or both parents, whether deployed to a war zone, having a short tour, or on an extended temporary duty assignment. Coordinate with Family Readiness Groups for button distribution during family days. Work with the Post to possibly host a military kids' celebration event.

Supporting Veterans' Children in Need. Some of our homeless veterans also have children living on the streets with them. Contact your local churches, homeless shelters, and food pantries to identify homeless veterans' children. Contact local schools to find out what is needed for homeless children, i.e., supplies and clothes. Ask what their specific needs are and offer them your services. Support the Children & Youth in the Community by recognizing and rewarding the positive actions of our children and youth and presenting a Youth Hero/Good Deed award. These awards, which can inspire and instill hope, recognize youth who have demonstrated good citizenship, either through a brave physical act or a good deed. How can you find youth in the community to award: watching social and local news media, contact local schools, and other youth organizations in your area like after



## Lisa Hoyland childrenyouth@ alafl.org

school programs and religious organizations.

Are you hosting a Halloween Children's party in October? You can download the Halloween coloring book from the National ALA website at legion-aux.org. Many low-cost coloring books are available that you could give to the children at events throughout the year.

Support Children's Hospitals in Florida. The Auxiliary supports the John Hopkins All Children's in St. Petersburg. Please refer to your Unit Guide and the Donations Remittance Form on the Department website. Locate a Florida Children's Hospital in your area and see how you can assist.

## Let us work together this year securing our future for our next

**generation** as we support them, encourage them and educate them. Your active participation is crucial in this endeavor.

As always, if you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me.

## **GOT QUESTIONS?**

Call Department (Patsy)

-you need help with

- Info. needed for transfers, transmittals, etc. for a member
- -ALAMIS set-up
- -Ordering Supplies like membership card sheets, Brochures, etc.

Joining -Ideas for Retaining, Recruiting and/or Rejoining

PATSY: membership@alafl.org (407) 293-7411 press #1

JAN FARRINGTON: membershipchairman@alafl.org

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## FROM PUBLIC RELATIONS



#### **Virna Luke publicrelations** @alafl.org

We had a fantastic time in New

Orleans attending the 103rd ALA National Convention. If you were not able to view the livestream or want to watch it again, visit legion-aux.org/Convention-**Livestream.** Congratulations to our very own Dara Oliver elected 2024-2025 National Historian and PDP Michele DeGennaro will be serving as 2024-2025 National Security Chairman. I am Team Florida proud and know they will be

Grab your tools! If you have not started, it is time to get that planner out and coordinate events for **Breast Cancer Awareness** 

**Month, Halloween, Military Family Appreciation** Month, 105th Birthday of the ALA, Veterans Day, **American Education Week,** Thanksgiving, Pearl Harbor **Remembrance Day, Wreaths** 



## **Across America Day, and**

**Christmas.** As a Public Relations Chairman, you may be responsible for all or some of the following: creating flyers, event pages on Facebook, sharing on social media, writing press releases, capturing these moments and sharing our mission to support our Veterans, military and their families, children & youth, and our community. Take advantage of the fillable media release and letter to the editor templates at

ALAForVeterans.org, log in to your member portal and search "media templates."

**Veterans Affairs National Buddy** Check Week is Oct. 21-25, take the pledge and talk to 10 of your Veteran friends. If your buddy needs help?

- Veterans Crisis Line is available 24/7. Dial 988 then Press 1, chat online veteranscrisisline.net/chat, or Text 838255.
- 1-800-MyVA411 (1-800-698-2411) is always the right number. VA's "front door" for all Veterans, their families, caregivers, and survivors may use to access VA resources.

Have you taken the Be the One training, 90 minutes to save a veteran's life, check legion.org/betheone to find a session. Scan the QR code to download the Columbia Protocol app, this was part of the presentation on Monday by Waco Hoover Be the One Chairman at National Convention in New Orleans. Upcoming on November 16 in Nashville, Tennessee is one day conference - ALA Mission Training and National Junior Meeting, Register at legion-aux.org/Meetings/Mission-Training and check other location and dates available.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT: Your PR** team is publishing a Florida **Public Relations Newsletter;** first issue will be available on October 15.

Follow and engage with us on social media, Facebook group, ALAFL Public Relations, check out the featured section for announcements and calendar, check out the "files" tab for documents and list of all programs Facebook groups. Also, follow us on Instagram, X, and TikTok, user @ALAuxFlorida.

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## FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Member	District	Unit
Joyce Viets	1	240
Jane Nendick	1	402
Roseann Coady	5	129
Clair Stacy	5	129
Jan Knapp	6	347
Mary L. Caruthers	7	72
Kathy Matthews	7	15
Barbara Hackemer	8	309
Evelyn Miller- Steinhart	8	69
Lynn Siok	8	69
Patricia Anhock	8	69
Sandy Newcomb	9	304
Carol King	12	1
Deborah Munsey	12	348
Charlene Ortiz	12	348
Valerie Yurchuk	12	348
Mary King	12	348
Paula Hill-Klugh	12	359
Ann Shirley Duffey	13	103
Timothy Meehl	13	110
Catherine (Katie) Peters	13	351
Patricia Thoman	16	273
Sylvia Norat	16	273
Maureen Rossi	16	252
Joan Maciuba	16	275
Karen Tickner	16	275
Linda Walsh	16	173
Mary Root	16	173
Paula Moesch	16	119
Sherry Broderick	16	119
Irene Liporto	16	125
Patricia Nehiley	16	119
Loretta Stimpson	17	120
Shirley Baker	17	17

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Florida: As I sat to put this together, I reflected on all of our reasons for becoming members of this great organization. As I was on my way home from convention, I stopped at a little gas station with a lovely store. While there, I took a few minutes to stretch my legs and browse through their goods. I love to read and was drawn to an area with books. It was there I found a book titled "Devotions from the Kitchen Table". The Author is Stacy Edwards. Of course, I made the purchase and read through this book every morning at my kitchen table. Some of the passages I post on our Facebook page come

from here. As we build the house, using our tools is very important. I like to share my finds and if any chaplains are looking for something a little extra, this is a great tool.

One reading in this book is called "The Snack Drawer". Scripture says, "When we get together, I want to encourage your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by yours." Romans 1:12. The story tells that in between our times of gathering together as people of God, sometimes we need something in between these meetings. Godly friends are there for us when time is hard. Those close to us have wisdom and we look



## **Karen Marks** chaplain@alafl.org

to them for encouragement. It's that "snack" in between our regular times of worship.

I pray that we all feel free to approach our unit, district and department chaplains when we need that little snack, those words of encouragement. I pray that each of us can be a source of positive encouragement to others. Amen. In closing, I want to remind you that sending in your deceased member forms are very important. You can find this form at ALAFL.org - visit Programs/ Member Outreach/ Chaplain - Memorial Forms, These forms are fillable and can be emailed to me or sent via snail mail. My

email address is chaplain@alafl.org. Mailing address is 208 McQueen Circle, St. Marys, GA 31558. **God Bless us and God Bless America!** 

outstanding!

## FROM MEMBERSHIP

ALAFLORG/NEWSLETTER

**SHARE YOUR UNIT'S EVENTS!** 

## **Patsy Sewell** membership@ alafl.org (407) 293-7411

Greetings everyone! Welcome to the 2024-2025 Membership Year. Just a few tips and reminders to make membership processing go smoother:

- Please either mark 2024 or 2025 on your recap sheets (not 2024-2025). We need to know exactly what year to be processed.
- If you have requested ALAMIS access, please be sure to check your junk/email folders for the email from National and complete training following the link (if full access requested).
- Please number your recap transmittals sequentially, for example, 1, 2, 3; you can do, 1-2025, 2-2025, etc. If they are named identically, it makes it difficult to research if needed.
- Please double check that your amount due is the same as the amount on your check.
- A junior member becomes a senior member at the beginning of the year they will turn 18.

Submit your articles and images (in separate files)

by the 15th of the previous month.

- No need to send these forms in if you have already completed the process:
  - Address changes
  - Membership applications (if you have entered into ALAMIS)
  - Receipt for paid dues (if you have paid dues through ALAMIS for your unit)

Regarding online renewals and MCR emails: The online renewals are emailed to the unit membership email we have on file twice a month (around the 1st and 15th) and the MCR email is mailed around the last day of the month or first day of the month (depending upon what day of the week these days fall on). Your ACH, if money is owed, will be deposited at that time as well. Please make sure to share this information with your treasurer for reconciliation purposes. The online renewals will have the member's name and the amount owed your unit for that renewal. The MCR just lists the total amount owed to your unit. You will need both emails to reconcile.

As always, feel free to email or call me with any questions or concerns you may have. Looking forward to another great year! #membershipisthekey

# CHECK

Below are the results of duty). If you are in doubt, **Headquarters or National** for further verification.

> Showing results for can a man join the Legion Auxilliary under his granddaughter who is

Yes, a man can join the American relatives include mothers, spouses, blood line, so great granddaughters

## ALWAYS DOUBLE

an internet search of the requirements for a male to join the American Legion Auxiliary. This is FALSE information. The only relationship that allows a male to join the Auxiliary is if the male is a spouse of a veteran (retired or active please call Department

> American Legion Auxiliary under his granddaughter who is active military Search instead for can a man join the American

Al Overview

Learn more :

Legion Auxiliary if he has a direct personal connection to an activeduty service member, such as a granddaughter. Other eligible daughters, sisters, and grandmothers. However, steprelatives are not eligible, and the IRS only allows two degrees of a and beyond are not eligible.

## FROM EDUCATION

Thank you to all our Units that participated in Give 10 to Education, Operation Homefront's Back to School Brigade or any other school supply drive! Know that the students and teachers truly appreciate all of your hard work and dedication. They will put those items to good use. Now that school has started, what else can you do to promote the ALA

## **Education program?**

- Have your members download the Box Tops for Education app on their smart phone. They can scan their receipts and earn money for a local school. If you have members that are unsure how to do this, have them bring their receipts to a meeting and scan them for them (remember the receipt can't be older than 14 days).
- Tutoring! Tutoring is needed all throughout the school year. Both child and adults need tutoring. Reach out to your local school, libraries and churches. Sign up to tutor on tutor.com/military which is funded by the US Department of Defense and Coast Guard Mutual Assistance to provide on-demand online tutoring at no cost to eligible students.
- Starting thinking about the Veterans in Community Schools program. Reach out to some Legionaries to see if they would be willing to go talk to some students in the classroom. Then reach out to the schools to see if when the veteran can come by.
- Scholarship! It is never too early to promote scholarship. The American Legion Auxiliary has 3 wonderful scholarships at the Department Level. You can find flyers and tri-fold handouts in the Link section of the Education Program on alafl.org.

The American Legion Department of Florida, the National American Legion Auxiliary and The National American Legion also have Scholarships that you can promote.

- November 18-22, 2024 is American Education Week. Plan something nice for the local educators. See if you can drop off breakfast or lunch. Make a Coffee Bar for them. Team up with their PTA or PTO so you both aren't planning something for the same
- Follow Us on Facebook to get updates and see what the other units in our Department are working on! facebook.com/ groups/alafleducation

Don't forget to email your photos of your events to education@alafl.org. You can send them all throughout the year. You do not need to wait until year end reports are due. As always, feel free to call me or email me if you have any questions.



**Stacy Cusano** education@alafl.org

**#BuildingTheHouse #SecuringOurFoundation #ToolsForEducation** 



## FROM LEGISLATIVE



Linda Allen legislative@alafl.org

Florida Division of Elections

dos.fl.gov/
elections

Identification is required to vote in Florida during early voting and on Election Day. You must bring a current and valid photo ID with a signature. Valid IDs include:

Florida driver's license, Florida ID card, US passport, Debit/credit card, Military ID. Student ID, Retirement center ID, Neighborhood association ID, Public assistance ID, Veteran health ID card issued by the US Dept. of Veterans Affairs, License to carry a concealed weapon or firearm issued pursuant to s. 790.06, Employee ID issued by Dept. of the Federal Government, the state, a county, or a municipality.

How to register to vote in Florida

- In person at your county Supervisor of Elections office or authorized third-party voter registration organization
- Online at registertovoteflorida.gov
- By mail by printing out registration forms (English | Spanish) and returning them to your county's Supervisor of Elections office.

#### **Voter registration ends 29 days**



#### before an election in Florida.

The 2024 voter registration deadlines are:

**General election:** Monday, Oct. 7, 2024

In the general election, the last day to vote early is the Thursday before Election Day, which in 2024 is Nov. 2. You must vote in your county but if you vote early you are not required to vote in your assigned precinct.

## Request a mail-in/absentee ballot

You must request a mail ballot every general election cycle, at least 12 days before the election.

The deadlines to request a vote-bymail ballot for 2024 are: General election: 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24, 2024

## Who can request mail ballots in Florida?

All registered Florida voters, including those overseas, may request a mail ballot. You also may request a mail ballot on behalf of your spouse, legal guardian, or your or your spouse's parent, child, grandparent, grandchild or sibling.

Ballots may be returned by mail or in person and all ballots must be received by 7 p.m. on Election Day. You can drop off your completed ballot via designated secure drop boxes located at early voting sites. You may not drop off a completed ballot on Election Day.

## How do I find my polling place?

It's listed on your voter registration card, or you can look it up at your county's Supervisor of Elections website.

## FROM GIRLS STATE

Hi everyone. Let me start with a reminder of the purpose of Girls State:

To provide a unique and coveted educational opportunity for young women to receive citizenship training through a weeklong hands-on program involving a mock city and state government. I hope every Unit can provide at least one girl with this GREAT opportunity. October - December

- Brainstorm ways to raise funds for your Girls State program.
- Make initial contact with schools
- Leave brochures, dates, and your contact information.
- Registration form and check to Dept. Headquarters by December 28, 2024.

Within the next month, each Unit should be receiving their Girls State registration and over quota form. Please complete this registration form, with the number of girls your Unit will be sending to Girls State, and return along with the registration fee (\$400/girl). The deadline for registration is 12/28/2024. Don't forget your Department financial obligations must be met prior to your registration form being accepted. Have you involved last year's attendees by having them volunteer with some of your unit activities, participate in Patriots day services, Veterans' Day celebrations, Poppy donation or other community events? If not, you still have plenty of time to consider submitting for this Trophy.

Theresa Mathews Briggs Trophy

 To the Unit whose Girls State citizen(s) participates the most, in the unit's overall programming, upon returning from Girls State.
 All entries must be typed, using double space. See Unit Guide for complete rules. All entries must be sent to the Department chairman 30 days prior to convention.



Eileen Wilson girlsstate@alafl.org

This year we are asking each Unit to donate a basket to be raffled off at Fall Conference, Nov 22-24, 2024. Just think of all the opporuntites for you to win. Of course you can also volunteer to help at the raffle table, just contact me.

This year and always Build our Foundation for a Stronger Future. And remember

## GIRLS STATE IS GREAT!





# GIRLS STATE RAFFLE

ALL UNITS
PLEASE BRING
A BASKET TO
RAFFLE AT





ALL PROCEEDS
WILL BENEFIT
2025 GIRLS STATE



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# DISTRICTS & UNITS

## **ALAFL.ORG/JOIN/FIND-A-UNIT/**

Unit 148 • Riverview, Florida - Honoring those we lost on 9/11/2001 - From Julia Arndt, President









#### Unit 13 Sauls-Bridges - From Ive Nell Hewitt, President

Sauls-Bridges ALA Unit 13 Junior Member Lenna Gayhart has been appointed an ex-officio board of directors member for the Foundation for Leon County Schools for the 2024 – 2025 school year. In this role, Lenna will provide a student perspective and assist with foundation programming, community engagement events, and fundraising to benefit the students of Leon County, Florida.

The Foundation for Leon County Schools, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, was established in 1986 to bring enriching programs and resources to Leon County Schools through business, individual, and community engagement; increased public awareness; and dedicated fundraising. Under the leadership of its volunteer Board of Directors, the Foundation remains focused on enhancing programs that include teacher mini-grants, dropout prevention, scholarships, teacher training, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) development, and wellness. Lenna is a senior at Leon High School. In her spare time, she enjoys being an active member of Leon's SGA, serving as Spirit Committee Co-Chair, being an Executive Board member of Leon's Miracle Dance Marathon, singing in St. Paul's UMC Youth Choir, and volunteering

at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital Pediatric Unit. Lenna attended Girls State and went on to Girls Nation.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS LENNA**





In a heartwarming display of community support, the American Legion Auxiliary Post 54 of Fernandina Beach has made a significant donation of food and essential household items to Hope House, a local organization dedicated to supporting those in need. The donation, which includes nonperishable food items, toiletries, and basic household necessities, was delivered to Hope House earlier this week. This generous contribution is part of the Auxiliary's ongoing commitment to serving veterans, their families, and the broader community. With the rising cost of

living and the increasing number



of families facing financial difficulties, the support provided by Post 54 comes at a crucial time.

"We are honored to support Hope House and contribute to the wellbeing of our neighbors in Fernandina Beach," said LuWanda Brooks, of the American Legion Auxiliary Post 54. "Our mission is to serve those who have served our country and our community, and this donation is a reflection of our dedication to that cause."

Hope House, operated by The Salvation Army, provides essential services and resources to individuals and families in crisis. The organization offers food assistance, shelter, and other vital services to help those in need regain stability and independence.

The American Legion Auxiliary Post 54 encourages others in the community to get involved and support local organizations like Hope House. Whether through donations, volunteering, or spreading awareness, every contribution helps make a difference.

For more information about the American Legion Auxiliary Post 54 and their community initiatives, please visit or contact Auxiliary President, Kelley McCrimmon at kelleymccrimmon@gmail.com

About American Legion: The American Legion Auxiliary is the world's largest women's patriotic service organization. At Post 54, we are dedicated to supporting veterans, active military, and their families through various programs and community initiatives. Our members are committed to making a positive impact in Fernandina Beach and beyond. Members of the ALA are heavily involved in their local communities, participating in projects that range from food drives, blood donations, park and community preservation, education programs to organizing

events and volunteering at local schools.

About Hope House: Hope House is a local nonprofit organization dedicated to providing support to individuals and families in crisis. Through food assistance, shelter, and other essential services, Hope House aims to empower those in need to achieve stability and self-sufficiency.











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## Unit 54 Fernando Beach - Heather Moran, 2nd Vice President - American Legion Auxiliary Unit 54 Donates School Supplies to Nassau County Schools in Yulee and Fernandina Beach

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 54 is proud to announce the donation of an extraordinary amount of school supplies to schools in Nassau County, benefitting students in Yulee and Fernandina Beach. This generous contribution is part of the Auxiliary's ongoing commitment to supporting local youth and ensuring every student is equipped for academic success.

American Legion Auxiliary Theodore H. Hernandez Unit 54 in Fernandina Beach participated in Give 10 to Education this year. We collected back to school supplies from July 1, 2024 – August 6, 2024, for The Salvation Army Hope House. On August 8, 2024, we delivered over 450 items that were valued at \$870. Our Unit has a heart for supporting the children in our community.



"Supporting our local schools and students is a cornerstone of the American Legion Auxiliary's mission," said Roberta Tucker, Education Chair of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 54. "We are dedicated to giving back to our community and helping the next generation succeed."

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 54's school supply drive is just one of the many ways the organization supports veterans, military families, and the local community. By empowering students and supporting education, the Auxiliary continues its legacy of service.

#### Unit 241 Sneads • From Kaye Brown



While on an Alaskan cruise Faye Walden, Unit 241-Sneads, worn her red shirt on Sept. 6th.

Guest at the Aug. 19th monthly meeting of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 241 in Sneads, were two Girl State Delegates. Both young ladies gave a great presentation of their experiences. Picture left to right: Caroline Cox, Faye Walden, Unit 241 Girl State Chairman and Lenna Gayhart. Lenna later attended Girls



Nation in Washington, DC, one of two representing Florida.

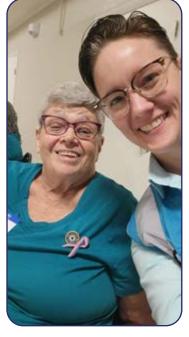


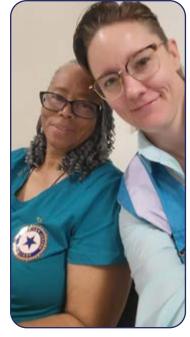
While on an Alaskan adventure Unit 241 members Faye Walden and Kaye Brown had the pleasure of enjoying a walk thru a rain forest and a shrimp boil lunch with a veteran from Leesburg, and thanking him for his service to our country. He was celebrating his 93rd birthday. Picture left to right: Faye Walden, Harry Olson, Kaye Brown.

#### DISTRICT 11 ABC SCHOOL AT POST 268 RIVIERA BEACH • FROM KAYLEY MILLER

District 11 welcomed 1st and 2nd vices Robin Burke and Linda Knoblach-Harkness from Department to host our ABC School at Post 268 in Riviera Beach. Unit 62 in Stuart won the GOLDEN LEVEL for most participation. #buildingthehouse As veteran Auxiliary member and Past Department President Fran Carlton put it: "Ive been with this organization for over 50 years and I always learn something new." It just goes to show there is always something for everyone at ABC school.

Thank you to the members who make District 11 great!





















#### Unit 45 • District 17 From Esme Coward

Auxiliary member and Children and Youth chair Sandi Barrett explained our upcoming fundraiser for the Gary Sinise Foundation's Snowball Express to support children and families of Fallen Military and First Responder Heroes. She has planned an event at Bert Post 45, Palatka for October 26, 9:00-4:00. The Patriot Guard Riders, of which she is also a member, will display the "Vietnam and Global War on Terrorism Memorial Walls." Post and Unit 45 will provide breakfast and lunch with proceeds benefiting this project. At the December 7-11 Snowball Express in Orlando, Sandi will work in the PGR room where they help the children pick out their patches and twenty

seamstresses will sew the patches on vests for the children to keep. They also provide stuffed bears with matching handmade vests. Sandi will ride her motorcycle to escort busses of Heroes' families from the airport to the event. Donations of military, first responder, and fun patches may be sent to Post 45. If you would like Sandi to bring her presentation to your Post or Unit, give us a call at 386-328-6976.

One of our favorite ways to serve our veterans is to provide coffee, pastries, and fruit for them at our local VA Clinic twice a month. "Coffee with a Vet" has become so popular we have two shifts of Legion and Auxiliary members working. Pictured are Commander Lester Sheppard, dual member and Air Force veteran Dianne Perritt, Vice Commander Gary Coward, and Legionnaire Wayne Mundy.

We attended the District 17 School of Instruction at Post 6 in Deland led by our President Mary Bryan (seated). Representing Unit 45, Theresa Cromer (second from the right) is our new District Sgt-at-Arms and Community Service Chair. #Buildingthehouse

On the rainy morning of September 11, President Esme Coward and Sunshine Committee member Doreen Freeman joined with the Legion to honor our fallen heroes at the Palatka riverfront. While many couldn't make it due to the weather, their hearts were with us. Our Post Family is very supportive of each other and collaborate often.

Our Unit has adopted Korean and Viet Nam veterans at a Barry Apartments in Palatka where VAR co-chairs Marion James and Edna Bayler make sure they know they are appreciated. They prepared goody bags for our vets. In October they will provide a spaghetti dinner and arrange visits from our Post Veterans. Pictured are President Esme Coward, VP Peggy Almodóvar, Members at Large, Susie Stewart and Marion, Sandi Barrett, dual members Dianne Perritt and June Landry, Past President Pat Andres, and Treasurer Linda Sheppard.











#### Unit 273, Mandarin, Florida Suicide Awareness Month September • from Carol Williams

The American Legion family is dedicated to reducing the rate of veteran suicide. The Le-gion is placing national focus on awareness for the veteran and military suicide epidem-ic. Be the one to save one.

The American Legion's Be the One campaign is shining a light on the crisis, with the goal of empowering veterans, spouses, caregivers, family, friends and others to recognize when a veteran may be at risk and act accordingly.

Project You are Loved was specifically designed for this mission by American Legion Aux-iliary Unit 273, Madeira Beach, FL. Anyone can be the one to save a life. We give hope with every You are Loved card we present.

The mission for You are Loved was patterned after a quote from, VA Secretary Robert Wilkie in 2019. "One call can save a life, one small act makes a difference

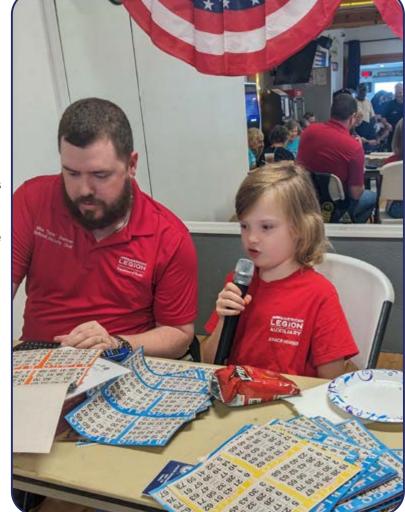


and one ques-tion can open the door to support." With each card presented, You are Loved performs this one small act. We present a folded card with encouraging words inside and a worry stone for the pocket on the back. To Build the Foundation for Project You are Loved, Auxiliary Unit 273 members hold a 50/50 event at American Legion Post 273 two times a month to raise funds for the sup-plies for the You are Loved cards. Over 5500 You are Loved cards have been provided to retreats, veteran centers. hospitals, clinics, camps, etc. in 30 states since 2019.

#### **Post 138 from Andrea Sherman**

The Post 138 Family was extremely honored to have 4 delegates nominated to attend National Convention. Unit 138 decided to combine fun with a fundraiser and host our first ever BINGO BASH, with proceeds to help offset the cost of attending National Convention for our delegates. We had over 80 people attend, including many Department and District officers and chairman. We were really excited that our Junior Members got involved with the event. They helped shop for supplies, and Junior Member Paige took over Bingo calling for several games and was the star of the show! A delicious lunch was served, and we also had 10 baskets to raffle off as well as a 50/50 drawing. As luck would have it, one of our Special Department Guests won the 50/50 drawing, and she was also going to National! We are already making plans for our next event. The Post 138 Family truly is LEGION FAMILY!





#### **Unit 259 from Eleanor Amato**

Unit 259 Debary had a full day delivering Teddy Bears to Orange City Police Department, movies and personal care items to Hope Florida, personal items and movies to Arya in Debary and a visit to Barracks of Hope to visit the veterans and bring movies and personal care items. Pictured with President Carol Ripley is Mr Ripley also a veteran and Legionnaire.





#### **Unit 285 from Eleanor Amato**

Edgewater Elementary School and Indian River Elementary received breakfast food from Unit 285 President Bettye Jo Martin and Susan Smith.



#### **Unit 270 from Eleanor Amato**

Port Orange Unit 270 members Kimberly Vallentino and her husband along with Eleanor Amato delivered school supplies to Port Orange Elementary and Sugar Mill Elementary Schools.









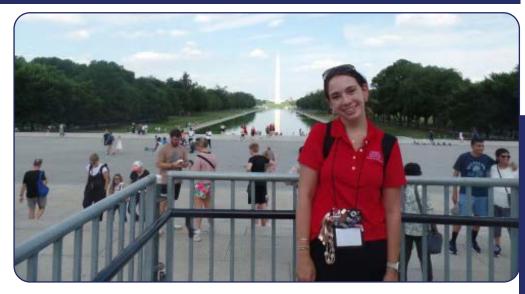
#### **Unit 127 from Eleanor Amato**

Unit 127 Lake Helen Kelly Frasca receiving a Proclamation for Poppy Day from Florida State Senator Tom Wright.



#### Unit 13 Leon High School Student Selected to attend Girls Nation • from Marjorie McNeill

Lenna Gayhart, a Senior at Leon High School, was selected to serve as a Senator to the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) Girls Nation program held July 20 - 27, 2024, in Washington, DC. Two participants are chosen as Senators from each state after participating in their respective ALA Girls State programs. During ALA Girls Nation, the girls participate in a mock legislature and gain insight into how the federal government works. They are responsible for submitting bills and resolutions, participating in senate sessions, and electing officials, such as president and vice president. While in DC, the senators visit Capitol



Hill and meet with their state senators and representatives, providing each girl an opportunity to discuss local issues and share bills they have written as part of ALA Girls Nation. The girls also participate in field trips to see the historical Washington monuments and memorials, Arlington National Cemetery, and the White House. Some years, the girls have met the President of the United States. Participants leave ALA Girls Nation with leadership lessons for life and an understanding of the fundamentals of U.S. government, along with the rights, privileges, and responsibilities of citizens. This seven-day experience has laid the foundation of thousands of bright futures in not only public service, but other careers as well. Some notable industries include government,

military, law, education, and media. ALA Girls Nation connects participants with their peers from across the country, allowing the young women a unique opportunity to spend time with others who share common interests and those who have different perspectives from their own. The girls leave Washington, DC with a deeper understanding of government, a renewed sense of patriotism, and an appreciation for veterans. While at Girls Nation, Senator Gayhart submitted a bill titled, Deceitful Artificial Intelligence Practices Act. This bill was the first one to be passed by the 2024 Girls Nation Senate. Only ten bills passed the Senate during its session. Senator Gayhart was also Federal Housing Director and a member of the Rules and Calendar Committee. The ALA Girls State and ALA Girls Nation programs are privately funded and presented by members of the American Legion Auxiliary.

#### Unit 13 • from Ive Nell Hewitt

Unit 13 members attended District Two School of Instructions at Post 241 Sneads. Members are; Dottie Hall, Peggy Lane, Nell Hewitt, District President Debra Mann, Margie McNeill, and Jennifer Boswell.



#### Unit 1 • from

American Legion Auxillary Unit 1 presented to the Women's Center of Brevard, Heather Profit a donation of \$1,000 to help with their cause. President Kelly Flowers and past president Catherine McMullin presented Heather the check. The women's center is a local Brevard county nonprofit with a mission to help women, children and men who face domestic violence and sexual assault.



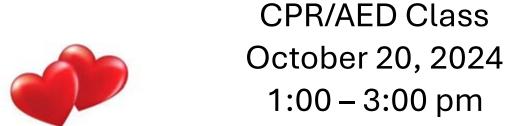


American Legion Auxillary Unit 1 member of the year Janet Osborne with past president Catherine McMullin. Congratulations Janet very much deserved. Thank you for all your hard work.

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## **ALA Unit 200 Presents**

## Save a Life



**American Heart Association** 2 year certification for \$45.00 No certification \$35.00

Open to all individuals. Great for teenagers, babysitters, anyone living with or caring for someone with heart issues, and Legion Riders

RSVP no later than Thurs 10/17

Class to be held at American Legion Post 200 105 Ocean Blvd, Satellite Beach, Florida 32937 Contact: Christine @ 321-610-1412 for questions or reservations





# MEMBERSHIP REPORTS

REPORTS CURRENT AS OF 20 SEPTEMBER 2024

DISTRICT 1								
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT		
0075	Crestview	222	0	46	46	20.72%		
0078	Milton	12	0	1	1	8.33%		
0193	Pensacola	79	0	7	7	8.86%		
0221	Niceville	155	0	57	57	36.77%		
0235	Ft Walton Bch	147	0	12	12	8.16%		
0240	Pensacola	242	1	35	36	14.88%		
0296	Destin	90	0	26	26	28.89%		
0340	Pensacola	332	9	149	158	47.59%		
0356	Lynn Haven	142	0	26	26	18.31%		
0378	Gulf Breeze	58	0	7	7	12.07%		
0382	Navarre	182	1	64	65	35.71%		
0392	Panama City	196	0	44	44	22.45%		
0402	Panama City Beach	47	1	18	19	40.43%		
Total		1904	12	492	504	26.47%		
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UNIT 0013	Tallahassee	GOAL 72	JR 1	SR 20	TOTAL 21	PERCENT 29.17%		
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DISTRICT 3 (CONT.)									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0215	Jasper	36	0	0	0	0.00%			
0224	Madison	55	0	15	15	27.27%			
0291	Steinhatchee	219	0	16	16	7.31%			
0383	Old Town	151	1	37	38	25.17%			
Total		860	2	152	154	17.91%			
		DIST	RICT 4						
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0016	Gainesville	35	0	12	12	34.29%			
0027	Ocala	19	1	9	10	52.63%			
0058	Dunnellon	28	0	6	6	21.43%			
0077	Inverness	77	1	32	33	42.86%			
0149	Newberry	34	0	3	3	8.82%			
0155	Crystal River	411	1	143	144	35.04%			
0166	Homosassa Springs	170	0	66	66	38.82%			
0230	Hawthorne	35	3	27	30	85.71%			
0236	Bronson	42	0	20	20	47.62%			
0237	Beverly Hills	209	0	17	17	8.13%			
0284	Belleview	81	2	31	33	40.74%			
0354	Ocala	24	0	1	1	4.17%			
Total		1165	8	367	375	32.19%			
		DIST	RICT 5						
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0009	Jacksonville	67	0	10	10	14.93%			
0054	Fernandina Bch	227	3	86	89	39.21%			
0088	Jacksonville	86	0	14	14	16.28%			
0129	J'Ville Beach	391	6	128	134	34.27%			
0137	Jacksonville	472	2	91	93	19.70%			
0194	St Augustine	61	0	7	7	11.48%			
0197	Jacksonville	56	0	3	3	5.36%			

DISTRICT 5 (CONT.)									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0202	Keystone Heights	93	0	31	31	33.33%			
0233	Ponte Vedra Bch	170	20	49	69	40.59%			
0244	Jacksonville	43	0	2	2	4.65%			
0250	Middleburg	333	1	66	67	20.12%			
0283	Arlington	498	2	106	108	21.69%			
0316	Atlantic Beach	371	32	46	78	21.02%			
0372	Mandarin	33	0	25	25	75.76%			
0373	Orange Park	33	0	1	1	3.03%			
0401	Hilliard	43	0	5	5	11.63%			
Total		2977	66	670	736	24.72%			
		DISTI	RICT 6						
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0010	Kissimmee	199	0	42	42	21.11%			
0018	Wildwood	22	0	7	7	31.82%			
0019	Orlando	102	2	23	25	24.51%			
0035	Mount Dora	137	0	8	8	5.84%			
0055	Clermont	270	0	30	30	11.11%			
0063	Winter Garden	26	0	2	2	7.69%			
0080	Saint Cloud	299	16	79	95	31.77%			
0101	Bushnell	117	0	21	21	17.95%			
0112	Winter Park	29	3	21	24	82.76%			
0183	Fern Park	126	0	30	30	23.81%			
0219	Fruitland Park	243	1	24	25	10.29%			
0239	Groveland	15	0	6	6	40.00%			
0242	Orlando	111	9	26	35	31.53%			
0286	Orlando	164	0	48	48	29.27%			
0330	Leesburg	67	0	18	18	26.87%			
0331	Orlando	28	0	12	12	42.86%			
0347	Lady Lake	2605	9	817	826	31.71%			
0412	Orlando	15	0	1	1	6.67%			
Total		4575	40	1215	1255	27.43%			
		1	RICT 7						
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0003	Bartow	80	0	9	9	11.25%			
0004	Lakeland	49	0	6	6	12.24%			
8000	Winter Haven	663	4	231	235	35.44%			

DISTRICT 7 (CONT.)									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0015	Dade City	29	0	3	3	10.34%			
0034	Haines City	95	0	1	1	1.05%			
0071	Lake Wales	44	0	3	3	6.82%			
0072	Mulberry	149	1	20	21	14.09%			
0201	Florence Villa	24	0	0	0	0.00%			
Total		1133	5	273	278	24.54%			
DISTRICT 8									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0011	Arcadia	47	0	1	1	2.13%			
0024	Bradenton	323	0	47	47	14.55%			
0025	Lake Placid	471	0	47	47	9.98%			
0030	Sarasota	84	2	20	22	26.19%			
0069	Avon Park	747	0	191	191	25.57%			
0074	Sebring	133	0	43	43	32.33%			
0113	Rotonda West	334	0	63	63	18.86%			
0159	Venice	712	1	52	53	7.44%			
0254	North Port	151	0	38	38	25.17%			
0266	Fruitville	173	0	25	25	14.45%			
0309	Palmetto	191	0	41	41	21.47%			
0312	Oneco	184	0	12	12	6.52%			
0325	Ellenton	215	0	31	31	14.42%			
Total		3765	3	611	614	16.31%			
		DISTI	RICT 9						
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0036	Ft Lauderdale	32	2	8	10	31.25%			
0092	Hollywood	89	0	25	25	28.09%			
0142	Pompano Bch	190	7	52	59	31.05%			
0157	Margate	177	0	41	41	23.16%			
0162	Deerfield Beach	179	12	31	43	24.02%			
0180	Fort Lauderdale	90	0	34	34	37.78%			
0209	Dania Beach	15	0	0	0	0.00%			
0220	Ft Lauderdale	29	4	10	14	48.28%			
0222	Fort Lauderdale	47	0	16	16	34.04%			
0287	Deerfield Beach	17	0	0	0	0.00%			
0304	Dania	66	2	24	26	39.39%			
0310	Hallandale	33	0	0	0	0.00%			
0321	Cooper City	233	2	60	62	26.61%			

DISTRICT 9 (CONT.)									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0365	Sunrise	19	0	4	4	21.05%			
Total		1216	29	305	334	27.47%			
DISTRICT 11									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0020	Belle Glade	52	2	11	13	25.00%			
0047	Lake Worth	100	2	18	20	20.00%			
0062	Stuart	616	4	327	331	53.73%			
0064	Okeechobee	122	0	9	9	7.38%			
0065	Delray Beach	61	1	17	18	29.51%			
0141	West Palm Bch	79	3	23	26	32.91%			
0164	Boynton Beach	154	1	11	12	7.79%			
0199	W Palm Beach	47	0	11	11	23.40%			
0268	Riviera Beach	62	0	28	28	45.16%			
0271	Tequesta	184	3	87	90	48.91%			
0277	Boca Raton	113	0	23	23	20.35%			
0288	Boynton Beach	17	0	0	0	0.00%			
0367	Royal Palm Bch	36	2	10	12	33.33%			
Total		1643	18	575	593	36.09%			
		DISTR	ICT 12	2					
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0001	Titusville	255	4	43	47	18.43%			
0022	Cocoa	110	0	11	11	10.00%			
0039	Vero Beach	229	0	23	23	10.04%			
0040	Fort Pierce	205	2	70	72	35.12%			
0081	Melbourne	207	2	87	89	43.00%			
0117	Palm Bay	563	4	150	154	27.35%			
0117 0126	Palm Bay Jensen Beach	563 179	4 0	150 20	154 20	27.35% 11.17%			
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0126	Jensen Beach	179	0	20	20	11.17%			
0126 0163	Jensen Beach Eau Gallie	179 237	0 2	20 55	20 57	11.17% 24.05%			
0126 0163 0189	Jensen Beach Eau Gallie Sebastian	179 237 197	0 2 0	20 55 53	20 57 53	11.17% 24.05% 26.90%			
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0126 0163 0189 0191 0200 0318 0344	Jensen Beach Eau Gallie Sebastian Melbourne Satellite Beach Port St Lucie Merritt Island	179 237 197 73 181 1385 43	0 2 0 0 0 0	20 55 53 9 22 302 11	20 57 53 9 22 302 12	11.17% 24.05% 26.90% 12.33% 12.15% 21.81% 27.91%			

DISTRICT 12 (CONT.)									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0366	Barefoot Bay	63	2	15	17	26.98%			
0394	Palm Bay	238	0	80	80	33.61%			
Total		4846	18	1082	1100	22.70%			
DISTRICT 13									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0038	Fort Myers	43	0	11	11	25.58%			
0090	Cape Coral	322	1	55	56	17.39%			
0103	Punta Gorda	759	2	154	156	20.55%			
0110	Port Charlotte	590	0	138	138	23.39%			
0123	Sanibel	70	0	15	15	21.43%			
0130	Labelle	169	0	31	31	18.34%			
0135	Naples	389	0	62	62	15.94%			
0136	Saint James City	635	3	100	103	16.22%			
0192	Fort Myers	21	0	11	11	52.38%			
0274	Fort Myers Beach	647	0	26	26	4.02%			
0303	Bonita Springs	498	5	89	94	18.88%			
0323	Lehigh Acres	437	16	89	105	24.03%			
0336	N Ft Myers	513	0	218	218	42.50%			
0351	Fort Myers	92	0	2	2	2.17%			
0415	Punta Gorda	13	0	15	15	115.38%			
Total		5198	27	1016	1043	20.07%			
		DISTR	ICT 14	ļ	ı				
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0028	Key West	59	0	13	13	22.03%			
0031	South Miami	173	2	36	38	21.97%			
0043	Homestead	39	0	10	10	25.64%			
0067	North Miami	41	0	3	3	7.32%			
0098	Coral Gables	18	0	4	4	22.22%			
0133	Miami	70	3	10	13	18.57%			
0154	Marathon	158	0	20	20	12.66%			
0168	Key West	21	0	3	3	14.29%			
0333	Key Largo	71	0	11	11	15.49%			
0346	Miami	18	0	3	3	16.67%			
0374	Key Biscayne	36	0	16	16	44.44%			
Total		704	5	129	134	19.03%			

DISTRICT 15									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0005	Tampa	29	1	11	12	41.38%			
0099	Brooksville	23	0	6	6	26.09%			
0108	Land O' Lakes	19	0	3	3	15.79%			
0111	Tampa	54	0	13	13	24.07%			
0138	Tampa	570	8	251	259	45.44%			
0139	Tampa	96	0	22	22	22.92%			
0147	Odessa	47	0	2	2	4.26%			
0148	Riverview	211	3	78	81	38.39%			
0152	Tampa	266	2	76	78	29.32%			
0186	Brooksville	338	0	84	84	24.85%			
0248	West Tampa	15	0	1	1	6.67%			
0418	Spring Hill	43	0	5	5	11.63%			
Total		1711	14	552	566	33.08%			
		DISTR	ICT 16	6					
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0007	Clearwater	266	0	16	16	6.02%			
0014	St Petersburg	119	0	42	42	35.29%			
0079	New Port Richey	487	1	61	62	12.73%			
0104	Pinellas Park	293	6	143	149	50.85%			
0119	Largo	365	3	53	56	15.34%			
0125	St Petersburg	282	23	81	104	36.88%			
0158	Treasure Island	338	0	38	38	11.24%			
0173	Holiday	269	1	32	33	12.27%			
0238	Safety Harbor	355	0	31	31	8.73%			
0252	Seminole	1211	4	346	350	28.90%			
0273	Madeira Beach	3986	2	461	463	11.62%			
0275	Dunedin	1084	2	217	219	20.20%			
0305	St Pete Beach	158	0	32	32	20.25%			
0335	Hudson	104	0	31	31	29.81%			
Total		9317	42	1584	1626	17.45%			
		DISTR	ICT 17	1					
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0006	Deland	137	0	9	9	6.57%			
0017	New Smyrna Beach	207	0	25	25	12.08%			
0045	Palatka	43	0	19	19	44.19%			
0115	Palm Coast	47	0	12	12	25.53%			

DISTRICT 17 (CONT.									
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0120	Holly Hill	221	0	46	46	20.81%			
0127	Lake Helen	20	0	2	2	10.00%			
0255	Deltona	33	7	10	17	51.52%			
0259	Debary	33	2	20	22	66.67%			
0267	Ormond Beach	230	0	29	29	12.61%			
0270	Port Orange	192	2	63	65	33.85%			
0285	Edgewater	150	0	28	28	18.67%			
0293	Interlachen	12	0	20	20	166.67%			
0361	S Daytona	244	0	35	35	14.34%			
Total		1569	11	318	329	20.97%			
	DISTRICT 99								
UNIT	CITY	GOAL	JR	SR	TOTAL	PERCENT			
0400	Orlando	456	2	92	94	20.61%			
Total		456	2	92	94	20.61%			