

TWO'S NEWS

March 29, 2017

Spring is in the air (I think), even though there is still a lot of snow yet to melt here in Pembina County. We hope it all makes its way to the Red and northward without major flooding concerns.

Pembina is hosting our spring district meeting on April 17. Social hour will begin at 5:00 pm at the Community Center, 172 North 2nd St. The evening meal will begin at 6:00. The Legion and Auxiliary joint session will start at 7:00, after which the Auxiliary will go to the Pembina Lutheran Church, 415 South 2nd St, for our meeting (two blocks south of the Community Center). Registration (\$4.00) will take place at the church. The cost of the meal will be \$7.00. I look forward to seeing many of you there!

I have enclosed a sheet listing the deceased members for this past year from your unit. If my list is incomplete or inaccurate, please send corrections to me, as we will pay tribute to these departed Auxiliary sisters at our district meeting.

Many units in District 2 have had their tax-exempt status revoked by the IRS. Those units will have to apply for an Employer Identification Number and e-file Form 990-N to comply with federal regulations. Information will be available at the district meeting. Our goal is to get all units up-to-date. If you need help, we will work with you.

And of course the membership topic—North Dakota is down over 700 members from this time last year. Please try *really hard* to reach your goal. Contact those who have not renewed yet, and encourage your members to find new members.

The deadline for year-end reports is approaching fast—April 15. Each unit should send your reports to the ALA Department Secretary, 1801 23rd Ave N Rm 113, Fargo ND 58102. Shirley will then forward them to the chairmen. The report forms (impact and narrative) can be found on the department website www.ndala.org.

Department Headquarters has received the books North Dakota Nurses Over There 1917-1919, a project that was begun several years ago. The price is \$25. President Diane will have some copies at the district meeting that can be purchased.

Dates to Remember:

- April 1: Early Bird registration for Girls State \$225, after this date \$250.
- April 10: American Legion Auxiliary Birthday
- April 15: Deadline for units to submit year-end reports to Department Secretary
- May 29: Memorial Day—start planning your activities early
- June 11-16: Girls State at UND
- June 14: Flag Day
- June 22-25: State Convention at Minot Grand Hotel
- August 18-24: National Convention in Reno NV

I would love to visit your unit. Thank you, McVille, for an enjoyable evening celebrating the Legion Birthday. Sorry, Minto and Grafton, that I had to miss your Christmas parties because Mother Nature decided to intervene. And to all of you, your dedication and participation in this wonderful organization is SO deeply appreciated. Thank you!!

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