

JUNIOR ACTIVITIES MID-WINTER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

There is a Chinese proverb that reads: *"If you want one year of prosperity, grow grain. If you want ten years of prosperity, grow trees. If you want one hundred years of prosperity, grow people"*

We all have an obligation to your junior members to help them grow into an active responsible senior member if we want this organization to be around for the next hundred years.

Let us remember that by each of us sharing resources such as wisdom, information, experience, confidence, and insight, we facilitate the development of all members and ensure the continued legacy of our organization.

The Junior Mid-Winter Leadership Conference will be held Friday and Saturday, January 23-24, 2009 at the Albany Marriott, 189 Wolf Road, Albany, New York. I know the members attending will go away with a wealth of knowledge and valuable information from the various speakers. I am asking you, the senior members, to encourage as many junior members to attend as possible. Through these types of workshops we can help our juniors become involved seniors of tomorrow.

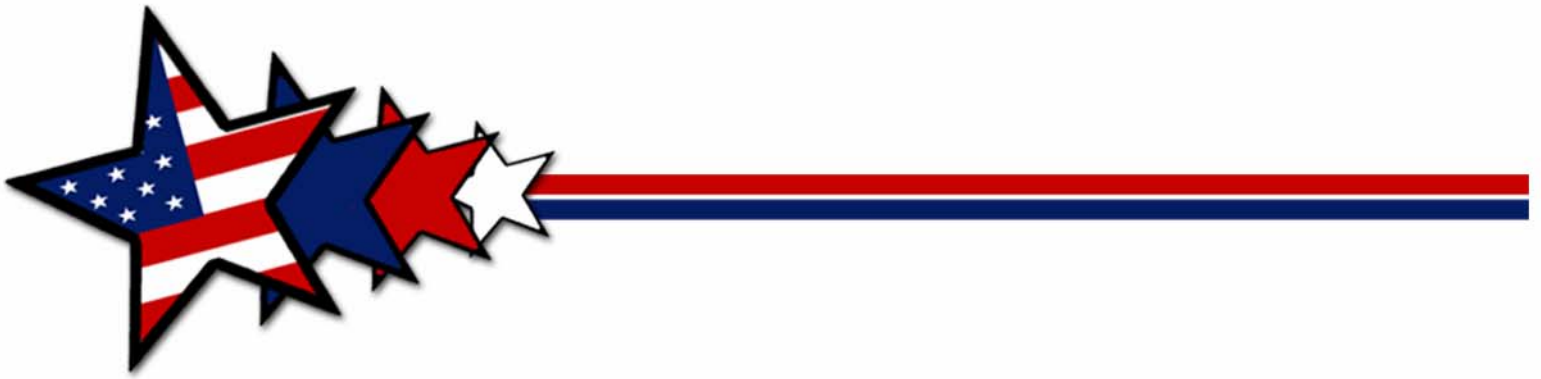
On Friday evening, January 23, 2009, from 7 – 9 pm, Junior Department President Danielle Cobb is planning a social gathering. This will be a fun time and a wonderful opportunity to let the juniors meet each other prior to the conference on Saturday. Juniors are also encouraged to attend the Senior informational segment Friday evening as well.

On Saturday, January 24, 2009, Juniors will begin their conference with Registration from 8:00AM to 9:00AM. Opening session will begin at 9:00AM. It is my hope to have National President address the group. The focus of this year's conference will be the Junior Leadership Course. The Course is available on line for free in our **"Super Nova Library."** To get a copy so you can get started go to http://www.deptny.org/Super_Nova_Library.htm Any Junior successfully completing the course prior to Mid-Winter will be recognized by the Department President. The Test can be taken on line using your computer keyboard. Be sure to bring the course with you to be reviewed. There will be informative guest speakers who will discuss various topics and answer any questions our junior members may have. Junior Camp will also be discussed. Following the conference our junior members are invited to attend the National President's Luncheon. **The Department President has requested that the juniors in attendance participate in the POW/MIA service. PLEASE appropriate dress is required for this event as well as for the rest of the weekend.** This luncheon will be the only Department visitation by our National President. The cost of the luncheon and all room charges, audio visual charges, program booklet, etc are included in the price of **\$30.00**

Please send the attached reservation form and check for your junior members who are planning to attend our Department office **NO LATER THAN JANUARY 5, 2009.** No one will be admitted without a reservation.

For our Juniors to understand and feel a part of our organization they must be active participants in all aspects of our programs. They are the rising STARS of tomorrow for this organization, together we can make sure they SHINE brightly as they lead this organization into the next generation.

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JANUARY 23-24, 2009
MARRIOTT HOTEL
189 Wolf Road
Albany, New York 12203**



Mail this Reservation Form and your check to:

The American Legion Auxiliary
Department of New York
112 State Street, Suite 1310
Albany, New York 12207

DISTRICT: _____ COUNTY: _____ UNIT: _____

Please Print Junior Members Attending

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Price per name \$30.00

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

REMINDER: RESERVATIONS ARE DUE BY JANUARY 5, 2009

***MAKE OVERNIGHT ARRANGEMENTS THROUGH YOUR UNIT
ALONG WITH YOUR SENIOR MEMBERS***