

IDAHO AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

September 2019

September was a busy month. As you all may know our Department Secretary, Mary has had some health issues which kept her out of the office for most of the month so I have been covering as much time at Department headquarters as I could fit into my schedule. This amounted to 33 hours and 560 miles in the office, cleaning, moving furniture, filing and depositing checks that came into the office. Carmen Metzger also helped me cover the office and she was the one who tackled the office printer and made copies of the directories for all of us.

Nampa Unit was quite busy this month as well. Sorry Ladies no pictures from this month. Nampa Unit held Breakfast for the community of omelets on the 7th. They held a garage sale from the 12th through the 15th to raise money for Girls State. They held a social for Boys/Girls State attendees from the 2019 year, this year's participants'.

The Boise Veterans Home also celebrated a Veterans Appreciation Day on the 14th.

Our Fall District meetings kicked off with District 9 in McCall, which I attended. 6 Hours of travel, 278 miles and a whopping \$9.00 in gas. Discussed during the meeting were scholarships opportunities, a \$35,000 baseball scholarship went unused because NO ONE in Idaho applied for The American Legion Baseball Scholarship this year. Coming up is The American Legion Oratorical contest with National scholarships for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, as well as money for scholarship the students can earn at each of the different levels. I realize these 2 scholarships are Legion scholarships but WE ARE ALL ONE FAMILY. Please help your local Posts advertise, and conduct these competitions. You all already know about the Samsung scholarships for Boys and Girls state, let's become acquainted with the rest and HELP the YOUTH OF IDAHO.

District 7 met in Driggs on the 28th. Unfortunately I was unable to attend due to my work schedule, I currently and temporarily covering every other Saturday night for a client, this limits my traveling ability. Sarah Brown our Vice-President covered the meeting for me and did a wonderful job as I understand.

Meridian Post 113 conducted another Disaster Preparedness Day for the community. I was able to help set up tables and put out food bought and made by our Auxiliary members including homemade strawberry mini-muffins, store bought cookies and lemonade. I was able to contribute 2.5 hours, 40 miles, and \$40 in supplies. Sue Thorton baked brownies for the event as well. During the event \$5 was donated for the Auxiliary Emergency Fund.





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