

Dear Auxiliary Members,

The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary became an important part of the Wolff family when my husband, Darrell, retired from the Air Force after serving twenty years. Darrell became a member of Harley Salzman Post 5 in Beach and I became a member of the Beach Auxiliary unit. Thus began the journey that has led me here.

After a few years in the Auxiliary, Marli Wicka, a wonderful lady I had known since childhood, became Department President in 1985. Other Past Department Presidents and Legion Officers have been a constant source of inspiration and energy as well.

The opportunity to lead the American Legion Auxiliary Department of North Dakota once again is indeed a great honor and I thank you for your support and hard work on behalf of our veterans and their families. The symbol I have chosen for 2020-2021 is the American Flag and my motto is "Veterans Magnify Freedom".

I want to thank Myrna Ronholm for her service this past incredibly challenging year and for her many years of service as a Department officer, volunteer, and supporter of veterans. On behalf of the Department of North Dakota, Blessings to you, Myrna.

Ladies and gentlemen of the American Legion Auxiliary, YOU are the most important part of this great organization. YOU are the "Volunteers in Service". You are the individuals, the spark that keeps our organization moving forward. YOU are our future!

Continue to come up with ways that we as Auxiliary members can continue to serve our veterans, active duty military, children and youth, our communities, and the many programs sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. Share that information with other units in your districts. Somehow, we must meet other individuals who are eligible to become members of this great organization. Invite them to join you at a meeting, when working on a fundraising event, or completing special projects.

Let us all remember to keep the American Legion Auxiliary in our hearts and minds. Membership is not a one-person job. As a unit member, it is your responsibility to assist your unit's membership chairman. We must all be 'stars' for our veterans through membership. Help keep the American Legion Auxiliary #1 in North Dakota and across this great nation.

"Veterans Magnify Freedom"

Bev Wolff