

ENDORSEMENTS FOR DEPARTMENT OFFICES

PRESIDENT

Joseph Newton Smith Unit 83 of Lincoln endorses Gloria Morin for Department President. Gloria, who joined under her father, William C. Smith, a World War II and Korean Conflict Veteran, is a 35-year member of Unit 83.

In the past, Gloria has served as Unit 83 Secretary-Treasurer, Membership Chairman and Poppy Chairman. In 2021-2022 she served as Unit 83 President. She continues to be an active member of our unit.

At District Level she has held the Director and Alternate Director position numerous times.

At Department level she was the VAVS Representative for the Manchester facility, has served as Credentials Chair for State Conventions, and held POW luncheons for Department and is presently Department 1st Vice President. Gloria has attended National Convention as a delegate several times.

In the Community, with the help of community members, Gloria has spearheaded many luncheons for the local seniors to promote socialization. At St. Joseph's Church she is a greeter and also prepares bereavement luncheons when needed.

Gloria, if elected, will take her position seriously and will continue to serve the American Legion Auxiliary with dignity and respect.

Respectfully,
Virginia Perkins,
Unit 83 President

1ST VICE PRESIDENT

Jean Drew is a 18 year member of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 31 of Penacook, NH. Her eligibility is through her father David Nudd, a veteran of the United States Army.

On the Unit level: Jean has held the position of Sgt.-At-Arms, 2nd Vice and Secretary. She also held the following chairmanships: Children and Youth and Public Relations. Jean submitted several award winning Children and Youth report on behalf of her Unit.

On the District level: Jean has served District 5 in the following positions: District Director twice, and Alternate Director. She served as 1st & 2nd Vice President and Secretary. She was appointed Children and Youth Chairman also.

On the Department level: Jean was Chaplain in 2021, Historian and Jean is currently serving as 2nd Vice President. Chairman positions were 2nd and 3rd member and Chairman of Veteran Affairs & Rehabilitation. She has also served as Girls State Chairman and Public Relations.

Jean has attended several Department Conventions and her first National Convention in Milwaukee, WI.

Unit 31 of Penacook and I are proud to endorse Jean Drew as a candidate for Department 1st Vice President for the 2024-2025 administrative year.

Sincerely,
Brenda Edmunds,
President, Penacook Unit 31

2ND VICE PRESIDENT

The Members of Jutras, Unit #43 of Manchester, NH are proud to endorse Cathy Perra for the office of 2nd Vice President for the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New Hampshire for the year 2024-2025.

Cathy has been a Member of the American Legion Auxiliary since 2009. Cathy joined through the eligibility of her husband, Wayne Perra, a Veteran of the Air Force, who served during the Vietnam War.

On the Unit level, Cathy has served as Historian, Secretary and is entering her 7th term as Unit President. As Unit President, Cathy is a big part of organizing meat raffles, Kids Christmas parties, and planning Poppy Weekend where she gets the American Legion Family to participate with the Auxiliary.

On the District level, Cathy has served as Historian, Alternate District 4 Director, District 4 Director and is currently serving her 2nd year as Treasurer.

On the Department level, Cathy is currently serving as 2nd Chair for Junior activities, 2nd chair for Finance, and is serving as Department Historian. Cathy has also served as 3rd chair Junior Activities and served as Public Relations Chairman.

Cathy has participated in Department conventions as a Page, delegate, delegate at large and for National convention for 2 years as a delegate. Cathy attends as many activities/ceremonies as she can. Past President Parley, Veterans Home after Christmas party, attends Girl State, Flag ceremonies at different Posts, National President and Commanders Dinners, and many Poppy days to name a few.

The Members of Unit #43 are confident that if elected to 2nd Vice President for the Department of New Hampshire that Cathy will continue to be a valuable asset and serve this organization with ambition, integrity and dedication

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Pinsonneault
Secretary, Unit #43

HISTORIAN

Katherine Treadwell is a 19 year member of Claude R. Batchelder American Legion Auxiliary Unit 72 Alton, New Hampshire. Her eligibility is through her grandfather; Raymond Casey, who served in the US Army. Katherine has been an active member at unit, district, department and national level. Some of her accomplishments are as follows;

Unit level: ALA Sergeant at Arms, ALA Unit Historians 2yrs, ALA Unit Secretary/Membership Chairman 2yrs. American Legion Riders Supporter

District level: ALA District 7 Historian, ALA District 7 Director and District 7 installation Team

Department level: Attended NH ALA Leadership Training, Delegate to ALA Department of NH convention and attended ALA Mission Training in Providence, Rhode Island

National Level: ALA Delegate and Page to National Conventions in Phoenix, Arizona, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Page to National Convention Charlotte, North Carolina. In Phoenix she carried the Department of NH Flag in the ALA National "Parade of Flags".

Currently Katherine is serving as ALA Unit 72 President, ALR Legion Riders Secretary, ALA Department of NH Chaplain, 3rd chair Children and Youth (CAT).

Katherine comes from a true American Legion Family; her Step-father Russ has been a member of the Sons of the American Legion for 35 yrs., her mother Lisa PDP has been a member of the American Legion Auxiliary for 30 yrs. and her sister Courtney, was a past ALA Junior president.

When Katherine is not volunteering with the American Legion Family, she is Assistant Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Notary for the town of Alton NH

The members of Claude R Batchelder Unit 72 Alton, know Katherine will do a great job as Department Historian. and we are proud to endorse Katherine Treadwell for the office of Department Historian 2024-2025.

Lisa Rojek, ALA PDP

CHAPLAIN

Brenda Edmunds has been an active member of Penacook Unit 31 of the American Legion Auxiliary since joining in 2015.

Her eligibility for the Auxiliary is through her father, Louis C. Mailhot, a United States Navy veteran of the Korean War.

Brenda has served Unit 31 as Chaplain, two years as Historian and is completing her 2nd term as Unit President. In addition, she has served one year as Unit Education Chairman and two years as Americanism Chairman, bringing to her Unit the award for the Best Americanism report in District 5.

Brenda has served as District Director, 2nd and 3rd member of the Department Education Committee and is currently serving as Department Education Chairman.

On a personal note, Brenda has two degrees to her credit. One in Human Services for the Elderly and the other in Psychology. For many years Brenda worked in the New Hampshire Education system as a life coach and assistant teacher for children with special needs. Although retired from teaching, Brenda continues her work educating others. One of her most recent achievements is teaching an elderly veteran who lives in her apartment building to read and write so that he could read a menu and order his own lunch when out with friends.

Brenda is a tireless worker with a strong work ethic and we feel she is an excellent candidate for office.

The members of Penacook Unit 31 are proud to endorse Brenda Edmunds for the office of Department Chaplain, 2024-2025.

Patricia Laskey,
Past Unit 31 President

CHAPLAIN

Verna is a six-year member whose eligibility comes through her father who served in the Army during WWII and the Korean War. He retired as a Chief Warrant Officer 4 after serving a total 42 years. She is married to Daniel Beliveau who is a retire Major of the Army. Dan served 37 years in the Army.

Verna is an active member of the Auxiliary at the Unit, District and Department levels. Some of her involvements are listed below:

On the Unit Level she has served as an officer, serving as the Secretary, 1st Vice-President, the office she currently holds. She has assisted at meat raffles, Poppy sales and many other events at Sweeney Post.

On the District Level, Verna has served a Children and Youth Chairman, Secretary, Alternate Director and Director of District 4 in 2023.

At the Department level she served on the Finance Committee and as the Chairman of the Committee last year. She served on the Children and Youth Committee and as 2nd member last year she stepped up and judged the submissions for the awards. She is currently the Department Children and Youth Chairman.

Verna has served as a page at the Department Convention, attended the leadership course for the Department and was a delegate to the National Convention last year. She has assisted her husband Dan in organizing Parades and Memorial Ceremonies in Manchester.

She is a member of the VFW Auxiliary.

Her other outside activities include working for the City of Manchester as the Moderator of her ward for the past 20 years. She has served on several boards and was appointed as the 2nd female Fire Commissioner in the city. She has been involved with her family in raising money for the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth, NH which includes building playgrounds at their facilities for the kids to enjoy. She is a Notary and Justice of the Peace. Verna enjoys spending time with her husband Dan of 6 years, who is a member of the American Legion and VFW, and their 7 children and 7 grandchildren. She is currently a caregiver for a few family members

The Unit knows that Verna will work hard and be an asset for the Department of New Hampshire. The members of Sweeney Unit #2 are proud to endorse and nominate Verna Perry-Beliveau as Chaplain of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of New Hampshire.

Lori Tower,
Sweeney Post Unit #2, Manchester