



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA**

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Hello Auxiliary Member ☺☺☺

It's that time of the year where we have to cross our T's and dot the I's.

Please find the following enclosures:

Official 99th Convention Call

Credentials form

Letter from the Resolution Committee

Past President Luncheon form

Minutes from Spring Conference DEC 2019

Minutes from Spring Girls State DEC 2019

Our DEC meeting will be at 6:00pm, Thursday, June 27th, at the James H. Rainwater Conference Center, 1 Meeting Place Drive, Valdosta, in the **Gazebo Suites**.

Thank you,

Patty Hawkins – Secretary/Treasurer

American Legion Auxiliary

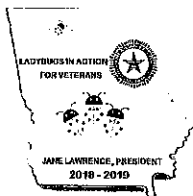
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**OFFICIAL CALL
99th ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION**

In accordance with the Department Constitution, Article IX, Section 1, the 99th Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Georgia, is hereby called at the James H. Rainwater Conference Center Valdosta, Georgia. The Convention will be conducted according to the rules adopted immediately following the opening of the Convention. The Convention will be called to order at 9 AM, Friday, June 28, 2019 at the James H. Rainwater Conference Center, Valdosta, Georgia in the Gazebo Suites. The Convention is called for the purpose of electing and installing Department Officers for the 2019-2020 year; acting on proposed amendments to the Department Constitution and Bylaws; and transactions of such other business that may be brought before the Convention in conformity with provisions of the Department Constitution and Bylaws.

Department Officers elected shall be installed as the last order of business of the Convention. They shall assume their functions immediately upon installation.

REPRESENTATION

Representation to the Department Convention shall be by Unit. Delegates-at-large to the Department Convention shall be the Elective Officers, members of the Department Executive Committee, the Chairman of the Standing Committees, Hospital Representatives and all Past Department Presidents in good standing in their Units and with vote to be exercised with their respective Units.

Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention shall be elected at Unit Meetings **Held Not Less Than 2 (Two) weeks Prior to the Convention.** Alternates shall have priority in the order of their election.

Each Unit shall be entitled to **Two Delegates and One Additional Delegate** for each **25** members or major fraction thereof, whose current dues have been received by the Department Treasurer **30 days prior to the Convention**, and to one Alternate for each Delegate. Units shall be entitled to one vote for **Past Department Presidents, Current Department Officers, District Presidents and Department Chairmen.**

In Order to Vote at the Department Convention, Units Must have paid all Department Obligations and sent in a list of New Officers elected for the 2019 – 2020 year.

Notice of any outstanding obligations are sent to Units 60 days prior to Convention.

Jane Lawrence, Department President

Patty Hawkins, Department Secretary-Treasurer

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA
DEPARTMENT CONVENTION
Valdosta, Georgia
June 28-30, 2019

2019 RESOLUTIONS FORM

Any Unit Desiring To Submit A Resolution for Consideration At The Department Convention in Valdosta, Georgia on June 28-30, 2019. Must Follow the Rules as Given In The Bylaws: Article XIII.

1. All resolutions presented to the Department Convention for action must be in the hands of the Resolutions Committee three weeks prior (June 7th) to the Convention.
2. Four Copies of all resolutions shall be required, and these must bear the signatures of at least three members of the Auxiliary, who are in good standing in their Units. Three copies are sent to the Resolutions Chairman, and one copy is sent to Department Headquarters.
3. Resolutions concerning business deemed by the President and Resolutions Committee, as being of an emergency nature, may be presented to the Convention for Action.
4. All resolutions presented to the Convention must be read twice, with at least twelve hours elapsing between readings.
5. All resolutions to be presented to the Convention, relative to the expenditure of money, shall be previously submitted to the Finance Committee Chairman of the Department for approval.
6. The Resolutions Committee shall report as directed by the Convention Program, and Resolutions requiring action by The American Legion shall be given preference.

RESOLUTION

Submitted By: _____

Date: _____ District Number _____ Unit Number _____

1. _____ Unit Number _____

2. _____ Unit Number _____

3. _____ Unit Number _____

**Resolutions must be in the hands of the Resolutions Chairman NO Later than June 7, 2019 (Not Postmarked June 7, 2019).
Mail three copies to: Joanne Meadows, Resolution Chairman, 105 Woodsridge Dr., NW, WoodridgeEstates, Calhoun, GA 30701-9424 and mail one copy To: American Legion Auxiliary Department of Georgia 3035 Mt. Zion Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281**

*Past President's Parley Luncheon
2018-2019 ALA Department Convention
Friday June 28, 2019
12:00pm until 1:30pm
James H. Rainwater Conference Center*

Deadline for Ticket Reservations is June 1, 2019

Please come to show your Support for our Past Department Presidents. This helps support our Nursing Scholarships. All Auxiliary members are invited.

Unit # _____ Location _____

Contact Person _____

Phone number _____ Email _____

The meal will be: House Salad, Herb Rubbed Baby Cut Rib EYE, Five Cheese Mashed Potatoes and seasonal Fire-Roasted Vegetables, Warm Rolls and butter, SWEET Iced Tea/Coffee and Georgia Peach Short Cake. The price includes tax and gratuity. (If you have allergies and need a special order, please fill out the information below)

Price: \$30.00 per person

Number of tickets _____ @ \$30.00 each Total Submitted \$ _____ Check # _____

PLEASE LIST NAMES OF ALL WHO WILL BE ATTENDING THE LUNCHEON ON THIS PAYMENT

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*****NAME WITH ALLERGIES*****

**** LIST ALLERGIES****

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*Make checks payable to: ALA Dept of GA (earmark PPP Luncheon)
3035 Mt. Zion Rd.
Stockbridge, GA 30281*

Mail this form along with the check to the Department Headquarters. If you have any questions please contact Patty Hawkins 678.289.8446

American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Georgia
Spring Conference DEC Meeting
Sonesta Gwinnett Place Atlanta
Duluth, GA
March 21, 2019

President Lawrence called the Spring Conference Executive Board Meeting to order at 6:06pm.

President Lawrence stated we will now have prayer by our Chaplain Smith-Fox.

President Lawrence asked everyone to please stand and say in unison the pledge to the flag.

Roll call was given by Secretary Hawkins. Department Officers present were President Jane Lawrence, 1st VP Valerie Brown-Debro, 2nd VP Susan Hall, Historian Pat Morgan, Chaplain Gloria Smith Fox, NEC Anita Owens and Secretary Patty Hawkins. District Presidents present were: 1st Thelma Pierce, 2nd Deanna Nicholson, 3rd Pamela Stroud, 4th Marie Eason, 5th Barbara McGee, 6th Cassandra Valenta, 7th Dot Frazier, 8th Carol Williams (filling in for Kristen Sloan), 9th Gail Ramey, 10th Kris Ann Alexander, 11th Miriam Stein and 12th Gloria Wilcox. Past Department President present were; Tillie Davis, Deedy Harrell, Linda Brock, Hazele Hutchinson, Joanne Meadows, Susie Mash, Betty Grist, Gabrielle Barnett, Miriam Stein and Anita Owens. PDP absent were Sara Mitcham, Lola Smith Rachel, Janet Clotfelter, Joanne Wilson, Juanita Todd, Kay Kelly, Betty Turley, Dot Thornton, Bettye D. Williams, Lola Reed and Rosa Scott.

Secretary Hawkins declared a quorum was present.

President Lawrence stated the minutes from Fall Conference have been circularized. Are there any corrections? If there are no corrections, I will entertain a motion to accept the minutes as circularized. Motion was seconded and motion passed.

President Lawrence called for Finance Chairman Deana Rowe to give the finance report.

FC Rowe stated a copy the finance report is behind the minutes. She went over the financial report hitting the highlights and most notable we are under budget. Remember the money from our membership and donations is what runs this organization. She discussed the VA&R and what if any changes would take place in June at the Convention such as issuing 1099 forms to the representatives, instead of them providing us with expense reports. Thank you very much, Madam President, this concludes my report.

President Lawrence asked 2nd VP Hall to speak on Membership. She said for the last two and a half months she has been on the phone, emailing and sending text messages with several of the district presidents on units within their districts that we need to pull the charters.

1st District, Unit 164 Pembroke.

2nd District, Unit 518 Camilla

9th District, Unit 307 Cummings. The unit voted to turn in their charter.

9th District, Unit 262 Lawrenceville, not in compliance with national membership and the unit wants to dissolve.

11th District, Unit 150 Blythe. Miriam has the charter in her hand and a check has been mailed to department by their treasurer for \$1833.

2nd VP Hall asked if there were any objection to pulling these units. There were not any objections. 2nd VP Hall, Madam President, that's all I have.

Constitution & By-Laws Chairman Owens stated she will go over the Standing Rules that were changed at June convention and Fall conference. They need to be what's in National's, what's in the Department's and should be in yours, if it is adopted by the Unit. Standing Rules #21, #26 and #27 would not be in the units.

Standing Rules #21 All candidates for state office shall file with the Department Headquarters their intention on running for office no later than April 1st. (Adopted Spring conference 3- 22-2018).

Standing Rule# 26 The department will no longer print annual reports for the District and Units with email. For those Districts or Units who do not have access a hard copy will be mailed to the District President for dissemination to their respective Unit. This change will save time and resources at the department.(Adopted Fall conference10-26-2018).

Standing Rule# 27 Annual reports forms will be changed on the website to say current year versus any particular year (ie, we used to say 2018 - 2019 year reports). This will then only require the chairman name and contact information to be changed, if there is a change in the chairman.(Adopted Fall conference10-26-18).

National had some changes in 2015, 2016 & 2017.

In 2017, National put in their standing rules the Code of Conduct (adopted 10/20/17) and Code of Ethics. A Unit needs to annotate them in their minutes, and if you have them in your standing rules, you're covered if they violate the code of conduct, whether they signed it or not. So you're standing rules need to be amended to include it. (copies are on the website)

2nd VP Hall was granted permission to speak about the department being in violation of our constitution and bylaws.

C/By-Laws Chairman Owens stated, Article 2 Election of Officers Section 2. There shall be a Department Secretary/Treasurer, nominated by the Human Resources Committee annually (such committee to be elected by the Department Executive Committee and consisting of five members of the Department Executive Committee). The members of this committee will serve three consecutive years. After much discussion a motion was made.

1st Motion made by PDP Harrell that the rules of the C/By-Laws be followed in the election of the Secretary/Treasurer to become compliant in June 2019. Motion was seconded and passed

Is there any new business?

2nd Motion made by 4th District President Eason stated Post 207 burned down along with their charter, so I wanted to make a motion that the charter be replaced because it was destroyed by fire. The motion was seconded and passed.

President Lawrence asked if there was any more new business? None noted.

Secretary Hawkins made announcements about the Unit Activity Guide book corrections.

President Lawrence asked if there were further announcements.
The Girls State Board of Directors meeting will follow immediately after this meeting.

President Lawrence asked Chaplain Smith-Fox to say the closing prayer.

President Lawrence adjourned the meeting at 7:33pm.

Respectfully submitted by Patty Hawkins, Dept. Secretary

**American Legion Auxiliary
Georgia Girls State
Department of Georgia
Spring Conference Executive Board Meeting
Sonesta Gwinnett Conference Center, Duluth**

Thursday March 21, 2019

President Jane Lawrence called the Girls State Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:40pm.

President Lawrence asked Secretary Patty Hawkins to do the roll call.

The following officers were present Department President Jane Lawrence, 1st VP Valerie Brown-Debro, NEC Anita Owens, Secretary Patty Hawkins, Girls State Director Deedy Harrell, Girls State Assistant Director Gabrielle Barnett, Betty Brown-Johnson, (2016-2019), Pat Morgan,(2016-2019), Susie Mash,(2017-2020), Susan Hall,(2017-2020) Bernadette Larocque, (2017-2020),Kris Ann Alexander,(2018-2021), Donna McCain, (2018-2021), Miriam Stein, (2018-2021), Kathy Woods, Committee and Tillie Davis, Past Director. Absent were Government Instructor Sheila Powell, Christina Milligan, Committee, Past Director, Katherine Carter. Secretary Hawkins stated we have a quorum.

President Lawrence stated the 2018 Fall Conference Girls States minutes were circularized. President Lawrence asked if there were any corrections. A motion was made to accept the minutes as circularized. Motion was seconded and passed.

President Lawrence called on Director Harrell to give her report. Girls State is going to be held June 9th -14th, staff reports on the eighth of June. The cost is \$300 per girl, due into the Department Headquarters April 20. We have three state troopers and we're begging for the fourth. There was discussion about insurance requirements and cost. This concludes my report.

President Lawrence asked if there any other unfinished business. Does anyone else have anything to say?

Can I have a motion to adjourn our meeting?

A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and accepted.

The meeting is adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted by Patty Hawkins, Secretary