

**Department President – Sandra Petermann**

(Bio, not endorsement)

Sandra has been an Auxiliary member since 2003 and is a State Life Member. Her eligibility comes through her husband George’s eight years of service in the US Navy and US Coast Guard during the Vietnam War. Sandra has served six years as Chaplain and President of the Dickinson Unit. She also served as District 8 Vice President along with Cheryl Crook and then served as District 8 President for 4 years. In addition to holding unit and district offices, Sandra has also served as a Department Chairman for various Auxiliary programs including: Constitution and Bylaws, Legislative, Americanism, Poppies, and is currently serving as Department President-Elect and Membership Co-Chairman. In addition to Sandra’s Auxiliary activities, she is also a member of the Stark County Veterans Memorial Association and is active in her church.

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**Department President-Elect – Gloria Covert**

Endorsed by – Unit President Cheryl Gustafson of Fred C. Wagner Unit 235 Rolla

Fred C. Wagner Unit 235 Rolla proudly endorses Gloria Covert for the office of Department President - Elect for 2022-2023. Gloria, whose eligibility is through her father, a World War II veteran, has been an Auxiliary member since 1981. Gloria is a long-time member of the Rolla unit, serving in the capacity of unit officer and in chairmanship roles, as well as serving as District 3 President. She is currently serving as a member of the Department Finance Board and is the current Department Vice President and Membership Co-Chairman.

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**Department Secretary – Marcy Schmidt**

Endorsed by – Unit President Carol Wolf of Gilbert C. Grafton Unit 2 Fargo

Gilbert C. Grafton Unit 2 of Fargo proudly endorses Marcy Schmidt for the office of Secretary of the Department of North Dakota for the 2022-2023 administrative year. Marcy’s eligibility comes through her husband Fred’s service in the US Army, a veteran of the Vietnam Conflict. They are the proud parents of two children and four grandchildren and make their home in Fargo.

Marcy is an active member of Unit 2 and is always willing to assist in unit projects supporting our veterans. She has served on the unit level as President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chairman, and as co-chairman for the Girls State committee. Marcy has served on the Department level as Historian and AEF Chairman and currently serves as Department Secretary, Legislative Chairman, and Public Relations Chairman. We as a unit are proud to continue our support of this wonderful Auxiliary member. We endorse her without reservation for the office of Department Secretary.

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### **Department Treasurer – Sonnie Otto**

Endorsed by – Unit President LoAnn Dick and Unit Secretary Char Wanner of Matthew Brew Unit 3 Dickinson

Matthew Brew Unit 3 of Dickinson endorses Sonnie Otto for the office of Treasurer of the Department of North Dakota for 2022-2023. Sonnie's eligibility comes through her husband Todd Otto, a Gulf War Veteran. She has been an active member of the Dickinson unit since joining the organization and currently serves as Unit Treasurer. She is also the current Department Treasurer. Her work is efficient and accurate. Unit 3 is proud to endorse Sonnie Otto for the important office of Department Treasurer.

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### **Department Chaplain – Rose Laning**

Endorsed by – Unit Secretary and Treasurer Lualice Stockert and Carol Kessler of Vernon V. Isaacs Unit 78 Stanton

The Vernon V. Isaacs Unit #78 of Stanton proudly endorses Rose Laning for the office of Chaplain for the Department of North Dakota for 2022-2023. Rose has been an Auxiliary member since 1993 and is a State Life Member. Her eligibility comes through her husband, Vernon Laning's 3 years of service in the US Army during the Vietnam War.

Rose served as President of the Stanton Unit for 23 years and President of District 7 for 2 years. Prior to that, Rose served as Unit Girls State Chairman for 2 years and Americanism Chairman for 2 years. Since 1991, Rose has served as the Secretary-Treasurer of the Knife River Indian Heritage Foundation at the Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site at Stanton and assists the park with youth programs and concessions when possible. She is active in her church and served as youth leader for 14 years, pianist for 44 years and worship leader for 12 years.

The Vernon V. Isaacs Unit #78 is confident that Rose will represent the Department of North Dakota well as Chaplain. She currently serves as the Department Chaplain.

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### **Department Historian – Andrea Neshem**

Endorsed by – Unit President Carol Wolf Gilbert C. Grafton Unit 2 Fargo

Gilbert C. Grafton Unit 2 of Fargo proudly endorses Andrea Neshem for the office of Historian of the Department of North Dakota for the 2022-2023 administrative year. Andrea is a long-time member of Unit 2 and currently serves as the Department Historian. She makes her home in Minot, ND, and stays active in her community as well as in the Auxiliary. We as a unit are proud to continue our support of this wonderful Auxiliary member. We endorse her without reservation for the office of Department Historian.

\*This list is current as of publication. Further nominations may continue to be brought forward\*