

September 2016

Hello Ladies of District 5,

This Summer went by very quickly for me and I am finding it a little difficult to get back in the grind. I hope you all are feeling the same way, but I know once we start having our meetings again it will kick start us into the working mode.

We had a very productive organizational meeting in Jamestown this June. We have a new required contribution form, that includes an explanation of what each contribution is for. It makes it easier to tell our members where the money is going. All mandatory fees need to be paid by Oct. 31.

We also decided it will make it easier to get their Poppy order if it is sent in the mail to the Poppy Chairman of your unit, no extra cost for mailing. Poppy orders need to be sent in by Oct. 31.

**Just a reminder to always make a copy of any forms you are sending out.**

Fall means District meeting begin. The meeting for **District 5 is September 28<sup>th</sup> in Hazelton**. Mark this on your calendar and make plans for attending. We will be doing a joint meeting with the Legion (unless they change things) so we won't repeat any of the opening meeting.

You should all be receiving your dues renewal in the latter part of Sept. but feel free to pay them ahead either online or to your Membership person.

We have a new Dept. committee. **Communications**. This is a work in progress and it is still ongoing. If you have anything you want posted about your units, officers, meeting times or something you want to share you can e-mail it to : [communications@ndala.org](mailto:communications@ndala.org) . There are three ladies on the committee, Shauna Dubuque, Chairman..Holly Eslinger...Cathrine Olson. These ladies have been working really hard to get this off the ground and they are doing a fantastic job. Be sure to mention that if you send any thing into them.

A reminder to check that your unit has sent in the 990 forms to the IRS. They are watching all non-profit organizations as their goal is to eliminate them.

We are in need of a Vice President for District 5 and it sure would be nice to announce her at the meeting. Many of you could take this office and do a great job. I have only this year and then Mary Anseth will be stepping into my position. She will be a wonderful President and she deserves a great Vice President like she has been for me.

Think about it or give me a call and we can talk about duties etc.

Looking forward to seeing you at the District meeting.

Katie Pulley