

Big Dipper Auxiliary

Newsletter



Big Dipper

February 2023

Welcome to February!

Your Big Dipper Auxiliary has been working hard for all the Blue Star Mothers. We are happy to announce the JCEA Educational Award Applications, Guidelines and Rubic are now posted on our national website.

Click on Big Dipper and it will open to our specific page. Take a few moments to catch up. On the page you will find the JCEA Application information. Read it carefully as it has been updated and has a new format. For any questions, please reach out and send me an email at President.bd@bluestarmothers.us

Only the application dated 2023 that will be accepted.

We look forward to receiving many applications this year and with this early notice there is time for everyone to make the deadline.

What else is new? Check out the Jewelry Gallery with beautiful pieces that are now available to order and now included is the NEW Hat Bag.

Don't forget to send in your membership application and annual \$10.00 dues as soon as you can. The application and dues should be sent to our Financial Secretary Gen Schindler. There is an application in this newsletter.

Lastly, the next announcement will be the Big Dipper Convention Fun Night Theme...

Respectfully,

Doreen Berggren,

National Big Dipper Auxiliary

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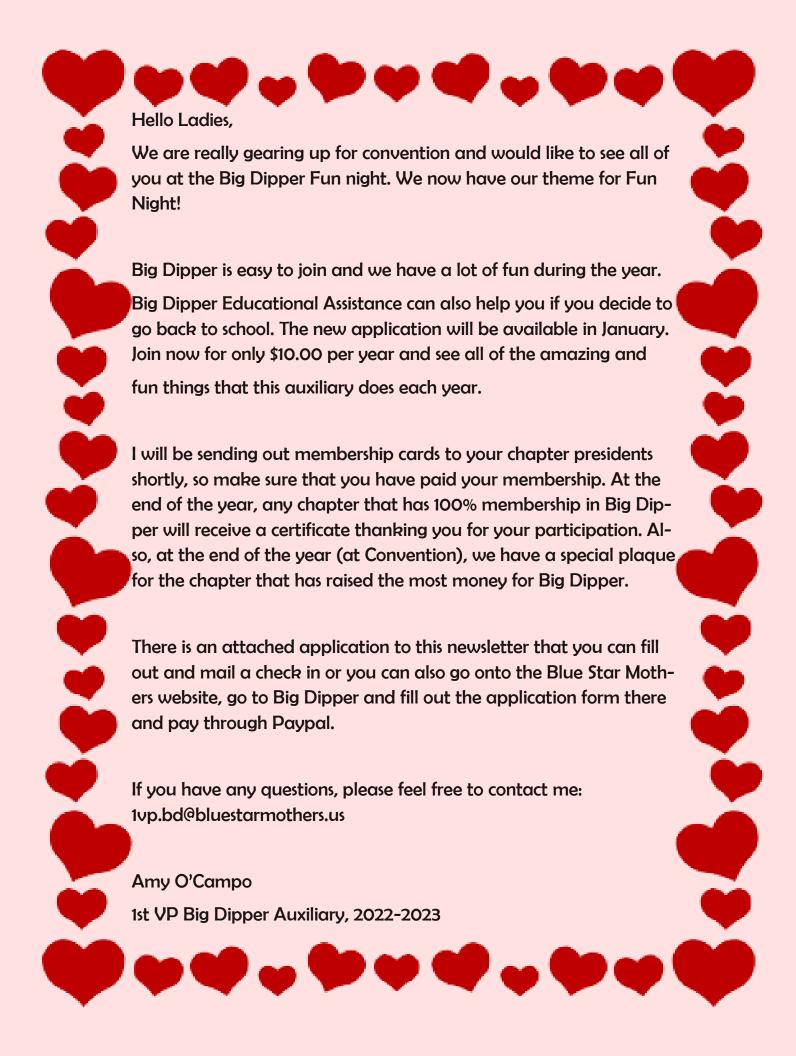
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Your order form is on the next page!

NATIONAL BIG DIPPER AUXILIARY STORE ORDER FORM

--PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY—

Name		
Mailing Address		
City	State	_Zip
Phone (Cell)	
Email		

# Ordered	Item	Cost Each	Total Cost
	#1 Big Dipper Guard Pin	\$12	
	#2 Eagle Pin	\$7	
	#3 Heart Stud Earrings	\$12	
	#4 Heart Necklace	\$8	
	#5 Heart Stud Earrings & Necklace Bundle	\$18	
	#6 Big Dipper Lapel Pin	\$12	
	#7 Proud Veteran Pin	\$8	
	#8 Star Stud Earrings	\$12	
	#9 Star Necklace	\$8	
	#10 Star Stud Earrings & Necklace Bundle	\$18	
	#11 Patriotic Cross Pin	\$7	
	#12 Patriotic Cross Necklace	\$8	
	#13 Flip Flop Necklace	\$14	
	#14 Blue Star Hat Bag	\$10	
1	Shipping for Jewelry Items (see below) Shipping for Hat Bag(s) (see below)		
	TOTAL DUE		

Shipping Fees:

Shipping & Handling for Jewelry Items:

- Shipping & Handling for 4 items or less as \$4
- Shipping & Handling for 5-8 items is \$6
- Shipping & Handling for 9-12 items is \$8

Shipping & Handling for Hat Bags: \$5 each

Make Checks Payable to "National Big Dipper Auxiliary"

Mail this order form and your check to:

National Big Dipper Auxiliary c/o Genevieve Schindler, National Big Dipper Financial Secretary PO Box 423 Coursegold, CA 93614 The Big Dipper Auxiliary is excited to be partnering again with FUN PASTA FUNDRAISING! Our first fundraiser ending last December 6th was amazing and we thank you all. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to the **Operation Expenses of the Auxiliary**, not the JCEA fund.

We received rave reviews on the products. By now you are needing more pasta's, soups and chili's. I know the sauce was delicious so stock up on some now. Easy to shop and delivery is so quick. Please share with your own family and friends.

Each purchase earns 35-40% profit for our group and helps support our fundraising effort— so thank you! Your order will be shipped from **Nashville, TN** within 3-5 days. FREE Shipping on all orders over \$65.00 and we earn 40%! If your order is under \$65, there is a flat rate of \$8.95

Please follow the link below to start shopping.

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BEHIND EVERY
SUCCESSFUL woman
IS A TRIBE OF OTHER
successful women,
WHO HAVE her back.

Chapter Donation information

Every year, chapters donate funds to the JCEA. This plaque/award goes to the chapter that donates the most money. Could this chapter be yours? It will be awarded at the 2023 National Convention in Nashville.

Please send all donations to the Big Dipper Financial Secretary, Gen Schindler. Her address is listed on

pages 4, 8 and 9 of this newsletter.

Be sure to specify where your chapter donation is to go, ie: JCEA fund.

Our goal is \$5,000.00 and we have received \$1301.00 as of Feb 20, 2023.



WHAT IS BIG DIPPER YOU ASK?

Big Dipper History & Purpose

The Big Dipper is a national auxiliary of Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc. (BSMA) that came into being in Milwaukee, Wisconsin November 7 at the 1951 National Convention. The objectives of the organization are threefold:

- ★ Honoring outstanding members of the BSMA
- ★ Sponsoring a "Fun Night" at conventions
- ★ Providing educational assistance to a worthy child(ren), grandchild(ren) of BSMA or Veteran; a Veteran, or active duty personnel or BSMA or their spouse.

The emblem is a flat bottom dipper with a long handle, used on all stationery and worn as a guard pin, attached to the pin of the parent organization.

Pins are \$10 and may be ordered from Big Dipper National Financial Secretary.



Be a Part of Big Dipper

- Must be a member of Blue Star Mothers of America, INC. (BSMA) in good standing.
- ★ Membership dues (\$10.00) shall be paid using the official forms found on and printed from www.bluestarmothers.us and submitted through local BSMA Chapter's Financial Secretary.
- Annual Dues of \$10 are payable on September 1st of each year.

Membership applications, dues and remittance forms, shall be supplied (upon request) by the Big Dipper National Vice President

Educational Assistance

Education is the key to success. The members of the Big Dipper will award educational assistance annually to a worthy son/daughter, grandson/ granddaughter of a BSMA or Veteran; a Veteran, active duty service member, or BSMA or their spouse.

The money will be sent directly to recipient of the award, so they may use as needed.



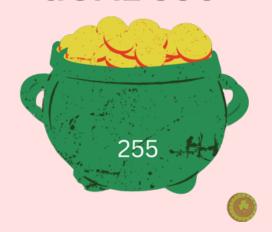
Educational Assistance applications must be returned to the Big Dipper National President or Big Dipper Department President no less than 30 days prior to first day of convention to be eligible for consideration by the Educational Assistance Committee (EAC).

The EAC will be appointed by the Big Dipper President as soon as possible following the annual Convention.

Contact National Big Dipper President at <u>president.bd@bluestarmothers.us</u> or visit our Facebook page <u>www.facebook.com/BigDipperAuxiliary</u>



GOAL 550



Let's keep filling the pot with golden members!!





Hello Big Dipper Sisters,

Since August of this year, several requests for undeposited/lost checks have

been received by Members of the National Big Dipper Executive Board. As your 2022-2023 National Financial Secretary, I am sharing the following pointers to facilitate locating your missing checks:

$\hfill\square$ Please send all requests for missing checks to finsec.bd@bluestarmothers.us
☐ Include the following with your request:
☐ The check number
☐ The amount of the check
☐ The approximate date the check was mailed
☐ Your state/chapter number or state department
\square A working email (several emails have been returned as undeliverable)
$\hfill\square$ When issuing a check to the Big Dipper Financial Secretary, please make your checks payable to
National Big Dipper Auxiliary.
□ Please mail your payments to:
National Big Dipper Auxiliary
c/o: Gen Schindler, Big Dipper Financial Secretary
P O Box 423 Coarsegold, CA 93614

By helping me with the above information, I will be able to help you as quickly as possible.

Thank you so much, Gen Schindler,,

2022-2023 National Big Dipper Auxiliary Financial Secretary

NEW MEMBERS AND RENEWALS, EVERYONE, PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AND SEND IT IN SO WE HAVE A RECORD OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP.

This is the only application to use, Please check the mailing address.





BLUE STAR MOTHERS OF AMERICA, INC NATIONAL BIG DIPPER Auxiliary MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL 20**22-2023**



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