

The American Legion Auxiliary
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Yakity Yak-Yakers #6 - SEPTEMBER ISSUE, 2020

Unit Meeting: **Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at Post Home**

Guest Speakers at Meeting

Louise Aigner, Auxiliary President, 13th District
Commander Mike Burk



Kevin Litvak, Squadron Commander SAL
Brian King, Director, Legion Riders
John Rader, Sgt of the Guard, Honor Guard



I would like to give a BIG Shoutout to Past Commander, Tony Kessler for 5 Years of unwavering dedication and commitment as commander of Post 572. Enjoy your free (?) time!

Please join us for the first meeting this year and get off to a great start! We have lots of exciting information to share and new friends to meet. Refreshments will be served immediately after the meeting.

Did You Know.....

In 1934, members of the ALA decided that members under the age of 18 should be separated into their own membership. The two classes that emerged from this Constitution change was senior and Junior. Past National President Lorena Hahn launched the **Junior Activities** Program in 1936, and by the next year, Junior membership had grown from 29,000 to 40,000 because of the activities the Juniors were doing. Today, Junior members and their work are still a large part of the organization. Juniors are able to earn patches for the work and activities that they are doing for the ALA programs.

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation is the largest of the programs of the ALA and works to support the veterans who served our country and are now in need of assistance. Members spend hundreds and thousands of hours volunteering in the veterans homes and medical centers all over the nation. They also host Christmas Gift Shops which allow the veterans to pick out gifts of their choosing. The American Legion Family joined forces with other veteran service organizations and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in 1946 to establish the Veterans Affairs Voluntary Services (VAVS).



ALA Mission Statement

In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

OTHER UNIT NEWS

From President, Shirley Kessler: We would like to see more members attend our monthly meetings, it is so informative and keeps you up to date with activities and news. Please try to join us every 2nd Wednesday of the month! This meeting, we will hold a 9/11 ceremony. We will also hold an initiation for new members, and installation of officers. So if you are new and haven't received your pin, please plan to attend. If you have any questions, you may reach me at (440) 882-6195 or cell: (702) 349-5067.

From 1st Vice President, Barbara Benz: Welcome, everyone, to our new membership year 2021. A special welcome to our new members, **Gloria Gernhard** and **Brenda Dougher!** You should be receiving your dues renewal from National soon, if you haven't received it already. Your 2020 membership is valid until 12/31/2020. But if you pay your 2021 dues before November 11, 2020, you will be entered into a drawing to have your 2022 dues paid by the Unit.

Thank you for joining us to help veterans and our community through your active support of our Unit!



From the Chaplain's Corner, Peggie O'Neill-Baron:

Faith doesn't always take you out of the problem, Faith takes you through the problem. Faith doesn't always take away the pain, Faith gives you the ability to handle the pain. Faith doesn't always take you out of the storm, Faith calms you in the midst of the storm. Amen.

Prayers and sunshine wishes for a speedy recovery are being sent out to our Auxiliary Historian, Nancy Samoylicz Pekarcsik and our Auxiliary President, Shirley Kessler. Sincere sympathy to the Baron Holowenko and Arzu families on the sudden loss of their cousin, Florence Dial. PLEASE, let's remember all our members, their families and our sons and daughters in the military.



2020 DATES TO REMEMBER

Sep	09	Unit Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm, Post Home
	23	Unit Board – 6:30 pm, Post Home
Oct	04	2020 District Fall Conference Unit 627, Newburgh Hts. For more info call: (216) 401-8842
	14	Unit Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm, Post Home
	28	Unit Board – 6:30 pm, Post Home

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