

IDAHO AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

AUGUST 2019



Post and Unit 137 conducted their annual potluck BBQ on August 10th. Dist 9 President- Barbra Scott, District 9 Vice President- Pamela Mann, Dist 9 Chaplain- De Leah Eavenson and Dept President Susan Barnett attended festivities to present 100% membership certificate from Department Convention. The BBQ included potluck items from Auxiliary members and the grill was manned by the Post Adjutant, where he fixed up burgers and steaks. Good food and friendships were had by all. BBQ was conducted in the park in Horseshoe Bend announced by a large banner out by the highway.



These two army vehicles were in attendance at the Annual Celebration "Spirit of 45". The Spirit of 45 celebrates the end of WWII in the European theater. This year's annual celebration was conducted at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery in Boise on August 11th.



Included in the celebration was a wall of photos of Idaho Veterans that served during WWII. Present at the ceremony included the widow of one of these Veterans. Several WWII veterans were in attendance at this ceremony. A couple present have treasured a life together of 72 years. Photos on this wall not shown in this one picture included the famous "Pappy Boyington".

The color guard for the ceremony was conducted by the Treasure Valley Honor Guard, made up of members from the various Veterans organizations including The American Legion, VFW, The Military Order of the Purple Heart, and others. Auxiliary members present included Department Chaplain- De Leah Eavenson and Department President Susan Barnett.

Monday night August 12th Payette Post/Unit 33 hosted a dinner for Girls and Boys State attendees and their families.



Thursday August 22nd Twin Falls Unit 7 celebrated the end of Summer with a potluck dinner and the installation of the new Officers. Also presented at this dinner was the District's 100% Membership Certificate presented to District 5 President Kim McElliott by Department President Susan Barnett. Unit President Beth Beedle presented Continuous years of Service pins to a lot of members not

all were able to attend but all names and years of service were read to all who were present. Beth began with 40 year members and went all the way down to 5 year members. The newer members with less than 5 years were presented with new member certificates. It was a wonderful opportunity to be included in this event and to see so much good will and appreciation for all the hard work these ladies do for The American Legion Auxiliary.

Our last event of the month of August included attendance at The American Legion and The American Legion Auxiliary National Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana from 23-29th of August. Idaho's Auxiliary delegation included Past Dept President Cindy Woodman, President Susan Barnett, Vice President Sarah Brown, N.E.C. Toni Gimple, Carmen Metzger, and Mary Wilding. It was a very full week with lunches and dinners and all groups of the American Legion, the Auxiliary, the SONS of the American Legion, graduates of The American Legion college, and ANIVICUS.

This concludes the reporting of August 2019 adventures and events. I look forward to attending more events around the state as your 2019-2020 American Legion Auxiliary President.