

## **Chairmen's Corner for November 2016**

### **Americanism, Julie Smith, Chairman**

Send pictures and a short description of your Unit doing the "Get out the Vote Program" We will draw for \$25 at Mid-Winter.

Contact schools and distribute information on the Essay Contest. This year's topic, "**How does learning about government and our America help you become a future guardian of the liberties of our country?**" I will need your unit's entries post marked by **March 15, 2017**. I sincerely hope that you will participate in this contest. It would be wonderful if NC could have a national winner. We will follow the same guidelines as National

### **Girls State, Barbie Creech, Chairman**

ALA THGS will be held on the campus of Catawba College in Salisbury, NC June 11-17. Applications need to be requested from headquarters in December if possible. They will be mailed out in January.

Tuition is \$400 per citizen.

All applications need to be returned to headquarters with a unit check for the tuition by March 10. Tuition is Non-refundable after April 15.

Orientations will be scheduled for the spring. Check the website [www.thgs.com](http://www.thgs.com) for the correct schedule. All citizens are required to attend an orientation and may pick any one that is convenient to them. Auxiliary members are encouraged to attend one also.

### **Poppy Karen W. Ennis, Chairman**

This year the Poppy Committee is asking you to do 3 projects. The 1<sup>st</sup> one is to make Poppy cupcakes. You can have your juniors help and serve them at your monthly meeting. You can Google to get ideas and directions. Pinterest also has ideas. Please be sure to take lots of pictures and mail them to me. 2<sup>nd</sup> project is to make Poppy tote bags. You can get them at AC Moore, Michaels and Hobby Lobby. You can use felt, paints, glitter etc. Please bring them with you to Mid-Winter Conference. The last one is make small flower arrangements with the Poppies. We will give them to the Female Veterans in the 4 VA Hospitals. Bring them with you to Department Convention; also during Convention we will have a Poppy T-Shirt contest. The winner will receive \$25.00

### **November Leadership Chairmen's Corner**

During the month of November many unit members are involved with "Get out the Vote" campaigns and town meetings, Veterans Day Services and Thanksgiving activities for veterans. The leadership Committee suggest those in charge of such events make use of the resources available on the American Legion Auxiliary website to ensure that proper procedures and protocol are followed.

Our committee also welcomes invitations from units, districts and divisions to conduct learning opportunities for members on topics of your choice. Please contact us with your requests.

Betsey Lee Hodges, Chairman

Mary Ward and Sharon Neville, members