

Auxiliary Members of District 3.

It has been an interesting past year to comprehend. I just feel like I am lost as to what is going on with the Auxiliary. All our events have been canceled, so have not been able to socialize with members or tend to the business of the organization. I seem to be floating around with no good direction to grasp on to!!

Since there has been a lot of down time associated with the Auxiliary, now would be a good time to brush up on your Auxiliary knowledge and what you can learn to be an in-the-know member. The ALA Academy offers courses members can engage in and become someone who knows the ins and outs of the organization. These courses are for all members, not just those in leadership positions. You can do this as an individual at your own convenience or bring a laptop or iPad to a meeting so all the members can learn together.

This information is available on the National American Legion Auxiliary website at: www.alaforveterans.org/ala-academy or search under ALA Academy and online training.

Also, a plug for our ND Department website at: www.ndala.org. There is a lot of information on the site so be sure to check it out on a regular basis. The monthly unit mailings from the Department Office are always posted. This information can be viewed at any time, especially if this monthly information is not shared at the unit meetings or you might have missed a meeting.

A reminder that your 990-N tax-exemption form needs to be filed each year with the IRS. I hope every unit has this completed to stay in compliance with the laws of being a non-profit organization.

Hopefully, everyone does not dwell on the negative and can always try to have a positive day each day. Stress can take away our health so try to look at the good side of the day. Remember, you only have that day once so make it a "good" day!!

Thank you to our members for your commitment during this past year and to our Department Officers for keeping us on course to moving forward to better days ahead.

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