Happy Spring everyone!

Our Ladies Auxiliary has been busy again this spring. We held a Pancake Breakfast on April 1<sup>st</sup> to try and get items for packages for our troops. We had a great response from our members and our community. The response was overwhelming. We sent out 13 packages this week and we will be sending out another round of packages next month! Thanks to everyone who helped make it successful and to all our members who participated! We will be doing this again in October to get some Christmas packages together for the Troops.

Our Auxiliary reached our goal of obtaining 100% membership in January for 2011-2012. Thank you to everyone who paid their dues to renew their membership!

Our Yearly Poppy Season starts **May 1<sup>st</sup>** and the Auxiliary and Comrades will be seeking donations at Karns (West Shore), Boscov's, Glenn Millers and the Farmers Market. We will also have Poppy Plaques at the canteen. For a donation you can sign your name or a loved ones name in their memory. We hope to decorate the perimeter of the canteen with these plaques. The Ladies Auxiliary will also be participating in the Memorial Day parade in Camp Hill. Help is always needed and appreciated. Please contact me to volunteer.

The Auxiliary will have T-shirts available again starting on Memorial Day. These will have an all-new design. Sm-XL will be \$15 and 2X or 3X will be \$18.00.

The Auxiliary is also holding a different kind of fundraiser this year with the Harrisburg Senators. On Flag Day, **June 14<sup>th</sup>** the Auxiliary will be handing out US flags at the Senators game. We will also have a table set up to collect donations for our troops. If you would like to purchase a ticket to the game please follow these instructions: (Tickets are \$10.00, \$4.00 from ticket each sale in section 203 will be donated to our Auxiliary)

1. Go to the website http://tinyurl.com/VFWHBG

2. Enter the special offer code **VFW** 

3. Select your seat for the game in Section 203

4. Reserve your seats and continue to check out

5. Create an account

6. Purchase tickets and print tickets at home (If you do not print the tickets from home, they will be available for pick up at Will Call)

7. Come out and enjoy the game!! Senators vs. Seawolves

Gates open at 6pm game starts at 7pm

Below are some of the donations that the Ladies Auxiliary has recently made due to our successful fundraisers:

VFW National Home Fishing Derby Lebanon VA Hospital Helping Hounds Homeless Veterans Stand Down Butler VA Medical Healthcare Hollidaysburg Veteran Home Southwestern Veterans Center

The Auxiliary will be holding meetings throughout the summer this year with the exception of July. Our meetings now start at 6:30pm. Our schedule will be as follows:

May 7, 2011 June 4, 2011 Aug. 6, 2011 Sept. 10, 2011 Congratulations to the newly elected 2012-2013officers. President – Nancy Dintaman Sr. Vice President – Sheena Wade Thomas Jr. Vice President – Nancy Kennedy Treasurer – Judy Barninger Secretary – Tina Swartz Chaplain – Mary Ann Conrad Guard – Annick Barninger Conductress – Colleen McCarthy Patriotic Instructor – Mary Boob Veterans & Family Support – Wendy Prescott 3yr Trustee – Mary Ann Conrad 2yr Trustee – Sandy Clark 1yr Trustee – Joyce Elfreth

Nancy Dintaman President