

Headquarters News

DAV Auxiliary



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Membership Year-End 2012

The 2011-2012 membership year has come to a close and the 2012-2013 membership year has begun. Special appreciation is extended to the dedicated members and recruiters of this organization who made 2011-2012 a success. It is because of you that the DAV Auxiliary continues to thrive and accomplish the mission for which the organization was formed. With the new membership year, comes new challenges and goals. But, the determination and tenacity of Auxiliary members will carry the organization forward for the benefit of disabled veterans and their families. We want to thank and recognize the following state departments that reached their 2011-2012 membership quota:

Alabama Arizona Arkansas Colorado Delaware Florida Georgia Idaho
 Indiana Iowa Kansas Kentucky Louisiana Maine Maryland Massachusetts
 Michigan Missouri Nebraska Nevada New Hampshire New Mexico
 North Carolina Oklahoma Oregon Pennsylvania Rhode Island South Carolina
 Texas Vermont Virginia Washington Puerto Rico

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New Junior Web Page

We now have a new online Junior Members web page. Encourage junior members to visit this site to learn more about the DAV Auxiliary. The content potential for this page is extraordinary and will grow as ideas flow through.

- Templates are available for printing membership cards for junior members or certificates of appreciation. Show them how much we care!
- The Junior Activities section of the Auxiliary manual is also included.
- We welcome photos of junior members in action for the Photo Gallery. If you have a junior activity photo you would like to share, please send via email to dava@davmail.org.

We appreciate the efforts of National Junior Activities Chairman Ann Glende for her diligence in pursuing this goal. Take a moment to explore this page <http://www.davauxiliary.org/membership/JuniorMembers.aspx>

Membership

By Susan Miller, National Membership Chairman

It was great news to hear that the National Membership Quota has been met. I know that several state departments have met quota. It would have been REALLY great if ALL state departments would have made quota by June 30th. Congratulations to all who did!!!

I know many people have worked really hard to reach quota. I want to personally thank all of you who signed up a new member this year. I KNOW the DAVA should be much larger than the DAV. We need to start looking at ALL the people who are now eligible to join.

ELIGIBILITY: The family and extended family members of any person (or any deceased person) eligible for membership in the Disabled American Veterans, are eligible for membership in the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary.

The family and extended family members of any person injured and may still be in active service in the armed forces of the United States of America and eligible for membership in the Disabled American Veterans, are eligible for membership in the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary.

The family and extended family members of any person who served with the armed forces of any nation associated with the United States of America as an ally, was honorably discharged, and became an American citizen, are eligible for membership in the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary.

The family and extended family members of any person who has served in the armed forces of the United States of America and has not been dishonorably discharged or separated from such service are eligible for membership in the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary.

The family and extended family of Auxiliary members who are not otherwise eligible for membership are eligible for membership in the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary.

Any member in good standing and eligible for membership in both the parent organization and the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary shall be eligible to vote, hold an elected or appointed office and/or chairmanship in the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary when not holding an elected or appointed office and/or chairmanship in the Disabled American Veterans.

We all need to promote our organization and continue to help it grow. Without growth, we would eventually cease to exist. Our purpose is still very much needed. There are veterans returning from current wars who need our help now, and others may need it in the future. We need to be there for them. We all need to look carefully at the eligibility and I am sure each and every one of us could come up with 3-5 people who are eligible to join our great organization. We could become 5+million strong!!

Community Service

By Laurie Stopyra, National Community Service Chairman

The year is winding down. Many States are having their conventions. Your Community Service reports were awesome. It is time to be choosing your members to attend National Convention in Las Vegas. Your members will be choosing members to attend the report judging. Remember one member per District for each report to include Community Service, VAVS, Hospital, Legislation, Americanism, Junior Activities and Mae Holmes. The report judging is a way to learn and receive ideas in which you can take back to your Units and States.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the National Convention.

Junior Activities

By Ann Glende, National Junior Activities Chairman

JUNIORS! Have you been collecting money for Camp Corral?

Don't forget to send the money in to DAV Auxiliary National Headquarters. You can also bring it directly to National Convention, but the funds are needed as soon as possible so more kids can go to camp, so it's highly suggested you send it to National Headquarters and indicate the check is for Camp Corral.

A great party is planned for you on Sunday during National Convention. The party will be from 1:00pm-4:00pm. Come hungry and ready to have fun!

Please be sure to let National Headquarters know how many of you are attending so we have enough surprises for everyone!

I can't wait to see everyone and hear about all the wonderful things you've done this year! Thank you for being my STARS!!

2012 DAV/DAVA National Convention ~ Las Vegas Bally's Las Vegas, Nevada

3645 Las Vegas Blvd. South – Las Vegas, NV 89109 ~ 800.634.3434—\$112 Room Rate

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| 8/2—Registration | 8/5—Junior Pizza Pizzazz |
| 8/2—Auxiliary NEC Mtg. | 8/5—Fun Night |
| 8/3—National District Mtgs. | 8/6—Auxiliary Business Session |
| 8/4—Convention Committee Mtgs. | 8/6—Forget-Me-Not Luncheon |
| 8/4—Joint Opening Session | 8/7—Final Auxiliary Business Session |
| 8/4—DAV Natl. Comdr. Reception | 8/7—Intro. of Natl. Officers & Dinner |
| 8/5—Auxiliary Business Session | |

Tentative Agenda Subject to Change

Registration—\$25

National Fall Conference September 27—29, 2012

Banquet—\$40

Make your plans to attend the DAV Auxiliary National Fall Conference in Lexington, Kentucky. National Chairmen will present their programs and answer questions from attendees. Thursday afternoon's schedule will include breakout sessions from 1:00—5:00 pm. The first business session will begin Thursday evening at 7:00 pm. A carnival is planned for Friday and should be a fun time for all.

Don't forget to send in the names of attendees, including guests, so we can experience a smooth registration.

We are looking forward to another successful Fall Conference and look forward to seeing you there!

2012 National Fall Conference

Lexington Downtown Hilton

369 W. Vine Street ~ Lexington, KY 45202
859.231.9000

September 27—29
\$119 Single/Double

Direct reservation link:

http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/L/LEXDTHF-DAVETS-20120926/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Call now for reservations and plan to attend this informative conference!



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Same Team... Same Dream: Serving Disabled American Veterans and Their Families

State conventions have been completed and the newly elected/appointed officers and chairmen are to be commended for their willingness to accept these roles and lead their respective states through the 2012-2013 membership year.

Congratulations to these recruiters whose names were drawn in June for a cash award of \$25 each:

Angie McDowell, Indiana #19
Alice Kolka, Michigan #115

Reminders

- **Quota** — Each July 1, unit/state quotas are set using the following formula: Units with less than 50 members (as of June 30, 2012) will have a quota increase of one additional member. Units with 50 or members (as of June 30, 2012) will have a quota increase of one additional member per each 25 members.
- **Membership Listings** are mailed twice per year — As of July 1 and January 1. Commanders, Senior Vice Commanders, Adjutants, and Membership Chairmen have access to the membership system to generate membership listings throughout the year. Keep in mind, the membership listing is to be used for Auxiliary purposes only.
- **Indebted Units and State Departments** — Units and state departments that have not submitted a financial report for 2011-2012 or paid 2011-2012 national mandates will not be permitted to vote at the national convention. Indebtedness must be addressed prior to July 27, 2012.
- **Donations** — Make all donation checks payable to DAVA (or DAV Auxiliary) and **earmark** to designate which program is the recipient. For example: Education Scholarship, Service Support, Freedoms Foundation, HVWP, etc.
- **IRS Form 990-N** — It cannot be stressed enough how important it is for units and state departments to file the electronic postcard 990-N with the Internal Revenue Service. Many units have lost their non-profit status due to failure to file this required information annually. Restoration of the non-profit status is a timely and costly endeavor. Avoid the frustration by taking a few minutes to file this electronic postcard within five months and 15 days of the close of your fiscal year.