



American Legion Auxiliary

*A Community of Volunteers Serving Veterans,
Military, and their Families*

To: ALA Red Book contacts

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From: Kelly Circle, Executive Director

Re: Weekly Briefing 11-05-2021

Free Veterans Day Film Screening

We received this invitation from the VA last week with permission to share far and wide. This is a great opportunity for our members to gain a better understanding of the experiences of and challenges facing our veterans who served in Afghanistan and will help us better meet their needs and the needs of their families. The VA even included sample social media posts so we can easily spread the word.

Units could screen the movie at their post home and invite current and prospective Legion members to join them to make it a Legion Family event!

This Veterans Day you're invited to a free, nationwide screening of [*Modern Warrior LIVE*](#).

Modern Warrior LIVE is a story of one veteran's experience. Staff Sergeant Jaymes Poling spent three years in Afghanistan as an infantryman with the 82nd Airborne Division. In this production, Jaymes shares the story of his experience fighting across three deployments and his subsequent transition back home.

Generations of veterans, and countless civilians, have seen the show and found deep connection with the stories and experiences.

Modern Warrior LIVE aims to break down the societal barriers that leave veterans feeling alone. It is a catalyst for meaningful conversation about the veteran experience. The story of *Modern Warrior Live* and the conversation it sparks is more important now than ever.

The virtual screening will be available from November 11th - 14th. You can register to watch here: www.modernwarriorlive.org

We hope you'll take some time to watch, reflect, and connect with your community.

Social Media Posts

Sample Posts:

Special Veterans Day Event! Watch an exclusive screening of *Modern Warrior LIVE* - the story of one veteran's experience serving in Afghanistan and transitioning back home. Register here: www.modernwarriorlive.org



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Applications now being accepted for 2022-2023 national appointments

Are you a motivated member interested in serving a national committee position during the 2022-2023 administrative year? National committee chairs and members are appointed annually and confirmed by the National Executive Committee to serve on a wide variety of ALA committees for you to explore.

The goal is to match skill sets and talents that best complement the Auxiliary's mission of serving veterans, the military, and their families. Some committees, like ALA Girls Nation, Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (for the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival), and Junior Activities require physical agility and endurance.

You need not have served as an officer in your district or department to be eligible for an appointment, and male spouse ALA members are welcome to apply. Please share this announcement with your fellow members. Check out this [video testimonial](#) from members currently serving a national appointment. The application window ends Dec. 15. Click [here](#) to apply.

Save the Date

The virtual mid-year NEC meeting will be held on Saturday, March 5th. More details to follow as we get closer to the date!

National Constitution & Bylaws

The National C&B plus national policies is available online for download. If you're old school like me, spiral-bound hard copies can be ordered from Emblem Sales. (Happiness is spiral-bound reference books – they stay open to the page you want!) We just sent Emblem Sales the print request, so give them a few days to turn it around.

Red Book Updates

The online Red Book has been updated. Attached are the corrections received this week. Please send all Red Book corrections to alahq@alaforveterans.org.