

Leadership

2009-2010 Celebrating the 90th Anniversary of the Auxiliary
National President's Theme: Reconnect and Energize!

Plan of Action: Leadership Committee

Purpose: To develop and prepare knowledgeable and capable leaders to carry on the growth and success of the Auxiliary by promoting activities and resources that educate, motivate, and mentor members of all ages and at all levels

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National-level Objectives

1. **Objective:** Give Unit, District, and Department officers tools to help them understand their roles, motivate them and give them information to help develop future leaders of our organization.

Action Steps

- a. Develop a leadership toolkit using all forms of communication highlighting the use of technology
- b. Develop roles for chairmen at all levels
- c. Showcase successful leadership activities
- d. Provide the Departments with information to help in the development of future leaders
- e. Share National PowerPoint Presentations with Departments

2. **Objective:** Evaluate the Leadership guide for both Juniors and Seniors

Action Steps

- a. Junior Leadership Course update completed and on the website
- b. Senior Leadership Course updated
- c. Encourage Department Chairman to design a leadership program

To be filled out by Department Chairman:

Department Goals relating to above. Should have no more than three department-level goals supporting the National objectives outlined above. Department Chair - please share these with your Committee and forward a copy to your National Chairman. (This process does not need national approval.)

1. **Objective:**

Action Steps

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2. **Objective:**

Action Steps

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3. **Objective:**

Action Steps

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Programs and Activities

1. Past officers and chairmen can mentor current/new officers and chairmen. Seasoned members can mentor new members.
2. Pair past and current officers and chairmen during a leadership training course so they can share information

Committee Awards:

Most Outstanding Overall Department Leadership Program Award

An award will be presented to the Department Leadership Chairman with the best overall Leadership program. Entry must be in narrative form not to exceed 1,000 words and must include a completed copy of the annual report form. Pictures may be included, but will not be returned. All entries must be post-marked by June 1, 2010 and sent to the National Chairman

Unit Leadership Training Recognition Certificates

A recognition certificate will be presented to individual Unit Leadership Chairman or Officer who conducts three (3) leadership training sessions at unit meetings. Topics to be covered include (1) duties of officers, (2) how to conduct and how to participate in a meeting, and (3) a leadership topic of your choice. Submit dates of training sessions, topics covered, and the length of each training session. Submit information to Committee Vice Chairman Dianne McClung, postmarked by June 1, 2010.

Resources

1. Senior Leadership Correspondence Course – online www.legion-aux.org
2. *I Was Born to Win*, Author James A Smith

See program page on www.legion-aux.org for additional resources

Resources are available from The American Legion National Emblem Sales, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206-1050 or call toll free 1-888-453-4466 for information on ordering and possible price changes. Order online at <http://emblem.legion.org>

- Unit Handbook
- National Constitution and Bylaws
- Policies and Procedures
- RBT'S Rules of order – hardback
- RTB'S Rules of Order – Paperback
- Parliamentary Procedure
- Let's Be Right on Flag Etiquette