



Thursday, June 4, 2026

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



Poppy Day

**In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.**

**We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we
lie,
In Flanders fields.**

**Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies
grow
In Flanders fields.**



Poppy History:

At the end of World War I, the American Legion adopted the poppy as a symbol of freedom and the blood sacrificed by troops in wartime. The use of the poppy symbol comes from the poem In Flanders Fields, which movingly begins, "In Flanders Fields the poppies blow, between the crosses, row on row," referring to the poppies that sprang up in the churned-up earth of newly dug soldiers' graves over parts of Belgium and France. The poem was written by Lt. Col. John McCrae in 1915 after witnessing the death of his friend, a fellow soldier

In 2017, The American Legion brought National Poppy Day® to the United States by asking Congress to designate the Friday before Memorial Day as National Poppy Day. How can ALA departments and units support National Poppy Day? Honor the fallen. Support the living. National Poppy Day is the Friday before Memorial Day! Remember: Poppies are not sold by volunteers — they are "distributed." Donations are accepted but are not mandatory.

How to get involved:

- ★ Plan to set up a card table with your sponsoring unit. If distributed in front of a business, please make sure you have permission or permits to do so.
- ★ When you are distributing poppies, have fun; be joyful! Remember that you are representing the American Legion Family when you are out in public.
- ★ Get creative! You can bake spritz cookies or make felt poppies. You don't have to limit yourself to traditional crepe paper poppies.
- ★ In the weeks leading up to National Poppy Day, ask local dentists, doctors, and hairstylists; you know if they would be willing to display poppies. If they are amenable, provide them with a bouquet of poppies and a sealed poppy donation can from your sponsoring ALA unit.
- ★ Invite local service members (active duty, reservists, or National Guardsmen) to help in your distribution. Although it would be wonderful if they were members of the Legion Family, it is not necessary. Ask if they will wear their duty uniform.

- ★ Get involved in the ALA Poppy Poster Contest. Present the poster to the unit so that they can use some of these posters as advertising in the community. The rules are available at www.ALAforVet



A graphic design on a dark purple background. On the left, there is a white silhouette of a dandelion with its seeds blowing away. In the center, the word "APRIL" is written in large, white, serif capital letters, with the word "april" in a smaller, white, cursive script font overlapping it. Below this, the text "MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD" is written in white, sans-serif capital letters. On the right side, there is a white silhouette of a child's profile.

STATELY NEWS



American Legion Auxiliary Girls State is a highly prestigious civic leadership program that has produced numerous prominent women leaders across politics, media, and the military.

Some of the most notable female alumnae include:

- **Katie Britt:** U.S. Senator from Alabama, former Alabama Girls State Governor, and Girls Nation Senator.
- **Ann Richards:** Former Governor of Texas and notable Girls State alumna.
- **Jane Pauley:** Emmy Award-winning television journalist and host of *CBS Sunday Morning*, who attended Indiana Girls State.
- **Kay Ivey:** Governor of Alabama and past Girls State participants.
- **Michelle D. Johnson:** First female Wing Commander at the U.S. Air Force Academy and retired U.S. Air Force Brigadier General.
- **Leeza Gibbons:** Emmy Award-winning television host and personality.
- **Kasdin Miller Mitchell:** Federal Judge in Texas, former Alabama Girls State Governor, and Girls Nation President.
- **Stephanie Herseth Sandlin:** Former U.S. Representative for South Dakota.
- **Lynne Cheney:** Former Second Lady of the United States.

Your Daily Work Horoscope for June 04, 2026. Discover your Daily Work Horoscope for each zodiac sign here.

Aries

You'll be plenty busy today, maybe too busy. You have a lot to do. Even so, you should still be able to get to most of the important tasks before quitting time. And if not, don't stress out about it. You'll get to the rest of it tomorrow.

Taurus

Your energy is best spent applying your creative ideas to the mundane situations at hand. You have something new to share with the folks you work with, so make sure you have the right person's attention. Rising above the crowd is key.

Gemini

You may have to decide between clients and colleagues at some point. It will be hard to make a call that feels right. No matter how you choose, the other party will feel more deserving. Convincing them otherwise isn't your responsibility.

Cancer

Someone new to your workplace will need advice but may not know who to turn to. Guide them in the right direction, but make sure you keep a light touch, especially at first. Avoid making any comments that will affect their opinions either way.

Leo

You've reached a crossroads in your career path, and you need to make a big decision. This isn't something you can put off or avoid, so think things through quickly and then take the plunge. It won't be nearly as painful as you anticipate.

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Virgo

It's a good time to explore more volatile markets and risky business ventures. You should be able to pick at least a few winners out of all the options. Don't put all your money on the same horse, though. You're always better off diversifying.

Libra

You need to push the envelope further than ever this time, but it will be easier than you realize. Your outrageous behavior will help the right people rethink their positions and lead to better working conditions for all.

Scorpio

Expect to receive some recognition for your role in a recent success. It will feel great. Just remember that you didn't do it alone. You'll score major points if you spread the love around to everyone who deserves it.

Sagittarius

You are usually the most organized person in the workplace, but at the moment even your legendary neatness isn't helping the mess you face. If you can spare a few minutes, try to retool your existing plan of attack and you'll make some headway.

Capricorn

It's a good day to take care of the simple stuff and approach your contacts in a low-key way. As long as you're keeping it light, you'll find that everything will continue to go your way. Get too heavy and you'll lose that edge.

Aquarius

You'll have to open up and allow behavior you ordinarily wouldn't tolerate. It sounds counterintuitive, but your flexibility will create a much more positive environment for you and your peers, and possibly boost productivity and morale.

Pisces

Your work will seem considerably more exciting than usual at the moment, either because of a new and inviting challenge or a previously hidden aspect that finally comes into view. Whatever the case may be, enjoy this rare rush.

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In the eye of our Citizens

Day 3 ALA Alaska Girl's State Newsletter



Claire Burke and Sarah Dallaire
Cabin Caswell-Williamson
Wednesday, June 3rd, 2026
ALA Newsletter

Wednesday, June 3rd, was another busy day at ALA Alaska Girls State. The morning began with flag raising, followed by a delicious breakfast before delegates headed into legislative session to continue learning the functions of state government.

Later, citizens attended city meetings and collaborated on local government activities. During lunch, we were honored to hear from special guests, including Representative Jamie Allard of the Alaska House of Representatives, Michael Bowles, and Margaret Sharpe. Their insights on leadership and public service gave delegates a valuable look into civic engagement and government.

The afternoon was filled with additional meetings and discussions before everyone gathered for another delicious dinner. To conclude the day, citizens participated in the retirement of the flags, reflecting on the values of service and leadership as well citizenship that Girls State seeks to instill.

Overall, the day was filled with learning, collaboration, and opportunities for growth as future female leaders!


Be Election Ready Help America Vote

- * Check registration deadlines.
- * Register or update your information.
- * Find your polling place.
- * Check mailing deadlines.



YOUR GOVERNOR

"I AM NOT AFRAID OF STORMS, FOR I AM LEARNING HOW TO SAIL MY SHIP"-
LOUISA MAY ALCOTT

ELECT  THE BEST

Sarah Dallaire
A Voice for The Last Frontier
FOR ALA ALASKA GIRLS STATE GOV 2026


ROCK THE BALLOT!

ELECT

GEORGIA DEBAUN

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

A PASSION FOR JUSTICE



*Senator Howard
For
State Treasurer*





If you carry one
thing with you
today, let it be this:
You are amazing,
strong, brave,
wonderful, kind,
loved, worthy, and
there is no one like
you.



ALA Mission Statement

In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

Online Training Courses

The American Legion Auxiliary is providing all members with the tools they need to help grow the organization as a team. The Academy courses are designed to help members learn online and at no cost to them.



https://www.legion.org/advocacy/be-the-one/be-the-one-training?utm_campaign=Source+Code+Here&utm_content=TRAINING&utm_term=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Adestra
