



THE MESSAGE

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American Legion Auxiliary 2022 Winter Conference (tentative schedule)

Ramkota Inn Conference Center,
 Bismarck, ND
 Phone: 701-258-7700

Friday, January 28 Conference Rooms - TBD
 1:00 PM.....Finance Board Meeting
 2:00 PM – 5:00 PMAuxiliary Registration Open
 3:00 PMDepartment Executive Committee Meeting
 4:30 PM.....Auxiliary Activity – To be Announced
 6:00 PMNo-Host Dinner
 7:00 PM.....Joint Meeting - TBA

Saturday, January 29 Conference Rooms - TBD
 8:00 AM.....Auxiliary Registration
 9:00 AM – 9:30 AM.....Sharon White Bear – Opens sessions of the Winter Conference
 9:30 – 10:30 AM.....To be announced
 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM..To be announced
 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM ..Lunch Break – Reassemble for Auxiliary Activities
 1:00 PM – 3:30 PMConference Attendees Activities - TBA
 6:00 PM.....Winter Conference Banquet

Sunday, January 30 Conference Rooms - TBD
 9:00 AMAuxiliary Meetings Wrap-Up
 10:30 AM – NoonJoint Memorial Service

50 Years of Membership

District 5 President Peggy Moran traveled to visit with and present 50-year continuous membership pins and certificates to several long-time Auxiliary members of Victor B. Wallin Unit 12 of Washburn.



Mary Etter (left) and Dorothy Schultz of Bismarck with District 5 President Peggy Moran (right).



Unit 12 Treasurer Carla Bickert (left) with Nancy Hillerud of Washburn and Peggy Moran (right).



Beverly Holtan (seated) with Peggy Moran and Carla Bickert (right).

McClusky Unit Holds Salad Luncheon

Fifteen Auxiliary and Junior Auxiliary members met on August 11, 2021, for the annual Potluck Salad Luncheon. A patriotic theme was used to note the 100th birthday celebration of the Department of ND American Legion Auxiliary.

Following the lunch, Junior Auxiliary Past President Sophie Sparrow presented her school Honors project. Sophie gathered and mailed health care items to the Fargo VA Medical Center. She also shared information on a junior group project that was completed over the winter. Ten fleece blankets were completed and delivered to the Fargo VAMC. Project members included Aubrey Majors, Karleigh Baker, Sophie, Daisy, and Charlie Sparrow.

Auxiliary members discussed how to further assist their Legion Post in replacing deteriorating concrete veterans' crosses at the McClusky cemetery. James Roberts Post 124 has begun replacement of crosses and received financial assistance from the unit through shared proceeds from a Memorial Day noon meal event.

Unit President Marcia Dockter presented background history of the James Roberts Auxiliary unit. Unit 124 was chartered August 22, 1923, with 14 ladies joining. Initially, their meetings were held in members' homes. In 1924, they held joint meetings with the Legion Post. Auxiliary members began decorating graves of service members in 1927. The tradition continues to this day.

Photos and article submitted by Deb Sparrow

NW Division Poppy Poster Winner



Poppy Chairman Vickie Johnson (left) of William C. Blair Unit 144 of Belfield presents a certificate to Shay Burian of Fairfield. Shay's artwork was selected as a 2021 winner for the Northwestern Division and was displayed at the August National Convention in Phoenix, AZ.



Winning poppy poster artwork by Shay Burian.



Front (l-r): Deb Sparrow, Andrea Kluck, Pearl Meckle Back (l-r): Donella Johnson,, Mary Neff, Marcia Dockter, Joan Lasher, Donna Lipp, Loann Jorgensen, Carol Abrahamson, Daisy Sparrow, Sophie Sparrow, Charlie Sparrow Not Pictured: Lynn Helm



Sophie Sparrow (left) received an Auxiliary certificate naming her the Department of ND Northwestern Division candidate for the Spirit of Youth Scholarship. Pictured with her is Junior ALA leader Deb Sparrow.

Butte Quilts of Valor® Ceremony

Quilts of Valor® is a nonprofit organization consisting of volunteers whose mission is to cover all service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor®. These patriotic quilts are handmade by volunteers and take over one hundred hours each to complete. Each quilt is stitched with love, prayers, and healing thoughts. Quilts are given as a tangible token of appreciation that says "Thank-you for your service, sacrifice, and valor." On October 19th, 2021, the Missouri River group of Quilts of Valor® proudly presented nine quilts to the following deserving veterans: Harlan Kittleson, Roger Weigel, Ron Skorick, Robert Carpenter,

Timothy Schatz, James E. Haugen, Waide Kritsky, Curtis Kohler (all US Army), and Fred Tomlinson (US Air Force). Individuals interested in more information on the Missouri River Quilts of Valor® group or that would like to donate funds for purchase of quilting materials are encouraged to contact group leader Arlene Meissel at missouririverqov@yahoo.com. Following the ceremony, a candlelight meal and dessert was served by Lawrence E. Meidl Unit 270 of Butte.

Editors note: Quilts of Valor® Foundation is not a program of nor affiliated with the American Legion Auxiliary.



Quilts of Valor® recipients (l-r) Harlan Kittleson, Roger Weigel, Tim Schatz, Robert Carpenter, Fred Tomlinson, Jim Haugen, Ron Skorick, Curtis Kohler, Waide Kritsky.

Department President

Hello, American Legion Family.

Fall has brought some cool weather, the leaves are turning colors, and I can't believe October flew by so quickly. Time goes by fast when you are busy. I have been driving across North Dakota to attend District Meetings and to see what our American Legion Auxiliary members do to support the American Legionnaires and their families. I would like to thank all the districts for organizing the meetings and the hospitality during our meetings. We had some delicious meals and, of course, fresh baked goodies. All most appreciated.

In early October, I was invited to Cincinnati to attend a department president retreat held by National President Kathy Daudistel. I was able to meet with department presidents from across the United States. Our workshop sessions included: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, Conflict Resolution, and Governing Documents. The information I acquired from these sessions is significant to our organization. I am hoping to include this information during some breakout sessions during our upcoming

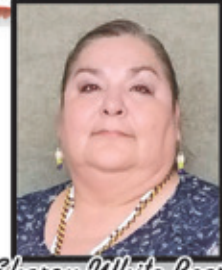
Winter Conference.

It is hard to believe we are already getting close to the Winter Conference being held January 28-30 in Bismarck. Now is a good time to get your reservations made at the Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center. I am looking forward to seeing all of you there.

I also wanted you to know about my president's project. I would like to offer veterans a resource that can assist in home repairs or improvements. They may need to get a ramp installed, safety bars in a rest room, or some roofing replaced. This may be a resource to access without jumping through hoops. I now have pins for sale to raise money for that project.

Thank you again for all you do to support our veterans! Stay Safe!

Sharon White Bear



Sharon White Bear

Department Secretary

Greetings North Dakota Auxiliary Members.

The 2021 Fall District/Regional Meetings are already a fond memory. I was able to attend two of the fall meetings and it was nice to see and visit with so many of you. Thank you, host units and posts. Your hard work to host these programs and your welcoming hospitality are always greatly appreciated. I hope many of you were able to participate in your local Veterans Day programs or attend a 'beef stew' luncheon.

North Dakota communities are still dealing with COVID-19 restrictions and protocols. This means our usual activities surrounding Gift Shops at the VA Medical Center in Fargo and the North Dakota Veterans Home in Lisbon are once again affected. The facilities are not allowing in-person events again this year, however, the Gift Shop Chairmen are still planning 'virtual gift shops' that will look very much like the 2020 holiday season. Let us all pray for an end to this pandemic so we can once again enjoy visiting with residents at Lisbon and interacting with VAMC-Fargo patients.

Membership chairmen, you have done an amazing job gathering membership dues and recruiting new members. Congratulations on your success! If your unit has not already sent in 2022 required contributions or ordered your poppies for May 2022, please do so as soon as possible. If you misplaced your order forms, call the Department Office or visit our website at www.ndala.org/forms/ to download a copy.

The Department encourages all Auxiliary members to track your volunteer hours and resources spent and report them to your Unit President by April 1, 2022. There is no mid-year (December) reporting required this year.

Department President Sharon White Bear has been busy this fall. She has attended a Department President Retreat in Cincinnati in early October, has visited Fall District meetings, and is now planning for the upcoming Winter Conference. The 2022 Winter Conference is slated for January 28-30, 2022, in Bismarck, ND. Make your lodging arrangements at the Ramkota Inn Conference Center, phone number (701) 258-7700. A registration and banquet ticket order form can be found in a separate section of this publication.

Keep our veterans and service members and their families in your prayers. Remember "Freedom is Never Free".

For God and Country,
Marcy Schmidt



Marcy Schmidt

Department President-Elect

Greetings to each of you.

I was honored to have been asked by Districts 5, 6, 7, and 9 to attend their District Meetings, which are part of the West Region. Meetings were held in Bismarck (D5), White Shield (D6 and D9), and Hazen (D7). The camaraderie at these meetings is something very special. The District Presidents did an awesome job, and the food was so good. I had the opportunity to visit about what I learned at National Convention regarding membership as well as the Resolution for The American Legion to change eligibility requirements for the American Legion Auxiliary.

One of the things that I learned from other units across the country regards membership and the American Legion Auxiliary Management Information System (ALA MIS). Doing a search with this system will show you members who have not recently paid dues or who have 'fallen off' the roster. If you want access to this system, please contact the Department Office. Please consider contacting these past members to see if they are interested in rejoining our American Legion Auxiliary. Consider getting them involved in your unit. We want them to feel appreciated and important, not just someone who pays dues once a year.

How is your unit doing in updating your unit Constitution & Bylaws? If you need help or have questions, please reach out to Marcy Schmidt at the Department Office or the Department Constitution and Bylaws Chairman Diane Kraemer.

Have you contacted the American Legion Family in your unit and post in regards to submitting poems, stories, songs, prayers, or whatever you would like to see in a Department prayer book? Make it an American Legion Family project. One could do it at your post and unit meetings. Be sure to reach out to the post commander and adjutant, so they can set aside a time that will work for everyone. Together, we can accomplish anything. I am asking every American Legion Family member to please submit at least one item that touches your heart, means something to you, or even something that you just happened to read. Please feel free

to submit more than one. If every American Legion Family member sends at least one, can you imagine the wonderful prayer book that we can have? It is only with your help that this can happen. I would also like to thank those that have already sent me something. They may be emailed to presidentelect@ndala.org or mailed to 621 1st St W, Dickinson ND 58601-5004.

Matthew Brew Unit 3 of Dickinson is sponsoring a silent auction to be held at the upcoming Winter Conference. The 2022 Winter Conference is set for January 28-30, at Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck. This silent auction event has been approved by our Department President, Sharon White Bear. I am requesting that all District Presidents bring at least one item for the silent auction. Donations of items for the auction by any Auxiliary member or Department officer would be most welcome. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Funds from the auction will be used solely to pay for host unit expenses for the 2022 Convention. Any leftover funds will be offered to the host unit of the 2023 Convention.

With the holidays among us, please remember our military and veterans. Consider sending care packages to our military, remembering all veterans on Veterans Day, and giving Christmas cards to our veterans. One thing we enjoy doing each year is taking Christmas cards to veterans in our care facilities. Let them know that they are appreciated and not forgotten. Place a poppy in the card, as poppies can be used 12 months a year. Thank you for everything each of you do for our veterans and military. Together we can make a difference.

God Bless our veterans and the U.S.A.
Sandra Petermann



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Department Chaplain

How many times do we just reply "Fine" when we are asked, "Hi, how are you?" We then feel guilty because we are not giving an honest answer. Perhaps we have a headache, a shooting pain in our lower back, a serious illness, or a death in the family. Who would want to hear the truth when they asked innocently, "How are you?"

Certainly not the friendly grocery store clerk nor the pleasant bank teller who was taking customer service seriously.

I read about a person who was in a similar situation and prayed, "What can I say to courteous people who simply ask, 'How are you?'" Hearing about our pain would not do anyone any good. We would all rather hear about the positives in our lives instead of the negative, but we still feel like a liar when we say "Fine."

To keep the negativity away, this person made a list of all the things she was thankful for such as family, friends, home, etc. Then she wrote she was thankful for God himself - His mercy, His grace, His love, His patience, His caring about the littlest things in our lives.

One morning, while writing her thank-you list, a thought hit her mind like a lightning bolt - Blessed! A moment later, the light dawned and she realized: that is how she could answer those who asked, "How are you?" because the best blessing of all was that God promised He would never leave nor forsake us. He would walk through this day - and this pain -- with us.

Later in the day, she stopped by the bank and the teller greeted her, "How are you?" She answered, "I'm really quite blessed. How are you?" The young teller stopped with the deposit slip held mid-air. He looked up, met her eyes, and with a smile spread across his face, he said, "I'm blessed, too."

Later, at the hardware store and the grocery store, the response was about the same. Answering "blessed" made people think - and smile. Gratitude made her corner of the world more beautiful. No matter how hard we hurt, it feels better to think about our blessings.

Heavenly Father, as we enter this holiday season, help us all make a difference in the lives of those around us and bring a little light into a dark world. Help us to remember all the things we have to be thankful for and remind us to share that we are indeed 'Blessed!'

"Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving in our hearts... Psalm 95:2"

Rose Laning



Rose Laning

Department Vice President

Greetings Auxiliary Members,

I was able to attend seven Fall District Meetings and would like to thank Harwood, Jamestown, Hazen, and Dickinson posts and units for their exceptional hospitality.

Membership dues are being collected timely, so numbers on our reports are looking good. Keep up the good work units! If we have dues paid at 75% by Dec. 7th, the Department of North Dakota will receive a \$250 reward.

ALA MIS (American Legion Auxiliary Management Information System) is a resource that is not used to its full potential. It is a great place to check on memberships, change addresses, and update unit information. ALA MIS is available online through the National office. Two individuals from each unit can have access to the ALA MIS system. A \$10.00 fee per user per year will be assessed by the Department. To sign up for ALA MIS access, send a request to the Department Office at secretary@ndala.org with the contact individual's name and email address. The Department will contact National Headquarters on your behalf and they will contact you by email with a username, password, and system instructions.

Unit reports on ALA MIS can be accessed to assist the unit with membership. One of the best system applications is the membership chair can simply change a members address without the time lag it takes to mail those in. Two handy reports are 'paid' and 'unpaid' members report. The unpaid report could be distributed at a unit meeting so all

members can help collect dues. Membership is everyone's job.

There are three more reports that can help with your membership. They include: members who did not renew in 2021, members with expired membership in 2019, and former members that expired before 2018. These former members could be contacted and invited to rejoin your unit. Communication is an important tool as it informs and makes individuals feel included.

Another source for members is your Legion post's membership roster. You can ask the Legion if you can borrow their roster and check out the Legion members that do not have their family members enrolled in the Auxiliary. Make a list of family members to contact and invite them into your unit.

I hope members will seriously consider upgrading their units resource system. If you need more information or assistance, please contact me or the Department Office.

Our organization cannot survive without members, so recruiting when we can is so important.

Our American Legion Family is the absolute best!!

Gloria Covert



Gloria Covert

District 2

Hello everyone.

I trust that this letter finds you happy, healthy, and enjoying life. Hopefully, you are also sharing love and laughter with your families, friends, and most of all the Legion family.

It was so nice to see all of you at the 2021 District/Regional meeting held in Harwood on October 30, as well as the March 2021 Spring meeting hosted by the Park River Unit. I also enjoyed visiting with many of you at the June Department Convention in Minot.

Life has been busy as ever since June. Park River held their annual 4th of July parade and District 2 was well represented with many members of units and posts across the area attending. We were delighted that National Commander James Oxford and Department Commander Steve Anderson along with his wife Michelle were able to join us and walk in the parade. I want to thank everyone who made this 4th of July event one to remember.

Most units in District 2 do not meet in July, August, or September and typically begin their new year in October. I pray that all unit and post meetings go well and are well attended through the remaining months of 2021 and into 2022.

As I close this newsletter, I would like to send a big 'thank you' to everyone who helped me in so many ways as being your District President. It has meant the world to me. Thank you all again.

From our house to yours, Happy Holidays and may you all have a very blessed new year.

God Bless America!

Eileen Vondra
District 2 President



District 7



District 7 President Lualice Stockert (left) presents current Department Chaplain Rose Laning with a Past District Presidents pin at the October 23 Fall District meeting held in Hazen.

Education

Greetings Auxiliary members, I am enjoying the beautiful snowflakes today during my writing. I love the snow, so I must live in the right place.

This year, as always, the education program is promoting student learning through scholarships. The four scholarship applications available through National are:

- Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship
- Spirit of Youth Scholarship
- Non-Traditional Student Scholarship
- Junior Auxiliary Member Loyalty Scholarship

The bottom three applications are due to your local unit no later than March 1st, 2022. More information is available at www.ndala.org/education/ or at www.ALforVeterans.org/scholarships/. These scholarship applications were included in an October mailing from the Department Office to units and ND schools. Thank you, Marcy!! Please share the applications with eligible students within your families and communities.

NEW THIS YEAR – The Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship will only be available as an online fillable submittal form. No paper forms will be available and there will be no unit review needed. National will be emailing the completed online applications to each Department. More information will be available as it is received. This is a new process, so please be patient as bugs are worked out.

The program has the Department Education Scholarship application available. Each award is valued at \$500. These applications were included in the October mailing and are available at www.ndala.org/education/. Applications should be sent to me no later than April 1st, 2022.

The Education Program is promoting the 'Give 10 to Education' program. Organize a school supply drive in your area or donate money to local schools for education supplies and safety items. Remember to support your local schools, educators, and staff. Consider a COVID-safe treat donation, a thank-you card brigade, or maybe sending special flowers to honor those that give so much.

Feel free to contact me at education@ndala.org or by telephone/text at 701-491-8776. I will try to answer any application questions you may have.

Have a safe and enjoyable Christmas!
Yours in service,
Shauna Dubuque
Education Chairman



District 9

Greetings to Wonderful District 9!!!

Our Regional meeting for Districts 6 and 9 was held in White Shield on October 10th at 2 pm. Oh, my goodness! Does White Shield know how to put on a meal, or what?! Folks, if you missed this event, let me tell you about the great hospitality that was extended to all attending by the White Shield Legion Post and Auxiliary!

The food was in abundance and delicious, the prizes were fantastic, and the greatest part about their hospitality was sharing of customs and traditions for posting the flags. Thank you so very much, White Shield. We were blessed to enjoy a day with you. District 9 had eight members registered for the day, with units from Parshall, New Town, Little Shell, Watford City, Tioga, and Crosby being represented. We are hoping to have each unit represented at the Spring meeting (just a heads up). The date and location will be listed in the spring edition of The Message.

Required contributions and poppy orders were due by November 1, 2021. If your unit has not done this yet, please look into getting this submitted as soon as possible. Also, please do not forget to spend some time updating your unit's Constitution and Bylaws with the information sent to each unit by the Department Office.

With holidays right around the corner, we need to be thinking of ways to honor and remember the veterans, elderly, children, and youth of our communities. Most times the holidays are happy days, but not always for everyone. Take a good look around and see if there is a person, a family, or an event that maybe we can help make a little brighter. Another way to help our veterans during the holidays is to remember and give to the ND State Veterans Home in Lisbon. Because of the geographical distance between District 9 and the Lisbon Home, it is oftentimes more practical to send a gift of money rather than goods because of postage costs. Be assured that whatever we can do to help is most appreciated!

On October 25th, I enjoyed a visit with the Powers Lake unit at their monthly meeting. What a delightful group that knows how to get things done! They conduct business like a well-oiled machine, paying attention to each detail. The afternoon was enjoyable, and the hours slipped away quickly. It is amazing what we can learn from each other about the American Legion Auxiliary by visiting and spending time with each other. Thank you, Powers Lake, for inviting me!

By the time this publication is released, Veterans Day will be over for another year --- over on the calendar, but not in our hearts. I came across a quote on the internet that really hit home, "If you want to thank a soldier, be the kind of American worth fighting for." Author Unknown. Powerful words!

I hope all of you enjoy a meaningful and special holiday season with friends and loved ones. It will be a busy November and December for most, filled with lots of hustle and bustle. Keep in mind the upcoming Winter Conference to be held in Bismarck on January 28-30, 2022. I am excited! I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas, District 9!

Brenda Ekness
District 9 President



District 5

Season's Greetings to All!

I hope everyone will enjoy safe and healthy holiday celebrations!

District 5 had a good Fall meeting. Representatives from "Quilts of Valor®" and "Wall of Honor" explained their programs to members during the joint session of the Legion and Auxiliary.

We appreciate Department President Sharon White Bear and Department President-Elect Sandra Petermann joining us. Both ladies addressed membership and encouraged all units to maintain and work to increase the number of members. One way to involve members is to formally remember them with a 'Thank You' card when they pay dues and to keep them informed about the accomplishments and activities of their unit.

We are so thankful that Arliss Koski of Wing was elected Vice President of District 5 and I look forward to working with her at future District meetings.

Thank you to all units that have celebrated with our veterans on Veterans Day. Remember our veterans for the holidays at the VA Hospital in Fargo and Veterans Home in Lisbon. If you get a chance to visit a cemetery over Christmas, many will have been decorated with wreaths sponsored by "Wreaths Across America" and are in full holiday splendor. Also keep veterans in mind on Valentine's Day.

The 2022 Winter Conference is set for January 28-3 in Bismarck. I am looking forward to seeing many of you there. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Peggy Moran
District 5 President



Dates to Remember

Gift Shops at both the VAMC in Fargo and the North Dakota Veterans Home in Lisbon will be held as virtual events again this year due to COVID-19 restrictions at the facilities.

December 7 - Pearl Harbor Day
December 21 - First Day of Winter
December 24 - Christmas Eve Day
December 25 - Christmas Day

December 31 - New Year's Eve
January 1 (2022) - New Year's Day
January 17 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 28-30 - Winter Conference
Ramkota Inn Conference Center, Bismarck
February 14 - Valentine's Day
February 22 - Presidents Day
March 13 - Daylight Saving Time Begins AGAIN!
March 20 - First Day of Spring

Call for Parley Dues

Past Presidents Parley Members.

I hope this article finds everyone doing great. Our weather so far this Fall has been wonderful and I am hoping it will continue for at least a month or so. I have two items to remind you of:

Past Presidents Parley dues are \$5.00 per year and are due by December 31, 2021. The funds are used for the Parley's nursing scholarship program. Parley Nursing Scholarships are awarded each year and announced at the Department Convention.

Please send your unit's Past Presidents Parley dues along with a list of your past unit presidents to the Department Office for processing. The list is recorded and maintained by the Parley Secretary.

Thank you.

Diane Kraemer
Past Department President



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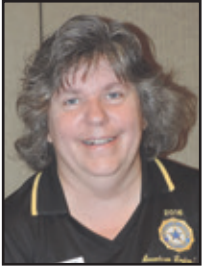
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VA & R



Greetings ALA Members!
I know all of you are working hard on the various American Legion Auxiliary programs. Thank you and bless your hearts. The need just seems to get greater for our veterans and their families.

In the Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (VA&R) world, the Fargo VA Medical Center is looking to update message boards in patient rooms and needs funding to do so. If your unit is looking for a VA&R project, please consider this one. The message boards cost around \$200 each and they have 25 rooms to outfit.

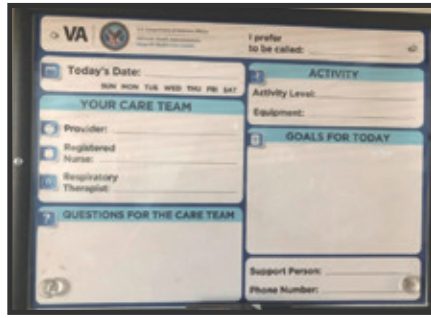
Donations should be sent to the Department Office earmarked for the VA Whiteboards. The Department will then send one check to the VA for total donations given.

Regarding the Gift Shop at the Fargo VA: we are once again giving patients cash gift cards for Christmas. As much as I hate shopping, I always looked forward to shopping for

Gift Shop each year. I know we will be able to do that again in the future, but this year we will again be cautious and provide the patients with a gift card – and a Christmas card for their room.

I hope you can safely celebrate Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas holidays this year.

Thank you for all you do.
LaVonne Matthews
Department Chairman



National Security

Hello Auxiliary Members,
I am sure that you all think of our veterans every day, but it is time to think about them and put those thoughts into action in your local communities.



The American Legion Auxiliary's National Security Program includes supporting not only our veterans but active-duty military members and their families as well. Your unit can be involved and support them in many ways including: providing occasional childcare for a military family, lending a listening ear, or hosting a send-off or welcome-home event.

Auxiliary members can be trained to act in emergency response in times of disaster, such as floods, tornadoes, winter storms and even man-made disasters. Perhaps your unit could sponsor a community blood drive or assist a homeless veteran in some way. Cards and letters would be welcomed by deployed troops assuring them that you are thinking and praying for them.

I have a lot of faith that Auxiliary members will put your thinking caps on and get your unit involved in National Security projects.

God Bless all of you.
Beverly Wolff
Department Chairman

2022 Winter Conference Pre-Registration

Due date to pre-order banquet tickets : Wednesday, January 12, 2022
Banquet tickets will increase to \$35.00 after January 12, 2022

Meetings – January 28-30, 2022
Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center – 800 S 3rd Street, Bismarck, ND 58504
Phone: 701.258.7700

Member Name	Auxiliary Registration	Winter Conference Banquet -Saturday, January 29, 2022		Total Amount
		Banquet tickets will increase to \$35.00 after January 12, 2022		
		Apple Whiskey Pork Chops - \$30.00	Tender Beef Tips - \$30.00	
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	\$15.00			
Total Amount Enclosed				

Please send this form along with payment to :

American Legion Auxiliary Department Office, 1801 23rd Ave N, Rm 113, Fargo, ND 58102-1047
Auxiliary registrations received after January 21, 2022, will be held for on-site registration at Winter Conference.

Department Office Welcomes New Staff



The Department Office would like to welcome Auxiliary member Carol Wolf to the office staff. She has been an invaluable asset to the workplace over the last two years as a tireless volunteer. We now continue to appreciate her services and personality as the formal Office Assistant. Welcome, Carol!

In Memoriam

District 1
Corinne M. Erwin, Buffalo
Delores McLean, SLM, Fargo
Pearl Welder, Finley
Delores A Haugen, HLM, Hannaford
Janice Didier, Sanborn

District 2
Beatrice Grove, SLM, Adams
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Delores M. DeSautel, Grafton
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Donna M. Schaffer, Grand Forks
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Susan Gudajtes, Minto
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Alice J Witkowski, Watford City

District 3
"Sue" Alexis D Schneider, Langdon
Doris Simon, SLM, Langdon
Gladys Hanson, HLM, Milton
Irene Hager, Rugby

District 4
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Carol Montgomery, Carrington
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Marie Laber, Carrington
Dorothy Bauer, Carrington
Delores Kost, SLM, Fessenden
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