

**SECRETARY NOTES:**

I have had a few calls about delegates for department convention lately. The delegate registration sheets will be included in next month's bulletin.

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Anyone holding on to unsold Calendar Raffle Tickets, please get them in to the office as soon as possible. We have people that want to purchase them!

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**HAPPY EASTER!**

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**FUNDRAISING:**

The fundraising committee is having a Lobster and Steak raffle basket. Tickets are \$20 each. They will be drawn at convention. Tickets are limited!

If you would like a ticket please contact one of us.

We are also collecting any red, white, and blue donations you have for the raffle baskets at convention.

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**HISTORIAN:**

Hi, everyone. Spring is just around the corner, and April will be here soon.

Remember, History reports are due on April 1st, and Written and Photo books are due on April 15th. Please be sure to mail them to **my new address**. 23 Foundation Dr. Unit 105, Tilton, NH 03276.

Looking forward to seeing your reports and books.

I hope everyone has a nice Easter.

Keep our Veterans in your Thoughts and Prayers.

Thank you

Brenda Edmunds, Historian



**GRANITE GIRLS STATE**

The GIRLS State Committee has been busy getting the word out to schools. Developing a GIRL State Web Page, and developing a GIRL State Staff.

We would like to thank:

Tom Wiley for donating an American Flag and ALA Flag set to Granite Girls State.

Unit 11 – Jeffrey for hosting the Governors Inauguration

Unit 13 – Greenville for their generous donation.

We still are looking for a Unit to sponsor:



- The Talent Show night with special snacks.

If your Unit can help it would be much appreciated.

We will be holding GS Orientations in each District as we get closer. District Directors, please contact Amanda Hatch, Ami Davidson or Linda Dupont for scheduling.

*For more information contact us!!*

Linda Dupont, Granite GIRLS State Chairman

Amanda Hatch, 2<sup>nd</sup> member

Ami Davidson, 3<sup>rd</sup> member

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**PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY:**

In this bulletin is the order form for the Past Presidents Parley Dinner, on **Sunday April 19 at Hooksett Post 37**. When you send this back be sure to add if the choice is for Pork or the Vegetarian Lasagna. Guests are welcome so bring that husband, significant other, or special friend. Meals are \$20.00 each. **Must be paid for in advance and tickets will be held at the door.**

**Deadline for reservations is April 10th.**

We will also be having a Memorial Service, so be sure Department Chaplain Elaine Smith has the name of your deceased Presidents who departed us since last year's Department Convention.

**Please remember to bring your Penny Sale Items.**

Susan Pond, PPP Chairman

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**POPPIES:**

By now you should all have your plans for Poppy Day pretty well planned. Don't forget that we distribute poppies – we don't SELL them! Have your whole Legion Family get involved in giving out those little red flowers. You would be surprised at how many people are looking for them to show their support for all veterans.

Don't forget about the poppy center-piece contest at Department Convention. The tags must be removed, the poppies fluffed, and you can use no more than 25 crepe paper poppies. I am looking forward to seeing those beauties!

Joyce Flanders, Poppy Chairman

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**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

American Legion Family Day – April 26<sup>th</sup> is fast approaching.

Quick Notes - Spring and Summer are full of Flea Markets – Farmers Markets – Picnics – Car Shows – American Legion Baseball - and other Summertime Activities.

The American Legion Auxiliary Members are active in sponsored activities raising funds for great projects. Don't forget: your time starts at the planning stage.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE TRIVIA**

**What is the name of the longest dead-end street in New Hampshire?**

**Manchester, NH was called “Amoskeag” by the Pennacook tribe. What does it mean?  
Answer: "good fishing place"**

*Linda Dupont, Chair Community Service*

## VETERANS AFFAIRS AND REHABILITATION

Our country currently needs our continued thoughts and prayers for all our deployed military and their families.

Volunteers are needed for our ongoing programs at the VA Manchester CLC Unit. One is the monthly Bingo held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month. The other program is Veterans Day Out. This is held on a Wednesday each month and if you would like to invite the veterans to your post or another location of interest for a social hour. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Diana Douglas at 603-817-3511 or [Dianna.douglas63@gmail.com](mailto:Dianna.douglas63@gmail.com)

Spring has sprung and we have kicked off our NH Veterans Fund Raffles. These raffles will be ongoing, and the winning tickets will be drawn at the close of convention on Saturday. If interested in tickets whether to sell or purchase, please contact Dianna or Wendy. Thank you in advance for your support.

**Calling All American Legion Auxiliary Units –  
Volunteers Needed at the Manchester VA Community!**

The Manchester VA CLC is looking for Auxiliary Units to help bring smiles and meaningful experiences to our Veterans.

**♥ Bingo Night Volunteers Needed!**  
We're seeking Auxiliary Units to sign up for the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month to host Bingo Night. It's a fun and rewarding way to connect with and support our resident

**★ Veteran Days Out – Wednesdays!**  
We also need Auxiliary Units to sponsor and assist with Veteran Days Out on Wednesdays at the CLC. These outings make a big difference in the lives of our Veterans, bringing joy and new adventures.

**Sponsor Opportunities Include:**

- Tie-dye Day (supplies shirts & dye)
- Movie Outings
- SS Mt Washington Cruises
- Ruggles Mine Trips
- Castle in the Clouds
- Wright Museum of WWII
- Cog Railway Rides
- Conway Scenic Railroad
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- Live Music Events
- Beach Day Trips
- Ice Cream Outings
- Fishing Trips
- Bowling & Arcades

We'd also love to visit **YOUR** Unit or event on a Wednesday with our Veterans and share in the fun!

If your Unit is interested in volunteering for Bingo Night or sponsoring a Veteran Day Out, please contact our VA&R Committee members:

- Sandy Morris – [Smorpom1@gmail.com](mailto:Smorpom1@gmail.com)
- Dianna Douglas – [Dianna.douglas63@gmail.com](mailto:Dianna.douglas63@gmail.com)
- Wendy Boissoneau – [Wboissoneau@Comcast.net](mailto:Wboissoneau@Comcast.net)

New Hampshire has a Veterans Fund which is assistance eligible to any honorably discharged veteran and the spouse, surviving spouse, or minor children of the honorably discharged veteran providing they can demonstrate a need for assistance and show proof of need. The veteran, spouse, or children found eligible need not be a member of the American Legion, Auxiliary, or Sons. However, those applicants who request assistance and who are current members of the above organization shall have priority for assistance over nonmembers of these organizations. All applicants must be a resident of New Hampshire. If you need the application for assistance or need more information about the program, please contact Wendy Boissoneau Decato at 603-494-7475 or [wboissoneau@comcast.net](mailto:wboissoneau@comcast.net)

Your VA & R Team

Sandy Morris, Chairman

Dianna Douglas, 2<sup>nd</sup> Member

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