

## **ROLLING FORWARD ~ UNITED IN SERVICE**

### **January 2012 Newsletter**

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#### **The District 11 ALA Call to Convention**

**Sunday, February 19, 2012**

**at the**

**Legion Park Louis Milan Legion Post #101 in Wilber  
Registration with coffee and kolache will be at 8 to 9 am  
Meeting and Memorial Service - 9 am  
Cost of Registration - \$12**

**ATTENTION UNIT PRESIDENTS ~ It has been brought to my attention that correspondence from Department, District and County is not always being read at Unit meetings. This letter and all communication is expected to be read in its entirety at your Unit meeting. Informed members are more likely to be active committed members. Please remember to share information.**

#### **Names of deceased members needed by February 13th**

Geneva Post #68 will conduct the Memorial Service for the deceased Legion and Auxiliary members. Please send the names of your deceased members from the past year to: Geneva American Legion Post #68 - 344 South 9th St. - Geneva, NE 68361 or email to: williamsvso@fillmore.nacone.org by February 13th.

#### **District Contest Information**

Poppy Centerpiece Contest - Please enter your centerpiece for judging by 8:15 am on February 19, the day of District Convention. The rules of the contest can be found in the ABC book on page 128. If you have questions, direct them to District 11 Poppy Chairman, Shirley Petersen - 1715 N. 18th St. - Beatrice, NE 68310 - Phone 402-228-1962.

Prayer Book Contest - History books should be sent to District 11 Chaplain, Alice Vieselmeyer - 409 S. Pine St. - Friend, NE 68359 - Phone 402-947-9001. Follow the rules in the ABC book on pages 39 - 41. Direct your questions to Alice.

Public Relations Book Contest - Public Relations books should be sent to District 11 Public Relations Chairman, Doris Galbraith - 450 E. Ridge Rd. - Crete, NE 68333 - Phone 402-826-2665. Follow the rules on pages 131 - 135 in the ABC book. Direct your questions to Doris.

History Book Contest - Prayer books should be sent to District 11 Historian, Debra Albers, 1759 Rd 5200 - Davenport, NE 68335 - Phone 402-365-4132. Follow the rules on pages 34 to 36 in the ABC book. Direct your questions to Debra.

Poppy Hat Contest- Units should have received information from their County President as a contest to choose the hat that will represent your County at District will be held at your County meeting. Please consider taking part and making this a fun event!

## **Membership**

Congratulations to Exeter, Ohioa and Plymouth ALA Units who have reached 100% in membership. As of January 6, District 11 was at 81.518% and in 8th place in the state. All units should be at 70% by January 27, the second milestone date, at 85% by March 30 and at 100% by June 15. Reach out to family and friends who qualify to be members and sign them up! **REMEMBER ~ MEMBERSHIP IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.** As soon as your unit receives membership dues, please send them to the Department promptly. Remember to hold a F.U.N.N. membership event. Make an effort to seek new members. United in Service we can increase membership.

## **District 11 Presidents Project**

A special thanks to all units who have generously given to my project to purchase a park bench for the Grand Island Veteran's Home. We have not yet reached our \$500 goal. If your unit has not yet donated, please send your donation to Connie Deke - 2190 County Rd 1900 - DeWitt, NE 68341.

## **Girls State**

Applications and information should be coming soon...but you do not need to wait for the information to arrive to contact your school for the names of girls who are juniors in high school. Information about the Girls State program can be found on pages 77 - 82 in the ABC book and should be shared with your Unit Chairman.

## **County Meeting Dates**

Fillmore County - Shickley - Jan. 22, meeting at 3 pm with light supper to follow

Saline County - Wilber (downtown Legion Bldg.) - Jan. 26, registration and meal 6:30 pm, meeting 7:30 pm

York County - Gresham - Jan. 29, meeting 2 pm with light lunch to follow

Thayer County - Deshler - Feb. 1, registration and meal at 6:30 pm, meeting at 7:30 pm

Jefferson County - Daykin Community Bldg. - Feb. 11, meeting at 2 pm with light lunch to follow

Please encourage the members of your unit to attend the District 11 Convention in Wilber. My goal is to have 100% representation of each unit in District 11. Who will represent your unit? Carpool and take a fun road trip together to the Czech Capital of NE. Wilber will be treating you to a traditional meal of potato dumplings, pork & sauerkraut and trimmings for dinner. You don't want to miss a day of good food, mingling with friends or making new and discovering project ideas for your unit.

Thank-you for being a member of the American Legion Auxiliary. More importantly, thank-you for the time you volunteer for our veterans. It is appreciated. See you the 19th!

~ Sharon

