



American Legion Auxiliary

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TO: National Executive Committee Members, National Officers, National Chairmen, Past National Presidents
CC: Dept Presidents; Dept Secretaries/EDs, NHQ Staff; National Committee Members
From: Kelly Circle, Executive Director
Re: **Weekly Briefing 09-17-2021**

Welcome to all the new NEC members and new members to this distribution! The 2021-2022 Red Book is complete and online. You can find it on our website by logging into your member portal/Guides/Members/Red Book. This online version is the best source for the most accurate information. If you download a copy or work from the hard copy, you will need to make updates as you receive them with the weekly briefings.

Speaking of the hard copy Red Book, it has been sent to the printer and we will get those sent to the departments as soon as we receive them. Look for them to arrive in mid to late October.

Note: PNP Nicole Clapp's contact information is now:
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We had a very quick turnaround at NHQ from Convention to travel authorizations and events that are right around the corner!
Sept 24 – 26 TAL Americanism Conference/GS Directors Leadership Conference
Oct 1 – Oct 8 TAL Fall Conference
Oct 7 – ALA Risk & Compliance Committee meeting
Oct 8-10 National President Kathy Daudistel's Homecoming!
Oct 10-12 Department Presidents' Retreat

I was speaking with a unit member on the phone and have to share this tidbit. Her unit has been struggling the past few years with declining membership, members who didn't get along, and members who didn't want to come to meetings because of the conflict. (Sound familiar?) She was elected as a unit officer this year and decided to call all the unit members who pay their dues but don't come to meetings and invite them back. She emphasized the unit needs their help, their input is valued, and she is working to change the culture of the unit. Out of the 11 members she contacted, 8 came to the next meeting! Here's to a great first step!

Congratulations to The American Legion and the filmmakers on the Emmy WIN Outstanding Documentary or Nonfiction Special for Boys State!!