

DISTRICT 12 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY FEBRUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

Greetings Everyone.

District 12 Convention:

District 12 Convention is scheduled March 9 in Talmage, Nebraska. You recently received the Call To Convention. Please, EVERYONE, make an effort to have at least one representative from your Unit attend the Convention. I was quite embarrassed at Fall Round Up when Department Vice President Elizabeth Paes expressed concern and disappointment that so few of our Units were represented!!

Following is a reminder for items that need attention to get us all ready for District 12 Convention. I'm simply listing them you will find details in your January District 12 Newsletter.

District 12 President: by February 1, 2019

-email minutes of the 2018 District 12 Convention to Unit Presidents

County Presidents: Due immediately after your County Meeting

-Names of Deceased Unit members this past year to Nancy Vallis

-Names and contact information of County Officers for the coming year to Judy Schwab

-A copy of the Year's report from each Unit President in your county to Judy Schwab

Unit Presidents: Due on or before February 20, 2019

-Per Capita Tax to JoAnn Sieck

-History Book to Wilma Halvorsen

-Prayer Book to Nancy Vallis

-Publicity Book to Kari Kolts

Everyone: Due on or before February 28, 2019

-Pre Paid Registration for Convention to JoAnn Sieck

Bring with you on March 9 –

-Memorabilia to mark American Legion's One Hundredth Anniversary

-Your auction item(s) see Jan. Newsletter for photo details

-Poppy Centerpiece

-Door Prize(s)

WOW – That looks like a lot; but we can do it. See you March 9th if not before.

Nancy Vallis - District 12 Chaplain:

As we approach the month of February, it doesn't seem possible that we can be in the second month of 2019 already. As many say, "time flies when you're having fun!"

We've all ended another year filled with glad times and sad times, and there are many memories to behold. With the new year we can look to the future

with love and strength and the power of God in our lives. May your journey this year bring you hope and the possibilities that we can make a difference in our lives and those of others. Let's all try to make it a good year for one and all.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Barbara Skillman – District 12 Poppy Chairman

Happy New Year!

Well, is everybody ready for District Convention how about everyone wear a Poppy to remember a veteran to District Convention? As we are celebrating the 100th Birthday of The American Legion, let's use the Poppy everywhere in our Legion homes or wherever we have our meetings.

Now with that let us Celebrate the Auxiliary Birthday November 10, 2019.

New rule on the Poppy poster competition - **neither** the Holy Cross **or** the Star of David is required on the poster. But may be used on the poster.

Remember the dead line, April 20; send winning poppy posters to Department Poppy Chairman Adeline Hanel 706 E Sherman St. West Point NE, 68788. Posters must be judged at your Unit to determine winners per age division. Then send those winners to Chairman Adeline.

Poppy centerpieces are due at District Convention first thing in the morning. Please check rules for competition. The theme this year is "Veterans-Our Soul & Hearts Inspiration" the symbols are "the Bible, Old Glory, and Extended Hand" (the flag cannot be used in centerpiece) due by 9 AM at District Convention held at Talmage March 9.

Linda Anderson – Education Chairman

March 2nd is Read Across America Day, also known as Dr. Seuss's birthday. It is a day to celebrate reading. Even though it is not one of the identified activities in the American Legion Auxiliary Program Action Plan, it is an activity that is an important part of education— getting children excited about reading! Contact the school or city library to see if you can be part of the activities for that special day. Some schools do activities for an entire week. Giving enough bookmarks for all the elementary children (google Dr. Seuss bookmarks and find a variety of places to purchase these), adding a book to the library, volunteering to read to students in the library or classroom, and dressing up like the Cat in the Hat to visit the school library are all ideas of ways to help celebrate that day. Be creative! Brain storm at your next meeting and see what you can do for this education event.

See you at your County ALA Meeting and or at District 12 Convention!

Judy Schwab
District 12 President

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

VETERANS LEGISLATIVE DAY

FRIDAY

FEBRUARY 8, 2019

Located in the

Warner Memorial Chamber

Registration 7:30 – 8:00 a.m.

Official Opening at 8:00 a.m.

THE VETERANS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
DISCUSS

WITH GOVERNOR RICKETTS AND SEVERAL
STATE SENATORS IN ATTENDANCE TO DISCUSS
PROPOSED LEGISLATION

All Veterans and family members are encouraged to
participate.

**We encourage American Legion Auxiliary members to
attend, learn, and support our Veterans.**

“Together We Can” Support our Veterans

Kay Ebeler, Department Legislative Chr.

*Plans for lunch will be made at Ticos
within walking distance of the Capital.*

*Please RSVP by **Friday, February 1st.***

To Kay Ebeler 402-876-5400 or ebe726@windstream.net

