

Greeting Auxiliary Family,

Time to start thinking about ALA Unit Member of the Year. This honor is open to any Senior member who is not currently nor have ever been in an elected or appointed leadership role higher than Unit President. Forms can be found on the Department Web Page. The application you need to submit along with a narrative of 1,000 words or less to Department Linda Hayes(president@calegionaux.org) and a copy to Diana Livas (leadership@calegionaux.org). The deadline is May 1st.

Here we are once again in November. As always, Auxiliary has big things happening this month. One of them being our Mid-Year Reports which are due in December 2024.

I am hopeful you have completed or are about to complete your mid-year reports. Time and time again I hear some of our members say reporting is not so important, or I just don't have the time. If this is you, I need for you to think about this... **Your work matters**, and the way we show it is by reporting it. You give so much of your time to this great organization and now is the time to say it loud and proud. If your struggling with reports, talk with your Unit President, if she is too busy then reach out to your district for support. You only have to ask, and we are here to help.

Now for some fun facts.

ACRONYMS

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| AEF | Auxiliary Emergency Fund | ALA | American Legion Auxiliary |
| ALCWF | American Legion Child Welfare Fund | ALR | American Legion Riders |
| C&B | Constitution & Bylaws | CBOC | Community Based Outpatient Clinic |
| CFA | Citizens Flag Alliance | COM | Cavalcade of Memories |
| CS | Community Service | CWF | Child Welfare Foundation |
| DEC | Department Executive Committee | E-BOARD | Executive Committee |
| JROTC | JR. Reserve Officer Training Course | NVCAF | National Veterans Creative Arts Festival |
| NEC | National Executive Committee | NPSF | National Presidents Scholarship Fund |
| OMK | Operations Military Kids | PPP | Past Presidents Parley |
| PDP | Past Department Presidents | PNP | Past National Presidents |
| POW/MIA | Prisoner of War/Missing in Action | PR | Public Relations |
| ROTC | Reserve Officer Training | SAL | Sons of The American Legion |
| SOY | Sprit of Youth | TAL | The American Legion |
| VA&R | Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation | VAHC | Veterans Administration Health Center |
| | VAMC | | Veterans Administration Medical Center |
| | VAVS | | Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service |
| | VSO | | Veterans Service Organization |