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American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Illinois President
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### BUILDING A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR OUR VETERANS

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# Scenes from Department Convention 2024



(Clockwise, starting from top left) 1) National President Lisa Williamson riding a motorcycle with the Riders at Freedom Fest.

- 2) President Angie Golightly and American Legion Sr Vice Commander Joe Lampert on a motorcycle during Freedom Fest.
- 3) National President Lisa Williamson with Department Officers.
- 4) President Angie Golightly with her husband.







# Arlene Holtgrave

WOW! It's hard to believe that a month has gone by since installation. What a day that was! Thank you everyone that attended. I hope everyone enjoyed the reception.

The Summer Workshop and Fall Board meeting are now in the History books. It's a lot of work planning the Auxiliary events, and I appreciate all the help. I could not do it alone. THANK YOU everyone for all your help and attendance.

A special thank you to everyone who attended my Homecoming breakfast. I hope you enjoyed the food and camaraderie.

It has been and still is a busy month! I've attended installations, zoom meetings, finance meeting, Illinois State Fair with the Legion Family, and rode in the Veteran's Parade. August isn't finished yet and we still have the Special Olympics and National Convention to name a few.

September starts the Fall Forums, Commander Joe's Homecoming, and the National President's homecoming in Wichita, Kansas. There are open dates on my calendar, and I would be honored to receive an invitation to an event in your area! You can call, text, and/or email me. I will answer as soon as possible.

My special project this year is the Auxiliary Emergency Fund (AEF). It's an important program and one that is important to me. Let's help everyone in the Auxiliary Family as we "Build a Brighter Future for Our Veterans".

Till next time!

STAY SAFE, BE HEALTHY and GOD BLESS AMERICA!

Please take a moment and donate to my special project - The Auxiliary Emergency Fund!



Jampert Lampert

It is an honor and privilege to serve as your
Department Commander. I am looking forward to working with
President Arlene and Detachment Commander Rick this year.

It has been a busy month since Department
Convention. I have attended the 1st Division Auxiliary
Installation, the National Membership Workshop in
Indianapolis, the 10th Annual Illinois State Golf tournament in
Danville, the American Legion Baseball Midwest Region
Tournament dinner in Carol Stream, President Arlene's Fall
Board Meeting and Homecoming in Effingham and the Illinois
State Fair in Springfield.

My motto for the year is a take on the Seabees; We Build (Membership), We Fight (for Veterans). I believe that all of us working together as a Legion Family will make us successful!

My special projects for the year are the Veterans and Children Foundation and the Illinois Disaster Relief Fund (IDRF).

My homecoming is September 14th in Des Plaines. I am hoping you can attend.

As I finish writing this, I am packing the Indian to participate in the National Legacy Run from Independence, MO to New Orleans, LA. I will then be attending National Convention



Greetings from Detachment of Illinois,

Getting ready to head to National in New Orleans it has been a busy time hope everyone is well.

I am excited to start this year. The Legion Team is ready to go with help from Commander Joe Lampert and President Arlene. The golf outing was a big hit this year and I enjoyed the time together. I attended Arlene's homecoming. It was a great time together and I also was able to make the veterans parade at the State Fair. We will see you somewhere down the road.

As we start this membership year, I am looking forward to working with my Senior Vice Wayne Madson. As we enter this membership year of 2024-2025, I am looking to make this an outstanding year with Training, filling out SDR, CSR and getting Certification in on time. I also would like to see membership at 105% by close of business. This is just a few things I would like to see, enough of this for now.

My service project is Operation Comfort Warriors (OCW). The American Legion's Operation Comfort Warrior program was created to provide "non-essential" items that help wounded warriors in their recovery but doesn't usually show up as budget line on government spreadsheets.

My theme is "Be the One that Makes the Difference". Step out and do something you haven't done like go to a District Meeting, a Division Meeting or find new members. Let's go to a DEC Meeting and check on a veteran, we can do this.

We have all chosen the SAL for one reason or another. They are our veterans and we are all volunteers. We can make this organization strong through our actions. Mine are "Planting the seeds of progress for a stronger family". If there is anything the SAL leadership can help with, let us know. We are all part of the American Legion Family. Till we meet again be safe in your travels.

Welcome to the 2024-2025 membership year! At the convention, I announced the theme for this coming year: "Leading the Way by Building a Brighter Future." Our members are going to be known as Journeymen/Bricklayers for the coming year while our juniors are the apprentices. I, as the Superintendent, will be working with our Sub-contractors (Division Presidents & Vices) and our Job Foremen (District Presidents & Vices) to help our General Contractor – Department President Arlene Holtgrave - get our Construction Site (Department Headquarters) to a 100% Membership brick by brick (member by member).

I have announced October 19th as our first target date to meet 49% of our membership goal. December 7th is our second target date with a 75% goal. March 21st is the third target date with an 88% goal. July 11th is the goal for 100%, but let's not wait that long to get that goal. We again are doing goal as 2 members over the July 31, 2024 closing.

We will be having 8 forums this fall to learn more about auxiliary programs and membership. We are hoping that no one will have more than about a 2-hour drive to attend a forum in your area, but you are welcome to attend any forum that works into your schedule. Please consult the calendar for locations and dates.

I have attended the Illinois State Fair with President Arlene on Sunday August 12, 2024 for the Veterans Day functions there, along with the Legion and SAL officers. We visited with many people and encouraged them to stay connected to the Legion Family.

Please keep recruiting all year and let us focus on keeping this great organization active to help our Veterans, military, and their families.

# **Chaplain Beverly Sheley**

Theme: "Building a Firm Foundation Through Prayer"

Everyone needs prayer and needs to pray. We need to pray for our veterans, military and their families, our country and each other.

All chaplains are encouraged to make a book of prayers that include prayers, devotional thoughts and poems. Book of prayers need to be forwarded to the department chaplain to be judged and displayed at department convention.

Please send me prayers, devotional thoughts and poems for President Arlene's book of prayers. Chaplains, please keep me informed of your activities throughout the year so I may inform our national chaplain as to the wonderful work Illinois is doing.

Please keep praying.

If you would like to receive the ALA Today, General Department Communications and/or the Membership report, via email please go to the department website: <a href="www.ilala.org">www.ilala.org</a>, scroll down and select "Subscribe". You then can choose the information you would like to receive by clicking the box next to the item. If you do not receive the ALA Today or the Membership report via email, you can always find them on the website listed above as well. Please check your SPAM box in case you do not receive emails from us.

# 2024 Poppy Poster Contest Winner

Congratulations to Evelyn Gabel from Lena Unit 577! Her poppy poster entry for The American Legion Auxiliary contest received Grand Prize in the Illinois Contest and advanced to the national contest!



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### Americanism Chairman Deb Lewis

This year our theme will be: 'Patriotism, the foundation for building a brighter America". Building a brighter America involves all of us working together to educate ourselves on the Americanism program and sharing our programs with our communities. In an election year, there are many opportunities to highlight our Americanism; try working as an election judge or volunteering to get individuals to the polls. There are many activities in the Americanism program, familiarize yourself with the programs and decide which fit best in your community. Examples include host a flag retirement ceremony, connect your local schools with the Americanism Essay contest (both the National and the Department Contest) or the Star-Spangled Kids program, help your American Legion recruit participants for the Oratorical contest, promote the Citizen's Flag Alliance, or work with your Junior members to complete the activities needed to earn their Americanism Patches.

Department Americanism Essay contest rules will be distributed with the fall packet. Please provide them to your local school as soon as you get them. Students need time to complete the essay before they are due back to the Unit on **February 7, 2025**. Please thoroughly review your entries to make sure they follow all rules, so no entries are disqualified. Consider reaching out to other youth programs in your community like Scouts, 4H, FFA and share contest rules with them so they can let their participants know about the Oratorical and Essay contests. Don't forget the National Americanism Essay contest. The rules, essay topic, and deadline are different than our Department contest, but it is another opportunity to engage students and help them win some awards. Watch the National website's Americanism page for updated info on this contest.

We must continue to build our foundation of flag etiquette. Take a few minutes from your Unit meetings to educate about flag etiquette. Units can give citations and recognition to citizens and businesses in your community properly displaying a flag. Offer to replace torn or worn flags when possible. Obtain the "Let's be Right Flag Etiquette" brochure and make them available in your Post home, community library, or local schools. Use your Unit newsletters/websites/social media to share the building blocks of Americanism knowledge- flag trivia, flag code regulations, Constitution and Bill of Rights information. The Citizen's Flag Alliance, and a flag protection amendment continue to be an issue. Share your thoughts on the topic with your political leaders. The national website has information to help you with the Citizens Flag Alliance and flag advocacy. Email your congressmen and senators regarding protecting the flag from desecration, explain the sacrifices troops have made under the flag in order for them (and us) to keep all the freedoms we enjoy.

There is a national Facebook group titled: American Legion Auxiliary Americanism Program. Join this group for a fantastic source of ideas and a great way to share your ideas. The National Auxiliary webpage Americanism tab has a link to the American Legion Action Programs of Americanism brochure which can be downloaded and highlights all the National Americanism emphasis areas. You can team with your Legion Family to work these programs in your area. Work concession stands, be a timekeeper, keep statistics, offer transportation, or any other aid- we build stronger when we build together as a Legion Family.

### **Junior Conference**

Junior Conference will be held **March 15-16**, **2025**. Watch for details to follow in the next issues.

# Education Scholarship Recipients 2024

### Ada Mucklestone Scholarship Winners

Briar Smith Sponsored Strasburg Liberty Unit #289, 4th Division, 19th District.

Anna Albert Sponsored by Stewardson Unit #611, 4th Division, 19th District

Colby Buckles Sponsored by New Baden Unit #321, 5th Division 23rd District.

Emily Bellville Sponsored by Lawrenceville Unit #28, 5th Division, 23rd District.

Miles Clapp Sponsored by Lawrence Riddle Unit #88, 4th Division, 19th District.

Colten Bridges Sponsored by Craig-Reed Unit #1181, 4th Division, 19th District.

Megan Roley Sponsored by Ramsey Unit #460, 5th Division, 23rd District.

Georgia Kampwerth Sponsored by Aviston Unit #1239, 5th Division, 23rd District.

### Illinois National Spirit of Youth Scholarship Winner

Oaklie Layton

### Mildred Knowles Scholarship Winners

Breah Morlan, sponsored by Anthony Wayne ALA Unit #176, 5th Division, 24th District

Hannah Weaver, sponsored by Champaign Unit #24, 4th Division, 19th District

Edie Elizabeth Suter, sponsored by Lawson Babbitt Unit #614, 3rd Division, 14th District

Mark Wagner, sponsored by Wyoming Unit #91, 3rd Division, 16th District.

Seth Kardys, sponsored by Joe Williams Unit #55, 4th Division, 19th District

Zayne Bonner, sponsored by Urbana Unit #71, 4th Division, 19th District

Malena Kirgan, sponsored by Porter Bell Unit #715, 4th Division, 17th District

Shannon Noelle Bleile, sponsored by Huntley Unit #673, 2nd Division, 11th District

### Illinois National Children of Warriors Scholarship Winner

Brandon Abbott

# National Installation



Congratulations Pam!

Our very own Pam Ray was installed as the 2024-2025
National Vice President in New Orleans during National
Convention!



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# Service to Veterans/Hospital Service Chairman Cinda Held

"Let's help construct better conditions for our veterans."

We are all busy people, but if you can find some time in your schedule to give to veterans, please let me or the Department know, and we can get you set up with a facility voluntary services chief.

"Thank you" to all our units who currently help support the Veterans facilities in your district. I am sending this plea to those units who have neglected or have not been able to send either monetary donations or in-kind donations to these facilities. Every little bit helps. You might try to have a bake sale, a collection at a meeting or a Post/Unit event or use your poppy money. If each of us gives a little, we might just end up with a lot. If your unit has not donated recently, please save a place in your budget for the VA facilities in your district.

Our Reps/Deps are volunteers just like regular volunteers and they are working hard to recruit more help for their facilities. If you can volunteer, give them a call or send a little monetary donation from you or your unit to Department earmarking it for a certain facility. Thanks for considering.

There will be a Rep/Dep Meeting on October 4. Watch for more details.

Below I have listed Districts along with facilities that are in your area. However, anyone may support any location. The Reps/ and Deps are listed in the Department Directory.

DISTRICT 1 THRU 9: Hines VA Medical Center and Jesse Brown VA Medical Center

DISTRICT 7, 9 & 10: James A. Lovell Federal Health Care

**DISTRICT 11:** Illinois Veterans Home Manteno

**DISTRICT 12 & 13**: Illinois Veterans Home LaSalle

**DISTRICT 14 & 15**: Illinois Veterans Home Quincy and Bob Michel Outpatient Clinic

**DISTRICT 16**: Illinois Veterans Home Quincy and LaSalle Vets Home and Bob Michel Outpatient Clinic

**DISTRICT 17**: Illiana VA Medical Center, Illinois Veterans Home Manteno, Bob Michel Outpatient Clinic, Mattoon Outpatient Clinic and Springfield Outpatient Clinic

**DISTRICT 18**: Illiana VA Medical Center, Illinois Veterans Home Manteno, Mattoon Outpatient Clinic and Springfield Outpatient Clinic

**DISTRICT 19**: Illiana VA Medical Center, Illinois Veterans Home Manteno, Decatur, Springfield, and Mattoon Outpatient Clinic

**DISTRICT 20**: Illinois Veterans Home Quincy

**DISTRICT 21**: Illiana VA Medical Center, Illinois Veterans Home Quincy, Decatur Outpatient Clinic and Springfield Outpatient Clinic

**DISTRICT 22 – 25**: Marion VA Medical Center, Illinois Veterans Home Anna, Jefferson Barracks and John Cochran

### **Reminders!**

- There are still membership packets in the office. They will be sent out when the office receives the unit's 2024-2025 officer's list.
- <u>Unit Presidents:</u> watch for the fall packet coming out in October. It will include Americanism brochure, scholarship information and applications.
- Membership Renewal Notices will be sent out **September 15** from National.
- Check the Snip sheet (pg. 9-10), there are so many great programs your unit can support. Our veterans and facilities are still in need.

### **FALL FORUM DATES:**

September 14	Section 8 Fall Forum—Meeting 10:00 AM (Unit #630, Elburn, IL)
September 21	Section 3 Fall Forum—Meeting 10:00 AM (Unit #16, Canton, IL)
September 22	Section 2 Fall Forum—Meeting 10:00 AM (Unit #296, Sterling, IL)
October 5	Section 1 Fall Forum—Meeting 10:00 AM (Unit #974, Franklin Park, IL)
October 6	Section 7 Fall Forum—Meeting 10:00 AM (Post #287, Rantoul, IL)
October 12	Section 5 Fall Forum—Meeting 10:00 AM (Unit #480, Steeleville, IL)
October 13	Section 6 Fall Forum—Meeting 10:00 AM (Unit #1126, Springerton, IL)
October 19	Section 4 Fall Forum—Meeting 10:00 AM (Unit #809, Springfield, IL)

# Commander Presidents Dinner at Convention





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### ALA - Department of Illinois 2024-2025 Master Snip Sheet Mail to: American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Illinois, P O Box 1426, Bloomington, IL 61702-1426 **Dept. President's Special Project Auxiliary Emergency Fund Americanism** Americanism Fund **Spirit of Youth Fund Auxiliary Emergency Fund** AEF Fund **Children & Youth Children's Miracle Network** Chicago/ **Christmas Gift** Program \$ Rockford Children & Youth Scholarship\$ Peoria Springfield/ Special Olympics \$ Champaign St. Louis Education **Education Scholarships Dept. Junior Conference Junior Activities Junior Group Donations IGS Program Donation** Illini Girls State **IGS** Registration **National Security National Security Fund USO Centers** \*\*\* **Great Lakes Center Midway** O'Hare **Marseilles Training** Center St. Louis **Past Presidents Parley Nurses Scholarship** Parley Dues - \$1 per Past President (include Parley Dues Form) \$ Total <u>\$\_\_\_\_\_</u> Date \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Name\_\_\_\_ Unit # \_\_\_\_ Submitted by

### ALA - Department of Illinois 2024-2025 Master Snip Sheet

Mail to: American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Illinois, P O Box 1426, Bloomington, IL 61702-1426

Veterans Affairs & Rehab		\$
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Treasure Chest/Hospitality \$	Christmas Gif	t Shop <u>\$</u>
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	Vet & Children Relief Fund/Illinois Disaster Fund	\$ <b>\$</b>
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National Organization A	American Legion Auxiliary Foundation	<u>φ</u>
	National President's Special Project	<u>\$</u>
	National Creative Arts Program ***	\$
Memorial Donation to (program)_		\$
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*** Poppy funds may b	be used for these programs ***	
Date Unit Name	Unit # _	
Submitted by	Phone email	



American Legion Auxiliary Department of Illinois PO Box 1426 Bloomington, IL 61702-1426 Telephone: (309)663-9366

### **2025 DUES REMITTANCE**

Date:		
Unit Name	Unit #	Dist #
Person preparing membership remittance:		
Name:		
Daytime Phone:		
Email:		
Number of Seniors:		
Total Due \$		
Credit/Debit Used\$		
Amount of Check Enclosed \$	Check #_	

#### Reminders:

List all members in alphabetical order
If a member is new please write "New" in member number space
All new junior members must have a birthdate
Member ID# is required for everyone, but new members
Any member transferring must have a completed transfer included with transmittal
If paying previous years dues, please fill out prior year transmittal

Unit Name: Unit

- 1) List ALL members you are paying for **ALPHABETICALLY** on this sheet.
- 2) List only the members you are paying for-DO NOT List PUFL's, Deceased or Paid up Transfers
- 3) List ALL ID#s (except new members-leave ID# blank)
- 4) Junior members that turn 18 on December 31, 2024 or before, must pay Senior dues for 2025 membership.

	Member ID#	Name as it appears on the National Roster (If there has been a recent name change please include both names.)	2025 Renewal		2025 New		Former/ rejoin	
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## American Legion Sweepstakes Drawing July 13, 2024

	AMOUNT WON	WINNER	City / State	ID#	Group
1st Place	\$ 10,000.00	PHILIP BASAK	AURORA, IL	353175089	LEGION
2nd Place	\$ 3,000.00	MATTHEW A. HORNE	HIGHLAND PARK, IL	101179427	LEGION
3rd Place	\$ 2,000.00	JOHN R. VANHATTEM	MOKENA, IL	204424439	LEGION
4th Place	\$ 1,000.00	MARY MCKINNON	EDWARDSVILLE, IL	302869853	AUXILIARY
5th Place	\$ 500.00	WALTER T. BROWN	LYNWOOD, IL	205329096	LEGION
6th Place	\$ 300.00	WILLIAM STOKES	SAINT JOHN, IN	101182826	LEGION
7th Place	\$ 200.00	DAVID L MEISTER	MOUNT PULASKI, IL	100024341	SAL
8th Place	\$ 100.00	JACK M. LAMONT	CARMI, IL	101311586	LEGION
9th Place	\$ 100.00	EMERY S. VELLING	EAST PEORIA, IL	353428552	LEGION
10th Place	\$ 100.00	WILLIAM ROGERS	STEWARDSON, IL	353493529	LEGION
11th Place	\$ 100.00	THOMAS CUNNINGHAM	YORKVILLE, IL	203842975	LEGION
12th Place	\$ 100.00	DANIEL L. MAYCUNICH	CHICAGO, IL	204987617	LEGION
13th Place	\$ 100.00	JOSEPH A HOFMANN	EAST MOLINE, IL	101238952	LEGION
14th Place	\$ 100.00	HEIN D AIKERS	ROCK FALLS, IL	353522490	LEGION
15th Place	\$ 100.00	RICHARD M MCTUCKER	BARRY, IL	101289518	LEGION

Total	\$ 17,800.00



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September 22 Fall Forum—Sterling, IL

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October 19 Fall Forum—Springfield, IL

November 15-17 Egyptian Past Commanders Club Jamboree - Carbondale, IL

January 9-19 American Legion Family Membership Caravan

January 24 Lincoln Pilgrimage Award Deadline

February 11-12 Abraham Lincoln Pilgrimage - Springfield, IL