Greetings District 4 Auxiliary Members.

The Winter Conference in Minot was very educational and included a lot of networking between District Presidents. I had a wonderful time getting to know Unit 14 President Charlotte Lassonde of Jamestown.

I would like to visit and get to know all the Unit Presidents in District 4. I invite each of you to attend our District 4 Spring meeting March 23 in Jamestown. I am working on an overview of the Winter Conference for our units. So much information to share such as our new ALA branding, 3 levels of ALAMIS, ALA being visible in schools, getting our junior members involved, teddy bears to local hospitals, and more. Other issues raised at the conference were concerns about members getting their dues paid and units completing updates on their Constitutions and Bylaws.

Meeting National Auxiliary President Vickie Koutz was the highlight of my weekend. What a delightful lady. Department President Sandra Petermann's project of Feeding a Veteran is so dear to her heart and she is passionate about her project. I enjoyed visiting with NW Division Vice President Marlene Boyer, who asked that each and every one of us ask a young person "if they might consider joining one of the military branches." Marlene also stated "God, Family & Country" seemingly are being attacked on a daily basis, but reminded us, the American Legion Family, of who we are and that every day should be Veterans Day.

Please make plans to attend our District 4 Spring meeting to be held in Jamestown and Department Convention in Bismarck on June 23-25.

God bless our veterans and see you at the District 4 Spring meeting.

Jane Schoonover

**District 4 President**