

100th Anniversary

Happy Anniversary to all American Legion Auxiliary members – November 10, 2019 is our official anniversary. Whether your Unit was chartered many years ago or is a newly chartered Unit, we hope that you are joining in on the national celebration. National President Nicole Clapp wants this to be a terrific year of celebrating all of the American Legion Auxiliary milestones and have fun doing so. This year especially, we should be out in our communities to let people know Who We Are, What We Do, and Why We Matter.

Thank you to the many Units who are celebrating in style, whether it be anniversary picnics, dinners at your Post or event center, special parade entries, articles in the media, city proclamations for naming November 10th as American Legion Auxiliary 100th Anniversary Celebration Day, or anything else you are doing to celebrate this special occasion. Hopefully, your efforts will not only work to educate our communities, but also encourage non-members who are eligible to join us as ALA sisters – and now brothers! The inclusion of male spouses in the ALA should be celebrated as an important centennial milestone for our organization.

Watch for your copy of *Auxiliary* magazine to arrive in the mail. The National Headquarters staff has put together a special edition of our magazine to commemorate the first 100 years of the American Legion Auxiliary. It is sure to be a collector's item from what the National 100th Anniversary Committee has been told.

Even though November 10th is the official anniversary, the ALA will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary through the 2020 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky this next August, so please continue to find ways at the Unit and District level to celebrate this milestone. When you post announcements of your events and/or coverage of these celebratory events and activities, don't forget to include **#ALA100Celebration** in your post. By doing so, both the National President and the National staff will be sent your post to their accounts. You just may end up in the national news! Any posts of activities this year not related directly to the celebration of the 100th Anniversary should include **#ALA100**. These posts will also alert national as to what you are doing.

Please remember to send me pictures, write-ups, news clippings, etc. so that we can put together a special 100th Anniversary scrapbook for the Department of Michigan.

As always, Thank You for all that you do for the ALA, and especially all that you do for our Veterans.

Marcy Jorae

100th Anniversary Celebration Committee Chairman

Battle Creek VA Medical Center

2019-2020 Events

On-Going Events

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| 1) Afternoon Parties | 4 th Wednesday of the month – 1:00-3:00 |
| 2) Evening Bingo | 4 th Wednesday of the month – 6:00-7:30 |

Special Events

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| 1) Carnival | September 18, 2019 |
| 2) Christmas Gift Shop | December 11 & 12, 2019 – 8:00-4:30/5:00 |
| 3) New Year's Eve Party | December 31, 2019 – 5:00-8:00 |
| 4) Golf Outing | May 26, 2020 – 11:30-1:00 |
| 5) Father's Day Program | May 26, 2020 – 1:00-2:00/2:30 |

Chris Reed, Representative
Barb Parks, 1st Deputy
Carol Parks, 2nd Deputy

Calendar of Events – Battle Creek VAMC – 2019/2020

Month	Date	Event
September 2019	18	Patient Carnival
	25	Afternoon Party & Bingo
October 2019	23	Afternoon Party & Bingo
November 2019	27	Afternoon Party & Bingo
December 2019	11&12	Christmas Gift Shop
	18	Afternoon Party & Bingo
	31	New Year's Eve Party
January 2020	22	Afternoon Party & Bingo
February 2020	26	Afternoon Party & Bingo
March 2020	25	Afternoon Party & Bingo
April 2020	22	Afternoon Party & Bingo
May 2020	26	Golf Outing & Father's Day Program
	27	Afternoon Party & Bingo
June 2020	24	Afternoon Party & Bingo
July 2020	22	Afternoon Party & Bingo
August 2020	26	Afternoon Party & Bingo

V.A. Afternoon Parties

- Meet John Upchurch around 1:00 at the back entrance to Building 84 (there is a small parking lot there for volunteers). If the small parking lot is full, you can unload by the entrance door and then park across the street at the Silver Star Apartment parking lot.
- Refreshments for Buildings 83 & 84 (CLC)
 - Mini muffins & cupcakes – 3-4 dozen
 - Large container of unsweetened ice tea
 - Large container of sugar-free drink (punch, Crystal Light, etc.)
 - Sugar-free pudding (vanilla & chocolate) – 1 doz.
 - Small applesauce (any flavor) – 1 doz.
- Refreshments for Building 39 (In-Patient Mental Health)
 - The same drinks from above should be enough for both locations
 - Assorted Chips
 - Cheese & Crackers (various)
 - Small bags of cookies (Oreos, Chips Ahoy, etc.)
- Bring small plastic cups, napkins, gloves and plastic spoons
- There is a new three-part Donations/Activities/Sign In sheet that John will provide. Please fill it out and include your Unit/s Number and the value of the items you are providing. You will keep the pink copy for your records.

John's Cell: 269-832-8433

Chris Reed's Cell: 269-420-1488

Home: 269-721-3299

V.A. Bingo

Items to Purchase – Plan for 60-70 patients

- Refreshments
 - Assorted Pop - they love Mountain Dew!
 - Assorted small bags of chips (Sam's has good selection)
 - Fruit Snacks (Sam's Club)
 - Cookies (both regular and sugar free)
 - Small can of regular coffee (give this to one of the helpers or Taylor)
- Prizes
 - Shirts (can find nice ones at Goodwill) – various sizes (always good to have some 3X & 4X if you can find them)
 - House slippers (Family Dollar or Dollar General)
 - Sentry AM/FM Pocket radios (Family Dollar) – each takes 2 AAA batteries
 - Socks
 - Sweatshirts/Sweatpants
 - Throws (rolled – also Family Dollar or Dollar General)
 - Ladies clothes
 - Ladies slippers
 - Any other items for ladies (lotion sets, pajama bottoms, socks, etc.)
 - Canteen Books (I provide those - \$150)
- Arrive around 5:15-5:30 to set up. They start playing Bingo at 6:00. Food goes on table in back and prizes go up front on tables by stage.
- V.A. will have helpers (3-4). They will set up tables, make coffee and will call Bingo. Give them each \$5 in Canteen books.
- Play 3 games of Bingo and then call ticket numbers for 1/3 of the prizes. Winners get \$1 Canteen Book (turn card over once they Bingo). Do this 3 times and then finish with Coverall for \$25 (be sure to set aside \$25 in Canteen books for the coverall – if you find you start running low, you can just stop the regular Bingo early).

- There is a new three-part Donations/Activities/Sign In sheet that Taylor will provide. Please fill it out and include your Unit/s Number and the value of the items you are providing. You will keep the pink copy for your records.

Taylor's Cell: 404-936-2117

Chris Reed's Cell: 269-420-1488 Home: 269-721-3299

Thank you for serving our Veterans!!!!

CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOP - PACKING LIST

DATE _____ UNIT NAME _____

CITY _____ UNIT NUMBER _____ DISTRICT NUMBER _____

NAME OF UNIT VA&R CHAIRMAN _____

UNIT CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS _____

NUMBER OF GIFTS _____ TOTAL VALUE OF GIFTS \$ _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1) Please list the full **retail** cost of the gifts.
- 2) Multiply the quantity times the unit retail value to get Total Retail Value.
- 3) Fill in the number of items you are shipping and enclose the **ONE COPY IN CARTON.**
- 4) Send **ONE COPY to your DISTRICT** Rehabilitation Chairman.
- 5) Keep the **one** copy for your Unit files.

NOTE: One self-addressed stamped envelope or postcard **must** be included to receive acknowledgment.

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES ARE ENCLOSED:

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American Legion Auxiliary

**Department of Michigan
212 N. Verlinden Avenue, Suite B
Lansing, MI 48915
(517) 267-8809**

September 5, 2019

TO: District Rehabilitation and Unit Chairmen

RE: GIFT SHOP – ANN ARBOR V.A. MEDICAL CENTER

DISTRICT CHAIRMEN: It is your responsibility to sign up the required number of workers for your assigned days. Please review needs with Krystal before final actions.

2019 GIFT SHOP WORKERS' SCHEDULE

Monday November 25th – Wednesday November 27th. (Please note: Wednesday is a half-day only.)

Workers needed Monday-Tuesday: (for Wednesday, need 2-3 workers total, am only)

2nd District	8-10
17th District	2-4
18th District	6-8

NOTE: The V.A. Hospital Representative will advise the District Rehabilitation Chairmen of any changes in the number of workers required from each District for the respective days.

Krystal Hall, Ann Arbor Representative
5111 Ginger Drive
Pinckney, MI 48169
734-323-5850
kahall@umich.edu



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Department of Michigan-212 N. Verlinden Avenue-Lansing, MI 48915
(517) 267-8809

ANN ARBOR V.A. MEDICAL CENTER - GIFT SHOP

TO: Unit VA & R Chairmen

DATE: September 5, 2019

IMPORTANT -- PLEASE READ ENTIRE BULLETIN

DATES: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, November 25 – November 27, 2019

WORKERS: From the 2nd, 17th and 18th Districts.

Contact your District Rehabilitation Chairman early for assignment day. Workers must be at the hospital at 9:00 a.m. on the date promised. DO wear comfortable shoes; bring a pair of scissors and a pen.

Any scheduled worker who cannot attend should send a substitute.

GIFTS to be supplied by the 2nd, 17th and 18th Districts. Must be delivered to the hospital no later than Wednesday, **November 20, 2019**. NO WEEKEND DELIVERIES. If delivering personally, PLEASE SEAL BOX as if for mailing.

ADDRESS BOXES TO: Krystal Hall, Representative 506 V-24
American Legion Auxiliary Gift Shop
Ann Arbor VA Hospital
2215 Fuller Rd.
Voluntary Services Room BB24
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

Purchase of these gifts is the UNIT'S responsibility. Each Unit is to supply the following gifts valued at \$7 to \$10 each. You may spend more for each gift if you wish. PLEASE FOLLOW THIS SUGGESTED SHOPPING LIST:

Units of Gifts Type:

For All Units: toys are needed, suggested levels: Infant-3 yrs-2/unit; 4-8 yrs-3/unit; 8-12 yrs-3/unit; teens-6/unit

10-25	10	5	Women & Teen Girls; 5 Men & Teen Boys
26-50	12	7	Women & Teen Girls; 5 Men & Teen Boys
51-75	14	7	Women & Teen Girls; 7 Men & Teen Boys
76-100	16	8	Women & Teen Girls; 8 Men & Teen Boys
101-125	18	9	Women & Teen Girls; 9 Men & Teen Boys
126-150	20	10	Women & Teen Girls; 10 Men & Teen Boys
151-175	22	11	Women & Teen Girls; 11 Men & Teen Boys
176-225	24	12	Women & Teen Girls; 12 Men & Teen Boys
226-275	28	14	Women & Teen Girls; 14 Men & Teen Boys
276-325	32	16	Women & Teen Girls; 16 Men & Teen Boys
326-375	36	18	Women & Teen Girls; 18 Men & Teen Boys
376-425	38	19	Women & Teen Girls; 19 Men & Teen Boys
426-475	42	21	Women & Teen Girls; 21 Men & Teen Boys
476-550	46	23	Women & Teen Girls; 23 Men & Teen Boys

Please select a variety of items. The gifts should be lightweight and small—as we do mail the gifts, the US postage charges will be less expensive.

LADIES: Stoles/wraps, **sweaters**, gloves, **robes/gowns** (S-4X), **jewelry**, billfolds, **watches**, cameras, **sweatshirts/long-sleeve shirts** (S-4X).
MEN: Toiletries (in plastic containers), stretch gloves, **shirts (M-4X)**, **pen and pencil sets**, **billfolds** (leather), socks, slippers, insulated underwear (large sizes), sweatshirts, **watches**, hand-held computer games.
CHILDREN: Small stuffed toys, small dressed dolls, purses/wallets/small backpacks, small games, stretch gloves, jewelry, cars (small), trucks, hand held electronic games
– PLEASE NO CLOTHES

DO'S

1. DO choose as many UNSIZED gifts as possible.
2. DO be on TIME, both in sending gifts and reporting to work.
3. DO send Boxes or **bags (preferred)** (all sizes: mini to extra large).
4. DO be sure you list valuation of gifts donated (Retail, not sale price).
5. DO send a post card to quickly receive a thank you note.
6. DO send tissue paper; children wrapping paper; post office wrapping tape and regular tape.

DON'TS

1. DO NOT SEND GLASSWARE OR BREAKABLES, SUCH AS COLOGNES, PERFUMES AND AFTERSHAVE LOTIONS.
2. DO NOT SEND RAZORS, SCISSORS OR ANY SHARP INSTRUMENTS.
3. DO NOT count articles costing less than \$7.00 as one gift.
4. DO NOT send women's personal underwear, with the exception of gowns or robes.
5. DO NOT send soiled or broken articles, PLEASE.
6. DO NOT send candy.
7. DO NOT send old or broken jewelry.
8. DO NOT send purses (wallets are okay).
9. DO NOT send small kid clothes (1 year through 10 years).

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY: Two sets of listing sheets are enclosed. If additional sets are needed, please request them from Department Headquarters early. One is required for each carton. Please number cartons "1 of 1", "1 of 2", etc.

WHITE Copy: In the shipping carton
YELLOW Copy: Send to District VA & R Chairman
PINK Copy: Unit Files

Contact your District President if you do not have the name and address of your District Rehabilitation Chairman.

IF YOU WANT AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FROM THE HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVE THAT YOUR GIFTS WERE RECEIVED, ENCLOSE A SELF-ADDRESSED POST CARD WITH YOUR GIFTS

If your Unit is unable to shop for gift shop and wishes to contribute cash, the money **MUST BE MAILED TO THE DEPARTMENT OFFICE NO LATER THAN **NOVEMBER 8, 2019**** TO ALLOW TIME TO PROCESS YOUR CHECK AND GET IT TO THE V.A. REPRESENTATIVE SO SHE CAN PURCHASE NEEDED GIFTS. BE SURE TO INDICATE THE DONATION IS FOR ANN ARBOR GIFT SHOP.

DO NOT SEND MONEY DIRECTLY TO THE HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVE.



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TO: District VA&R Chairmen

RE: 2019 Gift Shop – Battle Creek V.A. Medical Center

DATE: December 11th and 12th 2019

GIFT SHOP WORK SCHEDULE:

		<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>6th</u>
Wednesday	December 11, 2019	14	14	14
Thursday	December 12, 2019	14	14	14

NOTE: The V.A Hospital Representative will advise the District Rehabilitation Chairmen of any changes in the number of workers required from each District for the respective day.

DISTRICT CHAIRMEN: It is your responsibility to sign up the required number of workers for your assigned days. Send verification to Chris Reed by **November 22, 2019**

Chris Reed
Attn: Battle Creek Gift Shop
3476 W. Shore Drive
Battle Creek, MI 49017
269-420-1488
Email: ckhud@mei.net



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DATE: October, 2019

BATTLE CREEK V.A. MEDICAL CENTER – GIFT SHOP

TO: Unit VA&R Chairmen

DATES: **Wednesday and Thursday, December 11th and 12th, 2019**

WORKERS: From the 3rd, 4th and 6th Districts

Contact your District Rehabilitation Chairman early for assignment day. Workers must be at the hospital at 8:30 a.m. on the date promised. Wear comfortable shoes, and please bring a pair of scissors and a pen.

Any scheduled worker who cannot attend should send a substitute

GIFTS: To be supplied by 3rd, 4th and 6th Districts. Must be delivered to the hospital **no later than November 22, 2019.**

NO WEEKEND DELIVERIES. If delivering personally, please SEAL THE BOX as if for mailing and take to Building 10, Voluntary Service Office.

ADDRESS BOXES TO: BATTLE CREEK V.A. MEDICAL CENTER
COMMUNITY & VOLUNTARY SERVICE #135
5500 ARMSTRONG ROAD
BATTLE CREEK, MI 49037
ATTN: CHRIS REED

Purchase of these gifts is the **UNITS** responsibility. Each Unit is to supply the following new gifts valued between \$7 and \$10 each, you may spend more for each gift if you wish. Please follow this shopping list.
(MENS GIFTS ONLY):

PLEASE DO NOT SEND LADIES GIFTS

Unit Membership	Suggested Gift Number	Unit Membership	Suggested Gift Number	Unit Membership	Suggested Gift Number
10-25	10	151-175	22	426-478	42
26-50	12	175-225	24	476-550	47
51-75	14	226-275	28	551-625	52
76-100	16	276-325	32	626-700	57
101-125	18	326-375	36	701+	62
126-150	20	376-425	38		

MEN: Sport shirts – ex. polo, Henley, flannel (L-3X), Color T-shirts (L-3X), Underwear (L-3X), white socks, Sweatsuits – shirts & pants (M-2X), Billfolds, Radios, Gloves, Electronic Games.

DO'S

DO be on TIME in sending your gifts and in reporting for work at the gift shop.
DO choose as many UNSIZED gifts as possible.
DO be sure you list valuation of gifts donated.
DO be sure to include District and Unit number and the chairman's name and address (including zip code).

DON'T'S

DO NOT send glassware or breakables such as colognes, perfumes and aftershave lotion or soap.
DO NOT send razors, scissors or any sharp instruments.
DO NOT count articles costing less than \$7.00 as one gift.
DO NOT send candy.
DO NOT send boxes.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY: Two sets of packing lists are enclosed. If additional sets are needed, request them from Department Headquarters early. One is required for **each** carton. Please number cartons "1 of 1", "1 of 2", etc.

WHITE Copy:	In the shipping carton
YELLOW Copy:	Sent to District VA&R Chairman
PINK Copy:	Unit files

Contact your District President if you do not have the name and address of your District Rehabilitation Chairman. It is suggested that your gifts be insured.
A letter will be sent from the Hospital Representative with Gift Shop results.

If your Unit is unable to shop for gift shop items and wished to contribute cash, the monies must be mailed to the Department Office no later than November 15, 2019 to allow time to process your check and get it to the V.A. Representative so she can purchase the needed gifts. Be sure to indicate Battle Creek Gift Shop on you donation.

Do not send money directly to the hospital representative.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

IMPORTANT -- PLEASE READ ENTIRE BULLETIN

TO: UNIT REHABILITATION CHAIRMEN

RE: CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOP – GRAND RAPIDS HOME FOR VETERANS

DATES: Tuesday, December 3, 2019
Wednesday, December 4, 2019

WORKERS: From the **FIFTH, SEVENTH, NINTH, AND NINETEENTH** Districts

GIFTS: To be supplied by the Units in the **5th, 7th, 9th, and 19th Districts**.
Boxes must be delivered to the Home no later than November 11, 2019
**NO WEEKEND DELIVERIES. WHEN DELIVERING IN PERSON, PLEASE SEAL BOX
AS IF FOR MAILING. MAKE SURE "GIFT SHOP AND UNIT NUMBER" ARE
MARKED ON THE OUTSIDE OF EVERY BOX AND ADDRESS AS FOLLOWS:**

Grand Rapids Home for Veterans
American Legion Auxiliary Gift Shop
Attention: Sarah Brooks, Hospital Representative
3000 Monroe Ave. N.W.
Grand Rapids, MI 49505

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Enclose the **WHITE** copy of the packing list in the box. If more than one box is sent, mark boxes 1 of 3, 2 of 3, etc. Additional copies should be sent as follows:

YELLOW goes to your DISTRICT VA&R Chairman
PINK for the Unit files.

If you want a confirmation of receipt, you **MUST** enclose a self-addressed, stamped postcard or stamped envelope with your gifts for acknowledgment from the Hospital Representative.

After the 2018 Christmas Gift Shop, some changes have been made for 2019. Since the number of members at GRHV is getting lower, we are revising the number of gifts requested from the Units in your Districts

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Suggested Number of Gifts</u>	<u>Membership</u>	<u>Suggested Number of Gifts</u>
10-25	9 5 women, 2 men, 2 children	276-325	22 10 women, 10 men, 2 children
26-50	10 5 women, 3 men, 2 children	326-375	22 10 women, 10 men, 2 children
51-75	10 5 women, 3 men, 2 children	376-425	22 10 women, 10 men, 2 children
76-100	10 5 women, 3 men, 2 children	426-475	22 10 women, 10 men, 2 children
101-125	11 5 women, 3 men, 2 children	476-550	27 17 women, 10 men, 2 children
126-150	11 5 women, 3 men, 2 children	551-625	27 17 women, 10 men, 2 children
151-175	11 5 women, 3 men, 2 children	626-700	27 17 women, 10 men, 2 children
176-225	11 5 women, 3 men, 2 children	701+	37 20 women, 15 men, 2 children
226-275	12 7 women, 5 men, 2 children		

After reviewing the inventory after the 2018 Gift Shop, we are listing items that we felt would be popular and also items that are not needed. However, this list is not all inclusive. We are also asking that the items donated have a value of at least \$10.00. The members at the Home deserve to select quality items for their family members for Christmas. Here are a few suggestions:

We have a need for

Men's and Women's Watches (pull stem out so the battery doesn't wear down)
Men's and Women's Wallets (leather)
Men's and Women's Cologne Sets (plastic only)
Men's Tool Sets (small and not too heavy – multi-purpose tools are popular)
Women's Quality Jewelry
Blankets – Full size (no throws)
Clock Radios
Flashlights
Children's items, such as board games, stuffed animals, etc. (pre-teens and teens)
Gift Cards: Applebee's, Meijer, Walmart, McDonalds, Burger King (please include receipts)

Not Needed

Clothing – men or women
Bath Towel sets
Kitchen Towel Sets
Throws
Gift Cards: Tim Horton, Coldstone, Subway, I Tunes

SOME IMPORTANT DO'S AND DON'TS

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|---------------------|--|
| <u>DO</u> | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Do be on time, both in sending your gifts and reporting to work at the Gift Shop.2. Do be sure you list the <u>retail value</u> of the gifts donated. |
| <u>DON'T</u> | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Do not send any glassware or breakable items.2. Do not send hand made items.3. Do not send articles <u>valued at less than \$10.00</u>.4. Do not send candy, house slippers, pajamas or nightgowns, any women's clothing, puzzles, books, stationery, purses, handkerchiefs, and
NO GIFT BOXES.6. Do not send Christmas decorations.7. Consider size and weight when selecting items (costly to mail). |

Purchase of these gifts is the responsibility of the UNIT. However, in an **EMERGENCY** situation only, if a Unit is unable to shop, the Hospital Representative will shop for you, **PROVIDING** funds are sent to Department by **OCTOBER 15**. ALL MONIES ARE TO GO TO DEPARTMENT CLEARLY MARKED FOR THE GRAND RAPIDS HOME FOR VETERANS CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOP.

GIFT SHOP HOURS ARE 8:30 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

Workers are asked to specify which day(s) they can work and give that information to Sarah Brooks by phone or mail (home address and phone listed below) no later than NOVEMBER 21. Please arrive at the Home by 8:00 A.M. Your help can be used anytime that is convenient for you. However, help is especially needed on Wednesday.

Sarah Brooks, Hospital Representative
Grand Rapids Home for Veterans
701 Prince St. S.E.
Grand Rapids, MI 49507-1241
Phone: (616) 243-3520

ADDRESS BOXES TO: D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans

American Legion Auxiliary

Attn: Wanda Westman Representative

425 Fisher St.

Marquette, Mi. 49855

PLEASE FOLLOW THIS SHOPPING LIST:

UNITS OF	10-25 members	10 gifts	4 women 6 men
	26-50 members	12 gifts	5 women 7 men
	51-75 members	14 gifts	6 women 8 men
	76-100 members	16 gifts	8 women 8 men
	101-125 members	18 gifts	8 women 10 men
	126-150 members	20 gifts	10 women 10 men
	151-175 members	22 gifts	11 women 11 men
	176-225 members	24 gifts	12 women 12 men
	226-275 members	28 gifts	14 women 14 men
	276-325 members	32 gifts	15 women 17 men
	326-375 members	36 gifts	16 women 20 men
	376-425 members	38 gifts	18 women 20 men
	426-475 members	42 gifts	20 women 22men
	476-550 members	47 gifts	23 women 24men

ALL GIFTS MUST BE NEW ITEMS: DO NOT SEND ANYTHING YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO RECEIVE YOURSELF. Please select a variety of items. The gifts should be lightweight and small; if it is necessary to mail the gifts, the postage or UPS charges will be less expensive.

ALSO WALMART GIFT CARDS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED TOO !

LADIES :Embellished sweatshirts , Dressy blouses, Nightgowns, Pajamas, Robes, Slippers (in all sizes)

Lightweight Blankets, Throws, Bath towel Sets, Kitchen towel Sets, Watches, Wallets, Hat& Glove Sets, Jewelry , (no purses please !)

MEN'S : Sweatshirts and Sweatpants with plain non elastic hem are our most requested items. Also need Dress, Polo & Henley Shirts, Pajamas, Robes, Men's Pocket T-Shirts, Slippers (All Sizes Needed for these) +
Flannel shirts Too
White socks including Diabetic Socks, Wallets, Gloves, Scarves, Watches(including large face and pocket watches) , & Suspenders.

Some tall sizes would also be appreciated. Sizes go Small, Med, Large, X-large, ~~1XL~~, 2xl, 3xl, ..

MOST REQUESTED ARE Large & X-Large

DO'S 1. Do send gift bags & Boxes

2. Do choose as many unsized gifts as possible.

3. Do be on TIME both in sending your gifts and reporting to work at the gift shop.

4. DO be sure you list valuations of gifts donated.

List ORIGINAL PRICE (NOT JUST THE SALE PRICE)

DON'TS 1. DO NOT send glassware or breakables, such as colognes, perfumes or aftershave.

2. DO NOT count articles valued at less than \$7.00 as one gift.

3. DO NOT send soiled or broken articles.

4. DO NOT send women's personal underwear with the exception of robes.

5. DO NOT send candy, ladies purses, belts, curling irons, bath powder, photo albums, or umbrellas

PACKING LISTS: two sets of packing lists are enclosed. If additional sets are needed, request them from Department Headquarters early. One set is needed for each carton. Please mark cartons "1 Of 1" , "1 of 2" ,etc.

WHITE Copy In each shipping carton

YELLOW Copy to Your District VA&R Chairman

Barb Larson

605 Kennedy Rd. Iron Mt., Mi. 49801

Please enclose a self-addressed envelope with your gifts for acknowledgement from the Hospital Representative.

If your Unit is unable to shop for gift shop items and wish to contribute cash, the money MUST BE MAILED TO THE DEPARTMENT OFFICE NO LATER THAN OCT.19TH, TO ALLOW THEM TIME TO PROCESS YOUR CHECK AND GET IT TO THE V.A. REPRESENTATIVE SO SHE CAN PURCHASE THE NEEDED GIFTS. BE SURE TO INDICATE WHICH MEDICAL CENTER, YOUR GIFT SHOP MONEY IS TO BE FORWARDED TO;

Make sure to mail check to department or Wanda Westman

Wanda Westman, Representative American Legion Auxiliary at

D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans 425 Fisher St . Marquette, Mi. 49855

ALWAYS MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO :AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

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(517) 267-8809**

Saginaw V.A. Medical Center – Gift Shop

Bonnie Holt, Saginaw V.A. Rep.
598 Pilgrim Dr., E.
Saginaw, MI 48638
(989) 280-1189
bjhfeline@yahoo.com

TO: Unit Rehabilitation Chairman
Date 2019

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ ENTIRE BULLETIN

DATE; Friday, December 13, 2019
WORKERS: From the 8th and 10th districts
NUMBERS OF WORKERS: 10-12

Contact your District Rehabilitation Chariman or your V.A. Rep. early for assignment date.
Workers must be at the hospital at 9:00 am on the date promised. Work day ends at 4:00 pm.
Do wear comfortable shoes and clothes. Any scheduled worker who cannot attend should
Send a substitute.

GIFTS: To be supplied by the Units. Please try to select gifts that can be used for men, women and kids. Purchase of these gifts is the Unit's responsibility. Each Unit is to supply the following gifts, each gift should be valued at between \$7.00 and \$10.00. **PLEASE FOLLOW THIS SHOPPING LIST.**

MEMBERSHIP	SUGGESTED GIFT NUMBER
10-25	10 gifts 6 men, 2 ladies 2 kids
26-50	12 gifts 8 men, 2 ladies 2 kids
51-75	14 gifts 10 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids
76-100	16 gifts 12 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids
101-125	18 gifts 14 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids
126-150	20 gifts 16 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids

151-175	22 gifts 18 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids
176-225	24 gifts 20 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids
226-275	28 gifts 24 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids
276-325	32 gifts 28 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids
326-375	36 gifts 32 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids
376-425	38 gifts 34 men, 2 ladies, 2 kids

MENS ITEMS;

Underwear, boxers, undershirts, lounge pants, sweat pants, sweat suits, slippers

Size 9-12, belts size 46-48 with all holes, T-shirts, jackets, tennis shoes size 9-12,

Patriotic items, flashlights, blankets, watches, SIZES FOR CLOTHES L, XL, 2XL

LADIES ITEMS;

Pajamas, nightgowns, jewelry, jewelry boxes, watches, blankets SIZES L, XL, 2XL

KID ITEMS;

Video games, hand held games, sport balls, stuffed animals, paper and pens

DO'S

1. Do send big bags and big boxes
2. Do be on time in sending your gifts
3. Do be on time in reporting for work at the Gift Shop
4. Do be sure you list valuation of each if the gifts donated. Please put total on sheet
5. Do send a self addressed envelope

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY; Two sets of listing sheets are enclosed. If additional sets are needed Request them from Department Headquarters early. One is required for each cartoon. Please Number cartons 1 of 1, 1 of 2 ect...

WHITE COPY put in the shipping cartoon.

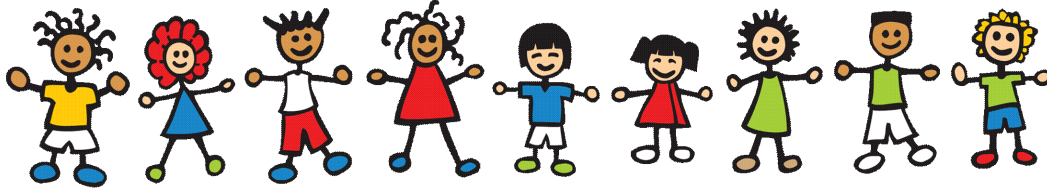
YELLOW COPY send to District Rehabilitation Chairman

PINK COPY unit files.

Contact your District President if you do not have the name and address of your District Rehabilitation Chairman.

If your Unit is unable to shop for gift shop items and wishes to contribute cash, the money MUST BE MAILED TO THE DEPARTMENT OFFICE NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15th, 2019 TO ALLOW TIME TO PROCESS YOUR CHECK AND GET IT TO THE V.A. REPRESENTATIVE SO SHE CAN PURCHASE THE NEEDED GIFTS. BE SURE TO INDICATE WHICH MEDICAL CENTER YOUR GIFT SHOP MONEY IS TO BE FORWARDED TO.

PLEASE MAIL ALL BOXES



Children & Youth
Unit Mailing
October 2019

Fall Conference Reminders:

Children & Youth mission,
“The Children & Youth program emphasizes protecting, caring for and supporting children and youth, particularly those of veterans and military families.”

Follow your Guides

Josh Dogs / G I Josh has closed operations
Star Spangled Kids is to be reported under AMERICANISM

Report, Report, Report

Follow the AWARD information/qualifications as required

Contact your committee with any questions or for support

Promote The American Legion Oratorical contest

Search for our Youth Heroes and Youth for Good Deed Awards

Kathy Copeland,
Chairman

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

JUNIOR MEMBER LOYALTY SCHOLARSHIP

Ten Scholarships, in the amount of \$2,500 each, will be awarded to a current college student for 2020. Two scholarships will be awarded in each division of the American Legion Auxiliary. This scholarship is a grant not a loan.

RULES

1. Candidates for this award shall have been Junior members of the American Legion Auxiliary, held membership in the American Legion Auxiliary for the past three consecutive years (2017, 2018 and 2019) and must be a paid member for the current (2020) membership year. Applicant must continue her membership in the American Legion Auxiliary during the scholarship period.
2. This scholarship is intended for the traditional student with no interruption in her education, who is at least in her first semester of college but not yet attained a bachelor's degree. Any member who is a non-traditional student (a student returning to the classroom after some time away from college) is welcome to apply for the American Legion Auxiliary Non-Traditional Scholarship.
3. This is a scholarship to attend an accredited institution of higher education. Applicants must have completed at least one semester with grades which meet continuation requirements at the institution of their choice. Applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA using a 4.0 base.
4. Applicants must present the completed application, along with the other required materials specified on the education@alaforveterans.org website, to the **President of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2020.**

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Please make the information regarding this scholarship available to any of your qualified Unit Juniors, then submit the required application packet information, signed by the Unit President and the Unit Secretary or the Unit Education Chairman to the Department of Michigan by March 15, 2020. The entire information packet including application for the Junior Member Loyalty Scholarship can be found on the education@alaforveterans.org website. So many scholarships are not applied for and the money just sits there with no recipients. Let's help facilitate the process by promoting awareness of what is available for those applying and also by aiding in their educational opportunities!!!



PRESIDENT GEORGIA'S MEMBERSHIP PIN

RECRUIT or REJOIN 2 members

OR

ANY membership chair who reaches goal by date

NAME OF MEMBER

JUNIOR or SENIOR

RECRUITER'S NAME: _____

UNIT# _____ DISTRICT# _____

VERIFICATION: _____
(Unit Membership Chair or District Membership Chair, or Dept. Office)

GOAL BY DATE _____

DATE PIN PRESENTED: _____

Gear Up Your Year

2019-2020 PLAN OF ACTION

A current Plan of Action packet can be mailed to your Unit.

Please contact our office by e-mail at mari_jo@michalaux.org or call 517-267-8809 ext. 119.

Postage will be \$7.85.

If your unit has already been provided a packet, additional copies are \$5.00, each.