

UNIT 484

HAPPENINGS

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month

August 2022

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Debbie Holden

513-400-7485

Department Convention was held July 30 – July 2 in Cincinnati. Delegates voted for the following Officers to be installed:

Department President
1st Vice President
2nd Vice President

Cindy Wasowic – Streetsboro Unit 685
Jane Ridenour – Bowling Green Unit 45
Louise Aigner – Brook Park Unit 610

Congratulations to these women for achieving this position. I'm sure we will be hearing from each of them soon with information and knowledge we can share with others.

Unit 484's Executive Committee voted on the following members as chairmen:

Julie Broughton – Auxiliary Emergency Fund
Vicki Monroe – Americanism, Buckeye Girls State, Constitution & By-Laws, Past President's Parley, Membership
Tricia Oehler – Breakfast
Pam Young – Bulletin
Sandy Pennington – Children & Youth, Education
Fish Fry – Jackie Ruzsa
Poppy – Debbie Holden
Sunshine – Karol Monroe

Volunteers are needed for the following committees: National Security and Legislative

If you are interested in either (or both) please contact me at the number above and I will give the name and number of the person who held these committees last year. Thanks in advance for any consideration you might have toward these committees.

August is here and school will be starting very soon, and fall can't be far behind. Enjoy activities during these next couple of months. The Legion Family will be hosting some activities in the hall and outside so come join in for great fun and companionship!

As always, stay safe!

Debbie



POPPY

Debbie Holden 513-400-7485

Poppy activities will resume in the fall.



BREAKFAST BUFFET Tricia Oehler 513-476-8597

September – 9am- Noon

Next breakfast in September so don't miss it! Bring your dad and he eats for half price! Buffet is all you can eat. Adults \$9, children \$5. We hope to see your smiling face!

VA & R Liz Castle 513-232-5648

At this time, we do not have anything scheduled at the Cincinnati VAMC. We hope to be able to visit very soon.

We will be purchasing snack items for the VA so they can be given to the veterans who are in the hospital.

COMMUNITY SERVICE Liz Castle 232-5648

Please remember to "Pull Together" for the Ronald McDonald House of Greater Cincinnati. Save your pull tabs (drink cans, pet food cans, food cans, etc.) and bring them to our meetings and I will get them from you and take them to the Ronald McDonald House. They raise thousands of dollars every year to help keep critically ill children and their families together.

MEMBERSHIP Vicki Monroe 513-231-3572

We are about to start our new Membership year. Due to some problems at National Headquarters, we will be getting our membership cards late. I will be happy to accept your membership dues now and send you your card as soon as I get them. Your renewal notices will also be late in getting out – probably in September. Your dues are \$30.00. You can make your checks out to ALA Unit 484 and mail them to me at 7988 Asbury Hills Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45255.

PAY YOUR DUES ONLINE. Vicki Monroe

You can now pay your dues online or by phone! Go to www.ALAforveterans.org and click on the Login button. Enter your username and password to access your My Auxiliary account. Click on pay dues. If you do not have an account, click on the Log in button and click on create account. Visa and Mastercard credit and debit are accepted. You can print your membership card and a receipt will be mailed to you. You can also pay by phone by calling 317-569-4570. A live representative will help you through the process

JUNIOR GIRLS
Chairman needed

NATIONAL SECURITY
Need a chairman

LEGISLATIVE
Need a Chairman



EDUCATION Sandy Pennington. 513-231-6697

It's that time of year again! You cannot enter any store without seeing boxes and boxes of school supplies! If you can, please consider helping the students in our area. New notebooks, pens and pencils, glue, erasers, tissues, even back packs, would be welcome! I will be collecting these at our meeting nights for the next few months. Thank you!

And just for your information... The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors the following scholarships for members. Here is a little information on four of these:

- 1) The Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship; this provides funds to support the children of warriors, the amount is \$5000.00 each, and is awarded to 15 students annually who excel in both academics and the spirit of volunteering in their community.
 - 2) The Spirit of Youth Scholarship; this supports three separate scholarships for American Legion Auxiliary Junior members, Honorary National Junior Division Vice Presidents, and lastly, for participants in the American Legion Auxiliary Girls Nation program.
 - 3) The Non-traditional Student Scholarship, which helps people who are part of the Legion Family pursue a college degree later in life or allow them to continue a previous study program.
 - 4) The Junior Member Loyalty Scholarship is for the junior member who has retained membership into adulthood; 10 scholarships of \$2500.00 are awarded to the current college student pursuing their education. Our unit supports the Dept. of Ohio's effort to donate to this scholarship program; but individuals may also make contributions to this; please contact me if any of you are interested in these educational programs.
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CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Sandy Pennington. 513-231-6697

Ilene Hayes has retired from Mt. Washington Elementary, and Nikki Marksberry will be taking her place. Pending changes are in the works for both Mt Washington and Sands Montessori schools, and until the school year starts again, info will be a bit sketchy! But in the meantime, we can do something for some children. We can help support Ronald McDonald House right here in our town! When you order from McDonalds you can request to "round up" the bill- any monies forwarded to RMHC provides meals, housing, and above all, COMFORT to those families afflicted with a seriously ill child. Who says getting some fries and a shake is a bad thing??? Even Kroger has a similar program where you can round up change and specifically donate it to the Ronald McDonald House. Pretty cool, huh? Please keep our children and families in your thoughts as we breeze through the summer days.... and thanks for any support you can give to the Ronald McDonald foundation!

AMERICANISM Vicki Monroe 513-231-3572
Buckeye Girls State

Our 6 young ladies are back from Buckeye Girls State and they had a wonderful time. We hope you will come to the Buckeye Girls State/Boys State Dinner on **Sunday, September 18th** at 5:00. All of the delegates will speak about their experiences at this great program. This is a free dinner. There will be a sign up sheet in the hallway or, please call me at 513-231-3572 or call/text me at 513-706-0524 so we know how much food to have.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of our 4th of July Parade on celebration on **July 3rd**. Our



Americanism Booth had lots of free patriotic items that were well received by the crowd. Our Bake Sale was a huge success! We broke a

record and brought in \$350.00. I would like to thank Arlene Potter, Mary Nash, Terri Crosswait, Ginger Crosswait, Debbie Holden, Jasmine Crosswait, Linda Crosswait, Christine Ruzsa, Karol Monroe, and Liz Castle for all of their hard work in making the day such a wonderful success and for sending me home and taking over.

CHAPLAIN Karol Monroe 513-915-3331

Pray for Terri Crosswait, Vicki Monroe & Pam Young for healing from recent issues. Please continue to pray for each other, our veterans, military, world and national leaders, our community and most especially, for opportunities to serve in every way we can.

Please remember Lynn Sollberger & her family in your prayers as well as our other Legion/Auxiliary families who are struggling. You can call, text or email (karol.monroe@aol.com) anytime.



Welcome to The Inspiration Box!
Sandy Pennington.
513-231-6697

"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, you are a leader." John Quincy Adam

"Heroes many not be braver than anyone else. They're just braver five minutes longer." Ronald Reagan



QUARTER AUCTION Vicki Monroe 231--3572

We are back. Our next Quarter Auction will be on **August 18th**. Doors open at 6:00 and the Auction begins at 7:00. We have lots of great vendors with lots of great items up for bid. The Auxiliary also has items for bid. Have your dinner with us from This Guy's BBQ. They have lots of menu items for you to choose from. Come on down for a great time.



ANNOUNCEMENT FOR LEGION MEMBERS AND COMMUNITY RESIDENTS!

The Legion Family, (Legionnaires, Auxiliary, SAL and Riders), are always looking for volunteers to help at their events. Some events coming up are:

Breakfast – second Sunday of every month 9:00 – 12:00 noon (except for July & August)

If you would be interested in volunteering, or you might someone who would be interested, please let me know and I'll find an event suited just for you!

Call 513-400-7485 and ask for Debbie.



DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST EVENTS

- 2nd Election Day 6:30 am – 7:00 pm
- 3rd Executive Board Meeting 7 pm
- 4th Coast Guard Anniversary
- 6th Hall Rental
- 7th Purple Heart Day
- 9th Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 Social Time, 7:30 meeting
- 13th Spaghetti Dinner 4:00-8:00
- 18th Quarter Auction 6:00 Doors open 7:00 auction

AUGUST BIRTHDATES

- 4th Katherine Cramerding
- 8th Mavis Briede
- 11th Christine Ruzsa Duncan
- 13th Sue Barnard
- 19th Christy Stiles
- 22nd Doris Holton
- 28th Anna Geis

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 3rd JoAnne & Fred Wolfinger
- 7th JoAnne & David McDonald
- 27th Rose & William Davin
- 29th Joan & Chester Davis



NOTE FROM THE EDITOR PAM YOUNG 232-5084

Please send articles or information to pjyoung@fuse.net before the 15th of the month. Please continue to send email addresses or updates to Jackie at jmederruzsa@ERSLIFE.ORG or call her at 474-6710.

Thanks to everyone for sending articles for the newsletter!