



AMERICAN LEGION
AUXILIARY

Serving veterans, their families and their communities



**April – By Pam Bates, Unit Public Relations
Chairman**

RSVP – WHAT DOES IT MEAN: "Répondez s'il vous plaît", a **French** phrase that means "Please, answer". It is with this meaning that invitation cards and similar documents are often marked with "RSVP". The literal translation from French is, "Respond, if it pleases you". At one of our last events, we had over 30 people not attend after they had RSVPed. That means that 30 meals prepared were wasted and not just the meals but the money it cost to prepare them. All members and guests are welcome to our events, but please if you have RSVPed and cannot make it, call and let the event coordinator know. It's common courtesy!

CHECK OUR OUR WEBSITE: Find out what's happening in your Unit. WWW.Unit526.com



POPPY SHOP OPEN HOUSE

Ever wonder where the paper poppy is made? Right here in Ohio at the Ohio Veterans' Home in Sandusky. The ALA is sponsoring a POPPY SHOP OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, 11 April.

Registration 8:30 am
Tours 9am -1030am
Program 10:30am
Lunch noon (\$4)

Fairborn American Legion Auxiliary
announces

MISS POPPY CONTEST

April 25, 2010

1130 am

Legion Post

526 Legion Lane

Fairborn 45324

Eligibility: ANY GIRL IN THE FAIRBORN AREA
6 YEARS OLD ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1, 2010

Send name by April 10, 2010 to:
"Poppy Chairman" 526 Legion Lane, Fairborn
45323



**THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY IS
CELEBRATING 90 YEARS YOUNG**

Sunday, 25 April

2 – 4pm

@ Post

526 Legion Lane

COME JOIN THE CELEBRATION!



ELECTIONS

**THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DIGNAM-WHITMORE, UNIT 526
ELECTIONS TO BE HELD AT THE 17 May 2010
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
THOSE INTERESTED IN HOLDING AN OFFICE,
PLEASE CONTACT CUCA BOWEN, 878-7988,
NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**

legion526@sbcglobal.net

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET

3 MAY 2010 6pm

RSVP – by 23 April

Pat Drake 864-5377 or Pam Bates 864-5909

Sign up sheet in Lounge

Email: Aux526@yahoo.com

Cost: \$5



Moms and Daughters

Anonymous

You can see it in their eyes,
in tender hugs and long good-byes,
a love that only moms and daughters know.

You can see it in their smiles,
through passing years and changing styles,
a friendship that continually seems to grow.

You can see it in their lives,
the joy each one of them derives,
in just knowing that the other one is there...

To care and to understand,
lend an ear or hold a hand,
and to celebrate the memories they share.

There is always a special bond between mother and daughter(s). The Unit 526 celebrates and honors our mothers and daughters at this banquet. Our guest for the evening will be the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Ohio President, Martha Lee Thatcher. Her theme this year is "Communication is Key". What better way to communicate than tell your mother or your daughter "I LOVE YOU".

Assorted and non-inclusive statistics on motherhood from the U.S. Census Bureau

- 82.5 million women are mothers of all ages in the United States.
- 68% of women aged 15 to 44 are mothers
- 4.0 million women give birth annually, approximately 425,000 were teenage mothers (aged 15 to 19) and more than 100,000 were aged 40 or over.
- 25.1 years of age is the national average age of women for their first births, a record high an increase of 4 years since 1970.

- 40% of annual births are the mother's first.
- 35,000 of births in 2002 were attended by physicians, midwives or others outside a hospital facility.
- 55% of mothers with infant children in 2002 were employed. 63% of employed women with infant children are college-educated.
- 687,000 child day-care centers operated in the USA in 2002. Many mothers use such centers to juggle the demands of motherhood and career.



BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER VOLUNTEER

**The American Legion Auxiliary
Dignam-Whitmore, Unit 526, Fairborn
WANTS AND NEEDS YOU!!!**

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ATTENTION LEGION FAMILY MEMBERS WHO:

- Want to learn about the Legion Family
- Want to learn your rights and responsibilities as a member
- Want to know programs you can volunteer for

ATTEND THE LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

8 MAY 2010 @ 0900 @ POST

RSVP by 1 May to PAM BATES 864-5909

CALENDAR

April

- 11 Poppy Shop Open House (see article)
- 18 District Round Table – Miamisburg 1pm
- 19 Membership meeting 6:30pm
- 24 District Party at VA Hospital 10am
- 23 Auxiliary Dinner 5:30pm
- 25 Ms Poppy Contest (see article)
- 25 ALA Birthday Celebration (see article)

May

- 3 Mother-Daughter Banquet (see article)
- 8 Leadership Seminar @ Post 9am
Legion Family Invited
- 14-15 Poppy Days – Volunteers Needed – Pat Drake 864-5377
- 17 General Membership – ELECTIONS 6:30
- 28 Auxiliary Dinner 5:30pm – 7:30pm
- 31 MEMORIAL DAY