



## Department President's Bulletin #8

April 2020

It is my hope and prayer that all of you and your families are safe and not in situations where you can be affected by Covid-19. I realize the directives to not gather have affected a great deal of your plans but remember there are things we can do without direct contact. Phone calls, text messages and messenger services in social media don't add any danger to anyone. Continue checking on our veterans, members and others in your communities.

It is always my desire to be positive about everything and inclusive not exclusive to anyone. Since late last fall, the membership team and I have been making phone calls, sending emails, cards and letters to our members who have not yet paid their dues. We have found, because they have proof, most of these members have paid their dues but they have not made it to the department. Some are as far back as July. This is unfair to our membership. Setting aside that we are NOT supposed to hold membership, these members appear as if they have not paid their dues and we are in a pandemic. We must do all we can to ensure our members do not lose their ability to receive, if eligible, Auxiliary Emergency Fund grants. Our members trust the remit to person in our units to handle our funds appropriately. This is, unfortunately, happening in all districts. We are asking each of you to help ensure the dues for your unit are getting to department. We have had communications with national due to members not being happy about the situation so let's do all we can to rectify it. If you have not paid your dues yet, you can do so by mailing a check or money order to your unit membership person, pay by phone with National or pay online at [www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org). For those responsible for submitting membership, please ensure you are sending it to our Department headquarters, not to our National headquarters. If you did not change your dues amount when our dues increase happened, the minimum senior dues are \$22.00 and junior dues are \$5.00, all of which is to be sent to our Department Headquarters. Sending less than this amount will result in a delay while our secretary communicates what you need. Hopefully all of you have the transmittal forms. We do have a lot of new people working membership so don't hesitate to assist them in this process.

Unfortunately, we are unable to have our Spring Conference. Many turn in year end reports, history books and poppy displays there. Please put your reports and history books in the mail to the proper chairman or if you have it electronically, email EACH chairperson their report. Also keep in mind Department officers, Chairman and District Presidents should all work on your year end reports so they will be in the book of reports. Our secretary will give us the due date, but it never hurts to start early. District Presidents all your units do some things so please ensure you collect reports from all units. For our units, it is okay if you know an event is going to happen to include that in your report to your District President. We all look forward to reading your reports and for watching units and districts receive awards at Department Convention.

Since we don't know when we will be able to have unit meetings (unless you're doing them electronically), we encourage you to think about diversity in your unit, district and department leadership. We have a lot of young members. We also have some male members. As a twenty-two-year-old attending my unit meetings I often felt left out. I was told to watch and learn, and I was too young to be a leader. Today that tone could have a different outcome. Encourage our younger members and mentor them. After all, we do always say they are our future.

Lastly, I have tried to make it to all districts. Like your plans, mine changed as well. May will be quite busy but if we can have meetings again by then, I will attend Districts 4, 6 and 9 for sure. Also, I have asked Commander McKinney if he can set something up in the 11<sup>th</sup> District. We don't want this year to go by without visiting that district and meeting members there. Please don't forget your VA&R assessments, your Department Operating Assessments and any other donations you make to Department.

Bonita Robey

Department President

2019-2020

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**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF KENTUCKY  
99th ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION 2019**

**CALL:**

The 99th annual Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Kentucky, is hereby called in conformity with the action of the American Legion, will be held in Louisville, Kentucky, June 18, 19 and 20, 2020.

**PURPOSE:** The Convention is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, for amending the Constitution and Bylaws if properly proposed; Standing Rules; electing **DELEGATES and ALTERNATES** to the National Convention, receiving reports of Department Officers, Chairmen and the Committees, and for transaction of such other business as may be properly brought before it.

**REPRESENTATION:** Representation to the Convention will be by **UNITS**. Each Unit shall be entitled to two (2) Delegates and two (2) Alternates plus one (1) additional delegate and alternate for each twenty-five (25) members of a major fraction thereof, whose dues for 2020 have been received by the Department Secretary prior to June 2, 2020.

All Past Department Presidents, by right of office, shall be delegates-at-large to the Convention with vote, said vote to be cast with her respective Unit.

Alternates will have the power to vote **only** in the absence of delegates. Alternates shall have all privileges of delegates except voting. The delegates and alternates shall be elected by their respective **UNITS** at least two (2) weeks before the Department Convention and written notice of their election forwarded immediately to the Department Secretary on the form provided.

**NO UNITS WITHOUT REPRESENTATION SHALL BE VOTED BY PROXY**

**CREDENTIALS:** The chairman of the Unit delegation shall bring a copy of the list of the elected delegates and alternates and shall deliver the same to the Chairman of the Credentials Committee when registering.

**RESOLUTIONS:** All Resolutions for consideration by the Convention shall be submitted to the Resolutions Committee. Any change in the Department Constitution and Bylaws shall be submitted to the Chairman of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, **No Later Than Wednesday, June 17, 2020**, in order to be presented to the Executive Committee at its' meeting **Thursday, June 18, 2020, at 7:30 p.m.**

**Bonita Robey  
President**

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF KENTUCKY

99th ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

TO: DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, DEPARTMENT CHAIRMEN, DISTRICT PRESIDENTS AND PAST  
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS

In accordance with the provisions of Article IV, Section 3, of our Constitution and Bylaws, the Executive Committee shall convene on Thursday, June 18, 2020, at 7:30 PM local time at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky. All meetings will be on local time.

Bonita Robey  
President

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99th ANNUAL CONVENTION

CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

**THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2020**

3:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Registration
7:30 PM	Executive Committee Meeting (Department Officers, Past Department Presidents, District Presidents and Department Chairmen)

**FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2020**

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Registration
8:30 AM	Joint Session with the American Legion
10:00 AM – Noon	Opening Session

Processional:

- Past National Officers
- Past Department Presidents
- District Presidents
- Department Officers

Presentation of the Department President  
Call to Order  
Advance of Colors  
Invocation  
Moment of Silence  
Pledge of Allegiance  
National Anthem  
Preamble  
Convention Call  
Introduction of Convention Chairman & Committees  
Presentation of Distinguished Guest Committee

Report of Rules Committee  
Report of National Executive Committeewoman  
Reading of Proposed Amendments to the Constitution

12:00 Noon **RECESS**  
1:30 PM Reconvene  
Memorial Service  
Greetings from other Organizations  
Greetings from Department Commander  
Greetings from Other Legion Representatives  
2:00 PM Reports of District Presidents  
Membership  
Report of Department Chairmen

**RECESS**

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2020**

7:30 AM – 9:30 AM Registration  
9:00 AM Junior Convention Meeting  
8:30 AM Convention Reconvenes  
Call to Order  
Invocation  
Reading of Election Rules  
Credentials Report  
Voting Strength  
Election of Department Officers 2020-2021  
Election of Delegates and Alternates to  
National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky  
Unfinished Business  
Report of Department President 2019-2020  
Presentation of Department Junior Officers 2020-2021  
11:00 AM **RECESS**  
12:30 PM Reconvene  
Installation of Officers for 2020-2021  
Retirement of Colors  
Benediction  
Adjournment  
TBA Post Convention Executive Committee Meeting  
(Department Officers 2020-2021, Past Department Presidents &  
District Presidents, Department Chairman)  
6:30 PM Reception for Department President 2019-2020



I'm a proud member of  
The American Legion  
Auxiliary!



## April 2020 Membership Bulletin

Hello Auxiliary Family,

We are so proud of everything you do! All the Units have been working hard on their membership! Congratulations to all Units working on collecting 2019 dues as well as 2020, we have made big progress. All awards earned for Spring Conference will be given out at our June Convention, as well as our March Challenge award.

I apologize for the lengthy bulletin, but with the cancellation of our Spring Conference, we still have several things to discuss. I would also like to apologize to all family members for my distortion of our logo in the past. It was not my intention, but with the copy and paste and trying to fit to page, I did it. I am truly sorry.

**During these hard times we are experiencing right now, please check in on your members, Veterans and their families.**

Our next award is **"Shooting for the Stars"**; we want our family to shine, so we are shooting for the stars!! This award is for the units that reach 100% paid membership and assessments, before **May 24, 2020**. Some of our Units already qualify for this award, so this would be a great time to work on adding new members to the family. Our final Department award is the **"Rhythm Award"**. The top three units who have added the most new members will be entered into a drawing for a prize to be determined by the membership team, deadline is **July 31, 2020**. We want all units to add new members to strengthen our Family. Please check with your members who have not paid their 2019 dues as well as 2020 dues and get them current. The next National award for Department is the **Armed Forces Day Award**, 85% in ALA-MIS by **May 18, 2020**. Remind members that they can pay their dues online, and help explain the process if needed.

Our ultimate goal is to always be positive, with that being said we have a few issues to address;

1. All dues the unit sends in, are to be sent to Department, not National, unless paying online.
2. It is the duty of all officers to ensure their own dues are current to hold office.
3. Units, do not hold dues, they are to be sent to Department when they are received, not months after.

The Team would like to remind all units to make sure their Leadership contact information on ALAMIS is correct; we need a contact email and/or phone number for membership for each unit. Also when you have deceased members please notify the Department Secretary and Chaplain, so it can be documented in Department.

Please feel free to contact anyone on the Membership Team at any time for help!

Operating Assessments were due by March 31, 2020. Assessments must be paid to qualify for future awards. Be kind, find your joy and include all members!

### Membership Team

Membership is our Heartbeat, Be part of our Rhythm

One Family, One Mission, One Voice

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Headquarters  
April 2020

Membership – any renewal/ change that is not processed by DEPARTMENT on or before April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 will not be reflected on the 2021 membership cards. Please do not hold membership! The 2021 membership cards will be passed out at the Department Convention in June.

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\***

If your unit does not have a provision in their Constitution & Bylaws regarding how to handle your elections during a situation that we are currently in, then the unit needs to follow National's guidelines which is: if you are unable to hold your elections then the current officers remain in office until such election can be held. Please **DO NOT** hold an election by mail or by email.

In this mailing you will find the Call to Convention. Please pass this information along to members of your Unit. If you have not made reservations, you still have time to do so.

I hope everyone is staying safe! Hope to see you at the Convention in June!

Jennifer



## Legislative Bulletin for April

Thanks to all that attended the DC Conference this year. We had 23 members of the American Legion Family in attendance in Washington DC and most of those were able to storm the hill to fight for our veterans and their family's rights!

Thanks to Tim Martinez who coordinated the event and appointments. He did an awesome job!

Some of the items on the American Legion Legislative Agenda are:

**Toxic Exposures and Burn Pits** – Millions of veterans were exposed to airborne toxic hazards during their service as a result of burn pits. The American Legion is supporting measures to recognize this and add benefits for adverse health conditions related to this exposure.

**Healthcare for Women Veterans** – The VA must continue to develop and expand healthcare services for our women veterans. They need more specialized care and facilities.

**Support VA's Suicide Prevention Efforts**- An estimated 20 veterans die by suicide every day. There needs to be more mental health care professionals and property staffing.

Other items just as important are:

**Protecting the American Flag, Pay the Coast Guard, fully Fund a Superior National Defense, Protect the GI Bill, Help End Veteran Homelessness and Support the Gold Star Families.**

**If you have attended the DC Conference but have not yet completed your "Congressional Meeting Report Form" please do so as soon as possible. You can also go to [www.legion.org/legislative/aar](http://www.legion.org/legislative/aar) or email me and I will send you a form via email. Please this is so important to be counted!**

If anyone would like a copy of the 116<sup>th</sup> American Legion Legislative Agenda, please let me know and I'll mail or email the flyer to you.

Please send me any responses from your contact to representatives so that I can include them in my report.

Thanks again for all who attended, supported and encouraged the DC Conference!

Karen Toll  
Department of Kentucky Legislative

# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY Children & Youth, SOUTHERN DIVISION

## MARCH 2020 NEWSLETTER

### WHAT'S NEW

Hello ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary, Southern Division.

With April - the month of the military child - approaching I would like to draw your attention to the Military Child's Table Setting Ceremony. It reminds me of the POW/MIA ceremony but honoring to our military children.

"When an Air Force officer was asked what he needed in Iraq, he said, 'Please don't send cookies, care packages, or socks. Just help take care of our children.' Our country has always supported its military in times of war through community efforts. We have a great capacity to care for the home front. Now is the time for a new victory garden. In this garden, we can tend to the needs of the military child - thus the Military Child's Table Setting Ceremony was born. If any Unit in your Department celebrates the military child in the month of April you will have something to report; therefore, I do expect 100% reporting when the Year-end reports are due in May.

In the eBulletin #6 it talks about 'Kids Are Heroes 2'. Please make sure you read it as it pertains to our military children.

Ideas on how to celebrate and honor these children can be found on the ALA National website. You can also join the ALA Children and Youth Facebook page and get inspiring by what other units or members are posting. Together we can accomplish great things.



Please make sure you submit pictures of all of your activities.

Helpful websites:  
[www.ALAforVeterans.org](http://www.ALAforVeterans.org)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALACHildrenandYouth/>  
<https://www.alaforveterans.org/Programs/Children-and-Youth/>



National Development Training:

**Hartford, CT — March 14, 2020**

**Albuquerque, NM — March 21,**

**2020**

**Nashville, TN — March 28, 2020**

If you have any questions or if I can be of any assistance please

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## KENTUCKY ALA AMERICANISM MARCH BULLETIN

The End of Year reports are due by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. To enter the Department Dorothy Pearl Most Outstanding Americanism Program follow the guidelines below and submit the cover sheet attached to me by May 1, 2020.

### **DEPARTMENT:**

Unit Award: Dorothy Pearl Most Outstanding Unit Americanism Program

Deadline: May 1, 2020

Send to Nancy Moses postmarked or emailed by 5 p.m. EST on May 1, 2020. • Entry must be typewritten in narrative format, not to exceed 1,000 words. • Entry may include no more than 5 pictures and 5 news articles. • Entry must have the National Report and Awards Cover Sheet and filled out (attached) • First and Second Place Trophies for Best Department Americanism Program

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**Also don't forget to keep me posted about anything you do for the 100<sup>th</sup> Centennial in counts of 100. I have had several Units report on this and you will be entered in a drawing for cash prizes.**

### **WHAT IS YOUR 100 AMERICANISM?**

**100 Certificates to the community members who fly the Flag.**

**100 Star Spangled Kids singing the National Anthem.**

**100 minutes reading about the History of Americanism in the Legion Family.**

**100 children participating in the ALA Americanism Essay Contest.**

**100 emails promoting "catch ALA Americanism Fever" flyer.**

**100 times you contacted your Legislator regarding Americanism initiatives.**

**100 minutes teaching proper handling, displaying and respect for the Flag.**

**100 dollars donated to a Patriotic Community event.**

**100 minutes to take care of the area around a Flag or memorial.**

**100 posts on Facebook promoting Americanism within the ALA.**

**100 Flags distributed during a Patriotic event.**

**100 members over Department of District goal.**

**100 bell rings at an American Legion Auxiliary 100th Celebration.**

**Nancy Moses**

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## American Legion Auxiliary National Report and Award Cover Sheet

Please note, your report will also be viewed as an award entry.

**Complete the following if you are applying for a member award.** Be sure to give the complete name of the member. The award certificate will be prepared using the information you include below.

Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_ Full official unit name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of state where you are a member: \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ALA member ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Member (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Phone number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

National committee sponsoring award: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Award:       Department       Unit       Member

Name of the award you are applying for: \_\_\_\_\_

**For a unit award or submit a year-end unit narrative report, please complete this section.** Be sure to give the complete name of your unit. The award certificate will be prepared using the information you include below.

Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_ Full official unit name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of department: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit president/chairman (circle one) name: \_\_\_\_\_

Above listed person's ALA member ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**For a department award or to submit a year-end department narrative report, please complete this section:**

Name of department: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of department chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman's phone number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ ALA member ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please see your committee's annual Programs Action Plan supplement to determine where to send this form.*



Historian

With the cancelling of Spring Conference, I'm going to miss seeing everyone. I hope all Units are working on their History Books, and I'm getting excited to see each one of them. Please send me your books by May 1st. The awards will be for the Best Senior and Junior History Book and also for the Best History of your Charter. Stay safe and hope to see you at State Convention.

Sandy Omer

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### **Auxiliary Emergency Fund**

Hello everyone! I hope all have been doing well this year. Enclosed is my AEF year-end report. Please fill out and return to me. I will have some copies at spring conference. Will see everyone at Spring conference where I will have a half & half split the pot.

Charlotte McGuire Chairman

AMERICAN LEGION EMERGENCY FUND

2019-2020 YEAR END REPORT

NAME AND NUMBER OF UNIT

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CHAIRMAN: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS OF UNIT

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF DONATION \_\_\_\_\_

HAS YOUR UNIT RAISED FUNDS FOR AEF?    YES    NO

If YES, how was funds raised, (raffles, meeting donations, etc)

**Please return to me by May 1, 2020**

Thanks.

Charlotte McGuire  
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## A Community of Volunteers Serving Veterans, Military, and Their Families

### National Headquarters Update:

What a whirlwind week it has been! It was great to see so many members of the whole Legion family at the DC Conference. This was my first opportunity to attend the Commander's testimony before Congress and it was such a learning experience. Commander Oxford represented us well and made known our legislative priorities

While we were there, the COVID-19 pandemic swept the nation with cancelations and changes of major US events by the hour. I am so grateful to the entire team at NHQ and especially our Communications team for their professionalism, level-headed response and leadership handling this ever-changing situation.

Thank you all for your support and dedication to our mission!

The following message is being sent out through social media today:

### Taking care of others – and ourselves

American Legion Auxiliary members are nurturers. We take care of others – especially veterans, military, and their families -- and we always put service above self. It's in our DNA and has been since our organization's founding more than a century ago.

That's why, as we learn more about COVID-19 (coronavirus), it's hard for us to think about distancing ourselves from others. But as the Centers for Disease Control tell us, we all must do our part in protecting each other during this pandemic.

We appreciate the health and safety of our members, and we understand that we have members who fall into the coronavirus at-risk categories. We will continue to follow CDC guidelines in all matters. American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters is closely monitoring this rapidly developing situation and will keep our members updated and informed as necessary.

Please: As you learn more about the coronavirus and take care of yourselves, we ask that you also look after the members of all ages in our organization. Let's uplift each other and keep the positive thoughts rolling.

To see a message from American Legion National Commander Bill Oxford about this coronavirus situation, go to: <https://www.legion.org/commander/248549/urgent-message-about-coronavirus>

### National Headquarters Update

Things are changing so quickly and so many questions are arising that I decided to send a mid-week update this week. I'm including Department Presidents and Department Secretaries on this briefing to facilitate rapid communication.

Questions are coming up regarding the possible cancelation of district and department conventions and what that means regarding elected officers. Please check your Constitution and Bylaws first for guidance. The National C&B states (highlighted for your convenience):

Section 2. The National Convention shall elect the following term- limited national officers: National President, National Vice President, National Division Vice Presidents, National Chaplain, and National Historian. Each National Division Vice President shall serve without seniority. Such officers shall serve for one (1) term or until their successors are elected; a term shall start upon adjournment of the convention at which they are elected and end at the adjournment of the following National Convention.

So, if the National Convention were to be postponed (and that is NOT being considered at this time), the current officers would remain in place until such time and election could be held. Please also look to your C&B to see if the convention can be held in an alternative format. If your C&B is silent on the topic, or even if it has a clause, check your state law for any limitations on convention format.

Update on NHQ staff: We are following the CDC, state and local advisories and policies, and the Legion's leniency on work schedules. Many staff are working from home, but the building is still open for business and we are conducting business as usual. We are asking members to refrain from visiting us in person for the next few weeks. Those who are out of the office have forwarded their phones and have access to email so I doubt many members will even realize the difference.

In these uncertain times, anxiety can rise just because we are planners and now, we can't really plan as things are changing so quickly. This is a great opportunity for us! We can do a hard reset and question everything we've always thought of as absolutes. We can get creative and adapt to a changing environment. For us at NHQ, we are taking this opportunity to test different online meeting options.

In addition to the change in our physical work environment, this pandemic has forced us to slow down. We all now have space to take a collective deep breath, reconsider our absolutes, and allow creative ideas to flow.

Please, allow those ideas to bubble up and write them down! Maybe you have ideas on how to make convention better, or a form easier to read, or a process to be more efficient. Write those ideas down and share them. This is truly the time to time "outside the box" and take the American Legion Auxiliary into the next century of service!

Thank you all for your hard work and dedication to our mission. Stay positive, stay healthy, and stay safe!

Continue following us on social media @alaforveterans for the latest ALA updates

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I know that a lot of meetings have been cancelled, but don't forget your year-end reports.

Please be safe and stay well. I hope to see you soon.

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## American Legion Auxiliary Children & Youth



*"Celebrating a Century of Service"*

### Children & Youth eBulletin Series 2019-2020 - #06



DATE: February 12, 2020  
FROM: Carole Baldwin, Eastern Division Children & Youth Chairman  
SUBJECT: KIDS ARE HEROES 2

**HERO:** The dictionary describes a hero as someone who is noble and brave, and has exceptional courage, nobility and strength. That is what we can say about our children that have parents deployed and the courage and strength they display during those times.

Our American Legion Auxiliary's Children & Youth program has a project called "Kids Are Heroes 2" or "KDH2" that recognizes these military youth.

There are more than 2 million children that are affected by deployments. There has been more than a 27% increase in deployed families with children since Vietnam.<sup>1</sup> Effects on these children can be devastating. The American Legion Auxiliary members choose to make a positive impact on those children by celebrating and honoring their service.

Some suggestions to accomplish this include:

Purchase "I'm a Hero 2" buttons and distribute them to those children whose parents are deployed. Buttons can also be made saying, "I am a proud parent or grandparent of a military child" that can display a photo of the military member. Stickers can also be made. A template for the stickers is available for download from the Children & Youth page under the Members only section at [www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org).

Certificates can also be made to let the military children know they are not forgotten. Work with Family Readiness Groups and coordinate dates and times to distribute buttons, stickers and/or certificates. Plan a dinner to acknowledge and show appreciation for the kids and family. During the dinner, showcase the Military Child's Table Ceremony.

There are other organizations you can partner with that are concerned with the welfare of children whose parents are deployed. If your Unit or Department is in close vicinity to a military installation, contact Morale, Welfare and Recreation

(MWR) for a listing of activities where you can have a concession or table at the event.

Don't forget that April is designated as the Month of the Military Child. Purple is the designated color as the colors of the military branches mixed make purple! Encourage members to wear purple in support of the kids of the deployed.

Recognizing, supporting and honoring children and youth, particularly our military children, is part of the ALA Mission.

Details on the ALA Children & Youth program, to include the Program Action Plan and its Supplement, as well as the KHD2 can be found in the Members Only portion of the National website at: <https://www.alaforveterans.org/Programs/Children-and-Youth/>, on the ALA Children & Youth Program Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALACHildrenandYouth/> or you can contact National Headquarters at (317) 569-4500 or [children&youth@ALAforVeterans.org](mailto:children&youth@ALAforVeterans.org).

1. Morin, Amy. (2018). *Effects of Military Deployment on Children*. Retrieved from <https://www.verywellfamily.com/the-effects-of-military-deployment-on-children-4150518>.

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## PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY

Hello,

I hope this finds all well during these trying times as Americans fighting the invisible enemy. Please practice safety for yourself and others.

The following forms need to be turned into me by May 1, 2020 along with your Year End Report.

Be safe and hope to everyone in June.

Past President Parley Chairman

Patty Martinez  
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**Please attach the following documents to this application. Omission of any will disqualify the applicant.**

1. Two letters of recommendation.
2. A certified transcript or photocopy of the applicant's high school or college grades.
3. A copy of ACT or SAT test scores.
4. Please be sure to attach all these required materials and submit to the American Legion Auxiliary unit in the community in which you reside no later than April 20. The unit shall forward all applications to the Past Presidents Parley Chairman no later than May 1.

Past Presidents Parley Chairman [REDACTED],  
Department of Kentucky:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



**American Legion Auxiliary Nursing Scholarship Application  
Department of Kentucky**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents or guardians: \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Parents'/Guardians' Occupations: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependent children under 18 \_\_\_\_\_ over 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Name of college or university you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*Printed full name*

*Signature*



**Please answer the following questions. If needed, you may attach additional pages.**

1. Why would receiving this scholarship be important to you?

2. What caused you to choose nursing as a vocation?



*Past Presidents Parley Committee*

## **SALUTE TO SERVICEWOMEN AWARD NOMINATION FORM**

Established in 2003, this award has evolved from honoring women veterans to honoring women who are currently serving our country in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard – including the National Guard and Reserve components of each branch.

One servicewoman from each branch of service will be recognized at the American Legion Auxiliary National Convention. Recipients attend the National Convention as guests of the Auxiliary.

### **Nomination Criteria:**

- A woman currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces (includes National Guard/Reserve).
- A written narrative or YouTube video that demonstrates exemplary service both in and out of uniform, making her the face of women in the military.
- Servicewoman must be willing to be a guest of the Auxiliary and speak to the general assembly of the American Legion Auxiliary National Convention.
- All nomination forms must be submitted by June 1, 2020.

### **Next Steps:**

- The nominating person or the servicewoman writes a narrative (750 words or less) or creates a YouTube video (3 minutes or less) that shows the nominated servicewoman demonstrating exemplary service both in and out of uniform, making her the face of women in the military.
- The following form must be completed and submitted by June 1, 2020, to National Chairman Mary Davis. Written narratives should be attached. YouTube video links should be pasted in the box provided on the following form.

### **YouTube Video Checklist**

If you choose to submit a video, please be sure to check that your video:

- does not contain any copyrighted music, video, images or text (not legally owned)
- is not set to "private;" your video must be public.
- is under 2GB in size
- is in .AVI, .MOV, .WMV, or .MPG file formats
- is 3 minutes or less in length

Servicewoman's Name:	
Servicewoman's Email:	
Servicewoman's Phone Number:	
Servicewoman's Branch of Service:	
Servicewoman's Rank:	
Servicewoman's Date of Enlistment:	
Servicewoman's Awards and Decorations, <i>if any</i> :	
Name of Person Making this Nomination, <i>if not the nominee</i> :	
Email of Person Making this Nomination, <i>if not the nominee</i> :	
Phone Number of Person Making this Nomination, <i>if not the nominee</i> :	
Is the servicewoman able to attend National Convention?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the servicewoman comfortable with public speaking?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Written Narrative: 1) please attach separate document to this form. 2) or type narrative directly into the box to the right.	
YouTube Video: copy and paste your video link in the box to the right.	

Return completed nomination form to Past Presidents Parley National Vice Chairman Kathy Dungan or email to [kdungan@hughes.net](mailto:kdungan@hughes.net).



### Year-End Reports

Annual reports reflect the program work of units in the department and may result in a national award for participants if award requirements are met. Each department PPP chairman is encouraged to submit a narrative report by **May 15, 2020** to the National PPP Chairman. Members and units should follow their department's protocol and deadlines for report submissions at the department level.

### *Special 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary History Program Facts:*

Until 1943, the Past President's Parley was considered a subsidiary organization of the American Legion Auxiliary. It then became a standing committee.



*Past Presidents Parley Committee Award Entry Form*

**UNIT MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

***A Unit Member of the Year from each department will be recognized annually at the American Legion Auxiliary National Convention.***

*Requirements:*

- 1. Open to senior members who are not in an elected or appointed leadership role higher than unit president.***
- 2. Each department may submit only one entry. Units must submit a narrative of 1,000 words or less describing the nominee's accomplishments and activities together with the nominee's name and address.***

<b><i>Nominating Department:</i></b>	
<b><i>Dept PPP Chairman Information</i></b>	
<i>Name:</i>	
<i>Address:</i>	
<i>Email:</i>	
<i>Telephone Number:</i>	
<b><i>Nominee Information</i></b>	
<i>Name:</i>	
<i>Address:</i>	
<i>Email:</i>	
<i>Phone:</i>	
<b><i>Nominee's Unit Name and Number:</i></b>	

<b><i>Form must be completed and submitted to National Chairman Carlene Ashworth by June 1, 2020.</i></b>	<b><i>National Committee Chairman Carlene Ashworth 2619 Norman Street Pasadena, TX 77506 carlene@flash.net</i></b>
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