



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
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As in all organizations with many personalities, we are experiencing a few minor glitches.

1. A few District Caucuses have been delayed, due to acquiring a quorum within the Districts to form their Caucus. This has caused a delay in the ballots being sent out. We are hoping these ballots will be going out to the Unit Presidents shortly.
2. No one has been nominated to fill the Department of New Hampshire position as Historian. We are hoping that write-ins can fill this position. If any one is interested, please let it be known.

Therefore, you may see some blanks on your ballots that may be filled in.

That being said, I want to thank all the Units for taking the time, the effort in supporting the American Legion Auxiliary programs through this pandemic. Unknown to many, things that come natural to us on a daily basis, especially during a crisis/pandemic, is a way of supporting our programs. *In other words, thank you for being you.* You are the ones that do not say *“I have nothing to report, because of COVID”*. You are the ones that say, *“Because of COVID our members did”*. You continue to look on the positive side of what we can do to help our veterans, their families and our communities.

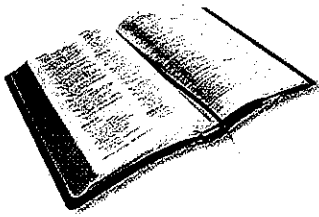
**LOOK!!!** At the membership totals, **“It’s Amazing”** Again our Unit members are accomplishing phenomenal feats. Thirteen Units at 100%. Only 600+ members to accomplish 100% for New Hampshire. Last year New Hampshire was one of five Departments to achieve 100% membership. No one has become #1 yet. Could it be New Hampshire?

I thank each and every one of you for your support and efforts during this past year.

*Celebrating 100+ years of Service,*

*Linda Dupont, President*

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER:



Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.  
They will soar on wings like eagles:  
they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.  
~Isaiah 40:31~

### ~An Old English Prayer~

Give us, Lord, a bit o' sun,  
A bit o' work and a bit o' fun.  
Give us in all the struggle and sputter,  
Our daily bread and a bit o' butter.  
Give us health our keep to make  
And a bit to spare for other's sake.  
Give us, too, a bit of song,  
And a tale and a book to help us along.  
Give us, Lord, a chance to be  
Our goodly best, brave, wise, and free.  
Our goodly best for ourselves and others  
Till all men learn to live as brothers.  
Amen

Wow! Can you believe that it's Spring already? What weather we have been having, changing day to day.

By the looks of the reports I have been getting, Chaplains have been very busy sending cards and, when allowed back into the nursing homes, visiting members. These past two years have been, to say the least, a challenge to us all. Things are looking up for us though. Let us pray that by this Fall we can all get back to meeting together again.

Hope to see you all very soon. Take care and may you all stay well.

Linda LaPoint, Dept. Chaplain



### **SECRETARY NOTES:**

To those Units that have not sent in your Unit Data Form (purple paper sent in February Bulletin): These are needed immediately! I have to have the information into National no later than May 15<sup>th</sup> for your Unit renewal notices to have the correct remit to address and amount of dues to be paid. Any changes made after that date will cost the Unit \$40 for each change.

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Whether or not your Unit has an Installation, I need the Installation Form filled out and returned – **EVEN IF YOUR OFFICERS HAVE NOT CHANGED!** There were a lot of Units that did not fill out the form last year so, it is important that you do so this year. This information is used to make the lists needed for the various chairmen and bulletin notices. If you have misplaced the form, please email me and I can email you the form.

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Don't forget that any trophies won at the 2019 Department Convention **MUST** be returned to Headquarters by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Call before coming up, just to make sure someone is available to accept the trophies.

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**A reminder:** Changes (Name change, address change, class change, deceased member, 2021 dues payment or past year's dues payment) not made by April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the membership data bank will NOT show up on your 2022 membership roster.

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A parable for you to ponder or live by:

The only bird that dares to peck an eagle is the crow. It sits on its back and bites the eagle's neck. However, the eagle does not respond nor fight with the crow. It spends no time on the crow, instead the eagle opens its wings and soars higher into the heavens. The higher the flight the tougher it is for the crow to breathe and eventually the crow fails off from the lack of energy.

This simply means that once a person moves towards his/her goals, he/she will be faced with obstacles and challenges. But when you keep pushing yourself forward, every other unnecessary thing will fall off by itself.

So, keep soaring higher and overcome every obstacle with ease and do not be distracted from your purpose.



### **AMERICANISM:**

As Memorial Day is approaching, we need to honor our fallen military members. But why just honor them for their sacrifice to give us freedom just on that day? We need to honor them every day! Take a few moments to stop by a fallen military member's grave and clean the gravestone or simply just pay your respects.

We also need to remember our servicemen and women every day. Sometimes, just saying Thank You for your service, can brighten their day and let them know you have thought of them. Too many times we forget - just a kind word to our veterans and active duty military is appreciated more than you know. I work in retail and we try to thank each veteran or military member. It may seem like a small thing but for them it may be a big thing.

### **May Flag Flying Holidays - - - - -**

Mother's Day - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in May

Peace Officers Day (Half Staff All Day) - May 15th

Armed Forces Day - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in May  
Memorial Day (Half Staff until Noon) - Last Monday in May

Christine Hyde, Americanism Chairman

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**GRANITE GIRLS STATE:**

The letters have gone out to the schools, which means that Unit members should be contacting them to remind them that we want to sponsor girls for this wonderful program. I already know of a few girls that have sent in applications that don't have a sponsoring Unit. If your Unit can either sponsor a girl or help sponsor a girl, please contact Joyce, at Department Headquarters.

We have been talking with the college, and as of right now, we are all set to have our session. Of course, there MAY be some restrictions and possibly changes as things get closer to the event. We will keep you posted of any changes through the May bulletin and the daily email blasts.

Please help us to make this year's session of Granite Girls State one of the best ever!

Melissa Greenwood, Girls State Chairman

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**LEADERSHIP:**

There will be a Leadership Awareness Class in District 2 in May. We are hoping for either the 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup>, depending on if the Legion Hall is available. As soon as I know, I will send it out in the daily email blast. If you want to attend but don't get the daily email blast, please contact me at Department Headquarters so I can fill you in on the specifics. I hope everyone will consider attending because the class isn't just for those aspiring to become Officers. The class will teach you all kinds of things about the Auxiliary and it's programs.

SAL and Legionnaires are invited to attend as well. Hope I see you there!

Joyce Flanders, Leadership Chairman

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**EDUCATION:**

Thank you so much to the units that sent in end of year reports. I enjoyed reading what all the units are doing to support our Children and future leaders in New Hampshire. Units were creative in working the program during the Covid Pandemic. I am pleased to report that we have a winner for all five Department of New Hampshire Scholarships/Awards.

Teacher Appreciation Week is coming up; May 3 - 7, 2021. Let's show our teachers that we care during this week. You can send cards of appreciation, small gifts, or stop by and tell them "Thank you for all you do".

To look up new ideas and more information on the Education Program go to the following websites:

Department of NH [www.legionnh.org](http://www.legionnh.org)

National Auxiliary [www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org)

Your Education Team: Wendy, Eleanor, Glenda

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## 2019 – 2021 MEMBERSHIP

***Celebrating a Century of Service. Celebrate your membership with fellow members and your community.***

Happy spring! Daffodils are blooming and pollen reigns!

Congratulations to the newest 100% Units – Berlin Unit 36, Woodsville Unit 20, Epsom Unit 112, Claremont Unit 29 and Newport Unit 25!

As of the Membership report I received on 4-17-21. Congratulations go to District 6 Director Paula Ross and the ladies of District 6. They are in first place with 97.23%. District 4 is a close second with 94.34%. NH is currently at 91.53% with 613 needed for 100%. NH is currently 4<sup>th</sup> in the Eastern Division behind New York. We have pick up the momentum, lets keep the membership ball rolling!

The deadlines remaining are 95% by May 18, 2021 and 100% 30 days prior to National Convention (July 31, 2021). To date 18 units have achieved 95% and are sooo close to their 100%.

Have questions or concerns? Don't hesitate to call or email any member of the Membership Team.

Recruit/Rejoin 5 - Did you sign up five or more Auxiliary junior or senior members into the 2021 membership year? You are eligible to receive a special gift from the National Membership Chairman. The first deadline has passed. Didn't make that deadline? You will have another opportunity on Flag Day, June 14, 2021.

As our volunteer opportunities begin to open up again, now is the time to grab those renewals and new members! Remember, when speaking with a potential new member, listen to them. Learn what their interests are and let them know what the ALA has to offer them. We all know that time is a precious commodity for all of us.

Remember! Without unique members delivering our mission serving our military, veterans, their families and the community, WE will not survive another 100 years. Let's continue to have a Great Membership Year and a FUN ONE too!

Karyl Horn, Chairman  
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Amerian Legion Auxiliary  
Department of New Hampshire  
**2020 - 2021 Membership Report**

No.		Locations	Goal	Sr	Jr	Total	% of Goal	Deleg.	At Lg.	Levy	Bond
<b>District 1 - Sharon Cook - 532-7021 - Unit 11</b>											
57		Alstead	42	36	1	37	88.10%	2			
38		Fitzwilliam	20	16	3	19	95.00%	2			
11		Jaffrey	230	190	23	213	92.61%	4	3		
4		Keene	273	238	1	239	87.55%	4	1		
			<b>565</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>89.91%</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>		

<b>District 2 - Linda Ackley, 393-6476 - Unit 23</b>											
13		Greenville	172	140	13	153	88.95%	3	1		
48		Hudson	158	113	4	117	74.05%	3	4		
98		Merrimack	113	100	5	105	92.92%	3	1		
23		Milford	119	103	6	109	91.60%	3	3		
3		Nashua	56	44	5	49	87.50%	2	1		
<b>5</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>3 Peterborough</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>2</b>			
65		Weare	40	27	6	33	82.50%	2			
10		Wilton	92	81	1	82	89.13%	3	1		
			<b>791</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>689</b>	<b>87.10%</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>11</b>		

<b>District 3 - Sheila Brooks - 207-272-4679 - Unit 69</b>											
<b>114</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>5 Barrington</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>109.52%</b>	<b>2</b>			
8		Dover	194	185	0	185	95.36%	4			
51		Epping	149	117	5	122	81.88%	3	4		
<b>32</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>4 Exeter</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>123.08%</b>	<b>2</b>			
60		Farmington	32	24	0	24	75.00%	2			
<b>35</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>2 Hampton</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>2</b>			
105		Kensington	20	3	0	3	15.00%	2		\$12.75	\$5.50
67		Newmarket	201	174	12	186	92.54%	4	2		
73		Northwood	22	15	0	15	68.18%	2			
6		Portsmouth	237	208	1	209	88.19%	4	2		
7		Rochester	465	395	8	403	86.67%	6			
47		Rollinsford	173	152	4	156	90.17%	3			
70		Seabrook	216	174	10	184	85.19%	4			
69		Somersworth	218	140	19	159	72.94%	3	2		
			<b>1997</b>	<b>1664</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>1727</b>	<b>86.48%</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>10</b>		

<b>District 4 - Eleanor Forrest - 264-1179 - Unit 37</b>											
54		Bedford	41	36	4	40	97.56%	2	3		
108		Chester	16	13	0	13	81.25%	2			
9		Derry	31	28	0	28	90.32%	2	2		
16		Goffstown	27	17	8	25	92.59%	2			
37		Hooksett	134	103	8	111	82.84%	3	2		
27		Londonderry	105	94	9	103	98.10%	3			
2		Manchester	338	295	6	301	89.05%	5	1		
<b>43</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>7 Manchester</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>109.59%</b>	<b>3</b>			
100		Pelham	79	73	1	74	93.67%	3			
34		Plaistow	50	47	0	47	94.00%	2			
<b>90</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>6 Raymond</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>114.77%</b>	<b>3</b>			
63		Salem	59	44	4	48	81.36%	2			
			<b>1114</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>1051</b>	<b>94.34%</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>8</b>		

No.		Locations	Goal	Sr	Jr	Total	% of Goal	Deleg.	At Lg.	Levy	Bond
<b>District 5 - Brenda Edmunds - 833-1155 - Unit 31</b>											
42		Barnstead	55	40	6	46	83.64%	2			
21		Concord	167	142	7	149	89.22%	3			
81		Contoocook	41	40	0	40	97.56%	2			
103		Deerfield	31	27	0	27	87.10%	2			
<b>112</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>11 Epsom</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>2</b>			
59		Hillsboro	212	195	3	198	93.40%	4			
88		Loudon	15	11	0	11	73.33%	2			
31		Penacook	155	126	7	133	85.81%	3	3		
			<b>692</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>89.60%</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>		

<b>District 6 - Paula Ross - 731-0415 - Unit 40</b>											
29	<b>*</b>	12 Claremont	153	153	0	153	100.00%	3			
97		Grafton	10	9	0	9	90.00%	2			
22		Lebanon	309	291	11	302	97.73%	5	1		
40		New London	86	63	13	76	88.37%	3	2		
<b>25</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>13 Newport</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>102.20%</b>	<b>3</b>			
			<b>649</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>633</b>	<b>97.53%</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>		

<b>District 7 - Kathleen Anthony - 651-7519 - Unit 72</b>											
<b>72</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>8 Alton</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>102.50%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>		
15		Ashland	17	14	0	14	82.35%	2			
46		Conway	56	52	0	52	92.86%	2			
102		Gilmanton	21	18	1	19	90.48%	2			
1		Laconia	98	91	2	93	94.90%	3			
83		Lincoln	79	71	1	72	91.14%	3	1		
33		Meredith	81	79	0	79	97.53%	3			
49		Tilton	227	195	10	205	90.31%	4	1		
18		Wolfboro	36	30	2	32	88.89%	2			
			<b>775</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>94.19%</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>4</b>		

<b>District 8 - Sue Berry - 802-695-3349 - Unit 20</b>											
<b>36</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>9 Berlin</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>3</b>			
<b>62</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>1 Colebrook</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>113.04%</b>	<b>2</b>			
82		Gorham	106	82	3	85	80.19%	3	1		
17		Groveton	198	164	7	171	86.36%	4	1		
68		Littleton	113	105	2	107	94.69%	3	2		
41		Whitefield	33	22	2	24	72.73%	2			
<b>20</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>10 Woodsville</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>101.35%</b>	<b>3</b>			
			<b>691</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>633</b>	<b>91.61%</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>		
200		Dept. HQ		38		39					
		Department Goal	7274	6358	271	6630	91.15%				
		<b>National Goal</b>	<b>7240</b>				<b>91.57%</b>				
		Needed to reach 100% by Department Convention					<b>644</b>				
		Needed to reach 100% by National Convention					<b>610</b>				



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### 2021

- April 24 - Dept. Executive Committee meeting – Headquarters (21 South Fruit St – Concord)  
@ 10 am - Bring your own food and beverages.
- May 20-23 ~~Department Convention – Lincoln~~ **CANCELED**
- May 28 **NATIONAL POPPY DAY**
- June 5 District 4 Girls State Orientation – Post 2 (251 Maple St – Manchester) @ 10 am
- June 20-25 Granite Girls State – St. Anselm College – **OFFICE CLOSED**
- Aug. 27 - National Convention – Phoenix, AZ  
Sept. 2 **OFFICE CLOSED**
- Sept. 6 Labor Day – **OFFICE CLOSED**
- Sept. 18 8/40 Annual Meeting - TBA

**Members**  
“Unique ~~Women~~ Working For Our Veterans”

**CALENDAR PROGRAM WINNERS**

**APRIL 2021**

1	\$20.00	Pat	Morin	Wells River	VT
2	\$20.00	Megan	Nile	Whitefield	NH
3	\$20.00	Betsy	Croteau	Keene	NH
4	\$30.00	Jennifer	Tuttle	Newbury	VT
5	\$20.00	ALA	Unit 6	Portsmouth	NH
6	\$20.00	Trevor	Bullard	Richmond	VA
7	\$20.00	Quinn	Berry	Milford	NH
8	\$20.00	Evllin	Bianchin	Rindge	NH
9	\$20.00	Sheena	Danforth	Bath	NH
10	\$20.00	James	Berg	Madbury	NH
11	\$30.00	Joshua	Moulton	North Hampton	NH
12	\$20.00	Michelle	Skinner	New Ipswich	NH
13	\$20.00	Samantha	Keach	Newmarket	NH
14	\$20.00	Allan	Santy	Lyman	NH
15	\$20.00	Kimberly	Gish	Allenstown	NH
16	\$20.00	James	Ward	Nashua	NH
17	\$20.00	Jay	Bullard	Woodsville	NH
18	\$30.00	Cindy	Varney	Monroe	NH
19	\$20.00	Jackie	Jobin	Manchester	NH
20	\$20.00	Lisa	Thomas	Milford	NH
21	\$20.00	Serge	Turcotte	Bath	NH
22	\$20.00	Becky	Conrad	Pike	NH
23	\$20.00	Terry	Manley	Somersworth	NH
24	\$20.00	Lynda	Doak	Lyndeborough	NH
25	\$30.00	Kim	Pinsonneault	Manchester	NH
26	\$20.00	ALA	Unit 51	Epping	NH
27	\$20.00	TAL	Post 40	Manchester	NH
28	\$20.00	Darrea	Antone	Milford	NH
29	\$20.00	Kathy	Spinney	Lisbon	NH
30	\$30.00	Eliza	Boutin	N. Haverhill	NH