

American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of Georgia  
Georgia Girls State

Bulletin # 1

November 2011

**WHAT:** Girls State

**WHERE:** Statesboro, Georgia at Georgia Southern University

**WHEN:** June 10 – 15, 2012.

**\*TAX:** A \$10.00 tax will be collected during registration from each girl. If the unit wishes to pay this for your girls, please submit \$210.00 per girl and records will be kept that the tax has been paid for the girls your unit sponsored.

**CHAIRMAN:** Deedy Harrell

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Interest in government, leadership, citizenship, honesty, scholarship, character, and completion of their junior year in high school.

**ORIENTATION:** Orientation should be a part of your Girls State plan so that the girls and their parents understand in advance what to expect upon arrival. Please call on a staff member in your area to help with your orientation if help is needed. Former Girls Citizens can also be helpful when getting students prepared for the session.

**PUBLICITY:** Unit chairmen, be sure to contact local media for coverage as soon as your delegates have been selected. Many newspapers are willing to publish pictures and short articles about the program. Invite delegates to a unit meeting after the session to report to the unit.

**FEE:** Checks must be made out to Girls State and mailed to the Department Headquarters. **Send the fee of \$200.00 per girl to the American Legion Auxiliary Department Headquarters, 3035 Mt. Zion Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281 before April 20, 2012 to assure space for your girls.**

**\*NEW:** Parents must fill out a medical history and consent form. A physical by a doctor is not required.

**APPLICATIONS:** Applications are available by calling or emailing me, or they can be picked up at Conference or accessed on the website.

**To Be Mailed to the Director:** After applications are filled out by the girl, the high school and the unit, please send applications, medical history & consent forms, parent waiver, a copy of both sides of the insurance card and photos to **Deedy Harrell, 800 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32169** by May 11, 2012. **This is the deadline**, so please try to get them to me **earlier**, if possible.

After I received the application, I will send the forms packets to the girls. If you plan to print the forms packet for your girls, please signify that on the application. It will save postage for Girls State

**WEBSITE:** [www.georgiagirlsstate.org](http://www.georgiagirlsstate.org) On the website you will be able to get applications and all documents necessary for girls' packets.

**EMAIL:** Georgia Girls State email: [gagirlst@bellsouth.net](mailto:gagirlst@bellsouth.net) for the director, Deedy Harrell  
Assistant Director Nini: [ninifrog@comcast.net](mailto:ninifrog@comcast.net)

**PHONE numbers:** Deedy 770-337-7997; Nini 770-479-0354 (home); 770-366-6730 (cell)

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**APRIL 20, 2012** Checks for \$200.00 per girl due to the Department Headquarters

**May 11, 2012** Completed applications, medical history and consent form, parent waiver, copy of both sides of the insurance card and photo of the girl due to Director.

**June 10, 2012** Arrival at Girls State between 1:00 and 3:00 PM

**June 15, 2012** Graduation at 8:45 AM and departure by 1:00 PM

Delays cause your girls to have difficulty in getting prepared for the program. If you find out that a girl is not coming after having sent in her application, please let us know. We make phone calls to all no shows and it will help us if we can limit the number of calls necessary.

Let us know even up the last day. Please join the Girls State Booster Club!!

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

**\*New for 2012**

Deedy Harrell, Director