



Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. Auxiliary

Department of California

To Be Read on Auxiliary Floor

January 17, 2019

All officers who have not paid their dues by December 31, 2018 are no longer members in good standing and will be removed as officers by National. Dues must be paid immediately or new officers will have to be elected.

New application forms **MUST** be used (Life membership fees effective 12/1/2017)

Transfers must also fill out an application form but only need show their current valid membership card for proof of eligibility.

Investigating Committee (at least 2 members) is responsible for determining if the applicant is eligible and must sign and date the form after their review.

Applications for new or rejoin members must be completely filled out. Campaign information must be filled out on the form. (Note: For a Post affiliated application, this is not required. However you may add whatever information is available from the applicant for future reference)

New applicants must sign in 2 places (middle and bottom of page). Rejoin and Transfer members must sign the middle of the page.

Date of Birth is mandatory in MALTA and must be provided on all applications.

Clarifications about Malta Gift Donations:

- When you donate to Patriotic Art in Malta, the funds go to National and will be used to increase the endowment fund so that larger / more awards can be given at the National level. When you donate to Dept., the funds go toward the Dept. awards given. Either is fine but I am tracking what goes to department since that is the only way the Auxiliaries know what is going on (and how much we have for awards). There is a report in Malta of donations to National which I can get and will post that on the website going forward.
- Health and Happiness is a donation to the National Fund which provides gifts etc. to the children at the National Home. Sunshine Fund is a Department fund which is used to maintain the 2 homes we have at the National Home. Again, I track the Department donations which cannot be seen anywhere else & also tell us all if we are providing enough funds to maintain our obligations to the houses. Once again there is a Malta report which I will post going forward to show all Auxiliary donations to H&H.
- The Cancer donations – whether made to Dept. or in Malta - all end up at National and since they are for the same purpose, I do currently update the Blackout sheet with any Malta donations – but I put them in a bold, italic font so I know that I don't need to send that amount on to National.

Loyally,

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