



**American Legion Auxiliary
Department of California
District 28
Membership**

September 2022

Madame President, Officers and Members of the Auxiliary,

District 28 is off to a great start. We are currently at 26.91% of goal for the district! For comparison, at this point last year we were at 13.38% of goal. This chairman is happy to report that 9 out of 10 units in our district had membership in ALAMIS by September 14th. Time will tell if a lucky member in our district will have their name drawn on September 24th as the winner of the Cancun vacation with flight credit. Fingers crossed!!

In other important news, a one-time membership dues increase was approved at National Convention. **Effective for the 2024 membership year, dues will increase \$6.** This means beginning next year (when you transmit 2024 membership) instead of remitting \$22 per member, you will need to remit **\$28 per member**. This membership chairperson will be working with Units who will seriously need to consider a dues increase to make sure that they have sufficient funds per member to operate starting in 2024. Now is also the time to start promoting the opportunity of becoming a Paid Up for Life (PUFL) member. PUFLs pay a flat fee based on current dues and their age for lifetime membership. It is a way that can avoid next year, and future dues increases. It also guarantees their renewal each year which helps the Unit make goal.

If membership does wasn't enough to think about, this membership chairman requests their Unit chairman take a moment in ALAMIS to update their Unit Leadership Information. For those who are curious, I have printed copies of the information currently listed. If assistance is needed or you aren't sure where to go in ALAMIS, please let me know. Keeping the leadership information updated serves the following purposes:

- It gives members credit for the service they provide in their various roles. (example: The member can see the years they served as a chairman or in an elected position. This information could then be used on their resume to help them in their professional life as well.)
- It eliminates multiple people from District requesting contact information of each of your officers and chairman. If your membership chair takes a few minutes after elections or installation to update the leadership information, this chairman can run reports to share with the President, Secretary, and other Program chairs of who their Unit counterparts are.

To wrap up this report, this membership chairman reminds Units to:

- Remember to send a copy of their transmittals and/or ALAMIS receipts to her for District record keeping.
- Keep working on renewing members, Units have an upcoming goal of 100% membership by November 11th.
- Continue to recruit new membership. This year's challenge is 10 plus 3 in 2023. That's 10 new seniors and 3 new Juniors.

This concludes my report.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Glenny
Membership Chairman