

PROGRAM GUIDE

MEMBERSHIP	Rose Kraft
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Unit: (Presented at Mid-Winter)	
100% by Dec 7 receive \$25 from Department	
100% Renewal by Jan 31, 2024 – drawing for \$50 from Department	

AMERICANISM	Keli Stelley
206 S Dickerson Avenue, Irene, SD 57037	480-201-6109
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To promote patriotism & responsible citizenship	
*Sponsor an American Essay & Poem Contest	
AUXILIARY EMERGENCY Fund	Linda Holmes
700 S Montana St, Mitchell, SD 57301	605-770-6228
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*Educate members on emergency aid and / or educational assistance available in crisis situations	

CHILDREN & YOUTH	Theresa Maeschen
417 E 10 th Ave, Mitchell, SD 57301	605-996-2845
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*Donations to Children & Youth, Scholarships & Child Welfare	
*Promote Youth Hero/Good Deed Awards	

COMMUNITY SERVICE	Sherry Woltjer
412 N Washington Ave #2, Dell Rapids, SD 57022	605-201-2361
Email: Sherrywoltjer@yahoo.com	
*Assist with or sponsor a Community Service Project	
*Participate in Welcome Home and Send Off Ceremonies	

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS	Patrice Sorensen
121 Morningside Dr, Box Elder, SD 57719	612-237-8166
Email patrice.sorensenaux@yahoo.com	
*To inform members of the importance of policies & procedures	

EDUCATION	Jan Seibel
42541 102 nd St, Britton, SD 57430	605-448-3002
Email: seibelj@venturecomm.net	
*Promote and encourage quality education for all citizens	
*SCHOLARSHIP: 2-\$500 College Scholarships / 2-\$500 Vocational Scholarship / 1-\$300 Senior Scholarship / 1-\$300 Junior Scholarship / 1 \$400 Senior Auxiliary Membership Scholarship	
*Give 10 to Education	

FINANCE	Kate Aulner
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*Oversee the financial policies, preparation of budget, supervise Expenditures	

For more information visit our website

www.sdlegionaux.org

FACEBOOK: South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary

ALA SD GIRLS STATE	Tiffany French
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*Provide a learning –by-doing experience in the workings of Govern-ment	
*Provide information about the Samsung Scholarship	
*Encourage membership in the ALA	

JUNIOR ACTIVITIES	Heather Kruger
PO Box 243, DeSmet, SD 57231	605-203-3010
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*Involve and educate young Auxiliary members on the activities and Support or start a Junior group	
LEADERSHIP	Susie Learing
224 S Till Ave, Irene, SD 57037	507-401-1436
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*Develop & prepare leaders and mentor members	
*Sponsor a Leadership Training Course	
*Select a Unit Member of the Year	

LEGIONETTE	Jill Lamer
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*Mail \$5.00 / Email \$2.00 *Subscriptions run September-June	

LEGISLATIVE	Micheline Nelson
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*To assist ALA members in supporting the legislative agenda of The American Legion	

NATIONAL SECURITY	Patsy Madsen
125 N Madison Ave, Pierre, SD 57501	605-280-6479
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*Promote a strong national defense by supporting the military & families	

PAST PRESIDENT PARLEY	Joyce Smith
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POPPY	Jane Benzel
27949 Horse Camp Rd, Hot Springs, SD 57747	605-745-6375
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*Honor veterans for their service by promoting and educating people about the financial benefits of their distribution.	

PUBLIC RELATIONS	Jill Lamer
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VETERANS AFFARIS & REHABILITATION	Laura “Susie’ Clyde
2038 Baltimore Ave, Hot Springs, SD 57747	605-890-1854
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*Enhance the lives of veterans, military and their families	
*Support rehabilitation programs	

FT. MEADE VA	
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Deputy Hospital Representative	Lin Popp
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Christmas Gift Shop	Joanann Goeringer
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Email: joananngoeringer@gmail.com	
Christmas Party	Unit 311, Piedmont
Unit President, Virginia Cammack	605-484-4714
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HOT SPRINGS VA	
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HOT SPRINGS STATE HOME	
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Deputy Hospital Representative	Jane Benzel
27949 Horse Camp Rd, Hot Springs, SD 57747	605-890-1154
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Christmas Gift Shop	Carrie Alm
% St. Veterans Home, 1700 Minnekata Ave, Hot Springs, SD 57747	605-673-3296

Email: littlegirl233@msn.com	
Christmas Party	Unit 71, Hot Springs
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Christmas Party	Unit 15, Sioux Falls
1100 E Libby Ln, Sioux Falls, SD 57108	605-363-7379
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HUMAN SERVICE CENTER	
Christmas Gift Shop	Susie Learing
224 S Till Ave, Irene, SD 57037	507-401-1436
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THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY

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Mid-Winter Schedule	
2025 Oacoma	Feb 14-16
2026 Oacoma	Feb 20-22
2027 Oacoma	Feb 19-21
Department Convention Schedule	
2025 Huron	June 19-22
2026 Aberdeen	Jun 18-21
2027 Sioux Falls	June 16-19
National Convention Schedule	
2025 Tampa Bay, FL	Aug 22-28
2026 Louisville, Ky	Aug 28-Sep 3

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER – Junior Activities, Publicity & Music

*9/11 National day of Service & Remembrance/Patriot Day

*Send Christmas Gift Shop items by October 1

*Report from Citizens of ALA SD Girls State

*Plan Unit Program for the year

*National POW/MIA Recognition Day – 9/20/24

*Launch Membership drive

*Make plans to attend District meeting

*Gold Star Mother’s Day – 9/29/24

*Organize Junior group

*Send Legionette subscriptions to Dept. Headquarters

OCTOBER – Membership

*Send Poppy orders to Dept. Headquarters

*Make a Difference Day – 10/26/24

*Pay Convention Proceedings - \$15-MANDATORY

*Pay Unit Bond - \$6-MANDATORY

*Cash Donation to Christmas Gift & Party by October 1

NOVEMBER – Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation-

*Observe Auxiliary Birthday-November 10

*Veterans Day – November 11

*Attend a Veteran Day Program at your local school

*Send in POPPY orders by November 11

DECEMBER – EDUCATION AND LEGISLATIVE

*Christmas Program at Unit meeting

*Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day 12/7/23

*Hold Unit Rehabilitation meeting

JANUARY – AMERICANISM

*Sponsor Legislative Programs

*Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – 1/20/25

*Plan Poppy Contest / Miss Poppy

FEBRUARY – ALA SD GIRLS STATE

*GIRLS STATE & JOURNALISM CITY APPLICATIONS due March 1st

*Mid-Winter @ Ocoma 2/14-16/2025

*February 14 – National Membership Goal 85%

*Americanism Poem & Essay

*Pay Past Presidents Parley dues by March 1

*District meetings in March & April

MARCH – Community Service

*Legion Birthday Observance 3/12/25

*LEGIONETTE Nominees due to District President’s – March 15

*Send in ALA SD Girls State & Journalism Registration

*Quarters – 25 Cents per Member to Dept. Headquarters

*Submit prayers to Dept. Chaplin for President’s Prayer Book

APRIL – Children & Youth

*Organize a Children & Youth program, recognize Good Deed/Youth

Hero recipients

*PURPLE UP FOR MILITARY KIDS – April 15

*April 15- Annual reports due to District Presidents

April 26—American Legion Family Day

MAY – Poppy & Mother’s Day

*Election & Installation of Unit Officers

*Conduct Poppy Distribution*Mother’s Day & Poppy Day Programs

*Remit 25% of Poppy proceeds to Dept. Headquarters by June 10

*Elect delegates to Dept. Convention & remit registration fee

JUNE –ALA SD Girls State & Department Convention

*Girl State Week – May 25–30 @Vermillion

*State Convention @Huron June 19-22, 2025

*Installation of Unit Officers (If not held at time of election)

*Flag Day Program – June 14

*Emphasize Flag Etiquette

*Entertainment by Juniors at Unit Meeting

JULY / AUGUST –

*4th of July – Independence Day

*30 Days Prior to National Convention – National Membership Goal 102%

* National Convention Tampa Bay, FL Aug 22-28, 2025

GIFT SHOP & SHOWER INSTRUCTIONS

*Note on the check the facility & the program the money is for.

Send checks to Department

*Packages are sent directly to the facility with a packing slip

*Packing list should include Unit #, address & dollar value.

Send Personal Care Items to:

Mark all boxes – “ALA Showers”

Ft. Meade VA Medical Center: Patrice Sorensen 121 Morningside Dr, Box Elder, SD 57719

Hot Springs VA Medical Center: Attn: Shanna Clyde, ALA HSVA Rep, 500 N 5th St., Hot Springs SD 57747

Sioux Falls VA Medical Center: Gloria Bonjour, 47860 HWY 18, Canton,, SD 57013 605-553-1308 or 605-333-6851

Hot Springs State Veterans Home:: Karen Phelan, 1700 Minnekahta, Hot Springs, SD 57747

Human Service Center: Susie Learning, 224 S Till Ave, Irene, SD 57037

Send Christmas Gifts to:

Ft. Meade VA Medical Center: Attn: Joanann Goeringer ALA GIFT SHOP, 21084 HWY 385, Deadwood, SD 57732

Hot Springs VA Medical Center: Attn: Shanna Clyde, ALA GIFT SHOP, 500 N 5th St., Hot Springs, SD 57747

Sioux Fall VA Medical Center: Attn: Julie Weinmann, ALA GIFT SHOP, 524 N Cedar St, Canton, SD 57013

Hot Springs State Veterans Home: Attn: Carrie Alm or Karen Phelan, ALA GIFT SHOP, 12234 Harper Ln. Custer, SD 57747

Human Service Center: Attn: Susie Learning, 224 S Till Ave, Irene, SD 57037

VETERANS CEMETERY SUPPORT COUNCIL

(duties are to take care of Avenue of Flags at Black Hills National Cemetery)

Primary Rep-Regan “Trip” McClurkin, Piedmont 311

PO Box 311, Piedmont, SD 57769 937-831-1040

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What Facility does my Unit support?

Ft. Meade VA Medical Center: ALL of Districts 1 & 4

Hot Springs VA Medical Center: ALL of District 2; District 5 – Big Stone City, Britton, Grenville, Langford, Milbank, New Effington, Pierpont, Revilo, Rosholt, Roslyn, Sisseton, Strandburg, Veblen, Waubay, Wilmot;

District 3 – Blunt, Bonesteel, Colome, Dallas, Fairfax, Ft. Pierre, Gettysburg, Gregory, Herrick, Highmore, Hoven, Kennebec, Miller, Onida, Pierre, Presho, Vivian, Winner

Sioux Falls VA Medical Center: ALL of District 7; District 5 – Astoria, Aurora, Bradley, Brookings, Bryant, Carpenter, Castlewood, Clark, Clear Lake, Elkton, Estelline, Garden City, Gary, Raymond, Toronto, Volga, Watertown, Webster, White, Willow Lake

Hot Springs State Veterans Home: ALL of District 6

Human Service Center: All of District 8

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS:

Ft. Meade VA:

Anytime: Tube and Crew socks, combs, deodorant, lotion, Toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, denture cream

Dec: Cash donations, \$5 per veteran for as many as you care to serve, due to Dept. Headquarters by Dec. 1st

Cash donations send to Dept Headquarters, Quarters \$.25 per member - send to Dept Headquarters, Cash donations, send to Dept Headquarters

Hot Springs VA:

Anytime: Toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotion, deodorant, twin blade razors, shampoo, conditioner, Q-Tips, Denture care items, Shower Gel, Hand Soap, Clippers, Floss, Flip Flops, combs, brushes, shower scrubbies, underwear, T-shirts (Sm-3X), Puzzle books, postage stamps, greeting cards, playing cards, Cash donations, \$5 per veteran for as many as you care to serve, due to Dept. Headquarters by Dec 1, Quarters, \$.25 per member— send to Dept Headquarters

Sioux Falls VA:

Anytime: Shaving cream, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotion, deodorant, Denture cleaners, baby powder, twin blade disposable razors, Coffee, microwave popcorn (light and butter)

Dec: Cash donations, \$5 per veteran for as many as you care to serve, due to Dept Headquarters by Dec 1, Quarters, \$.25 per member—send to Dept Headquarters

Hot Springs State Veterans Home:

Anytime: Shaving Cream, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, foot powder, conditioner, Playing Cards (lg print Poker and Pinochle), greeting cards, puzzle books, large print books, cash donations for field trips. Denture care products, Kleenex, dental floss, Cash donations, \$5 per veteran for as many as you care to serve, due to Dept. Headquarters by Dec. 1st, Quarters, \$.25 per member—send to Dept Headquarters

CASH DONATIONS CAN BE SENT TO DEPT AT ANYTIME

R.E.D.

Wear red every Friday—Remember Everyone Deployed



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