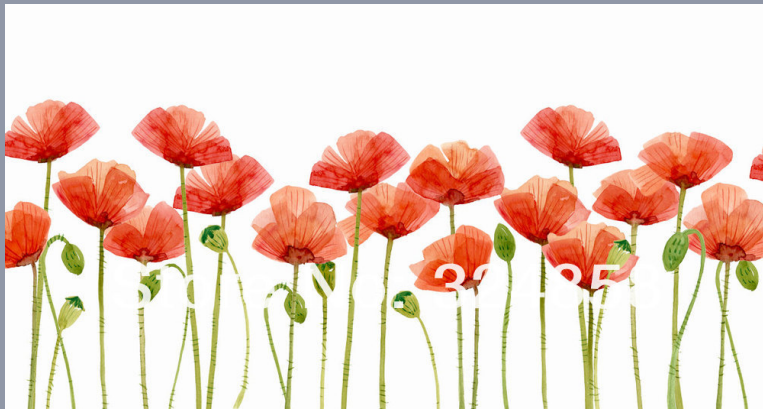




62 News

Passion for Programs



May's sponsored program is Poppies.

**Let's meet this year's
Poppy Chair:
Benita Montague**

I was raised in Stockton, Ca. My Father, Chester F. Perkins and my Uncle Robert F., Bob, Fernandez were/are members of Carl Ross Post #16. As children we were always involved in the activities the Post was putting on. I have a son, a daughter, 2 granddaughters, and a grandson. All have been members since birth.

I transferred to Unit 62 from Unit 105 in 2002. Since then, I have been an active volunteer and I have held many offices, including Unit President 2007-2008. I was gone for about 6 years taking care of family members and a friend.

Presently I am 1st Vice. My duties include Bingo Chairman and Poppy Chairman. We collect Poppy money all year, but this is considered "Poppy Season". Our Juniors play a big part in Poppy distributions. They set up tables at several restaurants in our area and distribute poppies at events here at our Post. Our Juniors contribute a lot of time and effort to our Poppy Program. All the money collected from our



From the President's Pen

Greetings Fellow Members:

May is Poppy Month and our Poppy Chairman is 1st Vice President Benita Montague. I would like to thank Benita, Kathy Amery and Connie Schwichtenberg for all your help in organizing this year's Poppy Stuffing. Due to some unforeseen circumstances, we had to do it in the Social Quarters instead of the Hall. But you ladies made it work. WAY TO GO TEAM!!!!

I am also pleased to announce that our Unit hit 100%. 2nd Vice President Beth Olive is our Membership Chairman and she and her mentor Nancy Murnan have been working tirelessly to get the transmittals into Department.

We had our elections at the last General Membership Meeting. We will see new faces and some old on the board this upcoming year. Thank you to those that chose to take on the challenge. Installation will be on June 5th; this will be a joint Installation with the other entities. Back to the old days finally, Post Covid.

Your Unit Officers and Chairmen are working hard on compiling all the information needed for their Year End Reports that are due into the

Department Chairmen by May 1st, 2022.

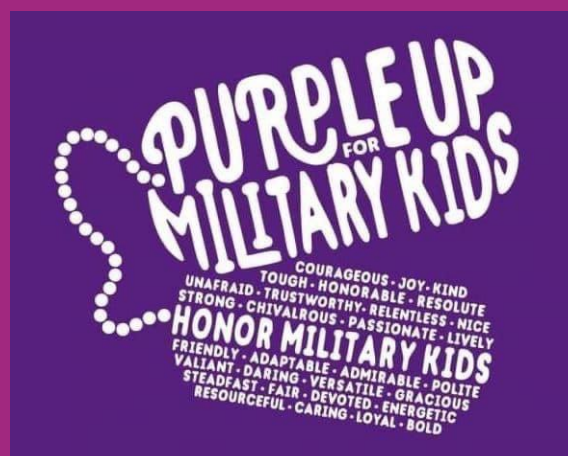
Who is going to Convention in Oro Valley? If you are, make sure you have signed up with the Treasurer Connie Schwichtenberg. See you soon.

Regards,



Purple Up Day 4/15/22

The City of Peoria lit up City Hall on 4/15/22 purple in honor of Purple Up day-the Day of the Military Child.



This is a visible way to show support and celebrate the heroes of military families.

he children of military families deal with numerous changes throughout their parents' military career with each new deployment. New home, new school, leaving friends, making new friends, and worrying about their parent that have been deployed.

They deserve a Thank You!



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A fun puzzle is **attached below**. Please **print out**, complete for some fun, and return to the April Meeting for a chance at a prize.

Margaret Mary Kelsey was March's Meeting winner with tickets to the Queen of Hearts.

PRINT ME FOR A PRIZE!

If you open this from Facebook, choose the 3 dots, choose open in browser, Print.



Upcoming Events

5/8-1PM AUX Bingo

5/10-6 PM AUX E Board Mtg.

5/17-6PM AUX General Membership Mtg



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

For the Unit:

We need Auxiliary volunteers for Sunday Bingo, Food Service, & Wednesday night dinners among other items.

Send us an email with your interests, questions, & volunteer requests to ALAAZunit62@gmail.com

Join us!



April Auxiliary Election Results

President-Kathy Amery

1st Vice-Laura Brieschke

2nd Vice-Beth Olive

Treasurer-Laura Wilson

Chaplain-Pearl Cooney

Sgt. Of Arms-Michelle Firth

Secretary-Barbara Gile (appointed)

Executive Committee:

5/18-5:00PM AUX Dinner

**5/19-2:00PM District Meeting-
Buckeye Post. There will be a
Memorial Ceremony for members
that have passed this last year.**

**Connie Swichtenberg
Jean Ellison
Nicki Cruz
Jill Fischer**

**Congratulations to your
2022/2023 Auxiliary Board
members!!**



JOKE OF THE MONTH

**How much does it cost a Pirate
for a Pop?**

A Buck-an-Ear!



EMAIL ADDRESS

Email address for submission of articles, pictures, recipes, jokes, volunteer requests, and newsworthy items.

Please keep us in your Auxiliary loop so we can share with all of our members.

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We Make a Difference

We are the American Legion Auxiliary. And we make a difference. You'll find us in more than 8,000 local communities in the USA and in foreign countries. Founded in 1919 during the first National Convention of The American Legion, the ALA has grown to be one of the largest veterans support organizations. And we'd love for you to be part of our mission outreach.



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Who We Are?

American Legion Auxiliary

(as stated on the legion.org website)

"Founded in 1919. The American Legion Auxiliary has nearly 1 million members from all walks of life. The Auxiliary administers hundreds of volunteer programs, gives tens of thousands of hours to its communities and to veterans, and raises millions of dollars to support its own programs, as well as other worthwhile charities familiar to Americans. It is all accomplished with volunteers.

While originally organized to assist the American Legion, the Auxiliary has achieved its own unique identity while working side-by-side with the veterans who belong to The American Legion. Like the Legion, the Auxiliary's interests have broadened to encompass the entire community.

The American Legion Auxiliary is made up of the male and female spouses, grandmothers, mothers, sisters, and direct and adopted female descendants of members of The American Legion. Through its nearly 10, 500 units located in every state and some foreign countries, the Auxiliary embodies the spirit of America that has prevailed through war and peace. Along with The American Legion, it solidly stands behind America its ideals".

Our Mission

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.

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Our Impact

We are one of the nation's most prominent supporters of veterans, military, and their families. We help to advance the mission of The American Legion. From helping to draft the GI Bill in 1944 to advocating for veterans on Capitol Hill, the nonpartisan American Legion Family is instrumental in advancing legislation that improves the quality of life for our nation's veterans and servicemembers.

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