



# THE MESSAGE

North Dakota American Legion Auxiliary - December 2013  
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## A Message From Marlys

November—North Dakota made the 55% Membership Goal, but we still need to keep working on membership. Thank you for your work so far. Arla, Membership Chairman, will appreciate all your help.

Veterans Day—there were many programs, luncheons, dinners and activities on Veterans Day. Many gathered to say “thank you” to all veterans who have served our country.

Thanksgiving—again we can say “thank you” to our veterans for our freedom. Our United States of America is a great place to live, and we have so much to be thankful for—family, friends, homes, work, organizations that respect our veterans, etc.

Soon it will be December, and during this time we have the freedom to celebrate the birth of Jesus. There are other religions with celebrations during December, so I will just say “Happy Holidays” to all. During this month, we enjoy family and friends and the freedom to worship as we choose.

In January, we will prepare for our Winter Conference which will be in Mandan, Seven Seas, beginning January 31, 2014, and ending Sunday, February 2, 2014. We hope to see you all there. Remember to bring your pillows for the VA Medical Center. I will have tickets available to purchase and to sell for the raffle in June, 2014. There will be several items raffled off, and something for both men and women. The money raised for this raffle will go towards my projects, which are: Flickertail Girls State, Gladys Ray Homeless Shelter in Fargo for a Transportation Fund, and the Veterans Home

in Lisbon for lighted fountain. Also, please REMEMBER your “Change from the Heart”. If you need more cans, I will have some available. I worked in a bank for many years, so I can count change—lots of it!!!! Bring it along to the Conference.

After the Winter Conference, we will again be preparing to travel North Dakota to all the District Meetings—what a fun time. Always bring your ideas with you—either in your head or in a notebook, so that you can share them with us at the District Meetings. It is so much fun to see what all the units are doing in their home communities.

Again, I will say “Happy Holidays” and I hope to see you all in Mandan at Winter Conference or for sure at the District Meetings.



Marlys Aubol  
 ND Department President

## ND Winter Conference In Mandan

The Department of North Dakota Winter Conference will be held January 31st through February 2, 2014 in Mandan at the Seven Seas Hotel and Waterpark. Friday the Finance Board and Department Executive Committee will meet. Friday night there is a “no Host Dinner”, followed by a joint opening session that evening.

Saturday morning the Committee Chairmen will share their reports and displays on what on the organization has been doing for Veterans and the community. The Oratorical Content that afternoon showcases the talent of North Dakota students. Following the Oratorical Contest a reception will be held in honor of Department President Marlys Aubol. The evening activities feature a banquet, with guest speaker Mike Helm, the Leading Candidate for National Commander.

Sunday morning the Auxiliary will wrap up workshops sessions and attend the joint Memorial Service. Breakfast tickets are \$12 and will be available at the conference registration.

All attendees are encouraged to register for conference by January 15, 2014. Registration information can be found on page 13. Please come and join in a weekend of information, food and fun!

## Treasurer Report



LaVonne Matthews  
 ND Department Treasurer

Greetings!

The past few months have definitely been a learning process for me as the Department Treasurer. I feel that it takes a while to learn a job – you need to see why things are done the way they are; why this goes in this category and that goes in that one. . . . Next year, if you’ll have me as Treasurer again, this will be a piece of cake!!

I have been entering the formerly known as “mandatories;” now known as “payments” from the Units. A few changes were made to the payment form this year, one of them being the rehab payment fee for \$0.15 per senior member. That payment is no longer required by the National Department. The Units that paid that fee this year will be reimbursed. I have heard from a couple of Units to apply their overpayment to the President’s project for this year. If your Unit would like to do that, please let me know; otherwise, reimbursements will be sent to the Units. You can leave a message on my home phone of 701-298-8573 or email me at [treasurer@ndala.org](mailto:treasurer@ndala.org).

## Historian Message

Holiday greetings! How time flies – half the Auxiliary year is past. As I am learning the duties of the Historian of this active organization, I am trying to keep scrapbook items in order and to write our history to send to Division. I am also trying to keep an eye on the additional pieces of the 2013-2014 National History Plan of Action. One of those pieces is the Veterans History Project.

Collecting the individual personal stories of Veterans will ensure a first-hand record of the realities of war for future generations. Often we think of World War II Veterans, but let us also remember Korean and Vietnam Veterans. It is not too early to start recording stories from Gulf War, Afghanistan, and Iraqi War Veterans. Details on how to participate in the official Veterans History Project can be found at [www.loc.gov/vets](http://www.loc.gov/vets). If you would like information on the project and do not have access to a computer or a friend/relative who has a computer, please call me (701-550-9097) and I will send a brochure to you. A copy of the brochure has also been sent to your Unit in the December mailing.

May we always keep Veterans in our hearts.

Lynn Tomlinson,  
 Department of North Dakota Historian

### American Legion Auxiliary 2014 Winter Conference Tentative Schedule

<b>Friday, January 31, 2014</b>	
10:00 am	Auxiliary Finance Board Meeting – Board Room
1:00 pm	Registration- Seven Seas Lobby
1:30 pm	Auxiliary Department Executive Board Meeting – Nautilus Room
5:00 pm	Auxiliary No Host Dinner – Montana Mike’s (pay on own)
7:00 pm	Joint Opening Session - Pier 7
9:00pm	Dance – Music by the State Band Jam Group – Lounge or elsewhere
<b>Saturday, February 1, 2014</b>	
7:45 am	Registration– Seven Seas Lobby
8:00 am	Legion/Auxiliary General Session – Pier 7
9:30 am	Auxiliary Workshop – Nautilus Room
12:30 pm	Legion Boys State, Baseball and IMC chairman - Pier 7
1:00 pm	Call to Order - Oratorical Chairman, Ron Broderson, Watford City
4:00 pm	Reception for Department President Marlys Aubol – Executive II
6:00 pm	Social Hour Pier 7
7:00 pm	Conference Banquet - Pier 7
<b>Sunday, February 2, 2014</b>	
7:30 am	Auxiliary Breakfast– Nautilus Room
8:00 am	Auxiliary Meeting – Nautilus Room
10:00 am	Joint Memorial Service – Pier 7

## Past Department Presidents at Homecoming



Ten Past Department Presidents attended Homecoming celebrations on October 12 in Jamestown, ND.

## From the Secretary

You have been busy!

The second quarter of our year brought stories from District meetings, Homecoming celebrations, Veterans Day activities, and other special Unit events to the Department office. It is a pleasure to be in this office and hear your stories. Good work!

Thank you for keeping me very busy with your membership renewals, and I know LaVonne is busy working on Payment forms. I will be the first to say the turn-around times this quarter were not desirable. Marlys, Arla and I have an ongoing discussion on office happenings. We discuss what good things are happening, and what things we'd like to see improved. We're thinking ahead to next year, and writing plans so that next year the second quarter will go significantly smoother in regards to office work.

Our website progress is slower than I prefer. In the future I would like to get the site updated more frequently. There is a new section on the right side titled "Website Updates." This is your quick reference to see what items have been

updated in the last month.

Please continue to send join date corrections for your members to the Department office. In early March I will send Membership chairman their current Unit roster so that we can be sure all join dates, life memberships, address and name corrections have been recorded correctly. By proofing the list in March we can ensure that the 2015 membership cards are printed with the correct data.

As always, your feedback is welcomed and appreciated. Feel free to pass on suggestions to myself or to President Marlys Aubol.



Catherine Olson  
Department Secretary

## Cavalier Holds Blood Drive



Pictured is Cavalier Unit member Rose Ann Winkler, donating blood at the Cavalier ALA Blood Drive.

Cavalier held their blood drive on November 14, 2013. Forty-three people were interviewed for the blood drive. Of the 43 interviewed, 36 donated blood. Ten people gave both plasma and blood. They were excited to have four first time donors, including one. Blood Services reported they were pleased with the day. Their tip for others hosting blood drives: have salty treats available. The salty treats were more popular than sweet treats, and preferred by Blood Services.

## Membership Chairman Report

November 22, 2013

Today is the 50th anniversary of President Kennedy's assassination, it's also our 33rd wedding anniversary and it's a sunny chilly day and I have much to do. Our Unit has its annual fundraiser dinner tomorrow so we're all busy baking pies and cakes, we each bake 2 of each, the pies are for the supper and the cakes are for the cake walk. After our dinner the Legion has games, their annual fund raiser. It's alot of work but also alot of fun and well worth the effort.

I am so proud of you ladies! The last membership report I got, 104 Units had met the first milestone (which I'm calling target date because my theme is "Shoot for Goal"). Congratulations, Ladies! But sadly, 13 still had a 0 behind their name. What happened there? I can't believe that nobody has sent in their renewals. Remember, you don't have to have all of them to send them in, you can send in as few as

one, true, you'll have to buy couple more stamps, but it would be worth it to make you Unit look good. I'm not intending to lecture, but simply to remind you that can be done that way. So keep up the good work and shoot for the next milestone, 70% by Valentine's Day, Feb. 14. I'm putting my faith in you as I know you can do it.

I hope you all have (or had) a Happy Thanksgiving. I'm going now to the kitchen to bake those pies. Did I hear somebody say what kind? My favorite, apple.



Arla Roth  
Membership Chairman

## Information Regarding Form 990 Filed Yearly

The following is from the IRS website ([www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)) explaining why the Form 990 needs to be filed; and what happens if a Unit doesn't file.

### Are small tax-exempt organizations required to file an annual return?

Beginning in 2008, small tax-exempt organizations that normally have annual gross receipts less than \$25,000 (\$50,000 for tax years ending on or after December 31, 2010) and elect not to file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ may be required to file an annual electronic notice (e-Postcard) (Information on the e-Postcard is below).

### What are my filing responsibilities once I receive/apply for my tax-exempt status?

An organization that normally has \$50,000 or more in gross receipts and that is required to file an exempt organization information return must file either Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, or Form 990-EZ, Short Form Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax. (See Filing Phase-In for more information about which return to file.) The return is due on the 15th day of the 5th month after the end of the organization's fiscal year. (For example, the 2008 return of an organization whose fiscal year ends on June 30, 2009, would be November 15, 2009.) The due date may be extended for three months, without showing cause, by filing Form 8868 before the due date; an additional three-month extension may be requested on Form 8868 if the organization shows reasonable cause why the return cannot be filed by the extended due date.

Small organizations - those whose annual gross receipts are normally less than the threshold- are not required to file an annual return, but may be required to file an annual electronic notice - e-Postcard.

### What happens if I fail to file an annual return or annual electronic notice?

For tax years beginning after December 31, 2006, if an organization is required to file an information return or annual electronic notice and fails to do so for three consecutive years, the organization will lose its tax-exempt status as of the filing due date of the third year. For the organization to have its tax-exempt status reinstated, it must apply (or reapply) for tax-exempt status and pay the appropriate user fee.

### More about e-Postcards:

Most small tax-exempt organizations whose annual gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or less are required to electronically submit Form 990-N, also known as the e-Postcard, unless they choose to file a complete Form 990 or Form 990-EZ instead.

If you do not file your e-Postcard on time, the IRS will send you a reminder notice. There is no penalty assessment

for late filing the e-Postcard, but an organization that fails to file required e-Postcards (or information returns - Forms 990 or 990-EZ) for three consecutive years will automatically lose its tax-exempt status. The revocation of the organization's tax-exempt status will not take place until the filing due date of the third year.

### Due Date of the e-Postcard

The e-Postcard is due every year by the 15th day of the 5th month after the close of your tax year. For example, if your tax year ended on December 31, the e-Postcard is due May 15 of the following year. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the due date is the next business day. You cannot file the e-Postcard until after your tax year ends.

### What do I use for a tax ID (EIN) when filing the 990?

Each Unit needs to have their own Employer Identification number (EIN). Do not use the Department EIN. You can apply for an EIN on the [irs.gov](http://irs.gov) website.

### Department Office Hours

Monday 2 to 10 pm

Tuesday 1 to 5 pm

Wednesday 8 am to 12 pm

Thursday 1 to 5 pm

Friday 1 to 5 pm

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**Are you a Unit Officer?**



**Do you like using the computer?**



**Do you wish you could make member address and name changes and run reports for the unit any time you wish?**

*If you answered yes to all these questions, then having ALAMIS access is for you!*

ALAMIS is a web-based system, so anyone with a computer and internet access can use it. This system allows a unit to make unit member address and name changes. It allows access to reports such as paid membership for the year, unpaid membership, the unit roster as a whole, and a report of those marked deceased in whatever time frame specified. New members can be added to the system by the unit; the member simply stays in Pending status until the Department office receives the application and dues.

The cost is \$10 per account. If interested, send the Department office the name, email address and \$10.

## District Officer's Report

Dear Ladies of District 1

Hope all is well in your Units and that everyone is healthy. I have made some mention in my VA & R letter as to what is needed at the VA hospital. I will just remind everyone. They no longer use bibs for the patients when they consume their meals so please, those of you who have been sending them stop. They do need the U-shaped neck pillows, heart shaped pillows for surgery patients and 40" by 60" blankets.

It is time for the mid-winter reports so if you could have them to me by December 1st it would be terrific. I know that many of you have been doing various things for our Veterans.

We will be having gift shop in Fargo on December 10th and if you want to come and help, you are welcome. That is those of you who are so close to Fargo but those of you who are not, it would be a nice trip to come and help and do some shopping in Fargo at our stores. But also, it is fun and heartwarming to help these Veterans do their shopping for themselves and their spouse or grandchild. Gift shop day in Lisbon is December 11th and anyone who wants to go there is also welcome. That is also a heartwarming time and there are so many Veterans living there and some of these are couples, at least four units of husband and wife. A very fun time to meet them and enjoy the day with them.

God Bless our Veterans and their families and God Bless all of you and your families and THANK YOU for all you do for our organization. Have a blessed Christmas.

Sincerely,

**Mavis Goodroad,  
District 1 President**

District 4 News For You!

The National President's theme is "Pass It On." Remembering this, please send me a short note of your activities to put in my unit letters and The Message. Sharing what we are doing will give other units new ideas. What did you do for veterans at Christmas? Valentines Day is just around the corner. What a wonderful day to give all veterans a hug, tray of goodies and a big THANK YOU!

Members of the Streeter unit helped with the 54th annual buffalo supper serving 1460 people, on October 25th. Four days of work including preparation, serving and clean-up. The unit, along with their Post and the Streeter Lions, sponsored this fundraiser. Guest speakers at their annual Veterans Day pot-luck and program were Jason Homola, first-place winner at Department for the 7th grade Americanism Essay Contest and Bryan Delfino, who was sponsored by their Post and attended Boys State. Both are students at Gackle-Streeter School. The POW/MIA Empty Chair Remembrance Ceremony began the evening.

Remember to make Heart pillows for the VA Medical Center in Fargo. Bring to them to Winter Conference or mail them to President Marlys or myself by January 25th. Winter Conference is in Mandan, January 31st through February 2nd. Keep adding names on the colorful strips you received for the 2014 membership chain to be displayed at the June convention.

Report your activities. Put articles and pictures in local papers of your activities and send to our department PR chairman and the Historian. Pass It On!!!

**Elsie J. Goldsmith,  
District 4 President**

Greetings Ladies,

I hope you all had a nice Halloween and Happy Thanksgiving! Veterans Day was a successful day for me. I spent the afternoon with the New Salem Legion Post and we went to the manor where we did a Veterans Day program. I read the opening and closing prayer and visited with some of the veterans who live at the manor. It surely will be a day I never forget! I then enjoyed the evening over at Elgin where I attended a veteran supper and monthly meeting with the ladies. That too was a pleasure to get to know a lot of people!

So please feel free to invite me to your meetings or doings and I'll try my best to be there!

Remember Winter Conference is coming up January 31st to February 2nd, 2014 in Mandan.

Just a reminder every time you collect dues, make your chain for Arla and "Shoot for goal!"

Also, remember your pennies for projects for Marlys. Be thinking of Christmas projects for the local Post, Units and veterans.

Until next time, have a wonderful holiday with your families.

**Hollie Jacobson,  
District 7 President**

## VA & R Chairman

Dear Ladies of ALA,

Hope all of you are keeping warm. This is too early for cold weather I think. That is because I do not like it so cold.

Thank you all of you who have given donations for our Veterans. It is much appreciated I know from their response. I am purchasing warm items for the Gladys Ray Shelter with some of your money and they will receive hats, gloves, socks, and personal items.

I received a notice from the VA hospital that they are not using bibs for the patients while they consume their meals. So those of you who furnish bibs please do not make any more. They are in need of U-shaped neck pillows, heart-shaped pillows for surgery patients, especially the small ones, and 40" by 60" blankets.

Mid-year reports are due by December 1 so please report all of the things that you have done for the Veterans and their families so far this year.

Have a great Christmas and remember our Veterans and their families in your prayers and God Bless you for all you do for our organization.

Sincerely,

**Mavis Goodroad,  
VA&R Chairman**

### Mid-Year Reports Requested

Unit Officers, have you submitted your mid-year report? Most Department Chairmen request a mid-year report, due in early to mid-December. Mid-year reports are generally in narrative form. The majority of mid-year reports do not require a specific form; simply share what your Unit has been doing. The Department Chairman contact information can be found in the September Message, on the ND ALA website, or by contacting the Department office.

## New Rockford Twins



Twins Audrie and Kepler Bowman, junior members of the New Rockford Unit, proudly hold their new membership cards. Their grandmother, Inez Pendergrast, is President of the Unit.

## Past Presidents' Parley Chairperson

Greetings to all Presidents, past and present. Leadership and support of leaders is the primary purpose of the Past Presidents' Parley (PPP) organization. Presidents and former presidents at any level are members of the parley. Our expectation is that we act to support our organization so it remains strong and maintains its growth through positive actions. Dues of \$2.00 should be sent to the Department Secretary.

As part of our leadership role, each year we ask our Units to select and honor an exemplary member as the Woman of the Year. This would be a member that exhibits the sharing and caring of our Veterans and community members. Please look around your unit and nominate your **Woman of the Year**.

We have many women who have served or are now serving in the Armed Forces and each year we ask for nominations so we may recognize the special contribution made to our freedom. As Veterans, their dedication to duty and country needs our acknowledgement. Search your area and make a nomination of that special **Woman in the Military**.

As a member of the PPP, your dues will assist a student pursuing a nursing education through our **Nursing Scholarship**. Join us in spreading the news about obtaining an application for this funding.

Applications for all three of these activities are available on our Department website, through our Department Secretary or the PPP chairperson, Ginny Brazil. These forms must be completed and sent to Ginny Brazil, 15103 63rd St. NE, Minto, ND 58261 by April 20th, 2014.

**Ginny Brazil,  
Past Presidents' Parley Chairperson**

## Girls State Chairman

Greetings from Girls State!!!!

It's that time of year again to be thinking about Girls State registration. My how time flies! The website is updated with the current application, medical/physical form, and dates. There are also fliers that are available for you to print to put into schools. Please remember these will need to be printed on legal size paper. If you need, I am able to print limited numbers for you and mail them, all you have to do is give me a call or send me an email. Applications and medical/physical forms were sent out in Unit mailings. If you did not receive these, check with your Unit President or again, just give me a shout and I can get those to you as well. Our website is a great tool to give to girls as well as their parents and teachers.

We are very excited to announce that by attending and completing the 2013 Girls State session, girls will automatically obtain a 1/2 North Dakota high school credit. This is thanks to Kirsten Baesler, ND Superintendent of Public Instruction. Kirsten and her team been working hard to help promote both Girls State and Boys State and we couldn't be happier about this team effort! This will add to the long list of reasons to attend and help with our recruitment efforts.

The search is also on for City Moms. If you recall, the City Mom program is for ALA members that are willing to come stay with us for the week (we provide you with meals, room and board for the week). City Moms need to be energetic, able to encourage girls as well as comfort them in need, and basically be the mom away from home for them. This is a great opportunity for us to bridge the gap and inform these young women about all the great things the ALA family does for veterans and our communities. If you are interested, contact Diane Kramer, Gigi Moore, or myself. The application can be found on the Girls State website at [www.ndgirlsstate.org](http://www.ndgirlsstate.org) under the "Info for ALA Units" section.

Thank you for all you do for Girls State and the American Legion Auxiliary. I look forward to hearing from you all!

Respectfully Submitted,

**Dana Thoreson,  
Girls State Chairman**

## Auxiliary Emergency Fund Chairman

Auxiliary Emergency Fund is a benefit to Auxiliary members only and provides temporary assistance to eligible members in times of extreme hardship when no other source of aid is readily available to pay for shelter, food and utilities. An example would be during a weather-related emergency or natural disaster to aid in providing food and shelter.

I've created a presentation based on the information from National and it can be found and viewed on the Department website - [ndala.org](http://ndala.org) - under Member Resources. I ask that each Unit President review the information and use it to inform your membership of the Auxiliary Emergency Fund.

The Department of North Dakota raised \$3,160.59 in support of the AEF program in 2012-2013. Because the AEF is a members only benefit fundraising efforts should be kept within the Legion Family- Legion Post, Legion Unit, and Sons of the Legion.

Plan a meeting or event to inform your members of the benefits of the program and enlist their help in raising awareness and fundraising for the program. Raising funds can be as easy as passing a 'penny jar' at each meeting, holding a bake sale or luncheon where the proceeds go to fund the AEF or setting a certain amount for each year of membership or number of unit members. Be creative, you will be helping a fellow member in the time of financial crisis.

I challenge each Unit to exceed your donations by 10% for 2013-2014. Let's beat the 2012-2013 mark! If you have questions or fundraising ideas please share them with me at [aef@ndala.org](mailto:aef@ndala.org). Send contributions to Department stating the funds are for Auxiliary Emergency Fund.

**Marcy Schmidt,  
Auxiliary Emergency Fund Chairman**

# Tiny Tots

The Auxiliary welcomes its newest members under the age of 7:

**DISTRICT 1**

Brynlee Johnson, Portland

**DISTRICT 2**

Allison A Hove, Adams  
Sara F Thorvilson, Adams  
Jayden I Huhta, Adams  
Kristen L Huhta, Adams  
Peyton Brandvold, McVile  
Josephine T Benoit, McVile  
Edyn Luehring, McVile  
Sara Thorvilson, Adams  
Cheyenne Forde, Tolna

**DISTRICT 3**

Julia Grenier, Cando  
Ricki Nannenga, Cando  
Cadence Vinje, Rugby

**DISTRICT 4**

Camby Schwartzenberger, Streeter

**DISTRICT 5**

Layla K Goetz, Washburn  
Cora Simon, Washburn

**DISTRICT 6**

Derry M Burckhard, Upham  
Amelia Cayko, Upham

**DISTRICT 7**

Mirakle D.K. Devitt, Elgin

**DISTRICT 8**

Hayden Skaley, Beach  
Audrenna Branden, Beach

**DISTRICT 9**

Mya Westerness, Powers Lake

# Ross Makes A Visit To Prairie View Elementary



Betsy Ross (AKA Judy Twete) shared her love of 'Old Glory' with the students of Prairie View Elementary in Devils Lake, ND. The assembly was presented to about 315 students and 35 teachers and Para-professionals. Upon returning to their class rooms, Betsy left 12x18 inch flags for all of the Kindergarten students to take home with the promise that they would truly respect it.

With an invitation to visit Prairie View Elementary in Devils Lake, ND, Betsy Ross (AKA Judy Twete) was off on another adventure to share her love of 'Old Glory' with the students.

The assembly was presented to about 315 students and 35 teachers and Para-professionals. Students were very attentive as Betsy explained why she was there and her interest in the American Flag. She explained the meaning of the flag in the triangle-shaped case, telling that it was the one that covered her brother's casket, a Navy veteran.

Since this assembly was given for students Kindergarten through fourth grade, the etiquette and proper respect for the flag were kept very basic. The suggestion by a teacher of not taking questions from the group was followed. (Children at that age always have a LONG story to tell, and there is much competition for 'air time', thus, no questions.)

Using a small flag and pointing out things on a large wall flag, Betsy explained the origin of the first flag that

Betsy made and the symbolism of each part of the flag. Basic respect issues were repeated several times to make sure that each of the students understand just why we do them; such as removal of head gear, hands over their hearts, when and why. The students were also asked to participate in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance as a group.

After all the bases were covered on simple respect, two students were asked to help show how to properly fold the flag. The students were very meticulous about each fold and listened well while those in the assembly were very attentive.

It was a heart-warming experience to again show young children just how to respect our flag and the rationale behind each act of respect. Upon returning to their class rooms, Betsy left 12x18 inch flags for all of the Kindergarten students to take home with the promise that they would truly respect it.

**Judy Twete,**  
Past Department President

## Members and Friends of The North Dakota American Legion Auxiliary

A repeated Thank you to those who took part in supporting my President' Project in 2011-2012. My main project was to present a Wheelchair Glider to the Lisbon Veterans Home. Your generous contributions enabled me to present the rest of my proceeds in the amount of \$1700 each, to the future Healing Garden at the Veterans Hospital in Fargo and the future Horseshoe Pit at the Veterans Home in Lisbon. I extend my gratitude to all of you. May God Bless all and God Bless America.

**Betty Malkowski,**  
Past Department President

# Streeter Unit

The Streeter unit worked for the 54th Streeter buffalo supper, serving 1,460 people on Oct. 25th. It was four days of work for many of their members. They also held their annual Veterans Day potluck and program. The POW/MIA Empty Chair Remembrance Ceremony was presented. Guest speakers were the 1st place winner of the Americanism Essay contest for the 7th grade class last year, at Department level. Also, the Post's representative to Boys State spoke at the event. Both were excellent representatives of the youth of today.

# In Memoriam

**DISTRICT 1**

Irene Pollock, Buffalo  
Eileen Grommesh, Casselton  
Lorraine Johnson, Fargo  
Evelyn Gilmore, Fargo  
Ernestine Paulsen, Hannaford  
Pat Dron, Sanborn  
Mary Ann Wendel, Sanborn  
Caroline Meldahl, Sharon

**DISTRICT 2**

Eunice Borgeson, Adams  
Timmie Bitterman, Edinburg  
Laverne Spanier, Edinburg  
Runa Sveen, Edinburg  
Vivian Solberg, Forest River  
Beverly Mihelich, Grafton  
Janice Cantu, Lankin  
Alice Karas, Lankin  
Beverly Brorby, Larimore  
Shirley Hoverson, Manvel  
Anna Loe, Manvel  
Irene Sweeny, Manvel  
Vernice Schothorst, McVile  
Karen Farder, Minto  
Monica Simon, Park River  
Marlo Thompson, Walhalla  
Ida Verville, Walhalla

**DISTRICT 3**

Elda Watt, Milton  
Jeanne Berg, Rugby

**DISTRICT 4**

Emma Schrader, Carrington  
Megan Schimelfenig, Fessenden  
Zaya Huskey, Fessenden  
Betsy Sauter, Goodrich  
Dorothy Kost, Harvey  
Lea Dewald, Streeter  
Sylvia Hoffer, Streeter

**DISTRICT 5**

Margurite Toay, Bismarck  
Agnes Doherty, Bismarck  
Sue Stoltz, Dickinson

**DISTRICT 6**

Leona Guttormson, Benedict  
Ruth Letvin, Butte

Christine Wold, Butte  
Delma Bear, Emmet  
Blanche Suelzle, Minot  
Mae Wegener, Portal  
Elaine Roberts, Sherwood

**DISTRICT 7**

Malleia Heinert, Mandan  
Myla Hertz, New Leipzig  
Alice Reinhold, Stanton

**DISTRICT 8**

Ruby Tisor, Beach  
Sharon Zinsli, Beach  
Ingrid Erickson, Beach  
Joan Kittelson, Beach  
Joan Smith, Beach  
Laura Cymbaluk, Bowman  
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# Napoleon Tours ND Veterans Home



Napoleon American Legion Auxiliary toured the ND Veterans Home, visited and played with the residents and staff on October 24, 2013.